

**MONDAY, APRIL 29**  
**ROSARY FOR PEACE:** 1:30 p.m. in church

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 1**  
**1ST COMMUNION PRACTICE:** 6:00 p.m. in church

**THURSDAY, MAY 2**  
**ROSARY:** 7:00 p.m.

**FRIDAY, MAY 3**  
**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY:** 3:00 p.m. in church

**Small Sacramentals for Tanzania**

The annual Tanzanian mission trip will be May 26, focusing this year on the educational needs of the physically and mentally disabled poor children of rural, west Tanzania. Donations of small sacramentals would be appreciated as well as donations to help fund extra suitcase costs to bring needed essentials. Sacramentals may be placed at church exits marked “missions.” Please call Ellen about monetary donations 419-796-0851. Please leave a message if I don’t pick up. I will provide a receipt for tax deductions if requested. Thank you in advance!

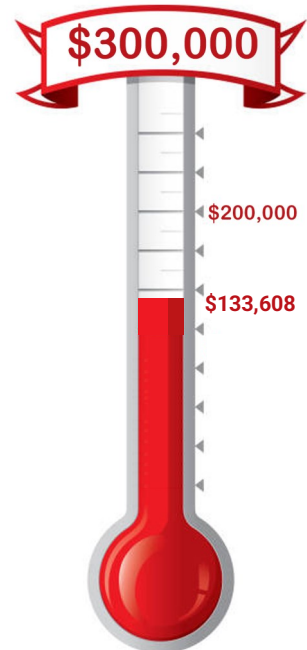
**Heartbeat In Dire Need of Diapers**

Diapers are in extremely low supply, especially sizes 5 & 6, at the Heartbeat Offices. Please drop off donations in the box in elevator entrance of St. Michael’s Church. **Thank you in advance for your generosity!**

**The Eucharist - with Bishop Robert Barron**

This will be a three-session theological study with discussion questions following each video segment. Each session will not exceed one hour. Please join the study in the church basement. There will be evening study sessions and morning study sessions offered. Mornings at 10:30 a.m.: Fridays, May 3 and May 17

**Rectory/Office Space FUNDRAISING GOAL**



**Thank You!**

We have raised \$133,608 for the rectory/office space. Thank you to those who have already donated!



**Parish Improvement Fund Envelopes**

If you would like to donate toward the improvements of the rectory/parish center and front steps, please use the special envelopes at the exits of church. Thanks!

**Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors - May 4 & 5**  
**4:30:** PB: Ryan Buss, Jerry Ellerbrock  
 Bob Gerdeman, Mark Kahle, Dianna Kehres, Cherie Kemper  
**LECTOR: Brenda Aversch**  
**8:00:** PB: Dave Buss, Janice Poppe  
 Ruth Foppe, Lynda Fortman, Darlene Hanneman, Dave Kahle  
**LECTOR: Don Wehri**  
**Ministers to Homebound:** Tony & Sandy Vorst  
**11:00:** PB: Regina Fischnich, Jim Hanneman  
 Lori Erhart, Brandon Erhart, Phil & Sue Fuerst  
**LECTOR: Sandy Westrick**  
**1:00 (First Communion):** PB: Nancy Rampe, Jill Zeller  
 Glen & Annette Schroeder, Connie Cleemput, Becky Lucke  
**LECTOR: Second Grade**

**SERVER SCHEDULE**

Tues, 4/30	8:00 AM	Cooper Rampe Riley Ricker
Wed, 5/1	8:00 AM	Owen Schnipke Ivan Schroeder Lawson Strauer
Thurs, 5/2	7:30 PM	Kobyn Unverferth Jackson Vorst
Fri, 5/3	8:00 AM	Melanie Wannemacher Lillian Wehri Rebekah Bendele
Sat, 5/4	4:30 PM	Logan Rampe Chase Rampe Lillian Schnipke
Sun, 5/5	8:00 AM	Lucas Schroeder Emma Shiningier Luke Siefker
	11:00 AM	Aubrey Simon Kennedy Simon Jagger Miller
First Comm.	1:00 PM	Reese Strauer Kyla Grime Landon Warnecke

**Offertory Bearers - May 4 & 5**

**4:30:** Roger & Lisa Unverferth Family  
**8:00:** Mike & Norma Unverferth Family  
**11:00:** Sean & Adriene Swyers Family

**USHERS - May 4 & 5**

**4:30:** Team 9 **8:00:** Team 8 **11:00:** Team 7

**Everyone Welcome—Dance at Kalida K of C**

A dance at the Kalida K of C, put on by the Ohio Polka Boosters, will be **Sunday, April 28**. Doors open at 2:00 p.m. and the dance is from 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. with the Frank Moravcik Band. Call Mark at 419-966-3826 with questions.

