

**WEEKLY CALENDAR** MV=Saint Mary GB=Saint MichaelSATURDAY, February 7

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*  
 8:00 am- Men's scripture study @ MV hall  
 4:00pm- Reconciliation @ GB Church  
 5:00pm- Mass *Mary Rose Herman+*  
 @ GB Church

SUNDAY, February 8

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  
 11:00am- Mass *Dave and Jill Spieldenner Family*  
 @ GB Church\*

MONDAY, February 9

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

TUESDAY, February 10

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*  
 5:00 pm- Mass *Pete Norton+* @ GB Church  
 7:00 pm- Rosary to ask Mary, The Immaculate  
 Conception, Patroness of America for her  
 intercession for our nation @ MV Church

WEDNESDAY, February 11

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*  
 8:30 am- Mass *Fr. Stanley Szybka+* @ MV Church  
 6:30pm- Faith Formation Classes @ GB  
 7:00pm- Young Adult Class @ MV office building

THURSDAY, February 12

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*  
 8:30 am- Mass *Fr. Robert J. Kill+,* @ GB Church

FRIDAY, February 13

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*  
 8:30 am - Mass *Deceased Members of Francis and  
 Betty Ochs Family+* @ MV Church

SATURDAY, February 14

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*  
 8:00 am- Men's scripture study @ MV hall  
 4:00pm- Reconciliation @ GB Church  
 5:00pm- Mass *Harley and Georgia Pertner+*  
 @ GB Church

SUNDAY, February 15

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike \*  
 8:00 am- Reconciliation @ MV Church  
 9:00 am- Mass *Mark Wonderly+, Zeno and Emma  
 Wasserman* @ MV Church\*  
 10:00 am- Faith Formation Classes @ MV  
 11:00am- Mass *For the People of Our Parishes*  
 @ GB Church

\*= when on Facebook live

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Text MVGB to 84576 (to get on Flocknote)

Or connect with us online at:

mvstmaryandgbstmichael.flocknote.com.

**Financial Stewardship**Saint Mary Feb.1, 2026

Sunday	\$4790.00
Loose	\$194.02
Catholic Schools	\$400.00
Ash Wed.	\$20.00
National Collections	\$75.00
Repair	\$1061.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$30.00
EG January Sunday	\$1175.00

EG= Electronic Giving

Saint Michael 1/31-2/1, 2026

Sunday	\$3431.00
Loose	\$215.00
Food Pantry	\$15.00
Special Improv.	\$1115.00
Initial Offering	\$5.00
Easter Europe	\$5.00
Cemetery	\$225.00
Rel. Ed.	\$20.00
Ash Wed.	\$30.00
EG January Sunday	\$2390.00

**FORMED pick of the week:  
What's the Point of the Sabbath?**

Flavio Insinna gives a winning performance as John (Don) Bosco, the great priest and educator of youth from the tough streets of Turin, Italy. Beautifully filmed in Italy, this epic movie dramatizes the many challenges that Don Bosco had to overcome from his

childhood all the way to founding his religious order, the Salesians, for helping educate boys. Growing up without a father gave him compassion for the many orphans that he cared for, while he faced persecution from both secular society and the Church as he fought to build a place to house and educate the homeless, outcast youth of Turin. His deep faith, creative imagination, and profound charity shine in this wonderful film. Also stars Charles Dance (Gosford Park) and popular Italian singer and actress Lina Sastri. Haven't subscribed to FORMED yet? There is no cost to you! Visit [formed.org/signup](http://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!



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.

**Healing for Care Givers Heart** Saturday, February 21, 2026

A retreat designed to bring hope and healing to caregivers. Presented by Carol Kurivial and Kirsten (Kurivial) Hug, of Luminous Ministries

Retreat 9:00 am—3:00pm Lunch included

Location Saint Joseph Parish Ministry Center Workshop,  
 204 W. Wayne Street, Maumee, OH 43537

Register: <https://toledodiocese.regfox.com/CARETAKERS-RETREAT>

**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. 10:30am-2:30pm 419-638-3042

**GB Office Hours:** Tues.10.00am-2:00pm, Wed.10:30am-2:30pm, Fri. 10:00am- 2:00pm  
 419-637-2255

Saint *Mary*  Saint *Michael*  
MILLERSVILLE GIBSONBURG

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February 8, 2026  
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.

Hello Everyone!

