

MONDAY, MARCH 20

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

HOLY NAME MEETING: 8:00 p.m.

HOLY NAME CHOIR PRACTICE: 8:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 21

VBS PLANNING MEETING: 6:30 p.m., in Library

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22

HIGH SCHOOL CCD: 7:00 p.m.

ADULT TALK ON RECONCILIATION: 7 p.m., in church

THURSDAY, MARCH 23

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

FRIDAY, MARCH 24

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 25

TMIY: 6:30 a.m., in the church basement

Kalida Area Garage Sales

April 20, 21 & 22. If you are interested in having a garage sale, please sign up at Kalida Telephone, Union Bank or Erhart-Stechsulte Insurance by April 7.

Michael O'Brien Concert in Continental

On March 26, at Continental High School Auditorium, St. John's Catholic Church welcomes Michael O'Brien, one of the top Catholic recording artists. Come listen to his message about our Blessed Mother and hear his stories of transformation. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and the show begins at 7:00 p.m. This will be a free will donation concert.

Glen Miller Orchestra in Ft. Jennings

The Jennings Memorial Association presents *The World Famous Glenn Miller Orchestra* at Memorial Hall, in Fort Jennings, on Monday, March 27. Doors open 6:00 p.m., with the performance at 7:00 p.m. Admission to this unbelievable, one of a kind show is \$25, with limited seating available. Snacks and refreshments are included. To order tickets, please call Renee Neidert (419-286-2577 or 419-283-2438).

Benefit for Angie Gamble

Saturday, March 25, at the Ottoville Parish Center. Corn Hole Tournament begins at 2:00 p.m. Register at 419-615-5053. An \$8 meal will be served from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m., which includes chicken breast, mashed potatoes, green beans and a dinner roll (dine-in or carry-out). Presale is encouraged by calling Karan Maenle at 419-286-2877. There will be a bake sale, silent auction and 50/50 drawing. Monetary donations can be made at the Fort Jennings State Bank, in the name of Angela Gamble. To donate silent auction items, contact Cathy Hoehn (419-453-3515). Bake sale items can be dropped off in the Parish Center the morning of March 25. Angie is fighting stage 2 breast cancer. Proceeds will help offset recent and future surgery treatments.

Travel to Italy with Fr. Charles

Join Fr. Charles Obinwa for the trip of a lifetime to Italy on July 1-10, 2017. Cost is \$3,999.00. This elite tour includes airfare, 5 star accommodations, taxes, tips, fees, transportation, breakfast, and dinners. **Places you'll visit:** Rome, Assisi, Cascia, San Giovanni Rotondo, Padre Pio Shrine, Medjugorje, Krizevac Mountain, & Cenacolo. This all-inclusive trip is being arranged by Pro Catholic Tours. Please register through their website, www.procatholictours.com or by calling 769-233-6515 or 769-220-2702.

OFFERTORY - MARCH 25 & 26

4:30 PM

8:00 AM

11:00 AM

Tony & Sandy Vorst Family

Ken & Carol Vennekotter Family

Joe & Linda Hovest Family

USHERS - MARCH 25 & 26

4:30 PM

8:00 AM

11:00 AM

Team 4

Team 5

Team 6

LECTORS - MARCH 25 & 26

4:30 PM

8:00 AM

11:00 AM

Shelly Burkhart, Mike Kahle

Don Wehri, Paul Bonifas

Sandy Westrick, Brenda Averagesch

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - MARCH 25 & 26

4:30: Teresa Rampe, Deb Remlinger, Mark Remlinger, Tom Roof, Glen & Annette Schroeder, Karen Schroeder, Dick & Jane Schulte

8:00: Mary Plescher, Donna Schnipke, Mary Siefker, Dennis & Blyth Turnwald, Norma Unverferth, Duane & Barb Steffan, Ed Schroeder

Ministers to Homebound: Ed & Tammy Schroeder, Herm & Rita Borgelt

11:00: Lisa Rampe, Rose Recker, Megan Schulte, Stacy Schulte, Kierstan Siebeneck, Kara Siefker, Lisa Unverferth, Diane Vorst, Norma Vorst

