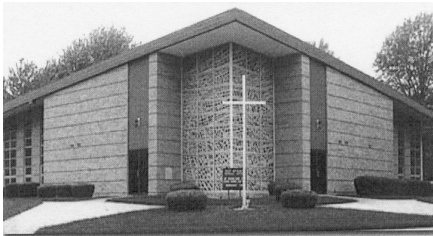


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Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 11, 2015

Prosper the work of our hands, O Lord!



Seek the WISDOM
of the LORD

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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.

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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 . . .

One of the greatest challenges we face in life is the tension between faith and personal wealth. Is our primary pursuit in life to possess wealth or is it to have a loving relationship with the Lord? The gospel this weekend addresses this fundamental question with the story of the rich man and Jesus. We are told that the rich man is very much impressed by the teaching of Jesus and he wants to know more about eternal life. Immediately, Jesus asks him if he is following the Ten Commandments. The rich man answers yes, that he has obeyed them since his youth. Then Jesus drops the proverbial bomb by saying, "Then do one more thing. Go sell what you have, give it to the poor, and then come follow me." To which the man leaves Jesus feeling very sad for himself because he can not sell off his riches.

Does this story mean that Jesus is condemning wealth? Yes and no; it's a little of both. We must be careful not to take this story too literally. We need to remember that in ancient Judaism wealth was understood as a blessing from God. The prevailing thought of the day was that the more wealth a person had, the more blessed that person was and the closer they were to God. In this story, Jesus appears to refute this accepted belief of his day. So Jesus is not directly condemning wealth, but he is condemning those persons who put their wealth ahead of God. Jesus gives the rich man an opportunity to follow him, but the rich man is not capable of giving up his wealth to follow the Lord. This is the reason the rich man sadly leaves Jesus. He can not put his love of God ahead of his wealth. Consequently, Jesus feels sorry for the rich man and he remarks, "How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the Kingdom of God."

Peace,
Fr. John

Growing In Faith?: Do I put wealth ahead of the Lord?

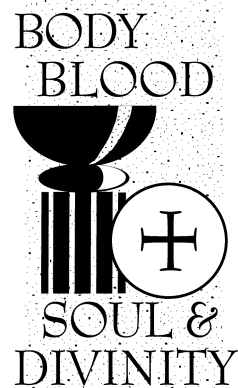
Laudato Si' Encyclical — The Good News People share from Pope Francis's encyclical, **Laudato Si'** (Praise Be to You). The encyclical is subtitled, *On Care for Our Common Home*.

Pope Francis spends three chapters on the teachings of St. Francis of Assisi who he took as his name and guide. "I believe that Saint Francis is the example par excellence of care for the vulnerable and of an integral ecology lived out joyfully and authentically. Just as happens when we fall in love with someone, whenever he would gaze at the sun, moon or the smallest of animals, he burst into song, drawing all other creatures into his praise. Saint Francis, faithful to Scripture, invites us to see nature as a magnificent book in which God speaks to us and grants us a glimpse of His infinite beauty and goodness. Rather than a problem to be solved, the world is a joyful mystery to be contemplated with gladness and praise."



Calendar for the Week of October 12-18

Monday	Oct. 12	6:30 pm	No Mass Faith Formation Advisory Board Meeting at Rectory
Tuesday	Oct. 13	8:15 am	Communion Service
Wednesday	Oct. 14	8:15 am 6:00-8:30 pm 6:30-7:30 pm	Communion Service High School Student Dinner and Guest Speakers in Rosman Parish Center Faith Formation Classes for Kindergarten to Grade 8
Thursday	Oct. 15	12:00 Noon	Communion Service
Friday	Oct. 16	8:15 am	School Mass in memory of Owen Langenfeld
Saturday	Oct. 17	4:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm	Confessions Rosary Mass for Joe Dreher on his 80th Birthday and for the Jim & Betty Kohles Family
Sunday	Oct. 18	8:30 am 11:00 am 1:30 pm 6:00 pm	Mass for the people of St. Michael's Mass in memory of Gary Kloewer and Gene Sibenaller Fifteen Decade Rosary for Life Spanish Mass



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.)

May God Bless — Ana Pope and Will McConnell who were married at St. Michael's this weekend.

Harvest Festival — is this Sunday, October 11. Come and join us for a delicious Staley's Chicken Dinner served from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Carry outs are available and all dinner tickets will be sold at the door. Be sure to have your raffle tickets turned in before the drawing. Come visit the Country Store, the Paddle Wheel and the Cake Walk. See you at the Festival!

Knights Of Columbus — business and social meeting will be Tuesday, October 20, at 7:00 pm, at Gerry Fremi's building located at **101 Market Street**. For further information, contact Bob Kesterson at 712-249-5799.

Des Moines Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invites all Catholic Women to our Spiritual Retreat entitled *Manifesting Love: Becoming Living Prayer* on Saturday, October 17, at St. Augustin Church Parish Hall at 545 42nd Street in Des Moines. Retreat facilitator Kathy Reardon is a spiritual director, holistic nurse and educator. The retreat begins with a continental breakfast at 8:30. Pre-registration is \$15 and can be sent to Marilyn Alfes at 263435 Sycamore Road, Neola, IA, 51559. Registration is \$20 at the door on October 17.

Fr. Bud Grant Presentation Follow-Up — A good crowd, including many high school students, came to hear Fr. Bud's talk on Pope Francis's Encyclical *Laudato Si'*. As a follow-up, the Good News People have purchased copies of the encyclical for interested parishioners to read, study and pray over. The paperback copy costs about \$10, but we are offering it "on sale" for \$5. Members of the committee will be in the back of church next weekend, October 17-18, offering a chance for you to purchase your own copy. The important thing is to pay attention to what the pope is teaching. It is easy reading so give it a try!

