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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 . . .

The readings this weekend talk about the theme of believing in life after death. It is only through faith, that a person is able to believe in the reality of life after death. As Christians, we have come to put our faith in the person of Jesus Christ who taught us and showed us by his very life that there truly is life after death.

In our first reading from the Book of Second Maccabees, we have one of the earliest accounts in all of scriptures about the promise of life after death. We hear about a mother and her seven sons who are arrested and whipped to force them to eat pork in violation of God's law. They all went to their death under terrible torture. Fortunately for us, we will not be called to endure anything as horrible as this to prove our faith. Still as followers of Jesus Christ, there will be moments in our lives in which our Lord calls us to join him in taking up our cross and following in his great example of love for all humanity.

We don't expect to be tortured for our faith, or even be put to death for our faith, but we can expect our faith to be put to the test. Jesus calls us to make time for our faith every day of our lives. He hopes that we will pray daily, worship faithfully, and do loving service for others on a regular basis. May we take our faith in the Lord and his promise of life after death very seriously. Those who live their faith fully and regularly will be richly rewarded by the Lord.

Growing In Faith?: Where could I be more faithful with my life?

Apostolic Exhortation "The Joy of Love" —

In his reflection, *The Joy of Love*, Pope Francis outlines the discussions and insights which were shared at the Vatican during the 2014 and 2015 General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops. In the next several weeks, parts of that document will be shared here in our bulletin.



Pope Francis begins by stating, "The joy of love experienced by families is also the joy of the Church." He continues in the very first paragraph by stating, "As a response to that desire, the Christian proclamation of the family is good news indeed." (Introduction, Page 9)

Marriage and family life seem to be under lots of pressure. It is indeed encouraging for the Church to spend time and effort to support our families. Stay tuned to how our Church is helping us to grow as Catholic Christian families.

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 6, 2016

Lord, when your glory appears my joy will be full.



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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 7-13

| Monday | Nov. 7 | | No Mass | |
|-----------|---------|---------------------|---|------------|
| Tuesday | Nov. 8 | 8:15 am | Mass in memory of Ole Olson | |
| 1 | | 6:00 pm | Finance Council in Parish Meeting Room | |
| | | 7:00 pm | Pastoral Council in Parish Meeting Room | |
| Wednesday | Nov. 9 | 8:15 am | School Mass in memory of Greg Taylor | |
| | | 6:30 pm | Faith Formation Classes Grades K-5, 7-12 | |
| | | • | Grade 6 to Earling for Holy Door and Saints presentation | |
| Thursday | Nov. 10 | 7:00 am | Scripture Study in Parish Office Meeting Room | |
| | , | 12:00 noon | Mass for a Special Intention | |
| Friday | Nov. 11 | 8:15 am | School Mass in memory of the Charles and Edna Finken Families | |
| Saturday | Nov. 12 | 4:00 pm | Confessions | |
| | | 4:30 pm | Rosary | <u> </u> |
| | | 5:00 pm | Mass in memory of Adeline May and Cecil & Anna Mary Blum, Terry Blum, Rosalie Blum, Joe Cowan & Be | th DeCarlo |
| Sunday | Nov. 13 | 8:30 am 11:00 am | Mass in memory of Rick Burchett and Laverne Daeges Mass for the people of St. Michael's | |

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: — **Aggie Gaul** of our parish.

Advent Is Approaching On November 27 — To get you thinking about what really matters during the Advent season, here are several ideas that you may want to consider trying for this special time of the year.

Matthew Kelly is once again offering "Best Advent Ever" through the Dynamic Catholic website. He invites our parish to Rediscover Christmas. It's a free email program beginning November 27 and continuing through December 26. You will receive daily emails with short, inspirational videos, practical tips, and free Christmas Music. All you have to do is go to www.bestadventever.com and sign up. This is highly recommended by those who took part in this program last year.

Operation Christmas Child is a program from Samaritan's Purse that will insure that a needy child will receive a shoebox full of Christmas gifts. To check out this program go to www.samaritainspurse.org. St. Michael's Faith Formation Grade 8A will be taking part in this program. They can be sure that your shoebox will get to the collection point if you would like to take part in this program. The boxes will be delivered November 19.

Advent Giving Ornament Project will be sponsored by Faith Formation Grade 9 this year. Look for the ornaments on the Christmas tree in the back of church beginning on November 27.

Blanket Collection is ongoing throughout the Advent season and is being handled by a group of Confirmation students. Thanks to those who have already donated to this project.

Advent Calendar Basket is a way to place a food item into a basket each day of Advent. By the end of the season, you can donate what you have collected to the food pantry.

Clothing Drive. Bring your items to the Rosman Parish Center.