SERVERS

Mon, 2/20	8:00 AM	Grace Klausing Jillian Knueve
Tues, 2/21	8:00 AM	Kevin Lammers Marcy Landwehr
Wed, 2/22	8:00 AM	Mitch Langhals Ryan Lucke
Thurs, 2/23	7:30 PM	Luke Meyer Brandon Miller
Fri, 2/24	8:00 AM	Dayna Schimmoeller Kathryn Siebeneck
Sat, 3/25	4:30 PM	Hannah Kahle Jacob Kahle Rachel Kahle
Sun, 3/26	8:00 AM	Ella Kaufman Matt Kehres Mason Kerner
	11:00 AM	Brooke Kimball Josh Klausing Tyler Klausing

Little Slugger Baseball League...

is open to all boys and girls from Kalida who are currently Pre-K (5 yr. olds), Kindergarten or 1st Grade. Games are T-Pitch rules, with coaches pitching. All games are played at Froggy Park, on Saturday mornings. Registration forms are available at the post office. Contact Randy Buss (419-532-2208 or bussrandy@yahoo.com) for more information. Deadline for registrations is March 27.

Glandorf Catholic Preschool Registration

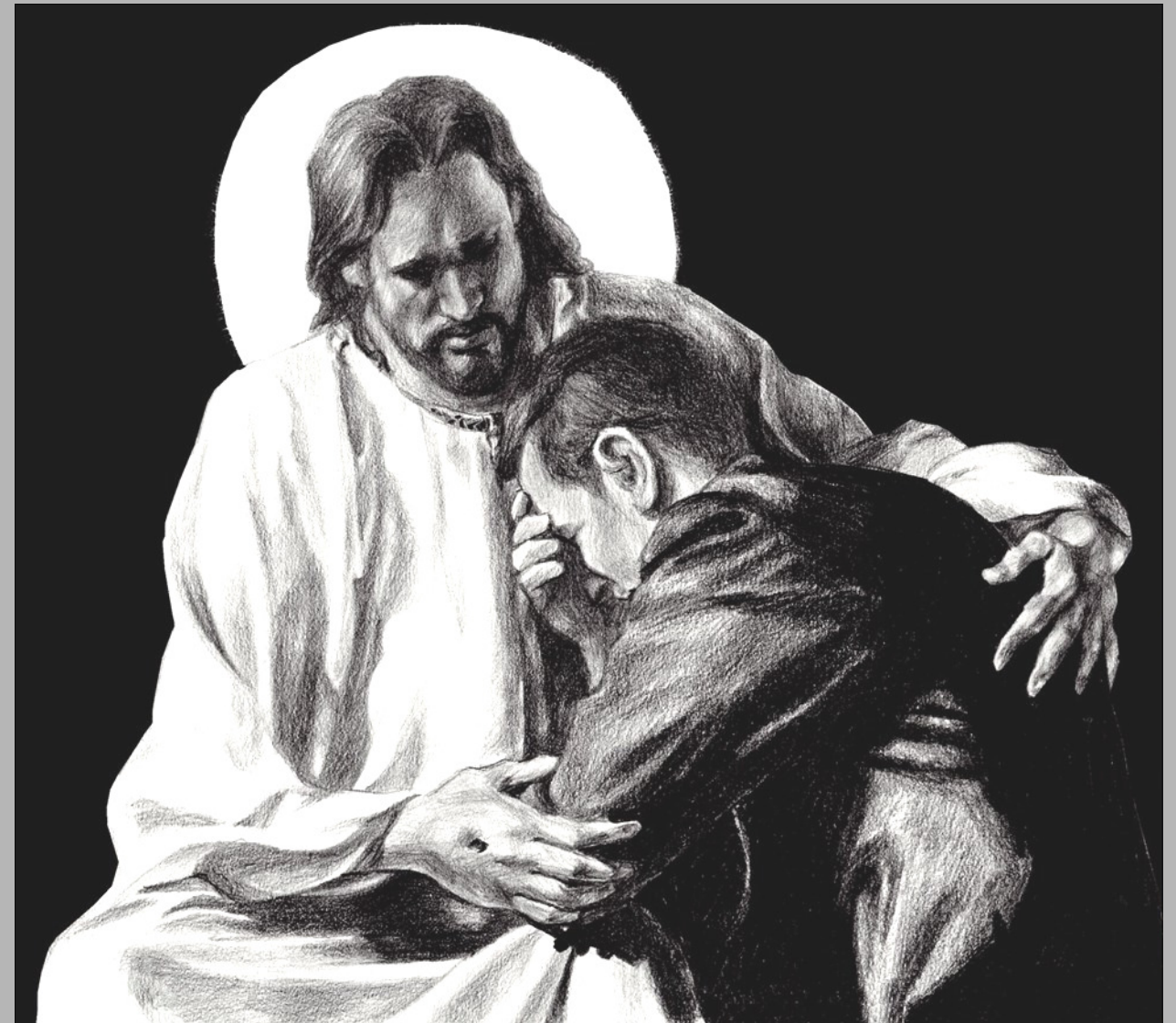
Contact the Preschool Office (419-538-6264).

