

Saint Michael Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - July 29, 2018

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Hi, everyone. I just returned from a little trip to Hocking Hills in Southern Ohio. A good time was had by all. I used the time to refresh and renew. Most of my time was spent babying my knee, but for the most part, the knee held up really well.

I felt right at home at Old Man's Cave. First of all, it is not a cave, it's a cavern. Someone is not telling the truth. Secondly, I did feel old, as many people passed me by on the paths that led up to the cavern. It was humbling as small children and persons older than I arrived at the sight. It was also humbling to see the amazing hand of God in creation. With all the cell phones taking pictures and all the technology that was surrounding me, I think God's wonder trumped them all. I knew that God's natural creation trumped them all when all the towers in the world could not connect calls from Old Man's Cave. I felt right at home with no technology connection. Maybe I am old.

The next adventure was zip lining. I was determined to push my knee to the limit. No one crashed and burned while I was there, but I did stretch my knee in ways I haven't stretched it for a long time. I know that I was making faces I haven't made for a while, also. By the end of the adventures on the wires, we still had time to do some more hiking. By the end of the day, I was tuckered. I slept through the night, which was the first time that has happened for many months. Maybe the stretching helped me.

I know that during the trip I was stretched in other ways besides physically. I stayed with a family of five. I don't know who was stretched more—them or me. I found out that when to eat, what to eat, how to eat all became part of the family formula. The stretching helped me to pray a little differently and appreciate what a family has to go through on a daily basis. I'm sure they had a few thoughts about me, also. Stretching is not a bad thing if it leads to greater flexibility and can open you up to new things.

The adventures continued with more hiking. I really do like the wonders of God. Besides all the physical wonders of caverns, I did get to see lots of animal wonders, such as butterflies to beavers. I am an animal person, so these wonders touched me maybe more than some of my companions. Variety makes the world go round and shows the creative wonder of God. With all the curvy roads due to the mountain terrain, it was nice to get back to Putnam County where it is flat and square when it comes to roads. I don't have to worry as much about becoming car sick in Putnam County. We all have to find our niche of where God wants us in the world.

I could go on and on, but better stop for now. Hope you are all finding your place in this world, but are stretched to see God's goodness in all kinds of places. It is good to be back. God bless you all. I did pray for you early in the morning while the other people in the cabin were sleeping in. *Fr. Mark*



Upcoming Wedding

Allison Fuerst & Dillon Flick will be married on August 4, 2018. Please include them in your prayers.

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, JULY 30

8:00 AM Mike Schroeder

TUESDAY, JULY 31 *St. Ignatius of Loyola*

8:00 AM Evangeline & Oscar Kerner

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1 *St. Alphonsus Liguori*

8:00 AM Norbert & Angie Recker

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2

7:30 PM Leo & Irene Schnipke

Harold Rampe, John Phillips

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3 *First Friday*

8:00 AM Wilfred & Ruth Hermiller

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4

2:00 PM NM Fuerst & Flick

4:30 PM George Basinger, Dan Basinger

Theresa Foppe, Mary Lou Felkey

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5

7:30 AM Alvin & Mary Hoffman, Patricia Sarka

10:30 AM L/D Nartker/Bailey Families

Last Sunday's Collection: \$ 10,827.01

Choir Assignments - August 4 & 5

4:30: Laura **7:30:** Renee **10:30:** RA (Renee)



All are welcome to share a night of praise and worship at the Kalida Four Seasons Park this **Sunday, July 29, 2018.**

Music will be provided by the choirs of St. Michael's and other community churches and individuals.

Food trucks will arrive at 5:00 p.m. for anyone wanting to purchase food.



Feel free to bring your own food, drinks and lawn chairs.



Praise and worship is from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

*I'd like to make a personal appeal to our parishes to take time out to enjoy some Godly music under the friendly skies of Kalida. This family-friendly night begins with food (not surprising for Putnam County) from food carts. Choirs, soloist and bands will play Christian music. It should be a nice evening to take in God's goodness and maybe sing yourself. I hope you join us this Sunday, July 29, for food and song. **Fr. Mark***

MONDAY, JULY 30

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

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2

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

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3

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

Free Mud Hens Game for Mass Servers Deadline is This Monday!

Fr. Mark invites all Mass servers to attend a Toledo Mud Hens Game on Monday, August 13, as a thank you for your service to the parish. We will join other servers from Ottawa, Glandorf and Continental. We'll leave at 4:00 p.m. from Glandorf St. John's Parish Center (south end parking lot). We'll return at approximately 11:45 p.m. to the same parking lot. A \$10 deposit is required to reserve your spot, but it will be returned to you at the game. You will also be given a \$5 food voucher to spend at the stadium, along with free bus transportation. Complete the medical form and permission slip found on our website (stmichaelskalida.org) under "Recent Bulletins." Return form and \$10 deposit in collection or to the Parish Center by July 30. Parents can attend at their own cost (\$17) which should be included with your child's registration.

