

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, July 9

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
2:00 pm- Wedding @ MV, Reinhart/Smith
4:00pm- Exposition @ GB Church
5:00 pm- Mass *Harley & Georgia Pertner+*,
Lola Wellington+
@ GB Church

SUNDAY, July 10

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
9:00 am- Mass *For the People of Our Parishes*
@ MV Church 
11:00am- Mass *Ila Rose Griffin+*
@ GB Church

MONDAY, July 11

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 

TUESDAY, July 12

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

WEDNESDAY, July 13

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
8:30 am- Mass *Rye Kistner (graduate)*
@ MV Church

THURSDAY, July 14

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
8:30 am- Mass *Dave & Patricia Magrum+*
@ GB Church

FRIDAY, July 15

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
8:30 am- Mass *Lawrence Putt Hoffman+*
@ MV Church

SATURDAY, July 16

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
5:00 pm- Mass *Todd & Bob Wilhelm+*
@ GB Church

SUNDAY, July 17

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike 
9:00 am- Mass *Carolyn Davidson+, Living &*
Deceased of the Jack & Sara Rich Family
@ MV Church
11:00am- Mass *For the People of Our Parishes*
@ GB Church 
12:30pm- Baptism class with Deacon Mike
@ GB Conference Room

MV=Saint Mary GB=Saint Michael

Facebook page:

Saint Mary and Saint Michael Catholic Parishes

Flocknote: text MVGB to 84576

Financial Stewardship

Saint Mary July 3, 2022

Sunday	\$2941.00
Loose	\$177.00
Peter's Pence	\$70.00

Saint Michael July 2-3, 2022

Sunday	\$4560.00
Loose	\$166.00
Special Improv.	\$570.00
Cemetery	\$45.00
Peter Pence	\$5.00
Ascension	\$35.00
Food Pantry	\$280.00
Window fund	\$1000.00
Catholic Relief	\$25.00
Religious Ed.	65.00
ACA goal	\$12,959
Total	\$10,655.48

ACA goal \$11,326 \$11,935.00



FORMED Picks for the Week

The Story of Father Kapaun

Servant of God Emil Kapaun is the most decorated Chaplain in United States history. Growing up among the farming communities of central Kansas, after ordination Kapaun felt called to serve both God and country in the United States Army. This down-to-earth priest served as an Army Chaplain both at the end of World War II, and most notably on the battlefields and in the prison camps of Korea, making a name for himself with his fearless attitude and undying commitment to his men. This film features interviews with two of Kapaun's fellow Prisoners of War, as well as footage from his 2013 Medal of Honor Ceremony

Keep the Holiday spirit going and watch the Anni Moses Show: Our Salute to America. This show has a lot of music and guest artists to enjoy. Sit back and be entertained by an old fashioned variety show.

Looking ahead July 11 is the feast of St. Benedict Abbot, and July 14 is the feast of St. Kateri Tekakwatha. There are shows or audio shows on each of these saints on Formed.

Haven't subscribed to FORMED yet? There is no cost to you! Visit formed.org/signup, put 43431 as your zip code, register with your name and an email address, then check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED today!

Watch your mailbox for the latest issue of the Diocese of Toledo magazine, *Graceful Living!* In each issue, you'll find unique stories of the people and places in our 19 county diocese. It is mailed to 42,000 homes in Northwest Ohio twice per year. You can read the online edition or sign up to receive future issues at toledodiocese.org/GracefulLiving There are some copies in the back of each church, you are welcome to take as well.

*May God expand our hearts to receive the Spirit's gifts
so that we may serve others generously, in joy and hope,
through Jesus our brother. Amen*

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MILLERSVILLE



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July 10, 2022
**Fifteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

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,

I first of all want to thank you for making Father Thomas feel welcome on his first weekend. His first homily was a wonderful example of how excited he is to be at Saint Mary and Saint Michael and his willingness to serve our parishes. I know that we will all continue to support him and pray for him as transitions into being our pastor. I would ask you to be patient with him and allow him time to grow into his new role. He has been a pastor in India, and he was also the head of a school that had over 80 employees and over 1000 students, so has experience as a leader in a community and as an administrator. What he can bring to us is a unique vision of what the Church can be. He sees things through the lens of a culture that most of us are not familiar with. I for one am very excited to work with him in serving our parishes, and learning more about his life experiences and how they form the vision of where are parishes can go.

