

ST. MICHAEL'S
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ST. JOSEPH'S
 202 Main Street
 Liebenthal, KS 67553
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HOLY TRINITY
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 Timken, KS 67575
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February 5, 2017

TO USE OR RENT ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH CENTER: Call Janel Weigel @ 785-222-2454/3646

FUNERAL DINNERS: St. Michael's: *Pat Lohrey 785-222-3119*

St. Joseph's: *Monica Legleiter 785-342-5828* Holy Trinity: *Barb Oborny 620-797-1490*

COMMUNION CALLS: If anyone is sick at home or hospitalized, please notify Fr. Matthew Kumi.

For Baptism or Marriage Preparation, please call Fr. Matthew Kumi.

Monday, Feb 6	8:00 am LaCrosse	+All Deceased in Rush County
Tuesday, Feb 7	9:00 am Liebenthal	+Virginia Herrman
Wednesday, Feb 8	8:00 am Timken	+Frank A. Oborny
Thursday, Feb 9	10:00 am Locust Grove	+Blanche Tomecek
Friday, Feb 10	8:00 am LaCrosse	+Vera Peach
Saturday, Feb 11	4:30 pm Liebenthal	+Dorothy Davenport
Sunday, Feb 12	8:00 am Timken	For The Parish
Sunday, Feb 12	10:00 am LaCrosse	+Melezina Allen

LITURGY MINISTERS:

Liebenthal – Saturday, February 11 – 4:30 pm

COMM: Darryl & Sherri Herrman

SERVERS: Brett Herrman & Colby Stull

LECTOR: G.T. Barnes

GIFTS: Leo & Vicki Herrman

USHERS: Larry Kolb & Duane Legleiter

Timken – Sunday, February 12 – 8:00 am

COMM: Mike Kaus & Louise Seltman

SERVERS: Emily George & Gabriel Oddo

LECTOR: Steve Oborny

GIFTS: Tim & Patricia Oborny Family

USHERS: Mark Koochel & Steve Oborny

LaCrosse – Sunday, February 12 – 10:00 am

COMM: *Plate:* Brittany Suppes

Cup: Rachel Holopirek & James Suppes

SERVERS: Youth

LECTOR: Youth

HOSTS/GIFTS: Youth

USHERS: Youth

St. Joseph Collections (Jan 28, 2017)

Envelopes	\$ 636.00
Offertory	\$ 97.00
Candles	\$ 27.69
TOTAL	\$ 760.69

Roof Fund: \$137.22

Holy Trinity Collections (Jan 29, 2017)

Envelopes	\$ 573.00
Offertory	\$ 38.00
Childrens Off	\$ 5.00
Altar Society	\$ 21.00
Church Cleaning	\$ 45.00
Cemetery	\$ 50.00
Poinsettias	\$ 20.00
Candles	\$ 43.50
TOTAL	\$ 795.50

St. Michael Collections (Jan 29, 2017)

Envelopes	\$1637.00
Offertory	\$ 93.75
Childrens Off	\$ 8.26
Candles	\$ 16.00
TOTAL	\$1755.01

Thank You For Your Support!

CONFESSIONS:

St. Joseph: Saturday, 4:00 pm before Mass

Holy Trinity: Sunday, 7:30 am before Mass

*St. Michael: First Wednesday of the month
 6:30-7:30 pm*

OFFICE HOURS:

*Scheduled hours are Thursday's
 from 5 to 6:30 pm or to schedule an
 appointment, please contact JoAnn at
 785-623-1917 or jchiefs0308@yahoo.com.
 Thank you & God Bless!*

A WARM WELCOME to new parishioners!

Please introduce yourself to the pastor. Family registration forms are located in back of the church.

Please fill out the form and drop in the collection basket or give to Father after Mass.

PRAYER CHAIN.... We pray for those among us who are ill and for their caregivers, for those experiencing a hardship or difficulty and for those in the Armed Forces. To place someone's name on the prayer chain list, please call Ardis Viegra (222-3629).

Please keep in your prayers: Tom Baalman ~ Jeff & Kathy Hurd ~ Jeanette Misegadis

Larry Schuckman ~ Keirra Urban ~ Johnny Walker

BULLETIN ITEMS: Please give your announcements to Father, email to church@gbta.net or mail to PO Box 309, LaCrosse. All bulletin items are due by 9:00 am Thursday.

MASS STIPENDS can be placed in the collection baskets or mailed. **Please make checks to St. Michael's Stipend Fund**, specify what church you want the Mass and indicate if you want the Mass on a certain date. If you have a preferred date, please submit your request at least two weeks in advance. **Each Mass is \$10.00.**

INVITATION TO FR. MATTHEW'S BIRTHDAY PARTY!

On Sunday, February 5th, St. Michael's Parish is inviting the Tri-Parish community to Fr. Matthew's Birthday celebration after the 10:00 am Mass in the Parish Center. Join us with a good appetite, birthday greetings and fellowship. The meal will consist of Salmon Soup, Ham Bean Dumpling Soup and Chili Soup, relishes, bread and birthday cake.

TRI-PARISH ROSARY MAKERS meet on Wednesday, February 8th at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. All are welcome.

