

From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone. I hope you all had a great 4 day weekend. I am recovering and am trying to remember that Wednesday is not Monday. That holiday in the middle of the week is throwing me off. Besides my mind being off a couple of days, my body is telling me the same thing. I took a LONG bike ride with my brother on the 4th and it is taking me a couple days to recover. Someone needs to remind me that I'm not a teenager anymore.

Vacation Bible School is "gearing" up in Kalida and has just finished in Continental. With my body and mind on the fritz, I have to remind myself that God makes us wonderful. God has fashioned us. The theme for this year's VBS is Maker Fun Factory. God is the maker, and when we participate in His creation, it is fun. There is something joyful about being a child. There are times I would like to return to my childhood, like when I had unlimited energy to ride a bike for miles and miles. And then there are times when I would not like to return to being young again. Each age has its wonders. Maybe that is why God gives us the aging process, because each age has its own goodness. My Dad always said that growing old is not an easy thing and, in the next breath, he would sit back and enjoy the grandkids with such a grin on his face. He had memories that he could share and dreams that we could share with him.

As I think of how God has made us, I think of how God has given us the gift of aging. I see things differently now than when I was a teenager. I recognize muscles now (because they hurt) that I took for granted in years gone by. God makes us all different and wonderful. To have the gift of appreciation for the diversity of gifts of humanity gives glory to God. Instead of trying to grow up too fast or wishing that time would slow down, appreciation for what God gives me today is a good option. I can also see my neighbor in an appreciative light for God makes them well, also. We can appreciate young and old and everywhere in between. To appreciate how God makes us is fun.

I always learn a lot from Vacation Bible School. The 100 children at Continental and 200 at Kalida are examples of the wonder of God. Thank you, Lord, for the gift of our youth and please, God, help my aching muscles. I'm not as young as I used to be, and that is all in Your plan. God bless you all.

A Time To Plan

During the Summer, we always try to plan for the next year and put things on the calendar. If anyone has ideas of how to make the parishes more alive in the Lord, give me a call. This past year we have had mission trips, bible studies, bell choir, etc. I love a busy parish. If there are any ways we can serve our parishes better or new programs we can run, please give us a call. Thanks to so many who help in worshipping and serving the Lord.

Fr. Mark

KHS Soccer Raffle Weekly Winners

July 3 – 7: \$40 – Shelly Guisinger; \$25 – Mary Jo VonderEmbse; \$25 - Jeff Clement; \$25 - Kelly von der Embse; \$40 - Kathy Verhoff

July 10-14: \$40 - Clayton Maag; \$25 - Ashley Halker; \$25 - Jill Kuhlman; \$25 - Linda Remlinger; \$40 - Gavin Verhoff

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, JULY 10

8:00 AM Marge Verhoff

TUESDAY, JULY 11 St. Benedict

8:00 AM John Phillips

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

8:00 AM

THURSDAY, JULY 13

7:30 PM Jos & Cecilia Schroeder, Alice Unverferth

FRIDAY, JULY 14 St. Kateri Tekakwitha

8:00 AM

SATURDAY, JULY 15

NM Remlinger & Gerschutz

4:30 PM Wilfred Hermiller, Gary Bockrath

Helen Korte, L/D Korte/Brickner Families

SUNDAY, JULY 16

7:30 AM Jim Hamilton, Emma Jane McVey

10:30 AM Don Laudick

Last Week's Collection: \$ 7,288.00

Choir Assignments - July 15 & 16

4:30: YAHS **7:30:** Renee **10:30:** Renee

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)

Special Request from Ottawa Food Pantry

They are in need of any kind of cereal in smaller boxes (16-24 oz) and canned potatoes. If you can help us with a donation of these items, please place in the boxes at entrances of church. The boxes will be there for the next two weeks until July 17.

Wildcat Soccer Camp - July 24-27 at Kalida Park

at the Kalida Park. 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).

K of C Installation of Officers: July 13, at 8:00 p.m.

Cloverdale St. Barbara Festival

Sunday, July 9. BBQ Chicken/Pork Dinners, served from 10:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Lunch Stand, Beer Tent & more!

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.

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).

Calling All Mass Servers

You're 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
7:05 p.m.

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
Free ticket, Free \$5 food voucher to spend at the stadium, and free bus transportation

Includes: Completed permission and medical form (found on Saint Michael's website) with deposit (which will be refunded).

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.

Attention VBS Attendees

- VBS is this week, July 10-13. Please have your child at church by 6:00 p.m. this Monday to check-in.
- Our VBS children are asked to come to the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, July 16. Wear your VBS shirts and come ready to sing this year's theme song. Father Mark will invite the kids up at the end of Mass.

Fall Preschool Registration Still Open

Glandorf St. John's Preschool continues to accept registrations for 2017-18 school year. Child must be 3 (as of June 1, 2017). For more information, contact Carole (419-538-6264 or stjohnspreschool@bright.net).

Ottoville Imm. Conception Parish Festival

Saturday, July 15 & Sunday, July 16. Visit St. Michael's website stmichaelskalida.org, under "Bulletins" for more info.

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 10

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

THURSDAY, JULY 13

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

FRIDAY, JULY 14

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

4:30 PM

7:30 AM

10:30 AM

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OFFERTORY - July 15 & 16

Beth & Barry von der Embse Family
Ken & Carol Vennekotter Family
Greg & Kim Bockrath Family

USHERS – July 15 & 16

Team 8

Team 9

Team 7

LECTORS - July 15 & 16

Alexis Meyer, Braden Recker
Mary Plescher, Donna Schnipke
Joyce Schnipke, Ed Schroeder

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - July 15 & 16

4:30: Dave & Cindy Erhart, Regina Fischnich, Keith & Ann Rea Fortman, Lynda Fortman, Nicole Fortman, Bob Gerdeman, Sue Gerdeman, Grace Haselman

7:30: Ruth Foppe, Dick & Judy Bockrath, Ryan Kerner, Mary Grote, Mel Hanneman, Dave & Jane Kahle, Dianna Kehres, Joyce Klausung

Ministers to Homebound: Ryan & Erin Kerner, Dick & Judy Bockrath

10:30: Phil & Sue Fuerst, Bill & Shane Hill, Jacob Kahle, Mark & Rachel Kahle, Halie Kaufman, Darlene Hanneman, Sarah Klausung

SERVERS

Date	Time	Server
Mon, 7/10	8:00 AM	Brandt Brinkman Marcus Cox
Tues, 7/11	8:00 AM	Blake Eickholt Kenzie Fortman
Wed, 7/12	8:00 AM	Alysen Hoyt Ryan Klausung Grant Knapke Cole Nienberg
Thurs, 7/13	7:30 PM	Gabe Roof Nathan Schroeder
Fri, 7/14	8:00 AM	Jacob Kahle Katelyn Kahle Ella Kaufman
Sat, 7/15	4:30 PM	Stephanie Kahle Rachel Kahle Matt Kehres
Sun, 7/16	7:30 AM	Mason Kerner Grace Klausung Sarah Klausung
	10:30 AM	

Kalida Cheer Camp...

for anyone age 4 through grade 6. The camp will be held July 24-27 from 4:30-6:30 p.m., with a showcase on Thursday at 6:00 p.m. The cost is \$40. Each participant will receive a t-shirt as part of the camp cost, if registered by Tuesday, July 11. Forms are available in the superintendent's office or you can email kaylan.griffith@kalidaschools.org for a registration form. Camp is put on by KHS Cheerleaders.