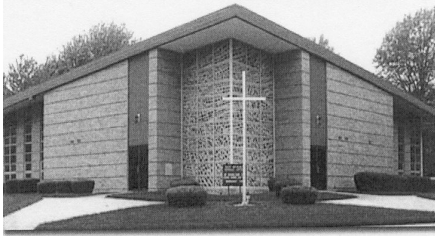


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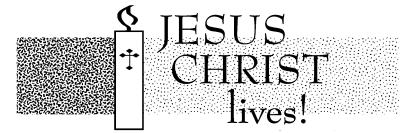
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Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord

March 27, 2016

The Lord is risen, truly!



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FROM THE PASTOR . . .

Happy Easter to one and all as we celebrate the most important feast day in the Church year. The deathly effects of sin have been conquered in the rising from the dead of our Lord Jesus Christ. Like the women in the gospel, we share in their joy at finding the tomb of the Lord to be empty. This is a very special day filled with great joy. Through our baptism, we have the promise of sharing in the Lord's resurrection. It is through our faith and trust in Jesus Christ's resurrection, that we, too, are capable of overcoming sin and death in our lives.

This is indeed a very joyous and special time in the Church. We celebrated so many important liturgies this past week. It took the help of so many generous volunteers to put together these special liturgies. I want to thank all the church decorators, musicians, song leaders, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, altar servers, ushers and all the families and individuals who donated Easter lilies and flowers. Without the combined help of all these people, our liturgies would not be the beautiful and extra special celebrations that they were. Thank you to everyone who helped out this past week.

I will be leaving for Des Moines this afternoon for our family Easter celebration. I intend to take a couple of days rest and will return to the rectory on Tuesday evening. I want to wish everyone in the parish a very Blessed and Happy Easter!

*Peace,
Fr. John*

Growing In Faith?: Have I felt the power of Easter?

Jubilee Year Of Mercy —

These past weeks of Lent we have looked at some of the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy as a way to prepare us for the celebration of Easter Sunday.

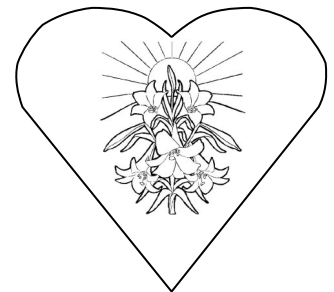
To refresh your memory here are the Works of Mercy:

Spiritual Works of Mercy

Instruct the Ignorant
Counsel the doubtful
Admonish the sinner
Bear wrongs patiently
Forgive offenses willingly
Comfort the sorrowful
Pray for the living & dead

Corporal Works of Mercy

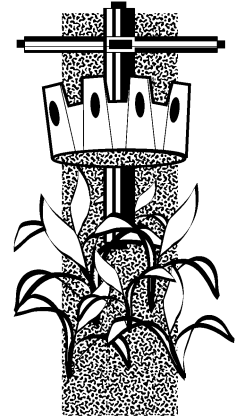
Feed the hungry
Give drink to the thirsty
Clothe the naked
Shelter the homeless
Visit the imprisoned
Visit the sick
Bury the dead



There are seven Spiritual and seven Corporal Works of Mercy. Perhaps we could put into practice one Work of Mercy each day during the seven weeks of the Easter season. Pentecost then can not only be a celebration of the beginning of the Church, but also a new beginning for all of us!!

Calendar for the Week of March 28 — April 3

Monday	Mar. 28	——	No Mass
Tuesday	Mar. 29	——	No Mass
Wednesday	Mar. 30	8:15 am 6:30 pm	School Mass in memory of Ken Kuster Faith Formation Classes for Grades K-9, 11-12 Grade 10 Confirmation Practice and Retreat Night (Come to the parish center.)
Thursday	Mar. 31	7:00 am 12:00 noon	Scripture Study in Parish Office Meeting Room Mass in memory of Anna Marie Arkfeld
Friday	Apr. 1	8:15 am 12:00 noon	School Mass in memory of Rick Burchett Eucharistic Adoration Benediction
Saturday	Apr. 2	4:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm	Confessions Rosary Mass in memory of Cecil & Anna Mary Blum, Terry Blum, Rosalie Blum, & Joe Cowan
Sunday	Apr. 3	8:30 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm	Mass in memory of Bill & Irene Huebner and Sandy Brennan Mass with Confirmation for the people of St. Michael's Spanish Mass (Meet in Harlan at 5:30 to head to Earling for Mass.)



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.)

Congratulations To: Dan Schumacher who was confirmed at the 8:30 Mass this weekend and to Pam Leinen who joined the Catholic Church with her confirmation at that same Mass. As a parish, let us congratulate Dan and welcome Pam as the newest member of St. Michael's Church.

Holy Doors Pilgrimage To Earling — The upcoming Mass in Spanish will be celebrated at St. Joseph Church in Earling on Sunday, April 3. We will leave Harlan at 5:30 pm on a pilgrimage to Earling to go through the Holy Doors. Come join us! For more information, call Orlando Gil at 712-240-0624.

Celebrating Knighthood — Join us on April 24 for a memorable experience celebrating the Knights of Columbus. Save the date now, and look for more information coming from the Harlan KCs.

Flower Memorials Given To The Parish — are in loving memory of: Otto Klein, Ed Plagman, Jake & Gen Jacobsen, Marvin Miller, Joelle Beezley, Jim & Francis Griffin, Frank & Isabel Miller, Ivo Coenen, Darrell Coenen, Ellery Bieker, Ferd Gaul, Dan Gaul, and Ed & Helen Bieker.

