

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, Nov. 4

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
4:00 pm- Reconciliation @ GB Church
5:00pm Mass *Jim Reed+* @ GB Church

SUNDAY, Nov. 5

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:00 am- Reconciliation @ MV Church
9:00 am- Mass *William Ellis+* @ MV Church *
10:00am- Faith Formation @ MV class rooms
11:00 am- Mass *For the People of our Parishes*
@ GB Church
12:00 pm- Potluck @ GB Parish Center

MONDAY, Nov. 6

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *

TUESDAY, Nov. 7

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

7:00 pm- Rosary for Our Nation @ MV Church

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 8

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:30 am- Mass *Living and Deceased of Kistner and*
Hoepf Families+ @ MV Church
6:30 pm- Faith Formation @ GB

THURSDAY, Nov. 9

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:30 am- Mass *Judy & Dave Detzel+ and*
Harry Teeple+ @ GB Church

FRIDAY, Nov. 10

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:30 am- Mass *Mary Ann Sorg+* @ MV Church

SATURDAY, Nov. 11

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
10:00 am Packing Party for Shoeboxes
@ GB Parish Center
4:00 pm- Reconciliation @ GB Church
5:00pm Mass *for the People of our Parishes*
@ GB Church

SUNDAY, Nov. 12

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:00 am- Reconciliation @ MV Church
8:00 am- Exposition @ MV Church
9:00 am- Mass *Richard, Ken & Danny Hammer+*
@ MV Church
11:00 am- Mass *Loyola Zeller+*
@ GB Church *
1:00 pm- Holiday Auction @ MV Hall
5:00 pm- High School Youth @ MV Hall

MV=Saint Mary GB=Saint Michael

* = when on Facebook live

Financial Stewardship

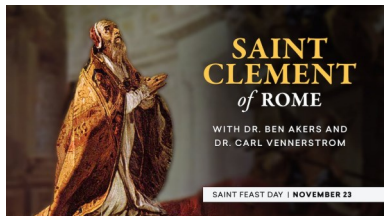
Saint Mary Oct. 29, 2023

Sunday	\$3665.00
Loose	\$87.00
All Saints	\$40.00

ACA goal \$12,430 \$12,925.00

Saint Michael Oct. 28-29, 23

Sunday	\$ 3624.54
Loose	\$ 277.00
Special Improv.	\$310.00
Cemetery	\$40.00
Food Pantry	\$145.00
Rel. Ed/ All Saints	\$35.00
ACA goal \$12,910	\$10,766.87



FORMED Pick for the Week Saint Clement of Rome

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Carl Vennertstrom as they discuss Pope St. Clement of Rome, who was an early Church Father and the third successor to St. Peter. He wrote an original letter to the dissentient church of Corinth that we can still read and access today! His feast day is November 23. St. Clement, pray for us! Haven't subscribed to FORMED yet? There is no cost to you! Visit formed.org/signup, put 43431 as your zip code, find St. Mary and St. Michael, and register with your name and an email address, then check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED today!



Baptismal Prep Baptismal Prep classes will be held monthly 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. This class is required for those parents asking the Church to Baptize their child. *Please call either Parish office and register for this class. The next class will be: November 19 at Saint Michael's.*



Save the Date! Sunday, November 12 , 1:00 pm Saint Mary's Holiday Auction.

Start thinking of crafts, baked goods and candies that you want to donate, so we have a lot of auction items. Invite friends and family to come, the more people at the auction the better! There will be door prizes and free refreshments at the auction. 50/50 tickets will be on sale after weekend Masses, winner does not have to be at the auction.

Proceeds go to Rosary Altar Society.

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

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Saint *Mary*
MILLERSVILLE



Saint *Michael*
GIBSONBURG

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November 5, 2023
**Thirty-First Sunday
of 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 Friends,

On Tuesday October 31st of this past week 12 parishioners along with Patti Wasserman and I made a pilgrimage to The Sorrowful Mother Shrine in Bellevue.

There we participated in Holy Mass, had the opportunity to Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Mass, and prayed the Holy Rosary on the Shrine grounds at the 13th Station of the Cross where Jesus is taken down from the Cross and placed in the arms of his Blessed Mother.

As it was the 47th day of the Rosary Novena for the defeat of Issue 1, we offered the Rosary for that intention through the Saint of the Day, Theresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein). In the Opening Prayer of the novena for that day we prayed "O Holy Mother, at thy feet I offered a crown of roses, golden roses to remind thee of the divine life which was opened to humanity through your family's suffering, the Glorious Mysteries of thy heart." Patti brought with us a dozen gold and yellow roses that we placed at Our Lady's feet after each decade of the Rosary. It was a beautiful way for us to say thank you to her, and to ask for her continual intercession for the State of Ohio this week.

