

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, May 7 First Saturday

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
 8:30 am- Mass *Patricia Magrum+*
 5:00 pm- Mass *Living & Deceased of the Macy Hammer Family, Judie Kelley+*
 @ GB Church

SUNDAY, May 8

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
 9:00 am- Mass *Living & Deceased of the Vernon & Helen Durst Family+*
 @ MV Church
 11:00am- Mass *For the People of Our Parishes+*
 @ GB Church 

MONDAY, May 9

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 

TUESDAY, May 10

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
 5:00 pm- Mass *Fr. Justin DuVall+*
 @GB Church

WEDNESDAY, May 11

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
 8:30 am Mass *Andy Wonderly+*

THURSDAY, May 12

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
 8:30 am- Mass *Helen Reineck+*

FRIDAY, May 13

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
 8:30 am- Mass *Pete Hohon+*

SATURDAY, May 14

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
 5:00 pm- Mass *Mario Obregon Jr. +, Ila Rose Griffin+* @ GB Church

SUNDAY, May 15

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
 9:00 am- Mass *Deceased Family Members of the James & Barbara Haubert Family+*
 @ MV Church 
 10:00am-12:30pm Knights of Columbus Brunch
 @ GB Parish Center
 11:00am- Mass *For the People of Our Parishes+*
 @ GB Church

MV=Saint Mary GB=Saint Michael
 Facebook page:
 Saint Mary and Saint Michael Catholic Parishes
 Flocknote: text MVGB to 84576

Financial Stewardship

Saint Mary May 1, 2022

Sunday	\$2040.00
Loose	\$43.25
Easter	\$50.00
Home Missions	\$450.00

Saint Michael April 30- May 1, 2022

Sunday	\$3385.00
Loose	\$163.00
Easter	\$475.00
Special Improv.	\$375.00
Religious Ed.	\$100.00
Food Pantry	\$373.00
Cemetery	\$30.00
Home Missions	\$1.00
Ascension	\$20.00

ACA goal \$11,326 \$10,520.00

ACA goal \$12,959 \$10,045.48



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*Safe Environment Prek-12 Enrollment for 2022-2023

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One Ministry our communities are privileged to be able to provide, is a funeral luncheon after a funeral Mass has taken place at one of our parishes. It would be helpful if more people from each parish would be willing to provide a dish when called upon. The more people we have on our lists, to call upon, the less frequently you will get called upon to provide a dish. Dishes can be dropped off the evening before the funeral, or early morning the day of a funeral, to help work around work schedules. If you would be willing to be called upon for a dish, please call or email, either parish office, so we can get your contact information to Eileen Foos for Saint Mary or to Gerry Williams for Saint Michael. Thank you for your helping this ministry.



"I am the good shepherd,
 says the Lord;
 I know my sheep,
 and mine know me."

John 10:14

Contact information for Saint Mary (MV) and Saint Michael (GB)

Pastor: Father Scott Woods (MV,GB) swoods@stmaryandstmichael.org

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

GB Office Hours: Tues., Wed., Fri., 9:30am-2:00pm 419-637-2255

Saint *Mary*
MILLERSVILLE



Saint *Michael*
GIBSONBURG

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May 8, 2022

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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.

Annual Study on Ordination Class Released as Church Prepares for World Day of Prayer for Vocations

MAY 2, 2022 BY PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE

WASHINGTON - The 59th annual World Day of Prayer for Vocations will be celebrated by the Catholic Church on May 8. The Fourth Sunday of Easter is commonly referred to as “Good Shepherd Sunday” for the [Gospel reading](#) about the shepherd who lays down his life for his sheep, just as Jesus did for us. While upholding all vocations, the Church places a special emphasis each year on this day to pray for vocations to the ordained ministry and consecrated life, and support for those currently living out one of these vocations.

Bishop James F. Checchio of Metuchen, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Committee on Clergy, Consecrated Life and Vocations (CCLV) stated, “The Church is grateful to God for continuing to call men and women to serve his people as priests, deacons, religious, and consecrated persons. As the Church in the United States begins its three-year revival of devotion to the Holy Eucharist, I encourage the faithful to pray to Our Eucharistic Lord to send out more ‘laborers into his harvest’ (Mt. 9:38, Lk. 10:12) and to keep those set apart for His service, faithful to their calling.”

In conjunction with the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, the CCLV committee released the Ordination Class of 2022 Study, conducted by the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) at Georgetown University. A few of the major findings of the report are:

- On average, responding ordinands first considered priesthood when they were 16 years old. Responding ordinands were scheduled for ordination on average 18 years later (at the age of 33).
- Three in five responding ordinands (60%) are Caucasian. One in five (22%) are Hispanic/Latino. One in ten (11%) are Asian/ Pacific Islander/Native Hawaiian. Relatively few (4%) are African/African American/black
- A quarter (26%) are foreign-born. The most common countries of birth are Mexico, Vietnam, Colombia, Brazil, and India.
- One in ten (9%) report being homeschooled. Between 39-42% of respondents attended a Catholic school on the K-12 and/or college level.
- Before entering seminary, 74% regularly participated in Eucharistic Adoration and 72% prayed the rosary.
- Half of responding ordinands (50%) participated in parish youth group, three in ten (28%) participated in Catholic Campus Ministry/Newman Center and 25% were involved in Boy Scouts.
- Seven in ten (74%) served as altar servers before entering the seminary. Other commonly cited parish ministries include lector (51%), extraordinary minister of Holy Communion (37%) and catechists (37%).
- Nine in ten (90%) were encouraged to consider the priesthood by someone in their life (most frequently, the parish priest, friend, or another parishioner).

