



WEST FORK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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6 September 2015

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

WFCC MISSION STATEMENT: WE, the members of **Immaculate Conception Parish of Merville** and **St. Michael Parish of Kingsley**, being clustered in the Diocese of Sioux City, Iowa, ARE a Catholic Christian people, living the Paschal Mystery, united in creed, worship, and love for each other.

Our Mission is: ...to worship and praise our God. ...to educate and promote spiritual growth of our people of all ages. ...to serve each other within the Church, helping all members grow in their relationship with God and with one another. ...to live the Gospel through a ministry of hospitality with all our sisters and brothers in the global community.

VISIT <http://www.westforkcatholiccommunity.org> to find more information about both parishes, to read and/or download this weekly bulletin, to read the latest news, and to learn more about our faith.

FROM THE PASTOR:



- everyone who attended and/or assisted with our Youth Ministry breakfast last Sunday.
- all of our ministers who are faithfully present or find a substitute when unable to serve and who are present in the sacristy 5 minutes before Mass to pray with the other ministers.
- everyone who shares your time, talent, and treasure with the parish community.

As I announced July 26, I will be departing for a three [3] month sabbatical in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston before returning to the Diocese of Sioux City for a new assignment. My last day and moving day will be Monday September 7 so I may be ready to begin my sabbatical on September 14. Bishop Nickless has appointed Fr. Brad Pelzel as the new ADMINISTRATOR beginning September 8. He also serves as the Vicar General of the Diocese of Sioux City and thus will have other duties besides pastoral duties in the WFCC.

Again, I will greatly miss the people of the WFCC including the work, liturgies, and experience we have done together for the last eleven [11] years at Immaculate Conception and seven [7] years at St. Michael to continue to progress in helping to build the Kingdom of God.

I love everyone and I love the growth I have witnessed in the parishes since I arrived in July 2004. I will keep everyone of you in my prayers and ask for your prayers as we all begin to experience a transition in the leadership of the WFCC.

As we prepare for the Sunday Mass schedule change on September 12-13 I ask you to continue to support the parishes as you have in the past. We are in a difficult situation today as we face fewer priests ministering to many parishes and other ministries. It seems we are 'reverting' back to the pioneer days when priests traveled by horseback from parish to parish each Sunday administering the Sacraments. Today's current challenges ask all of us to make sacrifices and continue to remain faithful to the Catholic faith. It is vital we continue to work together to build the Kingdom of God in this area by supporting one another, the priests, and Bishop Nickless. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

Earlier this week Pope Francis announced he is granting permission for all priests to be able to forgive the mortal sin of abortion and to remit the penalty of excommunication which is normally reserved to the bishop of the diocese. Did you know most priests in the United States of America have been delegated by their bishops to forgive the mortal sin of abortion and to remit the penalty of excommunication? Thus, not much will change here regarding this once the Year of Mercy except in diocese this was reserved to the bishop. If you are guilty of this grave sin and are contrite, please contact a priest in the Sacrament of Reconciliation for healing.

Pray for the consecration of Russia to Mary by the pope.
May God bless you.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS Thank you! "We can certainly call you friends because of the way you care for our retired members," writes a religious brother. Your gift to last week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious benefits some 35,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. May God bless you for your generosity!



CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE STUDY is held every Wednesday 9:15-11:00 a.m. in the library at Immaculate Conception. This is free and everyone is invited to join us. Please stay tuned to an announcement regarding this class.

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE STUDY is held every Thursday 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the library at Immaculate Conception and studies and discusses the next Sunday's readings. Everyone is invited to join us. Please stay tuned to an announcement regarding this class.

LIGHTHOUSE CD OF THE WEEK: "Living the Gospel with the Heart of Pope Francis" Dr. Edward Sri is a renowned theologian,

ALL PRE-SCHOOL-12TH GRADE YOUTH are to be registered with the parish Faith Formation program BEFORE they will be permitted to attend class. Check the parish announcement page for more details regarding upcoming registration for the 2015-2016 youth Faith Formation programs.

