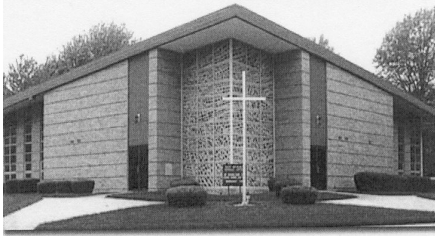


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Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 13, 2016

Give me justice, O my God!

Let the first among
you who is without sin
cast the first stone



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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.

FROM THE PASTOR . . .

The days of Lent, that is our time of praying, fasting and almsgiving, are fast winding down. Next weekend we will be celebrating Palm Sunday and the start of Holy Week. This weekend in the gospel, we hear the story of the woman caught in adultery. The crowd wants to stone her according to Jewish law, but Jesus tells them, "Let the one without sin cast the first stone." In our own lives, how quick are we of accusing others of their sins and then missing the sins of our own life? Jesus' advice to us today is to take care of the faults in our own life, and allow God to handle the faults of others.

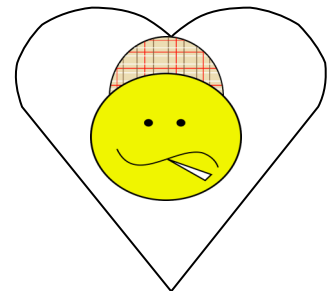
This week our Jubilee Year of Mercy focuses on the "sickness of sin". We need to realize that sin is a form of sickness. It can be a spiritual disease comparable to cancer or heart disease. In fact, spiritual diseases can be far more serious to our health than physical diseases. The corporal work of mercy this week is visiting the sick. We are not just talking about going to the hospital to visit a person on their sick bed; we are also talking about visiting a loved one or friend who is hurting spiritually or emotionally. We become sick when we yield to weakness or temptation in our daily lives. So then how are we able to cope in these difficult moments? It starts with prayer and our faith that our Lord, Jesus Christ, and our family and friends are with us guiding and supporting us to overcome these sins, these "spiritual diseases". In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, let us ask for mercy to help us overcome our sins.

*Peace,
Fr. John*

Growing In Faith?: What sickness of sin do I need mercy for ?

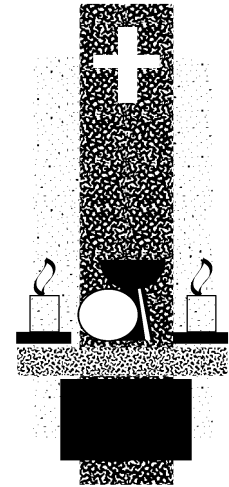
Corporal Work Of Mercy: Attend To The Sick -

This week our focus is on the sickness of sin in our lives. We are sick whenever we sin. This sickness is far more dangerous than any physical ailment could ever be. The Corporal Work of Mercy to Visit the Sick is not merely about going to the hospitals or visiting people on their sick bed. It is also about being there for anyone tempted to sin or vulnerable to the temptation to sin that is all around us. We are the sick when we yield to the weaknesses in our daily lives. How do we cope? First through prayer and faith but also through supporting and guiding each other. In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, we ask for mercy to help us begin again.



Calendar for the Week of March 14-20

Monday	Mar. 14	——	No Mass
Tuesday	Mar. 15	9:30 am	Mass with Anointing of the Sick in memory of Bill Finken at Elm Crest
Wednesday	Mar. 16	8:15 am 6:30 pm	School Mass in memory of Therese Scheuring Guild Executive Board in Parish Office Meeting Room
Thursday	Mar. 17	7:00 am 12:00 noon	Scripture Study in Parish Office Meeting Room Mass in memory of Jerome "Shorty" Rauterkus
Friday	Mar. 18	8:15 am 5:30-7:00 pm	School Mass in memory of Bernice Anastasi Knights of Columbus Fish Dinner
Saturday	Mar. 19	4:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm	Confessions Rosary Mass in memory of Albert Frederick and Bettie Anderson
		—— St. Michael's Spring Fundraiser ——	
		5:30 pm	Social
		6:00-7:00 pm	Dinner
		——	Auction following dinner
Sunday	Mar. 20	8:30 am 11:00 am	Mass in memory of Jason Stinn and Laverne Daeges Mass for the people of St. Michael's



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.)

Communal Anointing of the Sick — will be offered during the 9:30 am Mass at Elm Crest on Tuesday, March 15. If you missed the Healing Service on March 9, you are welcome to attend this celebration of the sacrament. Just as a reminder, this sacrament can be celebrated by all who are preparing for surgery. All you need to do is call the parish office.

Easter Flowers — If you would like to make a memorial donation for flowers, please place your gift in a plain envelope marked "Flower Donation". Tell us in whose memory the money is given and drop it in the collection or mail it to the office at 1912 18th Street. If you would like to call the office with your intention to donate, that would also work. The suggested donation is \$20. Please call the office or send your donation by Tuesday, March 22, so that the memorials can be printed in the Easter bulletin.

Chrism Mass — is this Friday, March 18, at 7:00 pm at St. Ambrose Cathedral in Des Moines. At this special celebration, Bishop Pates will bless and consecrate the oil used in sacraments throughout our diocese for the upcoming year. Come and celebrate with people from across the diocese. Everyone is invited to attend.

Catholic Radio — Jon Leonetti was in Shelby County for our Lenten Mission this year. You can tune in to his radio show on Mondays through Fridays from 7-8 am. Bishop Pates program, *In the Heartland with Bishop Pates*, is broadcast on Fridays at 9:00 am. Both programs can be found on Spirit Catholic Radio (102.7 FM) and Iowa Catholic Radio (1150 AM, 88.5 FM, 94.5 FM).

