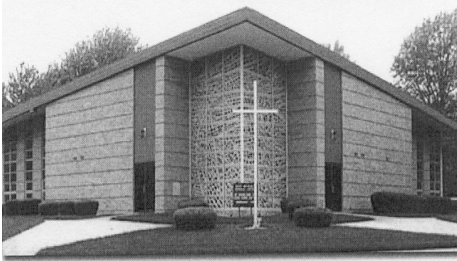


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MISSION STATEMENT

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.

FROM THE PASTOR . . .

This weekend marks the end of our current liturgical year, Year C readings, with the celebration of Christ the King Sunday. We hear in Luke's account of our Lord's passion, the story of the repentant thief. It is the power of the cross, with the innocent Jesus, leading one of the criminals to ask him, "Jesus remember me in your kingdom." To which we hear the now famous response, "I assure you, this day you will be with me in paradise." What words of hope and mercy!

We know nothing about this criminal, not even his name. What crime did he commit? It had to be a very serious offense for him to be crucified next to Jesus. Yet, even in spite of the very serious nature of his crime, Jesus without question assures him that his sins are forgiven and that he will be in eternal glory. The lesson for us is that Jesus wants to do the same thing for each and everyone of us. Jesus as the Christ, the anointed one, died on the cross for all humanity so that our sins would be forgiven and we may share eternal life with him in his Father's heavenly kingdom. What incredible mercy and great love. What a story to celebrate this final weekend of the Jubilee Year of Mercy.

Here at St. Michael's, we are bringing to a close the Jubilee Year of Mercy with our clothing drive. Thank you to those individuals who organized and did all the leg work on this project. Thank you to all who donated clothing to this drive. It was a very fitting end to the Year of Mercy.

It is hard to believe that we celebrate Thanksgiving this Thursday. We will have our special Thanksgiving Day mass at 9:00 am. I will be with my family on both Thursday and Friday this week. Wishing you a Happy Thanksgiving!

*Peace,
Fr. John*

Growing In Faith?: What does the cross mean to me?

Apostolic Exhortation "The Joy of Love" —
(from the 2014/2015 Assembly of the Synod of Bishops)

As we are coming to the end of the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis reflects on how the year is so important.

Pope Francis states, "This Exhortation is especially timely in this Jubilee Year of Mercy. First, because it represents an invitation to Christian families to value the gifts of marriage and family and to persevere in a love strengthened by the virtues of generosity, commitment, fidelity, and patience. Second, because it seeks to encourage everyone to be a sign of mercy and closeness whenever family life remains imperfect or lacks peace and joy." (Introduction, page 11)

Showing mercy is a continual commitment. Mercy is not just for this year in families. At times we live together in peace and joy, but at other times there are many challenges. As we approach the Thanksgiving gatherings of families, may God bless our reunions.



Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King November 20, 2016

Let us go rejoicing
to the house of the Lord.

MAY HIS KINGDOM COME!

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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.

Calendar for the Week of November 21-27

Monday	Nov. 21	—	No Mass
Tuesday	Nov. 22	8:15 am 6:30 pm	Mass in memory of Jerome "Shorty" & Mary Rauterkus Liturgy Committee in the Parish Office Meeting Room
Wednesday	Nov. 23	8:15 am	Mass in memory of Gary Gross
Thursday	Nov. 24	9:00 am	Thanksgiving Day Mass in memory of Norbert "Nub" Kloewer
Friday	Nov. 25	—	No Mass
Saturday	Nov. 26	4:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm	Confessions Rosary Mass in memory of Agnes Janulewicz & Bernice Rueschenberg and Howard Thraen
Sunday	Nov. 27	8:30 am (Note Time Change) 10:30 am	Mass in memory of Clarence & Marie Freund and Leo Sextro Mass for the people of St. Michael's

His crown is thorns
His throne
the hearts of all people

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.

Grant Eternal Rest, O Lord, To: — Gerald Klein, father of Joe Klein of our parish.

Join Us — as we raise much needed funds to bring electricity to the poorest families in the Villa Sandino, Nicaragua, area. The EOS International people will be on hand to show the actual panel and answer questions. Come and meet Alvaro, our solar panel installer, while enjoying snacks and door prizes! Open House is November 30, from 4:00-7:00 pm at the American Legion building on east Chatburn Avenue. Give the gift of solar this Christmas! Donations are always accepted at your parish office. Thank you from the Shelby County Nicaragua Partnership.

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 may 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.

Blanket Collection Project — will continue throughout the winter. You may bring in a donation at any time. There is a great need for blankets, so thanks to all who have already given.

St. Michael's Parish Offices — will be closed on Wednesday, November 23, at noon, all day Thursday, November 24, and all day Friday, November 25. The parish staff wishes you a special Thanksgiving celebration with your family as we celebrate with our families. We have much to be thankful for as we celebrate with hearts full of gratitude for our many blessings.

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
Margaret Feldman	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. 21st	Rv 14:1-3,4b-5	Lk 21:1-4
Tue. 22nd	Rv 14:14-19	Lk 21:5-11
Wed. 23rd	Rv 15:1-4	Lk 21:12-19
Thur. 24th	Sir 50:22-24 1Cor 1:3-9	Lk 17:11-19
Fri. 25th	Rv 20:1-4,11-21:2	Lk 21:29-33
Sun. 27th	Is 2:1-5 Rom 13:11-14	Mt 24:37-44

Tithing — Nov. 13	\$ 6,990
Needed each week	7,308
Difference	(318)
	() if deficit
Year to date	\$ (9,262)

Your Donations To Catholic Charities At Work — In Iraq, Imad was a professor and on the wrong side of the extremists. After hiding and living in fear for three years and two months, his and his family's application for refugee status was accepted, and they moved to the United States where they started with nothing. Catholic Charities got him and his family back on track. The children were enrolled in public schools, and Imad attended cultural adaptation and English classes daily. They are grateful for their new life and look forward to enriching their community.