Sadly, half of responding ordinands (48%) were discouraged from considering the priesthood by one or more persons. Most often, this person was a family member (other than parents) or a friend/classmate.

The full CARA report and profiles of the Ordination Class of 2022 can be accessed here: <https://www.usccb.org/committees/clergy-consecrated-life-vocations/ordination-classes>

This article was found on the USCCB’s website. Please consider praying that all people, would be open to God’s call for themselves, in whatever vocation they are called to, and that we will encourage them in their call.

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

Saint Michael- Saturday, May 14, 5:00pm

Ambassadors Jerry Wasserman
Server Volunteer
Lector Patti Wasserman
EMOHC Sue Kaemming

Saint Mary- Sunday, May 15, 9:00 am

Rosary Bill Ochs
Server Cassidy Foos
Cantor Olivia Reinhart
Lector Lucas Hammer
Communion Rae Lyn Hoepf
Connie Hiser
Ambassadors Nick Foos
Tracy Foos
Count Roger & Barb Wasserman
Clean Mary Gutschalk

Saint Michael- Sunday, May 15, 11:00 am

Ambassadors Dave Estep
Erin Estep
Server Evie Estep
Lector Pam Mendoza
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: John Bricker, Ron Davis, 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 mmsparishoffice@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.



High School Youth Mark your calendars for Sunday, May 15, 5:00pm at Saint Michael Hall.

8th graders that were just Confirmed, along with all High Schoolers are welcome. Come be fed, physically, and spiritually, and have fun getting to know more people. Bring a friend!

Baptismal Prep Baptismal Prep classes will be held on the following dates for parents and godparents as they prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism for their children. Classes will begin at 12:30 PM and should last about an hour. These classes are required for those parents asking the Church to Baptize their child. Please call either Parish office and register for these classes. The dates and locations are: May 15 at Saint Michael, June 12 at Saint Mary.



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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Peace starts here



BHCS: SJCC Campus Spring Concert and Art Show May 19th

doors open at 6:30pm
Concert starts at 7pm
At Margo Reilly Athletic & Performing Arts Center (SJCC Gymnasium) Free Admission
Refreshments to follow.



Knights of Columbus Brunch Sunday, May 15th, 2022

At Saint Michael Parish Center 10:00 am -12:30pm Scrambled eggs, sausage, and French toast. Ages 10 and over \$8.00, Ages 4-10 is \$6.00, 3 and under eat free.

Proceeds will go toward Developmentally Disabled

The Family of Jim Steinmetz Sr. would like to extend our deepest appreciation to all who supported us with prayers, kind words, and great food for the funeral luncheon. Your kindness has meant so much to us at his very difficult time.

From the desk of Patti Wasserman...

INTRODUCING THIS YEARS VBS!



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!
 Online sign up can be found using this QR Code



All those entering 7th grade through high school are needed to be part of the Deck Crew. Please may fill out the bottom portion of the online registration form too. Mark all the areas you are interested in helping with during VBS.



**STEBENVILLE 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. **BE FEARLESS!** Come encounter Jesus with 2,000 other teens from around the country. Cost is \$250 per person which includes registration fee, rooms, meals and a T-shirt. Cost to you is \$100. Don't hesitate to say YES! **The deadline to register is TODAY!!**



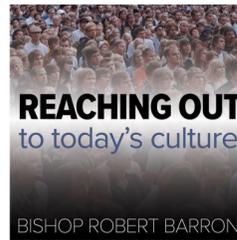
Graduate Recognition Mass will be Sunday May 22nd at both parishes. If you know of a graduating senior who has not received an invitation please contact Patti Wasserman.

The next Drumming for Jesus will be Thursday May 12th, 6:30-8:00pm. All are welcome! Cost is \$3 a session or \$10 a month. Bring an exercise ball, drumsticks and round tote or 5 gallon bucket to set your ball on. Drumsticks are available to purchase for \$4.

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.



Reaching Out to today's culture
 Bishop Robert Barron
 In this highly relevant talk, Bishop Robert Barron shares observations from his dialogue with critics of his YouTube videos. He eloquently illustrates how our Catholic intellectual tradition can clarify the confusion that is so prevalent in our culture about matters of Christian faith and life.

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A child preparing to be born asked God, "They tell me you are sending me to earth tomorrow, but how am I going to live there being so small and helpless?" God answered, "Among the many angels, I chose one for you. She will be waiting for you and will take care of you." The child paused and again addressed God. "But tell me, here in Heaven, I don't do anything else but sing and smile, that's enough for me to be happy." "Your angel will sing for you and also smile for you every day and you will feel your angel's love and be happy," God replied. "Oh," the child said, "and how am I going to be able to understand the language that men speak?" And then, glancing at God the child asked, "What am I going to do when I want to talk to you?" God softly touched the child on the head and said, "Your angel will place your hands together and will teach you how to pray." The child then asked, "I have heard that on earth there is evil. Who will protect me?" "Ah," God answered, "your angel will defend you even if it means risking her own life." "But, I will always be sad because I will not see you anymore." "Your angel will always talk to you about me and will teach you the way for you to come back to me, even though I will always be next to you." God said. At that moment there was much peace in Heaven, but voices from earth could already be heard, and the child in a hurry asked softly, "Oh, God, if I am about to leave now, please tell me my angel's name." Sweetly, God looked at the child and whispered, "Your angel's name is of no importance. You will simply call her Mom."
 Author unknown