Saint Michael Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - March 19, 2017

Pastor: Fr. Mark Hoying, C.P.P.S. In Residence: Fr. Elmer Wurth, M.M. Parochial Vicar: Fr. Rick Friebel, C.P.P.S.

Deacon: Bob Klausing DRE: Connie Cleemput Youth Minister: Jill Zeller Maintenance: Kevin Fischer

Address: 312 N. Broad St.; PO Box 387, Kalida, OH 45853 Phone: 419-532-3474 Website: stmichaelskalida.org



A NEW LOOK AT RECONCILIATION

This Wednesday, March 22

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

St. Michael's Church

Join Fr. Mark as he presents a unique perspective on the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone.

This weekend is an exciting weekend for me. I get to cook for a family of seven, plus Fr. Elmer. I don't get to cook often, but always enjoy it when I do. I will get to introduce some New Zealand dishes to this family. For a warm-up, we will start with a field trip to the tower of St. Michael's. I'm not sure if Fr. Elmer will make it, but he surprises me every day. In the tower, we will do some fish and chips, wrapped in newspaper. The newspaper really keeps the food warm and the paper takes away some of the grease. After a tour of the church, the hors d'oeuvres begin. Because I am serving American and New Zealand food, there will be dueling meatballs. There will be lamb and pork. Soup comes next, with pumpkin soup representing New Zealand, plus American style vegetable soup. Vegetable soup in New Zealand is white, while American style is tomato based. Then comes lamb chops with mint jelly and pork chops fried in lard, my mom's way. Potatoes will be boiled or roasted and mashed. Potatoes are rarely served mashed in New Zealand. The dessert will be pavlova, their national pudding (their word for dessert) while the American dessert of apple pie will be served. I will also make a rhubarb pie for good measure. If the weather is good, there will be a fire for relaxation and some cards to finish off the night.

If that doesn't make you hungry, you are not fasting enough during Lent. Lent is supposed to open our whole selves up to the Lord, our physical, emotional and spiritual sides. From a physical perspective, are we taking care of our minds and bodies? Have bad habits taken over our lives? Are we eating or drinking too much? Do we spend too much time on mindless technology? Have I become a body at rest rather than alive?

From a heart point of view, do I love as I should? Has my love become self-seeking rather than other seeking? Have I become proud instead of humble? Am I generous or stingy? Do I exercise my heart in loving a stranger or have I become hard of heart?

And from a spiritual side, do I really love the Lord? When is the last time I picked up the Bible and let the words fill me? Is Sunday and everyday the Lord's day? Do I thank the Lord for all God does for me? Do I even have a spiritual side?

If the first part of this article made your mouth water, maybe we need to remember that we do not live on bread alone, but on the Word of God. Lent is an important time to be fed by the Lord, the Bread of Life. During Lent, let's hunger and thirst for the Lord.

