

**MONDAY, APRIL 8**  
**ROSARY FOR PEACE:** 10:00 a.m. in church  
**CLC MEETING:** 7:00 p.m.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 11**  
**ROSARY:** 7:00 p.m.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 12**  
**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY:** 3:00 p.m. in church

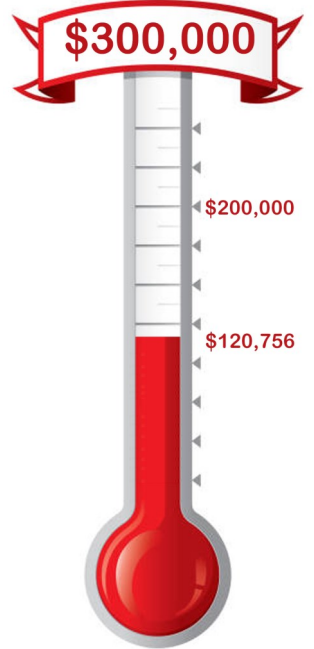
**Small Sacramentals for Tanzania**  
 The annual Tanzanian mission trip will be May 26, focusing this year on the educational needs of the physically and mentally disabled poor children of rural, west Tanzania. Donations of small sacramentals would be appreciated as well as donations to help fund extra suitcase costs to bring needed essentials. Sacramentals may be placed at church exits marked "missions." Please call Ellen about monetary donations 419-796-0852. Please leave a message if I don't pick up. I will provide a receipt for tax deductions if requested. Thank you in advance for your help!

**Heartbeat In Dire Need of Diapers**  
 Diapers are in extremely low supply, especially sizes 5 & 6, at the Heartbeat Offices. Please drop off donations in the box in elevator entrance of St. Michael's Church. **Thank you in advance for your generosity!**

**PC Right to Life Garage & Bake Sale**  
 You can now drop off gently used items and baked goods on Sunday, April 7, from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. and Monday, April 8, from 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Sale days are Tuesday, April 9, from 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday, April 10, from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Please help us support all life!

**Kalida Garage Sales—April 25, 26 & 27**  
 Sign up at Kalida Telephone or Union Bank by April 12.

**Rectory/Office Space FUNDRAISING GOAL**



**Thank You!**  
 We have raised \$120,756 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!

**Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors - April 13 & 14**  
**4:30:** PB: **Bob Gerdeman, Mark Kahle**  
 Cherie Kemper, Allie Kuhlman, Peter Morrissey, Lisa Niese  
**LECTOR: Nancy Rampe**  
**8:00:** PB: **Dave Kahle, Erica Kahle**  
 Darlene Hanneman, Bob Klausing, Jane Kleman, Becky Lucke  
**LECTOR: Mary Plescher**  
**Ministers to Homebound:** Mary Siefker  
**11:00:** PB: **Mike Krouse, Ryan Kerner**  
 Meredith Bockrath, Erin Kerner, Maria Gerding, Jim Hanneman  
**LECTOR: Joyce Schnipke**

**SERVER SCHEDULE**

Tues, 4/9	8:00 AM	Rebekah Bendele Avery Bockrath Ethan Dickman Matt Foppe Toby Goubeaux
Wed, 4/10	8:00 AM	Collin Horstman Emma Jerwers
Thurs, 4/11	7:30 PM	Calvin Hovest Alyssa Kahle Hunter Klausing
Fri, 4/12	8:00 AM	Andrea Burgei Emerson Burgei Carson Buss
Sat, 4/13	4:30 PM	Katelyn Foppe Evy Cattell Madelyn Cattell
Sun, 4/14	8:00 AM	Faith Feldman Evan Fischnich Isabelle Buss
	11:00 AM	

**Offertory Bearers - April 13 & 14**  
**4:30:** Roger & Lisa Unverferth Family  
**8:00:** Dale & Jill Liebrecht Family  
**11:00:** Josh & Mary Horstman Family

**USHERS - April 13 & 14**  
**4:30:** Team 1 **8:00:** Team 2 **11:00:** Team 3

**Kalida EMS Chicken BBQ**  
 Sunday, April 14, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. until gone.  
 \$10/meal No presale. Pickup behind fire station.  
 Thank you for your continued support!!

**Need Help with Technology?**  
 The Council on Aging is providing technology assistance to older adults. If any older adult has questions about their phone, tablets, or laptops, they can call the Council on Aging to schedule a one-on-one appointment with our technology trainers. They will be visiting the Kalida Village offices (205 W. Main St.) on April 9 & 23, May 14 & 28 and June 11 & 25. Appointments are required. Call 419-523-4121 to schedule an appointment.

**Putnam County Master Gardeners Garden Fair and Market**  
 Saturday, April 27, from 8:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Putnam County ESC (124 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa). The Garden Fair fee is \$40 and includes: three educational sessions, continental breakfast, lunch and door prizes. Pre-registration is required by April 20. Contact the Putnam County Extension Office (419-523-6294). The Garden Market is free and open to the public.