MASS TIME CHANGE will take place **beginning September 12/13**. At a joint meeting of the Immaculate Conception Pastoral Council and St. Michael Parish Council with Fr. Mark [outgoing Pastor] and Fr. Brad [incoming Administrator] on Tuesday August 18, discussion was held regarding the schedule of Masses after September 7. The members reached the following consensus: **Saturday, 5:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception and Sunday, 9:00 a.m. at St. Michael**. This is to accommodate Fr. Brad's Spanish Mass in Rock Valley at 1:00 p.m. each Sunday. **Weekday Masses: Monday and Wednesday 7:30 a.m. at Immaculate Conception and Tuesday and Thursday 8:00 a.m. at St. Michael**. This schedule will be re-evaluated after a year by the two Councils. Fr. Brad's daily schedule will be: Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays at the Diocesan office; Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays in the parishes, and Fridays = day off. We thank you for continued support of the parishes and understanding of the need to make this schedule change to accommodate the declining number of priests in the Diocese [57 priests serving 102 parishes and other ministries].

FAREWALL POTLUCK OPEN HOUSE for Fr. Mark Stoll for his many years of service to the parishes will be Sunday, September 6, 4:00-8:00 p.m. in the parish hall at Immaculate Conception. Gathering will start at 4:00 p.m. we will begin eating at 5:00 p.m. Serving cake, punch and taverns. Please bring your favorite side dish or salad. Everyone is invited to come.



author, and professor at the Augustine Institute. In this presentation, Dr. Sri invites all Christians to embrace the call of Pope Francis to be missionary disciples in today's world. With contagious enthusiasm and insightfulness, Dr. Sri makes the Holy Father's message both accessible and actionable for people living in this day and age. A recommended \$3 donation is suggested for each CD. Please check out the Lighthouse display in each church and pick up a copy, listen, and share with family and friends.



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audios from Lighthouse Catholic Media; and downloadable books: God is Love, Open Wide the Doors to Christ, and more. Parishioners already registered with SymbolonCatholic.org will need to re-register for FORMED.org. If you would like a FREE subscription to **FORMED**, please send an e-mail request to the parish office at icmville@wiatel.net

WANTED

- Ministers:
 - Ushers and Hospitality Ministers. Contact Fr. Mark
 - Cantors. Contact Fr. Mark.
 - Readers of God's Word. Contact Fr. Mark
 - Accompanists. Contact Fr. Mark
- Candidates for the diaconate and priesthood. Contact Fr. Mark
- RCIA/RCIC catechists and aides. Contact Fr. Mark

MAGNIFICAT MINISTRY is a new apostolate for women in the Sioux City diocese. We are excited to be a part of this growing ministry, with 103 Chapters worldwide. (Watch for our feature coming up in the Catholic Globe!) The purpose of Magnificat Ministry is to strengthen the faith of the women of our diocese and evangelize. This is accomplished as women gather together for a meal and fellowship. It is our goal to host four Magnificat Meals each year. The Meal will include: food (of course), prayer, music, and a testimony from a woman or a priest that has had a experience of God working in their life. Magnificat Ministry takes its name from the Mystery of the Visitation, and like Mary's proclamation, our speakers, too, should pronounce, "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord." Our first meal will be October 3, 2015 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Storm Lake, Iowa. Please RSVP to Becky Behrens at 712-830-6732 by September 26. NO tickets will be available at the door. Checks should be mailed to Kathy Steffen, 706 Edgewood Dr., Boone, IA 50036.

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WHAT IS NFP?

FROM: "By any measure, natural family planning is a winner" by Archbishop Joseph Naumann. [... continued from last week] NFP does involve knowledge, communication, discipline and sacrifice. However, it does not require a woman to endure harmful physical side effects resulting from waging chemical warfare on the healthy, normal fertility of her body. It does not require a man to agree to the surgical mutilation of his body. NFP does not run the risk, as do oral contraceptives, of the possibility of causing a very early abortion. Moreover, NFP avoids the serious moral problems with every artificial contraceptive. [to be continued...]



Find out more by taking part in a class offered at Mercy Medical Center in Sioux City and many other locations around the Diocese of Sioux City or contacting the parish office or visiting <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/natural-family-planning/index.cfm> or <http://ccli.org/>

YOUCAT QUOTE: The Youth Catechism, written in language suitable for young people, deals with the entire Catholic faith as it was presented in the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The numbers after each question/answer refer to more extensive and in-depth treatments in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, CCC for short.

Question #148: Can Mary really help us? Yes. Since the beginning of the Church, experience has taught that Mary helps. Millions of Christians testify to it. [967-970]

Being the Mother of Jesus, Mary is also our Mother. Good mothers always stand up for their children. Certainly this Mother does. While still on earth she interceded with Jesus for others; for example, she protected a bride and groom in Cana from embarrassment. In the Upper Room on Pentecost she prayed in the midst of the disciples. Because her love for us never ceases, we can be sure that she will plead for us in the two most important moments of our life: "now and at the hour of our death".

