

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, April 23

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
5:00 pm- Mass *Harley Pertner+*
@ MV Church

SUNDAY, April 24

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
9:00 am- Mass *For the People of Our Parishes*
@ MV Church
First Communion
11:00am- Mass *Fr. Robert Holden+*
@ GB Church 
First Communion
3:00 pm- Divine Mercy Devotions
@ GB Church

MONDAY, April 25

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 

TUESDAY, April 26

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
5:00 pm- Mass *Leonard Reino+*
@GB Church
5:45pm- Reconciliation @ GB

WEDNESDAY, April 27

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
8:30 am- *Theresa Sloma+* @MV Church

THURSDAY, April 28.

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
8:30 am- Mass *Tina DiFonso French+*
@ GB Church

FRIDAY, April 29

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
8:30 am- Mass *Don, Doug, and Jodi Haubert+*
@ MV Church

SATURDAY, April 30

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
2:00 pm- Wedding @ GB
5:00 pm- Mass *Tim Reed+*
@ MV Church

SUNDAY, May 1

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
9:00 am- Mass *Pete Schalk+*
@ MV Church 
May Crowning
10:00 am- Family Brunch @ MV
11:00am- Mass *For the People of Our Parishes+*
@ GB Church
May Crowning

MV=Saint Mary GB=Saint Michael

Financial Stewardship

Saint Mary April 16-17, 2022

Sunday	\$3350.00
Loose	\$672.25
Easter	\$5295.00
Holy Land	\$70.00
Home Missions	\$20.00
Repair	\$200.00

Saint Michael April 17, 2022

Sunday	\$1895.00
Loose	\$27400
Easter	\$3895.00
Special Improv.	\$95.00
Religious Ed.	\$95.00
Good Friday	\$679.00
Food Pantry	\$25.00
Cemetery	\$105.00
Home Missions	\$10.00
Ukraine	\$50.00

ACA goal \$11,326 \$9220.00

ACA goal \$12,959 \$9745.48

Each year, the Diocese of Toledo is required to undergo an audit to ensure that it is in compliance with the articles of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. This year's audit examined the audit period of July 1, 2018 through September 30, 2021. Bishop Daniel Thomas is pleased to announce that the Diocese was found to be in full compliance with the requirements in the Charter following the audit.

The Diocese of Toledo remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have any knowledge of abuse that has been committed by a cleric or by any personnel of the Catholic Church, you are urged to report the abuse to your local police department, Children Services, and to contact the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (419) 214-4880; or to write to the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1933 Spielbusch Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43604.



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DRUMMING FOR JESUS!



It is with great pleasure to tell you that on Thursday April 28th at 6:30pm in Saint Michael Parish Center we will be bringing back Drumming for Jesus!! So dust off those drum sticks, put a little air in your exercise ball, bring your tote or bucket (there are buckets available) and get ready to work on your heart and soul! Cost is \$3 per session or \$10 a month. Need more information? Contact Patti Wasserman.

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MV Office Hours: Mon., Wed., Fri. 9:30am-2:30pm 419-638-3042

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Saint *Mary*
MILLERSVILLE



Saint *Michael*
GIBSONBURG

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April 24, 2022

Second Sunday of Easter Sunday of Divine Mercy

Connected as the Body of Christ,
we reverence the presence of God in each person
and nurture disciples at every age,
to live the Gospel with Christian charity and zeal.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Happy Easter! That's right, it is still Easter Day, through this Sunday evening. And while the Octave of Easter is drawing to a close, the Easter Season will continue through the Solemnity of Pentecost on Sunday, June 5, so let the feasting continue since the tomb is empty and the Lord Jesus is risen!

You may know that the Church does not permit Funeral Masses during the Sacred Paschal Triduum, which we celebrated just a week ago. No liturgies may be celebrated during those holiest of days except for the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, the Celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday, the Mass of Vigil on Holy Saturday, and Mass during the Day on Easter Sunday. This is so because the Church invites her children throughout the world to pause from our normal routines and to enter as deeply as possible into the Paschal Mystery of Christ.

That said, we celebrated two Funeral Masses this past week for loved ones who died just before or during Holy Week. On Tuesday, we offered the Funeral Mass for Carmen Jaso, a native of Gibsonburg who had lived in Houston for much of her life. The next day, Wednesday, we celebrated Helen Reineck's Funeral Mass, following a lengthy illness. This Saturday, then, we celebrated a Memorial Mass and the Rite of Committal for Fremont native Michael Bundschuh, who also lived in Texas, along with his wife of nearly 53 years, Kathy. All three liturgies were beautiful, hope-filled celebrations as we commended these loved ones to the Mercy of God on the Day of Resurrection.

Unfortunately, there are more parishioners to bid farewell to in the coming days. Saint Michael parishioner Ila Rose Griffin, a faithful, back-row sitting Catholic every Saturday evening died on Easter Monday. Fr. Ted will preside at her Funeral Liturgy outside Mass at Herman-Veh Funeral Home this Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. Additionally, we received word on Thursday evening that faithful front-row sitting Catholic and Saint Mary parishioner James Steinmetz died. Jim buried his wife of 62 years, Genniel, on July 30, 2021, so we surround their children, Linda and James, Jr., with our prayers for consolation and peace. Arrangements for Jim are pending. May the Risen Christ grant these souls and all our beloved dead a share in His Resurrection.

