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ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

MONDAY—OCTOBER 31

Thirty-First Monday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m. Eucharist [Mary Drevs+] - Mowille

TUESDAY—NOVEMBER 1

All Saints
Office Closed
8:00 a.m. Eucharist [Jerry Kasner+] - Kingsley
7:00 p.m. Eucharist [Special Intentions] - Mowille

WEDNESDAY—NOVEMBER 2

*The Commemoration of All the Faithful De-
parted*
7:30 a.m. Eucharist [Rev. Msgr. Roger Augustine]
- Mowille
10:00 a.m. Eucharist [Mark Rolling+] - KNH
4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-4] - Kingsley
4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-4] - Mowille
7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [5-12] - Kingsley
7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [5-8] - Mowille
7:00 p.m. SMC Guild Meeting - Kingsley

THURSDAY—NOVEMBER 3

Thirty-First Thursday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m. Rosary - Mowille
8:00 a.m. Eucharist [Randy Gollhofer+] - Kingsley
8:30 a.m. Bible/Book Study - Kingsley
12:30 p.m. PieceMakers - Mowille

FRIDAY—NOVEMBER 4

Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop
7:30 a.m. Rosary - Mowille

SATURDAY—NOVEMBER 5

Thirty-First Saturday in Ordinary Time
4:00 p.m. Reconciliation - Kingsley
5:00 p.m. Eucharist [Bob & Pat Stratton+]
- Kingsley

SUNDAY—NOVEMBER 6

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Reconciliation - Mowille
9:00 a.m. Eucharist [Rick Schorg+] - Mowille
10:00 a.m. Coffee/Juice/Rolls (Guild) - Mowille
6:00 p.m. The Bible Timeline (Egypt and Exodus
- Part 1) - Kingsley

**WHAT'S HAPPENING
IN OUR PARISH**

Please visit the WFCC website 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.
<http://www.westforkcatholiccommunity.org>
LIKE US ON FACEBOOK! Search for West Fork Catholic Community.

30 October 2016

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

If I were casting for a movie about the story of Zacchaeus, I'd try to get the actor Danny DeVito to play Zacchaeus. Short, plump, balding and obnoxious, DeVito would look the part, as I (*playing the Lord, of course*) would come along, spot him in his "branch office", and take delight in his response to my informing him that I'm having dinner with him.

The imagery in this gospel is not meant to simply tickle our imaginations, and offer a moment of colorful entertainment, but rather to call us to reflect on:

- the nature of sinful humanity,
- the nature of conversion,
- the nature of God's all-embracing love.

Let's consider the sinful nature of humanity. While we are sinful - each of us being afflicted by original sin and the sins we have committed - there is also a spark of "divine dignity" we possess simply because we're created in God's image. Zacchaeus didn't climb that tree merely out of curiosity, but because that spark of dignity was fanned by the Holy Spirit. Unbeknownst to Zacchaeus, he was not just curious; he hungered to see Goodness in person. And that encounter sparked a fire that brought about his conversion.

This brings us to our 2nd point for reflection: the nature of conversion. True conversion is not rooted in fear; it's rooted in the realization that we're loved and that what love brings to our lives is more valuable than what sin does. Zacchaeus was willing to lose everything he had just to have the Lord stay with him, not just in his house - but in his heart and in his life.

Our own conversion may not be as immediate as Zacchaeus', but if we believe that God loves us - even *while we were still sinners*, as St. Paul says in his letter to the Romans - if we hold onto that reality more than the fear of punishment, we will experience a much fuller conversion than what fear alone brings about. Zacchaeus did not change because he was afraid; he changed because he was loved. Jesus loves us no less than Zacchaeus; are we willing to come down from our own "brand offices" and let that love change our lives?

And, speaking of the love of Christ, it brings us to our 3rd point: the all-embracing love of God. We appreciate God's wide embrace when that embrace pulls us out of our 'sticky' situations, where we have not been at our best, or maybe even when we've been at our worst. We're grateful for God's patience in allowing us time to grow in conversion. However, we're not always so appreciative of God's wide embrace when that same embrace is gathering in people on the fringes, people who are different than us, people who haven't responded to Jesus' love the way we have.

We're not always welcoming or patient with other Zacchaeuses. Sometimes we're not pleased to accept the people the Lord has invited to join him. It could be liberal fanatics or conservative demagogues, immigrants or convicts, people who are divorced, cohabitating, or have same-sex attractions, or even persons who have gravely wronged us, whom the Lord is inviting to join him.

We have to realize that God's embrace doesn't have a filter for people we don't like. If God is willing to embracing me with all my faults, then maybe conversion isn't simply needed by the Zacchaeuses of the world, but by me too, for if I want to dine with the Lord, I have to gather with all the other sinners the Lord has invited, not just the ones I prefer.