8th Grade Students

We have once again been asked to provide help for the Running with the Law Triathlon / 5K event, held at Four Seasons park on Saturday, August 18. Last year we had about 15-20 8th graders help with the event: helping younger kids with rock painting, sno-cone making, inflatable toy "bouncers," etc. More details coming soon. Please contact Jill Zeller to volunteer (567-376-9115).

July Holy Name Raffle Winners

\$250	Teresa Stechschulte	\$100	Pam Karg
\$100	Aubrey Stechschulte	\$100	Shelbie Klaus
\$100	Brayden Recker	\$ 50	Ross Arnold
\$ 50	Mike Schimmoeller	\$ 50	Chad Grote
\$ 50	Robert Kahle	\$ 50	Alexa Fortman
\$ 50	David Iliff	\$ 50	Cassy Brown

2018 Senior Expo

Friday, August 3, from 8:30 a.m. – Noon at Ottawa Elementary. The event is free and offers exhibits, screenings, speakers, entertainment and FREE lunch! Disposal of unused medications is also available at the event. Shuttle service provided.

2018-19 KHS All Sports Pass will be on Sale...

in the treasurer's office after August 1, from 7:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. Price is same as last year: \$325 - Family; \$85 - Individual Student; \$115 - Individual adult; \$85 - Sr. Citizen (60+).

Few Seats Left on Casino Bus Trip

The trip will venture to Eldorado Scioto Downs, in Columbus, on Wednesday, August 8. Cost is \$30 per person. Motor Coach transportation will be provided by Excursions Trailways. Boarding will begin at 7:30 a.m. from the south parking lot at Immaculate Conception Church. Departure will be at 8:00 a.m. Small coolers are permitted (no glass, please). \$20 free comps will be added to rewards card upon arrival. Lunch buffet will be 1/2 off. Boarding for the trip home will begin at 4:15 p.m. and depart at 4:30 p.m. To reserve your spot, mail a check for \$30, payable to **Ottoville K of C** to: Bob Warnecke, 27415 US Route 224, Fort Jennings, OH 45844.

OFFERTORY - August 4 & 5

4:30 PM Ryan & Erin Kerner Family
7:30 AM Marc & Renee Kerner Family
10:30 AM Mike & Annette Gerding Family

USHERS – August 4 & 5

4:30 PM Team 1
7:30 AM Team 2 **10:30 AM** Team 3

LECTORS - August 4 & 5

4:30 PM: Jennifer Erhart, Tara Gerding
7:30 AM: Chris Fortman, Kyla Fortman
10:30 AM Jacob Kahle, Deb Kahle

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - August 4 & 5

4:30: Lisa Niese, Michele Niese, Tori Niese, Lisa Rampe, Teresa Rampe, Mark Remlinger, Tom Roof, Ethan Schmenk, Karen Schroeder, Kierstan Siebeneck

7:30: Dennis & Blyth Turnwald, Dick & Judy Bockrath, Joan Niese, Connor Niese, Mary Plescher, Rose Recker, Mike & Karen Sarka

Ministers to Homebound: Dennis & Blyth Turnwald, Dick & Judy Bockrath

10:30: Beth Nienberg, Deanna Nienberg, Don Rall, Deb Remlinger, Deb Schroeder, Dick & Jane Schulte, Megan Schulte, Stacy Schulte, Kara Siefker

SERVERS

Mon, 7/30	8:00 AM	Dyllan Bendele Dominic Bockrath
Tues, 7/31	8:00 AM	Kendal Bockrath Drew Buss
Wed, 8/1	8:00 AM	Brooke Erhart Ryan Fischnich
Thurs, 8/2	7:30 PM	Nick Foppe Grant Helmke
Fri, 8/3	8:00 AM	Colin Hoffman Joel Horstman
Sat, 8/4	4:30 PM	Clara Elkins Colin Erhart Adam Fitzgerald
Sun, 8/5	7:30 AM	Luke & Connor Erhart Collin Fortman
	10:30 AM	Kenzie & Kyla Fortman Nicole Fortman

Columbus Grove St. Anthony Parish Festival

Saturday, August 4, and Sunday, August 5. On Saturday chicken/spare rib dinners will be available at 5:30 p.m., followed by the annual 5-K run, Kids Smile Mile for kids 10 and under, and a corn hole tournament. On Sunday, enjoy the air-conditioned hall for our chicken/beef dinners with all the trimmings from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Carry outs are available 11:00 to 3:00 p.m. with drive thru carry out open till 1:00 p.m. The cafeteria will be open from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Also available are hamburgers, french fries and refreshments. Sunday activities include, Bingo, Kids' Rides and games, Duck Races and Country Store. There's also the chance to win \$20,000 towards a new car or \$15,000 in cash.

Slow Pitch Softball Co-Ed Tournament

August 10-12, 2018, at the Kalida Varsity Softball Field. This is for Kalida businesses and families. \$200/team. Proceeds benefit KHS Softball program. Guaranteed 3 games. Round Robin & Single Elimination. Bats available if needed. Minimum of 4 females per team. Call Randy Buss (419-234-5660) to register. Checks to "Kalida Local Schools Softball Fund."