The Assumption of Mary: "This mystery is given to us so that ... a divine light might be shed on our death." ROMANO GUARDINI (1885-1968)

FROM LAUDATO SI ["Praise be to you, my Lord"], ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME, Pope Francis: Francis helps us to see that an integral ecology calls for openness to categories which transcend the language of mathematics and biology, and take us to the heart of what it is to be human. Just as happens when we fall in love with someone, whenever he would gaze at the sun, the moon or the smallest of animals, he burst into song, drawing all other creatures into his praise. He communed with all creation, even preaching to the flowers, inviting them "to praise the Lord, just as if they were endowed with reason". His response to the world around him was so much more than intellectual appreciation or economic calculus, for to him each and every creature was a sister united to him by bonds of affection. That is why he felt called to care for all that exists. His disciple Saint Bonaventure tells us that, "from a reflection on the primary source of all things, filled with even more abundant piety, he would call creatures, no matter how small, by the name of 'brother' or 'sister'". Such a conviction cannot be written off as naïve romanticism, for it affects the choices which determine our behaviour. If we approach nature and the environment without this openness to awe and wonder, if we no longer speak the language of fraternity and beauty in our relationship with the world, our attitude will be that of masters, consumers, ruthless exploiters, unable to set limits on their immediate needs. By contrast, if we feel intimately united with all that exists, then sobriety and care will well up spontaneously. The poverty and austerity of Saint Francis were no mere veneer of asceticism, but something much more radical: a refusal to turn reality into an object simply to be used and controlled. [11]

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH—KINGSLEY

Est. 1888

MISSION STATEMENT: The mission of St Michael's Parish is to respond to our baptismal call, serve God, congregation and community with our talents and resources. With the leadership of our pastor, our values of prayer, liturgy, stewardship, family, education and evangelization shall be the focus of this parish.

FROM THE DESK OF BARB SITZMANN, DRE:

- There is a **MANDATORY** First Reconciliation parent meeting on September 16 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Michael Church. Please make plans to attend this meeting.
- Catechetical Sunday is the weekend of September 19 and 20. Catechists please plan to attend one of the Masses to receive a special blessing.
- There is a Joint WFCC **MANDATORY** Confirmation parent meeting on September 23 at 7:00 p.m. at IC Church in Merville. Please make plans to attend this meeting with your child.
- All students attending Faith Formation must be registered for classes. If you did not register your child last Wednesday, please contact me for forms.
- Contact info: St. Michael FF Center 378-2021, Barb's cell 712-251-8567, home phone 378-2052, work phone 378-2861.

Emails- FF stmikedre@gmail.com, home barbsitzmann@yahoo.com, work bsitzmann@k-pcsd.org.

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BUDGET REPORT 2015-2016

Income needed by 30 June 2016:	\$143,090.78
Income needed each week:	\$2,751.75
Income received since 1 July 2015:	\$18,222.66

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH—MOVILLE

Est. 1892

MISSION STATEMENT: Immaculate Conception Parish strives to make the Catholic Christian life available to the people of God within the parish by opening up the rich heritage of the teachings of Jesus Christ, thus enabling them to experience more fully the presence of God in their lives and the peace, love and the joy of following him.

FROM THE FAITH FORMATION OFFICE:

- We are in need of a **second grade catechist** for the 2015–2016 Faith Formation year. If interested, please contact Fr. Brad at 873-3644.
- **Thank you** to everyone who attended and/or assisted at the OPEN HOUSE/REGISTRATION for 2015-2016 pre-school-12th grade Faith Formation.
- During Faith Formation classes on Wednesday afternoons and evenings, the **north entrance doors** are kept locked for safety and Safe Environment Program reasons.
- **Classrooms are off limits** to children outside of Wednesday Faith Formation classes. Parents, please ask your children to remain in the parish hall during Coffee/Juice/Rolls.
- **UNREGISTERED STUDENTS** (including visitors and guests) are not permitted in classrooms during class time. Parents are welcome to visit classrooms at any time after contact the parish office and/or catechist. *Kindle*

CHURCH CUSTODIAN WANTED: for Immaculate Conception Parish – Merville starting 7 September 2015. Applicant must be familiar with general cleaning skills including cleaning of floors, carpets, bathrooms, kitchens, windows, etc. along with the use of general cleaning equipment including vacuum cleaners, etc. Work needs to be completed before weekend and special [weddings, funerals, etc.] liturgies. Applicants must be able to pass a background check [criminal and credit] and be in compliance with the Safe Environment Program within six-months of hire. Applications are available from the WFCC office. Position is open until filled.