The future is very exciting and bright for us.

And as exciting as our future is, on Sunday July 10 we will celebrate a milestone. Our senior status deacons, Deacon George Miller and Deacon Rene Gonzalez will celebrate the 40th Anniversary of ordained ministers as permanent deacons. Both have had impact in our parishes, performing marriages, baptizing many of our children, serving God and our communities on the altar and as ministers of charity in the community, and walking with our families through both triumph and tragedy. Our communities are blessed to be able to celebrate with them. And as your deacon now, I appreciate the fact that they paved the way for me and the men that will follow me as deacons and serve these two parishes. Both Deacon George and his wife Carol, and Deacon Rene and his wife Mary Lou, will be recognized and blessed this Sunday in gratitude for their sacrifice and service to the Church.

Congratulations and Thank You, Deacon George and Deacon Rene!

Blessings!

Deacon Mike Dazley

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“You shall love the Lord,
your God,
with all your heart,
with all your being,
with all your strength,
and with all your mind,
and your neighbor as
yourself.”

Luke 10: 27

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

Saint Michael- Saturday, July 16, 5:00pm

Ambassadors	Paul Makulinski Gerry Williams
Server	Mary Ann Myerholtz
Lector	Jeff Schumaker
EMOHC	Hank Reineck

Saint Mary- Sunday, July 17, 9:00 am

Rosary	Terri Parks & Dave Wonderly
Server	Macey Kohler

Cantor	Olivia Reinhart
Lector	Jeanine Van Der Laar
Communion	Mark Foos Terri Reinhart
Ambassadors	Roger Wasserman Barb Wasserman
Count	Neil & Wanda Hoffman
Clean	Anita Moffett

Saint Michael- Sunday, July 17, 11:00 am

Ambassadors	Dave Estep
Server	Evie Estep
Lector	Pam Mendoza
EMOHC	Maria Porteous

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. Thomas 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. Thomas 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. Thomas or Dcn. Mike. Annulments, when necessary, may require 18-24 months to resolve.

Holy Orders - Please contact Fr. Thomas 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: Andrew Mickens, Bernard Lehmann, Jean Obenauer, Deanna Wagner, Ron Davis, 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 msmparishoffice@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.



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: July 17—Saint Michael, August 14—Saint Mary



Drumming for Jesus
Thursday July 14th - 6:30-8:00pm.
@ Saint Michael Parish Center
All are welcome! Bring a friend!

Ecce Young Adult Choir Presents

BEHOLD
A CONCERT of SACRED MUSIC

SUNDAY, July 31st at 3:00pm
St. Rose Catholic Church

215 East Front Street, Perrysburg, OH 43551

Join a choir of young adults as they sing and pray the music of the Faith that has echoed down through the centuries.

These concerts are free and open to all.

For more info, email Jessica Schuster, Director
jessica.schuster.155@gmail.com

The Blessing Box at Saint Michael's is getting emptied quite regularly. If you would like to donate, non perishable items, or even dish soap and or shampoo, they are items that would be appreciated. Leave donations in the back of either church, marked Blessing Box. Thank you for your generosity.

The St Mary's 4-H club is planning to hold a car wash on **Sunday July 17th during the 9AM Mass**. The plan is to collect keys and wash while Mass is occurring, and to ask for donations (no set price). The funds will help us support our club general fund. Thank you for supporting St. Mary's 4-H club!



From the desk of Patti Wasserman...



All Hands on Deck! This week we will be working on VBS sets in Saint Michael Parish Center at these times:

Tuesday and Thursday 1-5pm

Wednesday 1-7pm

Friday 1-4pm

We may meet on Saturday and Sunday depending on what needs done and how many deckhands can help!

