

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, July 6

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
4:00 pm- Reconciliation @ GB church
5:00pm- Mass *Harley and Georgia Pertner+*
@ GB Church

SUNDAY, July 7

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:00 am- Reconciliation @ MV Church
9:00 am- Mass *For the People of Our Parishes*
@ MV Church*
11:00 am- *Ray and Vivian Hammer+*
@ GB Church

MONDAY, July 8

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *

TUESDAY, July 9

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
5:00pm- Mass, *Living and Deceased member of the*
Vernon and Helen Durst family
@ GB Church

WEDNESDAY, July 10

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:30 am- Mass, *Marilyn Hoffman+* @ MV Church
7:00 pm- Young Adult volleyball @ MV yard

THURSDAY, July 11

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:30 am- Mass, *Increased Reverence for Life*
GB Church

FRIDAY, July 12

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:30 am- Mass *Bill and Lola Reinhart+* @ MV Church
9:00 am- Reconciliation @ MV Church

SATURDAY, July 13

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
4:00 pm- Reconciliation @ GB church
4:00 pm- Exposition of the Most Blessed
Sacrament @ GB Church
5:00pm- Mass *Jim Reed+* @ GB Church

SUNDAY, July 14

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:00 am- Reconciliation @ MV Church
9:00 am- Mass *Leonard Wells+*
@ MV Church*
11:00 am- *The People of Our Parishes+*
@ GB Church

MONDAY, July 15

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *

MV=Saint Mary GB=Saint Michael

* = when on Facebook live

Facebook: Saint Mary and Saint Michael Catholic Parishes

Financial Stewardship

Saint Mary June 30, 2024

Sunday	\$2140.00
Loose	\$109.00
Peter's Pence	\$100.00

ACA pledges \$12,795.00
ACA Goal \$12,409.76

Saint Michael June 29-30, 2024

Sunday	\$2472.00
Loose	\$184.00
Special Improv.	\$345.00
Food Pantry	\$60.00
Catholic Comm.	\$25.00
Cemetery	\$25.00
Holy Father	\$105.00
Rel. Ed	\$10.00
ACA pledges	\$12,538.00
ACA Goal	\$12,304.47



Jesus and the Eucharist

FORMED Pick for the Week Jesus and the Eucharist A Seven Part Series

During this time of Eucharistic Revival, Jesus is inviting us to encounter Him in our life stories. Together we will 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 it's message of hope to others. 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!



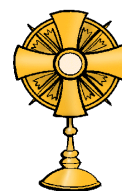
Baptismal Prep Baptismal Prep classes will be held monthly for parents and godparents as they prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism for their children. Classes will begin at 12:30 PM and should last about an hour. This class is required for those parents asking the Church to Baptize their child. *Please call either Parish office and register for this class. The next class will be: July 21, at Saint Mary's.*

Retrouvaille Weekend: A Lifeline for Married Couples

The Retrouvaille program is for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationships. Register for the Diocese of Toledo weekend (July 26-28) and learn more at helpourmarriage.org.

Upcoming dates and times for Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, July 13, 4:00pm @ GB Church
Friday, July 19, 9:00 am @ MV Church
Tuesday, July 23, 4:00 pm @ MV Church



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

Pastor: Monsignor Tad Oxley (MV,GB) woxley@toledodiocese.org

Pastoral Associate: Deacon Mike Dazley (MV,GB) mdazley@stmaryandstmichael.org

Director of Faith Formation: Patti Wasserman (MV,GB)

pwasserman@stmaryandstmichael.org

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Bookkeeper: Nancy Patterson (GB) npatterson@stmaryandstmichael.org

Prayer Chain: Eileen Foos 419-638-4244

Senior Status Deacons: Deacon George Miller, Deacon Rene Gonzalez

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

Saint Mary Catholic Church

865 State Route 635, Helena, Ohio 43435

419-638-3042 treinhart@stmaryandstmichael.org

Saint Michael Catholic Church

317 East Madison Street, Gibsonburg, Ohio 43431

Mailing Address: 312 East Yeasting Street, Gibsonburg, Ohio 43431

419-637-2255 mporteous@stmaryandstmichael.org

stMaryandStMichael.org

Facebook: Saint Mary and Saint Michael Catholic Parishes

July 7, 2024

Fourteenth 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,

One of the blessings that I found when I arrived at the parishes is that we pray the Holy Rosary before the Mass at almost all of our weekday and Sunday Masses at both parishes! I am grateful to those who lead the Rosary, notably Kathy Otermat, who leads the Rosary daily and to Hank Reineck, as it is one of the many ministries that he does for Saint Michael's. The Rosary is a sure way for us to become closer to Jesus through the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Pope Saint John Paul II added mysteries to the Holy Rosary- which he called the Luminous Mysteries, and he added them to bring an emphasis to the life of Jesus. Don't worry about praying the Rosary correctly, as Pope Saint John Paul II gave us the freedom to pray it in different ways. The key element is to meditate on the mystery from Holy Scripture, and then pray one Our Father and Ten Hail Mary's and one Glory Be for each mystery (one decade) that keep in mind while you are meditating! You may pray one decade a day -or five decades a day, or fifteen decades a day. Mary is eager for you to pray at least a little of the Rosary. Many of you pray the Rosary regularly.

