

# Saint Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - January 13, 2019

## From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone, and for one last time, Merry Christmas. I have to say that this Christmas was wonderful, but could have been a bit whiter. When the snow did arrive this week, even a little, I had to stop and take it in. It was nice to just sit back and look at big flakes. The snow transformed not only the trees, but also cars as they were moving slower than usual. I thought to myself that, as I begin a new year, that transforming the world by slowing down would be a good resolution. I might not transform the whole world, but my corner would be a little more beautiful as I would take in God's wonders.

This week I got to be in a couple of classes and answer questions posed by students. One of the questions was, "How many miracles had I done in my priesthood?" Before you read my answer, what would you answer to that question? Many of the students know how big God is and wonder about "big" things in our faith. Many questions have to deal with exorcisms, healings, stigmata or unexplained phenomena. The students like to hear about Confession stories or healings after Anointing of the Sick. They want to hear about the big things of our faith.

My answer to the student's question was that I had not "done" any miracles. God does the amazing things (miracles) in our lives and works through people to accomplish His will. I think it is a miracle that He uses a pig farmer to do His work. It has been my blessing to see thousands of miracles and some of them are pretty mind blowing. I shared some of these stories with the students and they were pretty awestruck, just as I was. But He also uses snowflakes and all creation as His handiwork. Maybe if we slowed down to be amazed more, miracles wouldn't seem so out of the ordinary. Snowflakes become big things. They become something which shows the power of God. And that is the definition of a miracle— anything that shows the power of God.

As we begin 2019, it could be a time to look for miracles and be part of the amazing world of God. Have a great week, everyone.

*Fr. Mark*

## Thank You to Helping Hands Volunteers...

who made the desserts for Carolyn's funeral luncheon. It was much appreciated.

*Ken Unverferth & Family*

## The Baptism of the Lord



## Mass Intentions for the Week

### MONDAY, JANUARY 14

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 15

8:00 AM Right to Life (CLC)

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16

8:00 AM Matilda Hohenbrink, Don & Joyce Jerwers

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 17 *St. Anthony, Abbot*

7:30 PM Gene Czubik, Mike Czubik

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 18

8:00 AM Leonard & Dolores Verhoff

6:00 PM L/D Holy Name

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

4:30 PM John Phillips, Louis Verhoff

Jim & Helen Knueven

Ron Averagesch, Dorothea Averagesch

Herk Selhorst, Tom Wannemacher

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 20 *Ecumenical Sunday*

8:00 AM Ray Schroeder Family

11:00 AM Don Holtkamp & Family

**Last Sunday's Collection:** 10,936.50

## Choir Assignments - January 19 & 20

**4:30:** TBA **8:00:** Laura **11:00:** Youth (practice at 10 am)

## Students Planning Mass This Week...

are Cindy Fitzgerald's 4B class on Wednesday, January 16, and Joyce Bonifas's 7A class on Friday, January 18.

## High School CCD - January 16

The juniors and seniors will meet with the Culture Project Missionaries. Everyone else will have class.

## Parents Who Missed the Mandatory Meeting

The make-up meeting for the parents who missed the mandatory meeting on January 8 will be held on Tuesday, January 15, at 7:00 p.m., at the rectory. If you can't make that meeting, you will need to contact Fr. Mark (419-532-3494, ext. 101).

## Students in Grade 5 Will Lead the Rosary...

on Saturdays, January 12 & 26, before the 4:30 p.m. Mass. Also, students in grade 5 will be doing the ministries at the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, Feb. 10. Parents will need to sign the permission form so we know who can be a part of the Mass.

## Engaged Couple Workshop (Pre-Cana)

To register, visit [jfmtoledo.eventbrite.com](http://jfmtoledo.eventbrite.com) (and choose from the different dates at the bottom). The workshop at Kalida is held on February 9 & 10, but you can attend any workshop.

## Holy Name Christmas/New Year's Party...

will be held this Friday, January 18, 2019, beginning with Mass at 6:00 p.m.

## Gathering for Grades 6, 7 & 8 in Glandorf

St. George Deanery Junior High Gathering, "Make a Name... Make a Mark" will be Sunday, January 27, at Glandorf St. John's, at 1:30 p.m. and ending with Mass at 6:30 p.m. \$7/person (open to grades 6,7,8). Registration and medical forms available at [stmichaelskalida.org](http://stmichaelskalida.org), under the Youth Group Tab.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 14**

ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m., in church

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 15**

RCIA: 7:00 p.m., in the church basement

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16**

HIGH SCHOOL CCD: 7:00 p.m.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 17**

ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY: 7:00 p.m. in church

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 18**

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

HOLY NAME PARTY: after 6:00 p.m. Mass

**OFFERTORY - January 19 & 20****4:30 PM**

Mark &amp; Deb Kahle Family

**8:00 AM**

Roger &amp; Ruth Kahle Family

**11:00 AM**

Mary Ann Hoersten Family

**USHERS - January 19 & 20****4:30 PM**

Team 8

**8:00 AM**

Team 9

**11:00 AM**

Team 7

**LECTORS - January 19 & 20****4:30 PM:**

Paul Bonifas, Shelly Burkhart

**8:00 AM:**

Bob Buss, Jennifer Erhart

**11:00 AM**

Brenda Averagesch, Clara Elkins

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - January 19 & 20****4:30:** Scott Unverferth, Jim & Marilyn Becker, Brian & Bev Berheide, Matt Bockrath, McKenna Bockrath, Greg Bockrath, Joyce Bonifas, Janet Burgei**8:00:** Amy Brinkman, Norma Unverferth, Norma Vorst, Don Wehri, Gus & Judy Brinkman, Bob Buss, Dave Buss, Tom & Judy Bonifas**Ministers to Homebound:** Amy Brinkman**11:00:** Sandy Westrick, Kamryn Wurth, Greg, Jill & Jade Zeller, Alice Adams, Kelly Buss, Michelle Buss, Eileen Decker, Clara Elkins**SERVERS**

Tues, 1/14	8:00 AM	Jaden Smith Allison Stechschulte
Wed, 1/15	8:00 AM	Evan Stechschulte Gabe von der Embse
Thurs, 1/16	7:30 PM	Katie Bendele Andrea Burgei
Fri, 1/17	8:00 AM	Maria Gerding Meredyth Horstman
Sat, 1/19	4:30 PM	Kenzie & Kyla Fortman Nicole Fortman
Sun, 1/20	8:00 AM	Tara Gerding Paige Helmke Jayce Horstman
	11:00 AM	Gabe Hovest Alysen & Makenna Hoyt

**World Marriage Day Celebrated in Ottawa**

Sunday, February 10, 2019. All encountered couples are invited to attend the celebration, hosted by Sts. Peter & Paul, Ottawa. Mass is at 3:00 p.m. at Sts. Peter & Paul, with a dinner and dance from 4:30 - 8:00 p.m., at the Ottawa K of C. Presale tickets are \$30/couple. Contact Ryan & Erin Kerner (419-532-3151) by January 28.

**Benefit Next Sunday at St. Barbara's**

St. Barbara's, Cloverdale, is sponsoring a fundraiser to help with renovations for the Sisters who make their hosts for Holy Communion. On *Sunday, January 20*, (inclement weather date: Sun., Jan, 27) they will have an All-You-Can-Eat Pancake/Sausage/Egg Breakfast from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. Cost is \$8-Adults, \$4.00-Children (6-12), 5 years & under-Free. Raffles: \$50 Gift Certificate to The Mustard Seed/Glandorf & \$50 Gift Certificate Valero Gas Card, along with a 50/50 Ticket Drawing. Meal and raffle tickets will be sold in the narthex before and after the weekend Masses at St. Barbara's and also the day of the event. You can also purchase tickets by calling: Donna (419-488-3371), Theresa (419-488-2381) or Pam (419-488-3351).

**Catholic Movies/Books at Your Fingertips**

To access [formed.org](http://formed.org), look under "Recent Bulletins" on [stmichaelskalida.org](http://stmichaelskalida.org) for the link and create an account if you haven't already done so. There are a wealth of Catholic resources for you and your family to enjoy.

**Mandatory Meeting - January 22**

On January 22, at 7:00 p.m., there will be a mandatory parent meeting for parents of our students in grade 2 who are preparing for First Reconciliation. This meeting will be held in the church basement. First Reconciliation will be February 5, at 7:00 p.m.

**Putnam County Right to Life Events**

Putnam County Right to Life will be hosting our Rally for Life on Sunday, January 20, at 2:00 p.m., at the American Legion Hall, in Ottawa. A representative from Heartbeat will be speaking on the new office in our county. Come for pro-life inspiration. Also, our annual Garage and Bake Sale will held on Wednesday, March 27 & Thursday, March 28, with setup on Tuesday, March 26. All gently-used items will be accepted.

**Eucharistic Adoration Volunteers Needed**

From Saturday, January 26, at 9:15 a.m., until Sunday, January 27, at 3:00 p.m., there will be Eucharistic Devotion in the church. We are asking anyone who would like to prayerfully support our CHRIP (Christ Renews His Parish) women's retreat participants to sign up for an hour slot on the signup sheet that will be at the back main entrance of the church. Thank you for being a positive role model and a faithful disciple of our Lord.

**Bus Pilgrimage to Alabama**

A Spring-Lenten Bus Pilgrimage to shrines in Alabama will leave from Kalida on Sunday, March 31, and return on Friday, April 5, 2019. We'll visit the "miniature" Ave Maria Grotto, St. Bernard Abbey, Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament, Our Lady of Angels Monastery, EWTN studios, attend "EWTN Live" TV show with Fr. Mitch Pacwa, Our Lady of Good Hope rehab center, and the Basilica of the Assumption. Cost is \$650/person with two people in a room. Contact Rita (419-532-3637).

**Wade Wehri Family Benefit - February 3**

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Chicken Dinners **Pre-Sale ONLY** \$8. If you are interested in donating a Silent Auction/Raffle item or would like to purchase Chicken Dinner tickets, Get-away Raffle tickets, or t-shirts, please visit The Gentry or The Express Mart, in Ottoville or contact Sara Beining (419-230-5823).

**Women's CRHP—January 26-27, 2019...**

Call Kelly Webken (863-0168) or Joanne Horstman (234-3204).