Act and Potency

The first most basic rule is the Principle of Non-Contradiction. This rule states: "A thing cannot both be and not be at the same time and in the same way." There are many reasons for this, but basically it just means that a statement can never be true and false at the same time in the same way. St. Thomas got much of his metaphysics from Aristotle, who was just being re-discovered in philosophy around the time St. Thomas was writing and teaching (even though he had died over a thousand years earlier). Aristotle had to answer two tricky solutions to one tricky question in Greek philosophy. The question was this: how do things both change and stay what they are at the same time? If you paint a blue ball red, is it the same ball? How? After all, it has different characteristics, and we know a thing is what it is by its characteristics. Furthermore, if a thing cannot both be and not be at the same time and in the same way, how can it both exist (as a white ball) and not exist (as a blue ball) at the same time? This doesn't seem to make sense.

Two answers were offered by earlier Greek philosophers to this puzzle. Parmenides suggested that, actually, change was impossible. Clearly things need to be able to stay the same, and identity needs to be stable. So his answer was to say that what we think we see as change is an illusion, and there is only one total being. Thus there is only one individual: the whole physical universe. Furthermore, that "thing" (the whole universe) isn't changing. Otherwise it would both exist and not exist, a contradiction. Clearly this is not satisfying; we know there are separate things that exist, and that I am different from the baseball I throw. So Heraclitus, another Greek philosopher, offered a different idea. He said that every change results in a different being; it is from him that the famous saying "you can never step into the same river twice" came from. Therefore, every time a thing changes in any way, a totally new object comes into existence.

This might feel like we're getting closer, but it's still not right. Even if you want to say that cutting off a piece of wood from a table makes it a different table, it seems obvious to say that cutting off a piece of hair from a person does NOT make him or her a different person. So Aristotle proposed a different idea: the idea of act and potency. This idea states that all things exist in a state of becoming; I am becoming taller, my dog is becoming old and the couch is becoming ragged because kids keep jumping on it. But these things exist in two different ways. They exist *actually* (in act) as they are right now. But they exist *potentially* (in potency) as they could be. Thus the ball is actually red, but potentially white. It is also actually sitting still on my desk, but it is potentially rolling across the room. Thus, any thing is existing in one way, and is not existing at the same *in a different way*. Namely, it is not existing as things it is not. It only exists potentially as those things. As Thomistic philosopher Dr. Brandon Dahm said in a class lecture, "[Act and Potency] is the most fundamental metaphysical relationship in Thomism." St. Thomas used this framework in many different ways to explain the way things exist, and next week we'll explore how he used act and potency to describe physical objects in a system called *hylomorphism*.

Alex Speildenner

JESUS AND JAVA

Every Thursday This Summer!
For all High School Youth
We'll start with 8:30a.m. Mass @
Saint Michael, then head to the
Parish Center to Brew up some
coffee or smoothies if
that's what you prefer.
Come when you can!



The youth will once again be collecting your jewelry to resale.

We have secured spots at the Great Big Gibsonburg Lemonade Stand on July 22nd from 11am-5pm in the Logyard and at the Flea Market at SCRAP in

White Star Park this fall. Drop Donations off to either parish office, THANK YOU!

An Introduction to St. Thomas Aquinas - Pt. 3

Thus far we have examined St. Thomas Aquinas' life and his view of how we should approach Faith and Reason. Now we are going to spend the next two articles examining the most important part of St. Thomas' philosophy: his *metaphysics*.

What Is Metaphysics?

"Metaphysics" is a term coined by the Ancient Greek philosopher Aristotle. It was originally defined as the study of "being as such." In other words, metaphysics studies being itself, or what it means to say that something exists. Thus metaphysics is concerned with how to describe life, how to describe existence, how to explain *how* things exist, and what is going on when a thing changes. This often moves into the study of God, as God is often defined as "being itself." Thus, if metaphysics is the study of being in and of itself, and God IS being in and of itself, then metaphysics, fundamentally, is the study of God! We'll talk about what St. Thomas' metaphysics has to say about God in a future part, but for now, we're just going to talk about the Thomistic system of worldly metaphysics, or his basic understanding of the world around us.