# 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 . . .

This weekend we come to the end of the Easter Season with the celebration of Pentecost. Today we celebrate the coming of the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church. We hear in the gospel that Jesus breathes upon the disciples and tells them to receive the Holy Spirit. In this way, they are empowered to continue the work of the Lord to proclaim the gospel to all the world. Pentecost reminds us today that the Holy Spirit is just as present for us as the Spirit was to those disciples.

God is continually blessing us with the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is given to us through the sacraments. We receive the Holy Spirit when we read from sacred scripture. The Holy Spirit is with us every time we pray. We see the Holy Spirit all around us when we stop to appreciate nature. Pentecost is telling us today that we need to trust with all our hearts that the Holy Spirit is always close to us; always helping us to grow in faith and love.

How appropriate that on the day we celebrate the Holy Spirit we also acknowledge and celebrate the graduation of our high school seniors. Let us pray for these graduates that as they move forward with their lives they invite the Holy Spirit to assist them in the choices and decisions that they must make in their lives. Graduates, you need to remember that you are not finished with the task of learning; in fact it is just beginning. Pray graduates for the help and the assistance of the Holy Spirit so that you may make good and healthy life choices. Open your hearts and your lives to the Holy Spirit so that you may realize your fullest potential. May the Holy Spirit give you peace and joy. Good luck to all of our graduates.

Peace, John

Growing In Faith?: Where is the Holy Spirit leading me?

**Senior Class of 2016** — It has been a pleasure watching you grow, deepen your faith and see so many of you become actively involved in the ministries of your church. We will miss your presence here at St. Michael's. We hope this same spirit of service and love of your Lord will go with you wherever you are headed and that you will continue to stay strong in your faith. Our prayers go with you, and May God Bless You!

### Congratulations to these seniors:

- Mikayla Blum Brianna Boldan Mason Chamberlain Travis Crees Matthew Devine Alex Dotzler
- Colin Dozler Garett Erlbacher Jack Gubbels Nolan Heese Billie Holloway Deann Irlmeier
- Kyle Juhl Clare Klein Marcus Klein Ally Kruse Maggie McGrath Conner McMurphy

Jordyn Moser McKenzie Mumm Michael Rueschenberg Julia Sorfonden Sam Wilwerding Caitlin Yamada





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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.

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Monday	May 16	8:15 am	Rosary in Church with SCCS Students	Como
Tuesday	May 17	9:30 am	Mass in memory of Lottie & Ann McDermott at Elm Crest	Come
		7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus in Parish Office Meeting Room	O(Y
Wednesday	May 18	8:15 am	School Mass in memory of Austin & Therese Scheuring	Spirit
Thursday	May 19	7:00 am	Scripture Study in Parish Office Meeting Room	
·	-	12:00 noon	Mass in memory of Russ Lefeber, Lois Goetzinger & Jason Nielsen	
Friday	May 20	8:15 am	School Mass in memory of Betty Schmidt & Laura Schmitz	
Saturday	May 21	2:30 pm	Wedding Ashley Bruck and Jeff Petersen	
		4:00 pm	Confessions	
		4:30 pm	Rosary	
		5:00 pm	Mass in memory of Orv & Lee Roecker and Tony & Lizzie Kloewer	
Sunday	May 22	8:30 am	Mass in memory of Richard Carroll, Steven Carroll, Bob Carroll & Edward Carroll	
2	•	11:00 am	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.)

**Interested In Becoming A Harlan Knight of Columbus?** — We will have a 1st Degree Exemplification Ceremony this Tuesday, May 17, at the rectory prior to our regular business meeting. **Registration is at 6:00 pm.** If you were not able to attend our last ceremony, this is your chance to join the Order. For more details, contact Austin Kesterson at 249-5551 or Orlando Gil at 240-0624. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Harlan Knights Of Columbus** — Our monthly business meeting is Tuesday, May 17, at 7:00 pm. Come join us for this regular business meeting and fellowship. See you there!

**Save The Date** — Shelby County Nicaragua Partners present their 4th annual fundraiser, "A Night for Nicaragua", on Friday, June 10, from 7:00 until 9:30 pm, at My Nest Greenhouse, 1134 1600th Street. The evening includes beverage sampling, food, live music and silent auction. Come out and support your sister parish, San Pedro Apostol, while having a great time! Anyone wishing to donate to this event may contact Diane Weihs at 579-9410 or any member. Thank you.

**San Pedro Apostol** — a brief note about the happenings in our sister parish in Nicaragua appear in the top right hand corner on page four in our bulletin. Check out the information each week Also, check out all of our bulletin sponsors, and patronize them whenever you can. The sponsors help to cover the cost of printing this weekly bulletin.

**<u>St. Michael's Bulletin</u>** — If you were out of town on the weekend and missed the bulletin, copies are available in the back of church or at the rectory. Bulletins can also be found online at www.seekandfind.com.

**The St. Michael Defender** — is our bulletin insert this weekend. Be sure to read this monthly newsletter and stay up-to -date with our youth faith formation program.

### <u>Remember The Sick In Your Prayers And By Your Notes</u> <u>Or Visits</u> —

We would like to keep this list more current for people going through changing conditions, so we have decided to keep names on the list for no more than six months, unless the family specifically requests that they be continued for another six months.

