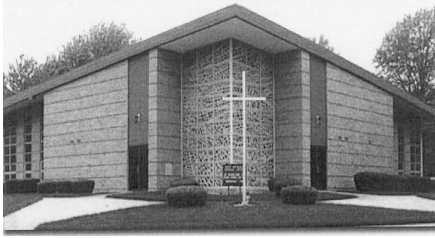


Saint Michael's Parish



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Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 4, 2016

In every age, O Lord,
you have been our refuge.



Take up your cross
and follow the Lord

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.

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Contact the office to set a date.

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Wedding dates are set after
an initial interview with Fr. John.

FROM THE PASTOR . . .

When we come to church each weekend, we gather to worship and profess our love and faith in the Lord. At the same time, the Lord is calling us to greater faithful and loving service. This weekend the Lord is challenging us about our commitment to him. Jesus says, "Anyone who comes to me without turning his back on his family, or indeed even his own self, cannot be my follower. Anyone who does not take up his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. These are very strong, harsh words. What do they mean?"

Jesus in a very provocative way is testing our resolve and commitment to love and serve him. He is telling us that our duties and responsibilities as his followers extend beyond our flesh and blood family and must include the entire human family of the world. Jesus is reminding us that it is not enough for us to only go to church on Sunday to worship him; rather he is expecting us to work on his behalf throughout the rest of the week wherever we may be in our lives.

This weekend we celebrate the Labor Day holiday. It unofficially marks the end of summer and beginning of fall. Labor Day reminds us that school is back in session. This coming Wednesday evening our faith formation teachers will meet with Veronica to plan the upcoming school year. Then the following Wednesday, September 14, will be our Opening Celebration for parents and children of all grades. We still need a 5th, 9th and 10th grade catechist. Enjoy the Labor Day weekend, and may our faith formation classes get off to a good start.

*Peace,
Fr. John*

Growing In Faith?: How committed am I in serving the Lord?

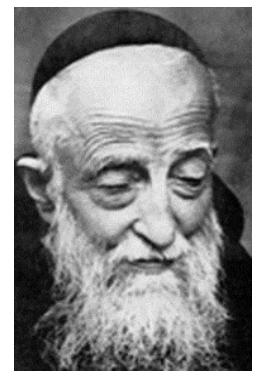
The Saints In Mercy — by Fr. Antonio Sicari, O.C.D.

"Ministers of Mercy"

Leopold Mandic was a Capuchin friar of Croatian origin who was constantly besieged by penitents who flocked to his confessional. For roughly thirty years, he spent between ten and fifteen hours a day in the privacy of his cell-like confessional listening to and forgiving sinners in the name of God.

Due to his small stature and humble attitude, some people undervalued him, including his own Capuchin brothers who said, "He was an ignorant confessor, too lenient, and he absolved everyone without discernment."

Saint Leopold responded with this comment, "They say I'm too good. But if people come and kneel in front of me, is this not sufficient proof that they desire God's forgiveness?"



St. Leopold Mandic

— more comments by St. Leopold next week

Calendar for the Week of September 5-11

Monday	Sept. 5	—	No Mass
Tuesday	Sept. 6	9:30 am	Mass in memory of Lottie & Ann McDermott at Elm Crest
Wednesday	Sept. 7	8:15 am 6:00 pm	School Mass in memory of Harvey Leinen and Bettie Anderson K-8 Catechist Meeting in the Rosman Parish Center
Thursday	Sept. 8	7:00 am 12:00 noon	Scripture Study in Parish Office Meeting Room Mass in memory of Barbara Stracke
Friday	Sept. 9	8:15 am	School Mass in memory of Mary "Bea" Masur
Saturday	Sept. 10	4:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm	Confessions Rosary Mass in memory of Marcus Gross, Sr. & Don Gross and Randy & Carol Musich
Sunday	Sept. 11	8:30 am 11:00 am	Mass in memory of Rick Burchett and Irene Green 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.) Sunday Mass is also available on demand by accessing the Harlan Knights of Columbus channel on YouTube.