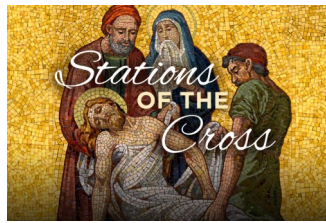
I am so grateful to each of you who have completed a parish survey. We had 290 total surveys completed both digitally and manually. This data will provide us with a great resource for moving things forward regarding leadership in our parishes. I already have some fresh new ideas that have been coming to me in prayer from the Holy Spirit that I am excited to share with you regarding the direction of our parishes and our overall listening to your ongoing input and increasing our openness to your thoughts and efficiency in carrying out all of our parish ministries. I have begun conversations with some key people in the parishes who have been willing to engage in greater leadership roles as volunteers, and these conversations have been encouraging and exciting for me. I will share more as we go into the not too distant future. Please pray for a retreat day for our Pastoral Council Members and other key parish leaders which we will have on Saturday, February 21. Pray that there is a fresh outpouring of the Spirit upon us as we engage in more spiritual formation to better serve the parishes!

In Christ Jesus,  
Rev Msgr Walter R Oxley  
Pastor

**Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament**  
Tuesday, February 10, 4:00 pm  
before the 5pm Mass @ GB Church  
Friday, February 13, 6:00pm @ MV Church  
Prayer for the Foundation for Prayers for Priests



“Grieving with Great Hope”, a 5-part video series exploring the grief journey from a Catholic perspective, will be held at Saint Mary’s on consecutive Sundays starting at 5 pm from February 1 - March 1 in the parish office building. Each session will begin with supper (provided), a video, and then some time to discuss the video. Transportation to/from each session is available, if needed. To sign up or for further information, please contact Kathy Otermat or Deacon Mike.



Lent will start Wednesday, February 18th. With the start of Lent, we will pray the Stations of the Cross. **This year they will be prayed at Saint Michael’s on Thursdays, 7pm, and Saint Mary’s on Fridays, 7pm. Please get involved and sign up to help**

**lead the Stations of the Cross.** The Parishes have books available to help you lead the prayers. Families, individuals, classes, groups, any and or all can sign up to lead the Stations of the Cross. There are sign up sheets in the back of both churches. Please sign up, so this prayer can be made available.



Saint Michael’s will host a soup supper before the Stations of the Cross on Thursday evenings during Lent. Soup will be served at 6:15pm in the Parish Center. Please sign up to provide soup on a Thursday evening, sign up sheet is in the back of Saint Michael’s church.

**Diocese of Toledo 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal– Hope In Action**

Countless lives are touched by every contribution to the Annual Catholic Appeal themed **Hope In Action**. 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](http://acatoledo.org). Thank you!



Our Parish Goals are : Saint Mary \$13,960.48, Saint Michael \$12,345.24 Next weekend is commitment weekend, please pray about what gift you are able to give, to help us reach our goals.

**Mass Assistants** If you would like to serve in any of these ministries, please contact Kathy Otermat at [kotermat@stmaryandstmichael.org](mailto:kotermat@stmaryandstmichael.org)

*Thank you to all that serve in these ministries!*

**Saint Michael- Saturday, Feb. 14, 5:00pm**

Ambassador Gerry Williams, Paul Makulinski  
 Servers Lynne Eisenmen  
 Lector Mike Magnuson  
 EMOHC Hank Reineck, Norma Vela  
 Volunteer

**Saint Mary- Sunday, Feb. 15, 9:00 am**

Rosary Terri Parks and Dave Wonderly  
 Servers High School Students  
 Lector High School Student  
 Communion Amber Hoffman, Eileen Foes, Harold Foes, Bill Ochs, Jeanine Van Der Laar  
 Ambassadors High School Students  
 Count Neil and Wanda Hoffman  
 Clean Jeff and Erin Foes

**Saint Michael- Sunday, Feb. 15, 11:00 am**

Ambassadors Tom Marsh, Tom Liskai  
 Servers Andrew Spieldenner, Ezra Millerschone  
 Lector Dee Jones  
 EMOHC Marla Marsh  
 Verna Konesky

**SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION**

**Baptism** - Please contact Dcn. Mike for information and to schedule. Parents and Godparents, are required to attend this class, which includes an orientation to the Sacrament. **The next class is February 15 at Saint Mary Parish Office, 12:30pm.**

**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.

**Home Eucharistic Ministry** Do you know of home bound parishioners who would appreciate a Eucharistic visit? Would you be interested in being part of our home Eucharistic Ministry? Please contact Terri Reinhart for Saint Mary's or Cindy Hammer for Saint Michael's.

Please Pray for...



**Please remember in prayer:**


Elizabeth Oberhaus, Ruth Esker, Harold Foes, Jill Spieldenner, Phil Hammer, Diane Schuh, Rick Kaemming, Jean Obenauer, Elane Reiter, Phil Harris, Carol Miller, John Brindley, Melinda Sandwisch, Rene and Mary Lou Gonzalez, Mary Reineck, Patti Kreilick, Nate Liskai, Rene Gonzalez Jr., Rae Lyn Hoepf, Theresa Aldrich, Andy Rich, Eileen Foes, Diane Goebel, 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 [mmparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:mmparishoffice@gmail.com). Each name will be listed for two months. If you would like your name or the name of your loved one listed longer, kindly message the Saint Mary Parish Office to leave on or take off.



