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ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

MONDAY—FEBRUARY 15

First Monday of Lent
7:30 a.m. Eucharist [] - Mowille
8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer (I) - Kingsley

TUESDAY—FEBRUARY 16

First Tuesday of Lent
8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Mowille
8:00 a.m. Eucharist [] - Kingsley

WEDNESDAY—FEBRUARY 17

First Wednesday of Lent
7:30 a.m. Eucharist [] - Mowille
8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Kingsley
4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-4] - Kingsley
4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-5] - Mowille
7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [5-12] - Kingsley
7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [6-9] - Mowille

THURSDAY—FEBRUARY 18

First Thursday of Lent
8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Mowille
8:00 a.m. Eucharist [] - Kingsley

FRIDAY—FEBRUARY 19

First Friday of Lent
8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Mowille
8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer - Kingsley

SATURDAY—FEBRUARY 20

First Saturday of Lent
4:00 p.m. Reconciliation - Mowille
5:00 p.m. Eucharist [] - Mowille

SUNDAY—FEBRUARY 21

Second Sunday of Lent
8:00 a.m. Reconciliation - Kingsley
9:00 a.m. Eucharist [] - 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>
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14 February 2016

First Sunday of Lent

It is said that money cannot buy happiness; yet I think that phrase is repeated mostly as a consolation for those of us who are not wealthy. Deep down, we all would like to have a greater abundance of material goods. Today Jesus warns us against disordered desires in his responses to Satan's temptations. It is not bad to have and like nice things. God provided the world and everything in it so that we can acquire what we need. In that capacity, we have the right to enjoy the fruit of our labor and to use goods for the wellbeing of our family and neighbors. What Jesus is warning against is how we prioritize what we want and aspire to. If a person focuses all their attention on their possessions and wellbeing, when a time of suffering or misfortune arises, they usually handle the adversity very poorly.

The same occurs when young people are raised to think they deserve and should receive everything they want. When faced with frustration or failure, they often become engrossed in drama or seek things that promise fulfillment but actually end in hopelessness, emptiness or violence. This is what Jesus warns against. It is not that in desiring wealth or other gratifications that what we crave is bad, rather, it is in selfishly desiring lower things over more important things, such as God, family and neighbor that our desires become disordered and lead to unhappiness and self-destruction.

Then what does God want from us? He wants us to properly order our priorities and values so that we will desire that which is best. God wants to be at the center of our heart and the lens through which we see and measure all things. He wants us to seek the fulfillment of our hopes and dreams by sharing and participating in His love and not through pleasure, fame, wealth or power. He wants us, poor or rich, successful or not, to see Him as the source of all that is worthy and eternal life with Him as the summit of all that is desirable.

Each one of us will encounter this situation the coming weeks. The Church asks all of us, but specifically requires everybody between the ages of 14 and 60, to abstain from meat on the Fridays of Lent. As sure as I am Catholic, every one of us is going to face this: its mealtime and we have a delicious piece of fried chicken, burger, bacon or other meat in front of us. Then we remember it is Friday. The devil is going to say, "It's no big deal... Don't be legalistic... You can do something else for a penance... If you don't eat it, you might faint from hunger... It's a sin to let food go to waste, etc."

In the big scheme of things this is a small temptation, but when it comes, we need to keep in mind that it is how we handle the little temptations that prepare us to be able to handle the bigger ones. Choosing to observe our fast and abstinence rules helps us to keep our priorities in line. I pray you will choose well.

Fr. Brad Pelzel

EXPLORE RSM has been rescheduled for February 24, at 5:30. Come to the Open House for parents and students. Learn about financial assistance and student activities. No RSVP necessary, use the Remsen St. Mary's Gym entrance. Call [712-786-1324](tel:712-786-1324), for more information.

SAVE THE DATE: Sr. Marie Hesed will speak on Apr. 3rd Divine Mercy Sunday at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Danbury. Sr. Hesed has spent 27 years working for the Missionaries of Charity, founded by Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta. She is now a member of the SOLT Sisters and lives at the Domus Trinitatis retreat center near Willey, IA. For more information on Sr. Marie Hesed go to www.homeofthetrinity.com or [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com) for her talks. Watch for more details to come later on Sr. Marie Hesed speaking on Divine Mercy Sunday in Danbury.

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MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 21 9:00 A.M.