**St. Michael Catholic Church - Kalida, Ohio - April 7, 2024**  
**Pastor:** Fr. Nathan Bockrath (nbockrath@toledodiocese.org)  
**Deacon:** Bob Klausing **DRE:** Connie Cleemput **Youth Minister:** Jill Zeller **Maintenance:** Kevin Fischer  
**Website:** stmichaelskalida.org **Address:** 312 N. Broad St.; Box 387; Kalida, OH 45853  
**Phone:** 419-532-3474 **Email:** stmichaelskalida@gmail.com **Office Hours:** Mon-Thur, 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



*Welcome to the Catholic Church!*

The following finished the RCIA program and were welcomed into the Catholic Church on Holy Saturday. Pictured left to right with Fr. Nathan are: **Dana Schnipke, Rick Smith, Garrett O'Reilly, Jeff Sheaks and Stephanie Okuley**

## Fr. Nathan's Eucharistic Article 30 of 40

*“O God, in your goodness, in your great tenderness wipe away my faults; wash me clean of my guilt, purify me from my sin” (Ps 51:1-2)*

The first prayers are the Prayers over the Offerings. These prayers intend to properly orientate ourselves to our Lord by acknowledging Him as the Creator and His intention for the bread and wine:

“Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. For through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life”

“Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink”

In response to each of these prayers, the congregation is invited to say “Blessed be God forever.” This is reminiscent of the prophet Daniel’s prayer: “Blessed be the name of God forever and ever” (Dan 2:20). It is a way of saying: “may God be praised forever” ... which is the antidote to this fallen world (art. 3)

In between these two prayers, a small amount of water is mixed with the wine, and the cleric says “By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.” The spiritual reason for the mixing of the water and wine points to Jesus Himself: “one soldier thrust his lance into His side, and immediately blood and water flowed out” (Jn 19:34). Another symbolism presented here, as is reflected in the prayer itself, is our union with our Lord’s divinity. The wine is seen as symbolizing Christ and the water symbolizes the faithful. Based on this symbolism the water is blessed with the sign of Cross, as to indicate our need for blessing; whereas, the wine is not blessed since Jesus is in no need of blessing.

After the chalice is placed again upon the corporal, the priest says a prayer quietly while profoundly bowing towards the altar: “With humble spirit and contrite heart may we be accepted by you, O Lord, and may our sacrifice in your sight this day be pleasing to you Lord God.” As the beginning prayers put our proper focus on our Lord, this prayer aims to assure we have the right inner disposition. The prayer is rooted in Psalm 51 that addresses the desired sacrifice, which is a properly disposed heart: “a humble and contrite heart, O God, you will not spurn” (vs. 19). It also reflects the prayer of the prophet Daniel: “with contrite heart and humble spirit let us be received” (Dan 3:39).

Next, the priest washes his hands (in particular his fingertips) while praying: “Wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.” While this ancient custom does have a practical purpose to help assure that the fingers that will touch the host and chalice are clean, there is a more spiritual purpose as the prayer indicates. So much of the activity that we do is conducted through our hands, and so by washing them it symbolizes an interior purification of the whole person.

Finally, the priest pleads with the congregation to now be unified in their purpose: “Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.” Notice the language of “sacrifice” being stressed. In

turn, the congregation responds: “May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.” This little prayer reverses the mistake of Adam and Eve (art. 3) by putting the attention back on the right worship of the Lord, whom we are made for (art. 2), and this orientation in turn puts us in the proper position to reach our full potential (art. 1). *Fr. Nathan*

*Greetings to you all,*

*I hope everyone had a blessed Easter and a great time with family and friends. Just to let you know, starting today, the next two weeks I will be out of the country taking family members on a trip to Italy. Kindly know that the parish offices are ready to assist in case of an emergency (i.e. funeral and last rites), and we do have priests on standby. If you happen to know of someone who needs to be anointed, please contact the parish offices as soon as you can. Finally, please be assured of my prayers for you. As I will be sitting in the numerous Italian piazzas, basking in the Mediterranean sun, snacking on their delicious treats and drinking their choice wines, I will be reminded of how sweet you are. God Bless—Fr. Nathan*

Upcoming Mass Schedule	
<b>TUESDAY, APRIL 9</b>	
8:00 AM	Lawrence Peck, Al & Mary Siefker Family
<b>WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10</b>	
8:00 AM	
<b>THURSDAY, APRIL 11</b> <i>St. Stanislaus, bishop</i>	
7:30 PM	Ron Kahle, Jr., Dorothy Miller Bill & Mary Lou Felkey
<b>FRIDAY, APRIL 12</b>	
8:00 AM	
<b>SATURDAY, APRIL 13</b>	
4:30 PM	Joe Langhals, John Phillips, Sandi Kidd Larry Haselman & Family
<b>SUNDAY, APRIL 14</b> <i>Third Sunday of Easter</i>	
8:00 AM	Len, Anna Rose, Triena & Emily Kahle Neil Schnipke, People of the Parish Norbert & Lorene Fuerst, Moxie & Cindy Wehri, Kate & Alfred Wehri
11:00 AM	Brian Schroeder Family, Brian Knott Connie Miller, Cleora Winkle Norman & Dorothy von der Embse

**Easter Collection:** \$ 33,041.00

**Regular Collection:** \$ 11,042.14

**Choir Assignments—April 13 & 14**

**4:30:** **8:00:** HN **11:00:** Renee

**Monday Rosary Time Change for April 8**

Rosary to start at 10 a.m. on April 8 instead of 1:30 p.m.

