

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m. in church
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
YAHS CHOIR PRACTICE: 8:00 p.m.
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
ROSARY FOR PEACE: 7:00 p.m. in church
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m. in church

Keeping the Park Looking Nice!

There are quite a few folks currently volunteering to do the little extra things to help keep our parks and village looking sharp, but they could use more help! No commitment, just help whenever it fits your schedule. Maybe bring your kids along to help. Just general clean up, trimming, maybe some painting, etc. If you see some clean up that needs done, feel free to do it OR contact Bernice at the Village office (419-532-3899 kalidavillage2@bright.net). Bernice will be maintaining a list of possible things you might do to help keep our parks and Kalida looking good. THANK YOU to our current VOLUNTEERS! We look forward to a few more folks finding an hour or two here and there to help them out!
Kalida Park Board

Would You Like to Help People in Need?

Habitat for Humanity is seeking volunteers for its Critical Home Repair Program. If you are interested in being God's hands on earth, call Paul Bonifas at 419-532-3362 for more information.

26th Annual CMP Golf Scramble
 Visit the website or scan the QR code to the left to register a team, donate, or become a hole sponsor for the 2022 CMP Memorial Golf Scramble on Saturday, September 17, at Moose Landing Country Club: cmpmemorialgolfsramble.com



Labor Day Polka Dance at the Kalida K of C

Monday, September 5, from 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 2:00 p.m. Music by Aaron Dussing. Call 419-966-3826 for additional information.

Squeezebox Polka Band is Coming to Kalida!

Presale tickets are now on sale to see Mollie B & Ted Lange on October 11, 2022, at the Kalida K of C Hall, from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15. Call Rita at 419-231-0763 (this is a local number) for tickets or for more information.

Fall Prevention Classes Offered

The Council on Aging (COA) will be offering a FREE fall prevention class called "A Matter of Balance" (MOB) at the Leipsic Community Center. The program teaches older adults simple steps they can take to reduce their risk for a fall as well as light exercises that will help improve balance, strength and flexibility. **The MOB classes will run for 8 consecutive Fridays, starting September 9 through Oct 28, 2022, from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.** There is no charge to attend the classes, but space is limited to the first twelve registrants. Please call Pam Jones at 419-523-4121 to RSVP or for more information.

Offertory Bearers - September 10 & 11
4:30: Scott & Angie Meyer Family
8:00: Kyle & Jess Recker Family
11:00: Andrew & Tess Wehri Family

SERVER SCHEDULE

Tues, 9/6	8:00 AM	Hannah Bendele Adam Bockrath
Wed, 9/7	8:00 AM	Morgan Bockrath Carson Buss
Thurs, 9/8	7:30 PM	Cooper Horstman Jax Horstman
Fri, 9/9	8:00 AM	Riley Horstman Mallory Kerner
Sat, 9/10	4:30 PM	Owen Askins Dyllan Bendele Katie Bendele
Sun, 9/11	8:00 AM	Victoria Bendele Kaylyn Bockrath Lauren Bockrath
	11:00 AM	Kendal Bockrath Meredith Bockrath Gabi Brinkman

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors - September 10 & 11
4:30: Lisa Niese, Michele Niese, Brandy Schroeder, Karen Schroeder **LECTOR: Joyce Schnipke**
8:00: Joan Niese, Rose Recker, Deb Remlinger, Donna Schnipke **LECTOR: Erin Kerner**
Ministers to Homebound: Dianna Kehres, Tom & Judy Bonifas
11:00: Mark Remlinger, Tom Roof, Teresa Rampe, Wendy Schimmoeller **LECTOR: Deb Kahle**

USHERS - September 10 & 11

4:30: Team 8 **8:00:** Team 9 **11:00:** Team 7

Visit the Holy Land with Fr. Charles

Fr. Charles Obinwa, from Fort Jennings, invites you to travel to the Holy Land with him from July 1-10, 2023. Cost is \$4,199. Visit www.procatholicotours.com, call 1-508-505-6078 or email office@procatholicotours for more information.

2022-23 Sunday School Registration

Child's Name _____
 Parents' Names _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____ Date of Birth _____
 Special Needs: _____

Children should be 4 years old by 9/30/22. Cost is \$25. Sunday School will begin Sunday, September 18, during the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please note: you are asked to bring your child into church with you. At the beginning of each Mass, all the Sunday School children will be called forth and escorted downstairs. You can place the registration in the collection or mail to: St. Michael's Sunday School; P.O. Box 387; Kalida, OH 45853 Make checks payable to "St. Michael Church." Deadline is September 11.

ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH - KALIDA, OH - SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

Pastor: Fr. Nathan Bockrath **Deacon:** Bob Klausung **DRE:** Connie Cleemput
Youth Minister: Jill Zeller **Maintenance:** Kevin Fischer **Website:** stmichaelskalida.org
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419-532-3474

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

To Schedule a Wedding:

Email Fr. Nathan

To Schedule a Baptism

Email Fr. Nathan
 (Classes are needed for your first child only)

To Choose a Cemetery Plot:

Call Ron Schulte
 419-532-3078

Cemetery Maintenance

Steve Bockrath



“You Don’t Know Where You are Going IF You Don’t Know Where You Came From”

One of the realities of our lives is that we are repetitive by nature. We are people of habit, and while there can be pitfalls in this, in general this is a good thing. Good habits we call virtue, and by being repetitive, it allows us to organize, develop, and grow into something great. For example, if you think of your home, there is a good repetitive pattern to its structure (e.g. the studs in the wall are spaced so far apart), and due to this you have a great/firm home. We (for the most part) know this, and it's why we study history ... not to learn random facts; but, to learn about ourselves. As the saying goes, “You don’t know where you are going if you don’t know where you came from.” Most, if not all, the problems we face today are not completely new dynamics; but rather, the old issues with a new appearance. Therefore, we look backwards in order to go forward. Heck, how many times will coaches make reference to a previous practice/game so that their players can learn from a mistake? Similarly, we as Catholics do this at Mass. We go back to the ancient Scriptures and prayers because they speak to who we are as a person and to the deep yearning of our hearts. The main difference between Mass and with pure history is that we are not simply looking at details, but it is through this tradition that we encounter our Lord and He speaks to us. Yes we learn, but more importantly we enter into deeper communion with our Lord.

I share this brief reflection on tradition, because one of the great traditions of both of Kalida and Continental is our CCD program. CCD is really a tradition that puts us in touch with the tradition of our faith. Just like a relationship with a person, if you don’t learn about that person, that relationship is shallow and thus can easily fade away. CCD aims to help our young students to learn about our Lord and His ways, so that they can grow closer to Him. As a consequence of this communion, they become stronger themselves! In other words, CCD aims to help students look back, so that they can go forward. Heck, how would our communities of Kalida and Continental look if it wasn’t for the decades upon decades of young people growing through CCD?

Of course when you think of the example of the coach talking with the players, it may not always be the immediate most enjoyable thing to do. But, not all immediate enjoyable things are in our best interest (e.g. skipping work on Monday). Similarly, CCD may not always be the most enjoyable or convenient thing to do; but, isn’t that true with any important work/job? Let me put it this way, in my nine years as a priest I have not encountered a sane person who can truthfully say “I am better off now since I didn’t go to CCD.” I share this thought because everyone has demanding and pressing schedules, and often for the sake of relief the temptation is to sacrifice the spiritual side. Well, if we look backwards, that is never in our immediate or long-term best interest. It is only by allowing the spiritual side to have first priority, do we truly go forward.

On a side note, one of the great traditions of Kalida is upon us: the Pioneer Days. What a great opportunity to stop and think of our family and neighbors who came before us and helped establish and build this great community. Let us pray that by looking back at our history, we may be inspired to continue to follow our Lord, and that we can proceed forward with confidence!

Fr. Nathan

Mass Intentions & Schedule for the Week	
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6	
8:00 AM	Larry Peck
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7	
8:00 AM	L/D Linus Schroeder Family
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 <i>Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	
7:30 PM	Alice Brinkman, Gary Bockrath
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 <i>St. Peter Claver</i>	
8:00 AM	Bill Cleemput
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10	
4:30 PM	Jim & Angie Erhart, Dick & Gladys Unverferth James, Keith & Mark Unverferth Carl & Mae Webken, KHS Class of 1972 Carolyn Unverferth, Tom Recker Herk Selhorst, Tom Wannemacher John Smith, Beverly Siefker, Robert Fortman Clete & Freda Fortman
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11	
8:00 AM	Carol Verhoff, Earl Kleman & Families
11:00 AM	Gary Stechschulte, Paul Stechschulte Dave Fersch, Eileen Decker Tom Warnecke, Ron Kahle, Jr.

Last Week’s Collection \$ 8,971.00

Choir Assignments - September 10 & 11

4:30: YAHS **8:00:** Ashleigh **11:00:**

St. Michael’s Children’s Choir

Students in Grades 3 through 8 are invited to join the Children's Choir! The choir will sing at one 11:00 a.m. Mass per month, from the choir loft (September 18, October 23 and December 24, with spring dates to come soon). Rehearsals will be held during the students' religion class once per month (September 13, October 18 and December 5). Feel free to contact Ashleigh Kahle with any questions (419-615-9701 or ashleigh.s.akahle@gmail.com). If your child is interested, forms were passed out this past week in religion class. Please complete the bottom of that form and have them return it to their religion teacher by September 9.

