

# St. Michael Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - July 31, 2016

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## From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone.

I'm getting ready for the mission trip to Louisa, Kentucky. We bring all our food items to be packed for sandwiches, chips and drinks for daily work. I never packed lunch when I was in school so this is something new. I pack my favorite snacks: Little Debbie Swiss rolls and chips. When I was in grade school, Mom said we had to eat what was there. If your cafeteria experience was anything like mine, there were always some items that weren't favorites. Does anyone else remember those big purple plums that got served? I ate them, but they were far from being a favorite.

When packing for the mission trip, I thought of what needs to be in the lunchbox of life. I'm pretty used to having what I need and want (Swiss Rolls, etc). Over the last couple of years I figured out that there needs to be space left in my lunchbox for others' needs and wants. Like those purple plums that were not my favorites, some of the housing and living conditions are not comfortable to me. If I fill my life with only what I like, I can look right past the God moment right in front of me. I have to say that, over the past couple of mission trips, the more empty I have my life, the more I am fed by God opportunities. Over the past couple of years, I have met some of the most genuine people who love God and their families. In the simplicity of life, love and family flourish. I might get my fill of sweet foods during the mission trip, but genuine love of God and others is something that I will always come back for more.

How much room is there for God in our lives? Do we look for the uncomfortable parts of life to challenge us, to feed us, to find God. I never thought I would write an article on purple plums. Mom always said that it would build character if I ate them. Maybe the plums didn't build character, but helping others and standing where they stand builds the City of God. We will be rebuilding houses while down in Appalachia. We will be eating out of lunchboxes. We will be fed by something much more than Swiss Cake Rolls and chips.

Thanks to everyone who donated shoes, coats, books, school items, money and prayers. We will take these with us, along with a whole lot more. Thanks to all who make these mission trips God events.

*Fr. Mark*

## Servers' Appreciation Outing Wednesday, August 10

All the Putnam County parishes served by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood would like to say a big thank you to all our Mass servers. On Wednesday, August 10, we will meet by the Parish Center, at 3:00 p.m. and go to the Shannon Theater, in Bluffton, for a 4:00 p.m. movie. You will receive a free ticket, popcorn and pop. After the movie, we will have pizza at Kalida St. Michael's gym and play games. **Please RSVP by this Thursday, August 4, by dropping off your permission/medical form to the Parish Center.** Permission forms are located on the parish website (stmichaelskalida.org) under "Recent Bulletins." We also need adults to drive to Bluffton. Call Fr. Mark (419-969-0148) if you can help with this.

## Mass Intentions for the Week

**MONDAY, AUGUST 1** *St. Alphonsus Liguori*  
8:00 AM Hugo & Frances Hoffman  
**TUESDAY, AUGUST 2**  
8:00 AM Fr. Virgil Caskey  
**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3**  
8:00 AM Oscar & Leona Verhoff  
**THURSDAY, AUGUST 4** *St. John Vianney*  
7:30 PM Harold Rampe, Alice Unverferth  
**FRIDAY, AUGUST 5**  
8:00 AM Jiggs & Helen Unverferth  
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 6** *The Transfiguration of the Lord*  
NM Miller & Allmandinger  
4:30 PM L/D Grote & Ruen Family  
**SUNDAY, AUGUST 7**  
7:30 AM Leonard & Dolores Verhoff  
10:30 AM Leo & Irene Schnipke  
Doris Deters, Robert Nartker  
Victor & Velma Nartker

**Last Sunday's Collection:** \$ 8,207.00

## Choir Assignments - August 6 & 7

**4:30:** YA/HS **7:30:** HN **10:30:** PW

## Thank You

We would like to thank Fr. Mark & Fr. Elmer for all their prayers and visits. Also, thanks to the Helping Hands for the desserts and help with the luncheon. All of the kind words and generosity is greatly appreciated. *Family of Alice Unverferth*

## Baptized in the Lord

**GRETA JEAN RECKER**

Daughter of Craig & Amanda (Erhart) Recker

## Money Raised for Appalachia

VBS attendees raised \$1,297.36 for mission work in Appalachia. Fr. Mark will present the Fr. Beiting Appalachian Mission Center with this check this week. Thanks, everyone!

## Joining the Catholic Church

RCIA classes begin in September. Call Deacon Bob (419-532-3607) or Fr. Mark (419-969-0148) for more information.

## Prayer Line

All prayer requests should be made by calling Dolores Bockrath (419-532-3548). Thanks!



## Upcoming Wedding

**Kelsey Miller & Kraig Allmandinger** will be married on Saturday, August 6, 2016. Please include them in your prayers.



**MONDAY, AUGUST 1****ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m., in church****TUESDAY, AUGUST 2****CRHP 6: 7:00 p.m., in Parish Center****THURSDAY, AUGUST 4****ROSARY: 7:00 p.m., in church****FRIDAY, AUGUST 5****CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m., in church****Wanna Get Away?**

Robert "Sonny" Gasser (with Explorica Travels) invites you to join him on any of these upcoming trips: **Cuba (February 2017), Belize (June 2018) or Ireland/Scotland (2018 & 2019)**. Contact Sonny (rjgasser@yahoo.com or 419-615-8069) for more information and exact websites.

