

MONDAY, MAY 13
ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m. in church
THURSDAY, MAY 16
ROSARY: 7:00 p.m.
FRIDAY, MAY 17
CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m. in church

A Fun Sunday-Sunday, May 19 at 2:00 pm...
 at Four Seasons Park for an afternoon of fun playing an all sports golf game on the disc golf course and other fun activities. Some prizes will be awarded. Get a team of family and friends together and have some fun competition while knowing you are helping with cancer research, families affected by cancer and scholarships to graduating seniors. To register a team, visit "The Neil R. Schnipke Foundation" on Facebook and fill out the form online or contact Ryan Schnipke or Jason Kahle. Hope to



Tuesday, June 11, 2024
4:00pm - 8:00pm *

Do you want a chance to try something different from a local restaurant... maybe you've always wanted to try a flatbread from 1820 BrewWerks, or some wings or a pizza from Smoke-es, maybe a new treat from the Dairy Whip and the Pizzeria? On June 11, 2024 from 4:00-8:00 p.m., you can travel at your own pace and time from Wibby's to the Kalida Market and on to Dicks, trying a sample size menu item or maybe something new at each stop. If you joined us last year, we're betting you will want to do the Tour again this year! Unfortunately, Hoyts and Fore 1 at Moose Landing will not be able to participate this year. With your \$20 ticket, you will be able to try a tasty treat from 7 different locations around Kalida and find out that we have some pretty great eateries available right here in our little town. Present your ticket at each location and enjoy your Taste of Kalida, then when you have completed your Food Tour, stop at the Church basement and drop your ticket in the bucket for a chance to win a door prize. Purchase tickets from Jill Zeller or at the Parish Center. Proceeds from the ticket sales will help with the expenses for conferences and other events to help our High School youth learn more about our faith.



Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors - May 18 & 19
4:30: PB: Brian & Bev Berheide
 Carrie Patrick, Nancy Rampe, Teresa Rampe, Lindsey Slusser
LECTOR: Deb Kahle
8:00: PB: Mary Siefker, Duane Steffan
 Mark Remlinger, Donna Schnipke, Barb Steffan, Norma Unverferth
LECTOR: Lynda Fortman
Ministers to Homebound: Tom & Judy Bonifas
11:00: PB: Scott Unverferth, Tom Roof
 Lisa Unverferth & Seniors
LECTOR: Graduates

SERVER SCHEDULE

Tues, 5/14	8:00 AM	Annaleice Maag John Recker
Wed, 5/15	8:00 AM	Jack Schulte Eli Selhorst Lyla Siebeneck
Thurs, 5/16	7:30 PM	Zach Siefker Riley Unverferth
Fri, 5/17	8:00 AM	Mallory Unverferth Quinn Unverferth
Sat, 5/18	4:30 PM	Josh Schulte Jacob Siebeneck Nicole Siebeneck
Sun, 5/19	8:00 AM	Owen Siebeneck Braylon Smith Jack Stechschulte Blake Remlinger Bryce Remlinger Zachary Unverferth
	11:00 AM	

Offertory Bearers - May 18 & 19
4:30: Ryan & Erin Kerner Family
8:00: Herm & Rita Borgelt Family
11:00: 2024 Graduates

USHERS - May 18 & 19
4:30: Team 1 **8:00:** Team 2 **11:00:** Graduates



Thank You!
 We have raised \$158,968 for the rectory/office space. Thank you to those who have already donated!



Parish Improvement Fund Envelopes
 If you would like to donate toward the improvements of the rectory/parish center and front steps, please use the special envelopes at the exits of church. Thanks!

St. Michael Catholic Church - Kalida, Ohio - May 12, 2024
Pastor: Fr. Nathan Bockrath (nbockrath@toledodiocese.org)
Deacon: Bob Klausing **DRE:** Connie Cleemput **Youth Minister:** Jill Zeller **Maintenance:** Kevin Fischer
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Phone: 419-532-3474 **Email:** stmichaelskalida@gmail.com **Office Hours:** Mon-Thur, 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Fr. Nathan's Eucharistic Article 33 of 40

"Lord, teach us to pray" (Lk 11:1)

With the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer, we know move into the Communion Rite of Mass. It may be wondered that if the Mass is supposed to represent the sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross, why then do we have Communion? Actually, the consumption of part of the host was required in the ancient sacrificial practice. It symbolized that person as being a guest of God since the sacrificial gift is now His and yet He gives part of it back. This was a symbol before Christ, but through Mass we join Jesus self-offering to the Father, and the Father in turn offers Him as spiritual food.

