

# Saint Michael Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - April 8, 2018

Pastor: Fr. Mark Hoying, C.P.P.S. In Residence: Fr. Elmer Wurth, M.M. Parochial Vicar: Fr. Rick Friebel, C.P.P.S.

## From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Happy Easter to all of you. If you haven't been to Walmart lately, you have missed my Easter salutation. I am trying to do therapy on my replaced knee. I travel to Walmart and pick up a shopping cart. I try to hit every aisle and see nearly every person who is in the store as I push my therapy cart (shopping cart). As long as I am standing as straight as I can and walk as correctly as possible, the therapy Nazi feels that Walmart is the place to be. I say Happy Easter to everyone I meet and smile as I do so. The shoppers in the 50% off Easter item discount area smile back while people in groceries, housewares and hunting, think I need therapy on some other area than the knee. I can't believe the Church asks me to do this for another six weeks. Seriously, I am doing better and it won't be long till I am visiting the garden section of Walmart.

So for now, I am thinking Easter and what rising from the dead really means in my life. Here in the life of our parishes, I think of our services for Holy Week. I think of the people who had their feet washed. The idea of being humble servants, rather than letting others serve us is important if we are to be Easter people. Unless we take up the cross, we don't truly enter into what Easter is about. I think of all the people who gave up so much to make our Easter services so special. Many hours were spent decorating and singing. Thanks to all who made the beauty of our faith come alive. What started as the not so beautiful washing of the feet came out as a wonderful journey with the Lord.

I always like the Veneration of the Cross. I wish everyone could see what I see as people kiss, touch or have other ways to say that the instrument of our salvation is an important part of our faith journey with Jesus. I see moms and dads bring their babies in procession and touch their young one's hands and touch the feet of Jesus. I see little children watch parents and imitate a sign of faith. I see elderly who depend on family members to take them to stand in line to say how important faith in the crucified Lord is to them. To see all the people in a single line makes me think that He came and would lay down his life for us, because we are His friends, no matter where we are in our faith journeys.

Saturday I think of those entering into the Catholic Church. We had four people join us in faith this year. It is an honor to be part of their journeys of faith. They are saying that they will find their God through the Catholic Church. It makes me look at our sacraments, our actions and our prayers with a second glance. If the RCIA class is saying yes to this journey as adults, there must be something there for me, also, that I probably take for granted. I like a good journey with the Lord.

My favorite reflection for Easter Sunday came from a young parishioner at the 8:00 a.m. Mass, celebrated by Fr. Rick. As Mass was ending, a small person of faith came right up to Fr. Rick to help him say Happy Easter. Together they blessed the congregation and gave high fives as they processed down the middle aisle. There were gasps of joy and "Ahh's" of sweetness and innocence. Something unusual just happened and it was beautiful to behold. The resurrection is supposed to be like that. Maybe Christmas isn't the only holiday which is meant for children. Let all the children of

God come to Him and let Him touch them so that they can touch others. Easter gives us so much to reflect upon. No wonder the Church gives us seven weeks of Easter season. Six more weeks of therapy in Walmart and Happy Easter.

Have a great week.

Fr. Mark

## Mass Intentions for the Week

**MONDAY, APRIL 9** *The Annunciation of the Lord*

8:00 AM Jeanette Wannemacher

**TUESDAY, APRIL 10**

8:00 AM Special Intention for Health

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11** *St. Stanislaus*

8:00 AM Loretta Vorst

**THURSDAY, APRIL 12**

7:30 PM L/D Dickman & Kamphaus Families

Herk Selhorst, Tom Wannemacher

Mary & Al Siefker Families

**FRIDAY, APRIL 13**

8:00 AM Leonard & Dolores Verhoff

**SATURDAY, APRIL 14**

1:30 PM NM Schnipke & Warnecke

4:30 PM L/D Virgil & Clara Horstman Family

Norman von der Embse, Alfred Landwehr

Bill Bellmann

**SUNDAY, APRIL 15** *Third Sunday of Easter*

8:00 AM Paul & Hilda Fortman

Edwin & Theresa Herman

11:00 AM Connie Miller, Elaine Schimmoeller

Successful Surgery

**Easter Collection:** \$ 40,458.00

## Choir Assignments—April 14 & 15

**4:30:** YAHS **8:00:** HN **11:00:** Youth (practice at 10 am)

## High School CCD—April 11

Everyone has class at 7:00 p.m. April 18 will be the last class.

## Students Planning Mass This Week...

are Stephanie Price's 1C class on Wednesday, April 11, and Jill Zeller's 7B class on Friday, April 13.

## Grade 7 to Lead Rosary

Saturday, April 14, at 4:00 p.m., in church.

## Second Grade Parent Meeting

Parents of second graders making their First Communion will have a mandatory meeting on Tuesday, April 17, at 7:00 p.m. in church. First Communion practice will be Wednesday, May 2, at 7:00 p.m., in church. First Communion will be Sunday, May 6 at 11:00 a.m. May Crowning is Monday, May 7, at 6:00 p.m.