- Altar Servers:** Jonathan Grubb, Michael Nafe, Madison Wurth
- Reader(s):** Trent Lammers, Bill Langel
- Cantor:** Angie Haggin
- Organist:** Volunteer
- Gifts:** Denise Schmid Family
- Communion:** Monica Eldridge, Millie Hamman, Karen Malm
- KNH:** Jan Meister
- Greeters:** Tim Carlson, Cheridan Wenzel
- Ushers:** Shelly Bohlke, Jeanine Haggin
- Collection**
- Counters:** Amber Schweitzberger, Volunteer

INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK

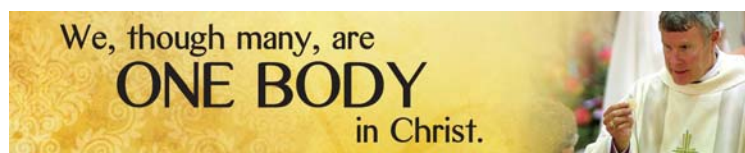
Adult Envelopes	\$1,550.00 (37 Envelopes)
Youth Envelopes*	\$12.00 (2 Envelopes)
Loose	\$464.00
Candles	\$20.23
Total Income	\$2,046.23
Needed Each Week.....	\$2,877.89
Total Expenses	\$1,119.07
*Time/Talent quotes from youth envelopes: none	

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:	\$87,008.40

2/12/2016

SMC SANCTUARY LIGHT [FEBRUARY 14-20] burns for the *People of WFCC.*
Weeks available until December 25.



	2014	2015
\$ Goal:	\$11,000.00	\$12,000.00
\$ Pledged:	\$9,009.00	\$8,207.50
\$ Given:	\$9,009.00	\$7,293.75
Pledges Goal:	168	166
Participants:	103	87
Participant Rate:	63%	52%

FROM THE DESK OF BARB SITZMANN, DRE:

- Stations of the Cross will be held Wed. 2/17 at 4:30 pm at St. Michael Church. All parishioners are welcome.
- Wednesday, February 17th- 2nd Basic Catechist Certification class from 5:30-6:30 pm at the FF Center. If you are a catechist and need this class yet, please plan to attend. A light meal will be provided.
- Wednesday, March 9th 4:30 pm- 1st graders will be presenting Living Stations in the church.
- Wednesday, March 9th 7 pm- 8th, 11th and 12th graders will be presenting Living Stations in the church. All evening students are to attend.
- Wednesday, March 9th- 3rd BCC class from 5:30-6:30 at the FF Center. If you are a catechist and need this class yet, please plan to attend. A light meal will be provided.
- Sunday, March 13th the Kingsley KC's will be hosting a high school (9-12th grade) movie night from 6-8 pm in the church. The movie is TBA. More info to come. Mark your calendars for an evening of fun!
- Wednesday, March 16th- Communal confessions in the church at 4 pm and 7 pm.
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23RD- NO FF CLASSES AT ST MICHAEL- EASTER BREAK!
- Wednesday, March 30th- 4th BCC class from 5:30-6:30 at the FF Center. If you are a catechist and need this class yet, please plan to attend. A light meal will be provided
- Wednesday, March 30th 7pm- IC in Merville will be having Adoration.
- Wednesday, March 30th- CONFIRMATION STUDENTS- ALL MASS REPORTS AND SERVICE HOURS ARE DUE.
- Monday, April 4th- 4-7 pm- 1st Communion Learning Stations at the FF Center. Come and go event lasting approximately 1-1 1/2 hours. All 2nd graders and their parents are to attend.
- Wednesday, April 6th- 5:30-6:30 pm at the FF Center. If you are a catechist and need this class yet, please plan to attend. A light meal will be provided.
- 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.

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP will be Friday, March 11. If you are planning to send your child to Kingsley-Pierson CSD for Kindergarten in the fall 2016, please contact Barb Sitzmann at the Kingsley School, 378-2861. We are scheduling for a morning and an afternoon roundup session.

AMAZONSMILE - Support St. Michael Roman Catholic Church when you shop at <http://smile.amazon.com>. Amazon donates to the church. Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/42-0703258>. Visit the parish website under About\Support our Mission page for an easy link.



MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 13 5:00 P.M.

