

Saint Michael Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - August 5, 2018

From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone. It's August and I can't believe that Summer is slipping away. But it has been a good Summer with lots of activities. Highlights have been the mission trip to Kentucky, both Vacation Bible Schools and time spent at Hocking Hills in Southern Ohio. These activities helped bring life to me after a long recovery time with my replaced knee. But sometimes it is not an activity that brings joy to the Summer season.

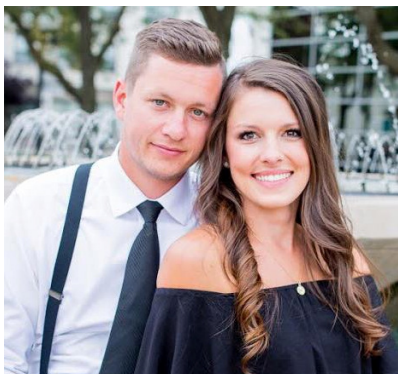
This past week brought an image that warmed my heart. As I was outside the Parish Center, in Kalida, I saw some young people praying in our prayer garden outside of church. They had ridden their bicycles up town and spent some time in the quiet garden to say a prayer. This act was so good on so many levels. I spent time to reflect on the many levels of goodness. I thought of the innocent hearts of these young people. I thought of the example which they must have received from their parents. I thought that maybe our religious education programs are working. I thought of the importance of the prayer that they prayed and asked God to put my name on the issue they were praying for. I prayed for all our families so that God is a part of all their lives. Just that one image brought so much prayer and so much peace to my heart.

I thought of all the activities which families can get involved with during the Summer vacation time. I thought of Disney and beaches and camping and roller coasters and the list went on and on. And then I thought of those children in the prayer garden. I thought of families stopping at church to light a candle. I thought of a day trip to Carey, Bellevue or Maria Stein to see the shrines. There are many quiet activities in the Summer season which can make such a difference in the lives of children and families. Everyone says how busy life is. Maybe it is time to be un-busy. Maybe it is time to be deliberate about being quiet and talking to God. These are lessons that can last a lifetime. Somewhere along the line, it made a difference to the children who visited the prayer garden in Kalida. Our prayer garden in Continental is beautiful, also. Bring the family to a quiet space and say a prayer.

Have a great week. Maybe make it a quiet family week.

Music in the Park

Last Sunday, many people joined together for a wonderful evening. Choirs and soloists from around the area performed Christian music. Food trucks kept people fed while music fed the soul. It was a good, quiet night of taking in and praising God for all the ways He loves us. Join us next year, as we are planning another night of coming together as God's people.



Upcoming Wedding

Margaret von der Embse & Jordan Schimmoeller

will be married on August 11, 2018.

Please include them in your prayers.

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, AUGUST 6 *Transfiguration of the Lord*

8:00 AM

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7

8:00 AM

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8 *St. Dominic*

8:00 AM

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9

7:30 PM

Frank Keller, L/D Grote & Ruen Family
Earl, Irene & Joe Kleman Families
L/D Pete & Alice Gerding Family

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10 *St. Lawrence*

8:00 AM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11 *St. Clare*

1:00 PM

NM von der Embse & Schimmoeller

4:30 PM

50th W.A. Gene & Nancy Schmersal
L/D Schmersal & Hoersten Families
Herk Selhorst, Tom Wannemacher
Alfred Landwehr, In Thanksgiving
L/D Joe & Mildred Buss Family

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

7:30 AM

Paul Menker

10:30 AM

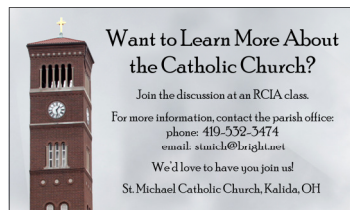
Gene Stechschulte, L/D Kneuve/Ricker Fam.

Last Sunday's Collection: \$ 7,623.50

Choir Assignments - August 11 & 12

4:30: PW **7:30:** HN **10:30:** YAHS

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)...



is for those interested in joining the Catholic Church or learning more about it. Classes start at St. Michael's on Tuesday, September 11, and run weekly through Easter 2019. If you or someone you know is interested, call the

Parish Center or pick up one of the cards in the display in the vestibule and get it in the right hands.

Recent Baptism

AUBRYN ELISE VERHOFF

Daughter of Brian & Tara (Czubik) Verhoff

High School Fun Day at Camp Clay Water Park

(9196 Liberty-Union Rd., Van Wert) on Sunday, August 12, from Noon – 6:00 p.m. St. Michael's will provide snacks and drinks. Meet us there...but if you need a ride, let me know. Please RSVP by Friday, August 10, to Jill (567-376-9115 or kalida.stmichaelyouth@bright.net). Any parents who would like to chaperone are welcome to help. Cost is \$5/person.

Putnam County Challenge Club Fun Day

Wednesday, August 8, at Camp Clay in Van Wert. We will leave from the Parish Center at 11:30 a.m. and return at 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$3 for admission. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Please RSVP to Julie Siebeneck (419-302-2014) or Beth Nienberg (419-796-4182) by Monday, August 6.

2019 VBS & Confirmation Dates

2019 Vacation Bible School will take place the week of July 15-18. Confirmation for Grade 8 will be Saturday, March 30.

MONDAY, AUGUST 6**ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m., in church****THURSDAY, AUGUST 9****ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY: 7:00 p.m. in church****FRIDAY, AUGUST 10****CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m. in church****8th Grade Students**

We have been asked to provide help for the Running with the Law Triathlon / 5K event, held at Four Seasons park on Saturday, August 18 (rock painting, sno-cone making, inflatable toy “bouncers,” etc). Contact Jill to volunteer (567-376-9115).