**Professional Catholic Counseling Available**

If you or someone you love might benefit from counseling, confidential professional Catholic counseling, rooted in our Catholic faith, is now available at Findlay St. Michael Parish. Please contact the main parish office @ 419-422-2646 and ask to be transferred to the Catholic Counseling services. Flyers are available at our church exits.

**Baccalaureate Mass**

Sunday, May 19. Mass at 11:00 a.m., followed by a Luncheon sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Invitations with an RSVP will be emailed to the seniors and their parents.

**St. Michael Catholic Church - Kalida, Ohio - April 28, 2024**

**Pastor:** Fr. Nathan Bockrath (nbockrath@toledodiocese.org)  
**Deacon:** Bob Klausing **DRE:** Connie Cleemput **Youth Minister:** Jill Zeller **Maintenance:** Kevin Fischer  
**Website:** stmichaelskalida.org **Address:** 312 N. Broad St.; Box 387; Kalida, OH 45853  
**Phone:** 419-532-3474 **Email:** stmichaelskalida@gmail.com **Office Hours:** Mon-Thur, 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Front row: Bella Schroeder, Grace Verhoff, Kendyl Klima, Aubrey Simon, Corinne Brinkman, Emerson Burgei, Kallie Bockrath, Leah Unverferth, Jayce Frye, Grady Houck, Lucas Schroeder, Grant Hill, Msgr. Kubacki

Middle row: Fr. Nathan, Taylor Nienberg, Emma Shiningier, Madison Verhoff, Sophia Potts, Makayla Kleman, Addelyn Brinkman, Levi Grime, Dominic Vorst, Gavin Leis, Lincoln Warnecke, Trey Dettrow, Christopher Rall, Landon Warnecke, Logan Rampe, Kegan Price, Ross Zeller, Luke Siefker, Zach Ellerbrock

Back row: Olivia Verhoff, Avery Miller, Camryn Niemeyer, Izzy Buss, Maddie Cattell, Brylie Krouse, Trevor Killion, Paul Stechschulte, Leo Parisi, Brady Unverferth, Tobin Anspach, Brant Bockrath, Trey Killion, Owen Grime, Chase Rampe



## Fr. Nathan's Eucharistic Article 31 of 40

*"For from the rising of the sun, even to its setting, my name is great among the nations; And everywhere they bring sacrifice to my name and a pure offering" (Mal 1:11)*

Finally we arrive to the Eucharistic Prayer. This prayer is comprised of eight elements, the first four we will address here and the other four in article 32:

(1)Thanksgiving, (2)Acclamation, (3)Epiclesis, (4) Consecration, (5)Anamnesis, (6)Oblation, (7)Intercessions, and (8) Doxology. The Church allows several forms of this Eucharistic Prayer, but all eight elements will be present. Some of these Eucharistic Prayers find their origin in the early Church. For example, the Roman Canon (which I typically use at Christmas and Easter... it's the one that lists all those saints), originated in Rome at the end of the 4th century, and developed into its present form during the time of Pope Gregory the Great in the 7th century. In all, each of these elements are meant to put our focus on the sacrifice of Jesus that is made available to us in a sacramental way.

**Thanksgiving.** This is particularly present in the prayer that precedes the Eucharistic Prayer proper, which is appropriately called the Preface. There are several forms of the Preface that correspond to the nature of the Mass being celebrated (e.g. Advent, Easter, Funeral, etc.). This is the prayer that begins with the dialogue between the priest and the people: "Lift up your hearts... Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." Interestingly, not one word of this dialogue has changed since the celebration of Masses in the 3rd century. The prayer properly sets our attention on our Lord in a spirit of thanksgiving, which we saw is so important (cf. art. 13). The prayer will give our reasons for being thankful by drawing our attention to the figure of Christ. For example in this weekend's Preface, the reason it offers for our thankfulness is: "by the oblation of his Body, he brought the sacrifices of old to fulfillment in the reality of the Cross and, by commending himself to you for our salvation, showed himself the Priest, the Altar, and the Lamb of sacrifice." After being reminded of the reason to be thankful, we are encouraged to offer our praise/worship with the angels. It calls to mind that our Lord is being worshiped by the angels in Heaven, and if we too worship God, then our prayers in fact join the angelic choir: "many angels who surrounded the throne... they cried out 'worthy is the Lamb that was slain'" (Rev. 5:11-12).

