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.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 7, 2016

Arise, O God, and defend us!

Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more.

Pastor

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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.

JOURNEY OF FAITH (HOLINESS) ...

Once I heard a vivid lecture about the early monks and nuns who left all they had, went into the barren desert, and lived in semi-isolation to become holy, to become fit for God. They made their living by braiding baskets from palm leaves; they spoke to one another rarely; they were alone for weeks at a time; they carried all their water, sometimes as far as ten miles; they imposed difficult disciplines on their bodies. As I listened, a realization suddenly struck me, and I turned to the priest sitting next to me to whisper, "I have never wanted anything that much!" He shook his head, "Me neither." — Kathleen O'Connell Chesto, Journey of Faith, Liguori Publications, 2005

Saint Alphonsus Liguori said: "All holiness consists in the love of God; but the love of God consists in conformity to the will of God; therefore, all holiness consists in conformity to the will of God." It is vitally important to understand that God's will is evident to us not only in the Scriptures and in the Church, not only in prayer and meditation but also in the responsibilities, commitments, and concrete circumstances of our lives.

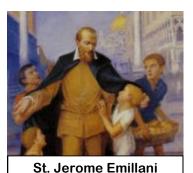
Many of us have a kind of split view of life, believing that there are "holy" things (like prayer, meditation, and attending Mass) and "worldly things (like preparing a report at the office, eating breakfast, and playing games with our children). In truth, holiness embraces our total human experience of prayer, family life, work life and recreation.

Here and now, you can find holiness in your personal experience of putting forth your best, most ethical efforts in the workplace; lovingly raising your children; and building good relationships at home and at work. If you make all of these part of your loving response to God, you are on the path of holiness. — Fr. Daniel Lowery, C.Ss.R., Journey of Faith, Liguori Publications, 2005

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

"Mercy for the Little Ones"

St. Jerome Emiliani is not very well known. All the same, the Church has given him a special title: "Universal Patron Saint of Orphans and Abandoned Youth." He was a nobleman in Venice at a time when his native city and the whole of Europe were devastated by famine and the plague. Rather than seek refuge behind his nobility and comfortable social status, Jerome instead listened to "the infinite lament of the poor". By day, he spent the money he earned by selling his possessions



to assist as many poor people as possible, while at night he went through the city gathering up the sick and burying the corpses he found abandoned in the Venetian alleyways. Eventually, he gathered around him several hundred homeless children, creating a type of extended family for them. He provide the youngsters with vocation teachers in addition to the means and classrooms to educate them. In this, he introduced them to a dignified life of work. The pillars of the school were prayer, charity, and work.

Calendar for the Week of August 8 - 14

Monday	Aug. 8		No Mass	
Tuesday	Aug. 9	8:15 am	Mass in memory of Ken Kuster	Coliza -
	Ū	6:00 pm	Finance Council in Parish Office Meeting Room	
		7:00 pm	Pastoral Council in Parish Office Meeting Room	
Wednesday	Aug. 10	8:15 am	Mass in memory of Greg Taylor	Wherever
	•	6:30 pm	Guild Executive Board in Parish Office Meeting Room	your
Thursday	Aug. 11	7:00 am	Scripture Study in Parish Office Meeting Room	treasure
	- 1	2:00 noon	Mass in memory of Msgr. Jerry Stessman	lies, there
		1:00 pm	Endowment Advisory Board in Parish Office Meeting Room	your heart
Friday	Aug. 12	8:15 am	Mass in memory of Mary Ann Kenkel	will be
Saturday	Aug. 13	4:00 pm	Confessions	
	·	4:30 pm	Rosary	
		5:00 pm	Mass in memory of Arlene Reinig and Ivo & Darrell Coenen	
Sunday	Aug. 14	8:30 am	Mass for the people of St. Michael's	
	-	11:00 am	Mass in memory of Sylvester "Puppy" Assman and Gene Sibenaller	
	Noon-4:00 pm		Knights of Columbus Family Fun Day at the Rosman Parish Center	

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.) Sunday Mass is also available on demand by accessing the Harlan Knights of Columbus channel on YouTube.

<u>Mass In Spanish! You Are Invited</u>. — Están invitados... This Sunday, August 7, at 6:00 pm. Come join us! ¡Los esperamos!

Family Fun Day On August 14 — from 12-4 pm is sponsored by the Defiance, Earling, Harlan, Panama and Westphalia Knights of Columbus councils. This fun day will be held at St. Michael's Rosman Parish Center and is a totally free day for all families which includes lunch, games, contests, clowns and bounce houses for all ages to enjoy. See the bulletin insert for more details.

Family Fun Day Raffle Tickets — are available as part of the August 14 activities. Grand prize is a fully paid scholarship to the Shelby County Catholic School (\$1,750 value) or \$1,500 cash. More than one grand prize may be awarded depending on raffle ticket sales. Tickets are \$20 each or 6 for \$100. They may be purchased from any Knight or by contacting Dan Fowler, Harlan Knight, at 579-3006 or Will Shafer, Earling Knight, at 712-489-2470.

Faith Journey Catechetical Institute — Are you a Catholic who wants to grow deeper into relationship with Christ and His Church? Do you want to learn more about the greatest love story in the world, the story of Christ's love for you and how you can return that love? Do you want to be strengthened in your understanding of our Church's teachings? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then the Catechetical Institute is for you! Please contact John Huynh at <u>ihuynh@dmdiocese.org</u> or 515-237-5006 to begin your faith journey into the heart of our faith. More information about this opportunity can also be found at <u>www.facebook.com/FaithJourneyIA</u> or <u>www.dmdiocese.org/about-catechetical-institute.cfm</u>.

