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.

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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.

FROM THE PASTOR . . .

In our first reading this weekend, we leave the writings of the prophet Amos, and we hear from the prophet Habakkuk. While Amos spoke out on social justice and neglecting the poor, we hear Habakkuk write about faith. He tells the people of Israel, "The just man, because of his faith shall live." Habakkuk is reminding the people of Israel that there is a direct connection between one's faith and their good works. He says it is because of one's faith that a person is able to do good works and to do acts of justice. The person of faith responds to God's will by putting their faith into action by loving their neighbor. When a person combines faith with good works, they will share in eternal life.

In the gospel, Jesus picks up on this theme. He tells his audience that if they have faith the size of a tiny mustard seed they could say to the sycamore tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea, and it will obey you." Jesus is telling us of the tremendous power of faith and how it can transform the world. Hopefully all of us can recall a moment, an experience in our lives, where we felt the power of faith being reaffirmed within us.

Today, my brother priests from the Diocese of Des Moines and I are leaving for Iowa City for our annual fall workshop. The topic this year is the papal teachings of Pope Francis. While I am away this week, Fr. David Smith has chosen to remain in Shelby County. He has agreed to cover any deaths or medical emergencies while I am gone. His phone number is 712-743-2625. Have a good week!

Growing In Faith?: Have I had a moment of "Darkness of Faith?"

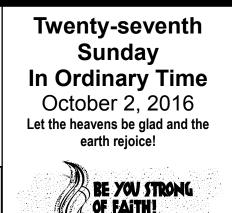
Jubilee Year Of Mercy —

We are capable of change. From Laudato Si #205 Pope Francis states, "Human beings, while capable of the worst, are also capable of rising above themselves, choosing again what is good and making a new start, despite their mental and social conditioning. We are able to take an honest look at ourselves, to acknowledge our deep dissatisfaction, and to embark on new paths to authentic freedom. No system can completely suppress our



openness to what is good, true and beautiful, or our God-given ability to respond to His grace at work deep in our hearts. I appeal to everyone throughout the world not to forget this dignity which is ours. No on has the right to take it from us."

Pope France reminds us that doing good, with humility never goes out of style.



Monday	Oct. 3		No Mass	
Tuesday	Oct. 4	9:30 am	Mass for Ron, Jay, and Mike Frederick at Elm Crest	
Wednesday	Oct. 5	8:15 am	School Mass in memory of Gary Gross	\mathbf{N}
-		6:30 pm	Classes Grades K-12	
			Special Needs Class in the Parish Office Meeting Room	23
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Thursday	Oct. 6	7:00 am	Scripture Study in Parish Office Meeting Room	
	1	2:00 noon	Mass with Fr. Joel McNeil in memory of Mary Ann Kenkel, Toni Annin,	Spirit
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			Diocesan Council of Catholic Women	faithful
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Friday	Oct. 7	8:15 am	School Mass in memory of Pete & Elaine Sheldon	
			First Friday Adoration	loving
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Saturday	Oct. 8	2:30 pm	Wedding Jessica Finken and Patrick Green	
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		4:30 pm	Rosary	
		5:00 pm	Mass in memory of Warren Becker and Jason Cairney, Mike Kramer & Ed	Leinen
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Sunday	Oct. 9	8:30 am	Mass for the people of St. Michael's	
		11:00 am	Mass in memory of Gene Sibenaller and Jerome "Shorty" & Mary Rauterk	us
	11:00 a	m-2:00 pm	Harvest Festival	

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.

Jubilee Year Of Mercy — Be sure to read the bulletin insert with details about the morning reflection scheduled with Fr. Wayne Gubbels in the Rosman Parish Center on Saturday, October 15, from 9:00 am -11:30 am. All are welcome.

October Is Respect Life Month — This month we remember the precious gift of life being threatened in our culture at all stages. The Shelby County Right to Life group has placed two red roses in each of the Shelby County Catholic Churches to help us remember the right to life issues.

Bulletin Attachment — the Shelby County Right to Life Committee has provided the bulletin attachment with information about protecting and respecting life at all stages.

National Life Chain — will be held near the Harlan Auto Mart this Sunday, October 2, from 1:30-2:30 pm. This peaceful pro-life witness is a silent prayer demonstrating the importance of protecting the lives of preborn children. Join more than 1,500 cities across the United States and Canada who will be participating. Bring the whole family, water, and lawn chairs if needed. Signs will be provided.

White **Ribbons** — will be distributed by the Catholic Daughters St. Maria Goretti Court 2498 after Mass next weekend 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 to receive God's healing grace.

Harvest Festival Quilt — will be on display in church this weekend. Thanks, again, to Mary Ann and Mike Assmann who pieced and donated the quilt and to all the quilters. Purchase your raffle tickets to have a chance to win this beautiful handmade quilt. We hope to see you at the festival on October 9!

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

In order to keep this list more current for people going through changing conditions, names will be kept on the list for no more than six months, unless the family specifically requests they be continued for another six months.