Fatima Mass at Maria Stein Spiritual Center

August 10, at 7:30 p.m. There will be a Mass and a candlelit rosary and procession. This will be outdoors, so dress appropriately. Join over a thousand people who attend this wonderful celebration every year! Please bring your rosary, chair, and flashlight. Contact Rita Borgelt (532-3637) with questions.

Smoke Testing the Sewer System in Kalida

The Village of Kalida will be smoke testing the sanitary sewer system, beginning August 6 until finished (weather-permitting). If you notice a vapor coming from your down spouts, sump pumps or basement, etc., don't be alarmed. If you have any questions, call the Village Office (532-3899).

Great Adventures Bible Story Book Bible Study...

is still moving along. I've been trying to keep up with everyone to see how it is progressing. We have one group which has been gathering every Monday (a grandmother, her daughter and 8-10 grandkids). Recently, they took a field trip to Carey, OH with 8 grandsons. What a great adventure for them all. We're still forming groups—contact Diana Roehrig.

Catholic Bible Study/Weight Loss Program

God has the answers for our weight and food struggles and all temptations! The *Light Weigh One King program* will be held for 12 Mondays (August 27- November 19) from 7:00-8:30 p.m., at Glandorf St. John's Parish Center. It is a 12 week Catholic Bible Study DVD program, recommended by priests, doctors, nurses & Prevention Magazine for weight-loss and health. There are no weigh-ins! View the orientation video at: lightweight.com and click on Light Weigh One King Orientation Video on the right side of the screen, halfway down. Call Sue Leopold (419-538-6914) by August 15 to join!

Bus Trip to Norwood's Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center for Men, Women & Children

Friday, September 7. Bus leaves at 2:00 p.m., from Glandorf church parking lot. Trip includes: Mass followed by Healing Service with Bro. Carmelo Cortez, snacks, water, bus transportation, driver tip. Evening meal is at your own cost. Cost is \$42 and deadline is August 25. Return time is approximately 11:30 p.m. Contact Mustard Seed (419-538-7220).

PC Health Dept. "Cooking Matters" Class

Thursday evenings from 5:00– 7:00 p.m., August 16 - September 20, at Dupont Church of the Brethren. Free, 6 week course, but you must register (419-523-5608) and hopefully attend all 6 classes. People will learn about and prepare 2-3 healthy recipes per class (which they'll eat/taste) and then take home food to prepare the same healthy meal for their family.

OFFERTORY - August 11 & 12**4:30 PM**

Gene & Nancy Schmersal Family

7:30 AM

Karl & Darlene Miller Family

10:30 AM

Mary Ann Hoersten Family

USHERS – August 11 & 12**4:30 PM**

Team 1

7:30 AM

Team 2

10:30 AM

Team 3

LECTORS - August 11 & 12**4:30 PM:**

Mike Kahle, Deb Schroeder

7:30 AM:

Erin Kerner, Mary Plescher

10:30 AM

Stacy Kneuve, Alexis Meyer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - August 11 & 12**4:30:**

Kay Unverferth, Lisa Unverferth, Diane Vorst, Alice Adams, Jim & Marilyn Becker, Brian, Bev & Anna Berheide, Joyce Bonifas

7:30:

Erin Kerner, Donna Schnipke, Mary Siefker, Duane & Barb Steffan, Norma Unverferth, Don Wehri, Norma Vorst, Gus & Judy Brinkman

Min. to Home:

Diane Schroeder, Ryan & Erin Kerner

10:30:

Greg, Jill & Jade Zeller, Sandy Westrick, Scott Unverferth, Matt Bockrath, Janet Burgei, Dave Buss, Kelly Buss, Michelle Buss

SERVERS

Mon, 8/6

8:00 AM

Camille Hovest

Tues, 8/7

8:00 AM

John Kaufman

Wed, 8/8

8:00 AM

Mariah Kerner

Carson Klausung

Evan Klausung

Jeret Landwehr

Thurs, 8/9

7:30 PM

Sean Maag

EJ Miller

Fri, 8/10

8:00 AM

Malie Miller

Kayla Nartker

Sat, 8/11

4:30 PM

Tara Gerding

Paige Helmke

Jayce Horstman

Sun, 8/12

7:30 AM

Gabe Hovest

Alysen & Makenna Hoyt

10:30 AM

Katelyn & Stephanie Kahle

Ella Kaufman

80th Ft. Jennings St. Joseph Parish Festival

Sunday, August 12: Food - Fun - Games - Prizes! Family Style Chicken & Beef Dinners will be served from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Drive-through carry-outs will be available. Hamburger Stand and Beer Tent from 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Big Ticket Raffle for \$1,000. Weekend Getaway Raffle. Kids Activities include Games, Inflatables, Tractor Pull & more. On Saturday evening, there is burgers, drinks, & MAB 5K Race.

Slow Pitch Softball Co-Ed Tournament

August 10-12, 2018, at the Kalida Varsity Softball Field. \$200/team. Guaranteed 3 games. Minimum of 4 females per team. Call Randy Buss (419-234-5660) to register.

Polka Dance at Kalida K of C

Sunday, August 12, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m., with the Fred Ziwich Band. Doors open at 3:00 p.m. Any questions, call 419-966-3826. Sponsored by the Ohio Polka Boosters.