On an entirely different note, it is such a joy to celebrate First Communion on this Second Sunday of Easter. Our First Communicants have been preparing for a long time for this special moment in their young lives, and we pray that the joy and anticipation of this beautiful day will continue throughout their lives, so that they might rejoice each and every Lord's Day at the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Jesus' Body and Blood, and to welcome Him into their hearts, where He longs to dwell. And we pray that the anticipation of this day will give way to anticipation to eternal life with the Trinity in Heaven, since the Eucharist is a foretaste of that heavenly union with our God.

Finally, as the Second Sunday of Easter has also come to be known in recent years as the Sunday of Divine Mercy, we invite you to join in union with the Church as we mark the final day of the Divine Mercy Novena, imploring God's great Mercy on us and on the whole world. We'll have a Eucharistic Holy Hour with the chanting of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, followed by Benediction with the Most Blessed Sacrament at 3:00 p.m. at Saint Michael this Sunday.

Sincerely yours in the Risen Christ,

Very Reverend Scott S. Woods, V.F.
Pastor

Mass Assistants if you would like to serve in any of these ministries, please contact Kathy Otermat at kotermat@stmaryandstmichael.org

Saint Michael– Saturday, April 30, 5:00pm

Ambassadors	Paul Makulinski Gerry Williams
Server	Mary Ann Myerholtz
Lector	Robert Valle
EMOHC	Hank Reineck

Saint Mary– Sunday, May 1, 9:00 am

Rosary	Pat Miller
Server	Macey Kohler

Cantor	Joe Rich
Lector	Sally Wilhelm
Communion	Bill Ochs
Ambassadors	Jeanine Van Der Laar Terri Reinhart
Count	Dave and Mary Gutschalk
Clean	Volunteers

Saint Michael– Sunday, May 1, 11:00 am

Ambassadors	Dave Estep Erin Estep
Server	Evie Estep
Lector	Chris Lau
EMOHC	Verna Konesky

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Baptism - Please contact Dcn. Mike for information and to schedule, which for first-time parents includes an orientation to the Sacrament.

Confirmation - The normative time for Confirmation in the Diocese of Toledo is eighth grade. Please contact Patti Wasserman for more information.

Reconciliation - Fr. Scott is available after Tuesday Mass until 6:00pm, and after Friday Mass until 9:45am (or later, if penitents remain past those times). Confessions are also heard after the morning Mass on First Saturdays, or by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick - Please contact Fr. Scott if you or a family member are critically ill, preparing for surgery, or are of advanced age and in need of this Sacrament. In case of an emergency outside of office hours, please press '8' when prompted by the automated phone system. This Sacrament can be received many times throughout one's life, and is not reserved for end of life only.

Matrimony - Please contact either parish office at least six months before you hope to marry, and know that a wedding date cannot be set until a couple's freedom to marry has been determined in consultation with Fr. Scott or Dcn. Mike. Annulments, when necessary, may require 18-24 months to resolve.

Holy Orders - Please contact Fr. Scott or Dcn. Mike if you feel the Lord may be inviting you to a vocation to the priesthood, the diaconate, or religious life.

Holy Communion for the Homebound - Please contact either parish office if you are unable to come to Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion in your home or care facility.



Please remember in prayer: Ron Davis, Louis Smith, Jerry Reinhart, Deacon Rene Gonzalez, Mary Reineck, Rosie Neeb, Michelle Schaser, Loren LaVoy, Sister Maria Miguel, Virginia, Larry and Mary Ann Elchert, Christi Holman, Steve Woods and all our loved ones in nursing

homes, or staying at home and not able to safely leave. If you have a prayer request for members of either of our parishes please email the name to be listed (make sure you have the consent of the person first) to mshparishoffice@gmail.com. Each name will be listed for one month. If you would like your name or the name of your loved one listed longer, kindly message the Saint Mary Parish Office each month.

Fr. Scott is happy to come and bless seeds to be planted this year. Please call either Parish Office to reach him or email him at swoods@stmaryandstmichael.org.

2022 NAMI Walk Please join us for the

2022 John Van Der Laar Walk with NAMI on Saturday April 30, 2022! The walk will be from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Conner Park in Fremont. All are welcome- including our furry, four legged friends! This event is FREE but you must register to receive a walk shirt and lunch. You can register on our website at www.namissw.org or by phone at (419) 334-8021. You can also find more information about how to donate to the walk and ways you can participate by clicking the link on our website. In 2021, our free services helped over 2,500 individuals and families affected by mental illness. Come help us support the growing need for these services in our community!



High School Youth Mark your calendars for Sunday, April 24, 5:00pm at Saint Mary Hall.

Come be fed, physically, and spiritually, and have fun getting to know more people. Bring a friend!

Family Brunch May 1 after 9am Mass. The St. Mary's Rosary Altar Society will be holding our annual Family Brunch Sunday May 1st after Mass. Menu consists of breakfast casseroles, ham, sausage, hash browns, fruit and rolls. All are welcome.