Gordon Nelson

Bonnie Peterson

Ray Chipman

Aggie Gaul

Alice Carey

Violet Bohr	Gary Kenkel	Gordo
Jenny Schwery	Curt Coenen	Aggie
Joe Gubbels	David Updike	Alice (
Kathy Carl	Arden Riley	Bonnie
Rusty Buckley	Kenny Kenkel	Ray C
Grace Marshall	Michelle Willenborg	g-Marshall

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

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3rd	Gal 1:6-12		Lk 10:25-37		
4th	Gal 1:13-24		Lk 10:38-42		
5th	Gal 2: 1-2, 7-14		Lk 11: 1-4		
6th	Gal 3: 1-5		Lk 11: 5-13		
7th	Gal 3: 7-14		Lk 11: 15-26		
9th	2 Kgs 5:14-17	2 Tm 2:8-13	Lk 17: 11-19		
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	St. Michael's Faith Formation We are Family!	
Oct. 5 6:30 pm	Classes Grades K-12 Special Needo Class in the Bestery	
Oct. 12 6:30 pm	Special Needs Class in the Rectory Family Rosary Grades K-8, Parents and Grandparents are invited to attend	
6:30 pm	Classes Grades 9-12	
Oct. 16 11:00 am	7th Grade leads Sunday Mass	
Oct. 19 6:30 pm	Classes Grades K-6	
	Special Needs Class in the Parish Office Meeting Room	
	Grades 7-12 Crossroads Popcorn &	
	Movie Night in Westphalia (Movie at 7:00)	
Oct. 23	DCYC 9th and 10th Grades	
Oct. 26	No Classes	

Parking Lot Informational Presentation — As you probably know, we will be working on the church parking lot the summer of 2017. An engineer from Raker Rhodes will be present to help answer questions about what we are doing and why. The presentation will be held in the church on Wednesday, October 19, at 6:45 pm. Anyone who would like more information about this project is welcome to attend. This will be the only presentation in this town hall forum with the engineer.

Eucharistic Adoration — is this Friday, October 7. There will be a sign up sheet in the back of church. We need someone present at all times whenever the host is exposed. Holy Hour of Prayer for Vocations begins at 11:00. Benediction will be at noon.

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 — Pope Francis states, "We need constantly to contemplate the mystery of mercy. It is a wellspring of joy, serenity, and peace. Mercy is the fundamental law that dwells in the heart of every person who looks sincerely into the eyes of his brothers and sisters on the path of life.



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Did You Know — that the word vocation is related to the term "vocal cords" and means "a calling"? More precisely it means spending your life doing what your innermost heart feels called to do. To follow a vocation means living your own unique life. That's of course what all of us would like to accomplish, but how shall we do it? —-- Vision Vocation Guide 2015

Shelby County Catholic School News

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.

- 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.
- Immanuel Lutheran Church Women are hosting their annual Harvest Bazaar and Luncheon on Wednesday, October 19, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Harlan from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. Ticket price is \$10 for turkey casserole, green beans, salads, rolls, dessert, and beverage. Baked goods sale starts at 10:30 am. Tickets are available at the church office or at the door.

<u>Harvest Festival Paddle Wheel Prizes</u> — can be left in the donation tubs in the back of church. Refer to your letter for the list of suggested prizes.

Harvest Festival Raffle Tickets — may be turned in at the parish office, in the collection basket at Mass, or at the festival on October 9. Tickets for the Staley's Chicken Dinner will be sold at the door the day of the festival. Come and enjoy the food and the fun!

Oct. 8-9	Saturday	Sunday	Sunday
	5:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
1st Lector	Leo Kloewer	Maxine Kwapiszeski	David Erlbacher
2nd Lector	Lin Brinker	Rhonda Buck	Joan Schechinger
Eucharistic Ministers	Cheryl Long (T) Ron Muenchrath Joyce Thraen Shayla Leinen Marvin Bissen Roger Bissen Dea Ann Bissen	Jo Kenkel (T) Alan Kenkel Jim Kohles Betty Leuck Dan Schumacher Ed Reinig Maxine Kwapiszeski	Jenny Moser (T) Gary Weihs Diane Weihs Kathy Campbell Michelle Custer Shari Heese Jenna Hucka
Servers	Wyatt Fahn	Abby Alberti	Joey Moser
	Cole Fahn	Ben Alberti	Brecken Van Baale
	Volunteer Needed	Darby Argotsinger	Brett Van Baale
Musicians		Peg Berg	
Cantors		Sarah Schumacher	
Ushers	Les Blum	Cletus Schmitz	Tom Powers
	Jan Blum	Jackie Coenen	Bob Hastert
	Rachel Blum	Scott Koppold	Brook Schwery
	Joe Zaccone	Michelle Koppold	Lauren Blum
Oct. 9	E.M. Elm Crest Dottie Bauer Marian Buman	E.M. Private Homes Tom Schmitz Bev Schmitz	Money Counters Sherry Krantz Kathy Hull Brenda Blum

Ministry Schedule

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