

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 PASTOR . . .

It was nice to have a few days off after Holy Week and Easter. I did enjoy my time with my family, and I hope everyone was able to have a joyful and happy Easter.

On this second Sunday of Easter, we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. Through the visions given to St. Faustina back in the 1930's, our Lord has promised us today that all who attend Mass this weekend and faithfully receive the Eucharist will receive complete forgiveness for all of their sins. Jesus asks that we put our complete trust in his mercy to forgive us of our sins. Pope Francis in this Jubilee Year of Mercy invites all the faithful around the world to take special advantage of this holy gift of mercy our Lord gives us today. May we be filled with trust and gratitude for the Lord's Divine Mercy given to us this very holy weekend.

Finally, this weekend is the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation. At the 11:00 Mass, our tenth grade students will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Bishop Pates will seal our candidates with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. These candidateS have been very busy since late August studying, praying and preparing to receive the spiritual gifts of God's love given to us through the Holy Spirit. Let us pray for them that their hearts and minds may be open to receive God's grace in this very special sacrament.

I want to thank our Confirmation teachers Dena Leinen and Connie Kohles, and our Faith Formation Director, Veronica Wright, for their hard work in preparing these students for this very extra special day. I also want to thank all the parents and sponsors of these candidate for their help in this time of preparation. Thank you to one and all.

Peace
Fr. John

Growing In Faith?: Do I trust in the Lord's mercy?

Confirmation — Congratulations to these candidates who will be confirmed this weekend. May they grow in the gifts of the Holy Spirit that they will be given and continue to deepen their personal relationship with the Lord.

Taylor Andersen
Alex Blum
Rachel Blum
Alexis Bruns
Kevin Campbell
Shane Chamberlain
Michael Clemons
Ryan Doran
John Erlbacher

Molly Gubbels
Jacob Hansen
Lexie Holloway
Delaney Kelly
Brogan Kienast
Nicole Lange
Alexis Larsen
Haley Leinen
Sara Markham

Irelynn McMurphy
Miguel Mena
Jared Moser
Kara Rueschenberg
Clara Schmitz
Deren Schmitz
Alyssa Sotelo
Whitney Warner
Alex Wingert

Divine Mercy Sunday April 3, 2016



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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 April 4 - 10

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| Monday | Apr. 4 | — | No Mass |
| Tuesday | Apr. 5 | 9:30 am 7:00 pm | Mass in memory of Sr. Norma Honz at <i>Elm Crest</i> Liturgy Committee in Parish Office Meeting Room |
| Wednesday | Apr. 6 | 8:15 am 6:30 pm 6:30 pm | School Mass in memory of Therese Scheuring Faith Formation Classes Grades K-6 Crossroads Popcorn & Movie Night Grades 7-12 in Westphalia |
| Thursday | Apr. 7 | 7:00 am 12:00 noon | Scripture Study in Parish Office Meeting Room Mass for Sylvan & Bonnie Klein |
| Friday | Apr. 8 | 8:15 am | School Mass in memory of Sylvester "Puppy" & Charlotte Assman |
| Saturday | Apr. 9 | 4:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm | Confessions Rosary Mass for the people of St. Michael's |
| Sunday | Apr. 10 | 8:30 am 11:00 am | Mass in memory of Richard Doran, Sr. and Marvin Miller Mass in memory of Albert Frederick and Gene Sibenaller |



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.)

Grant Eternal Rest, O Lord, To: — Warren Becker of our parish.

Funeral Services — for Patrick "Pat" Finken will be held on Saturday, April 16, at 11:00 at St. Michael's. Family visitations will begin at 10:15 am in the church. Patrick is the son of the late Howard and Mary Ellen Finken.

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.

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.

Catholic Daughters Lifesavers Campaign — Domestic Violence knows no income boundaries. Women and children of all social classes are affected by this and could be as close as your next door neighbor. The Catholic Daughters of the Americas will be conducting their Annual Lifesavers Campaign the weekend of April 16-17. All proceeds will go to the Phoenix House Shelter for abused women and children, as well as other similar shelters across the state. Please pray for the victims of abuse, and help "Save a Life" by making a generous donation.

It's Not Too Late — to return your Rice Bowl. There is basket in the back of church if you still have yours at home.

Fair Trade Items — are available in the parish office.

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

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| 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 —

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| Mon. | 4th | Heb 10:4-10 | Lk 1:26-38 |
| Tue. | 5th | Acts 4:32-37 | Jn 3:7b-15 |
| Wed. | 6th | Acts 5:17-26 | Jn 3:16-21 |
| Thur. | 7th | Acts 5:27-33 | Jn 3:31-36 |
| Fri. | 8th | Acts 5:34-42 | Jn 6:1-15 |
| Sun. | 10th | Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 | Rev 5:11-14 Jn 21:1-19 |

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| Tithing — March 20 | \$ 6,869 |
| March 27 | 6,137 |
| 2 Week Total | \$ 13,006 |
| Needed for 2 Weeks (\$7,709 a week) | 15,418 |
| Difference | (2,412) |
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| Year to date | \$ (9,414) |

Other Collections —

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| Easter (to date) | \$ 5,082.00 |
| Rice Bowl (to date) | \$ 1,219.28 |
| Holy Land | \$ 477.04 |

Income information for the Spring Fundraiser will be coming soon.