In the early Church, the Communion Rite was simpler: Breaking of the Bread, Lord's Prayer, then Communion. Throughout the centuries different prayers and ceremonies were added to assist the faithful in their focus and devotion during this most august moment. Now, there is the Lord's Prayer (preceded by the invitation to pray and followed by the Embolism and the people's acclamation), Rite of Peace, Breaking of the Bread (with the Commingling and "Lamb of God"), Priest's personal preparation, Invitation to the sacred banquet by the showing of the host, Communion of the priest and the faithful, Silent Prayer, Post Communion Prayer.

It may at first seem peculiar or random to include the Lord's Prayer here in the Mass; but, think of prayer's ultimate purpose: to align our hearts and minds with our Lord's. Being aligned with our Lord is the key to being our best selves (cf. art. 2), and misalignment is the cause of our deepest distresses and failures (cf. art. 3). Considering that Communion is all about being properly aligned with God, it is fitting that prayer is present immediately before so that our hearts and minds are prepared for this encounter. The apostles themselves knew the importance of prayer, and yet were aware how their own personal shortcomings frustrated the effectiveness of their prayer. Thus, they ask Jesus "how to pray." This prayer, composed by Jesus Himself, most appropriately shows how we are to approach our Lord. Due to the essential importance this prayer has in our preparation for a Holy Communion, let's consider the clauses:

Our Father: Jesus used the Aramaic word "Abba," which is the word a child called their father. Probably best translated as "daddy." Thus, it indicates that God wants to deal with us as his little children. It indicates our Lord's love for us, as well as the fact we are part of a greater family.

Hallowed be thy name: This is not that we make God's name holy by our prayers; rather, we are asking that God's name be holy for us personally. In this first petition we are essentially asking that our Lord will in fact be our first and most important priority, and nothing else takes that place ... for we seen what happens when it does (cf. art. 3).

Thy kingdom come: In this second petition, we ask that our Lord may reign in everybody's will. It's a petition that we may realize the fullness of His plan in this life and the next.

Thy will be done on earth as is it in heaven: In this third petition, its not a presumption that our Lord's will needs our prayers to be actualized (God can do what He wants). Rather, it's a petition that we may carry out His will. It's a prayer for our will to align more perfectly with His.

Give us this day our daily bread: This fourth petition is the request for us to be and remain in Communion with our Lord. The word "daily" is an unfortunate translation of the Greek term used "Epiouision," which means "supersubstantial." In other words, give us the bread not of this world, but the bread of Heaven that lifts our soul. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive ...: One of the worst things we can do in the spiritual life is be naive and delusional about our own status, because it causes us to remain in mediocrity and not break through to greatness. This fifth petition challenges us to be mindful of our shortcomings ... not to be negative, but to be aware of the opportunities before us. In addition, with the clause about forgiving others, it challenges us to grow our hearts into Jesus' own Sacred Heart.

Lead us not into temptation: This sixth petition is a request for our Lord's assistance not to succumb to the evil temptations in this world that keep us from being our best, and reaching real happiness and meaning.

Deliver us from evil: In this seventh petition (notice there are seven petitions [cf. art. 2], the biblical number for perfection), we request our Lord's assistance to remove any evil that is present in our life. Evil always weighs us down, God wants to build us up ... here, we pray that we may not get in our Lord's way.

The prayer concludes by putting our focus on the end goal. Thus, the private intercession of the priest looks at clearing the path of this life so that we may encounter our Lord. And the people's acclamation sums it all up: "For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever."

Fr. Nathan

Upcoming Mass Schedule	
TUESDAY, MAY 14	<i>St. Matthias, apostle</i>
8:00 AM	Carolyn Unverferth, Tom Recker
WEDNESDAY, MAY 15	<i>St. Isidore</i>
8:00 AM	Living members of CLC, Gary Bockrath Larry Haselman & Family, Stella Brinkman
THURSDAY, MAY 16	
7:30 PM	Jim Kahle, L/D Carl & Mae Webken Family L/D Walter & Mary Vennekotter Family Herk Selhorst, Tom Wannemacher Ellie Schimmoeller
FRIDAY, MAY 17	
8:00 AM	John & Catherine Kahle, Neil Schnipke
SATURDAY, MAY 18	
4:30 PM	Alfred & Marcella Ellerbrock, JoAnn Otto Walter & Marie Becker, John Smith L/D Bill Ellerbrock Family, Jim & Angie Erhart Richard & Gladys Unverferth Family Ron, Dorothea & Ray Aversch
SUNDAY, MAY 19	<i>Pentecost</i>
8:00 AM	Larry Buss, Jim Gerding, Dorothy Miller
11:00 AM	2024 KHS Graduates, L/D Don Holtkamp Fam. David Fersch, Greg Erhart, Martha Wallace Norman & Dorothy von der Embse L/D William & Marilyn Leopold Family

Choir Assignments—May 18 & 19

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

The Eucharist - with Bishop Robert Barron

Please join us for the final theological study in the church basement, on Friday, May 17, at 10:30 a.m.

