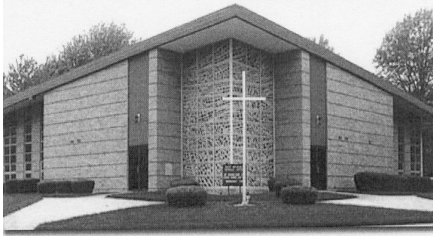


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Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 8, 2015

Stay awake and be waiting
for the Lord!



Lord, teach us the true spirit of generosity

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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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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 the gospel this weekend, we hear the familiar story of "The Widow's Mite". It is a very simple and yet beautiful story. It is a story that speaks about our generosity. It tells us how important it is for us to give back to God out of gratitude for the blessings which we have received from our generous God.

The power of the story centers upon the poverty of the widow. We are told that she gives back to God, not from her surplus of wealth, but rather from her meager resources. She is giving freely from her heart. She is not giving from the motive of obligation or from constraint. She does not say to herself, "I ought to give to God"; no she gives from the depth of her heart. She gives simply from the desire to give back to God.

For us today, when it comes to our personal giving, are we as generous to God as the widow was in the gospel? I realize, and I, too, experience a lot of demands from so many different outside sources upon my wealth. Sometimes we do give out of a sense of duty or obligation. But when it comes to giving back to God, are we able to do so out of a genuine spirit of gratitude? Let us be mindful of the various ways in which God blesses us. When we are honest with ourselves on how much God loves us and blesses us, then we can't help but be grateful givers back to God.

*Peace,
Fr. John*

Growing In Faith?: What is my attitude towards giving?

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*.

The continued acceleration of changes affecting humanity and the planet is coupled today with a more intensified pace of life and work which might be called "rapidification." Although change is part of the working complex systems, the speed with which human activity has developed contrasts with the naturally slow pace of biological evolution. Moreover, the goals of this rapid and constant change are not necessarily geared to the common good or to integral and sustainable human development. Change is something desirable, yet it becomes a source of anxiety when it causes harm to the world and to the quality of life of much of humanity. (Paragraph 18)



Calendar for the Week of November 9-15

Monday	Nov. 9	—	No Mass
Tuesday	Nov. 10	8:15 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Mass for those who are lonely Finance Council in Parish Office Meeting Room Pastoral Council in Parish Office Meeting Room
Wednesday	Nov. 11	8:15 am 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm	School Mass in memory of Bernice Anastasi Faith Formation Classes Grades K-8 Theology of the Body for Grades 9-12 in the Rosman Parish Center Guild Executive Board in Parish Office Meeting Room
Thursday	Nov. 12	7:00 am 12:00 noon	Scripture Study in Parish Office Meeting Room Mass in memory of Don & Mary Poole
Friday	Nov. 13	8:15 am	School Mass in memory of Betty Schmidt
Saturday	Nov. 14	4:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm	Confessions Rosary Mass in memory of Marcus Gross, Sr. & Don Gross and Richard Carroll
Sunday	Nov. 15	8:30 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm	Mass in memory Lavern Petsche and Marvin Miller Mass for the people of St. Michael's 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.)

Grant Eternal Rest, O Lord, To: — Adeline Caddell of our parish.

Congratulations To: — Tyler Harms, grandson of Russ and Joan E. Chamberlain, for making his First Communion last weekend.

New Lector Workbooks — are now available and in the sacristy. Lectors, please pick up your copy of the workbook and cross your name off the list so we know who has a book. Thanks.

For Your Information — The movie, *Spotlight*, will be released this Friday, November 6. This movie features the story of the Boston Globe journalists who investigated the clerical sexual abuse issue within the Archdiocese of Boston. Because of the subject matter, Bishop Pates, wants you to be informed so that you will be prepared for possible widespread public attention to the movie. It is expected that this film will “spotlight” clerical child sexual abuse. At the same time, it offers an opportunity to raise awareness on what has been and continues to be done within the church in addressing the issue of child safety. Please read the insert provided by the bishop with more information about what has been and continues to be done in our diocese to insure the safety of all children.

Diocesan Victim Assistance Advocate — Sherry Knox is a staff member at Polk County Crisis & Advocacy Services who can help victims of sexual abuse of minors by clergy through a complaint process and in seeking support and counseling services. She can be reached at 515-286-2028, or you can e-mail her at advocate@dmdiocese.org or sherry.knox@polkcountyiowa.gov to make a complaint or seek support or counseling.

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

Clifford Kruse	Carolyn Kintner	Zane Coenen
Jenny Schwery	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	

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. 9th	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12	1Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17	Jn 213-22
Tue. 10th	Wis 2:23—3:9		Lk 17:7-10
Wed. 11th	Wis 6:1-11		Lk 17:11-19
Thur. 12th	Wis 7:22b—8:1		Lk 17:20-25
Fri. 13th	Wis 13:1-9		Lk 17:26-37
Sun. 15th	Dn 12:1-3	Heb 10:11-14, 18	Mk 13:24-32

Titithing — November 1	\$ 8,988
Needed each week	7,709
Difference	1,279
	() if deficit
Year to date	\$ (16,148)

St. Michael's Pictorial Directory — Thanks to all of you who had your picture taken for our pictorial directory. Just for having your picture taken, you receive a free 8 X 10 picture. If you did not receive your picture in the mail, the free 8 X 10 was sent to the parish office. You can pick up your picture any time during office hours. We will also have them available in the church during the weekend Masses on November 14-15.



