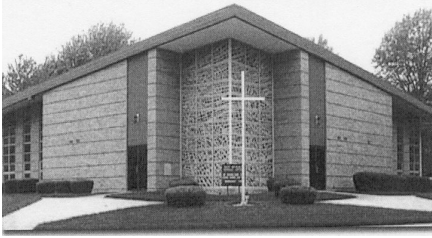


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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 17, 2016

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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.

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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 . . .

Last weekend, we heard the familiar story of "The Good Samaritan", and this weekend we have another familiar and popular story of Martha and Mary. Part of the attraction of this story is its simplicity about human priorities. Throughout our lives, we are continually challenged to choose between the things of God and the things of this world. In this story, Martha is concerned about the details of hospitality, which indeed are very crucial in the ancient Jewish culture. But what Martha forgot was that Jesus, her guest, was less concerned about hospitality and more concerned about spending quality time with his friends. We are told that Martha's sister, Mary, is literally hanging on every word that Jesus utters. Mary could not take herself away from the Lord. This is what Jesus hopes is going on in our lives, that we are holding on to every word he speaks. Jesus desires a place in our hearts. He wants to be present to us on a daily basis with our prayer life. May we work toward finding a healthy balance between "Martha" and the things of this world, and with "Mary" and the things of God.

This Saturday night after the 5:00 pm Mass, I will be leaving on my summer vacation to Colorado. I will be joining my golfing buddies, Fr. Tom DeCarlo and Fr. Al Sherbo. This Sunday, Fr. Bob Chamberlain and Fr. Dan Petsche, O.S.B., will be saying the morning Masses. The next weekend, Fr. Don Bruck will have coverage and the following weekend Fr. Wayne Gubbels. Please make them feel welcome. I will return home to Harlan the first week of August. Please keep me in your prayers as I remember you in mine.

*Peace,
Fr. John*

Growing In Faith?: How do I make time for the Lord?

The Saints In Mercy — by Fr. Antonio Sicari, O.C.D.

The saints became merciful because they felt awash by Divine Mercy.

St. John Vianney was known as a great confessor and preacher. He once explained to his parishioners:

Our Lord on the earth is like a mother carrying her baby in her arms. This child is badly behaved: he kicks his mother, bites her and scratches her. But the mother pays no mind. She knows that if she lets him go, the child will fall since he cannot walk alone. This is how Our Lord is: He bears all our ill-treatment; He bears all our arrogance; He forgives all our foolishness; He has mercy on us despite ourselves.

— Curato d'Ars. *Scritti scelti*. Rome: Citta Nuova, 1976, p. 72



St. John Vianney

Calendar for the Week of July 18 — 24

Monday	July 18	——	No Mass
Tuesday	July 19	9:30 am	Mass with Fr. Wayne Gubbels in memory of Lottie & Ann McDermott at <i>Elm Crest</i>
		7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus in the Parish Office Meeting Room
Wednesday	July 20	——	No Mass
Thursday	July 21	——	No Mass
Friday	July 22	——	No Mass
Saturday	July 23	4:00 pm	Confessions
		4:30 pm	Rosary
		5:00 pm	Mass in memory of Cecil & Anna Mary Blum, Terry Blum, Rosalie Blum & Joe Cowan
Sunday	July 24	8:30 am	Mass for the people of St. Michael's
		11:00 am	Mass in memory of Tiny Schmidt and Gussie Molony

Seek
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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.)

We Welcome This child — who was baptized last weekend as the newest member of our parish community: **Veda Marie Blenkinsop**, daughter of Russell and Leah Blenkinsop.

You Are Invited...Están Invitados — *Mass in Spanish*, this Sunday, July 17, at 6:00 pm. For more information, call Orlando Gil 240-0624. Come join us! ¡Los esperamos!

Nicaragua College Scholarships — As the Catholic communities of Shelby County, we are called to walk in solidarity with the whole human family. If you were thinking about sponsoring a student from Nicaragua but haven't gotten around to it, now is the time. It is a five year commitment at \$300 a year for five years. If you are interested in this scholarship program, please make you check payable to Nicaragua/Scholarship and bring it to the parish office, or mail your check to St. Michael's Church, 1912 18th Street, Harlan, Iowa 51537. Thank you to all members of the parish communities who have already allowed 20 students from our sister parish in Villa Sandino in Nicaragua to attend college.