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	Pat Kenkel	Jenny Schwery
Kelly Gaer		

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. 12th	Rom 1:1-7	Lk 11:29-32
Tue. 13th	Rom 1:16-25	Lk 11:37-41
Wed. 14th	Rom 2:1-11	Lk 11:42-46
Thur. 15th	Rom 3:21-30	Lk 11:47-54
Fri. 16th	Rom 4:1-8	Lk 12:1-7
Sun. 18th	Is 53:10-11 Heb 4:14-16	Mk 10:35-45

Tithing — October 4	\$ 7,833
Needed each week	7,709
Difference	124
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Year to date	\$ (14,489)

Food Pantry Collection — resulted in \$252 and 210 pounds of food or toiletry items. Those who rely on the food pantry thank you.

SCCS Charlene Schwery Schmidt Tuition Assistance Fund Collection — resulted in \$1,310.91. The goal at SCCS is to provide a Catholic education for all who request it. These funds will help those students in need of tuition assistance. Thanks from SCCS!



St. Michael's Faith Formation

WE ARE FAMILY!

Upcoming Dates —

Oct. 14	6:00-8:30 pm	High School Dinner and guest Speakers from Benedictine College "One Love" in parish center
	6:30-7:30 pm	Classes for Kindergarten to Grade 8
Oct. 21	6:30 pm	Classes for Kindergarten to Grade 6
	6:30 pm	Pizza in Westphalia followed by Vocations talk for Grades 7-12
Oct. 25	10 am-5:00 pm	Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference
Oct. 28	NO CLASSES	



Follow Us — *St. Michael's Faith Formation*

Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference — is Sunday, October 25. All 7th to 12th Grade students are encouraged to attend this great day that includes Mass. There is no charge. We will leave from St. Michael's at 8:00 am. Drivers/chaperones are needed. Please call Veronica for more information.

Faith Sound Auditions — for middle or high school students begin October 14. If you would like to be a part of this contemporary music ministry, call or text Roger at 641-295-4828.

Christian Experience Weekend For Men — will be presented by a group of men who are driving across Iowa to come to St. Mary's Hall in Panama on October 16 –18. This renewal weekend is for men of all ages who want to deepen their relationship with Jesus and experience the joy and fullness of life he can bring. Call Lon Schroeder at 402-889-1195 or Ron Wingert at 712-747-2600 to register or for more information. Farmers, if rain is imminent, feel free to call or come at the last minute.

October Is Respect Life Month — The Shelby County Pro-Life committee has supplied this weekend's attachment to help us stay mindful of all the numerous human life issues.

Holiday Caroling Festivities In The Heartland — Singers and musicians of all talent levels and ages are invited to participate in a series of fun and rewarding community service activities by performing in area nursing homes. For more information and a schedule of events go to www.HolidayMusicMakingADifference.com or www.facebook.com/HolidayCaroling4Seniors.



Vocations

Vocations — It can take time to find one's calling and be confirmed in it. Saint Paul of the Cross wanted to redirect his life to bring others the message of God's love expressed in Christ's Passion, but he had to wait more than two decades before the church officially gave him permission to found the religious order now known as the Passionists. — Take Five for Faith

Shelby County Catholic School News

The annual Dream Flyaway Dinner & Auction will be held Saturday, November 7, in Panama. In preparation for the event, we are accepting auction items until November 3. If you would like to donate an item for our auction, please call the school at 755-5634.

Area Events

- **Alzheimer's Support Group** will meet Monday, October 12, at 9:30 am at the Harlan Senior Center located within the Therkildsen Activity Center.
- **Mobile Food Pantry** will be in Harlan at the Vet's Building on Tuesday, October 13, from 4:30–6:30 pm. The pantry is free of charge. Bring boxes or bags to carry your food home.
- **Immanuel Lutheran Church Women** will host their annual Fall Bazaar and Luncheon on Wednesday, October 14, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Turkey casserole, green beans, salads and cake will be served. Adult tickets are \$10. Baked goods will be on sale beginning at 10:30 am. All are invited. Tickets are available by calling 755-5207 or from any ILCW member.
- **Catholic Daughters Court of St. Katherine** will meet on Thursday, October 15, at 7:00 pm in the Earling Hall. The theme of our meeting is October, the Month of the Holy Rosary. Bring a friend and remember guests are always welcome.
- **Fifteen-Decade Rosary for Life** will be Sunday, October 18, from 1:30-2:30 pm at St. Michael's in Harlan.
- **St. Mary's Parish, Portsmouth, Fall Festival and Craft/Vendor Show** is Sunday, November 8, from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. Tables are available to rent. Contact Brenda Arkfeld at 743-2403.

Save The Date — Immaculee Ilibagiza, a Rwandan genocide survivor, is coming to Holy Trinity Church in Des Moines on February 12-13. The retreat includes a healing Mass.

Ministry Schedule

Oct. 17-18	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 11:00 a.m.
1st Lector	Mary Tepe	Paul Kruse	Gary Weihs
2nd Lector	Chris Tepe	Deann Irlmeier	Joan Chamberlain
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Musicians	Rod Carlson	Peg Lantz	
Cantors	John Rosman	Sarah Schumacher	
Ushers	Lin Brinker JoAnn Kenkel Don Stowe Mick Schmidt	Dale Swanson Jackie Coenen Gary Dozler Maxine Kwapiszeski	Tom Murtaugh Marcus Gross, Jr. Tom Powers Mark Zaccane
Oct. 18	E.M. Elm Crest Dennis Mumm Joyce Mumm	E.M. Private Homes Dottie Bauer Marian Buman	Money Counters Bruce Carl Kathy Carl Shelly Schmidt

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