

WEEKLY CALENDAR MV=Saint Mary GB=Saint MichaelSATURDAY, May 31

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
 4:00pm- Reconciliation @ GB Church
 5:00pm- Mass *Leonard Reino & Tony Ruggerio+*
 @ GB Church

SUNDAY, June 1

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, June 2

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *

TUESDAY, June 3

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
 5:00pm- Mass *Jon LaPlant+* @ GB Church
 6:00pm- National Eucharistic Congress
 presentation then discussion @
 Saint Michael's Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, June 4

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
 8:30 am- Mass *Paul Naderer+*
 @ MV Church
 7:00pm- Young Adults @ MV yard for volleyball

THURSDAY, June 5

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
 8:30am- Mass *Seminarians*
 @ GB Church

FRIDAY, June 6

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
 8:30am - Mass *Michael Reineck+, Norbert Daar+*
 @ MV Church

SATURDAY, June 7

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
 4:00pm- Reconciliation @ GB Church
 5:00pm- Mass *Jesus A. Rodriguez+*
 @ GB Church

SUNDAY, June 8

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
 8:00 am- Reconciliation @ MV Church
 9:00 am- Mass *Jim & David Van Der Laar+, Andy*
Wonderly+ @ MV Church
 11:00 am- Mass *The People of Our Parishes*
 @ GB Church

* = when on Facebook live

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Or connect with us online at:

mvstmaryandgbstmichael.flocknote.com

Financial StewardshipSaint Mary May 25, 2025

Sunday \$2995.00
 Loose \$291.00

ACA goal \$14,519.86

Pledged so far \$12,223.10

Saint Michael May 24-25, 2025

Sunday \$2753.00
 Loose \$304.76
 Special Improve. \$20.00
 Cemetery \$20.00
 Food Pantry \$120.00
 Ascension \$5.00
 Catholic Comm. \$325.00

ACA goal \$12,575.53

Pledged so far \$12,513.16

**FORMED****I Prefer Heaven: Saint Philip Neri**

One of the most popular saints of all time, St. Philip Neri was widely known for his great charity, deep prayer life, and tremendous humor. Hoping to join St. Ignatius of Loyola's new order of Jesuits and be a missionary to

India, Providence instead guided Philip to seek out the poor and abandoned youth of Rome to catechize them in the faith and help them find a better life. He became the founder of the religious congregation, the Oratory, that worked with the youth and also labored to re-evangelize a decadent Rome. Some people are having trouble getting back into Formed. If that is the case, log 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: June 15, at Saint Michael's.*



If you or someone you know is facing a pregnancy and needs some help, please contact Heartbeat Hope Medical Fremont, Tiffin or Fostoria at 419-334-9079. Heartbeat provides physical,

emotional, and spiritual assistance in a warm and caring environment that is judgment free. Please reach out and help support Heartbeat's good work, and to pray for all Pregnancy Centers.

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

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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

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MILLERSVILLE GIBSONBURG

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June 1, 2025 The Ascension of the Lord

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

We continue and bring to a conclusion our Walk with One this week. The final step, step four, is inviting the person onto a suitable path for them that involves Jesus and the Church. Do you feel like you are stuck in these steps? Do you need more counsel from a Pastoral Leadership Team member or our new Pastoral Council Chair Jamie Reno on where to go from here? Ask Patti or Kathy or Deacon Mike or Terri or Cindy for some guidance in forming your next steps. If you did so it would be an action step for you in your own faith journey. Maybe you asked them to the Sacrament of Reconciliation or Penance and have received a firm no. No I don't need a ride to Mass, I am good-they may say to you after you invite them to join your family. Would it not help to talk to one of us more about how you spiritually proceed with that rejection. We cannot disciple other people alone but we need to do it together, so we want to assist you, the person who is inviting, the person who is walking with one. Just reach out and mention it to us, pull us aside, ask for a meeting. We are all here for you. Let's review a bit as well- the first three steps: 1. Make a list of those with whom you can walk; 2. Narrow it down to one; 3. Pray for an opening of the Holy Spirit to speak to them about Jesus and the Church and 4. Find and invite the person onto a suitable path for a deeper relationship with Jesus and the Church!

May the Holy Spirit help us as we prepare for the Solemnity of Pentecost next week!