So maybe Danny DeVito isn't the best person to play Zacchaeus, and maybe I'm not the best person to play Christ. Maybe we all have to see ourselves as Zacchaeus, or consider the possibility that we are the self-righteous who don't want a sinner near us. Maybe we need to work on becoming more like Jesus, with an embrace wide enough to help anyone and everyone looking for the Lord.

Fr. Brad Pelzel

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MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 1 8:00 A.M.

- Altar Servers:** John Galles
- Reader(s):** Corrine Leekley
- Organist:** Jolene Spooner
- Communion:** Lois Galles

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 5 5:00 P.M.

- Altar Servers:** Jorja Howe, Jesse Harvey, Kylie Beelner
- Reader(s):** Trent Lammers, Millie Hamman
- Cantor:** Amanda Seuntjens
- Organist:** Jolene Spooner
- Gifts:** Scott Bohle Family
- Communion:** Barb Sitzmann, Doris Seuntjens, Lisa Langel
- KNH:** Alice Seuntjens
- Greeters:** Verlyn & Charlene Nafe
- Ushers:** Shelly Bohlke, Dan Mockler
- Collection Counters:** Linda Schlotman, Shelly Krieg

INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK

Adult Envelopes	\$1,547.00 (33 Envelopes)
Youth Envelopes*	\$16.00 (3 Envelopes)
Loose	\$75.00
Cemetery Income	\$275.00
Farm Ground Income	\$300.00
Interest Income	\$1,484.77
World Mission Sunday	\$65.00 (5 Envelopes)
Total Income	\$3,762.77
Needed Each Week	\$2,877.89
Total Expenses	\$1,509.93

*Time/Talent quotes from youth envelopes: none

BUDGET REPORT 2016-2017

Income needed by 30 June 2017:	\$150,234.37
Income needed each week:	\$2,889.12
Income received since 1 July 2016:	\$47,197.62

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SMC SANCTUARY LIGHT [OCTOBER 30-NOVEMBER 5] burns for People of WFCC.

Weeks available until December 25.

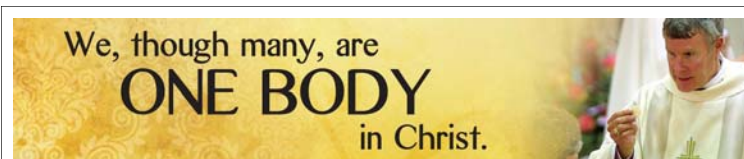
LADIES GUILD:

- is updating the Guild List and Prayer Chain list. If you have a cell phone number that you use, please contact Lois Galles, 378-2045, or gallmlj@wiatel.net so that we can update our information.
- Next St. Michael's Guild meet will be on Wed., Nov.2nd, 7 p.m., church hall.
- If you need the prayer chain, please call Mary Lou Mockler 378-2283 or Lois Galles, 378-2045.

FROM THE DESK OF BARB SITZMANN, DRE:

- November 9th from 4-5 pm we will Adoration in the church. Afternoon students can be picked up there.
- The Search retreat is available for any high school 10th, 11th and 12th graders. It is the weekend of November 11-13th in Early Iowa. Please let me know if your child is interested in attending for registration forms.
- Saturday, November 12 during the 5 pm Mass, we will have a youth Mass for all PS-4th grade students. Fellowship in the church hall to follow. Please plan to attend.
- November 16th from 7-8 pm we will have Steubenville-style Adoration in the church. All evening students are to report to the church instead of the FF Center.
- November 23rd- NO FF CLASSES- Thanksgiving break.
- November 30th- Regular classes in the afternoon and evening.
- December 7th- Sacrament of Reconciliation at 4pm and 7pm. Afternoon students can be picked up at the church at 5 pm. Evening students are to report to the church at 7pm rather than the FF Center.
- December 7th- 5-7 pm Catechist appreciation at Dooskies. They will be serving the chicken and pizza buffet with full salad bar. Catechists, please RSVP to Barb ASAP.
- Saturday December 10th after 5 pm Mass we will have the annual Nativity Pageant. All PS-4th grade students will be participating. Please plan to attend.
- December 14th- 8-12th grade students will be caroling to parish elderly and shut-ins around Kingsley. Any adults are encouraged to join us. Please let me know if you are interested.
- December 21st- 10th, 11th and 12th grade students will be delivering Love Tree gifts to the nursing home.
- December 28th- NO CLASSES- CHRISTMAS BREAK.
- January 4th- FF classes resume.
- Contact info: St. Michael FF Center 378-2021, Barb's cell 712-251-8567, home phone 378-2052, work phone 378-2861. Emails- stmikedre@gmail.com, home barbsitzmann@yahoo.com, work bsitzmann@k-pcsd.org.