**Potluck** Please note, there will be no February potluck. The next Potluck will be Sunday, March 8th at Saint Michael's Parish Center, please plan on bringing a dish to share, and share in good food and fellowship, after the 11 am Mass.

**Millions of Monicas** prayer group is the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month, 5:45pm at Saint Michael church Like St. Monica, we pray for our children to return to the practice of their Catholic faith, and for our children to always stay close to their faith. We are a group of mothers, young and old, who believe in the mother's power of prayer. *Our mission is to encounter God through prayer for ourselves and our children; to grow in holiness and humility*

**We are hosting a Parish Mission:** Sun. March 8, 6pm at Saint Mary Church, Mon. March 9, 6:30pm at Saint Michael Church, Tues. March 10, 6:30pm at Saint Michael Church. *Childcare is available for ages 0-9 years old. Call your parish office to reserve a spot so we can plan accordingly.*

  
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**PARISH MISSION**


- Discover How Jesus Forms Disciples and Renews Parishes.
- Hear Andrew's conversion story from agnosticism to Catholicism.
- Learn how God transforms us in friendship and community.
- Experience God's life changing presence in Eucharistic Adoration

GUEST SPEAKER

**ANDREW REINHART**



- Parish Life Coordinator for Healthy Parishes for the Diocese of Toledo
- Host of the Physically Spiritual & Becoming Gift Podcasts



## Family Catechesis



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

**Saint Michael Parish**  
**Preschool–8th Grade**  
**Wednesday, February 11th**  
**From 6:30-7:45pm**



**DRAGON SLAYERS** This years Dragon Slayers Retreat for all Saint Mary and Saint Michael 2nd Grade students and parents is Sunday February 22nd at Saint Mary Parish Hall located at 615 Vine Street, Clyde, Ohio 43410. Registration begins at 12:30 pm with the retreat beginning at 1:00 pm and ending at 3:30 pm. Please arrive no later than 12:45 pm for registration and photos. Contact Patti Wasserman with any questions or concerns.

*The faithful are invited to venerate this sacred relic, learn more about the life and witness of Saint Carlo Acutis, and deepen their faith through prayer and reflection.*

### THE RELIC OF THE HEART OF SAINT

# Carlo Acutis



#### THE VISIT OF THE RELIC TO THE DIOCESE OF TOLEDO

##### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2026

- 1:30pm Reception of the Relic of St. Carlo Acutis
- 2:30pm-4:45pm Veneration of the Relic
- 4:00pm Confessions
- 5:00pm-6:00pm Vigil Mass

##### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2026

- 9:00am Rosary
- 10:00am Mass
- 11:00am Catechesis by Monsignor Figueiredo
- 11:30am-12:30pm Veneration and blessing with the relic

##### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2026

- 11:00am-12:00pm Mass for school children with Catechesis by Monsignor Figueiredo

**ALL EVENTS TO BE HELD AT:**  
**OUR LADY, QUEEN OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY CATHEDRAL, TOLEDO**  
 2535 Collingwood Blvd, Toledo, OH 43610



*Bishop Daniel E. Thomas venerates Carlo Acutis during his pilgrimage to Assisi in 2022.*



**2026 Pennies from Heaven tickets** are available at both parishes if you would like to purchase tickets contact either office, and have a chance to win \$200 monthly, and 3 special drawings of \$500, for 2026.



If you've glanced at the calendar lately, you'll notice we are entering a week that is about much more than heart-shaped boxes of chocolate. From **February 7–14**, the Church celebrates **National Marriage Week**, with **World Marriage Day** falling on **Sunday, February 8**.

This isn't just another "hallmark holiday." In the Catholic tradition, these days are a chance to pause and celebrate the "Domestic Church"...the unique, messy, beautiful, and sacred bond that holds our families together.

This year's theme, "*Man and Woman He Created Them: Together with Purpose*," gets right to the heart of why we do this. In a world that often views marriage as a temporary contract or a personal lifestyle choice, the Church reminds us that marriage is a **vocation**. It is a mission!

When a couple says "I do," they aren't just agreeing to share a bank account and a mortgage; they are becoming a living sign of God's love in the world. Whether you've been married five months or fifty years, your relationship has a purpose: to help each other (and your children) get to Heaven.

Marriage isn't always easy...it's a "missionary adventure" that requires patience, sacrifice, and a whole lot of grace. This week, let's celebrate the couples who show us what that looks like every day.

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD FEBRUARY ITEM OF THE MONTH

## Hats, Gloves and Socks



**Winter Clearance:** Look clearance socks, gloves, and hats, as well as discounted Post-Valentine's red, white, or pink items such as toys, hair ties, games, coloring books, puzzles and fidget toys.