The Luminous Mysteries are the following: 1. The Baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist in the Jordan River; 2. The First Miracle of Jesus at Cana in Galilee when he changes water into wine and Mary tells the people to "Do whatever he tells you!" 3. Jesus Preaching the Coming of the Kingdom of God in his public ministry; 4. The Transfiguration of Jesus on Mount Tabor in the presence of Peter James and John; 5. The Institution of the Holy Eucharist at the Last Supper. These mysteries are traditionally prayed on Thursday.

The Joyful Mysteries are the following: 1. The Annunciation of the Angel Gabriel to Mary at Nazareth; 2. The Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth when the former was pregnant with Jesus and the latter was pregnant with John the Baptist; 3. The Birth of Our Lord Jesus in Bethlehem; 4. The Presentation of the Lord Jesus in the

Temple of Jerusalem; 5. The Finding of the Lord Jesus by Mary and Joseph when he was preaching in the Temple of Jerusalem at twelve years of age. These mysteries are traditionally prayed on Monday and Saturday.

The Sorrowful Mysteries: 1. The Agony of Our Lord Jesus in the Garden; 2. The Scourging of Our Lord Jesus at the Pillar; 3. The Crowning of the Lord Jesus with Thorns; 4. Our Lord Jesus Carrying the Cross; 5. Our Jesus Death on the Cross

The Glorious Mysteries: 1. Our Jesus's Resurrection from the Dead; 2. The Ascension of Our Lord Jesus into Heaven; 3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit upon Mary and the Apostles; 4. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven; 5. The Coronation of the Blessed Mother Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth

It is so wonderful to see so many of you wearing the Miraculous Medals from Our Lady the Blessed Virgin that we have now given as a gift on Mother's Day and Father's Day to the men and women of the parish. Please let me know if you would like to wear one and have not yet received one.

In the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary,

Rev. Msgr. Walter Tad R Oxley
Pastor

Special Choir Forming at the Shrine

The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey invites area singers to join the 2024 Assumption Choir. This choir, along with a brass quintet, will lead the music for the Vigil Mass of the Assumption, in the Shrine Park, on Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at 9:30pm. This unique experience gives singers, ranging from amateur to professional, the opportunity to sing a wide variety of music with a short-term commitment. Rehearsals will be held from 4:00-5:30pm in the Original Shrine Church (next to the Gift Shop) on Sundays: July 28, August 4, and August 11. Please direct any questions to the basilica's Director of Music Ministries, Mr. Anthony Gallina, at music@olcshrine.com or 419-396-7107, ext. 104.

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

Saint Michael– Saturday, July 13, 5:00 pm

Ambassadors	Jerry Wasserman
Servers	Mary Ann Merholtz
Lector	Jeff Schumaker
EMOHC	Sue Keamming, Hank Reineck Deb Kirwen

Saint Mary– Sunday, July 14, 9:00 am

Rosary	Bill Ochs
Servers	Chloe Foos, Ulric Gutschalk
Lector	Roger Wasserman
Commun.	Lucas Hammer, Bill Ochs Jeanine Van Der Laar, Ron and Connie Hiser
Ambassadors	Jeff and Erin Foos
Count	Greg and Barb Lehman
Clean	Jeff and Erin Foos

Saint Michael– Sunday, July 14, 11:00 am

Ambassadors	Chris Lau, Sarah Ayres
Servers	Jack Skinner Andrew Spieldenner
Lector	Mary Kern
EMOHC	Chris Lau, Maria Porteous Petra Hernandez

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 18-36 months to resolve.

Holy Orders - Please contact Fr. Tad, 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
Pray
for...



Please remember in prayer:

Patti Kreilick, Verna Konesky, Nate Liskai, Kris Minch, Rene Gonzales Jr., Dave Sandwisch, Fran Weigman, Dee Herman, Maverick Campbell, Rae Lyn Hoepf, Paul Makulinski, Theresa Aldrich, Kaleb Williamson, Diane Schuh, Andy Rich, Jody Younker, Eileen Foos, Bella Sakel, Mike Hoy, Diane Goebel, Jay Cook, Rene and Mary Lou Gonzales, John Bricker, Jean Obenauer, Rosie Neeb, Christi Holman, and all our loved ones in care facilities, or staying at home. 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.

Thank you Father Tad, Father Scott, Deacon Mike, Hank Reineck, the Choir, Church Staff, and the women who donated food and prepared the luncheon. We appreciate the beautiful Mass and lovely luncheon to celebrate our Mother, Marcella's life.

Family of Marcella Kirwen.

HELP WANTED If anyone would be interested in joining the Funeral Luncheon Committee for either St. Michael or St Mary, please contact Gerry Williams (419-637-2043) for St Michael's or Eileen Foos (419-308-2659) for St Mary's. We are always welcome to have new members joining our group to serve our church families at their time of need. Thank you.



