### WEEKLY CALENDAR MV=Saint Mary GB=Saint Michael

# SATURDAY, Feb. 8

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*

4:00 pm- Reconciliation @ GB Church

5:00pm- Mass Marcella Kirwen+

@ GB Church

# SUNDAY, Feb. 9

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*

8:00 am- Reconciliation @ MV Church

9:00 am- Mass The People of Our Parishes+

@ MV Church

10:00am- Faith Formation @ MV Class Rooms

11:00 am- Mass Michelle Cobb+

@ GB Church\*

5:00pm– Grieving with Great Hope Class @ MV Parish Office Building

#### MONDAY, Feb. 10

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*

# TUESDAY, Feb. 11

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*

5:00pm- **NO Mass** @ GB Church

# WEDNESDAY, Feb. 12

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*

8:30 am- NO Mass @ MV Church

6:30pm- Faith Formation @ GB Parish Center

7:00pm- Young Adults @ MV Office Building

#### THURSDAY, Feb. 13

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*

8:30 am- Mass Ron Davis+

@ GB Church

#### FRIDAY, Feb. 14

7:00 am-Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*

8:30 am- Mass Zeno & Emma Wasserman+

@ MV Church

# SATURDAY, Feb. 15

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*

4:00 pm- Reconciliation @ GB Church

5:00pm- Mass Harley Pertner+

@ GB Church

#### SUNDAY, Feb. 16

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*

8:00 am- Reconciliation @ MV Church

9:00 am- Mass Francis & Betty Ochs+

@ MV Church

10:00am- Faith Formation @ MV Class Rooms

11:00 am– Mass The People of Our Parishes

@ GB Church\*

5:00pm- Grieving with Great Hope Class

@ MV Parish Office Building

\* = when on Facebook live

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# **Financial Stewardship**

Saint Mary Feb. 2, 2025

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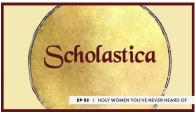
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Saint Michael Feb. 1-2, 2024 Sunday \$3019.02 Loose \$215.00 Latin Am. \$10.00 Initial Offering \$30.00 Cemetery \$160.00 Special Improve. \$605.00 Religious Ed. \$145.00 Food Pantry \$185.00 Mary Mother of God \$40.00



# FORMED Pick for the Week St. Scholastica Holy Women You Never Heard Of Episode 3

Dive into the lives of Holy Women You've Never Heard Of with Dr. Elizabeth Klein and Dr. Jessica Murdoch. St. Scholastica is the sister of St. Benedict. Holy siblings and

holy families change the world! St. Scholastica' feast day is February 10. Some people are having trouble getting back into Formed. If that is the case, get out of formed, do not use your app, just go to formed.org look for sign in, and sign in, through a parish. Put in your email and zip code 43431 to find St. Mary/St. Michael and a code will get sent to your email and then you can get back into Formed. Haven't subscribed to FORMED yet? There is no cost to you! Visit formed.org/signup, sign in through a parish, 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: Feb. 16, at Saint Michael's.* 

# Thursday, March 6 Sr. Marianne Longo Memorial Spaghetti Dinner

Support Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center & enjoy a taste of the Longo family's famous meatball recipe at our "To Go" Spaghetti Dinner!\*

- Meals are Pre-order & drive-thru ONLY!
- \$18.00/ Dinner includes: Spaghetti, meatballs, salad, bread, cookie

Available for pick-up in Fremont (4:30-6:30pm)

at Our Lady of the Pines, 1250 Tiffin St. Fremont and

Tiffin (5:00-7:00pm) St. Mary Church, 85 S. Sandusky St., Tiffin

Call 419-332-6522 or visit olprc.retreatportal.com to order by Feb. 21

# 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

**Liturgical Coordinator:** Kathy Otermat (MV, GB) kotermat@stmaryandstmichael.org

Parish Manager: Terri Reinhart (MV) treinhart@stmaryandstmichael.org Parish Secretary: Cindy Hammer (GB) chammer@stmaryandstmichael.org Bookkeeper: Nancy Patterson (GB) npatterson@stmaryandstmichael.org

Praver 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.10:00am-2:00pm, Wed.1-2:30pm, Fri. 10:00am- 2:00pm

419-637-2255



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 chammer@stmaryandstmichael.org

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# **February 9, 2025 Fifth 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,

Bishop Thomas has written an excellent Leading the Flock column on the Catholic perspective on Immigration, which is a timely issue. Please take a look at our Bishop's teaching as we have a copy for you in today's bulletin. Please remember to keep all immigrants and refugees in your prayers.

