

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, August 3

4:00 pm– Reconciliation @ GB church
5:00pm– Mass *Emma Lynne Reed+*, *Walt Reinbolt+*
@ GB Church

SUNDAY, August 4

7:00 am– Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:00 am– Reconciliation @ MV Church
9:00 am– Mass *Gus Miller+*
@ MV Church*
11:00 am– Mass *the People of our Parishes+*
@ GB Church

MONDAY, August 5

7:00 am– Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *

TUESDAY, August 6

7:00 am– Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
5:00pm– Mass, *Fr. Fred Schill+*
@ GB Church

WEDNESDAY, August 7

7:00 am– Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:30 am– Mass *Peg (Keiser) Sloma+* @ MV Church
7:00 pm– Young Adult volleyball @ MV yard

THURSDAY, August 8

7:00 am– Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:30 am– Mass *Roque Munoz+* @GB Church

FRIDAY, August 9

7:00 am– Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:30 am– Mass *Ken, Richard, and Danny Hammer+*
MV Church

9:00 am– Reconciliation @ MV Church
5:00pm– Wedding Rehearsal @ MV Church

SATURDAY, August 10

7:00 am– Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
1:30pm– MV Wedding Mitchell/Hoffman
4:00 pm– Reconciliation @ GB church
5:00pm– Mass *the People of our Parishes+*
@ GB Church

SUNDAY, August 11

7:00 am– Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
8:00 am– Reconciliation @ MV Church
9:00 am– Mass *Tom Hoffman+, the Deceased of the
Jim and Barbara Haubert Family+*
@ MV Church
11:00 am– Mass *Living and Deceased of the Vernon
and Helen Durst Family+*
@ GB Church*

MONDAY, August 12

7:00 am– Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *

MV=Saint Mary GB=Saint Michael

* = when on Facebook live

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Financial Stewardship

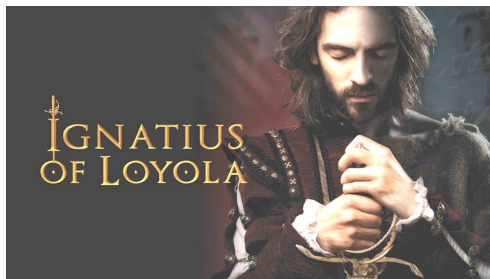
Saint Mary July 28, 2024

Sunday \$2960.00
Loose \$127.00

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

Saint Michael July 27-28 2024

Sunday \$1782.00
Loose \$287.00
Special Improv. \$220.00
Food Pantry \$20.00
Rel. Ed \$20.00
Cemetery \$20.00
ACA pledges \$12,538.00
ACA Goal \$12,304.47



FORMED Pick for the Week Ignatius of Loyola

This story of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the Jesuits' founder known as "The Saint of Second Chances," explores his transformation from a self-obsessed sinner to a soldier-saint. In his lifelong quest to become the heroic knight of his fantasies, Ignatius stares death in

the face again and again. Through it all, he would come to see the hand of God working in his life. His feast day is celebrated on July 31. 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: August 18, at Saint Michael's.*

The Potluck committee will have cookies and drinks after 11:00 am Mass at Saint Michael's parish center Sunday, August 4th. You're welcome to drop off your cookies before or after Mass. Come and enjoy a sweet treat and fellowship.



Congratulations to *Jack and Maria (Ruggiero) Sanderson* who received the sacrament of Matrimony past weekend.

Welcome to *Charlotte Lynn Kolbe* Baptized into the faith this past weekend as well.



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

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Senior Status Deacons: Deacon George Miller, Deacon Rene Gonzalez

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Saint *Mary*

MILLERSVILLE



Saint *Michael*

GIBSONBURG

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August 4, 2024

Eighteenth 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,

Vacation Bible school has been a huge success this week. We have had breakout activities with arts and crafts, games for the different age groups and bible study. For Patti to make this event for children possible she relies on adult and young adult volunteers, and we are grateful for all who have given their time this week. A special thanks to our kitchen volunteers and cooks. We started with dinner together for fellowship every evening of VBS. Not only was the food wonderful, but the volunteers enabled us to eat together and get to know each other more as a parish family. I was able to meet some parishioners whom I had never met before, and eat with them and talk to them. These relationships are so essential for building our parish community.

