

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 2**  
 ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m., in church  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3**  
 RCIA: 7:00 p.m., in the church basement  
**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4**  
 HIGH SCHOOL CCD: meet at 6:10 p.m.  
 YAHS CHOIR PRACTICE: 8:00 p.m.  
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5**  
 EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: 8:00 - 9:30 a.m.  
 ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY: 7:00 p.m. in church  
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6**  
 CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m. in church

**Upcoming Wedding**

*Jessica Doepker & Eric Warnecke*  
 will be married on Sat., October 7, 2017.  
 Please include them in your prayers.



**4:30 PM**  
**8:00 AM**  
**11:00 AM**

**OFFERTORY - October 7 & 8**

Fire Dept.  
 Marc & Renee Kerner Family  
 Dale & Julie Siebeneck Family

**4:30 PM**  
**8:00 AM**  
**11:00 AM**

**USHERS - October 7 & 8**

Team 1  
 Team 2  
 Team 3

**LECTORS - October 7 & 8**

**4:30 PM** Erin Kerner, Stacy Knueve  
**8:00 AM** Alexis Meyer, Mary Plescher  
**11:00 AM** Brayden Recker, Wendy Schimmoeller

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - October 7 & 8**

**4:30:** Megan Schulte, Stacy Schulte, Dick & Jane Schulte, Brian, Bev & Anna Berheide, Ryan & Erin Kerner, Karen Schroeder  
**8:00:** Don Wehri, Donna Schnipke, Mary Siefker, Norma Unverferth, Norma Vorst, Amy Brinkman, Matt Bockrath, Joyce Bonifas, Gus & Judy Brinkman  
**Ministers to Homebound:** Herm & Rita Borgelt, Ed & Tammy Schroeder  
**11:00:** Kierstan Siebeneck, Kara Siefker, Sandy Westrick, Tom & Judy Bonifas, Duane & Barb Steffan, Kay Unverferth, Lisa Unverferth

**SERVERS**

Mon, 10/1	8:00 AM	Dyllan Bendele Dominic Bockrath Kendal Bockrath Drew Buss
Tues, 10/2	8:00 AM	Brooke Erhart Ryan Fischnich Nick Foppe Grant Helmke
Wed, 10/3	8:00 AM	Colin Hoffman Joel Horstman Ethan Schmenk Megan Schulte
Thurs, 10/4	7:30 PM	Kara Siefker Kierstan Siebeneck Kathryn Siebeneck Brenna Smith
Fri, 10/5	8:00 AM	Brad & Trevor Siefker Tyler Unverferth
Sat, 10/7	4:30 PM	
Sun, 10/8	8:00 AM	
	11:00 AM	

**SAINT MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH - KALIDA, OH - 10/1/17**

Pastor: Fr. Mark Hoying, C.P.P.S. In Residence: Fr. Elmer Wurth, M.M. Parochial Vicar: Fr. Rick Friebe, C.P.P.S.  
 Deacon: Bob Klausung 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

*Before  
 I formed  
 you in  
 the womb,  
 I KNEW  
 YOU,  
 before  
 you were  
 born,  
 I SET YOU  
 APART.*

JEREMIAH 1:5



RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY





## From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone. I just got back from Chicago this morning. The Missionaries of the Precious Blood met in Chicago to discuss the possibilities for our Religious Community in the upcoming years. With the small number of persons entering religious life, the number of ordained priests is not keeping up with the demand for personnel in parishes, chaplaincy, retreat work, etc. I'm not sure how much we accomplished on a practical level, but we all agreed that the Church is in good hands. God never has and never will abandon us. That is enough said, drop the microphone. With God in charge, as a religious community, we are called to use our gifts well, bring the people together and share the joy of the Gospel. Jesus came that we would be one and that we would have joy in the kingdom. So that is what we did in Chicago: came together and told stories of how God loves His people in our different ministries. We shared life. We are not sure about tomorrow, but with God in charge of today, we are not afraid of tomorrow.

Sharing life is what this weekend is about. The first Sunday in October is always Respect Life Sunday. It is a time to affirm that we are people of life in all capacities. God is the giver of life. We are recipients and are called to multiply the life He gives us. This gets fleshed out in so many ways. We cherish our children. I always pray for expectant fathers and mothers and the child that is carried in the womb. I always have, as part of my priestly life. With Mom and Dad having 17 children, raising them and celebrating life with them, I knew the sanctity of life in all stages. I personally never agree with the statement that life begins with conception. I know that God knows us even before we are in our mother's womb. For God, life is continual. I believe we need to look at the fabric of life that God put in place, not beginning with us.

