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.

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 13, 2016

The Lord comes to rule the world with justice.



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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 . . .

Our reading this weekend talks about the coming of the "End Times." These readings inform us there will be a day when the world as we know it will come to an end. The crowd in the gospel asks Jesus, "When will this happen?" and "What will be the signs when it takes place?" (Hint: the Cubs winning the World Series, just kidding.) Jesus informs the crowd, that the "When" and the "How" of the end times are the wrong questions to be asking. Rather, we are told that our concern should be on how we are living out our faith right now. Are we a loving people? Are we authentically living out our faith everyday of our lives?

Jesus is instructing the crowd and us that we should be living our lives as if the Lord has already come. We should be watchful and diligent right now in living out our faith. Jesus is saying that being fearful of the coming of the end times is not healthy or even necessary for us, rather we should concentrate on living out joy filled lives. We should focus on praising and serving God right now and not worrying about when or how the world will end.

Growing In Faith?: Am I prepared for the coming of the Lord?

Apostolic Exhortation "The Joy of Love" —

(from the 2014/2015 Assembly of the Synod of Bishops)

Pope Francis states, I would make it clear that not all discussions of doctrinal, moral, or pastoral issues need to be settled by intervention of the magisterium (by Rome). Each country or region, moreover, can seek solutions better suited to its culture and sensitive to its traditions and local needs. For



cultures are in fact quite diverse and every general principle needs to be enculturated, if it is to be respected and applied." (introduction, page 10)

The Catholic Church is a world religion. Traditions in the African bush are certainly different than in New York City. Even in different regions of the United States there are cultural differences that some in our own communities find very challenging. The Church is listening.

Calendar for the Week of November 14-20

Monday	Nov. 14		No Mass	We are (1)
Tuesday	Nov. 15	9:30 am 7:00 pm	Mass in memory of Jan Davitt at <i>Elm Crest</i> Knights of Columbus in the Parish Office Meeting Room	baptized into •†•
Wednesday	Nov. 16	8:15 am 6:30 pm	School Mass in memory of Marcus Gross Sr. & Don Gross Second Grade First Reconciliation in Church Faith Formation Classes Grades K-1, 3-12	the life of the LORD
Thursday	Nov. 17	7:00 am 12:00 noon	Scripture Study in Parish Office Meeting Room Mass in memory of Mark Feser	
Friday	Nov. 18	8:15 am	School Mass in memory of Otto Klein & family	
Saturday	Nov. 19	4:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm	Confessions Rosary Mass in memory of Maxine Thielen & Rosemary Reinig and Leonar	rd Assmann
Sunday	Nov. 20	8:30 am 11:00 am	Mass for the people of St. Michael's Mass in memory of Gussie Molony and Tiny Schmdit	

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.) Sunday Mass is also available on demand by accessing the Harlan Knights of Columbus channel on YouTube.

<u>Grant Eternal Rest, O Lord, To:</u> — Paul Stephany of our parish, and Isabel Klein of our parish.

We Welcome These Children — Claudia Sorensen and **Ezekiel Sorensen** who were baptized last weekend as the newest members of our parish community.

Giving Tree Project — St. Michael's 9th Grade Confirmation class will be collecting items for those in need by conducting the Giving Tree project. Beginning November 19, the two Giving Trees will be located by the main doors of church and decorated with items of need. Please take an ornament and bring the suggested gift back the next week, unwrapped. Place the gift under the tree and place the ornament back on the tree. You many take as many ornaments as you would like. All gifts will be donated to West Central Development for distribution to those families who are less fortunate in our community. The 9th Grade Confirmation class thanks you for your generosity in making the Giving Tree project a success.

10th Grade Confirmation Project — The tubs in the back of church are for a group of Confirmation students who are working on their Confirmation service project. They would like to collect new or gently used blankets and deliver them to West Central Development to help the needy here in Shelby County. The tubs will be in the back of church throughout the next several months. These 10th grade students thank you for your support and any contribution you can give to this project.

Clothing Drive — If you would like to donate to this year's clothing drive for Siena/Francis House, be sure to have your items to the Rosman Parish Center before November 20.

Lector Workbooks — for the new year are in the sacristy. Lectors, please pick up your book and cross your name off the list, so we know that you have your book. Thanks.

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

Violet Bohr Gary Kenkel Gordon Nelson
Joe Gubbels Kathy Carl David Updike
Kenny Kenkel Arden Riley Alice Carey
Anna Mae Kramer Bonnie Peterson Ric Schneider
Grace Marshall Michelle Willenborg-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 —

Mon.	14th	Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-	Lk 18:35-43	
Tue.	15th	Rv 3:1-6, 14-2	Lk 19:1-10	
Wed.	16th	Rv 4:1-11		Lk 19:11-28
Thur.	17th	Rv 5:1-10		Lk 19:41-44
Fri.	18th	Rv 10:8-11		Lk 19:45-48
Sun.	20th	2Sm 5:1-3	Col 1:12-20	Lk 23:35-43

<u>Tithing</u> — Nov. 6	\$ 6,623
Needed each week	7,308
Difference	(685)
	() if deficit
Year to date	\$ (8,944)

Food Pantry Collection — resulted in \$243 and 160 pounds of food or toiletry items. Thanks for giving to the local food pantry. Your monthly contributions are greatly appreciated.

Hurricane Matthew Relief Collection — resulted in \$1,122.61. Thanks for your generosity to this collection. Your donations will be used to support the efforts of Catholic Relief Services and Catholic Charites as they reach out to provide humanitarian aid in the form of water, food, shelter, and medical care to communities affected by this hurricane.