PARISH DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION or PASTORAL MINISTER [FULLTIME] - Immaculate Conception Church of Merville, IA is seeking a faith-filled Catholic in good standing for the position of Director of Faith Formation (DFF) or Pastoral Minister [depending on qualifications]. This position will be primarily responsible for the administration, assessment and implementation of the Faith Formation Programs and Sacramental Preparations. The DFF will also provide leadership, vision and have an active role in the Youth Ministry Programs and Adult Evangelization. Additional responsibilities will be with RCIA for the parishes of the West Fork Catholic Community [Immaculate Conception-Merville and St. Michael-Kingsley]. Previous experience with a Faith Formation program or as a catechist is a plus. Salary is dependent upon level of education and experience. This position is available immediately and will remain open until filled. Application available at

www.westforkcatholiccommunity.org. Please send application to Fr. Brad Pelzel, PO Box 802, Merville, IA 51039-0802.

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BUDGET REPORT 2015-2016

Income needed by 30 June 2016:	\$148,679.57
Income needed each week:	\$2,859.23
Income received since 1 July 2015:	\$36,863.44

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THE COMMUNITY BASKET, PO Box 72, 326 Main Street, Merville, Iowa 51039-0072; 712-873-3062

- **COMMUNITY BASKET THRIFT STORE** is open with limited hours and features a variety of clothes, books, DVDs, gift items, small appliances, etc. Please check the Community Basket Facebook page for hours the store will be open. Volunteers are needed to staff the store.
- **Item of the month** is toiletries [bathroom tissue, toothpaste, toothbrushes]. Thank you for helping to reach many families in the 10 communities we serve!
- **Food Distribution** is Saturday, September 19, 10:00 a.m. at the Community Center in Anthon. Volunteers please be there by 9:00 a.m. to help set up.



TRINITY HEIGHTS/QUEEN OF PEACE

- 55 million children have been aborted in America since 1973. Remember them in a special memorial service at the Circle of Life— Tomb of the Unborn at **Trinity Heights, Queen of Peace** on Saturday September 12 at 11:00 a.m. Bishop Nickless will preside over a vigil service that will include prayerful music by Father Hemann. This is not a political rally. It is an observance of the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children. All faiths, all ages are welcome.

ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

MONDAY—SEPTEMBER 7

Twenty-Third Monday in Ordinary Time

OFFICES CLOSED

8:00 a.m. NO Morning Prayer (III) - Menville

8:00 a.m. NO Morning Prayer - Kingsley

TUESDAY—SEPTEMBER 8

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Menville

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Kingsley

6:30 p.m. Eucharist [Vocations] - Menville

7:00 p.m. KC8232 Steak Fry/Meeting - Menville

WEDNESDAY—SEPTEMBER 9

Saint Peter Claver, Priest

7:30 a.m. Eucharist [Bernice O'Tool+] - Menville

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Kingsley

4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-4] - Kingsley

4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-5] - Menville

7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [5-12] - Kingsley

7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [6-9] - Menville

7:00 p.m. CICC [10-12] - Menville

THURSDAY—SEPTEMBER 10

Twenty-Third Thursday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Menville

8:00 a.m. Eucharist [Rev. Msgr. Nicholas Ruba+] - Kingsley

12:30 p.m. PieceMakers - Menville

7:00 p.m. PieceMakers - Menville

FRIDAY—SEPTEMBER 11

Twenty-Third Friday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Menville

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Kingsley

SATURDAY—SEPTEMBER 12

Twenty-Third Saturday in Ordinary Time

All Day Call to the Wedding Fest - Kingsley

4:30-4:45 p.m. Reconciliation - Kingsley

5:00 p.m. Eucharist [Living/Deceased Guild Members] - Menville

SUNDAY—SEPTEMBER 13

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30-8:45 a.m. Reconciliation - Kingsley

9:00 a.m. Eucharist [People of WFCC] - Kingsley

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH

MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS

St. Michael, Kingsley

SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 13

9:00 A.M.