Grant Eternal Rest, O Lord, To: — Sonja Thraen, mother-in law of Tatum Lange and daughter-in-law of Marvin and Joyce Thraen of our parish.

Mass In Spanish! You Are Invited. — Están invitados... this Sunday, September 4, at 6:00 pm. Come join us! ¡Los esperamos!

Need A Ride — to the Christ Our Life Conference? Sister Joyce Blum and the Hispanic Ministry have made arrangements for transportation to the conference on Saturday, September 24. Would you like to ride with us on the bus? We will leave early in the morning, spend a day of learning in fellowship, and will be back in the early evening. Call Orlando Gil at 712-240-0624 to find out more. We have a few seats left. Ride with us.

Knights Of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive — will be the weekends of September 24-25 and October 1-2. All proceeds from this drive will help people with intellectual disabilities. Donations will be made to Concerned, Inc. in Harlan and to the Iowa Special Olympics.

Family Members Serving In The Military — Please pray for these military personnel currently serving our country.

SGT Jesse Andersen, ARNG	1LT Nathan Andersen, ARM
SRA Jaymie Bral, ANG	CF Nicholas Buman, USN
CPL Sean M. Carey, ARM	CAPT John Finken, USMC
SPC.E6 Danny Goeser, ARNG	<u>PO2 Matt Graeve, USN</u>
SRA James Klein, ANG	CAPT David Koesters, JAG
CWO2 Jeff Muenchrath, USN	SGT William Reinig, ARM
LTCOL Justin Wagner, ANG	LTJG Chris Willenborg, USN

If you have a family member serving in the military and would like them to be on this list, call the parish office. Names that are underlined are currently or will soon be deployed.

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

Trent Smith	Violet Bohr	Jose Leal
Gary Kenkel	Edgar Tunender	Martha Anastasi
Gordon Nelson	Jenny Schwery	Curt Coenen
Eilene Thorell	David Updike	Alice Carey
Kathy Carl	Arden Riley	Bonnie Peterson
Rusty Buckley	Kenny Kenkel	Ray Chipman

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.	5th	1Cor 5:1-8	Lk 6:6-11
Tue.	6th	1Cor 6:1-11	Lk 6:12-19
Wed.	7th	1Cor 7:25-31	Lk 6:20-26
Thur.	8th	Mi 5:1-4a	Mt 1:1-16, 18-23
Fri.	9th	1Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27	Lk 6:39-42
Sun.	11th	Ex 32:7-11,13-14 1Tm 1:12-17	Lk 15:1-32

Titithing — September 4	\$ 6,854
Needed each week	7,308
Difference	(454)
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Year to date	\$ (3,102)

Your Donations To Catholic Charities At Work — When her husband died, Sandra (name changed) faced a crisis. Without a steady income, she couldn't put food on the table for her children, and she didn't have the funds necessary to maintain her medical coverages when she searched for a job. Thanks to the efforts of her local Catholic Charities agency, she was able to access emergency funds to pay for her medications and a much-needed food voucher to keep her children from going hungry. The emergency food and assistance program helped stabilize Sandra and her family until she was able to find full-time employment. For more information about hope-giving work being done across America, please visit www.CatholicCharitiesUSA.org.



St. Michael's Faith Formation

WE ARE FAMILY!

- **K-8 Catechist meeting September 7, 6:00 pm in the Rosman Parish Center**
- **Faith Formation Opening Celebration with Families September 14, 6:30-8:00 pm in the Rosman Parish Center**

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. Please register before September 14.

Fall Registration For Faith Formation — 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.

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. We need help in Grades 5, 9, and 10. Call Veronica at 755-5366.