Have a great week.

Fr. Mark

Liturgy of the Hours

Join Deacon Bob for this prayer at 7:30 a.m., in church, during the weekdays of Lent.

Thank You...

to the school kids for the cards and greetings on my 94th birthday.

Tom "The Cross Guard"

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, MARCH 20 *St. Joseph*

8:00 AM Earl Kleman

TUESDAY, MARCH 21

8:00 AM Right to Life (CLC)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22

8:00 AM Tony Brinkman

THURSDAY, MARCH 23

7:30 PM Sylvia Brinkman

FRIDAY, MARCH 24

8:00 AM Ruth Wegesin

SATURDAY, MARCH 25

4:30 PM Ray & Louella Maenle

Dorothea Aversch, Marjorie Verhoff

SUNDAY, MARCH 26 *Fourth Sunday of Lent*

8:00 AM Rita Jane Hermiller

11:00 AM Richard, Gladys & Mark Unverferth

Jeff Siebeneck

1:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Last Sunday's Collection: \$ 7,901.00

Choir Assignments - March 25 & 26

4:30: Marcie **8:00:** Marcie **11:00:** PW

Adult Spiritual Presentations in Lent

March 22: Fr. Mark Hoying (Reconciliation/Forgiveness)

March 29: Fr. Scott Woods (Salvation)

All talks are 7:00-8:00 p.m., in St. Michael's Church

Pancake Breakfast This Sunday

Sunday, March 19, in the church basement, from 8:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, OJ, Coffee and Milk. Suggested Donation is \$6 for adults and \$4 for ages 5-12. Proceeds benefit youth attending National Catholic Youth Conference, in November 2017.

Recent Baptisms

CORBIN ERIC & SYDNEY MARIE ALTSTAETTER

Children of Eric & Christy (Schroeder) Altstaetter

LIAM LYNN GRIME

Child of Daniel & Kara (Jerwers) Grime

Offertory Families Needed

Would your family like to be put on the list of those taking up offertory at the weekend Masses? Call 419-532-3474 or email stmich@bright.net to be put on the list. You can choose any of the Masses. Thanks!

Annual Catholic Appeal

If you did not receive an envelope in the mail, there are extras available at the exits of church. Please send your donation directly to: **Diocese of Toledo ACA; PO Box 917; Toledo, OH 43697-0917.** Thanks for helping us make our goal. Every donation counts.

Meadows of Kalida Fish Fry

Friday March 24, from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Cost is \$7 and all proceeds will benefit a local food bank. Carry out, delivery or eat in.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

As I read my column today, I thought I wrote an examination of conscience. Lent is a good time to look at the depth of our Christianity and how we love or do not love the Lord and our neighbor. We can quickly fall into routines which are not truly following the Lord. The sacrament calls us to be humble and admit we need the Lord. We need to do something about it and to get right with the Lord and our neighbor before we come to the altar. I invite all parishioners to participate in this sacrament of forgiveness. When the world is ready to condemn, our Church is ready to forgive and come together. Through our religious education, many of our young people have had the opportunity to share in this sacrament. I invite families and individuals to make a good Confession.

Fr. Mark

Stations of the Cross

Our high school students will be acting out the stations next Sunday, March 26. Come support them and pray along with them the journey of Jesus as he carried the cross for us. Soup is served right after the 11 a.m. Mass. Join us for soup and stations.

Marriage Workshop: Until Death Do Us Part

April 2 & 9, at 7:00 p.m., in St. Michael's Parish Center.