**Acclamation.** This element, also known as the Sanctus (which is Latin for Holy), refers to the final prayer before we kneel. The prayer in particular is meant to prepare ourselves to encounter our Lord's presence. It does this by calling to mind two biblical scenes. The first part is that of the call of Isaiah the prophet, where God appeared on His Heavenly throne surrounded by angels crying out: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of host! All the earth is filled with his glory" (Is 6:3). The second part is that when Jesus arrives on Palm Sunday to His place of passion, the people cried out: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord" (Jn 12:13), "hosanna in the highest" (Mt 21:9). Because this prayer was seen as the most perfect way for the faithful to realize what they are about to encounter, it was introduced into the liturgy by Pope St. Sixtus I (119-128 AD).

At this point, the congregation is invited to kneel. It is quite and the focus is directly on the altar. It draws to mind that in the ancient Old Testament sacrifices, the high priest, carrying the blood of the victims (Heb 9:7), entered alone the Holy of Holies, leaving behind the people to whom he would offer the sacrifice. He offered the sacrifice to God in an atmosphere of awe and respect for God.

**Epiclesis.** This is a Greek word that means "invocation," since it's the part of the prayer where the priest asks that the bread and wine be made holy and worthy of consecration into our Lord's body and blood. This happens at the beginning of the Eucharistic prayer, and you can detect it in two ways. First, the priest extends his hands, palms downward over the chalice and host, and then traces the sign of the cross over them. As the priest does this, you will hear him ask God to make these gifts holy. Secondly, you will hear the servers ring the bell one time. The bell serves as a way to give emphasis and grab our attention to the most important parts of the Mass... thus, when the priest asks for the Holy Spirit to be present at the altar so that we may enter into Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross, it has been an ancient custom for the server to ring the bell.

**Consecration.** After we pray for the Holy Spirit's presence, the priest then recalls the actions of Jesus at the Last Supper and how it is connected to His sacrifice on the Cross. Then, in a dramatic shift, the priest shifts his voice into the first-person singular and speaks the words of Christ at the Last Supper. On the one hand, this is done because it's the words our Lord Himself spoke at the Last Supper. On the other hand, it stresses that it is actually our Lord Himself working in that moment, through the voice of the priest (cf. art. 12). It is precisely at this moment that bread/wine is transubstantiated into the body/blood of Jesus (cf. art. 13). **This is the highest point of the Mass,** for the reality of the Cross is not made present to us (cf. art. 7). To emphasize this part, the bells are rung three times for the when the host is elevated and when the chalice is elevated. Three times to recognize in the reality of the sacrament the presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. By elevating the host and chalice, we offer to the Father this only one Victim of our salvation. As Jesus said: "so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in Him may have eternal life" (Jn 3:14-15). After the elevation, the priest calls for us to recall the Mystery of Faith rooted in the death and resurrection of Jesus... an action that has appeared united to the consecratory formula since the 7th century.

Fr. Nathan

Upcoming Mass Schedule	
<b>TUESDAY, APRIL 30</b>	
8:00 AM	Joyce Klausing (A)
<b>WEDNESDAY, MAY 1</b>	
8:00 AM	Neil Schnipke, Brian Schroeder, Kelly Miller
<b>THURSDAY, MAY 2</b> <i>St. Athanasius, bishop</i>	
7:30 PM	Leo & Irene Schnipke Larry Buss, Fr. Elmer Wurth
<b>FRIDAY, MAY 3</b> <i>Sts. Philip &amp; James, apostles</i>	
8:00 AM	Bill Cleemput, Special Intention
<b>SATURDAY, MAY 4</b>	
4:30 PM	Alvin & Marcella Recker, Ron Kahle, Jr. Dorothy von der Embse, Dick Langhals George, Nora & Dan Basinger Ed Schroeder, David Fersch L/D Amadeus & Marcele Schroeder Family
<b>SUNDAY, MAY 5</b> <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	
8:00 AM	Alvin & Mary Hoffman
11:00 AM	Deters Family, Denny Maag & Family Patty Romes, Brian Schroeder & Family
1:00 PM	First Communicants

**Last Week's Collection:** \$ 12,501.00

### Choir Assignments—May 4 & 5

**4:30:** Ashleigh **8:00:** Alissia **11:00:** Childrens Choir  
**1:00:** YAHS (First Communion)

### Recent Baptisms

#### HARPER ANN HEITMEYER

Daughter of Tyler & Ericka (Kimball) Heitmeyer

#### CALLIE DEE MIKEK

Daughter of Trent & Stacie (Heitmeyer) Mikek

#### LIBBY ROSE UTENDORF

Daughter of Paul & Casey (Unverferth) Utendorf

### Upcoming High School Youth Events

**YES:** June 6-8 more details in this bulletin

**Taste of Kalida** - Tuesday, June 11 (High School helpers needed at each eating establishment). This is a fund raiser for the Youth to help with funds to attend conferences, March for Life, and other youth events, etc.)