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

Violet Bohr Gary Kenkel Gordon Nelson
Joe Gubbels Curt Coenen Anna Mae Kramer
Kathy Carl David Updike Alice Carey
Kenny Kenkel Arden Riley Bonnie Peterson
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. | 7th | Ti 1:1-9 | Lk 17:1-6 | |
|-------|------|------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Tue. | 8th | Ti 2:1-8, 11-14 | Lk 17:7-10 | |
| Wed. | 9th | Ez 47:1-2,8-9, 1 | 12 | |
| | | 1 Cor 3:9c-11, | 16-17 | Jn 2:13-22 |
| Thur. | 10th | Phlm 7-20 | | Lk 17:20-25 |
| Fri. | 11th | 2 Jn 4-9 | | Lk 17:26-37 |
| Sun. | 13th | Mal 3:19-20a | 2 Thes 3:7-12 | Lk 21:5-19 |

| <u>Tithing</u> — Oct. 30 | \$ 6,887 |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| Needed each week | 7,308 |
| Difference | (421) |
| | () if deficit |
| Year to date | \$ (8,259) |

Mass In Spanish Time Change — This Mass will now begin at 5:00 pm on the first Sunday of the month.

Mass This Sunday — November 6 we will have Mass in Spanish beginning at 5:00 pm. We appreciate your attending. A potluck will follow the Mass at the Rosman Parish Center. You are also invited to join this potluck and meet some of your fellow parishioners.

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



St. Michael's Faith Formation

St. Michael, Pray for Us

Upcoming Dates

Nov. 9 6:30 pm Classes for Grades K-5, 7-12
6th Grade carpools to Earling for Holy Door
and the Saints Presentation

Nov. 13 11:00 pm 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 6:30-8:00 pm Nick@Nite

<u>Parents</u> — Please remember to let us know if your child will not be in class. Special events are not a night off! Please schedule other activities on Wednesdays that we do not meet.

Family Members Serving In The Military — Please pray for these military personnel currently serving our country.

SGT Jesse Andersen, ARNG SRA Jaymie Bral, ANG CPL Sean M. Carey, ARM SPC.E6 Danny Goeser, ARNG SRA James Klein, ANG SGT William Reinig, ARM LTJG Chris Willenborg, USN CAPT Nathan Andersen, ARM
CF Nicholas Buman, USN
CAPT John Finken, USMC
PO2 Matt Graeve, USN
CWO2 Jeff Muenchrath, USN
LTCOL 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.



Jubilee Year Of Mercy — Saint John Paul II pushed for a more urgent proclamation and witness to mercy in the contemporary world. He stated, "The church lives an authentic life when she professes and proclaims mercy — the most stupendous attribute of the Creator and of the Redeemer — and when she brings people close to the sources of the Savior's mercy, of which she is the trustee and dispenser."



<u>Dear Brothers And Sisters</u> — in the finest traditions of the church in this country, may you also be the first friend of the poor, the homeless, the stranger, the sick, and all who suffer. Act as beacons of hope, casting the light of Christ upon the world, and encouraging young people to discover the beauty of a life given completely to the Lord and his Church. — Pope Benedict XVI

Area Events —

- Honor Our Veterans at a free will donation breakfast at the Veterans Auditorium in Harlan this Sunday, November 6, from 7:00 am until noon. The menu is scrambled eggs, bacon, biscuits and gravy, and toast. There will also be a bake sale.
- Scott Hahn, noted author and speaker, will be at St. Wenceslas Catholic Church (15353 Pacific Street) in Omaha on Saturday, November 12. His topic is *Jubilee of Divine Mercy: Finishing Strong*. Mass will begin at 8:30 am with his presentations to follow.
- St. Mary's Church in Avoca is hosting their annual fall Staley's Chicken Dinner and bake sale on Sunday, November 13, from 11:00 am –1:30 pm. Adults tickets \$10 — Children Ten and Under \$5
- 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 now available at many area banks.

<u>Catholic Youth Camp</u> — registration is opening soon! This year, CYC wants to make sure families can better plan their summers by launching registration earlier. In fact, registration is just around the corner on **November 15 at noon!** CYC 2017 dates are available on our website: <u>stmcenter.com</u>. CYC is for students entering third grade though high school graduation. Coupons are available from the Ladies Guild. Contact Veronica at 755-5366 for more information.

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.

Ministry Schedule

| Nov.12-13 | Saturday | Sunday | Sunday |
|--------------------------|--|--|---|
| | 5:00 p.m. | 8:30 a.m. | 11:00 a.m. |
| 1st Lector | Lin Brinker | Dan Schumacher | 7th Grade |
| 2nd Lector | Steve Finn | Brent Scheve | 7th Grade |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Leo Kloewer (T) Gwen Kaufman Duane Fahn Joan Chamberlain Roger Bissen Dea Ann Bissen Marvin Bissen | Richard Lee (T) Pat Lee Betty Leuck Ed Reinig J.C. Salvo Brent Scheve Dan Schumacher | Brian Gubbels (T) Pam Gubbels Rob Kloewer Tami Kloewer Alex Blum Sherry Bierl David Erlbacher |
| Servers | Jayden Gessert | Courtney Mumm | 7th Grade |
| | Jenna Gessert | Darbie Argotsinger | 7th Grade |
| | Roberta Golden | Hadlie Argotsinger | 7th Grade |
| Musicians | Rod Carlson | | Flames |
| Cantors | John Rosman | | Flames |
| 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. 13 | E.M. Elm Crest Kay Schechinger Diane Weihs | E.M. Private Homes Joyce Rodenborn Leo Kloewer | Money Counters Mary Illg Mary Jensen Marilyn Fox |

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