ACH GIVING NOW AVAILABLE! For all of our Parishioners of St. Michael Parish is now offering an alternative to writing a weekly or monthly check. Join our Automated Giving Program and have your financial stewardship offering transferred directly to the parish account. Call



	2015	2016
\$ Goal:	\$12,000.00	\$13,000.00
\$ Pledged:	\$9,542.50	\$6,105.00
\$ Given:	\$9,542.50	\$5,517.50
Pledges Goal:	168	171
Participants:	102	59
Participant Rate:	61%	35%



MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 1 7:00 P.M.

- Altar Servers:** Brayden Sanford, Carly Meister, Jack Crew
- Reader(s):** Jack Meister, Gina Meister
- Cantor:** Gene Handke
- Organist:** Laura Krajicek
- Gifts:** Corey Meister Family
- Communion:** Carol Nelson, Eric Nelson, Mike Byers
- Ushers:** Doug Glackin, Tony Glackin

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 6 9:00 A.M.

- Altar Servers:** Madelyn Schultz, Sarah Nelson, Max McGill
- Reader(s):** Dan Bormann
- Cantor:** Angie Williams
- Organist:** Laura Krajicek
- Gifts:** Barb Smith
- Communion:** Shelly Byers, Chuck Hoelker, Chris Hoelker
- CharMac:** Elaine Ketelsen
- Ushers:** Butch Grell, Volunteer
- Collection**
- Counters:** Marcia Sailer, Connie Brockhaus

INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK

Adult Envelopes	\$1,493.00 (40 Envelopes)
Youth Envelopes*	\$17.41 (13 Envelopes)
Loose	\$955.00
Interest Income.....	\$117.63
World Mission Sunday	\$165.00 (15 Envelopes)
Total Income	\$2,748.04
Needed Each Week.....	\$2,859.23
Total Parish Expenses.....	\$239.92

*Time/Talent quotes from youth envelopes: "cleaned my room"

BUDGET REPORT 2016-2017

Income needed by 30 June 2017:	\$150,548.91
Income needed each week:	\$2,895.17
Income received since 1 July 2016:	\$68,264.86

10/28/2016

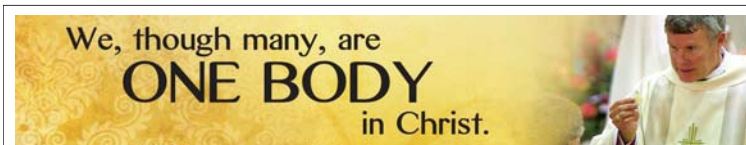
ICC SANCTUARY LIGHT [OCTOBER 30-NOVEMBER 5] burns for Rick Schorg+ at the request of Mary Beth Schorg.

Weeks available after January 22.

LADIES GUILD is preparing to rework the Guild handbook. We are asking anyone who wants to join/or remain on the Prayer Chain to sign up in the Hall.

FROM THE DESK OF ANGIE DUFFY, DFF:

- **November 9-** Steubenville Style Adoration for the evening classes, 5th- 12th. Parish members are welcome to join in the service.
- **November 16-** Adoration at 4:00 p.m. for grades K-4th. Parish members are welcome to join in the service.
- **November 23- No class-Thanksgiving Break**
- **December 14-** Penance Service at 4:00 & 7:00 p.m. Faith Formation classes. Parish members are welcome to join the services.
- **December 14-** Faith Formation Family Pot at 6:00 p.m. followed by Penance service.
- **December 21-** Maranatha program for the 4:00 p.m. session. The program will begin at 4:30 p.m. with cookie decorating to follow.
- **Contact info:** Immaculate Conception Office 712-873-3644; Angie's cell 712-560-2593; email icmovilledff@wiatel.net



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\$ Goal:	\$11,000.00	\$12,000.00
\$ Pledged:	\$8,847.50	\$6,390.00
\$ Given:	\$8,542.00	\$5,590.00
Pledges Goal:	151	171
Participants:	92	55
Participant Rate:	61%	32%

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BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. BRAD - Learn how the key people, places, and events in the Bible fit together to reveal God's plan for you as you study the Bible from a Catholic perspective and see how our faith is rooted in Sacred Scripture. Each session is approx. 2 hours long with a discussion of the readings, Q & A by Fr. Brad and a video on the readings. For more information contact Fr. Brad.