So, with life in mind, be a life giver, a life participant. This coming Saturday, we will have an outdoor Mass at the park at 4:30 p.m. There will be no Mass in the church, only at the park. I love an outdoor Mass for a change. There are so many aspects of life. An outdoor Mass gives an opportunity to look at God's life through different lenses.

On October 7, at 9:00 a.m., we will have the traditional blessing of animals by the elevator entrance of church. Bring your pet, no matter what kind, and thank the Lord for your special animal. In honor of St. Francis, have your pet blessed.

There is so much life around us. In our Precious Blood meetings in Chicago we talked about a culture of death in our society. Maybe we need to stop looking at the culture and seeing the life right in front of us. By seeing the life right in front of us we get glimpses of our living God. Maybe if we saw life right in front of us, God would not seem so far away. Have a blessed day, everyone. Celebrate life. *Fr. Mark*

### Outdoor Mass

#### Saturday, October 7

The 4:30 p.m. Mass next Saturday, October 7, will be celebrated at the new park. Bring a lawn chair and join us. Make sure to stick around for some hot dogs after Mass.

Mass Intentions for the Week	
<b>MONDAY, OCTOBER 2</b>	<i>Holy Guardian Angels</i>
8:00 AM	Leonard & Dolores Verhoff
<b>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3</b>	
8:00 AM	Earl Kleman Family
	Safe trip for those traveling to Medjugorje
<b>WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4</b>	<i>St. Francis of Assisi</i>
8:00 AM	Oscar & Leona Verhoff
<b>THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5</b>	
7:30 PM	Art & Thelma Rosengarten
<b>FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6</b>	
8:00 AM	Loretta Vorst
<b>SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7</b>	<i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>
1:00 PM	NM Doepker & Warnecke
4:30 PM	Amos, Wilma, Rol, Tom & Connie Miller
	Kalida Firefighters
<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8</b>	<i>Respect Life Sunday</i>
8:00 AM	Esther & Randy Siefker
11:00 AM	Annie Ketcham

**Last Week's Collection:** \$ 8,756.52

### Choir Assignments - September October 7 & 8

**4:30:** HN **8:00:** YA **11:00:** Youth (practice at 10 a.m.)

### The Best Catholic Content in One Place!

St. Michael's Parish has purchased a year's subscription to "FORMED" and now all of our parishioners can access all the best Catholic content on the internet in one place...for FREE! It is a revolutionary online platform which provides access to the best Catholic audio talks, movies, ebooks and video-based studies from trusted providers like the Augustine Institute, Ignatius Press, Catholic Answers, Sophia Institute Press and St. Paul Center-right at your fingertips.

1. Visit [formed.org](http://formed.org)
2. Click on "Register" (lower right of page)
3. Enter Parish Access Code **4QM74M**
4. Enter your email and create a password

### For Those Attending Church Crawl This Sunday

Please meet at tower entrance of church at 1:00 p.m.

### Battle of the Youth Next Sunday, October 8

Adults, please contact Jill Zeller if you can help out at the Battle of the Youth at Kalida, which begins at 1:00 p.m. next Sunday. High School youth, please return your team registration form as soon as possible. Thanks!



### Blessing of Animals

Fr. Mark will have the blessings of the animals on Saturday, October 7, at 9:00 a.m., by the elevator entrance.

### Eucharistic Adoration

will be on Thursday, October 5, from 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m., in church. We will pray for world peace and for the victims of our recent hurricanes. Please join us.

### Mission Festival

Sunday, October 22, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., in the church basement. Mark your calendars. More information will be in next week's bulletin.

### Euchre Tournament

October 15, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., in the church basement. All are welcome!

### Boy Scout Chicken BBQ

October 8, from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., at the Kalida K of C. \$8 per meal includes half of chicken, baked potato, apple-sauce and dinner roll.

### Ottawa Food Pantry Needs the Following Items:

small bottles of ketchup, small jars of jam or jelly (any flavor), cans of pineapple & mandarin oranges. Please put your donations at the elevator entrance of church, in the area designated for food pantry items. Thanks for your generosity!

