

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
MONDAY, JANUARY 13
 ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m.
TUESDAY, JANUARY 14
 SENIOR CITIZEN CARD PARTY: 1:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15
 HIGH SCHOOL CCD: 7:00 p.m., in church
 PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: after presentation
THURSDAY, JANUARY 16
 ROSARY: 7:00 p.m., in church
FRIDAY, JANUARY 17
 CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m. in church

Get a Wildcat Card for Only \$10!

The cards are good until October 31, 2014. This fundraiser supports post prom activities, offering a safe and enjoyable time for students. Please contact Renee Kerner (532-2636). Please make checks payable to "Kalida Post Prom."

Dress Extravaganza Sale

Saturday, January 25, at St. Joseph Catholic Church Basement, Fort Jennings. If you wish to sell a prom or homecoming dress or First Communion dress or suit, please bring your clean apparel on a hanger between 9:45 a.m. and noon. You price your item. You pay \$10 per formal dress and \$5 per First Communion dress/suit to put your item on the sale, which goes to FJHS post prom activities. Return between 4:00 and 5:00 p.m. to claim your money or unsold items. If you wish to buy, please come between 1:00 and 3:30 p.m. to shop for the perfect dress or suit. Cash only sale please. For questions, please contact Amy Eickholt (419-286-2626), Sheryl Wiedeman (419-286-2075) or Cheryl Hellman (419-695-1613).

Support Youth While You Shop

Do you shop at Gordon Food Service (GFS)? With a FUN-FUNDS card, you can shop and support the youth attending World Youth Day in 2016. It's free to enroll! If you already have a card from the 2011 WYD group, you do not need a new card; continue to use this to support the youth. If you don't have a card, there are two ways to enroll:

1. Sign up online at <http://gfs.com/funfunds/home.page?OrgNumber=2432583>
2. See the Store Manager to sign up at your local GFS Marketplace store and give them this registration code: **WYD #2432583**. Thank you for your support! Keep us in your prayers as we prepare for this pilgrimage.

World Marriage Day Celebration

St. Michael's and St. John's are hosting the World Marriage Day celebration on Sunday February 9, 2014. All encountered couples are invited to attend. Mass will be held at 2:30 p.m., at St. Michael's, Kalida, with a dinner and dance to follow, from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m., at the Kalida K of C. Anyone wishing to donate a door prize can bring the item the night of the celebration. Presale tickets are \$30 per couple (checks made payable to Marriage Encounter). For tickets, contact Marc & Renee Kerner (419-532-2636), Mike & Jane Merschman (419-532-3562), Ryan & Erin Kerner (419-532-3151), Dale & Stacy Schulte (419-532-3900) or Jeremy & Kendra Smith (419-596-3370) by February 3. Tickets will be available after the Masses on January 25 & 26 and February 1 & 2, at Kalida.

OFFERTORY - January 18 & 19

4:30 PM Joe & Lisa Roebke Family
8:00 AM Roger & Ruth Kahle Family
11:00 AM Eric & Jen Siebeneck Family

USHERS - January 18 & 19

4:30 PM Cole Miller, Austin Schulte, Derrick Schimmoeller, Michael Schroeder, Brent Hovest, Drew Hovest, Austin Klausing, Collin Wurth, Jeff Knueve
8:00 AM Austin Vorst, Alex von der Embse, Adam von der Embse, Brandon Erhart, Kaleb Selhorst, Logan Roebke, Mitchell Kerner, Trent Gerding, Trent Siebeneck, Griffin Recker
11:00 AM Team 12

LECTORS - January 18 & 19

4:30 PM Erin Kerner, Katia Roehrig
8:00 AM Joyce Schnipke, Whitney Smith
11:00 AM Ed & Tammy Schroeder

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - January 18 & 19

4:30: Spencer Vorst, Tony & Sandy Vorst, Casey Wehri, Greg & Jill Zeller, Kelly Buss, Jim & Marilyn Becker
8:00: Amy Brinkman, Norma Unverferth, Norma Vorst, Don Wehri, Gus & Judy Brinkman, Janet Burgei, Connie Cleemput, Eileen Decker
Ministers to Homebound: Amy Brinkman
11:00: Sarah Verhoff, Bev Berheide, Matt Bockrath, Joyce Bonifas, Bob Buss, Dave Buss, Katey Buss, Alice Adams, Jen Edelbrock

SERVERS

Tues, 1/14	8:00 AM	Dakota Rosselit Ethan Schmenk
Wed, 1/15	8:00 AM	Alyssa Schulte Megan Schulte
Thurs, 1/16	7:30 PM	Bradley Siefker Josh Verhoff
Fri, 1/17	8:00 AM	Paul von der Embse Trevor Vorst
Sat, 1/18	4:30 PM	Trevor Maag Devin Merschman Nathan Meyers
Sun, 1/19	8:00 AM	Carlee Miller Cole Miller Cody Niese
	11:00 AM	Abby Langhals Adam Langhals Luke Langhals

T.E.C. Weekends

For High School Juniors, Seniors and College Freshman. The retreats are held on these specific weekends:
Guys: Feb. 22-24, 2014; March 22-24, 2014
Girls: January 25-27, 2014; March 1-3, 2014; April 5-7, 2014. Cost to you is only \$50 and all forms are on St. Michael's Website Youth Group Tab!