- Altar Servers:** Anthony Baird, Derek Hytrek, Volunteer
- Reader(s):** Erika Kuntz, Alicia Jenness
- Cantor:** Angie Williams
- Organist:** Laura Krajicek
- Gifts:** Barb Smith Family
- Communion:** Mary Schultz, Kay Sands, Volunteer
- CharMac:** Elaine Ketelsen
- Ushers:** Butch Grell, Jim Gries
- Collection**
- Counters:** Bob Weatherly, Connie Brockhaus

INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK

- Adult Envelopes\$1,555.00 (38 Envelopes)
- Youth Envelopes* \$2.50 (6 Envelopes)
- Loose\$678.00
- Aid to World-Wide Churches ...\$30.00 (3 Envelopes)
- Black/Indian Missions.....\$5.00 (1 Envelope)
- Total Income \$2,270.50**
- Needed Each Week.....\$2,859.23
- Total Parish Expenses..... \$1,512.34**

***Time/Talent quotes from youth envelopes:** "I helped my sister", "I played with my brother", "made my bed"

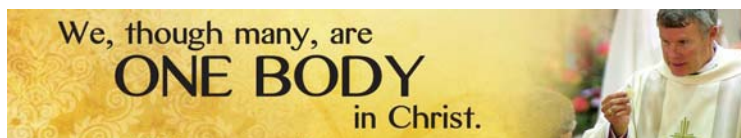
BUDGET REPORT 2015-2016

Income needed by 30 June 2016:	\$148,679.57
Income needed each week:	\$2,859.23
Income received since 1 July 2015:	\$84,290.25

2/12/2016

ICC SANCTUARY LIGHT [FEBRUARY 14-20] burns for the People of WFCC.

Weeks available until December 4.



	2014	2015
\$ Goal:	\$10,000.00	\$11,000.00
\$ Pledged:	\$10,770.50	\$8,262.50
\$ Given:	\$10,465.50	\$7,582.00
Pledges Goal:	154	151
Participants:	119	83
Participant Rate:	79%	55%

LENTEN BOOK STUDY Want to REDISCOVER JESUS during Lent? You are welcomed to join Connie Brockhaus on Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m. or Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the IC Church Library. The group will be reading and discussing the book Rediscovering Jesus, the gift all parishioners received at Christmas. We will also be viewing videos that accompany the readings. Please feel free to check out the website dynamiccatholic.com, if you would like to receive a daily Lenten video. Looking forward to some dynamic discussions, see you there.

SINGERS WANTED Looking for individuals, 5th grade through adults, who would love to join a choir at IC. We are looking at holding practices once a week and performing one Saturday a month to begin with. If you are able and willing to sing in the choir please contact Angie Duffy at the Parish Office.

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS Remsen St. Mary's School is hosting a Then Feed Just One packaging event. Each participant is asked to donate \$30 and/or work a shift. Shift options are 10-11:30 or 12:30-2 on Friday, February 19 at the Remsen St. Mary's Paul Loutsch Gym. This is a good opportunity for confirmation candidates to help the very poor in Honduras and accumulate service hours. One hundred percent of this will go directly to those in need. The goal is to package and send 132,000 meals!

You would need to arrive a half an hour early for the training. Registration info can be found at www.rsmschools.org under the News menu. Select TFJO for the form. Registration deadline is the 7th.

FROM THE DESK OF ANGIE DUFFY, DFF:

- Wednesday, **February 17** the 2nd **Basic Catechist Certification class** is scheduled from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the FF Center in Kingsley. If you are a catechist and need this class yet, please plan to attend. A light meal will be provided.
- Wednesday, **February 24** CICC class.
- Saturday, **February 27** Youth Ministry Fund Raiser Spaghetti Dinner following 5:00 p.m. Mass. Free will donation with all proceeds going to the youth attending Religious events. Students wanting to earn money to put towards Church camps are encouraged to help with the dinner. **Please speak to Angie Duffy about helping.**
- Wednesday, **March 9** Communal Reconciliation at 4:00 p.m. for grades 2-5 and 7:00p.m. for grades 6-12. Attendance required by all Faith Formation students including CICC.
- Wednesday, **March 9** the 3rd BCC class is scheduled from 5:30-6:30 at the FF Center in Kingsley. If you are a catechist and need this class yet, please plan to attend. A light meal will be provided.
- Wednesday, **March 30** Stations of the Cross and Adoration for both 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Faith Formation students. CICC students are to be in attendance.
- **Monday, April 11** 6:30-8:00 p.m. First Communion Learning Stations at IC Church. All 2nd graders and their parents are to attend.
- **Wednesday, April 6** 5:30-6:30 pm at the Kingsley FF Center. If you are a catechist and need this class yet, please plan to attend. A light meal will be provided.
- Available Catholic Church Camps: 1) Camp Totus Tuus at Twin Lakes Bible Camp in Manson, IA. Camp dates are July 31-Aug. 2 for grades 4-6 and Aug. 2-Aug. 4 for grades 7-12. 2) D-Camp at Broom Tree Youth Camp in Sioux Falls, SD with camp dates being June 13-16 for grades 9-10, July 10-13 for grades 11-12, and July 14-17 for grades 7-8. You can check out their website at www.sfcatholic.org/youth 3) St. Thomas More Center in Panora, IA. They have 11 different camps for various ages, check out their camps and dates at www.stmcenter.com/catholic-youth-camp