St. Michael's Faith Formation

WE ARE FAMILY!

Upcoming Dates —

Nov. 11 6:30 pm Classes for Kindergarten to Grade 8
 6:30 pm Theology of the Body Grades 9-12 in
 the Rosman Parish Center
 Nov. 18 6:30 pm Classes for Kindergarten-1, 3-12
 6:30 pm First Reconciliation for 2nd Grade in
 the church
 Nov. 25 ——— No Classes; Thanksgiving Break



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

Sparks (Grades K-5) Will Lead — the music on Sunday, November 22, at the 11:00 Mass. Come and support our youth. They will begin singing about fifteen minutes before Mass begins.

Girls CYO Basketball — Teams are being formed for girls in Grades 9-12. If you are interested in playing on a team, please call the parish office at 755-5244.

Thanksgiving Bulletin — we will be running one bulletin that covers the weekends of November 21-22 and 28-29. If you have any bulletin items for the rest of November, please get them to the parish office as soon as possible. Thanks!

Save The Date — St. Peter's Country Fest, November 28.

Veterans Day, November 11 — Please pray for these military personnel currently serving our country.

SGT Jesse Andersen, ARNG	1LT Nathan Andersen, ARM
SRA Jaymie Bral, ANG	CPL Sean M. Carey, ARM
CAPT John Finken, USMC	<u>SPC Riley Finn, ARM</u>
SPC.E4 Danny Goeser, ARNG	<u>PO2 Matt Graeve, USN</u>
A1C James Klein, ANG	CAPT David Koesters, JAG
CWO2 Jeff Muenchrath, USN	SGT William Reinig, ARM
LT.COL. Justin Wagner, ANG	

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.



Vocations Corner

Holiness — is a challenge for all of us, whatever our specific vocations. We are called to be holy in all aspects of our lives. This is an ongoing process, often slowed by setbacks. When the saints were alive, they did not regard themselves as saints; rather, they knew they were sinners — and they strived to be saints. The process of becoming holy is, even for saints, filled with struggle. Know you are a sinner; strive to be a saint.

Area Events

- **St. Mary's Parish, Portsmouth**, Fall Festival and Craft/Vendor Show is Sunday, November 8, from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. Homemade chili and chicken noodle soups plus sandwiches and dessert will be served all day.
- **St. Mary's Parish in Avoca** is hosting their fall dinner and bake sale on Sunday, November 8. Staley's Chicken Dinner will be served from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm. Adult tickets are \$10. Children 10 and under are \$5. Carry-outs are available.
- **Alzheimer's Support Group** will meet Monday, November 9, at 9:30 am at the Harlan Senior Center located within the Therildsen Activity Center.
- **Shelby American Legion** is hosting a Veterans Day Soup Supper at the Shelby Community Building on Wednesday, November 11, from 5:00-8:00 pm. The menu is vegetable beef soup, chicken noodle soup, salad and dessert. Everyone is welcome! Veterans eat free. Adults \$10, Children \$5, Age 5 and under free
- **Jesus, My Friend, a Retreat for Adults with Disabilities**, will be held on Saturday, November 14, from 9:00–11:30 am at St. Robert Bellarmine cafeteria at 11802 Pacific Street in Omaha. This retreat for adults age 18 and older with developmental, cognitive and/or physical disabilities will provide an opportunity for participants to encounter Christ through a morning of prayer, music, scripture and activities. Call our parish office at 755-5244 if you would like more information.
- **Catholic Daughters Court of St. Katherine** will celebrate their annual Memorial Mass, Thursday, November 19, at 6:00 pm in St. Joseph's Church in memory of the Daughters and Knights of Columbus who have died this past year. They invite the families of deceased members to attend. There will be a meal with the November meeting to follow.
- **SCCO Pancake Brunch** (with the Pancake Man), Bake Sale and Silent Auction will be Sunday, December 6. More info next week.

Ministry Schedule

Nov. 14-15	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 11:00 a.m.
1st Lector	Elaine Sprague	Sarah Devine	Marcus Gross, Jr.
2nd Lector	Chris Tepe	Deann Irlmeier	Jane Klein
Eucharistic Ministers	Roger Bissen (T) Dea Ann Bissen Volunteer Needed Phil Koesters Joyce Thraen Britney Bengford Marvin Bissen	Richard Lee (T) Pat Lee Volunteer Needed Deann Irlmeier Maxine Kwapiszeski Ed Reinig J.C. Salvo	Sherry Bierl (T) Joyce Rodenborn Volunteer Needed Jane Klein Clare Klein Cindy Pattee David Erlbacher
Servers	Ethan Tepe Jonathan Tepe Stephen Leinen	Abby Alberti Ben Alberti Darbie Argotsinger	Brecken Van Baale Bret Van Baale Matthew Sorfonden
Musicians		Peg Lantz	Chris Larsen
Cantors		Sarah Schumacher	Mike Bierl
Ushers	Marcus Klein Gerry Fremi Sam Wilwerding Leo Goeser	Phil Markham David Jacobs Scott Koppold Michelle Koppold	Dan Schechinger Gary Weihs Eric Schmidt Chloe Schmidt
Nov. 15	E.M. Elm Crest Kay Schechinger Diane Weihs	E.M. Private Homes Les Blum Jan Blum	Money Counters Betty Leuck Leo Goeser Les Blum

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