BISHOP HOFFMAN
CATHOLIC SCHOOL
SACRED HEART CAMPUS - SICC CAMPUS

Bishop Hoffman Catholic School – Sacred Heart Campus in Fremont, Ohio is seeking a First-Grade teacher minister for the 2024-2025 school year. Applicants should be dedicated to both the faith and academic formation of students.

The individual must have a valid Ohio teaching license. Candidates must have a desire to teach in a Christian environment, have the ability to differentiate instruction to meet the needs of all students, work collaboratively with faculty members, and have good communication and technology skills. Please send a cover letter, resume, and salary requirements to Karly Cross at kcross@bishop-hoffman.net. If you would like more information Go to www.bishop-hoffman.net/employment-opportunities



**Cedar Point Diocese of Toledo
Youth, Family and Accessibility Day
Sunday July 28, 2024**

10am Mass in the Park located in the Lakeside Pavilion

First 100 Mass attendees will receive
free Diocesan swag to wear in the Park!

To Purchase Single Day

July 28th Ticket at Discount (\$37.12)

Visit: cedarpoint.com/save User name: CPTDIOCESE

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Faith Formation Summer Schedule



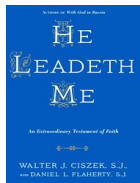
"Come To The Table!" A VBS for Eucharistic Revival

**Sunday July 28-Thursday August 1st
Saint Michael Parish Center
5:30-8:15pm**

We start with a meal for the whole family!



Last call to register to guarantee we will have a T-Shirt for you. This is for all young people attending (preschool-grade 5) and those entering 6th grade and up to adults who will be helping.



"He Leadeth Me" Book Club will meet in Saint Michael Parish Center in the Conference Room, Tuesday, July 9th at 6:00pm. Come prepared by reading chapters 13-16.



"OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD JULY ITEMS OF THE MONTH SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pencils • Colored Pencils • Pencil Sharpeners • Pencil case • Erasers • Pens • Crayons • Markers • Notebooks • Index cards • Solar Calculator • Scissors • Paint Sets • Stickers •



As a Thank You to our faithful Altar Servers, the Knights of Columbus Council has planned a fun outing to a Toledo Mudhens game at 4:10pm on Sunday, July 21, 2024. All servers will receive a ticket to the game, a meal ticket, plus an ice cream ticket. Parents, siblings, and parishioners are welcome to join the group but must pay for their

tickets, which cost \$11. We have three spots to throw out a first pitch, too! Father Tad will be throwing out one pitch; the other two pitches are for one girl and one boy server. If you want to throw out a first pitch, write a short essay on what being an altar server means to you and email your essay by July 7 to pwasserman@stmaryandstmichael.org. If you can attend the game, Altar Servers, and all others who would like to sit with the church group, contact Patti by phone or email to reserve your seat. **Please note that the deadline for the essay submission is July 7.**



Without the priest, there is no Eucharist, and without the Eucharist, there is no Church. As the Eucharistic Congress approaches, we want to share a piece of an insightful article about the connection between vocations and the Eucharist. Father

Roger Landry who is in Ohio now leading the Elizabeth Ann Seton Route from the East Coast to Indianapolis, IN, stresses that dedication to the Eucharist is essential for fostering vocations and fortifying the spiritual bedrock of our communities. Father Landry says, "For the Eucharistic revival to spur the renewal of the Church, there is a need to strengthen the Eucharistic dimension of the priests we have and to pray to the Harvest Master for many more priestly laborers in his vineyard. Most Catholics are aware that there is a crisis in priestly vocations. There are attempts at quick fixes in various places, like importing priests from religious orders or vocation-rich dioceses in Mexico, Colombia, Nigeria, Kenya, Uganda, India or Poland. In some circles, rather than look to such temporary solutions, people are trying to exploit the need in order to push for the ordination of married men or even to propose the dogmatically impossible solution of the ordination of women. But many places are not yet committed in a practical way balanced with the importance and urgency of the need for new priestly vocations. It's not enough for a diocese to appoint a vocations director and then to expect him to be able to remedy the crisis single-handedly or with an assistant or small team. The reality is that many parishes — just like many Catholic schools and high schools — have not produced a single seminarian in decades and a visit from a vocations director will almost never be sufficient to change what seems to be, sadly, vocationally infertile soil. Fewer than 20% percent of Catholic parishes nationwide have anything in the parish intentionally working to stimulate and normalize vocational awareness and response. Many parishes don't do anything even during the occasions when the Church explicitly focuses on vocations, like the World Day of Prayer for Vocations (May 8), the World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests (June 24), Priesthood Sunday (Sept. 25) or National Vocations Awareness Week (Nov. 6-12). Since 80% of seminarians come from the 20% of parishes with a vocation ministry or committee, there's a reason why so many parishes seem to be sterile. A profound culture change is needed, in which vocational promotion is considered not the duty of a few specialists but the common responsibility of priests and parishioners, moms and dads, catechists and coaches, siblings and friends, Catholic school teachers, cooks and custodians, everyone. There's a need for a long-term, whole-Church solution But a culture change is not enough. There's also a need for prayer and effective action as if the Church's life depended on it — which, in fact it does."