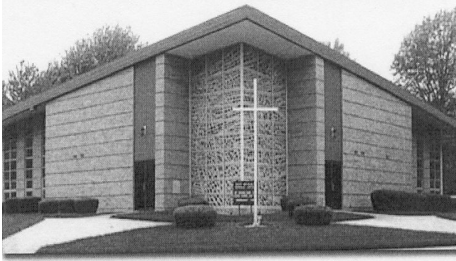


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We, the people of St. Michael's Catholic Parish, are many parts, but one body. As a community of believers in Jesus Christ and inspired by the Holy Spirit, we celebrate the sacraments, are challenged by Sacred Scripture and Roman Catholic Tradition, 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.

FROM THE PASTOR . . .

This weekend's gospel is the story of the rich man and a poor beggar named Lazarus. (Scripture scholars do not believe him to be the same Lazarus who was raised from the dead in John's Gospel). We are told that both of these men die, but Lazarus is resting in the bosom of Father Abraham, and the rich man is in an abode of torment (something similar to hell). From this new abode, the rich man now fully realizes his poor plight. It was his indifference and neglect towards Lazarus while on earth which caused his soul to wind up in this torment. He now would like to be able to warn his brothers to learn from his mistakes, but he has no means to contact them.

This story serves as a warning to all of us today that we can not be indifferent and neglect the poor no matter where they may live in our world. Throughout the year, St. Michael's Parish attempts to provide multiple opportunities for us to give assistance and aid to the poor. In the recent issue of the diocesan newspaper, *The Catholic Mirror*, there was a very nice article highlighting the Shelby County Nicaragua twinning project. We have the first weekend of the month food pantry collection. There are various second collections throughout the year for all sorts of causes. We also have various school projects and faith formation projects to assist the poor. Thank you to all who participate in these various projects and a warm invitation to everyone else to please consider supporting some of these projects. Together we can make a positive difference in the world.

*Peace,
Fr. John*

Growing In Faith?: How generously do I try to help the poor?

Jubilee Year Of Mercy —

Pope Francis is trying to renew and refresh the church with not only the witness of his life but with the teaching he has presented. As the Jubilee of Mercy is coming to an end, several statements of his, and other authors, will be presented to help us renew our lives.



In the pope's homily on March 13, 2015, he states that he is setting "a new stage in the journey of the Church on its mission to bring to every person the Gospel of Mercy." He added, "I am convinced that the whole Church will find in the Jubilee the joy needed to rediscover and make fruitful the mercy of God, with which all of us are called to give consolation to every man and woman of our time."

If you remember during Lent we outlined several Works of Mercy in our Masses and in the bulletin as a way for us to renew our lives. Showing mercy is not just for Lent.

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 25, 2016

Praise the Lord, my soul.

LIVE the GOSPEL
in your LIFE!

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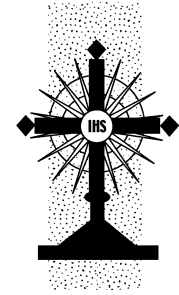
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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Contact the office to set a date.

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

Calendar for the Week of September 26—October 2

Monday	Sept. 26	—	No Mass
Tuesday	Sept. 27	8:15 am	Mass in memory of Wally Mudd
Wednesday	Sept. 28	8:15 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Mass in memory of Kathleen Renze Faith Formation Classes Grades K-6 Crossroads Mass at St. Joseph in Earling Grades 7-12
Thursday	Sept. 29	7:00 am 12:00 noon	Scripture Study in Parish Office Meeting Room Mass in memory of Jane Davies
Friday	Sept. 30	8:15 am	School Mass in memory of Helen Bissen
Saturday	Oct. 1	4:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm	Confessions Rosary Mass in memory of Howard Thraen and Ella Mae & Tony Schaben, Jr. & Pat Schaben
Sunday	Oct. 2	8:30 am 11:00 am	Mass for the people of St. Michael's Mass in memory of Tiny Schmidt and Mary Poepsel



Bread of Life

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.

You May Have Seen — the full page ad in the September 12 issues of the Omaha World-Herald or the Des Moines Register paid for by Catholics for Choice. This ad encouraged public funding for abortion as a Catholic social justice value in their campaign, "Abortion in Good Faith". The bishop responds below.

A Response From Bishop Pates. — New York Cardinal Timothy Dolan and other bishops states that this deceptive ad campaign contradicts the Catholic Church teaching that instructs life begins at conception and ends at natural death. "The use of the word 'Catholic' used to promote the taking of innocent human life in the ad campaign is offensive not only to Catholics but to all who expect honesty and forthrightness in public discourse," said Cardinal Dolan, chair of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities. He further states, "This organization, Catholics for Choice, is not affiliated with the Catholic Church in any way. It has no membership and clearly does not speak for the faithful." Cardinal Dolan quotes Pope Francis who said, "Life must always be welcomed and protected...from conception to natural death. All of us are called to respect life and care for it." If you would like to read the rest of the diocesan press release, you can contact the parish office.

Jubilee Year Of Mercy: A Morning Reflection — Fr. Wayne Gubbels will lead us as we journey to the close of Pope Francis's proclamation of the Jubilee Year of Mercy. The date is Saturday, October 15, at the Rosman Parish Center from 9:00 am —11:30 am. **Save the date.** More details will follow.

Your Input Is Needed — The pastoral council has been discussing and considering changing the time of the second Mass on Sunday from 11:00 am to 10:30 am. If you have an opinion about this that you would like to share, please talk to Fr. John or any council member. A final decision will be made at the October 11 meeting.

Living Faith Booklets — available in the back of church.

