

WEEKLY CALENDAR MV=Saint Mary GB=Saint MichaelSATURDAY, April 18

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
 5:00 pm- Mass *Pete Norton+* @ GB Church

SUNDAY, April 19

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
 8:00 am- Reconciliation @ MV Church
 9:00 am- Mass *William Breau+*
 @ MV Church*
 10:00 am- Reception for Newly Confirmed
 @ MV hall
 10:00 am- Faith Formation @ MV class rooms
 11:00am- Mass *People of Our Parishes*
 @ GB Church

MONDAY, April 20

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *

TUESDAY, April 21

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
 5:00 pm- Mass *Pete Norton+*
 @ GB Church
 5:45 pm- Millions of Monicas @ GB Church

WEDNESDAY, April 22

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
 8:30 am- Mass *Don Davies+*
 @ MV Church
 7:00 pm- Young Adult Study on Acts of the
 Apostles @ MV Parish Office Building

THURSDAY, April 23

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

FRIDAY, April 24

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
 8:30 am- Mass *Al Reiter+*
 @ MV Church
 10:00 am- Saint Michael Parish Office closed
 for the day.

SATURDAY, April 25

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
 5:00 pm- Mass *For the People of Our Parishes*
 @ GB Church

SUNDAY, April 26

7:00 am- Morning Prayer with Dcn Mike *
 8:00 am- Reconciliation @ MV Church
 9:00 am- Mass *Deceased Members of the Francis and
 Betty Ochs Family+, Gus Miller*
 @ MV Church
 11:00am- Mass *David and Patrica Magrum+, The
 Mansfield Men's Group* @ GB Church*

*= when on Facebook live

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Financial StewardshipSaint Mary April 12, 2026

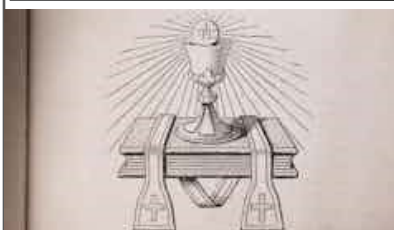
Sunday	\$3958.00
Loose	\$150.00
Easter	\$695.00

ACA pledges	\$11358.51
ACA MV Goal	\$13960.48

Saint Michael April 11-12, 2026

Sunday	\$3185.00
Loose	\$152.00
Special Improv.	\$275.00
Food Pantry	\$100.00
Cemetery	\$105.00
Easter	\$820.00
Holy Land	\$115.00
Rel. Ed.	\$100.00

ACA pledges	\$11069.18
ACA GB Goal	\$12345.24

**FORMED pick of the week:
Road to Emmaus**

Dr. Tim Gray explores how the story of Jesus' encounter with the disciples on the road to Emmaus in Lk. 24 reveals to us the "meaning and pattern of the Mass." Go to Formed and type in Road to Emmaus and look for this photo, to see

this message, and teaching. 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!

**NATIONAL
Eucharistic
Pilgrimage**

In honor of America's 250th year, the 2026 National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will carry the theme One Nation Under God. One Nation Under God is not a slogan—it's an invitation to realign our lives, communities, and country under the sovereignty of Christ. It's a call to build unity through prayer, and to let Jesus, present in the Eucharist, renew and heal the heart of our country, one soul at a time. As pilgrims on this route, we walk with Christ so that His love might draw our nation back to Him. You're invited to join us, in person or in spirit, and offer prayers and sacrifices for the renewal of America. To find out the route and how you can participate please go to www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org



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.

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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

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April 19, 2026
Third Sunday of Easter

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,

Blessed Easter Season! He is Risen as He said Alleluia, Alleluia. Victor J. Glover Jr, NASA astronaut and Navy Pilot was the first black astronaut to travel to the moon. When asked by his interviewer on camera about the significance of Easter Sunday from space, it was evident that he had been anticipating the question. Victor has a significant intellectual background, and he was deep in space looking back at earth when he pondered this most important question for all of Civilization. He said that where he was in the vast nothingness of the universe, there indeed was nothing, but looking down at planet earth he saw an oasis made by God for humans to inhabit together in peace! From the vastness of the universe, he marveled at earth - and could see the hand of God clearly in creating the earth! How exiting this is. Space explorers go up and around the moon to look for things with that great thirst for knowledge and adventure, and it turns out that we have everything for which they were looking already here... on little planet earth made by the Father with the perfect distance from the sun for us to inhabit. All roads, and spaceships, lead to God, and the encounter with God does not begin on a launch pad at Cape Canaveral in Florida, as marvelous as this is, but with you growing in greater gratitude for what a gift you have been given to live on this beautiful planet, and how you can help others raise their hearts to that same gratitude.

In The Risen Jesus,

Rev. Msgr Walter Tad R Oxley
Pastor



Rummage Sale May 7, 8 & 9

The sale will take place on
Thurs. - Fri. 8 am - 4 pm with Lunch
available.

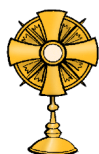
Saturday, May 9th sale hours will be 8
am - Noon. A bag full will cost \$2.00.