Annual Anniversary Mass — Join Bishop Pates for his Annual Anniversary Mass praying with couples celebrating milestone anniversaries. On August 13 during the 5:00 pm vigil Mass at St. Patrick's Parish in Imogene, Bishop Pates will celebrate Mass, and couples will be able to renew their wedding vows. A \$10 a plate dinner reception will follow. A certificate of blessing is available with registration for couples celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 25th, and 50 plus wedding anniversaries. Reserved seating will be available for these couples and their families during the Mass. RSVPs are required for dinner. To register, call Adam Storey at 515-237-5056 or email him at astorey@dmdiocese.org.

The Catholic Mirror Newspaper — wants to know what you think of it. Take a few short minutes and complete a readership survey at www.surveymonkey.com/r/DioDesMoines.

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

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Jenna Blum	Edgar Tunender	Martha Anastasi
Marilyn Fox	Jenny Schwery	Zane Coenen
Gordon Nelson	David Updike	Alice Carey
Harry Nollen	Eilene Thorell	Jan Davitt
Gary Kenkel	Arden Riley	

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. 18th	Mi 6:1-4, 6-8	Mt 12:38-42
Tue. 19th	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20	Mt 12:46-50
Wed. 20th	Jer 1:1, 4-10	Mt 13:1-9
Thur. 21st	Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13	Mt 13:10-17
Fri. 22nd	Jer 3:14-17	Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Sun. 24th	Gen 18:20-32 Col 2:12-14	Lk 11:1-13

Tithing — July 10	\$ 5,835
Needed each week	7,308
Difference	(1,473)
	() if deficit
Year to date	\$ (1,014)

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St. Michael's Faith Formation

WE ARE FAMILY!

- Faith Formation classes resume September 14.

Catechists Needed — for classes this fall. If you can give two hours a week to children of the parish, please call Veronica at 402-490-7217, or email her at stmikere@harlannet.com. We need help in grades 5, 6, 8, 9, and 10.

Current Catechists — Please pick up teaching materials in the office if you are moving into a new grade. Call Veronica if you have questions.

What can we learn from the Bible about families?

Five Lessons from Scripture for Families (#3)

The Gospel creates families. Kinship in the Bible is complex and compelling. Old Testament views placed emphasis on lineage, and the New Testament uses Jesus' genealogy to place him in history and prove his Jewish roots. However, Jesus called into question family ties. He is quoted as saying that fathers and sons will fight over him and that those who believe in him are his family. In the parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus asked his audience to reconsider the importance of ethnic kinship by breaking down the barrier that divided Samaritans from 'faithful Jews'. Even on the cross, Jesus created a family between the apostle John and Mary, Jesus' mother. St. Paul used the family analogy as his preferred way of describing Christian communities. He stresses that in spite of their roots, Christ unites us all as family. Our commitment to Jesus should create in us a faith that reaches out to others regardless of familial obligation or relatedness. We are one family in Christ.

(Adapted from Family Bible Study in *America* magazine.)

Fifteen-Decade Rosary for Life — will be this Sunday, July 17, from 1:30-2:30 pm, at St. Peter's in Defiance.



Jubilee Year Of Mercy — Jesus taught mercy is to be at the center of life. He led by example, by eating with sinners. Do we put mercy at the center of our lives? If not, how can we take a step in that direction?



Vocations Corner

In Talking With Your Children — remember to raise the call to Church ministry. The process of answering God's call begins in childhood. Throughout adolescence and adulthood, the attitudes assumed in childhood begin to influence the course of one's life. A vocation or a talent will not grow to fruition unless it is nurtured in childhood and adolescence by a parent.

St. Joseph's Parish Picnic July 16-17 At Earling —

- Auction, Saturday, July 16, at 7:00 pm
- Bingo, Saturday, in air condition hall at 7:00 pm
- Free Music by DOTZ, Saturday, beginning at 10:00 pm
- Staley's Chicken Dinner, Sunday, July 17, from 4:00-7:00 pm
- Bingo, Sunday, in air conditioned hall at 6:30 pm
- Free Music by DOTZ, Sunday, at 8:00 pm
- \$8,800 in raffle prizes
- Check the bulletin board in the back of church for a list of all the activities and stands.

St. Mary's Parish Picnic July 30-31 At Portsmouth —

- Pitch Tournament, Saturday, July 30, at 1:00 pm
- Sand Volleyball Tournament, Saturday, at 2:30 pm
- Free Dance with "Ridge Riders", Saturday, 8:00 pm-Midnight
- Staley's Chicken Dinner, Sunday, from 4:00-7:00 pm
- Auction, Sunday, at 6:30 pm
- Raffle drawings, games for kids and much more

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Cantors		Spencer Dotzler	Mike Bierl
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