**Kalida Athletic Boosters Membership**

"200 Club" memberships are still available for \$50 per person. In addition to monthly drawings totaling \$3,900, "200 Club" members are also invited to our kick-off mixer on August 19, at the Four Seasons Park. Please call Rodney Dickman (567-208-8268) for additional info. We also have detergent and fabric softener still available, if interested.

**Outdoor Mass/Picnic - Continental St. John's**

On August 7, please join us to celebrate God's goodness to our parish. We will begin with Mass at 9:00 a.m., followed by food and fellowship. Bring a lawn chair and a spirit of thanksgiving. Extra chairs will be provided. Children's activities also provided. Join in the fun.

**On Par for CPR**

2016 Putnam County golf scramble benefiting the American Heart Association will be held Saturday, August 13, at Country Acres Golf Club, starting at 8:00 a.m. \$55 per golfer includes 18 holes of golf, cart and lunch. There will also be hands-only CPR demos. For more information or to set up a team, contact Sherry Unverferth @ 419-796-1221 or Linda Stechschulte @ 419-303-2610.

**St Anthony Parish Festival, Col. Grove**

Saturday, August 6, from 5:30 – 11:00 p.m., and Sunday, August 7, from 11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. Saturday's activities include BBQ ribs and chicken dinners, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Hamburgers, fries, and refreshments will be available. Music will be provided by *Truck Stop Manners Band*, from 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. Sunday's activities will include beef and chicken dinners: dine in from 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.; drive thru from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., carry out from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.; and cafeteria style from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Sunday is the BIG day, with a huge garage sale, BINGO, country store raffles, bakery wheel, duck races, big ticket drawings, kid's games, rides, putt-putt, and lots of food and other refreshments. Everyone is welcome!

**Putnam County Senior Citizen Expo**

Friday, August 5, from 8:30 a.m. – Noon, at the Ottawa Elementary (123 Putnam Parkway). This is a free community event that includes: complimentary lunch, health screenings, door prizes, shuttle service, many exhibitors, free medication disposal, presentation by Dr. Black & Dr. Reed and entertainment by Alan Siebert "The Music Man."

**OFFERTORY - August 6 & 7****4:30 PM**

Joe &amp; Lisa Roebke Family

**7:30 AM**

Tom &amp; Alice Brinkman Family

**10:30 AM**

Mary Ann Hoersten Family

**USHERS – August 6 & 7****4:30 PM**

Drew Hovest, Austin Klausung, Collin Wurth, Jeff Knueve, Jacob Kahle, Connor Niese, Kevin Hamburg, Collin Nartker, Christian Nartker, Bradley Siefker, Ethan Schmenk

**7:30 AM**

Alex von der Embse, Adam von der Embse, Paul von der Embse, Brandon Erhart, Kaleb Selhorst, Trent Gerding, Trent Siebeneck, Griffin Recker, Derek Buss, Trevor Vorst, Clay Meyer

**10:30 AM**

Team 12

**LECTORS – August 6 & 7****4:30 PM**

Michele Doepker, Jennifer Erhart

**7:30 AM**

Paul Bonifas, Shelly Burkhart

**10:30 AM**

Tara Gerding, Maddison Edelbrock

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - August 6 & 7****4:30:**

Katey Buss, Kelly Buss, Eileen Decker, Dave &amp; Cindy Erhart, Eric Fischnich, Regina Fischnich, Bob Gerdeman, Sue Gerdeman, Grace Haselman

**7:30:**

Joan Peck, Dianna Kehres, Mary Grote, Darlene Hanneman, Mel Hanneman, Mary Lou Hoffman, Dave &amp; Jane Kahle, Erin Kerner

**Ministers to Homebound:** Joan Peck, Dianna Kehres,**10:30:** Keith & AnnRea Fortman, Phil & Sue Fuerst, Brandon Erhart, Lori Erhart, Lynda Fortman, Bill Hill, Shane Hill, Ericka Kimball**SERVERS**

Mon, 8/1

8:00 AM

Gabe Roof  
Nathan Schroeder

Tues, 8/2

8:00 AM

Justin Siebeneck  
Adam Siefker

Wed, 8/3

8:00 AM

Tyson Siefker  
Jakob Swyers

Thurs, 8/4

7:30 PM

Amanda Unverferth  
Brooke Vennekotter

Fri, 8/5

8:00 AM

Noah Verhoff  
Grant Vorst

Sat, 8/6

4:30 PM

Kristen Fortman  
Nicole Fortman

Sun, 8/7

7:30 AM

Kevin Hamburg  
Noah Hermiller

10:30 AM

Kelsi Hipsher  
Gabe Hovest  
Makenna Hoyt  
Hannah Kahle  
Jacob Kahle**2016-17 Kalida Wildcat All Sports Passes...**

are available in the Treasurers' office, beginning August 1. Prices are the same as last year: Family \$325, Individual Student or Sr. Citizen (60 yrs.+) \$85 and Individual Adult \$115.

**Items Available**

A hospital bed and table, wheelchair and reclining lift chair are all available. If interested, call Sandy (419-615-2080) asap. Thanks!

**Ushers Needed for Team 6...**

which covers the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Call the Parish Center (419-532-3474) if you're willing to help out.