Gibsonburg Volunteer Fire Department, "Our Chicken BBQ is back!!" Sunday, May 1st, and we look forward to seeing you!! We will be doing 800 half chicken meals – complete with a half chicken, two sides, a roll, and ice cream. The following dates are the only opportunities to purchase presale Chicken BBQ tickets at the fire station: Tuesday, April 26, 6:00-8:00pm Thursday, April 28, 6:00pm-8:00pm Or purchase online at www.gibsonburgfire.com! Thank you so much in advance for the support!

Bishop Daniel E. Thomas makes the following announcement:

"On Palm Sunday afternoon I had the joy of hosting and visiting with the Mercedarian Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, who have graciously accepted my invitation to establish a community here in the Diocese of Toledo! Thanks to the wonderful relationship already forged with Fr Eric Schild, the Sisters have expressed the intention to come to St Joseph Parish, Maumee, where the parish and school will welcome them, and where there is already a property fitting to become a convent! Please rejoice with me that the Lord continues to bless us with new religious communities and enhance our diocese with new religious charisms! Prayerful thanks to Mother M. Rosario Vega-R. (who could not visit), Mother Jeanette Marie Estrada, and the novices, postulants and aspirants who came to visit! The foreseen time of their arrival is Fall 2026, we pray they might be able to come even sooner!"

From the desk of Patti Wasserman...

**Family Faith Formation classes:
 Pre K-6th Grade**

MV Sunday May 1st Packet Pick Up
 and Family Brunch

GB Wednesday May 4th Packet Pick Up
 and Family Potluck

7th and 8th Grade Confirmation Class

MV Sunday April 24th (Last Class)
 GB Wednesday April 27th (Last Class)

**INTRODUCING THIS YEARS VBS!
 SAVE THE DATES!**

**July 24-28th 5:30pm-8:00pm
 @ Saint Michael Parish Center**



**Not a Vacation Bible School;...
 But a VOCATION Bible School!
 We will discover that God made us to be
 happy! He loves us and has a plan for our
 life! His plan for our life is our mission!
 We're all on a mission from God!
 Watch for more information next week!**



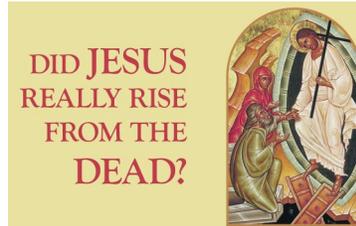
**STUEBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE 2022
 June 11-12 @ Franciscan University**

This is for all high school youth, including next years freshman through this years seniors. Limited spots are available, so if interested please tell Deacon Mike or Patti as soon as possible. **BE FEARLESS!** Come encounter Jesus with 2,000 other teens from around the country. The keynote speakers include a few of our favorites, Sister Miriam James Heidland, Oscar "Two Ten" Rivera Jr., Katie Prejean McGrady, Dan Harms, Jon Paul Von Arx and his band, plus Father Dave Pirvonka as our Spiritual Director! Cost is \$250 per person which includes registration fee, rooms, meals and a T-shirt. The parish will pay \$50 towards each attendees fee plus we will be fundraising to lower the cost for everyone. Don't hesitate, say YES!

FORMED Picks for the Week



The Witnesses Trilogy Discover the power and love of Jesus Christ and see why his followers risked all to carry his message to the ends of the earth. Children and adults alike will be captivated by this account of Jesus's life, featuring vivid storytelling and high impact animation. Recommended for ages 7 and up.



Did Jesus Really Rise from the Dead? "If Christ has not been raised, said the Apostle Paul, then Christian Faith is in vain. Skeptics have long tried to show that there was no Resurrection. Today, there has been a resurgence of attacks on this central truth of Christianity. Rather than accept Christian belief blindly, top scholars, and biblical historians critically examine alternative explanations. In the end, they show why it is a matter of sound reason as well as faith to affirm what the early Church proclaimed: Jesus is risen.

Our parishes have a FORMED subscription. If you have not set up a free account visit formed.org/signup, put 43431 as your zip code, register with your name and email address, check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED! It is that simple!



Pennies From Heaven Winner

April's Pennies From Heaven winner was Cindy Hammer. Congratulations Cindy!

Are you or someone you know hurting from a past abortion? Contact Project Rachel for confidential help in starting your healing journey. God's mercy is abundant and waiting for you. 419-260-5811 - kpakka@toledodiocese.org - www.hopeafterabortion.com



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If you have a child who will be five (5) years of age before August 1 of this year, he/she is eligible to attend Kindergarten. Kindergarten Registration will be held at Lakota Elementary School Tuesday, August 30, Wednesday, August 31 and Thursday, September 1.

Online Kindergarten Pre-Registration will be open March 1-May 2, 2022. Don't wait! Visit lakotaschools.org/kgregistration to secure your appointment time for our Fall registration dates.

Kindergarten families who have scheduled their appointment, completed FinalForms and returned all required paperwork to the Elementary Office by **Tuesday, June 7th** will be entered into a **\$50 gift card drawing**. Three drawings to be held. Don't wait! Register today!