St. Michael Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio

Served by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood

Sunday, January 12, 2014

Pastor: Fr. Mark Hoying, C.P.P.S.
Deacon: Bob Klausing **DRE: Connie Cleemput** **Youth Minister: Mary Siefker**
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From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone.

I think I have cabin fever. I am ready for some activity. With the busyness of the Christmas season, I got used to being busy all the time. Now I don't know what to do. The office is closed and the conditions for driving are not the best. I have to limit my hospital visits. One person came to Mass this morning. That person really got a personalized sermon. He couldn't sleep at Mass today. It was actually nice to pray very specifically with someone else. Did you know that a priest is not supposed to do Mass privately unless for good reasons? The unusualness of one person at Mass made me think more deeply about Mass. It was actually very good for me, spiritually, to do a little deeper reflection on my faith.

One of my reflections led to me to the birds and animals during this cold snap. Where do they go? How do they survive? And yet, they do. Somehow God provides for them. And aren't we worth more than sparrows? There are times in our busyness to serve the Lord that we forget how much God serves us. We are blessed more than we can imagine and, yet, during this lull in the season when nature seems to be at rest, we might take the time to do more than imagine how much God loves us. Winter can be a time to reflect on the reality of God's love for each and all of us. Give yourself permission to not be busy. Give yourself permission to think about God and feel the warmth of God's love, rather than the cold outside. Let God take care of you today.

This Sunday we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. We are immersed in the love of God. Before Jesus began His public ministry, He was covered with the power and presence of God. Maybe before we begin our works, we should be immersed with God, also. Baptism isn't just about taking away original sin, it is about being covered by God, Who makes all things possible.

During this week of reflection, take time to think about Baptism—your Baptism. Are you still covered with the love of the Lord or are you covered with something else? Instead of saying that you've got it covered, let God cover you.

Have a warm week, especially when you realize that you are covered with the love of the Lord. *Fr. Mark*

March For Life

There are still openings on the bus trip that goes to Washington D.C. for the March For Life. I went on this trip 38 years ago and it is time to make a return trip to stand up for life. There are many ways to stand up for God's gift of life. If you feel called to make this journey, see the information below. *Fr. Mark*

Join Fr. Mark at March for Life in D.C.

All ages welcome! Bus leaves from Glandorf, St. John's, on January 21, at 5:00 p.m. RSVP to Diane Utrup (419-538-6335 or stjohnsreled@bright.net). Cost is \$160 per person, which includes bus transportation and all meals.

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, JANUARY 13

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

8:00 AM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

8:00 AM Kleman & Siefker Families

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

7:30 PM Don & Joyce Jerwers

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17

8:00 AM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

4:30 PM Mike Verhoff, Tom L. Siebeneck

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

8:00 AM Parish

11:00 AM Bill Schmersal (HN)

Last Week's Collection: \$ 8,760.75

Choir Assignments—January 18 & 19

4:30: RA 8:00: YA 11:00: PW

Our Condolences

The Funeral Mass for **Bill Schmersal** was held on Thursday, January 9. Please include Bill and his family in your prayers.

CRHP Retreat: February 22-23, 2014

There will be a women's retreat from February 22-23, 2014, called C.R.H.P. (Christ Renews His Parish). C.R.H.P. is a spiritual weekend, designed to help you grow in your faith with God and to form new friendships with your fellow parishioners. This is for women of all ages, and it is a very moving and rewarding weekend. To reserve a spot, or for more information, call Kathy Siebeneck (416-532-3205).

Spiritual Trip to Canada & New York Deadline to Sign-Up is This Wednesday

Take part in an enjoyable, slower-paced, spiritual vacation this summer from **July 20-26, 2014**, on a bus pilgrimage to **Canada and up-state New York!** Along with Fr. Gerald Knueven, from the Toledo Diocese, some of the shrines you will visit are: St. Joseph's Oratory/tomb of Brother Andre, St. Francis Xavier Mission, Shrine of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Notre Dame Basilica, and Basilica of St Anne de Beaupre in Canada, Our Lady of Victory National Shrine and the National Shrine of the North American Martyrs, in New York. Over a dozen shrines are included! The deluxe motor-coach leaves from the K of C parking lot, Kalida, with additional pick-up stops, as needed. Sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society of St. Michael's, Kalida, Pinnacle Travel and Tours is in charge of reservations. Call Chris Dougherty (419-345-2512 or cdougherty@pinnacletoourexprience.com), or contact Rita Borgelt at 419-532-3637 or hborgelt@bright.net for details and registration forms. **Deadline is January 15, 2014.**

Pancake Breakfast This Sunday, January 12

The Youth Group will be hosting a Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Juice, Coffee and All-You-Can-Eat Pancake breakfast from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in the church basement. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children, ages 5-12. Children 4 & under eat free. Proceeds benefit youth attending Catholic summer camps and conferences.