You are welcome to drop off donations and or help setup at St. Michael's Parish Center starting Sunday, May 3rd 3-6 pm; Mon. - Wed. May 4-6 at 8 am - 4 pm. (No large furniture will be accepted.) We will need help with: setting up (see above hours), Kitchen help on Thursday & Friday only, cashiers, on Monday, May 11th cleaning and packing up from 8 am - until done. If you are willing to help, please contact Julie Picciuto or phone the Gibsonburg office.

All donations will go to help the Missions. Thank you.

Changes in Deacon Formation

The newly revised Permanent Deacon formation process requires five years of study. In light of the changes, Bishop Thomas has approved a new model that overlaps two groups of men in formation so that an ordination will occur every three years. Currently, there is a class in formation with a scheduled ordination date in September of 2030. The next class will begin their Inquiry Sessions and the application process in September of 2027 (fall of next year) and will begin their five years of formation in the Fall of 2028, with ordination planned for 2033. Any men who are currently between the ages of 27 and 57 and feel that the Holy Spirit may be calling them to the Permanent Diaconate are urged to speak with their pastors and to contact Deacon Daniel Brahier, Delegate for Permanent Deacons, through email at dbrahier@toledodiocese.org.



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, April 28, 4:00pm at GB Church,
before the 5:00pm Mass

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, April 25, 5:00 pm

Ambassador Gerry Williams
Server Volunteer
Lector Robert Valle
EMOHC Deb Kirwen, Dee Jones
Hank Reineck

Saint Mary– Sunday, April 26, 9:00 am

Rosary Terri Parks, Dave Wonderly
Servers Garrett Moffett, Daxton Reno
Lector Ethan Richards, Mary Gutschalk
Communion Amber Hoffman, June Rich
Bill Ochs, Larry & Sue Kosakowski
Ambassadors Jeanine Van Der Laar, Terri Reinhart
Court Greg and Barb Lehmann
Clean Anita Moffett

Saint Michael– Sunday, April 26, 11:00 am

Ambassadors Tom Marsh, Tom Liskai
Servers Cindy Hammer, Scarlett Hunker
Lector Chris Lau
EMOHC Pam Mendoza, Marla Marsh
Natalie Liskai

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 April 19 at Saint Mary Office Building, 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 remember in prayer:

Fran Weigman, Alice Reineck, Reynaldo Garcia, Elizabeth Oberhaus, Ruth Esker, Harold Foos, 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 Foos, 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 treinhart@stmaryandstmichael.org. 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.



There will not be a potluck in May. Enjoy time with your Mom, or memories of you Mom. The Knights will be serving donuts after the Sunday Masses.

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*

The Blessing Box. Thank you to everyone who continues to add non perishable food and hygiene products to the Blessing Box. Please do not place any food items that have been opened or are out of date in the Blessing Box, as this is not allowed and these items are thrown away.



Wednesday, April 15th Sara Lau and Roger Wasserman were recognized at the Toledo, Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Appreciation Dinner. Thank you to Sara and Roger for all the volunteer time, they give to our parishes.

Family Catechesis



Saint Mary Parish
Preschool – 8th Grade
Sunday, April 19
From 10:15 -11:15am

Saint Michael Parish
Preschool–8th Grade
Wednesday, April 15
6:30–7:45pm

Save the date: Graduation Mass and brunch for 2026 graduates will be Sunday May 17th at both parishes. Invites will be mailed this week.

First Reconciliation

Wednesday April 22, 2026

Saint Mary Catholic Church
865 State Route 635, Helena

Reception to follow in parish hall.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.” Psalm 51:9



First Holy Communion Retreat

Please join us for a special morning of preparation and prayer as we prepare for First Holy Communion.

Our retreat will take place on
April 25, 2026, 10:00am -1:00pm
at Saint Michael Parish Center,
Gibsonburg.

*Together, we will grow closer in faith
and prepare our hearts for Jesus.*



First Holy Communion Mass



Sunday April 26, 2026

Saint Mary-9:00am

Saint Michael-11:00am

Girls can wear a white First Communion dress
or their Sunday best.

Boys can wear a suit or dress pants, a shirt/ tie or polo shirt.
We will need two strong readers and gift bearers for each parish.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

April Items

Easter Clearance, for older children
sewing kits, material, fishing kits, crank
flashlights...

Please note the Saint Michael Parish Office
will be closed Friday, April 24.

VOCATION MINISTRY

Recognizing Christ in the Journey: The disciples' eyes are opened in the breaking of the bread, in today's gospel reading, reminding us that Christ walks beside us even when we do not recognize Him. Every vocation unfolds through daily encounters with the Lord, often hidden in ordinary life. Parents and discerners alike are invited to remain attentive to these moments of grace and guidance. Pray that we see God more clearly in our everyday life, so we can recognize His call for us.



Please join us in congratulating for our newly confirmed of our parishes. They received the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 12th, at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral.

Sydney "Saint Veronica" Aldrich
Chase "Saint Andrew" Allen
Avery "Saint Sebastian" Clouse
Emma "Saint Cecilia" Esker
Chloe "Saint Sebastian" Jividen
Ezra "Saint Michael the Archangel" Millerschone
Iliana "Saint Philomena" Ramirez
John Carlo "Saint Sebastian" Sandoval
Wilson "Saint Gregory" Scherger
Grayson "Saint George" Thatcher
Kenzley "Saint Catherine of Sienna" Walby



April's Pennies from Heaven winner is
Alice Reineck. *Congratulations Alice!*



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