St. Michael's Faith Formation

WE ARE FAMILY!

Upcoming Dates —

- 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)
 Apr. 11 6:30 pm Faith Formation Advisory Board Meeting
 April 13 6:30 pm Classes K-8
 6:30 pm Theology of the Body for 9-12 in the gym
 7:30 pm Youth Council meeting in the gym

Registration For Faith Formation Classes 2016-

2017 — begins this week. Please come into the school to pay tuition and check information. **New Families** should also come to the school to register between 6:30 and 7:30 any Wednesday night in April. Fees: \$30 per child with a \$110 family maximum. Please let friends and family know that registration has begun. We offer classes for Kindergarten through Grade 12.



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Shelby County Catholic School News

The **SCCS Drama Club** will present their annual play on Friday, April 15, at 6:00 pm in the Rosman Parish Center. The play entitled *Once Upon a Tower* is by Eddie McPherson and produced by special arrangement with the Eldridge Publishing Company. A free-will donation will be taken at the door. Come and enjoy an evening of fun and support the SCCS Drama Club. Thanks.

Attention All Women — The 87th Annual Convention of the Des Moines Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be held on Saturday, April 30, at Queen of Apostles Parish Hall in Council Bluffs. The day begins with a continental breakfast at 8:30 am and will conclude at 3:00 pm. Keynote speaker will be Kelly Wahlquist. Kelly is a dynamic and inspiring Catholic author and speaker whose gift of weaving personal stories and scripture together with practical advice allows her audience to enter more fully into what Pope Francis has called us to do to live the joy of the Gospel with missionary zeal. Our title this year is *Sowers of Hope and Mercy: Living as Women in the New Evangelization*. Cost is \$18 per person if paid by April 15 or \$20 at the door. The cost includes breakfast and lunch. Please send your reservation with a check payable to Des Moines DCCW to Marilyn Alfors, 26345 Sycamore Road, Neola, Iowa, 51559. See the bulletin board in the back of church 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.

Give Just 3 Days Of Service — in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on a **Franciscan Pilgrimage of Service**, May 22-26, 2016. If you are a woman between the ages of 21 and 45, and have a desire to learn about issues related to care of the earth, solidarity with those who are poor, and peace and nonviolence, all while serving in a variety of Franciscan-sponsored ministries in the Milwaukee area, then this *Franciscan Pilgrimage of Service* experience is for you! This volunteer experience, co-sponsored by the Dubuque Franciscans and the Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi, Milwaukee, provides an opportunity for you to contribute your talents, time and commitment in service among people who are poor. Applications are due by April 29. For more information or to apply, contact: Sr. Shell Balek, OSF at balekm@osfdbq.org or 563-583-9786 or visit: www.osfdbq.org/commonventure.

Ministry Schedule

| Apr. 9-10 | Saturday 5:00 p.m. | Sunday 8:30 a.m. | Sunday 11:00 a.m. |
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| 1st Lector | Harry Nollen | Bonnie Kenkel | Rob Kloewer |
| 2nd Lector | Leo Kloewer | Maxine Kwapiszeski | Jane Klein |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Joan Chamberlain (T) Marvin Bissen Jan Blum Ron Muenchrath Shayla Leinen Kathy Hull Britney Bengford | Mary Baker (T) Doug Baker Nancy Jacobs Jim Kohles Donna Schmidt Bill Wingert Sandy Wingert | Dave Erlbacher (T) Jenna Hucka Rob Kloewer Tami Kloewer Sherry Bierl Janice Calhoon Kathy Campbell |
| Servers | Jayden Gessert Jenna Gessert Roberta Golden | Nicholas Anderson Daniel Anderson Darby Argotsinger | Brecken Van Baale Brett Van Baale Gavin Bruck |
| Musicians | | Chris Larsen | Peg Lantz |
| Cantors | | | Mike Bierl |
| Ushers | Gerry Freml Joe Zaccone Rodney Bengford Lisa Bengford | Tom Schmitz Bev Schmitz Chuck Buhman Ethel Defenbaugh | Gary Weihs Bill Buman Russ Chamberlain Marcus Gross, Jr. |
| Apr. 10 | E.M. Elm Crest Kay Schechinger Diane Weihs | E.M. Private Homes Roger Thomsen Pat Thomsen | Money Counters Barbara Muller Natalie Crees Gary & Julie Thraen |



Jubilee Year Of Mercy — Pope Francis says mercy is critical to the credibility of the Catholic Church. "As the Church is charged with the task of the new evangelization, the theme of mercy needs to be proposed again and again with new enthusiasm and renewed pastoral action."



Vocations Corner

Did You Know — every member of the Church needs to consciously feel responsibility for promoting vocations, especially since God's voice may be drowned out by "other voices?" A wealth of vocation information is available at www.usccb.org, the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

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