St. Michael's Faith Formation

ST. MICHAEL, PRAY FOR US

Upcoming Dates

Nov. 13 11:00 am 7th Grade Class Mass (Flames singing.)

Nov. 16 6:30 pm Classes Grades K-1, 3-12

2nd Grade First Reconciliation in Church

Nov. 23 THANKSGIVING BREAK No Classes

Nov. 30 6:30 pm Classes for Grades K-12

Dec. 7 6:30-8 pm Nick@Nite

Dec. 14 6:30 pm Advent Healing Service Grades 3-12 attend

with family

No Classes for Grades K-2

St. Nick@Nite Family Adventure — is for all parish families. There will be a light meal, crafts, and an Advent play. The idea is for children to have an opportunity to make gifts for their family, learn about the birth of Christ, and spend a fun evening with Mom or Dad and friends. Please call Veronica if you would like to host a craft table.

Catholic Campaign For Human Development — envelope is attached to this bulletin. This collection provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. CCHD's grants improve education, support economic development, and create affordable housing in low income neighborhoods. Help continue to defend human dignity and build communities of solidarity. Help break the cycle of poverty.

<u>Catholic Daughters Court of St. Katherine</u> — in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus will celebrate our annual Memorial Mass, November 17, at St. Joseph's Church in Earling at 6:00 pm in memory of our Daughters and Knights who have died this past year. We invite the families of the deceased to attend. Following the Mass there will be a meal hosted by the Knights and a short meeting to plan our December Christmas meeting.



<u>Jubilee Year Of Mercy</u> — To refrain from judgement and condemnation means, in a positive sense, to know how to accept the good in every person and to spare him any suffering that might be caused by our partial judgment, our presumption to know everything about him. But this is still not sufficient to express mercy. Jesus asks us also to forgive and to give. We need to be instruments

of mercy because it was we who first received mercy from God. We need to be generous with others, knowing that God showers his goodness upon us with immense generosity. — Pope Francis



<u>Discernment</u> — What is known in vocation circles as the 'process of discernment" is simply the time we pilgrims here on earth take to identify our strengths and gifts and determine how they may best be put to use in joyful service of the church and the world as we "journey onwards toward our heavenly homeland."

—-Vision Vocation Guide

Shelby County Catholic School News

A "Huge" thank you to everyone who attended the Tribute to Harvest Dinner/Auction in Portsmouth, to everyone who purchased a raffle ticket, to the workers, and ticket sellers. Your generosity and dedication to Shelby County Catholic School and to Catholic Education is amazing! The grand prize winner of the raffle was Janice Stowe. \$100 for selling the winning ticket was given to Courtney Dammes. The \$100 winners were: Dave & Peg Bissen and family, Sue & Dale Graeve, Joe Zaccone, Julie Bruck—Portsmouth, and Keith Rohe. Tuition Blessing winners were: Jenny & Matt Schechinger, Danny & Laura Wingert, Jason Rau, Susie Fah, Marcus Gross, Tiffany Mulligan, Jeanne Fields, Tiffany Francis, Marren Lyon, and Chris & Sara Gaul. Congratulations to all the winners!

Area Events —

- St. Mary's Church in Avoca is hosting their annual fall Staley's Chicken Dinner and bake sale this Sunday, November 13, from 11:00 am –1:30 pm. Adults tickets \$10 — Children 10 & Under \$5
- Alzheimer's Support Group will meet Monday, November 14, at 3:00 pm at the Harlan Senior Center in the Therkildsen Center.
- Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca is hosting their annual Aebleskiver & Sausage Supper on Thursday, November 17, from 4:00-7:00 pm. There will also be a quilt raffle and bake sale.
- Fifteen-Decade Rosary for Life will be Sunday, November 20, from 1:30-2:30 pm at St. Joseph's in Earling.
- St. Peter's Country Fest in Defiance featuring Maiden Dixie and Brad Morgan will be Friday, November 25, at St. Peter's Hall. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Brad Morgan begins at 7:00. Maiden Dixie, an exuberant country band, will follow. Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door and are available at many area banks.

Mass Time Change — Remember that beginning on November 27 Mass will begin at 10:30 am instead of 11:00 am.

Ministry Schedule

Nov.19-20	Saturday	Sunday	Sunday
	5:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
1st Lector	Jane Klein	Cheryl Andersen	Joan Chamberlain
2nd Lector	Leo Kloewer	Sarah Devine	Rob Kloewer
Eucharistic Ministers	Phil Koesters (T) Connie Kohles Shayla Leinen Chris Tepe Mary Tepe Rachel Blum Cheryl Long	Donna Schmidt (T) Bill Wingert Sandy Wingert Nancy Jacobs Mary Jane Swanson Amy Sturm Jani Sorfonden	Bob Kesterson (T) Julie Kesterson Joni Larsen Cindy Pattee Kathy Campbell Shari Heese Jenny Moser
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	Caitlyn Clemons	Elizabeth Devine	Riley McMurphy
	Stephen Leinen	Erin Irlmeier	Keyton Francis
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Cantors	John Rosman	Spencer Dozler	
Ushers	Don Stowe	Tom Schmitz	Marcus Gross, Jr.
	Rodney Bengford	Bev Schmitz	Eric Schmidt
	Lisa Bengford	Chuck Buhman	Chloe Schmidt
	Leo Goeser	Dale Swanson	Gary Weihs
Nov. 20	E.M. Elm Crest Nancy Jacobs Michelle Custer	E.M. Private Homes Dennis Mumm Joyce Mumm	Money Counters Betty Leuck Leo Goeser Les Blum

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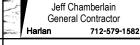


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