Altar Servers: Sydney Seuntjens, Madison Wurth

Reader(s): Trent Lammers, Lois Galles

Cantor: Amanda Seuntjens

Organist: Volunteer

Gifts: Volunteer

Communion: Alice Seuntjens, Val Sitzmann, Linda Schlotman

KNH: Karen Malm

Greeters: Marie White, Cale Schweitzberger

Ushers: Jim Schroeder, Dan Mockler

Collection

Counters: Shelly Krieg, Linda Schlotman



Immaculate Conception, Menville

SATURDAY

SEPTMEBER 12

5:00 P.M.

Altar Servers: Brynn Kuntz, Paige Glackin

Reader(s): Anthony Baird

Cantor: Gene Handke

Organist: Volunteer

Gifts: Mike Baird Family

Communion: Cindy Hesse, Kay Sands, Volunteer

CharMac: Kay Sands

Ushers: Alicia Jenness, Helen Coulter

Collection

Counters: Connie Brockhaus, Matthew Putze

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BECOME A LITURGICAL MINISTER?

Name: _____ Phone: _____

I would like to serve as:

Altar Server 5:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.

Cantor 5:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.

Gift Bearer 5:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.

Musician 5:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.

Instrument _____

Reader 5:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.

Usher 5:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.

(Please circle the time(s) you would be available to serve)

Drop this form in the collection basket or at the office.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Ella Bahmer, Leonard Beaver, Juanita Beaubien, Jim Behrens, Tom/Donna Clark, Virginia Connelly, Mary Drevs, Pauline Dugan, Kara Funk, Charlotte Honkomp, Virginia & Walt Kabisch, Wes Keller, Millie Kisting, Joan McCain, Max/Jo McConnell, Patricia McConnell, Kay Miller, Shirley Neustrom, Denny Robeson, Bob/Patricia Rogers, Judy Schroeder, Sylvesta Slota, Dan Strachan, Bernice Timmins, Marcella Thomas, Jeune Vondrak, Gerry Weinrich, Emmet Woltman, Chuck Wilcox, Millie Wycoff, and the men and women serving in the military and police.

ICC SANCTUARY LIGHT [SEPTEMBER 6-12] burns for **Denny Robesen** at the request of **Bud/Eilene Foster**.

Weeks available until December 13.

SMC SANCTUARY LIGHT [SEPTEMBER 6-12] burns for **Fr. Mark Stoll** at the request of **Ricki, Susie & Nikki Ahlquist**.

Weeks available until December 31.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) and RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF CHILDREN (RCIC) is the process by which the Catholic Church prepares and welcomes new members who are over the age of [7] seven and who have either not been baptized or have been baptized in other faith communities and who were baptized in the Catholic Church but not raised Catholic and wish to join the Catholic Church. This process includes learning sessions and prayer with the catechumens (those who have not been baptized) and with the candidates (those who have been baptized).

PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR:

Dale Leekley, husband to Corrine Leekley, father to Joseph (Julie) Leekley and Robert (Nikki) Leekley, who passed away August 28;
Jessica "Jessie" Loring, sister to Tim (Rena) Worrell, who passed away August 30.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

IMPORTANT DATES

- September 15, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Pastoral Council Meeting [M]
- September 16, 7:00 p.m.: WFCC First Reconciliation Parent Meeting [K]
- September 18, 6:00 p.m.: Wedding Rehearsal [K]
- September 19, 10:00 a.m.: Community Basket Distribution [Anthon]
- September 19, 2:00 p.m.: Wedding [Richardson/Tate] [K]
- September 20: Catechetical Sunday
- September 22, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Buildings/Grounds Team Meeting [M]
- September 23, 7:00 p.m.: WFCC Confirmation Parent Meeting [M]
- September 28: Diocesan Ministries Conferences [Gehlen]
- October 1, 11:00 a.m.: Eucharist [CharMac]
- October 2, 10:00 a.m.: Eucharist [KNH]
- October 7, 4:00 p.m.: ICC Altar Server Training [M]
- October 10: Hall Rental [M]
- October 11: Bishop's Dinner [SC]
- October 14, 4:00 p.m.: SMC Altar Server Training [K]
- October 17, 10:00 a.m.: Community Basket Distribution [Pierson]
- October 20, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Parish Council Meeting [K]

INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Adult Envelopes	\$1,092.00 (32 Envelopes)
Youth Envelopes*	\$4.00 (3 Envelopes)
Loose	\$347.00
Candles	\$3.00
Retired Priest/Sister	\$241.00 (16 Envelopes)
YM Breakfast.....	\$253.00
Total Income.....	\$1,940.00
Needed Each Week	\$2,859.23
Total Parish Expenses.....	\$7,576.69

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH

Adult Envelopes	\$860.00 (24 Envelopes)
Youth Envelopes*	\$2.00 (2 Envelopes)
Loose	\$409.00
Candles	\$22.00
Retired Priest/Sister	\$333.00 (10 Envelopes)
Sanctuary Light	\$25.00
Total Income.....	\$1,651.00
Needed Each Week	\$2,877.89
Total Expenses.....	\$3,982.24

*Time/Talent quotes from youth envelopes:
Moville: none
Kingsley: none

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS!

RATINGS FOR MOVIES IN LOCAL THEATERS

- American Ultra [A-II; R]
- Ant-Man [A-I; PG-13]
- Fantastic Four [A-III; PG-13]
- The Gallows [A-III; R]
- The Gift [A-III; R]
- Hitman: Agent 47 [O; R]
- Home [A-I; PG]
- Inside Out [A-II; PG]
- Jurassic World [A-III; PG-13]
- Magic Mike XXI [O; R]
- The Man From U.N.C.L.E. [A-III; PG-13]
- Max [A-II; PG]
- Minions [A-I; PG]
- Mission: Impossible Rogue Nation [A-III; PG-13]
- No Escape [L; R]
- Pitch Perfect 2 [A-III; PG-13]
- Pixels [A-III; PG-13]
- Ricki and the Flash [A-III; PG-13]
- San Andreas [A-III; PG-13]
- Shaun the Sheep Movie [TBA; PG]**
- Sinister 2 [L; R]
- Southpaw [L; R]
- Spy [O; R]
- Straight Outta Compton [O; R]
- Ted 2 [O; R]
- Trainwreck [O; R]
- The Transporter Refueled [TBA; PG-13]**
- Vacation [O; R]
- War Room [A-II; PG]
- We Are Your Friends [L; R]**
- A Walk in the Woods [L; R]**

A-I -- general patronage **A-II** -- adults and adolescents
A-III -- adults **O** -- morally offensive
L -- limited adult audience; films whose problematic content many adults would find troubling.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT USCCB.ORG
Bolded Movies/Ratings are new this week

FIND THE ANSWER GAME (Answer is hidden this week's bulletin and on the parish website.): What's the name of the electronic book reader sold exclusively by Amazon.com?

DID YOU KNOW THAT: The raven is the first bird mention in the Bible. It appears in Genesis 8:7, when it is sent out from the ark by Noah to see if the flood waters have abated. The second bird was a dove, in verse 8?

A THOUGHT: "When you do the common things in life in an uncommon way, you will command the attention of the world."
- George Washington Carver (1864-1943)

RESPECT FOR LIFE: "[K]eeping the spirit of the Gospel means that Catholic institutions are to bear witness in love to the full truth about the human person by providing social, charitable, and educational services in a manner that fully reflects the God-given dignity of the human person." — Archbishop William E. Lori, Chairman, Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty, on the "Freedom to Bear Witness" (www.bit.ly/Freedom2Witness)

From the Code of Canon Law (the law of the Roman Catholic Church) ON THE TEMPORAL GOODS OF THE CHURCH

can. 1285 Within the limits of ordinary administration only, it is the responsibility of administrators to make donations for purposes of piety or Christian charity from movable goods which do not pertain to the stable patrimony.

VOCATION VIEW: Jesus groans to the heavens, begging God for our openness. Let his prayer of "Ephphatha!" echo in the stillness of your heart. Pray for the gift of openness for yourself, and for those you know whom God may be calling to priesthood or religious life. (Mark 7:31-37)

STEWARDSHIP: The good steward must not show favoritism. The rich may have many material gifts to share, but St. James reminds us in the second reading that God has chosen the world's poor to be rich in faith and inheritors of God's kingdom.



IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED: Because of privacy laws, when you or a family member is hospitalized, hospitals are not permitted to contact your pastor unless you inform the admitting personnel you wish to have your pastor notified. Otherwise, you or a member of your family should contact the parish office if you wish a visit. Please keep the parish office informed of your pastoral needs so your needs can be addressed in a timely fashion and you can be remembered in prayer.