October is dedicated to the Month of Mary, so it is good that we offered a pilgrimage during the month of October. We will offer another pilgrimage again in the Marian month of May. It is so good that we are able to share in the lives of each other during the weekday, and apart from Sunday, because it builds up our Catholic Christian community.

I lighted votive candles in the Shrine for all of the Parishioners of Saint Mary's and Saint Michael's. I also concelebrated the Holy Mass for the parishioners of both parishes.

In the Hearts of Jesus and Mary,
Rev. Msgr. Walter R. Oxley (Fr. Tad)

An extreme amendment is on the Ohio ballot
in November that threatens the health and
safety of women, the rights of parents and
the lives of pre-born babies up to 9 months.

Vote this Tuesday!



PROTECT
Women.

PROTECT
Families.

PROTECT
Children.



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of Toledo



Scan to find out where you can vote
and to learn more about Issue 1.

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

Saint Michael— Saturday, Nov. 11, 5:00 pm

Ambassadors Paul Makulinski
Server Mary Ann Myerholtz
Lector Jeff Schumaker
EMOHC Sue Kaemming, Gerry Williams
Deb Kirwen

Saint Mary— Sunday, November 12, 9:00 am

Rosary Dave and Mary Gutschalk
Servers Macey Kohler, Levi Reno
Lector Bill Ochs
Commun. Patrick Hoepf, Terri Reinhart
Rebecca Rich, Angie Smith
June Rich
Ambassadors Amber Hoffman, Neil Hoffman
Count Dave and Mary Gutschalk
Clean Jeff and Erin Foos

Saint Michael— Saturday, Nov. 12, 11:00 am

Ambassadors Tom Marsh, Tom Liskai
Server Olivia Freeborn
Lector Chris Lau
EMOHC Natalie Liskai, Verna Konesky
Marla Marsh

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 - A priest is available after Tuesday Mass @ GB and after Friday Mass @ MV. Saturdays at 4:00pm in GB, and Sundays at 8:00am in MV.

Anointing of the Sick - Please contact Fr. Tad 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. Tad or Dcn. Mike. Annulments, when necessary, may require 18-24 months to resolve.

Holy Orders - Please contact 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:

Jody Younker, Marcella Kirwen, Bella Sakel, Carol Morelock, Caesar Mendoza, Jay Cook, Mike Hoy, Jerry Fork, Diane Goebel, Jerry and Shirley Miller, Mary Lou Gonzales, Ed Herman, John Castnet, John Bricker, Claranne (Gabel) Bohn, Mariella Shearn, Eileen Foos, Cody Noftz, Jean Obenauer, Deanna Wagner, Rosie Neeb, Sister Maria Miguel, Christi Holman, and all our loved ones in care facilities, 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.



2024 Pennies from Heaven tickets are available in each parish office. Tickets are \$20 each or 3 for \$50. Drawings are held the 15th of each month for \$200. There are also 3 Bonus Drawings of \$500. Each ticket gets you 15 chances to win! Proceeds help support Saint Michael's parish.

Come to our table! Our monthly parish potluck is November 5th following 11:00 Mass in the Saint Michael Parish Center. We will be remembering our parish family members that we have lost throughout the past year. There will be room at the table for everyone!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

On Tuesday, Ohioans will vote on Issue 1. At this late hour, I come with a final word of encouragement and support that we might be able to say we've done everything possible to protect women, to protect parental rights, and to protect Ohio babies. With your help, we can defeat Issue 1. We must all go to the polls and motivate our family, friends and neighbors to do so as well. **I urge you to exercise your civic duty to vote, and I urge you to fulfill your moral duty to vote NO on Issue 1.** To be Catholic is to be Pro-Life, from conception to natural death. The amendment on which we are being asked to vote is nothing short of evil.

In the end, the most powerful weapon we have against evil is prayer, and the most powerful prayer we have is Holy Mass! Please join me on Monday, November 6, at 12:05 pm in St. Francis de Sales Church in downtown Toledo, as I offer Mass that hearts and minds may be converted and that Issue 1 might be defeated. I would be so grateful if a group from each parish could attend, and if you cannot attend in person, please join us in spirit and in prayer at that time.

