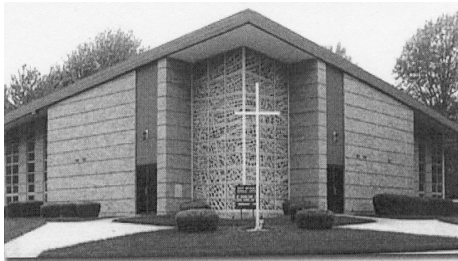


Saint Michael's Parish



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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 . . .

Today's reading from the gospel is the second of three passion predictions found in the ninth chapter of Mark's gospel. According to Mark, Jesus went willingly to his death. By his willingness, Jesus proved the quality of his relationship with God, as well as his personal character and his belief in immortality.

What is striking in each of these passion predictions is that Jesus' disciples do not grasp the point, and they seem to misunderstand Jesus totally. In this second passion prediction, the disciples appear more concerned with discussing who was the greatest among themselves. In correcting this misunderstanding, Jesus reminds them that to follow him they will find that true greatness is found in service to others and not in their own personal stature. Jesus himself is the best example of his own ideal of servant leadership. We see this in his teachings on how to relate to his Heavenly Father. We see this in his healings as he brought both physical and spiritual well-being to those in need. And in his passion, death and resurrection Jesus opened up the possibility for us to have a correct relationship with God the Father. Today, Jesus teaches us that he, the servant leader, is the opposite of the world's leaders who are typically motivated by personal ambition and petty jealousy.

*Peace,
Fr. John*

Growing In Faith?: How willing am I to help others?



Fr. Bud Grant — will be in Harlan for an evening presentation on Pope Francis's Encyclical *Laudato Si'* (Praise to You). Encyclicals, which are formal teachings of the church, are usually read by theologians and bishops, but *Laudato Si'* is closer for we common folks to understand. The Good News People have scheduled Fr. Bud Grant, a former pastor in Shelby County and now a Theology professor at St. Ambrose University in Davenport, to open *Laudato Si'* for us in plain English. Fr. Bud is an engaging homilist as well as a dynamic presenter. We will

meet at St. Michael's Church on Wednesday, September 30, from 6:30-7:30 pm. That time period coincides with the high school students' schedule, but Fr. Bud will stay longer for those with more questions. Fr. Bud has scheduled quite a few of these presentations around the Midwest, so we are lucky to have him. See you September 30. Your time with Fr. Grant will be very rewarding.

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 20, 2015

**God has called us to possess
the glory of Jesus the Lord!**



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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 September 21-27

Monday	Sept. 21	—	No Mass
Tuesday	Sept. 22	8:15 am 7:00 pm	Mass for the Stephen C. Finken Families Liturgy Committee in Parish Office Meeting Room
Wednesday	Sept. 23	8:15 am 6:30 pm	School Mass in memory of Verelda Schwery Faith Formation Classes for Kindergarten to Grade 12
Thursday	Sept. 24	7:00 am 12:00 noon 7:00 pm	Scripture Study in Parish Office Meeting Room Mass in memory of Mary Ann Feser Vocations Committee in Parish Office Meeting Room
Friday	Sept. 25	8:15 am	School Mass in memory of Kathleen Renze
Saturday	Sept. 26	4:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm	Confessions Rosary Mass in memory of Ray & Vi Musich and for the Russ Lefebber Family
Sunday	Sept. 27	8:30 am 9:30-11:00 am 11:00 am	Mass for the people of St. Michael's Welcome Breakfast in Parish Center Mass in memory of Irene Green and Sr. Madonna Schwarte

Sunday Mass is televised on cable TV (HMU Channel 23 at 4:00 pm on Sunday and Wednesday, on Mediacom Channel 18 at 4:00 pm on Monday and FMCTC Channel 48 at 4:00 pm on Monday and Friday.)



Grant Eternal Rest, O Lord, To: — Shirley Williams Raethz, mother of Gay Burgod of our parish; **Gary Gross**, brother of Dale Gross and Connie Kohles of our parish; **Alice Stolz** of our parish; and **Marie Jans** of our parish.

Queen-Sized Quilt Is Ready For Harvest Festival

and is one of the raffle items. The quilt was pieced and donated by Mary Ann and Mike Assmann. The volunteer quilters were: Donna Escher, Marge Gubbels, Sandi Petsche, Vera Raasch, Alyce Rasmussen, Margie Schenck and Lu Schwery. The Guild and St. Michael's Parish can not thank you enough for the 154 volunteer hours you spent on preparing this quilt for the Harvest Festival. Buy raffle tickets now for a chance to win this beautiful quilt on Sunday, October 11.

Helped Needed — The Ladies Guild is looking for several people to help coordinate St. Michael's funeral dinners. The circles will provide the workers, but someone is needed in the kitchen to help organize the activity and order some of the food. If you can help, please call Julie Thraen at 755-5366.

Did You Know That — someone from St. Michael's Parish goes to Elm Crest each Monday morning to lead the rosary for the residents and give them Holy Communion? We are in need of more people who can help with this ministry. If you are not a communion minister, you can be trained for this specific ministry or you can lead the rosary without giving communion. The residents really enjoy this special time. Can you help? This is not a weekly commitment as the ministry is shared with others.

Living Faith Booklets — for the months of October, November and December are now in the back of church. The cost of the booklets has been provided by a generous donator, so the booklets are offered to you at no charge if you would like to use them for your personal prayer time.