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WEST FORK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY INFORMATION

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WFCC [MOVILLE] OFFICE HOURS:

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 8:15 a.m.-noon, 1:00-4:15 p.m.

Wed. 8:15 a.m.-noon, 1:00-5:30 p.m., 6:30-8:45 p.m.

Other times by appointment

EUCHARIST:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.-Moville

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.-Kingsley

Monday, Wednesday: 7:30 a.m.-Moville

Tuesday, Thursday: 8:00 a.m.-Kingsley

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:30-4:45 p.m.-Moville

Sunday: 8:30-8:45 a.m.-Kingsley

Other times by appointment

MORNING PRAYER:

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:00 a.m.—Moville

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:00 a.m.—Kingsley

BAPTISM is to be arranged with the pastor in order to prepare for the child's baptism after completion of Baptism Class held quarterly (March, June, September, December).

MARRIAGE preparation is to begin 6-12 months before the wedding day. Please contact the pastor so that all preparations can be completed in time for the wedding and marriage.

**Remember, a wedding is just a day,
a marriage is a LIFETIME!**

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: By appointment; last Sunday of October during Sunday Masses.

PERSONS WISHING TO JOIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, whether baptized in another faith or unbaptized and over the age of seven [7], should contact the pastor to begin the process known as RCIA at anytime of the year.

THOSE DISCERNING GOD'S CALL to be a priest, deacon, sister, or brother, may speak with the pastor or call the Diocesan Vocation office at 712-255-7933.

WEST FORK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY RENTAL POLICY: Persons wishing to rent out either parish hall for non-parish functions (i.e. meetings, showers, dinners, etc.), need to call the parish office to check on availability and make arrangements. Signing a Hall Rental Agreement and fees are due before using the hall.

NEW PARISHIONERS should contact the parish office to register in the parish.

ALL PARISHIONERS are asked to contact the parish office if you have a change in address, school, parish, marital status, etc. Thank you!



HELP SAVE OUR PEWS from the latest jean fashions of rhinestones/bling stones on the pockets that act like rough sand paper and razors on the pews. We asked everyone beginning in October 2012 to please refrain from wearing these as our pews have already received damage from these stones. A few persons have continued to wear this fashion, thus causing additional damage to our pews, especially the wooden pews at St. Michael. Again, please refrain from wearing these fashions jeans to church. Thank you.



COME HOME If you were baptized Catholic but just haven't been to Mass in a while, or maybe you left the practice of your Catholic faith for a particular reason, please contact the parish office and/or visit www.catholicscomehome.org and click on the I'm Not Currently Attending Mass door. Entering this door will help you with information to help you consider a journey home to the Church. This door also features information on Church teachings. You will discover why it is worth returning to the Catholic Faith, no matter how long you have been away or what is happened while you have been gone. God will never stop searching for you. Jesus wants to invite you back into His big and loving Catholic family, in the Church He founded 2,000 years ago. Christ is calling you home, but the choice is ultimately yours. We have missed you and we are glad you are here.

COLLECTION COUNTERS WANTED in both parishes. Both parishes are wanting to have eight counters. Currently St. Michael has six and Immaculate Conception has four. If interested, please contact the parish office.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES may be placed in either St. Michael's or Immaculate Conception's collection baskets. The envelopes will be delivered and credited to the proper parish.

BATTERY COLLECTION--we accept all household batteries for recycling. Bring them to church, drop them in the designated collection box, and we will take them to a battery recycler to save the environment from this hazardous waste. Sponsored by the WFCC Parish Life Team.

COUPON COLLECTION--we accept all coupons to be sent to military service men and women for their use. Bring them to church, drop them in the designated collection box, and we will ship them to an organization that gives them to military service men and women. Sponsored by the WFCC Parish Life Team.

CELL PHONE COLLECTION—we accept all used cell phones for recycling. Bring them to church, drop them in the designated collection box, and we will ship them to a cell phone recycler to save the environment from this hazardous waste. Sponsored by the WFCC Parish Life Team.

GRAIN DONATIONS are accepted as long as the proper Grain Transfer form is completed and sent to the parish office. Once the parish has ownership of the grain, the grain will be sold and you will receive an acknowledgement for the bushels donated. If you wish to receive a monetary donation credit, please sell the grain, deposit the money from the grain elevator in your bank account, and then write a check out to the parish. Thank you.