Rediscover Jesus — Hopefully our Lenten journey helped us to deepen our relationship with Jesus, and now it is time to celebrate our faith during the Easter season as we prepare for Pentecost. Matthew Kelly's new book, *Rediscover Jesus*, is an invitation to look even more closely at Jesus and our Catholic faith. Pick up your copy in the back of church, and enjoy this book as an Easter gift from your parish. May it help all of us as we continue to grow in our love for Jesus.

Vocations Chalice — has been in the home of Greg and Tammy Bladt this past week. Thanks for your vocation prayers.

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	Marilyn Fox
Edgar Tunender	Martha Anastasi	

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. 28th	Acts 2:14, 22-33	Mt 28:8-15
Tue. 29th	Acts 2:36-41	Jn 20:11-18
Wed. 30th	Acts 3:1-10	Lk 24:13-35
Thur. 31st	Acts 3:11-26	Lk 24:35-48
Fri. 1st	Acts 4:1-12	Jn 21:1-14
Sun. 3rd	Acts 5:12-16 Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19	Jn 20:19-31

Tithing — March 20	\$ 6,349
Needed each week	7,709
Difference	(1,360)
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Year to date	\$ (7,002)

Food Pantry — collection next weekend, April 2-3. Thanks for continuing to give to those in need.

Christ Our Life — bulletin insert is reminding you to save the date, September 24-25, for the next Catholic Conference in Des Moines. Information on each of the speakers is listed on the insert.



St. Michael's Faith Formation

WE ARE FAMILY!

Upcoming Dates —

Mar. 30 6:30 pm Classes for Grades K-9, 11-12
Grade 10 Confirmation Practice in Gym
Apr. 3 11:00 am Sacrament of Confirmation with the bishop
Apr. 6 6:30 pm Classes K-6
6:30 pm Crossroads Popcorn & Movie Night
Grades 7-12 In Westphalia (Movie at 7:00)

Confirmation 2017-2018 — If you missed our information meeting for 8th and 9th grade parents or know someone who will be eligible for confirmation but is not on our list, please call Veronica ASAP to receive the information.

Thank You — to all who have helped restock our media library! Your generosity is much appreciated.



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Have a very blessed Easter!

St. Michael's Spring Fundraiser — thank you to all involved in the St. Michael's dinner and auction on March 19. Special thanks to the auction committee, workers, and Guild whose members provided the desserts. We appreciate the raffle ticket sellers, the generous auction item donors, those who purchased items, and the auctioneer group. The evening was successful with approximately 160 dinners served, \$26,662 from the auction and over \$12,000 in raffle ticket receipts. Prize winners were:

\$1,500 Travel Voucher	Dennis Thomsen
\$750 Cash prize	Jan Blum
\$500 Cash Prize	Joan Potter
\$500 Cash Prize	Jeanine Larsen



Jubilee Year Of Mercy — Are we more or less merciful than we were years ago? St. John Paul II thought we had forgotten about mercy. "The present-day mentality, more perhaps than that of people in the past, seems opposed to a God of mercy, and in fact tends to exclude from life and to remove from the human heart the very idea of mercy." Do you think we are less merciful? Or is it harder to be merciful in today's culture? Why?



Vocations Corner

A Vocation — must be nurtured for a lifetime, not just until ordination or the taking of vows. You can help nurture the vocation of priests, sisters and brothers by praying, listening, and expressing appreciation. A life of service needs support from those served.

Shelby County Catholic School News

"Go For The Green" Raffle Winner — was Colleen Kloewer. The prize this year was over \$5,000. Congratulations! Thanks to all who supported this school fundraiser.

Area Events

- **The Hispanic Community of the diocese** cordially invites you to celebrate a Jubilee of Mercy event on Saturday, April 2, from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm at the Iowa Events Center in Des Moines. Bishop Pates will be there for Mass at 9:00 am followed by many faith formation presentations and chances for prayer. Come join us!
- **St. Patrick's Parish in Neola** is hosting a Divine Mercy Sunday Day of Grace Program on Sunday, April 3, from 1:00 –3:00 pm. The rosary will be said at 1:00 followed by Eucharistic Adoration and Reconciliation. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy begins at 3:00. See the bulletin board for more information.

Benefit Breakfast And Auction — for Neil Petsche will be held on Sunday, April 3, at St. Mary's Parish Hall in Portsmouth. A free will offering breakfast of pancakes, French toast, biscuits & gravy, eggs, and sausage will be served from 8:30-11:30 am. There will be a silent auction and a live auction. To donate items for the auction call Robert Schmitz at 579-2989 or Susan Schmitz at 489-2909.

Baby Shower — The Catholic Daughters are sponsoring a baby shower during the month of March. New or good condition items are requested. 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.

Parish Offices — will be open again on Tuesday, March 29.

Ministry Schedule

Apr. 2-3	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 11:00 a.m.
1st Lector	Kathy Hull	Maxine Kwapiszeski	Julia Sorfonden
2nd Lector	Wayne Goedken	Deann Irlmeier	Michael Rueschenberg
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Musicians			Church, Wind & Fire
Cantors			Flames
Ushers	Gerry Fremel Joe Zaccone Rodney Bengford Lisa Bengford	Tom Schmitz Bev Schmitz Chuck Buhman Ethel Defenbaugh	Gary Weis Bill Buman Russ Chamberlain Marcus Gross, Jr.
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