St. Michael's Faith Formation

ST. MICHAEL, PRAY FOR US

Upcoming Dates

Nov. 23	—	Thanksgiving Break — No Classes
Nov. 30	6:30 pm	Classes for Grades K-12
Dec. 4	10:30 am	4th Grade Class Mass
Dec. 7	6:30 pm	St. Nick@Nite Family ADVENTure
Dec. 14	6:30 pm	Advent Healing Service Grades 3-12 attend with families. No classes for Grades K-2
Dec. 21	6:30 pm	Classes for Grades K-8, No class for 9-12
Dec. 28	—	Christmas Break — No Classes
Jan. 4	—	New Year's Break — No Classes

St. Nick@Nite — is a *parish* Advent event for preschoolers to Grade 5. All children of the parish are invited. Our Faith Formation students should attend with parents, middle school grades will be assisting in the kitchen and with crafts. Adult craft table hosts needed. Please call Veronica at 755-5366.

4th Annual Mitten Tree Project — begins November 30. Donations for new or gently used children's cold weather gear will be collected in the parish center lobby on Wednesday nights only.

Area Events —

- **Fifteen-Decade Rosary for Life** will be this 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.

Iowa Catholic Radio — is celebrating 10 years on December 8 and everyone is invited to our anniversary event! The event begins at St. Ambrose Cathedral for Mass at 5:30 pm celebrated by Bishop Richard Pates. A social time begins at 6:30 pm at the Embassy Suites Downtown followed by dinner at 7:00 pm. Radio personalities Jack Williams from EWTN and Iowa Catholic Radio's own Jon Leonetti will serve as emcees for the evening with the keynote address present by Gary Zimak. This event will be more than a celebration as we honor Our Lady for her devotion and help and give thanks to God for His grace and many blessings. Register now at iowacatholicradio.com or call Iowa Catholic Radio at 515-223-1150. Buy a ticket or buy a half or full table with your friends and family.

Beginning Experience — What if the worst thing you think could happen does and you are widowed, separated, or divorced? What if life changes in the blink of an eye? How do you cope? How do you deal with the grief, loss, and pain? Beginning Experience can help; you do not have to suffer alone. We know how you feel. We have gone through the same things you are going through. Join us for three open houses on December 9, 16, and January 6 at St. Augustin Church at 42nd and Grand Avenue in Des Moines from 7-8:30 pm. For more information call Dana at 515-975-3745 or Mike at 515-360-8268.

CYO Boys Basketball — practice has already begun. If you are interested in playing on St. Michael's boys basketball team this year, contact Coach Rod Devine.

Victim Assistance Advocate — The diocese's Victim Assistance Advocate is a staff member at Polk County Victim Services. She helps victims of sexual abuse of minors by clergy through a complaint process and in seeking support and counseling services. She can be reached at 515-286-2024 or advocate@dmdiocese.org.



Jubilee Year Of Mercy — As the Jubilee Year of mercy ends, Pope Francis prays, "May the Church echo the word of God that resounds strong and clear as a message and a sign of pardon, strength, aid, and love. May she never tire of extending mercy, and be ever patient in offering compassion and comfort. May the Church become the voice of every man and woman, and repeat confidently without end, 'Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old' (Psalm 25:6).



Vocations Corner

Thinking Of Priesthood — If you are feeling a tug toward priesthood, consider being part of Bishop's Discernment Retreat December 16-18. Contact Fr. Joe Pins at 515-237-5050 or email him at jpins@dmdiocese.org for details.

Ministry Schedule

	Nov. 24-27 Nov. 24 9:00 a.m.	Saturday Nov. 26 5:00 p.m.	Sunday Nov. 27 8:30 a.m.	Sunday Nov. 27 10:30 a.m.
1st Lector	Chris Tepe	Sharla Rau	Paul Kruse	Miguel Mena
2nd Lector	Mary Tepe	Joyce Thraen	Maxine Kwapiszeski	Makayla Tremel
Eucharistic Ministers	Duane Fahn (T) Ed Reinig J.C. Salvo Connie Kohles Jane Klein Joe Klein Clare Klein	Jane Klein (T) Joe Klein Deacon Jim DeBlauw Ron Muenchrath Joyce Thraen Marvin Bissen Jan Blum	Doug Baker (T) Mary Baker Deacon Jim DeBlauw Alex Blum Virginia Kruse Julie Juhl Jim Kohles	Rob Kloewer (T) Tami Kloewer Deacon Jim DeBlauw Makayla Tremel Gary Weihs Diane Weihs Michelle Custer
Servers	Ethan Tepe Jonathan Tepe	Stephen Leinen Ben Leinen Volunteer Needed	Nicholas Anderson Daniel Anderson Matthew Sorfonden	Madi Doonan Jake Dotzler Luke Dotzler
Musicians Cantors	Kate Kohorst Maryalyce Doztler	Kate Kohorst		
Ushers		Don Stowe Rodney Bengford Lisa Bengford Leo Goeser	Tom Schmitz Bev Schmitz Chuck Buhman Dale Swanson	Marcus Gross Jr. Eric Schmidt Chloe Schmidt Gary Weihs
Nov. 27		E.M. Elm Crest Les Blum Jan Blum	E.M. Private Homes Dotti Bauer Marian Buman	Money Counters Scott Koppold Michelle Koppold Sherry Krantz

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