Secondly, we have placed a new boiler in Saint Mary Church. We made it through the super deep cold, and Advanced Plumbing and heating from Fremont did excellent work. Advanced is a longstanding and trusted provider for us at Saint Mary. Thanks to your continued faithful giving at Saint Mary, we had the financial resources for this project on hand. I very much appreciate the continual giving that we can depend upon for necessary repairs and improvements.

Yours in Christ, Rev Msgr Walter Tad R Oxley



Women's Lenten Journey to Interior **Freedom.** Prepare for Jesus' triumph on Easter by spending Lent learning about the triumph He wants to give you in your heart through Fr. Jacques Philippe's book "Interior Freedom."

Interior Freedom seeks to liberate the heart and mind to live the true freedom to which God calls each of us. Despite the most unfavorable outward circumstances, we can claim our freedom because God is its source and

its guarantee. Without this, we will always be in search for something else to fulfill us, and we will never understand true happiness. Meetings are every Saturday for seven weeks: Feb. 22, Mar. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Apr. 5. 8:30-9:45am at the Saint Mary Parish Office building. Book and Study Guide companion will be \$20, payable to Saint Mary Church. Please contact Jill Spieldenner at 567-201-4468 by Feb. 12 to register.

# Ladies Night Out!

Please join us February 18th at Saint Michael's Parish Center for an evening with the Summer Kitchen Girls. Have a fun evening out with your girlfriends and learn various ways to use The Summer Kitchen's "Be Mine" tea. Heavy hors d'oeuvres and drinks included. Tickets are \$20 for women 18+ Tickets on sale after Masses







Saturday, February 22, 2025 Twin Parish Fellowship Night at Saint Michael Parish Center Doors open at 6:00pm Nick Foos will

provide music 6:30pm until 9:00pm Bring finger foods to share along with your own drinks. This is a time to come together and enjoy good music and get to know one another better.

Come together for fellowship and fun!



The February 11th Revival Night has been cancelled. The next Eucharistic Revival Night, will be Tuesday, February 25 at Saint Michael's Parish Center 6-7:30 pm. Watch a video from the Eucharistic Congress and then have discussion Eucharistic and prayer, with fellow parishioners. All are welcome to come to this. Come and grow in love of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Countless lives are touched by every contribution to the Annual Catholic Appeal. This year's theme is Together For Good. Children, seminary students, the sick and aged, the needy—they all depend on our generosity. Faith, hope, and love come alive through the Annual Catholic Appeal. Thank you for pledging today to help meet our parish goal and assure the continuation of these programs and services. For more information on ministries funded by the appeal, visit acatoledo.org. Thank you!

# **Up Coming Time for Eucharistic Adoration**

Friday, Feb.14, 6:00-7:00pm @ Saint Mary Church Foundation of Prayer for Priests Tuesday, Feb. 18, 4:00 pm @ Saint Michael Church



<u>Mass Assistants</u> 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, Feb 15, 5:00 pm

Ambassadors Gerry Williams

Paul Makulinski

Servers Lynne Eisenman Lector Deb Dazley

EMOHC Gerry Williams, Norma Vela

Sue Kaemming

# Saint Mary-Sunday, Feb. 16, 9:00 am

Rosary Harold and Eileen Foos

Servers Grand Scherger

Daxton Reno

Lector High School Student

Commun. Catilin Dazley

Larry and Sue Kosakowski

Ron and Connie Hiser High School Students

Count Roger and Barb Wasserman

Clean Jeff and Erin Foos

# Saint Michael—Sunday, Feb. 16, 11:00 am

Ambassadors Tom Marsh

Ambassadors

Tom Liskai

Servers Andrew Spieldenner

Jack Skinner

Lector Mary Kern EMOHC Marla Marsh

Chris Lau

#### 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.

Sick & Shut-in Please remember in prayer:



Pete Norton, Carol Miller, Lara Wooten, John Brindley, Melinda Sandwisch, Rene and Mary Lou Gonzales, Mary Reineck, Mary Smith, Patti Wasserman, Emma Holman, Patti Kreilick, Verna Konesky, Nate Liskai, Rene Gonzales Jr.,

Dee Herman, Maverick Campbell, Rae Lyn Hoepf, Theresa Aldrich, Kaleb Williamson, Diane Schuh, Andy Rich, Eileen Foos, Diane Goebel, 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 to everyone who joined us for our monthly parish potluck. Mark your calendar for our March 2nd potluck!