May the Lord of life keep us faithful and constant in safeguarding the dignity of every human life.

Yours in Christ Jesus,
Most Reverend Daniel E. Thomas
Bishop of Toledo

Jean De Angelis is turning 90! Her family invites you to stop in and wish her a Happy Birthday, Sunday, Nov. 12, in Saint Michael's Parish Center between Noon and 5pm.



Faith Formation Schedule

Classes for Preschool –6th Grade

MV-Sunday November 5th @ 10:00-11:15am
The Faith Formation students at Saint Mary received a Trick or Treat goodie after classes last Sunday, a gummy eyeball with a note attached to "Keep your Eye on Jesus!"



GB-Wednesday November 8th @ 6:30-7:45pm
Mass with 6th Grade Mass Assistants



Classes for Confirmation Prep

MV -Sunday November 5th @ 10:00-11:15am
We will meet in the Youth Room

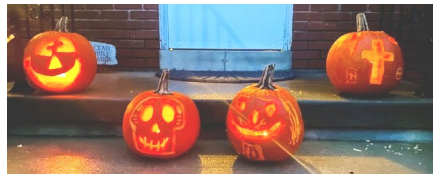
GB-Wednesday November 8th @ 6:30-7:45pm



The Confirmation Prep class at Saint Michael's donated candy and had quite an assembly line to stuff 144 Trick or Treat bags. 50 bags went to the Community Trunk or Treat at Shiloh church in Helena and the rest were given to Father Tad and the High School Youth to pass out on Halloween!

High School Youth Gathering

Sunday November 12th, 5:00-7:00pm
Meet in Saint Mary's Youth Room

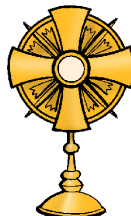


Father Tad hosted **His** Youth at the rectory last Sunday evening for pizza, pumpkin carving and some discussion on Belief and Doubt! Those that could make it came back to hand out Trick or Treat goodies before the All Saint's Day Mass on Tuesday evening at Saint Michael's.

BEAUTIFUL EUCHARIST BOOK STUDY The next session for our book study on Dynamic Catholic's "Beautiful Eucharist" is November 14th at 6:30pm. Come prepared by reading chapters 9, 10, and 11. We will meet in Saint Michael's Parish Center to share our thoughts

November Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday Nov. 3, @ Saint Mary's,
after 8:30 AM Mass
Sunday Nov. 12, @ Saint Mary's, 8 AM
Tuesday Nov. 14, @ Saint Michael's, 4PM
Friday Nov. 17, @ Saint Mary's,
after 8:30 AM Mass
Tuesday Nov. 21, Saint Michael's, 4 PM



The Catholic Church in the United States celebrates National Vocation Awareness Week November 5-11, 2023. The purpose of this week is to pray that all members of the Church will be open to God's plan in their lives.

National Vocations Awareness Week is a good reminder to continue to pray for an increase in vocations to the ordained ministry and consecrated life in the Diocese of Toledo. Jesus said: "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest" (Luke 10:2). We offer prayers this week that God will call many from our local communities to labor with Jesus in serving the Church as sisters, brothers, and priests.

Any young man in the Diocese of Toledo who is considering a call to the diocesan priesthood can contact their parish priest or Father Philip Smith the Director of the Office for Diocesan Priestly Vocations and can be reached at: psmith@toledodiocese.org or 419-244-6711 ext. 4945.

A Prayer For Vocations: Almighty God, make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same. Inspire men and women to respond generously to your call to service and leadership in your church as priests, consecrated religious and deacons. Amen.



The weather turned out beautiful for our parishes pilgrimage to the Sorrowful Mothers Shrine in Bellevue last Tuesday. Our day started with walking the grounds, followed by Mass with Father Yuri, shared a delicious lunch, and then played a little saint trivia game, with prizes! We ended our day praying Day 47 of the 54 Day Novena Rosary. We gathered around Station #13,

where "Jesus is taken down from the Cross". It was with deep grief that Mary finally took Jesus into her arms and saw all the wounds sin had inflicted upon him. After each decade of the rosary we took turns laying golden roses at Mary's feet. We prayed the Glorious Mysteries but, our hearts went out to our Sorrowful Mother and all mothers who have lost a child from conception to natural death including the children whose lives were ended by abortion.





YOU'RE INVITED!

Community Packing Party!

ALL ARE WELCOME
Saturday November 11th
Saint Michael Parish Center
10:00am – Noon
or until all items are packed!
A Pizza Party for all the helper elves will follow!