Saint Michael's Parish



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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of St. Michael's Catholic Parish, are many parts, but one body. As a community of believers in Jesus Christ and inspired by the Holy Spirit, we celebrate the sacraments, are challenged by Sacred Scripture and Roman Catholic Tradition, share of ourselves in service to others, and strive to promote the dignity of all human life and justice for all, as we continue toward the eternal glory of God's kingdom.

FROM THE DIOCESAN OFFICE FOR WORSHIP . . .

Holy Doors in the Diocese of Des Moines

During this Jubilee Year of Mercy, the bishop has designated one church in every region in the Diocese of Des Moines to have a Holy Door. In our region, that church is St. Joseph in Earling.

We are all familiar with doors. Every house, every building has a door. It is used to enter the building. A Holy Door in a place of pilgrimage is a symbolic object that says, "I want to enter and continue my journey of faith."

At the threshold of the door stands Jesus with open arms, welcoming us and calling out to all of us, "Come to me and I will give you love, truth, and new life." When we walk through a Holy Door with an open heart and a sincere desire to encounter the Lord, our lives will be open to change and we will be filled with God's abundant love and mercy.

There are eight Holy Doors, one for each region, in the Diocese of Des Moines. These doors were sealed the weekend of December 5-6, and reopened again, along with Holy Doors in the other churches around the world, on December 13.

Bishop Pates invites all of us to make a pilgrimage to one of the Holy Doors listed at some point during this Jubilee Year of Mercy.

Region	Holy Door Church
Adair	St. Patrick, Bayard
Council Bluffs	St. Patrick, Council Bluffs
Des Moines	Cathedral of St. Ambrose
Des Moines	Basilica of St. John
Des Moines	Our Lady of the Americas
Osceola	Holy Spirit, Creston
Portsmouth	St. Joseph, Earling
Red Oak	St. Patrick, Imogene

Laudato Si' Encyclical —

The Good News People share from Pope Francis's encyclical, **Laudato Si**' (Praise Be to You). The encyclical is subtitled, *On Care for Our Common Home.*

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consequences for the environment and the quality of human life. Every Living violation of solidarity and civic friendship harms the environment. In this sense, social ecology is necessarily institutional, and gradually extends to the whole of society, from the primary social groups, the family, to the wider local, national and international communities. Anything which weakens those institutions has negative consequences, such as injustice, violence and loss of freedom. A number of countries have a relatively low level of institutional effectiveness, which results in greater problems for their people while benefiting those who profit from this situation.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 24, 2016

Sing to the Lord, all the earth!





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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

4:00 P.M. Saturday or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Is celebrated by request. Notify the office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the office to set a date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Wedding dates are set after an initial interview with Fr. John.

Calendar for the Week of Jan. 25—31

Monday	Jan. 25		No Mass
Tuesday	Jan. 26	8:15 am	Communion Service
Wednesday	Jan. 27		Communion Service with the SCCS Students Faith Formation Classes for Kindergarten to Grade 12
Thursday	Jan. 28	12:00 Noon	Communion Service
Friday	Jan. 29	8:15 am	Communion Service with the SCCS Students
Saturday	Jan. 30	4:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm	Confessions Rosary Mass in memory of Howard Thraen and Norbert "Nub" Kloewer
Sunday	Jan. 31	8:30 am 9:00 am-12:30 pm 11:00 am 4:00 pm	Mass in memory of Gussie Molony and Tiny Schmidt



today this scripture passage is falfilled in your bearing

Sunday Mass is televised on cable TV (HMU Channel 15 at 4:00 pm on Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday, on Mediacom Channel 18 at 4:00 pm on Monday, and on FMCTC Channel 48 at 4:00 pm on Monday and Friday.)

Thanks To Fr. Wayne Gubbels — for celebrating our Masses this weekend.

Fr. Robert Sherry — of Cross Catholic Outreach will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

Shelby County Right To Life — this weekend has provided the bulletin attachment entitled, God's Absolute Love. January 22 marked the 43 anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court mandate that allowed abortion in our country. Please pray for an end to abortion and all right to life issues that affect the "inestimable value of every person, born and unborn."

Knights Of Columbus — 4th Degree Exemplification was held January 9, 2016, at St. Mary's in Panama. Those certified as "Worthy Sir Knights" from St. Michael's Council 3900 and their current office held are as followers:

Grand Knight Rick Dotzler
Deputy Grand Knight Kevin Hlavac
Financial Secretary Bob Kesterson
Recruiting Director Orlando Gil
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Past Grand Knight Roger Bissen
Recent College Graduate Austin Kesterson

Congratulations to these knights. Want to make a difference? Contact any current knight or see the ad on the back of the bulletin for contact information.

St. Michael's Spring Fundraiser — will be held on Saturday, March 19, at the Therkildsen Center. This important fundraiser includes dinner and a live auction. Come and enjoy this fun-filled evening with your fellow parishioners.

Remember The Sick In Your Prayers And By Your Notes Or Visits —

Jenny Schwery	Mike Wohlhutter	Betty Markham
Zane Coenen	Helen Schmitz	Marge Gubbels
Eunice Blum	Fr. Dave Polich	Helen Blum
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Beverly Coenen	_	-

Please call the office with names of those who are sick, or in need of our prayers. And please call when their names can be removed.