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

r visits — Trent Smith Gary Kenkel Marilyn Fox Gordon Nelson Harry Nollen Arden Riley

Violet Bohr Edgar Tunender Jenny Schwery David Updike Eilene Thorell Bonnie Peterson Jose Leal Martha Anastasi Curt Coenen Alice Carey Ron Beach Kathy Carl

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.

<u>Readings For The Week</u> —							
Mon.	8th	Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c		Mt 17:22-27			
Tue.	9th	Ez 2:8—3:4		Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14			
Wed.	10th	2Cor 9:6-10		Jn 12:24-26			
Thur.	11th	Ez 12:1-12		Mt 18:21—19:1			
Fri.	12th	Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63		Mt 19:3-12			
Sun.	14th	Jer 38:4-6, 8-10	Heb 12:1-4	Lk 12:49-53			
Tithing — July 31				\$ 7,153			
	- 1	Needed each week		7,308			
	l	Difference		(155)			
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		Year to date		\$ (3,179)			

Christ Our Life Regional Conference — is September 24-25 at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines. Take a flier on the table in the back of church for more information about the world-class speakers, celebrations of the Holy Mass, reconciliation, inspirational music, adoration and more. Get your tickets now available in the parish office at \$25 for the entire weekend. You can also go to <u>ChristOurLife.com</u> or call 866-319-0616. Join many thousands who together will believe, live, and celebrate our faith at this amazing conference.



St. Michael's Faith Formation

WE ARE FAMILY!

• Faith Formation classes resume September 14.

Fall Registration For Faith Formation — is starting. If you did not preregister last spring, please call the office to update your information and pay the fee of \$30 per child or \$110 maximum per family.

New Faith Formation Families — must fill out a registration form that is available at the back of church. We can also mail one to you if you call the office, or you can stop by the office to fill out the form and pay.

Catechists Are Still Needed — Please consider the future of the Church. WE NEED FAITHFUL WITNESSES TO OUR FAITH! We are called to "Go and Make Disciples"! Just two hours a week will change the life of our youth. All parishioners are asked to consider this important ministry.

High School Volunteers — are needed to help at the Faith Formation booth at Family Fun Day on August 14. We will run picnic games like balloon toss, 3-legged race, etc. 10th Grade Confirmation families were emailed the information. All high schoolers are invited to help. Shifts are two hours each: 11:30-1:30; 1:30-3:30; and 2:30-4:30. Five people are needed during each shift. Text, call or email Veronica to sign up at 402 -490-7217 or stmikere@harlannet.com.

Beginning Experience — is for people who are widowed, divorced or separated. How do you deal with the grief, loss and pain? How do you cope? Beginning Experience can help; you do not have to suffer alone. We know how you feel, we have gone through the same things you are going through. Join us for three open houses on September 9, 16, and 23 at St. Augustine Church at 42nd and Grand Avenue in Des Monies from 7-8:30 pm. You can still have a good life and Beginning Experience can help. For more information, contact Marian Tonhouse at 515-964-7815.



Jubilee Year Of Mercy — What is Pope Francis's hope for the Jubilee of Mercy? "This Holy Year will bring to the fore the richness of Jesus' mission echoed in the words of the prophet: to bring a word and gesture of consolation to the poor, to proclaim liberty to those bound by new forms of slavery in modern society, to restore sight to those

who can see no more because they are caught up in themselves, to restore dignity to all those from whom it has been robbed.



Parents — Do you encourage your children to develop their talents and gifts? Do you encourage your children to think of Church ministry as a possible life choice? — Vocations Corner

<u>Area Events</u> —

- Alzheimer's Support Group will meet Monday, August 8, at 3:00 pm at the Harlan Senior Center located within the Therkildsen Activity Center.
- Fifteen-Decade Rosary for Life will be Sunday, August 21, from 1:30-2-30 pm at St. Mary's in Panama.
- Celebrate Rural Life by joining Bishop Pates with Mass at the Brian & Anne Brennan farm at Indianola on Sunday, August 21. Meet at St. Thomas Aquinas Church (210R63Hwy) about 3:30 pm for a short trip to the farm (transportation provided) in time for 4:00 pm Mass. Stay for refreshments, hamburgers and guest speaker afterward.

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Sponsor Spotlight



Ministry Schedule

Aug. 13-14 Saturday		Sunday	Sunday
5:00 p.m.		8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
1st Lector	Sharla Rau	Cheryl Andersen	Gary Weihs
2nd Lector	Joyce Thraen	Sarah Devine	Joan E. Chamberlain
Eucharistic Ministers	Joan Chamberlain Chris Tepe Mary Tepe Kathy Hull Joyce Thraen Volunteer needed	Bill Wingert (T) Sandy Wingert Doug Baker Mary Baker Julie Juhl Alan Kenkel Jo Kenkel	Pam Gubbels (T) Brian Gubbels Gary Weihs Diane Weihs Sherry Bierl Jenna Hucka Joni Larsen
Servers	Ethan Tepe	Kara Rueschenberg	Gavin Bruck
	Jonathan Tepe	Mitchell Rueschenberg	Jake Dotzler
	Volunteer needed	Kyia Rueschenberg	Luke Dotzler
Musicians	Rod Carlson		Chris Larsen
Cantors	John Rosman		Beth Doonan
Ushers	Rodney Bengford	J.C. Salvo	Bill Buman
	Lisa Bengford	Cletus Schmitz	Russ Chamberlain
	Leo Goeser	Dale Swanson	Madi Doonan
	Alice Kenkel	David Jacobs	Gary Klein
Aug. 14	E.M. Elm Crest Dennis Mumm Joyce Mumm	E.M. Private Homes Kay Schechinger Diane Weihs	Money Counters Barbara Muller Natalie Crees Gary Thraen Julie Thraen

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