St. Michael's Parish Offices — will be closed on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Monday. Please be sure to call the office before this time if there is anything that you need.

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

Jenny Schwery	Bonnie Peterson	Mary Tepe
Harry Kloewer	Kelly Gaer	Beverly Coenen
Fr. Dave Polich	Clifford Kruse	Violet Bohr
Charlie McNair	Mary Jo Law	Bernice Stracke
Keagan Bates	Frank Murtaugh	Sr. Bernice Schmitz
Trent Smith	Jose Leal	Rosa Lee Byrnes
Marilyn Fox	Edgar Tunender	

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. 14th	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62	Jn 8:12-20
Tue. 15th	Nm 21:4-9	Jn 8:21-30
Wed. 16th	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95	Jn 8:31-42
Thur. 17th	Gn 17:3-9	Jn 8:51-59
Fri. 18th	Jer 20:10-13	Jn 10:31-42
Sun. 20th	Is 50:4-7 Ph 2:6-11	Lk 22:14—23:56

Titling — March 6	\$ 12,157
Needed each week	7,709
Difference	4,448
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Year to date	\$ (5,642)

Food Pantry Collection — resulted in \$235 and 150 pounds of food or toiletry items. Thanks for your generous donations each month.

New Bulletin Sponsor — We have another sponsor. Check out the ad on the back of the bulletin from Russ Chamberlain. Thanks to Russ and all of our sponsors whose ads help us pay for this bulletin.



St. Michael's Faith Formation

WE ARE FAMILY!

Upcoming Dates —

Mar. 16 6:30 pm Classes for Grades K-12
Parent Meeting for 8th and 9th Grades

Mar. 23 **No Classes Holy Week**

Mar. 30 6:30 pm Classes for Grades K-9, 10-12
Grade 10 Confirmation Practice in Gym

Apr. 6 6:30 pm Classes K-6
6:30 pm Crossroads Popcorn & Movie Night
Grades 7-12 In Westphalia

New Life For Faith Formation Library — thanks for helping us update our media library. Please keep checking the tree in the back of church for more selections that we would like to purchase. Make your choice, take the leaf or egg and return it with a check to the church. You can drop your check in the collection basket, bring to Wednesday class or mail to the office.



'LIKE' Us On Facebook — Daily Lenten reflections are being posted in addition to the weekly contemplation on the Sunday Gospel. Notes and news are also posted when necessary. Find us at www.facebook.com/stmichaeldefenders or search St. Michael's Faith Formation Harlan.

Congratulations — to the CYO Boys basketball team for going undefeated for the year and winning the end of year tournament. This year's team included: Alex Assmann, Caleb Brace, Lucas Brace, Mason Chamberlain, Matthew Devine, Jared Eckermann, Travon Fleshman, Jack Gubbels, Marcus Klein, Max Langenfeld, and Kyle Travis. Thanks to these fine young men who not only had a great season but represented St. Michael's with great sportsmanship. Thanks also goes to their coaches Rod Devine and Matt Brace.

Thanks, CYO Girls — for also being good representatives for St. Michael's. Team members were: Lexie Bruns, Kylee Hinz, Kenzie Jones, Maggie McGrath, Alana Munson and Whitney Warner. Thanks to Billy Haults for coaching again this year.



Jubilee Year Of Mercy — How does one live joyfully? Pope Francis says it's by letting go of anger, wrath, violence and revenge. Forgiveness is the key.



Vocations Corner

National Catholic Sisters Week — was March 8-14. It is not too late to honor women religious and bring greater focus to the lives of these incredible women who have done so much for us. Please pray for our sisters and that more young women will choose to follow their example. If you see Sr. Joyce Blum, give her a hug and thank her for her service.

Shelby County Catholic School News

SCCS "Go For The Green Raffle" tickets are on sale for \$10. The winning ticket holder will receive half the money collected. The drawing will be held on March 17, the Feast of St. Patrick, at St. Mary's Hall in Panama following 9:00 am Mass at St. Mary's Church. Purchase tickets at Shelby County Catholic School.

Baby Shower — The Catholic Daughters are sponsoring a baby shower during the month of March. New or good condition items are requested. Gifts of diapers are always needed. A basket will be in the back of church for your donated items. This year items will be taken to Gabriel's Corner, the pregnancy crisis center in Council Bluffs. Thanks for your generous gifts to women in need.

Annual Diocesan Appeal — begins this weekend in our parish. Our parish goal is \$53,146. Pledge cards will be handed out at Mass this weekend. Please return the pledge card as soon as possible with checks made out to the Diocese of Des Moines. We will need your help to meet this goal. Every gift, regardless of the size, is vital to the success of the appeal. You can also donate online by selecting Annual Diocesan Appeal and St. Michael's Parish at www.dmdiocese.org.

Hungering to Grow New Tomorrow — Thanks for continuing to fill your Rice Bowl. This week we learn of the CRS seed fair that is providing seeds to farmers in Madagascar so they can plant their crops.

Area Events —

- **Alzheimer's Support Group** will meet, Monday, March 14, at 9:30 am at the Therildsen Activity Center.
- **Fifteen-Decade Rosary for Life** will be Sunday, March 20, from 1:30 –2:30 pm at St. Mary's in Panama.

Ministry Schedule

Mar. 19-20	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 11:00 a.m.
1st Lector	Sharla Rau	Sandy Wingert	Dave Erlbacher
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Musicians			Chris Larsen
Cantors			Brecken Van Baale
Ushers	Randy Greer Geraldyn Greer Les Blum Jan Blum	Jackie Coenen Scott Koppold Michelle Koppold Maxine Kwapiszeski	Dan Schechinger Brook Schwery Lauren Blum John Erlbacher
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