The theme is "Come to the Table" and is based on the theme from the Eucharistic Congress. We are trying to form these children to make Sunday Mass and the Holy Eucharist a part of their identity and helping them to choose discipleship as a way of life. The singing together of the Eucharistic songs for children has been life giving, and certainly my favorite part thus far. We use a video series for children for our music that is catechetical, and encourages children and adults to dance along and sing! When faith is a way of life, it also becomes fun, and being together in fellowship together with music and food is such a good way to engage in leisure that glorifies God and strengthens our families. I am so delighted to see families giving their evenings to this, parents even volunteering to be with their children! It is very exciting to see, because by doing this the family is saying that God is enough in our lives to bring us harmony peace and joy, he is not distant and angry, but present to us deeply in familial love as we sacrifice our lives for each other.

I write this letter on Wednesday and tonight will no doubt be my favorite night. We are leading a guided exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament for children. The children will come into the sanctuary and sit and be led in prayer before Jesus. It is really spiritually moving to watch this, and this is one of our efforts to bring the children closer to Jesus in their Catholic Faith.

Praise be Jesus Christ!

Rev Msgr. Walter Tad R Oxley

Statewide Eucharistic Pilgrimage: Celebrate the Assumption in Carey, OH – August 14

Join Bishop Thomas of Toledo, Bishop Fernandes of Columbus, and Bishops Malesic and Woost of Cleveland in making a pilgrimage to the Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, to celebrate the Vigil of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. A candlelight rosary procession will begin at 9 p.m. with the Miraculous Statue of Our Lady of Consolation from the Basilica Shrine to the Shrine Park, followed by Holy Mass at the outdoor Altar in the Shrine Park. Visit www.ohiocathconf.org/pilgrimage for details.



First Ever- Saint Mary and Saint Michael Golf Scramble

August 31, 2024

8:30 am Sign in;

9:30 am Shot Gun start;

at Sugar Creek Golf Course Elmore.

Cost is \$35 per golfer, payable with registration. Everyone is invited to play and enjoy the day. Skill level does not matter, this is a scramble format, meaning the team's best ball position will be used for every shot. Registration forms are in the back of each parish, Completed forms and fees can be dropped in the collection baskets at Masses, or turned into Larry Kosakowski. If you have questions contact Larry Kosakowski

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, August 11, 8:00 am @ Saint Mary Church

Tuesday, August 13, 4:00 pm @ Saint Michael Church

Friday, August 16, 9:00 am @ Saint Mary Church

Will you not stay with me one hour?

BE ONE WITH JESUS IN
Eucharist Adoration



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, Aug. 10, 5:00 pm

Ambassadors	Jerry Wasserman
Servers	Mary Ann Myerholtz
Lector	Dee Jones
EMOHC	Hank Reineck, Gerry Williams Deb Kirwen

Saint Mary– Sunday, Aug. 11, 9:00 am

Rosary	Bill Ochs
Servers	Grant Scherger, Wilson Scherger
Lector	Jessica Scherger
Commun.	Larry and Sue Kosakowski Ron and Connie Hiser
Ambassadors	Jeanine Van Der Laar, Terri Reinhart
Count	Dave and Mary Gutschalk
Clean	Jeff and Erin Foos

Saint Michael– Sunday, Aug. 11, 11:00 am

Ambassadors	Tom Marsh, Tom Liskai
Servers	Jack Skinner Andrew Spieldenner
Lector	Chris Lau
EMOHC	Marla Marsh, Petra Hernandez Natalie Liskai

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 at Saint Michael and after Friday Mass at Saint Mary. Saturdays at 4:00pm at Saint Michael, and Sundays at 8:00am at Saint Mary.

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 remember in prayer:

Mary Groweg, Timothy Culver, Mike Reineck, Patti Kreilick, Verna Konesky, Nate Liskai, Kris Minch, Rene Gonzales Jr., Dave Sandwisch, Fran Weigman, Dee Herman, Maverick Campbell, Rae Lyn Hoepf, 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.