Rev Msgr Walter Tad R Oxley



Join us on June 8, to celebrate Father Ted Miller who is celebrating his 50th Jubilee. Father Ted will celebrate Mass at Saint Mary's 9am and Saint Michael's 11am. There will be a lunch celebration in Saint Michael's Parish Center, after the 11am Mass. *Celebrate 50 years of service and ministry!*

Annual Catholic Appeal If you have not given to the ACA this year, please consider making a donation, and help our parishes reach their goals. Through your contributions, we can assure the continued existence of many important programs that help tens of thousands in our diocese each year. For more information, visit acatoledo.org. Thank you to all that have pledged to help meet our parish goal and assure the continuation of these efforts.



The Diocese of Toledo is in compliance with the articles of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People (Charter) of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). Every year, the Diocese dutifully submits the necessary documentation required by the USCCB for a diocese to be in compliance.

Every three years an on-site audit is conducted, when not only all necessary documentation is dutifully submitted, but in addition, Pastoral Center, parish and diocesan school employees are interviewed concerning practices and protocols related to creating and maintaining a safe environment for our children and youth.

The last 3-year audit was conducted in September 2024 and all audited Articles within the Charter were found to be compliant.

The next on-site audit will be conducted in 2027.

The Diocese of Toledo remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have any knowledge of abuse that has been committed by a cleric, or any personnel of the Catholic Church, you are urged to report the abuse to your local police department, Children Services, and the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (419) 214-4880 or by mail at 1933 Spielbusch Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43604.

Up Coming times for Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, June 6, 9:00am at Saint Mary's Church



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, June 7, 5:00pm

Ambassadors	Gerry Williams Paul Makulinski
Servers	Lynne Eisenman
Lector	Dee Jones
EMOHC	Hank Reineck, Sue Kaemming Norma Vela

Saint Mary– Sunday, June 8, 9:00 am

Rosary	Jim and Betty Hoffman
Servers	Chloe Foos

Lector	Lucas Hammer
Communion	Amber Hoffman Bill Ochs, Rebecca Rich Alice Reineck, Mary Gutschalk
Ambassadors	Nick and Tracy Foos
Count	Roger and Barb Wasserman
Clean	Mary Gutschalk

Saint Michael– Sunday, June 8, 11:00 am

Ambassadors	Chris Lau Sarah Lau
Servers	Andrew Spieldenner Bronco Knight
Lector	Cindy Hammer
EMOHC	Verna Konesky, Natalie Liskai 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 - 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.

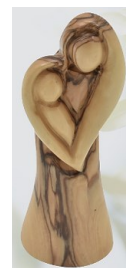
Please
Pray
for...



Please remember in prayer:

Maria Porteous, Jim Balsizer, Phil Harris, Sue Kaemming, Josh Meyer, Carol Miller, John Brindley, Melinda Sandwisch, Rene and Mary Lou Gonzalez, Mary Reineck, Mary Smith, Patti Kreilick, Verna Konesky, Nate Liskai, Rene Gonzalez Jr., Dee Herman, 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

Dear Saint Mary and Saint Michael parishes,
 Msgr Tad & church staff extend a warm welcome to BETHLEHEM WOOD CARVING LOUIE on the weekend of **May 31 & June 1** for the mission of olive wood sale of religious items from the holy land to help and support the catholic Christians to remain in the holy land and provide for their home. There are a lot of reasons to support this mission. Your help ensures that the churches and holy sites remain places of Christian worship, without the indigenous catholic presence in the holy land, these places would turn into museums. They are our brothers and sister in Christ. They are suffering and living conditions in the holy land are dire as a result of the border closures that restrict freedom of movement. Louie will have wood carvings on sale after all the Masses on the weekend of May 31 & June 1. also, you may reach Louie by his website.



<https://www.stmichaelolivewood.com/>



The Gibsonburg Area Ministerial Association is collecting items to gift the family moving into the new Habitat for Humanity home in Gibsonburg. Our parishes have been assigned things to put in their shed, such a shovel, rake, hoe, gardening tools, gloves, water hose and nozzle, gas can, and simple tools. Gift cards to Lowe's, Home Depot, Walmart etc. are a good idea too, so they can purchase what they need and/or will use. Contact Patti Wasserman with any questions. Thank you for loving your neighbor!