Meet and Greet with Fr. Nathan...

is where someone is willing to host me at their home and invite 8 – 12 adults (food/appetizers/drinks are optional). It is meant to be laid-back time to throw questions at one another. If you are willing to host a “Meet and Greet” and know the other adults you plan to invite, call Leslie (419-532-3474).

Fr. Nathan

Note: Fr. Nathan is available every day of the week. Mondays are any time from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. In addition to evening time slots, he is also available from Noon - 2:00 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Saturdays are 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. and Sundays are Noon - 3:00 p.m. They are happening now through October.

Bingo at Pioneer

As usual, it will be full payout, where all the money that comes in goes back to the winner. We can’t do it without you, so please sign up as soon as possible. Thanks!

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Classes toward the Rite of Catholic Initiation for Adults are forming for this September. These classes lead toward entering the Church at the Easter Vigil in 2023. Contact the Parish Center at St. Michael’s to get registered. You can “start” just to check it out and decide as you go. Also, if you cannot start until later in the year, we can work with you! Think about it or refer someone you know!

Volunteers for Funerals

Every now and then, volunteers are needed for Funeral Masses. If you would be willing to be put on a list as a volunteer Eucharistic Minister or Mass server (when the family doesn’t have enough to fill the spots) please contact the parish office (stmichaelskalida@gmail.com or 419-532-3474, ext. 100). Thanks!

Recent Baptism

LONDON JOHN EICKHOLT

Son of Anthony & Kristi (Honigfort) Eickholt

Pioneer Parade Float

Meet at Fr. Nathan’s driveway at 1:15 p.m. next Sunday if you would like to be a part of the VBS-themed float in the Pioneer Parade. Make sure to wear your VBS shirt!

High School Students - R U Ready to Battle?

Do you like Classic TV Shows? The 37th annual St. George Deanery “Battle of the Youth” will be hosted by Kalida St. Michael on Sunday, October 2, 2022. Come to the Battle dressed to represent your favorite Classic TV Show. Registration forms will be available at the back entrance of church, on the Parish Website (under Youth Group), or at the Parish Center. Return form and \$50 non-refundable fee, payable to St. Michael’s, by September 22.

Schedule for the Holy Name Burger Tent...

is at stmichaelskalida.org, under “Recent Bulletins.”

Trip to Santa Clara Monastery...

on October 12, for Mass, Mother Angelica’s Museum, Rhoda Wise’s Grave Site and Rhoda Wise’s House in Canton, Ohio. Cost is \$93. Catered lunch and light breakfast included. Signup at the Mustard Seed, Glandorf, OH. Include trip payment when you signup. Checks made payable to Connie Dehnart. Taking a 27--passenger bus. Please sign up by September 12.

Toledo Diocesan Women’s Fall Conference

September 24, 2022 at the Sorrowful Mother Shrine, Bellevue, Ohio. The theme for the day is “Mary, Our Mother of Life, Love, and Hope.” Peter Range, Executive Director of Ohio Right to Life, will be the speaker. His talk is titled, “The Fight for Life in a Post-Roe America.” The cost is \$35 with reservations due September 16. Registration forms with more detailed information are available at the doors of our church. Contact Rita Borgelt (419-532-3637) or Tammy Schroeder (419-796-8964).

High School CCD Notes

Our first class will be September 14, at 7:00 p.m. Our freshmen teachers are Ann Warnecke, Wendy Schimmoeller and Deb Remlinger. The sophomore teachers are Phil Fuerst and Marv Kromer. Junior teachers are Kara Siefker, Scott Unverferth and Mary Siefker. Seniors will be with Casey Utendorf. Parents are asked to call the Parish Center if their child is unable to attend class. Participation in CYO sports will require weekly attendance.

Students Planning Mass This Week...

are Judy Birkemeier's 5A class on Wednesday, Sept. 7 and Jill Zeller's 8A class on Friday, Sept. 9.

Join the Young Adult High School Choir

The next practice for the Young Adult High School Choir will be Wednesday, September 7, at 8:00 p.m. New members are welcome! Just show up to the choir loft.

Kalida Music Boosters 50/50 Tickets

The Kalida Music Boosters are again selling their 50/50 Club tickets. If you are interested, please reach out to a current band or choir member. You can also reach out to Kathy Lammers at 419-890-6564 or Emily Wehri at 419-796-9022. Thank you for your continued support of the music program.

Putnam County Right to Life Will Meet...

on Tuesday, September 6, at 7:30 p.m. in St. Michael's Church basement in Kalida. All are welcome.

Have a Prayer Line Request?

Call Rita Borgelt (532-3637). Leave a message if no answer.

Want a VBS CD?

They are available for \$5 at the Parish Center.