Dedication of St. Michael's Children's Memorial Garden This Sunday, May 12, 2024 after the 11:00 a.m. Mass

The children's choir will be singing a song, and there will be sweet treats and lemonade!

With the dedication of the St. Michael's Children's Memorial Garden this weekend, we would like to take the time to thank everyone who helped make this project a reality:

Every single person who donated money, time, and prayers, no matter how big or small

Brick Street Studio for the design

Duane Steffan, Dick and Matt Bockrath and their crew of volunteers who helped with the concrete

K and L Ready Mix

Girl Scout Troop 12310

JML Amish Furniture

Father Mark & Father Nathan

Kevin Fischer

Buckeye Custom Fab

Kalida Students for Life

St. Michael's
**CHILDREN'S
Memorial
GARDEN**

Unfortunately, too many people have experienced or been affected by the loss of a child. Whether through miscarriage, as an infant, or a young / adult child, the loss is a pain like no other. The hope is that this garden provides a sense of remembrance, peace, and comfort. To remember a loved one, please take a stone and decorate in any way you wish as a memorial to them. Place the stone along the rock path (located in the part of the garden nearest the Parish Center) for families to look for while in the garden. Rocks will be available at the dedication, as well as in the church entrance nearest the garden. Contact Megan Roebke at 419-796-9989 with any questions.

The garden is still a work in progress. We are now in phase one of three. The other phases will be completed as time and money allow. Phase two will be an enhanced Mary Prayer grotto, with easier access to pray to our Blessed Mother. Phase three will be an area dedicated to St. Joseph.

VBS "Scuba, Diving into Friendship with God" will be July 15-18, 2024. Look for online registration information soon.

CLC is Traveling

Our meeting will be held at the Meadows of Kalida on Monday, May 13, at 6:30 p.m. There will be a short meeting and then BINGO. We have invited our CLC residents to join us. April, May, June and July birthdays will be honored.

Dance at Kalida K of C

Sunday, May 19, from 3:00-6:00 p.m. Doors open at 2:00 p.m. A variety of music will be provided by Justus III. Everyone is welcome. Dance put on by Polka Boosters. Call Mark 419-966-3826 with questions.

Opportunity to Thank Fr. Nathan

From Saturday, May 11 through Sunday, June 9, there will be blank cards at all church entrances to write a note to Father Nathan to thank him for his service to our parish. Please deposit cards in the boxes located at the entrances by Sunday, June 9.

Students Planning Mass This Week...

Our last All School Mass will be Wednesday, May 15. Our grade 8 students will be doing the ministries. Our last day for elementary CCD classes will be Tuesday, May 21.

VBS Supplies Needed Are...

Capri Sun and Kool-Aid Jammers. These items can be dropped at the entrances of Church. Thanks!

Baccalaureate Mass - Sunday, May 19

Mass at 11:00 a.m., followed by a luncheon, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

Job Sites Needed - YES Project - June 7 & 8

Are there some jobs you need help with around your home? If you would like a team of youth and adults to come and help with a small job (like mulching, cleaning gutters, weeding, painting, etc.) either inside or outside your home, please contact Jill Zeller 419-532-3494 X103 or 567-376-9115 by May 24.

7th & 8th Grade thru graduating Seniors...

The 2024 Y.E.S. Project will be hosted by Ottawa Sts. Peter and Paul this year, June 6 -8, 2024. Students entering grade 8 through graduating seniors are encouraged to join us for this weekend service project. Registration forms will be available from Jill Zeller... contact her at stmichaelyouth.kalida@gmail.com or 567-376-9115.

Adult Leaders Needed for YES Project

Do you like to spend time helping those in need? We'd love for you to join our adult team leaders for the Y.E.S. weekend June 6-8, 2024, hosted by Ottawa St. Peter & Paul. We will be working throughout the St George Deanery (Putnam County). We would love to have Adult team leaders and assistant leaders (current college freshmen and older)! Please contact Jill Zeller 419-532-3494 X103 or 567-376-9115.

Lions Club Meal for Senior Citizens

The Kalida Lions Club invites all senior citizens (aged 65 and over on or before June 1, 2024) for a free meal on Monday, May 13, 2024 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Dick's Steak House. The meal will be your choice of chicken or roast beef with all the trimmings. This dinner is open to the general public at a cost of \$10. If you are not able to dine in the restaurant, please contact Brus-kotter Financial Services' office (419-532-2099) to arrange for your dinner to be delivered. Carryout dinners are also available. The Kalida Lions thank all our senior citizens for your generous support over the years.

Holy Name Tickets

Please return any sold or unsold Holy Name raffle tickets in the collection as soon as possible. Thanks!

Last Week's Collection: \$ 12,746.58