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
Joe Gubbels	David Updike	Alice Carey
Kathy Carl	Arden Riley	Bonnie Peterson
Rusty Buckley	Kenny Kenkel	Ray Chipman
Aggie Gaul		

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. 26th	Jb 1:6-22	Lk 9:46-50
Tue. 27th	Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23	Lk 9:51-56
Wed. 28th	Jb 9:1-12, 14-16	Lk 9:57-62
Thur. 29th	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14	Jn 1:47-51
Fri. 30th	Jb 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5	Lk 10:13-16
Sun. 2nd	Hb 1:2-3, 2:2-4 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14	Lk 17:5-10

Titling — September 18	\$6,890
Needed each week	7,308
Difference	(418)
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Year to date	\$ (5,892)

Family Resources Braking Traffik — program will be conducting Train the Trainer events across the state of Iowa in partnership with regional Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault providers and the Iowa State Sheriffs' and Deputies' Association. These trainings will equip attendees to conduct awareness presentations in local middle and high schools using Braking Traffik's **Any Kid Anywhere** curriculum. If you are interested in getting involved, the training will be on October 5 from 9:00 am-12:00 pm at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Council Bluffs. For more information contact Martha Wright at 712-256-2059 ext.109 or mwright@catholiccharitiesdm.org.



St. Michael's Faith Formation

WE ARE FAMILY!

Sep. 28	6:30 pm	Classes Grades K-6
	7:00 pm	Crossroads Mass in Earling Grades 7-12
Oct. 5	6:30 pm	Classes Grades K-12 Special Needs Class in the rectory
Oct. 12	6:30 pm	Family Rosary Grades K-8, Parents and Grandparents are invited to attend
	6:30 pm	Classes Grades 9-12
Oct. 19	6:30 pm	Classes Grades K-6 Special Needs Class in the rectory Grades 7-12 Crossroads Popcorn & Movie Night in Westphalia (Movie at 7:00)

Crossroads Mass — When the students are at St. Joseph Church in Earling, they will access the Holy Door as proclaimed by Pope Francis in this Jubilee Year of Mercy. All are invited to attend.

Kittens In The Garden Quilt is Ready for the Harvest Festival

— Thanks to quilters Donna Escher, Sandi Petsche, Vera Raasch, Margie Schenck, Lu Schwery and Jean Steinhoff for creating another beautiful queen-size quilt for this year's St. Michael's Harvest Festival. We thank you for the 177 hours of quilting time. Thanks to Mary Ann and Mike Assmann who pieced and donated the materials. There will be a lucky winner for this quilt as a raffle prize at the festival on October 9. Get your tickets now!

40 Days For Life — is a prayer campaign that begins on September 28 and runs through November 6. As part of this prayer campaign, there will be daily vigil hours to pray for the Life of the Unborn. The Earling Court of Catholic Daughters are offering rides to Gabriel's Corner in Council Bluffs on Friday, October 7, for anyone who is interested in being part of this vigil. They will car pool from the Earling Parish Hall and plan to leave promptly at 2:00 pm to arrive at 3:00 pm for one hour of silent prayer. Come join us.



Jubilee Year Of Mercy — The church is called above all to be a credible witness to mercy, professing it and living it as the core of the revelation of Jesus Christ. From the heart of the Trinity, from the depths of the mystery of God, the great river of mercy wells up and overflows unceasingly. It is a spring that will never run dry, no matter how many people draw from it. Every time someone is in need, he or she can approach it, because the mercy of God never ends.



Vocations Corner

What Ever State Of Life — God calls us to, we bring with us an assortment of experiences, interests and gifts – however small they seem to us. We are called to put our lives at the service of the Lord and our neighbor, wherever we find ourselves. Where and how is God calling you to spread His Good News—His Love?

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SAVE THE DATE! The annual "Tribute to Harvest Dinner and Auction" will be held on November 5. at St. Mary's Hall in Portsmouth. Auction items and donations can be sent to SCCS at your convenience.

Area Events —

- **National Life Chain** will be held near the Harlan Auto Mart on Sunday, October 2, from 1:30-2:30 pm. This peace pro-life witness is a silent prayer demonstrating the importance of protecting the lives of preborn children. Join more than 1500 cities across the US and Canada who will be participating. Bring the whole family, water, and lawn chairs if needed. Signs will be provided.
- **The Earling Court of Catholic Daughters** will celebrate Catholic Daughter Sunday on October 9 at the 9:30 Mass at St. Joseph's. The Daughters will wear their stoles and sit together at Mass. Coffee, rolls, and the Medjugorje presentation will follow Mass.
- Karen Chamberlain will give a presentation about her trip to **Medjugorje** after the 9:30 Mass at St. Joseph's in Earling on Sunday, October 9. The presentation will be in the parish hall.

Thinking About Traveling To Nicaragua — Contact Lori Hlavac at 579-9531 if you are interested in traveling to our sister parish, San Pedro Apostol, in Villa Sandino, Nicaragua, this January. High school juniors, seniors, and college students are invited to travel with us the last week of December.

Marriage Encounter Weekends — Discover what God wants for your marriage and the five tools every couple should know. For information dates and to register go to iowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305. The next date is October 21-23 in Cedar Falls.

Ministry Schedule

Oct. 1-2	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 11:00 a.m.
1st Lector	Elaine Sprague	Brent Scheve	Makayla Tremel
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Musicians			Sparks
Cantors			Sparks
Ushers	Les Blum Jan Blum Rachel Blum Joe Zaccone	Cletus Schmitz Jackie Coenen Scott Koppold Michelle Koppold	Tom Powers Bob Hastert Brook Schwery Lauren Blum
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