

Saint Michael Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - July 16, 2017

From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone.

My time this past week has been taken up by Vacation Bible School. This is my ninth VBS and there are similar things which happen at each one of the gatherings. There is singing and dancing. Laughter is abundant and I always get drenched by kids of all ages. Songs stick in my head all summer. In the midst of it all, there are certain themes in the Bible which occur every year. We know that God loves us always and in all ways. God is ready to take us back when we mess up and is ready to lift us up when we are down. With all the songs and dances, crafts and water games, Vacation Bible School never gets old for me. What never gets old to me is the faces of excited children and adults. If a new song is learned, a new way that shows God's love is taken to heart or a positive way to experience Church is had—getting drenched is more than worth it. Getting a high five from children never gets old. Seeing faces of proud parents warms the heart. There are many good things about VBS. The love of God is not just something read about in the Bible, it is to be experienced in how we live. The joy of the Gospel comes alive. Thanks to everyone at St. John's and St. Michael's who have made VBS a God-filled event here in Putnam County.

As I checked my calendar for the rest of the year, I noticed that, between the two parishes, I will have weddings every weekend, but one. Weddings are such an important part of the life of a parish. For me, it is not about the dresses or tuxes. As parents tear up, I know that their inner prayers have been answered. When a groom cannot get the words out, I know that love is coming from his heart. As the bride looks into the eyes of her groom at the first dance, I see the eyes of love. For me, weddings are such a religious/God event. Over the years, I have noticed more and more people coming to church to hear the vows of what love should look like and to start the day off right because God is there for the couple and for all of us. I enjoy weddings for the couple and for our churches because I see the face of God, the face of love.

Have a great week, everyone. I will be spending this week just trying to dry out.

Fr. Mark

Our Condolences

The Funeral Mass for **Jane Leopold** was held on Saturday, July 15. Please include Jane and her family in your prayers.

High School Outing at Camp Clay

St. Michael High School Youth are invited to Camp Clay Aqua Park, 9196 Liberty Union Road, Van Wert, just a 1/2 hour drive from Kalida, on **Monday, July 24**, from Noon – 4:00 p.m. Cost is only \$2/person. St. Michael's will provide the drinks and snacks for the day. Let me know if you need a ride; we can arrange carpooling. Call Jill (419-532-3494, ext. 103, or 567-376-9115). Fr. Mark will be joining us, too! Never been to Camp Clay? Watch: [youtube.com/watch?v=wsD2Eo7Xi9M](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wsD2Eo7Xi9M)

Holy Name Tickets Still Out There

14 tickets have yet to be turned in. If you happen to have any of them, please bring them to the meeting this Monday.

VBS Pictures: will be in next week's bulletin.

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, JULY 17

8:00 AM Bill Cleemput (A)

TUESDAY, JULY 18

8:00 AM Anna Landwehr

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

8:00 AM Good Test Results

THURSDAY, JULY 20

7:30 PM Mary Lou Felkey, Emily Kahle,
Leonard & Anna Rose Kahle
Barbara Laurita, Herk Selhorst

FRIDAY, JULY 21

8:00 AM Jane Leopold (RA)

SATURDAY, JULY 22 *St. Mary Magdalene*

1:00 PM NM Ellerbrock & Rode

4:30 PM Dorothea Averagesch, Dick Langhals

Brandon Horstman

Joseph & Marjorie Verhoff Family

SUNDAY, JULY 23

7:30 AM Evangeline & Oscar Kerner

10:30 AM Don Holtkamp, Bob Quinn

Last Week's Collection: \$ 7,700.25

Choir Assignments - July 22 & 23

4:30: PW 7:30: Laura 10:30: RA

KHS Summer Blood Drive

Tuesday, July 18, at KHS, from 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. The Red Cross is currently under a blood emergency and has an urgent need for type O blood. Walk-ins are welcome. To schedule an appointment, go to redcrossblood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS, or call Beth Grime (419-532-2750).

Bus Trip to Our Lady's Farm in Falmouth, KY

Men, women and children are welcome to join us on Wednesday, August 2, 2017. Bus departs at 6:30 a.m., from Glandorf St. John's parking lot. We return around 6:00 p.m. Cost is \$45 per person. Trip includes a personal tour of chapel, grounds, snacks, water & bus transportation. Bring your own bag lunch with your name on it. Contact Mary Duling (532-3080), Karen Osterhage (532-3282) or Rose Schumaker (419-236-2696) to register. Deadline is Tuesday, July 25.

Benefit for Jennifer Honigford

On Saturday, July 22, from 4:00-10:00 p.m., there will be a **Rally Together Benefit/Celebration** for 29 year-old Ottoville resident Jennifer Honigford, who was diagnosed with leukemia this past November. Jennifer received a bone marrow transplant in March. The benefit will take place at Black Bird Farm, located at 20875 Road 14, Columbus Grove. There will be a corn hole tournament, with proceeds benefiting the James Cancer Hospital. Pre-registration is preferred by calling Jessica at (419) 615-8063. There will be food, music, lawn games, and raffles. Donations of raffle items are being accepted. Be The Match will be present to register individuals as potential bone marrow donors. There will also be a drawing for Disney Cash (\$3000.00—no expiration date). Tickets are \$10 each or 3/\$20.00. Do not have to be present to win this drawing. Everyone is welcome!