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

Clifford Kruse	Carolyn Kintner	Zane Coenen
Aaron Claey	Mike Wohlhutter	Betty Markham
Joann Weihs	Ellen Campbell	Marge Gubbels
Janet Engel	George Esquivel	Helen Schmitz
Bonnie Peterson	Eunice Blum	Fr. Dave Polich
Mary Tepe	Charlie McNair	David Blum
Darlene (Dar) Kenkel		

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. 21st	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13	Mt 9:9-13
Tue. 22nd	Ez 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20	Lk 8:19-21
Wed. 23rd	Ez 9:5-9	Lk 9:1-6
Thur. 24th	Hg 1:1-8	Lk 9:7-9
Fri. 25th	Hg 2:1-9	Lk 9:18-22
Sun. 27th	Nm 11:25-29	Jas 5:1-6
		Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

<u>Tithing</u> — September 13	\$ 6,789
Needed each week	7,709
Difference	(920)
	() if deficit
Year to date	\$ (11,190)

Seminarian Fund Special Collection Envelopes — are attached to this bulletin. Your gift to this appeal makes the difference for the faith leaders of tomorrow by providing necessary educational funding. Envelopes for this collection are also being sent from the diocese to individual homes. The envelopes that will be mailed to you and the envelope attached to this bulletin are for the same collection. If you choose to use the envelope attached to the bulletin, make your checks payable to St. Michael's and will pass them on to the diocese. You may also give online by going to dmdiocese.thankyou4caring.org.



St. Michael's Faith Formation

WE ARE FAMILY!

Upcoming Dates —

Sept. 23 8:30 pm Classes for Kindergarten to Grade 12
 Sept. 30 8:30 pm Classes for Kindergarten to Grade 8
 Grades 9-12 Fr. Bud Grant presentation in church

Today is Catechetical Sunday across the country. We would like to thank and bless all those who serve St. Michael's families as catechists in our Faith Formation program. It is a blessing to know that members care about the faith enough to ensure that it is passed on to the next generation. Thank you Catechists and God bless you and your families. Our catechists were recognized and blessed at our opening ceremony on September 9. Please take a moment to pray for all our catechists and perhaps tell them thank you for what they are doing.

St. Michael's Faith Formation Catechists —

Kindergarten	Karen Gross and Jill Tunender
1st Grade	Rhonda (Pauley) Buck and Jana Schmitz
2nd Grade	Tamie Fahn and Parents
3rd Grade	Shayla Leinen and Diane Weihs
4th Grade	Mindi Wollaston, Joni Stork and Bambi Ineson
5th Grade	Jacki Alberti and Tammy Bladt
6th Grade	Kathy Hull
7th Grade	Laura Lee Sheehan and Kristen Van Baale
8th Grade	Chery Andersen and Brenda Buman
9th Grade	Michelle Custer with help from EJ Leinen
10th Grade	Dena Leinen and Connie Kohles
11th Grade	Kevin Campbell and Joan Gubbels
12th Grade	Jenna Hucka and Jenni Svendsen



Follow Us — St. Michael's Faith Formation



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There is no sitting fee and no purchase required. Just for participating, you will receive

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Tues-Wed-Thurs, Oct 6-7-8, 2:00-9:00

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Portrait Order Coupons

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Bring a canned food item to your portrait session to receive a \$5 off coupon toward a portrait purchase. The non-perishable items go to the local Food Pantry.

White Ribbons — will be distributed by the Catholic Daughters after each Mass on the weekend of September 26-27 to raise awareness in the fight against pornography. Pornography destroys thousands of families each year and does not value human dignity. Please join us in prayer for all those affected.

Be Sure To Notice —

- Welcome Breakfast, Sunday, September 27
- Life Chain, Sunday, September 27

Ministry Schedule

Sept. 26-27	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 11:00 a.m.
1st Lector	Leo Kloewer	Tom Schmitz	Bonnie Kenkel
2nd Lector	Harry Nollen	Paul Kruse	Rob Kloewer
Eucharistic Ministers	Joyce Thraen (T) Britney Bengford Chris Tepe Mary Tepe Kathy Hull Brian Gubbels Pam Gubbels	Pat Lee (T) Richard Lee Ed Reinig Virginia Kruse Ethel Defenbaugh Maxine Kwapiszeski Phil Markham	Brianna Boldan (T) Michelle Custer Shari Heese Sherry Bierl Joyce Rodenborn Rob Kloewer Tami Kloewer
Servers	Trey Gross Ellie Gross Molly Gubbels	McKenzie Mumm Courtney Mumm Savannah Christensen	Madi Doonan Robert Schmidt Clara Schmidt
Musicians			Church, Wind & Fire
Cantors			Sparks
Ushers	Joe Zaccone Rodney Bengford Lisa Bengford Connie Kohles	Doug Baker Mary Baker Chuck Buhman J.C. Salvo	Brook Schwery Madi Doonan Gary Klein Bill Buman
Sept. 27	E.M. Elm Crest Dan Schechinger Joan Schechinger	E.M. Private Homes Cheryl Andersen Sherry Bierl	Money Counters Scott Koppold Michelle Koppold Sherry Krantz

Area Events

- **Fifteen-Decade Rosary for Life** will be Sunday, September 20, from 1:30-2:30 pm at St. Boniface in Westphalia.
- **St. Patrick's Parish in Walnut**, is hosting their annual fall dinner on Sunday, September 27, from 11:00 am-1:30 pm. A Staley's Chicken dinner will be served. Adults \$10
- **St. Patricks Parish in Neola** is hosting their annual parish dinner on Sunday, September 27, from 11:00 am-2:00pm. A roast beef dinner with mashed potatoes, gravy, salads, relishes and desserts will be served. Adults \$10 Raffle drawings throughout the day



Vocations
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Seminarians — Just because a young man goes to the seminary doesn't automatically mean he will become a priest. Those young men are discerning whether they are indeed called into that particular kind of service to our Lord. They would appreciate your prayers for them!

Please Support our Sponsors — They help make this bulletin possible!

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