Bonnie Peterson	Harry Kloewer	Beverly Coenen
Clifford Kruse	Violet Bohr	Mary Jo Law
Bernice Stracke	Keagan Bates	Frank Murtaugh
Sr. Bernice Schmitz	Trent Smith	Jose Leal
Marilyn Fox	Edgar Tunender	Martha Anastasi
Zane Coenen	Anna Mae Kramer	Jake Hastert

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.	16th	Jas 3:13-18		Mk 9:14-29					
Tue.	17th	Jas 4:1-10		Mk 9:30-37					
Wed.	18th	Jas 4:13-17		Mk 9:38-40					
Thur.	19th	Jas 5:1-6		Mk 9:41-50					
Fri.	20th	Jas 5:9-12		Mk 10:1-12					
Sun.	22nd	Prv 8:22-31	Rom 5:1-5	Jn 16:12-15					
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		Difference		(2,055)					
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		Year to date		\$ (16,521)					

**Annual Diocesan Appeal Update** — The donations are continuing. To date, we have 185 donors and are at 89% of our goal. We have now pledged or given \$47,460. This is ahead of where we were last year, but we still are short of our \$53,156 assessment. Any money given in excess of this assessment will be returned to the parish. It is not too late to contribute to reaching our goal. Thanks for your help.



### St. Michael's Faith Formation

WE ARE FAMILY!

### Upcoming Date —

May 15 11:00 am Baccalaureate Mass for all St. Michael's Seniors

- Catechists are needed for fall. Please call Veronica for more information.
- Many thanks to families and catechists for a great year at Faith Formation. Remember to spend time with Jesus this summer.
- · Be safe and have a restful June, July and August.

Thank you, Veronica Wright



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Your Donations To Catholic Relief Services At Work — The Democratic Republic of Congo has one of the highest maternal and infant mortality rates in the world, making pregnant women one of the country's most vulnerable groups. When Gisele Biringanine discovered she was pregnant, she was worried. But thanks to the support of CRS, she now has free access to professional healthcare to assist her throughout and after the delivery of her baby.

### St. Peter's Parish Picnic June 4-5 At Defiance —

- Auction, Saturday, June 4, beginning at 6:00 pm
- Heads and Tails during the auction for a week long stay at Westgate Resort
- Staley's Chicken Dinner, Sunday, June 5, 4:00-7:30 pm Adult tickets \$11, Children 10 and under \$5, Carry-outs available
- Bean Bag Toss Tournament Sunday, June 5, at 1:00 pm
- \$10 raffle ticket for an I-pad Mini
- \$50 raffle drawing for a Branson Trip and more prizes
- Check the bulletin board in the back of church for a list of all the activities and stands.



Jubilee Year Of Mercy — Jesus says that God the Father will never give up on us. He will overcome our rejection with compassion and mercy. Are you willing to be merciful even when someone doesn't ask for it? How patient are you in extending mercy to someone who rejects your compassion?



A Good Vocation — is simply a firm and constant will in which the person who is called must serve God in the way and in the places to which almighty God has called him.

Corner

- Saint Francis de Sales (1567-1622)

### Shelby County Catholic School News

**SCCS Golf Outing** — is five weeks away. This annual 4 Person Best Ball is on Saturday, June 11, at the Shelby County Golf Course. Shot gun start at 10:00 am. The \$65.00 per person entry fee includes 18 holes of golf, steak dinner at the end of play and great prizes. There is also a "Poker Run" on the course. Additional dinner tickets may be reserved for \$20.00 per person. We need 18 teams to make it a great tournament! Please consider joining in the fun. For more information or to register your team, call the school at 755-5634. Sponsorship is also available. Join us for fun and a relaxing day.

### Area Events —

- Fifteen-Decade Rosary for Life will be this Sunday, May 15, from 1:30-2:30 pm at St. Michael in Harlan.
- Catholic Daughters Court of St. Katherine's next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 19, at 7:00 pm in the St. Joseph's Parish Hall in Earling. It is a very important meeting as officers will be elected for the next two years. The theme of our meeting is May, the Month of Mary. May 13 is the 100th anniversary of Mary's apparition at Fatima and will be highlighted. If interested in becoming a Catholic Daughter, you are welcome to attend. Come and join in the faith and fellowship of the Catholic Daughters.
- Pregnancy and Infant Loss Mass will be Wednesday, May 25, at ٠ 7:00 pm at Queen of Apostles in Council Bluffs. Bishop Pates will be the celebrant. A reception will follow the Mass with outreach and education resources.
- · Christ Our Life Catholic Regional Conference will be held at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines on September 24-25. Tickets are available in the parish office. See the bulletin board for a list of world class speakers and other events at this conference.

May 21-22	Saturday	Sunday	Sunday
	5:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
1st Lector	Sharla Rau	Sarah Devine	David Erlbacher
2nd Lector	Chris Tepe	Paul Kruse	Marcus Gross, Jr.
Eucharistic Ministers	Jane Klein (T) Duane Fahn Connie Kohles Britney Bengford Marvin Bissen Jan Blum Ray Chipman	Bill Wingert (T) Sandy Wingert Virginia Kruse Donna Schmidt Roger Bissen Dea Ann Bissen Ethel Defenbaugh	Bob Kesterson (T) Julie Kesterson Janice Calhoon Sherry Bierl Cindy Pattee Brian Gubbels Pam Gubbels
Servers	Jayden Gessert	Abby Alberti	Emma Calhoon
	Jenna Gessert	Ben Alberti	Emma Erlbacher
	Stephen Leinen	Erin Irlmeier	Kaylee Mumm
Musicians		Peg Lantz	
Cantors		Spencer Dozler	
Ushers	Don Stowe	J.C. Salvo	Caitlin Yamada
	Lin Brinker	Dale Swanson	Madi Doonan
	Alice Kenkel	Dave Jacobs	Gary Klein
	Mick Schmidt	Gary Dozler	Bob Hastert
May 22	E.M. Elm Crest Joyce Rodenborn Leo Kloewer	E.M. Private Homes Les Blum Jan Blum	Money Counters Scott Koppold Michelle Koppold Sherry Krantz

### **Ministry Schedule**

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