TRINITY HEIGHTS QUEEN OF PEACE will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for personal Eucharistic Adoration on Election Day (Tuesday November 8th) from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. All are invited and welcome to spend some time with a grateful heart to praise God for a free country and the right to vote, for wisdom and right judgement in our country's leadership, for forgiveness and healing in our country sorely divided.

THE GLOBE Did you see the DAA parish goals in the last edition of The Catholic Globe? Don't forget to make your pledge! Got news? Email news@scdiocese.org or call (712) 255-2550 or (800) 352-9035.

WWW.FORMED.ORG is available. The best Catholic content all in one place. Your parish has gifted you with unlimited access to the eBooks, talks and videos in the Church today. Register at www.formed.org, parish code enter f8d652.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Clarice Bainbridge, Leonard Beaver, Juanita Beaubien, Jim Berens, Rose Brown, Tom/Donna Clark, Virginia Connelly, Hilda Dragoo, Pauline Dugan, Kara Funk, Charlotte Honkomp, Virginia & Walt Kabisch, Mike Ketelsen, Millie Kisting, Harold Kloewer, Veronica Koebel, Joan McCain, Patricia McConnell, Stanley Nilles, Beverly Petekavich, Rita Plendl, Bob/Patricia Rogers, Jim Roger, Kay Sands, Judy Schroeder, Sylvesta Slota, Harlan/Fairy Steffe, Bernice Timmins, Marcella Thomas, Jeune Vondrak, Gerry Weinriech, Emmet Woltman, and the men and women serving in the military and police.

PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR:

Ralph Treiber, father to Kim (Marla) Treiber, who passed away October 20; **Alvin H. "Rowdy" Henning**, parishioner, who passed away October 24.

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

- November 8, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Guild Meeting [M]
- November 8, 7:00 p.m.: Eucharist [M]
- November 8, 7:30 p.m.: KC8232 Meeting [M]
- November 9, 11:00 a.m.: Eucharist [CharMac]
- November 9, 4:00 p.m.: Adoration [K]
- November 9, 7:00 p.m.: CICC [M]
- November 9, 7:00 p.m.: Adoration (SN Style) [M]
- November 10, 8:30 a.m.: Bible/Book Study [K]
- November 12, 5:00 p.m.: Youth Mass [K]
- November 12, 6:00 p.m.: Youth Dinner [K]
- November 13, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 6: Egypt and Exodus - Part 1) [M]
- November 16, 4:00 p.m.: Adoration [M]
- November 16, 7:00 p.m.: Adoration (SN Style) [K]
- November 17, 8:30 a.m.: Bible/Book Study [K]
- November 20, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 7: Egypt and Exodus - Part 2) [K]
- November 23: No Faith Formation
- November 24: OFFICES CLOSED
- November 24, 9:00 a.m.: Eucharist [K]
- November 25: OFFICES CLOSED
- November 27, 10:00 a.m.: Full Breakfast (KC8232) [M]
- November 27, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 8: Desert Wanderings - Part 1) [M]
- December 4, 10:00 a.m.: Coffee/Juice/Rolls [M]
- December 4, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 9: Conquest and Judges - Part 1) [K]
- December 6, 6:30 p.m.: SMC Parish Council Meeting [K]
- December 6, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Guild Meeting [M]
- December 6, 8:00 p.m.: SMC Finance Council Meeting [K]
- December 7, 10:00 a.m.: Eucharist [KNH]
- December 7, 4:00 p.m.: Reconciliation [K]
- December 7, 5:00-7:00 p.m.: SMC Catechist Appreciation Dinner [K]
- December 7, 7:00 p.m.: Reconciliation [K]
- December 8: Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- December 8: Offices Closed

WEST FORK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY INFORMATION

ADMINISTRATOR/PASTOR: Fr. Brad Pelzel 712-873-3644

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH: 712-873-3644

Director of Faith Formation: Angie Duffy

Custodian-Church: Consetia Carley / **Custodian-Rectory:** Judy Gruis

ST. MICHAEL CHURCH HALL: 712-378-2722

FAITH FORMATION CENTER: 712-378-2021

Director of Faith Formation: Barbara Sitzmann

Email: stmikedre@gmail.com

Custodian-Church: Jan Meister / **Assistant Custodian-Church:**

Jolene Spooner / **Custodian-FF Center:** Sonya Hamman

Groundskeeper: Jerome Gollhofer

WFCC [MOVILLE] OFFICE HOURS:

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 8:30 a.m.-noon, 1:00-5:30 p.m.

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

Other times by appointment

EUCHARIST:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.-Kingsley

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.-Moville

Monday, Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.-Moville

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

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00-4:45 p.m.-Kingsley

Sunday: 8:00-8:45 a.m.-Moville

Other times by appointment

ROSARY:

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 7:30 a.m.—Moville

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.