Upcoming Parish Festivals:

Most Blessed Sacrament Parish Festival

4227 Bellevue Road, Toledo. Friday, June 6, 5pm–11:30pm
 Saturday, June 7, 5pm–11:30pm Sunday, June 8, Noon–6pm Free for Adults/Seniors/ Children; All Day Ride Wristbands \$20. Music from Bradberries and Skittlebots with others. Food, Poker, Bingo, and much more! Visit BlessedSacramentToledo.com

Saint Gerard Parish Festival

1307 N. Main Street, Lima. Friday June 6, 5 pm–Midnight
 Saturday, June 7, Noon–Midnight, Sunday, June 8, Noon–9pm
 Admission is free; there will be Games, Rides, Food, and Bands for entertainment.

Family Catechesis



SAVE THE DATES

VBS 2025

Saint Michael Parish Center

Sunday July 13th — Thursday July 17th

6:00-8:15pm

For all Pre-K and those entering 5th Grade

Serving supper for the whole family beginning at 5:30pm.



Use the QR Code above or the link below to sign up today so we can purchase our needed supplies. Cost is \$10.

<https://form.jotform.com/221176522968159>

"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God" ~1 John 3:1.

We need youth entering 6th grade and above, to become camp counselors. Contact Patti Wasserman by phone or email if you are being called to help make **Son Rock Kids Camp** a place where **JESUS ROCKS!**



JUNE 26-29, 2024

Our parishes have been asked to donate items for the cakewalk on Thursday June 27th. If you are willing and able to bake a cake, cupcakes, cookies, or brownies please drop them off at the shelter house at Williams Park, between 5-7pm. If you have questions contact Jamie Reno or Patti Wasserman. Also this year the Gibsonburg Area Ministerial Association will be designing a float to be in the Homecoming Parade on Saturday June 29th. We are looking for youth/young adults from our parishes to join with youth from Zion Lutheran and Shiloh Church to help us design, decorate and join us in the parade on the float or walking handing out goodies. Contact Patti if you are able to help with any way. We will begin meeting after school is out.



THE VOCATION OF A LAY MINISTER

What a joy it was for me, Patti, to attend the 2025 Lay Leadership Summit as a member of the National Association for Lay Ministers, held at Loyola University Chicago this past week. Although I have been a member of NALM for many years, (thanks to Sister Janice Peer), this is the

first time I have ever attend any of their gatherings and invited to sit at their table. "The Holy Spirit was a movin' over" as we listened to each others stories and shared where we are as lay ministers today in the Catholic Church.

Here I share a few points from the many notes I took and will share with PLT in the coming weeks:

One key takeaway was the powerful reminder that through our baptism and the anointing with Sacred Chrism, we are all claimed by Christ and given the strength to use our unique gifts to build up the Church. Jesus sent his followers out to bring God's love to everyone, and we share in that mission. We're not meant to just sit back! We're called to be active disciples, to make a difference in all the areas of our lives – church, home, work, everywhere. When we let the Holy Spirit move within us, directing our thoughts and actions, we can become great influencers (thanks to social media for that word) for the Good News of Christ. Gospel Influencers! That has a nice ring to it!

ABOUT NALM

Vision

The National Association for Lay Ministry promotes the co-responsibility of ordained and lay ministers to embody the saving mission of Christ for the World.

Mission

The National Association for Lay Ministry is a collaborative organization of lay, religious and ordained ministers that empowers, advocates for, and develops lay pastoral leadership and promotes the growth of lay pastoral ministry in the Catholic Church.

NALM fosters life-long learners, capable of reading the signs of the times and growing in their knowledge and skills for effective lay pastoral ministry and leadership.



Join Bishop Daniel Thomas for the 2025 Homeschool Mass on Tuesday, June 3rd, at 7:00 PM at Rosary Cathedral, Toledo. This special celebration is open to all homeschooling families. At the end of Mass, we will recognize 8th grade and graduating high school seniors. If your student would like to participate, please contact

Monica Depinet at homeschoolmasstoledo@gmail.com

Operation Christmas Child Year Round Collection IDEAS FOR JUNE



- Small dolls
- Hot Wheel Cars
- Travel size games
- Deck of cards (any game)