**VBS:** July 15-18 (High School help needed for games)

**SFL (Students for Life)** - a Pro-Life organization for H.S. students run by H.S. students

**March for Life (OHIO)** - October 4, 2024

**March for Life (Washington DC)** - January 24, 2025  
(567-376-9115 or stmichaelyouth.kalida@gmail.com)

### Annual Good Grief Kids Camp

Putnam County Hospice, in conjunction with Pathways Counseling Center and Trinity United Methodist Church, will be holding our Annual Good Grief Kids Camp. This is a camp that is for children ages 5-18 who have experienced the death of someone special to them. Camp will be held on July 17th & 18th at Trinity United Methodist Church. Please call Kaylee Wilhelm @ 419-523-4449 or email kwilhelm@pchh.net to reserve a spot for a camper.

### Senior Citizen Day Celebration in Kalida

The Putnam County Council on Aging will be hosting a Senior Citizen Day Celebration on **Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at the Kalida K of C from Noon - 2:00 p.m.** The celebration will include a sit-down lunch along with entertainment by the Country Gentlemen. Ticket price is \$10.00. Tickets may be reserved by calling 419-523-4121 or by visiting the Council on Aging office at 1425 E. 4th St., Ottawa. RSVP's are needed by May 1.

### Teaching Candidate Openings

St. Anthony School in Columbus Grove is seeking energetic, faith-filled individuals for full time primary and intermediate teachers as well as a principal - minister- for the 2024 - 2025 school year. All those who hold a bachelor's degree in education or a related field are encouraged to apply. A background check will be required, and a practicing Catholic is preferred, though not required. For the teaching positions, please email a cover letter and resume to Nancy Dukes, [dukesn@stanthonyschool.info](mailto:dukesn@stanthonyschool.info) or call 419-659-210. For the principal position, apply to: Father David Ritchie, [davritch@aol.com](mailto:davritch@aol.com) or [dritch@toledodiocese.org](mailto:dritch@toledodiocese.org) or call (419) 234-6976.

### Damascus Confirmation Retreat

will be November 15-17, for next year's grade 8 students. Registration will open mid-May. More information will be mailed to the parents.

### Students Planning Mass This Week...

are Cindy Fitzgerald's grade 4 class on Wednesday, May 1, and Marv Kromer and Annette Gerding's grade 7 on Friday, May 3.

### First Communion 2024

First Communion practice is Wednesday, May 1, at 6:00 p.m. The children should come dressed in their First Communion clothes since the group and individual pictures with Casey Kahle will be taken after practice.

### Bereavement Ministry for Putnam County

A Bereavement Group meets the second Thursday of each month, from 7:15-8:15 p.m. at Ottawa Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Meeting Room (enter through the gym doors). This is for all members of St George Deanery (Putnam County). All are welcome! It is a small group setting and the Catholic resource used is Scripture-based. Our focus is to walk with the family of the deceased and offer care and support during their time of loss. Call 419-523-5216 with questions.

### Job Sites Needed YES Project June 7 & 8

Are there some jobs you need help with around your home? If you would like a team of youth and adults to come and help with a small job (like mulching, cleaning gutters, weeding, painting, etc.) either inside or outside your home, please contact Jill Zeller 419-532-3494 X103 or 567-376-9115 by May 24.

### 7th & 8th Grade thru graduating Seniors...

The 2024 Y.E.S. Project will be hosted by Ottawa Sts. Peter and Paul this year, June 6 -8, 2024. Students entering grade 8 through graduating seniors are encouraged to join us for this weekend service project. Registration forms will be available from Jill Zeller... contact her at [stmichaelyouth.kalida@gmail.com](mailto:stmichaelyouth.kalida@gmail.com) or 567-376-9115.

### Adult Leaders Needed for YES Project

Do you like to spend time helping those in need? We'd love for you to join our adult team leaders for the Y.E.S. weekend June 6-8, 2024, hosted by Ottawa St. Peter & Paul. We will be working throughout the St George Deanery (Putnam County). We would love to have Adult team leaders and assistant leaders (current college freshmen and older)! Please contact Jill Zeller 419-532-3494 X103 or 567-376-9115.

### Parish Council Election

The parish council election will be held the weekend of May 11 & 12. If you would like your name on the ballot, call or email Leslie at the Parish Center by April 30. 419-532-3474 or [stmichaelskalida@gmail.com](mailto:stmichaelskalida@gmail.com).

### Chicken BBQ

This Sunday, April 28 from 11:00 a.m. until sold out. Hosted by the Kalida Lions Club. Drive-thru at Kalida High School. Thank you from the Kalida Lion's for continued support of our Community Projects and New Parks connecting Paths