Readings For The Week —

Mon.	25th	Acts 22:3-16	Mk 16:15-18
Tue.	26th	2Tm 1:1-8	Mk 3:31-35
Wed.	27th	2Sm 7:4-17	Mk 4:1-20
Thur.	28th	2Sm 7:18-19, 24-29	Mk 4:21-25
Fri.	29th	2Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17	Mk 4:26-34
Sun.	31st	Jer 1:4-5, 17-19 1Cor 12:31—13:13	Lk 4:21-30

<u>Tithing</u> — January 17	\$ 9,208
Needed each week	7,709
Difference	1,499
	() if deficit
Year to date	`\$ (7,169)

Your Donations To Catholic Charities At Work -

Displaced Iraqi families could not be more gracious, friendly and kind. They come from diverse backgrounds — Christian, Yazidi and Shia. One thing they all have in common: they have fled their homes in fear. Catholic Relief Services is working with the local Catholic Church to provide relief and care for thousands in the area. To date, Caritas Iraq and Catholic Relief Services have provided supplies to 4,350 displaced families in Erbil. Ninewa. Dahuk. Zakho and Amedi.



St. Michael's Faith Formation

WE ARE FAMILY!

Upcoming Dates —

Jan. 27 6:30 pm Classes for Kindergarten to Grade 12
Faith Formation Advisory Board will meet in the music room.

Feb. 3 6:30 pm Classes for Kindergarten to Grade 12 Feb. 10 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Mass; No Classes



Follow Us — St. Michael's Faith Formation

CYO Basketball — Sunday, January 24
St. Michael's Boys vs LYO — 1st Game — in Harlan
St. Michael's Girls vs Westphalia — 2nd Game — in Harlan
Come support our youth. The next games in Harlan will be on Sunday, January 31.

Solar Panel Report From Our Sister Parish In Nicaragua — What a response from you! Our goal was to provide solar panels to at least 25 homes in three of the 13 communities. You donated enough for us to provide solar panels to at least 38 homes! Installation will begin the week of January 25. The plans are to work with the other homes we have funds for to be completed soon. Plus, there are several communities that are close to the road, and we are working with the utilities to connect them, as well, through regular electric power lines. We still have a way to go to provide solar panels to all the communities, so next year we will work at completing more. You are providing electricity to our fellow Catholics in our Central American sister parish in Nicaragua. Thanks for your generosity!

Pray, Work, Rest, and Play — A Rule of Life for Families is the title of the keynote presentation to be given by Deacon Joel and Lisa Schmidt on February 20 at St. Mary's Church in Avoca. Join Bishop Pates for this family enrichment event beginning at 3:15 pm. Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 pm. Childcare and snacks will be provided. Reserve your seat today by calling Mary Pearson at 712-307-6279 or emailing smpavoca@walnutel.net.



Jubilee Year Of Mercy — Pope Francis describes mercy as a "bridge that connects God and man, opening our hearts to the hope of being loved forever despite our sinfulness." How does one take the first step across that bridge?



Corner

What Qualifies A Man To Be A Deacon? —

Prayer. Humility. Service. Grace. Suffering. Love. A willingness to be changed and to offer his life in sacrificial service to God, to the Church, to any and all in need of God's mercy. We are thankful for our deacons: Pat Davitt, Jim DeBlauw and Leo Gaul all of our parish.

Shelby County Catholic School News

- ◆ <u>Catholic Schools Week</u> annual open house and pancake breakfast will be held on Sunday, January 31. Breakfast will be served from 9:00 am until 12:30 pm. See the bulletin insert for information about our Catholic School.
- ♦ <u>Kindergarten Information Night</u> will be held on Tuesday, February 2, from 6:30-7:30 pm in the school gym. Parents and prospective kindergartners for the 2016-2017 school year are invited to attend. While parents attend an informational session in the SCCS gym, the children will participate in various activities in the kindergarten room. Kindergartners must be 5 years old by September 15, 2016.
- ◆ <u>Little Angels Preschool</u> is now taking applications for the 2016-2017 school year. Two programs are available: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8:00 am 12:00 pm and Tuesday and Thursday 8:00 am 1:30 pm. Preschoolers must be 4 years old by September 15, 2016. If you are interested in enrolling your preschooler, please call Shelby County Catholic School at 755-5634. Space is limited, so enroll your child now!
- ◆ <u>Mass With Bishop Pates</u> will be celebrated on Monday, February 1, at 10:30 am at St. Michael's Church.

<u>Pictorial Directories</u> — Do you have your parish directory picture? If not, it is probably in the parish office. Stop by any time during office hours to pick up your picture. Thanks!

Fair Trade — items will be available in church again on Valentine's Day weekend. (Hint. Hint.) The items are also available any time at the parish office.

Fifteen Decade Rosary For Life —this Sunday, January 24, from 1:30-2:30 pm at St. Peter's Church in Defiance.

Ministry Schedule

Jan. 30-31	Saturday	Sunday	Sunday
	5:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
1st Lector	Harry Nollen	Bonnie Kenkel	Joan Schechinger
2nd Lector	Elaine Sprague	Deann Irlmeier	Gary Weihs
Eucharistic Ministers	Joyce Thraen (T) Chris Tepe Ron Muenchrath Shayla Leinen Connie Kohles Brian Gubbels Pam Gubbels	Kyle Juhl (T) Julie Juhl Betty Leuck Cheryl Long Phil Markham Ed Reinig J.C. Salvo	Joni Larsen (T) David Erlbacher Brianna Boldan Michelle Custer Sherry Bierl Gary Weihs Diane Weihs
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	Ellie Gross	Jenna Gessert	Jared Moser
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	Alice Kenkel	Dale Swanson	Gary Klein
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