MONDAY, JULY 17

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

HOLY NAME MEETING: 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 20

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

FRIDAY, JULY 21

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

Mass Servers Invited to Attend...

a Fort Wayne TinCaps Baseball Game for FREE!

- Date: Thursday, August 10
- Meeting Time: 4:00 p.m.
- Meeting Place: Glandorf St. John's Parish Center
Pre-School south end parking lot
- Game Time: 7:05 p.m.
- Return Time: 11:30 p.m., approximately, at the same parking lot
- Reserve Your Ticket: \$10 per Mass Server, which will be refunded at the game
- Includes: Free ticket, Free \$5 food voucher to spend at the stadium, and free bus transportation
- Required: Completed permission and medical form (found on Saint Michael's website) with deposit (which will be refunded).
- Deadline: **July 30**—all tickets will be purchased in advance for discount.

Return form and deposit in an envelope marked "TinCaps" in the collection, or to the Parish Center by July 30

Parents, you can also attend at your own cost. Please include \$13 each with this registration.

Special Request from Ottawa Food Pantry

They are in need of any kind of cereal in smaller boxes (16-24 oz) and canned potatoes. Please place items in the boxes at the entrances of church before **July 17**. Thanks!

Attention Girls in Grades 5-8

All Challenge Club girls and any girls in 5th-8th grade who are interested in the Challenge Club are invited to: Camp Clay Aqua Park (9196 Liberty Union Road Van Wert) - just a 1/2 hour drive from Kalida - on Wednesday, July 26, from Noon - 4:00 p.m. Cost is \$2/person. The Challenge Club will provide the drinks and snacks for the day. We will car-pool from the Parish Center at 11:30 a.m. and return around 4:30 p.m. Please RSVP by Monday, July 24, to Julie (419-532-2572) Michele (419-532-2536) or Jill (419-532-2511). We will need parents to help drive, please let us know if you are available. Never been to Camp Clay? Check out this YouTube video: [youtube.com/watch?v=wsD2Eo7Xi9M](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wsD2Eo7Xi9M).

Lunch at Ottawa Park - July 20...

from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Ottawa Senior Citizens Center (1035 East Third St.). 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Menu: Pulled Pork with scalloped potatoes and green beans, Brats Platter, Hot Dog Platter (regular or southern style), Desserts and Drinks. Dine in the center or eat out in the park. Carry outs available by calling 419-523-5593. Music by Bob Clark.

Polka Dance at Kalida K of C

Sunday, July 16, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m., with Duane Malinowski. Call 419-236-8029 with questions.

OFFERTORY - July 22 & 23

- 4:30 PM** Tony & Sandy Vorst Family
- 7:30 AM** Herm & Rita Borgelt Family
- 10:30 AM** Mike & Annette Gerding Family

USHERS - July 22 & 23

- 4:30 PM** Team 8
- 7:30 AM** Team 9
- 10:30 AM** Team 7

LECTORS - July 22 & 23

- 4:30 PM** Wendy Schimmoeller, Beth Selhorst
- 7:30 AM** Dennis Turnwald, Don Wehri
- 10:30 AM** Carl Siefker, Barb Unverferth

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - July 22 & 23

- 4:30:** Mike Krouse, Mandy Lambert, Abby Langhals, Becky Lucke, Taylor Lucke, Deb McIntyre, Mary Lou Merschman, Deb Miller, Maclerin Morrissey, Lisa Niese
- 7:30:** Ed Schroeder, Bob & Annette Meyer, Jane Kleman, Karl & Darlene Miller, Joan Niese, Connor Niese, Mary Plescher
- Ministers to Homebound:** Ed & Tammy Schroeder, Bob & Annette Meyer
- 10:30:** Stacy Knueve, Michele Niese, Tori Niese, Don Rall, Lisa Rampe, Teresa Rampe, Rose Recker, Deb Remlinger, Mark Remlinger, Tom Roof

SERVERS

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| Mon, 7/17 | 8:00 AM | Justin Siebeneck Adam Siefker |
| Tues, 7/18 | 8:00 AM | Tyson Siefker Jakob Swyers |
| Wed, 7/19 | 8:00 AM | Amanda Unverferth Brooke Vennekotter |
| Thurs, 7/20 | 7:30 PM | Noah Verhoff Grant Vorst |
| Fri, 7/21 | 8:00 AM | Ella Wehri Peyton Wurth |
| Sat, 7/22 | 4:30 PM | Josh Klausung Tyler Klausung Jillian Knueve |
| Sun, 7/23 | 7:30 AM | Connor Krouse Trevor Lambert Kevin Lammers |
| | 10:30 AM | Marcy Landwehr Logan Langhals Madison Langhals |

Wildcat Soccer Camp

July 24-27, at the Kalida Park, from 9:00 a.m. - Noon for ages 6-9 (approx.) and 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. for ages 10-15 (approx.). Forms available at the Kalida Post Office or call Mark Czubik (419-532-3841).

Upcoming Wedding

Eric Ellerbrock & Kendra Rode

will be married
Saturday, July 22, 2017.
Please include them
in your prayers.