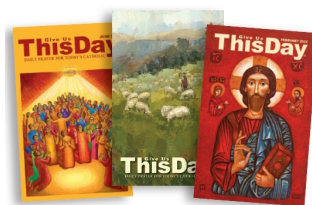
If you would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith or would like to join the Catholic Church please contact Father Tad, Terri Reinhart, or either parish office. OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes will begin in September, please contact us if of any interest, this will help us get the proper amount of materials for classes.



Save the Date! September 22, 2024

Saint Michael's Chicken BBQ will be held. Serving will begin at 11:00am with Dine In and Drive Thru dinners available. More details will be coming as the date gets closer. Keep the date open for a great meal and to help serve up many meals.

The Give Us This Day sign up. Give Us This Day is a monthly publication with daily morning and evening prayer, the Mass readings for each day, and reflections on the readings and stories of saints and holy people. The parishes have been making it available for whoever wants to use this daily



devotional. It is the time of year to sign up if you would like to continue receiving this or would like to start getting it. Sign-up sheets will be at the back of each church so you can add your name or take your name off the list. Please let us know if you would like to receive this devotion. If you have enjoyed this and want to help defray the cost to the parish, the yearly subscription is \$37.50. If you wish to receive Give Us This Day, sign up by August 18th.

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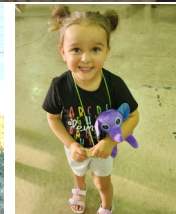
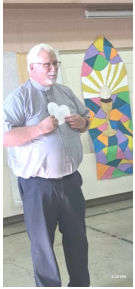


Saint Mary and Saint Michael Parish Offices are closed until August 7th. Father Tad and Patti will be checking phone messages and taking care of any pertinent business that needs tended to during this time.

Faith Formation Summer Schedule



Vacation Bible School is so much work, but full of so much JOY! There are so many people who worked behind the scenes this past week to make everything come together for the good of our little ones, our teens and our adults! Don't be fooled, at VBS we all learn a little bit more about Jesus and the need to share our faith with each other and to invite others to **COME TO THE TABLE!** Here's a smattering of photos from our week. More to come!

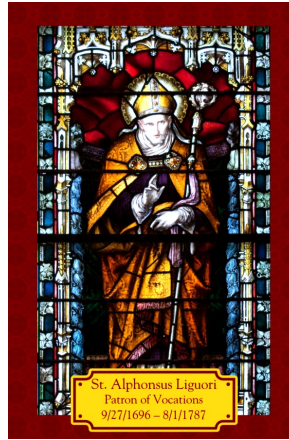


LADIES OUTING OPPORTUNITY!

Chonda Pierce

Friday, September 20th

We have reached a total of ten ladies that are looking forward to a night out with other members of our faith community to share a meal and some laughs. Doors open at 6:00pm and are on a first come first served basis. Reduced group rate tickets cost is \$26.75 plus the tax and fees makes the final cost \$35.52 per person. You can pay by cash or check (made out to Saint Michael Church) at either parish office or putting in an envelope in the collection basket marked Chonda Attn: Patti



August 1st was a special day for **Vocation Ministry** and for all those who promote vocations! It is the memorial of our patron saint, Saint Alphonsus Liguori!

This saint has been a guiding force throughout Rhonda Gruenewald's deeply personal call to promote vocations, ultimately leading to the founding of Vocation Ministry and inspiring the expansion of this ministry.

During his lifetime, Saint Alphonsus Liguori educated over 30,000 men and women about their role in the Catholic faith, including 400 priests. He founded the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, also known as the Redemptorists, on November 9, 1732, and committed his life to building up God's kingdom through the support of vocations.

In honor a new prayer card has been designed which includes the following prayer. This is a perfect prayer for anyone seeking holiness. Whether seeking divine guidance for yourself or encouraging others to discover their path, this prayer serves as a gentle yet powerful reminder of God's call.

Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Alphonsus Liguori, we pray for an increase in holy vocations.

Call forth men and women with hearts dedicated to serving You and Your people with unwavering courage and conviction. Inspire a yearning in their hearts for the fire of Your love.

Fill Your Church with devoted disciples whose witness of faith, hope, and charity inspires others to follow You. May their lives be a beacon of Your love and grace.

Come, Holy Spirit. Make my parish, my family, and my heart fruitful ground for vocations for the good of Your Church and salvation of souls.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.