SJCC Athletic Booster Club Superbowl Breakfast Sunday, February 9th 9am-Noon, at SJCC Cafeteria 702 Croghan St., Fremont. All you care to eat pancakes, eggs, sausage, coffee & OJ. Cost \$10, Kids 10 & under \$5



TMIY

**That Man is You:** Fremont Area Men's Group meets Saturday Mornings from 7-8am in Saint Joseph's Parish Hall, Fremont. Upcoming topics: 2/15 Finding your mission

THAT MAN IS YOU! field, 2/22 no Men's group meeting

The latest issue of *Graceful Living* is out! We have copies available in the back of each church for you to take home if you did not receive it in the mail.

Anyone can sign up to receive future issues to their home by emailing glmagazine@toledodiocese.org with your full name and address. You can see the digital version here: toledodiocese.org/GracefulLiving

# Area Wide Mission With Paul George

February 25-27 6:30-8:00pm St. Joseph Church 709 Croghan St. Fremont 419-334-2638



Let's enter this Lent with a renewed sense of joy and hope in our faith in Christ! *This event is free and open to the public.* 

### All God's Children

The Toledo symphony Orchestra and
The BGSU Gospel Choir presents
Black History Month Concert
Under the direction of Maestro Antone Clark
Sunday, February 23, 2025 5:00pm
at St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church, 1119W.
Bancroft St. Toledo, Oh
For Tickets call: 419-241-4544



# **Family Catechesis**



Saint Michael Parish Preschool–8th Grade Wednesday, February 12th 6:30-7:45pm

Saint Mary Parish Preschool –8th Grade Sunday, February 16th 10:00-11:15am



Dragon Slayers LIVE Retreat February 23, 2025 Bishop Hoffman Hall (Behind Saint Ann Church) 999 Baker Street, Fremont

This retreat is for all 2nd grade students and their parents led by renowned author and speaker John Wood and his wife

Kristin. John and Kristin present this powerful and fun retreat all over the country, and we are confident you and your child will love this experience! Registration begins at 12:30 pm with the retreat begin at 1:00pm and end at 3:30 pm.

# 2025 K of C Free Thow Championship Winners of each age group are pictured below:



# **Girls**

10 = Lillian Montgomery 11 = Evelynn Estep

# **Boys**

9 = Daxton Reno 10 = Aaron Krause 11 = Levi Reno 12 = Jacoby Evarts 13 = Wilson Scherger

# **CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!**



Next High School Youth Gathering February 16th Saint Mary Parish Hall Mass Assistants with Parents' Brunch to follow 9:00am Mass at Saint Mary



# This weekend, we celebrate World Marriage Day!

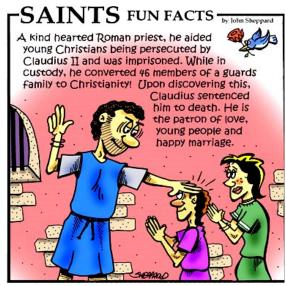
Your marriage is a vocation. It is a unique path to holiness where you both work together to grow in love and faith. Your marriage is a sacrament, meaning it is a special way you'll receive and share God's grace.

Let's take time to pray for our spouses and each other to lift our marriages. Do something special for each other this weekend to show your gratitude for your spouse and their YES! Your goal in this Vocation of Marriage should be to get your spouse to heaven. Take time to ponder in your heart how you can do that, starting right now.

# Prayer for our Marriage Leavenly Father, we thank You for your

Heavenly Father, we thank You for your tremendous gift of the Sacrament of Marriage. Enable us to grow in our

intimacy with You and with each other. Teach us the beauty of forgiveness so we may become more and more one in heart, mind and body. Strengthen our communication with each other, and help us become living signs of your love. Help us to be examples of commitment, love, and service to our families and children. Make us a sign of the unity which Jesus prays for at the Last Supper. We open ourselves to the guidance of your Holy Spirit, who empowers us to love in Jesus' name and walk in His footsteps. Amen



St. Valentine

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# Operation Christmas Child Year Round Collection IDEAS FOR FEBRUARY

- wash cloths (NO SOAP)
- hairbrushes, ponytail holders, hair clips, other hair fasteners, plastic mirror, combs
- Off-season clothes, watch for clearance items!