**Recent Baptisms**

DAISY JANE PAYTON

ISLEY RICHARD PAYTON

Children of Dalton & Erin (Morrow) Payton

## April is the Month of the Holy Eucharist

Learn more about the Eucharist on the Eucharistic Revival app. The app is available through the Google Play Store, Apple Store, Roku, Apple TV, Android TV, and Amazon Fire. The app offers access to free video / audio resources on the Eucharist. It has been developed in conjunction with the National Eucharistic Revival for the Catholic Church in the United States. Resources include catechetical videos on the Eucharist for children, audiobooks by prominent Catholic theologians, a video interview with Pope Francis (as Jorge Cardinal Bergoglio), & much more. They have been provided in support of the Eucharistic Revival through the generosity of Catholic publishers & apostolates.

## The Eucharist - with Bishop Robert Barron

This will be a three-session theological study with discussion questions following each video segment. Each session will not exceed one hour. Please join the study in the church basement. There will be evening study sessions and morning study sessions offered.

Evenings at 6:30 p.m.: Tuesday, April 16, Tuesday, April 30, and Tuesday, May 14

Mornings at 10:30 a.m.: Friday, April 19, Friday, May 3, and Friday, May 17

## Jesus and the Eucharist Study



During this time of Eucharistic Revival, Jesus is inviting us to encounter him in our life stories. In this study, explore the story of salvation as told through Scripture, fulfilled in the death and resurrection of Jesus, and lived out in the Church and the Sacraments—especially the Eucharist. At the conclusion of this series, participants will be empowered to live out the Gospel in their own lives and share its message of hope with others. Enjoy on your own or start a small group study in the comfort of your home.

Access the study videos and discussion sheets at:

<https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/formation-resources>

## Cemetery Cleanup 2024

April 15 is the final cleanup date for the mowing season at St. Michael’s Cemetery. All decorations must be placed on the footers so the grass can be trimmed properly. Mulch, shrubs, bushes and stones are not permitted on or around the footers, as they don’t allow for proper mowing. We would like to keep the cemetery looking beautiful and remain a peaceful final resting place for our loved ones. Thanks for all your help and understanding with this.

*The Cemetery Committee*

Tip for Flower Arrangements on Top of Headstone: Please put duct tape under your arrangements and write the name of the person you are honoring, so if it is blown away, the arrangement can be returned to the headstone. Thanks!

## Sold & Unsold Holy Name Raffle Tickets

Please turn them in to Nick Schulte. Thanks.

## CLC Meeting

MEETING IS CANCELLED April 8

## High School CCD Finished for the Year

The final class for the year was held last Wednesday, April 3. Thank you to all of our high school catechists for your time and dedication sharing the faith with our high school youth!

## Students Planning Mass This Week...

are Stephanie Price's grade 1 class on Wednesday, April 10 and her grade 6 class on April 12.

## Sacrament of Confirmation

will be Sunday, April 21, at 1:00 p.m. It will be with Reverend Msgr. William Kubacki. Confirmation practice is Wednesday, April 17 at 7:00 p.m. This is for the student and their sponsor.

## Book Study: Beautiful Eucharist

There are Two Options (Yes, you can do both!)

1. In Person: 6:30 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month in St. Michael Church Basement (classroom near men’s restroom). Exception: Instead of meeting Monday, April 8, we will meet Tuesday, April 9 and continue reading on page 33.

2. Online Facebook Group: Search Beautiful Eucharist Book Study

## The Next Euchre Tournament...

will be Sunday, April 14, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the church basement. \$1 entry to be distributed for prizes. Bring a snack to share if you want. Babysitting will be available. This is the last tournament until fall 2024.

## PTO Spring Flower Fundraiser

The PTO is sponsoring their annual Spring Flower Fundraiser. Tickets are available from any elementary student or in the elementary office. The \$20 ticket is redeemable for ONE 10 inch basket at The Greenhouse on Main in Columbus Grove from May 1 - 31.

## K of C Pork Chop Dinner

Saturday, April 20, from 4:00 - 6:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the Kalida Market. Call John Schulte (419-890-8851) or Duane Steffan (419-604-1801). Deadline is Wednesday, April 17.



## KHS MUSICAL

Tickets on sale now at the High School Administration office. Show dates: April 12-14.

## Thank You

Thank you to our families, friends, Fr. Randy, Fr. Nathan, Fr. Mark and our entire community for all the love and support when we lost our little angel Ellie. We trust God in his plan for her. Words are not enough for how grateful we are for all the prayers and continued support.

Thank You!

Derrick & Leah Schimmoeller

John, Jackie, Dylan & Dayna Schimmoeller

Dave, Dora and Lisa Hunt