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Ella Bahmer, Leonard Beaver, Juanita Beaubien, Jim Berens, Rose Brown, Tom/Donna Clark, Virginia Connelly, Hulda Dragoo, Mary Drevs, Pauline Dugan, Kara Funk, Charlotte Honkomp, Virginia & Walt Kabisch, Don Kennedy, Millie Kisting, Harold Kloewer, Veronica Koebel, Joan McCain, Patricia McConnell, Kay Miller, Beverly Petekavich, Bob/Patricia Rogers, Kay Sands, Judy Schroeder, Sylvesta Slota, Dan Strachan, Bernice Timmins, Marcella Thomas, Jeune Vondrak, Gerry Weinriech, Emmet Woltman, Millie Wycoff, and the men and women serving in the military and police.

IMPORTANT DATES

- February 23, 7:00 p.m.: WFCC Parish Life Team Meeting [M]
- February 24, 6:30 a.m.: Lenten Breakfast [ICC]
- February 24, 7:00 p.m.: CICC [M]
- February 27, 6:00 p.m.: Fundraiser Dinner (YM Core) [M]
- March 1, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Parish Council Meeting [K]
- March 1, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Guild Meeting [M]
- March 1, 8:00 p.m.: SMC Finance Council Meeting [K]
- March 2, 6:30 a.m.: Lenten Breakfast [TBA]
- March 2, 10:00 a.m.: Eucharist [KNH]
- March 3, 7:00 p.m.: WFCC Baptism Class [M]
- March 5: Women’s Conference [Carroll]
- March 8, 7:00 p.m.: Eucharist [M]
- March 8, 7:30 p.m.: KC8232 Meeting [M]
- March 9, 6:30 a.m.: Lenten Breakfast [TBA]
- March 9, 11:00 a.m.: Eucharist [CharMac]
- March 9, 4:00 p.m.: Reconciliation [M]
- March 9, 7:00 p.m.: Reconciliation [M]
- March 9, 7:00 p.m.: CICC [M]
- March 9, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Guild Meeting [K]
- March 12, 6:00 p.m.: Fellowship Dinner (Guild) [M]
- March 15, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Pastoral Council Meeting [M]
- March 15, 8:00 p.m.: ICC Finance Council Meeting [M]
- March 16, 6:30 a.m.: Lenten Breakfast [TBA]
- March 16, 4:00 p.m.: Reconciliation [K]
- March 16, 7:00 p.m.: Reconciliation [K]
- March 18, TBA: KC8232 Fish Fry [M]
- March 18, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Guild Silent Auction [M]
- March 24, 7:00 p.m.: Eucharist [K]
- March 24, 8:00-9:30 p.m.: Adoration/Night Prayer [K]
- March 25: OFFICES CLOSED
- March 25, 1:00 p.m.: Good Friday Service [M]
- March 26, 9:00 p.m.: Eucharist [M]
- March 27: EASTER SUNDAY
- March 27, 7:00 a.m.: Eucharist [M]
- March 27, 9:00 a.m.: Eucharist [K]
- March 28: OFFICES CLOSED
- March 30, 4:00 p.m.: Adoration [M]
- March 30, 7:00 p.m.: Adoration [M]
- March 30, 7:00 p.m.: CICC [M]
- April 4, 4:00-7:00 p.m.: SMC First Eucharist Learning Stations [K]
- April 6, 10:00 a.m.: Eucharist [KNH]
- April 9, 6:00 p.m.: Fellowship Dinner (Guild) [M]
- April 11, 6:30-8:00 p.m.: ICC First Eucharist Learning Stations [M]
- April 12, 7:00 p.m.: Eucharist [M]

WEST FORK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY INFORMATION

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

Groundskeeper: Jerome Gollhofer

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

EUCARIST:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.-Menville

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.-Kingsley

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

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

RECONCILIATION:

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

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

Other times by appointment

MORNING PRAYER:

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

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.