### Putnam County Right to Life

Tuesday, October 3, at 7:30 p.m., in the home of Mary Jane Stechschulte (next to the Kalida fire station). Join us!

### St. Peregrine Service - October 8 Patron Saint of Cancer Sufferers

The Sorrowful Mother Shrine in Bellevue (4106 State Route 269~7 miles south of Bellevue) will be hosting an afternoon of prayer for those touched by cancer on Sunday, October 8, 2017. The devotions will begin at 2:30 p.m. and include a procession to the statue of St. Peregrine, patron of cancer sufferers followed by a time of adoration before the Relic of the True Cross. The focus of the devotions will be on the Cross of Christ and the redeeming grace He won for us by the shedding of His Precious Blood. The afternoon will conclude with a blessing with the Relic of the True Cross and sacramental anointing for those who choose. For more information call the Sorrowful Mother Shrine office at 419-483-3435.

### Concert at Findlay St. Michael's

St. Michael the Archangel Parish invites you and your family to see internationally-known recording artist Amanda Vernon in a free concert on Monday, October 2, at 7:00 p.m., at the main campus of St. Michael. She will share her original music and give the faith-filled stories behind the songs. This concert is free and open to the public.

### Toledo Symphony at Findlay St. Michael's

The Toledo Symphony Orchestra will perform at St. Michael the Archangel, Main Church, on Thursday, October 12, at 8:00 p.m. as part of its annual youth ministry fundraiser, IMPACT. Tickets to the concert are \$25 for adults and \$15 for students and can be purchased in-person at St. Michael the Archangel, Main Church, 750 Bright Road. Only cash and check payment will be accepted.

### Students Planning Mass This Week...

are Ruth Kuhlman's 4B class on Wednesday, Oct. 4 and Jill Zeller's 7B class on Friday, Oct. 6.

### High School CCD—October 4

All high school students are asked to meet in the back of church between the elementary school and the church. We will board buses at 6:10 p.m. and travel to Ottoville to hear the presentation "Fighting the New Drug." The buses will return to Kalida at approximately 8:25 p.m. Parents can plan on picking up your child at that time.

### Confirmation Interviews the Next Two Weeks

They will start on October 2, during regular class time.

### Quarter Auction Fundraiser...

for Glandorf St. John's Preschool features items from Signature Homestyles, and will be held on Fri., October 6, at 7:00 p.m., at St. John's Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$10 each or RESERVED table of 8 for \$90! For more info. or tickets, call the Preschool (538-6264) or Jeannie Verhoff (538-6255).

### 2nd Annual Softball Game for Special Needs Children...

will be held on Sunday, October 8, at 1:30 p.m., at St. Michael's Holy Name Ballpark. The children who participated last year had unique experiences, talking about it for weeks following. This was the first real game many of the children actually played in. It was an awesome experience, not only for the children, but also for the adults who witnessed it. Please promote the game and come out to show your support.

### Quarter Auction This Sunday

Sunday, October 1, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., at the Ottawa American Legion. Doors open at 1:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10, which includes 10 raffle tickets and 1 auction paddle. Tickets can be purchased at the Ottawa Legion or by calling Mary Brickner (419-615-7356). Proceeds benefit Post 63 Children's Christmas Carnival. Don't forget your quarters!

### Walking Towards Eternity; Engaging the Struggles of Your Heart

This is a program from Ascension Press, with Jeff & Emily Cavins, which will introduce seven common struggles. You will learn how to engage your appetites, shame, envy, anger, fear, loneliness and hopelessness. It begins on October 2, from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m., in the Ottawa S.P.P.S. Cafeteria, and lasts for eight successive weeks.

### Want to Visit the Holy Land?

Fr. Charles Obinwa, pastor at Ft. Jennings St. Joseph's and the chaplain at St. Rita's, invites you to a pilgrimage with him on August 22-31, 2018. Cost is \$3,799 and includes airfare, 5-star hotels, taxes, tips, fees, transportation, breakfasts, dinners and wine. We will visit Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Cana, Galilee, Gethsemane, Mount of Olives, Via Dolorosa—Stations of the Cross, etc. Register at [www.procatholicotours.com](http://www.procatholicotours.com) or call 769-233-6515.