Area Events —

- **St. Patrick's Church in Dunlap** is hosting their fall festival on Sunday, September 11. Staley's Chicken dinner will be served from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at a cost of \$11 for adults and \$5 for children 10 and under. There will also be a silent auction, cash drawing, country store, Bingo, kids games, raffle items and much more. You are invited to come and join the fun.
- **Fifteen-Decade Rosary for Life** will be Sunday, September 18, 1:30-2:30 pm at St. Boniface in Westphalia.
- **Mobile Food Pantry** will be in Harlan Monday, September 19, at the Veterans Memorial Building, 4:30-6:30 pm. The mobile food pantry is free of charge and no documentation is needed. Please bring boxes or bags to carry food.

Welcome Breakfast — for new members at St. Michael's will be Sunday, September 18. Plan to come for breakfast and give a warm welcome to our newest members. See the bulletin insert for more information and a list of our new members.

Harvest Festival Is Coming! — Sunday, October 9 — Staley's Broasted Chicken Dinner — Raffle Items — Country Store — Paddle Wheel — **Mark the date on your calendar.**

Office Hours — St. Michael's Parish office hours have been set by the Pastoral and Finance Councils to be 8:00 am — 4:30 pm Monday through Friday. Someone will be in the office during the lunch hour as this seems to be a convenient time for many people. You are always welcome to call the parish office at 755-5244.

St. Michael's Parish Offices — will be closed on Monday, September 5, in observance of Labor Day.

Retreat Day For Women — Saturday, September 17, a retreat entitled "The Gifts We Hold" will be held at St. Mary's Hall in Panama from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. A continental breakfast will be served at 8:30 am. The presenter is Maureen Hoffmann. Cost for the day is \$15 which includes lunch. To register call Shirley Chamberlain at 489-2442 or St. Mary's Parish at 489-2030. Women of all ages are welcome to attend.

Ministry Schedule

Sept 10-11	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 11:00 a.m.
1st Lector	Joyce Thraen	J.C. Salvo	Rob Kloewer
2nd Lector	Sharla Rau	Cheryl Andersen	David Erbacher
Eucharistic Ministers	Leo Kloewer (T) Chris Tepe Mary Tepe Phil Koesters Duane Fahn Joan Chamberlain Volunteer needed	Richard Lee (T) Pat Lee Jani Sorfonden Cheryl Long Alan Kenkel Jo Kenkel Donna Schmidt	Makayla Tremel (T) Jenna Hucka Shari Heese Rob Kloewer Tami Kloewer Jenny Moser Sherry Bierl
Servers	Wyatt Fahn Cole Fahn Volunteer needed	Matthew Sorfonden Joseph Devine Elizabeth Devine	Brett Van Baale Brecken Van Baale Joey Moser
Musicians	Chris Larsen		Kate Kohorst
Cantors			Beth Klein
Ushers	Joann Kenkel Mick Schmidt Lin Brinker Gerry Freml	Gary Dozler Spencer Dozler Maxine Kwapiszeski Chuck Buhman	Orlando Gil John Murtaugh Tom Murtaugh Tom Lawler
Sept. 11	E.M. Elm Crest Nancy Jacobs Michelle Custer	E.M. Private Homes Dottie Bauer Marian Buman	Money Counters Mary Illg Mary Jensen Marilyn Fox



Jubilee Year Of Mercy — Pope Francis links mercy to justice, saying, "These are not two contradictory realities but two dimensions of a single reality that unfolds progressively until it culminates in the fullness of love." How is justice a part of love? Why do you think Jesus put faith above observance of the law?



Vocations Corner

The Secret Of A Vocation —Pope Benedict XVI told the youth, "lies in the capacity and in the joy of distinguishing (God's) voice, of listening to and following His voice. But to do this, it is necessary to accustom our heart to recognize the Lord, to hear Him like a person who is near me and who loves me. Moments of interior silence in the day-to-day routine are essential," he said.

"But once one has learned to hear this voice and to generously follow it, one fears nothing, he or she knows and feels that God is with him or her, and that He is a Friend, Father, and Brother."

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