- *Are you struggling to communicate with your spouse?*
- *Would like to improve your communication, in general?*
- *Does it feel like your spouse speaks another language?*
- *Argue about the same thing over and over with no resolve?*
- *Struggling to connect with your spouse?*

Even the best marriages can hit a speed bump! Come learn ways to feed life into your marriage. You will learn tips & tools to help you achieve the satisfaction God calls you to experience as husband or wife! You will be given tools to strengthen your marriage in the areas of friendship, conflict resolution, and creating meaning together. You will be given time to practice these skills with your spouse, in a private setting. You will not be asked to share anything personal with the group at large. To sign up and/or if you have questions, contact Lori Klaus (419-230-6293). Deadline to register is March 28. Hope to see you there! Please bring a notebook and pen for you and your spouse, and \$13 for the book that will be discussed. **Your marriage is worth it!**

Senior Citizen Prom 2017

Please join the youth of Putnam County for a "A Night in Lights" Vegas style Senior Citizen Prom on Sunday, April 9, starting at 4:00 p.m. This year we will be hosting the prom at Leipsic St. Mary's Parish Life Center. This event is open for all adults! Please RSVP to Jill Zeller (419-532-3474, ext. 103) by April 3. There is no cost to attend, but there will be a freewill offering at the end of the night. Please come and join us! We hope to see you there! We know Elvis will be!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter...

will help you enjoy life with a new closeness to each other and God. You don't need it – you DESERVE a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend! For more information or to apply for a weekend, contact Brian & Chris Schroeder (419-538-7210 or bschroeder@bright.net). The next weekend in the diocese is March 31-April 2, 2017, in Lima.

High School CCD - March 22

Everyone has class at 7:00 p.m.

Students Planning Mass This Week

are Stephanie Price's 1C class on Wednesday, March 22, and Jill Zeller's 7B class, on Friday, March 24.

VBS Planning Meeting This Week

Tuesday, March 21, at 6:30 p.m., in the Parish Center Library room. Our theme this year is "Maker Fun Factory," to be held July 10-13. Please consider joining our team.

Area Penance Services

Wednesday, March 22, at 6:00 p.m., at Leipsic

Sunday, March 26, at 2:00 p.m., at Ottoville

Tuesday, March 28, at 4:00 & 7:00 p.m., at Kalida

Thursday, March 30, at 7:00 p.m., at Col. Grove

Monday, April 10, at 4:00 & 7:00 p.m., at Ottawa

Have Items for the Parish Garage Sale?

Kalida St. Michael Youth will be out and around town neighborhoods on Saturday April 1, from 9:00 a.m. – Noon, to collect anything you want to donate for the Basement Sale. Please call Jill, at the Parish Office (419-532-3494, ext. 103) if you want someone to pick up your items. You may also drop off items in the church basement, on the counter closest to the elevator entrance. All proceeds from the sale (held during the Community Garage Sales on April 20-21, 2017) will go to help support the Missions in Tanzania.

Kalida Park Reverse Drawing

Saturday, April 1. \$40 ticket includes steak dinner, all beverages and \$4,100 in cash prizes. A professional comedian will be performing two acts during the drawing. Call Bill Rieman (419-303-7481) Harry Horstman (419-303-3530) or Kent Kahle (419-532-2663). Sponsored by Kalida Fish & Game, Athletic Boosters and Lions Club.

PC Right to Life Garage & Bake Sale

April 5 & 6, at the Ottawa K of C Hall. Sale days are: Wednesday, April 5, from 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. and Thursday, April 6, from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Donations of gently used items and baked goods can be dropped off on Tuesday, April 4, from 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Ottoville Park 5K to Play - Sat., March 25

There will be three different events including **Walk the Block** (8:30 - 10:00 a.m.), **Kids Fun Run** (10:30 a.m.) and the **5K Run/Walk** (11:00 a.m.). Both the Walk the Block and the Kids Fun Run are **free events** to help make the event fun and affordable for families. A BBQ Pork lunch will be served from 11:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m. Visit www.runsignup.com/5K2PLAY. Proceeds benefit the Ottoville Park Playground Equipment Fund. Please contact Michelle Kortokrax (419-234-7600) with questions.

Quarter Auction

Friday, March 31, at 7:00 p.m., in Glandorf St. John's Parish Center Hall. Fundraiser benefits Glandorf St. John's Preschool. Limited number of seats available! \$10 PER TICKET or RESERVE A TABLE with 8 tickets for \$90! For tickets or information, contact Carole Schroeder/Preschool (419-538-6264) or Jeannie Verhoff (419-538-6255).