Holy Name Christmas Party

Friday, January 24, following a 6:00 p.m. Mass. Holy Name members will be selling tickets before and after Masses on January 11 & 12 & 18 & 19. Tickets are \$10. Advance ticket purchase is appreciated as it is helpful in planning the meal and arrangements, but regardless, members are welcomed to purchase tickets at the door. We encourage members to mark their calendars for an evening of fun. Wives, it's a great opportunity to "spring" into the 2014 shopping season, or take in a dinner-n-movie with friends.

Recent Baptisms

GARRETT NOLAN HASELMAN

Son of Derek & Amanda (Fischer) Haselman

ADALYNN KAY SWYERS

Daughter of Sean & Adriene (Unverferth) Swyers

High School CCD

Prayer Service on January 22

There will be a prayer service for life on Wednesday, January 22, from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., in church. All high school students are to meet in church. Everyone is welcome to join us.

8th Grade Fun Night—January 17

7:30 - 11:00 p.m., at St. Michael's Gym. Cost is \$4. Pizza, snacks, pop and games. Sponsored by the Youth Group.

Jr. High Gathering

January 26, from 1:00 - 7:00 p.m., at Ottoville Immaculate Conception. Forms were sent to parents and are due back January 19. Call Mary Siefker with questions.

K of C Dues/Family Breakfast

It's that time of year again when your dues need to be paid. Dues are \$25 per year. They are due by January 31. On Sunday, January 19, we will be serving a free breakfast for the member and his family if dues are paid that day or earlier. Dues can also be mailed to Ken Hanneman (126 Eastwick Dr., Ottawa, OH 45875). Also, if you sign up a new member that day, they also get a free breakfast.

K of C Free Throw Contest

The free throw contest will be held on Sunday, January 26, for boys and girls, ages 10-14. Eligibility is determined by the contestant's age as of January 1. Entry forms will be available at the gym the day of the contest and must be signed by a parent or guardian. The gym will be open at 12:30 p.m., and competition will begin at 1:00 p.m., in the Kalida High School Gym. Winners advance to district competition, to be held Van Wert. Contact Bob Fischnich (419-532-2681) for information.

Students Planning Mass This Week

are Ruth Kuhlman's 3B class, on Wednesday, January 15, and Michele Doepker's 8B class, on Friday, January 17.

High School CCD Classes— January 15 Attention High School Students and Parents

On January 15, all students in grades 8-12 will meet in church, at 7:00 p.m., for a presentation by Dr. Bill & Lori Scherger. Parents are asked to attend this informative meeting. It could change the life of someone you know. The presentation will last until approximately 8:30 p.m. Our 8th grade students and their parents will be joining us. A letter to the parents has been sent home with more details.

Elementary CCD Notes

Progress Reports will be sent home on Monday, January 13.

Parish Council

Your current Parish Council members are: Keith Meyer, Dale Siebeneck, Gina Erhart, Dan Lucke, Joan (Dan) Vennekotter, Erin Kerner, Carol Bockrath, Tim Schroeder, and Marlene Kahle. Please feel free to contact any one of us if you have a question, concern, or suggestion concerning our parish. The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 15, after the conclusion of the presentation in church (approximately 8:30 p.m.).

Want to Grow in Your Faith?

The next book study group discussion will be held Tuesday, February 18, at the Parish Center, from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. The book that we will be reviewing is "7 Secrets of the Eucharist" by Vinny Flynn. The book can be purchased online from Mercy Song, at mercysong.com, Ignatius Press, Amazon, Barnes & Noble or at the Mustard Seed. There is a study guide that can be purchased. This is optional for the study group. We will not use the study guide during our discussion. If you have any questions, contact Connie Cleemput or Tammy Schroeder.

Marriage Encounter Planning Meeting

Attention Kalida, St. Michael, and Continental St John's Marriage Encounter couples. This year's Marriage Encounter Dinner/Dance will be hosted by our parishes. Everyone is welcome. We need everyone's help to make this a success. We will be having a **planning meeting on Friday, January 17, at 5:30 p.m.** The meeting will be held at Sycamore Lake Winery. Address is 9660 Mayberry Road, Columbus Grove. If you are willing to help and unable to attend this meeting, please call Mike & Jane Merschman (419-532-3562) or Dale & Stacy Schulte (419-532-3900).

Volunteers Needed at The Meadows

If you are interested in spending some time on our campus and helping out our residents, we would greatly appreciate it! Please call Shannon (532-2961) for more information.