## VBS Meeting

April 16, at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Center.

## Euchre Tournament

**This Sunday, April 8**

Everyone is invited to come play in a Euchre Tournament, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. this Sunday, in the church basement.



**MONDAY, APRIL 9**

**ROSARY FOR PEACE:** 1:30 p.m., in church  
**CLC MEETING:** 7:00 p.m., in the church basement  
**HOLY NAME CHOIR PRACTICE:** 8:30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11**

**HIGH SCHOOL CCD:** 7:00 p.m.  
**YAHS CHOIR PRACTICE:** 8:00 p.m.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 12**

**ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY:** 7:00 p.m. in church  
**K OF C MEETING:** after 7:30 p.m. Mass

**FRIDAY, APRIL 13**

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

**CLC Meeting—Monday, April 9, at 7:00 p.m.**

The topic will be the Medjugorje Pilgrimage. April birthdays will be honored. See you in the church basement!

**Cemetery Cleanup**

April 15 is the final cleanup date to prepare for the mowing season at St. Michael's Cemetery. All decorations will be restricted to the footers (nothing should be on the ground, including mulch). We would like to keep this a beautiful and peaceful place for our loved ones' final resting place. Thanks!

**K of C Charity Campaign Ticket Turn-in!**

The first round is at the meeting on Thursday April 12, or mail them in with the envelope provided. This campaign directs over half of the money for local projects and the more we sell, the more that stays here. Going to a meeting has proven painless for 9 of 10 Knights and Fr. Elmer always has a good story to go with the instruction!



**Kalida EMS Chicken BBQ This Sunday!**

April 8, from 11:00 a.m. until gone. Cost is \$8.

**KHS Musical**

Kalida High School will present "Thoroughly Modern Millie" on Friday, April 13, at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, April 14, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 15, at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for general admission and \$6 for reserved. Tickets on sale at the administrative office and available at the door prior to each show (while they last).



**To the Community of Kalida St. Michael's**

We cannot thank you enough for the prayers and support you showed us during Eric's illness and untimely death on March 20. The benefit was held this past weekend and was a great success due to your generosity. The monies raised will help Wendy, Eric's wife, and the family cope with the loss of Eric's income to pay the medical and funeral expenses. You all are in our prayers, with gratitude and love.

*The Family of Eric Ulm*

**Kalida Area Garage Sales**

April 19, 20 & 21. Maps will be available at area businesses the week of April 16.

**Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)**

Please send your donations directly to: **Diocese of Toledo; ACA; PO Box 917; Toledo, OH 43697-0917.** Thank you!!!

**OFFERTORY - April 14 & 15**

**4:30 PM**  
**8:00 AM**  
**11:00 AM**  
Barry & Beth von der Embse Family  
Paul & Rose Recker Family  
Joe & Linda Hovest Family

**USHERS - April 14 & 15**

**4:30 PM**  
**8:00 AM**  
**11:00 AM**  
Jacob Kahle, Connor Niese,  
Kevin Hamburg, Bradley Siefker  
Ethan Schmenk  
Christian Nartker, Paul von der Embse  
Trevor Vorst, Clay Meyer, Mason Kerner  
Team 12

**LECTORS - April 14 & 15**

**4:30 PM**  
**8:00 AM**  
**11:00 AM**  
Stacy Knueve, Alexis Meyer  
Mary Plescher, Donna Schnipke  
Brayden Recker, Joyce Schnipke

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - April 14 & 15**

**4:30:** Lori Erhart, Halie Kaufman, Sarah Klausung, Deb Knueve, Stacy Knueve, Mike Krouse, Mandy Lambert, Lauren Langhals, McKayla Maag  
**8:00:** Mary Plescher, Dick & Judy Bockrath, Bob & Annette Meyer, Karl & Darlene Miller, Joan Niese, Connor Niese  
**Ministers to Homebound:** Dick & Judy Bockrath, Diane Schroeder  
**11:00:** Rachel Kahle, Mark Kahle, Deb McIntyre, Taylor Lucke, Becky Lucke, Jane Kleman, Alexis Meyer, Deb Miller, Maclerin Morrissey, Peter Morrissey

**SERVERS**

Mon, 4/9	8:00 AM	Dominic Bockrath Kendal Bockrath
Tues, 4/10	8:00 AM	Drew Buss Brooke Erhart
Wed, 4/11	8:00 AM	Ryan Fischnich Nick Foppe
Thurs, 4/12	7:30 PM	Grant Helmke Colin Hoffman
Fri, 4/13	8:00 AM	Joel Horstman Camille Hovest
Sat, 4/14	4:30 PM	Josh Klausung Tyler Klausung
Sun, 4/15	8:00 AM	Trevor Lambert Kevin Lammers Marcy Landwehr Logan Langhals Madison Langhals Mitch Langhals Grant Laudick
	11:00 AM	

**Upcoming Wedding**

**Amber Schnipke & Ross Warnecke**  
will be married on  
Saturday,  
April 14, 2018.  
Please include  
them in your prayers.