MONTHLY PRAYER HOUR FOR OUR COUNTRY will be Wednesday, February 15th at 1:00 pm in St. Joseph's Church. We need moisture! Let's gather together in prayer for much needed moisture and God's protection and blessing on this country.

LENTEN PARISH MISSION: Monday and Tuesday, March 13-14, at 7:00 pm (both evenings), we will have guest speakers come to St. Michael's Church as our Mission presenters this year. Sisters Paulynn Instenes & Jean Michael Treba, FSPA, from St. John, KS, will give us their thoughts on "Community, Service and Involvement" on Monday evening. They taught science to tribal adults in Zimbabwe, Africa for 4 years, were in Guam for 3 years and served the poorest of poor of Mississippi. On Tuesday evening, Mr. Steve Martinez, from Danville, KS, will give us his experience with a near fatal E-coli infection that put him in a coma for 14 days and was not expected to live. Both presentations are sure to hold our attention and cause us to reflect on our own lives and where we are in our own faith journey. Refreshments will be served in the Parish Center after each presentation. We encourage you to come both nights and listen to our Mission speakers as they challenge us to be better Christians.

LENTEN RETREAT DAY FOR WOMEN will be Wednesday, March 22nd, (tentative) in the school basement (parish hall). Theme for the day: "OFFER IT UP!" --turning suffering into prayer. Mark your calendars and keep the day for a mid-lenten opportunity for prayer and reflection.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA: In the Song of Songs, it is said: "More delightful is your love than ___!"
a) riches b) flowers c) wine

*******ST. MICHAEL in LACROSSE*******

IT'S A BABY SHOWER!! The St. Michael's High School Youth Group is hosting a Pro-Life Baby Shower February 5th. A playpen will be placed in the back of church for anyone wanting to donate items. All items will be given to the Mary Elizabeth Maternity Home in Hays, KS. Wish list items: Baby supplies and all size clothing, maternity clothing (new or used), baby detergent, trash bags, cleaning supplies, non-perishable items, Pre-Natal Vitamins, Tylenol, Benadryl, toiletry items for the mothers, etc. Donations may also be dropped off to Amy Depperschmidt (785-259-0347). To learn more about the Mary Elizabeth Home or to see their wish list, please visit their website at www.maryelizabeth.net.

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ST. MICHAEL'S PROPERTY COMMISSION MEETING is Thursday, February 16th at 7:00 pm.

30 DAYS OF CASH: Tickets to buy or sell for the "30 Days of Cash Giveaway" for the roof fund are now available after the Mass on Sunday mornings. For more tickets or information contact any Parish Council member or contact Bill Baalman Home 785 222 2869 or cell 785 222 6869.

2016 ST. MICHAEL'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: If you need a copy of your 2016 offerings for your taxes, please contact the church office at church@gbta.net or by contacting JoAnn.

*******ST. JOSEPH in LIEBENTHAL*******

ST. ANN'S ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING is this Monday, February 6th at 6:30 pm in the school basement. All women of the parish are encouraged to attend. We'll now be planning St. Joseph's Feastday celebration.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING will be Tuesday, February 14th at 7:00 pm in the rectory.

POINSETTIAS: Please take one home with you. They are at the church entrance.

*******HOLY TRINITY in TIMKEN*******

ALL FCSLA CATHOLIC WORKMAN BRANCH W133 MEMBERS, FAMILIES AND FRIENDS are invited to our party at the Timken Hill Bar & Grill in Timken on Sunday, February 5th! Lunch (provided) will be at 12:30 pm, followed by our annual meeting, door prizes, and social time. Please join us! (In case of bad weather, call Marion at 620-897-7778.)

HOLY TRINITY ALTAR SOCIETY will meet on Wednesday, February 8th at 5:30 pm. Ladies, please join us to help plan upcoming activities.

THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH

please contact Fr. Matthew at 785-222-2561

WEEKLY VOCATION VIEW: Let your light shine and give God praise! Hiding your light doesn't serve anyone. Where will you choose to "glow"? (Matthew 5:13-16). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or vocations@dcdiocese.org.

FEBRUARY 8TH is the feast of St. Josephine Bakhita who was sold into slavery as a child. PRAY for all children who live in slavery and are exploited. US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. (sistersagainstrafficking.org)

MOVIES WITH A MESSAGE: In our Movies with a Message, we feature movies that convey a meaningful spiritual or ethical theme. Following the movie, participants have the opportunity to enter into discussion and reflect upon the meanings and implications of the movie. Movies begin at 6:15 pm and are viewed in the Dominican Sisters of Peace Great Bend Motherhouse Auditorium. Free will donation taken for refreshments. **The Letters – Friday February 17:** On September 10, 1946, Mother Teresa (Juliet Stevenson) receives a message from God that tells her to help the poor, the sick and the downtrodden. Her new purpose initially causes conflict with the Roman Catholic Church and the government of India. After her death, a Vatican priest begins to recount her life's work, her political oppression and her unbreakable spirit. As her story unfolds through 40 years of personal letters, history remembers her as one of the world's greatest humanitarians. - See more at: <http://heartlandspirituality.org/programs/movies-with-a-message/>

LENTEN RETREAT "OPENING TO GOD": The focus of this retreat on March 3-5, 2017, will be growing closer to God through prayer. We will have times for group prayer, and lots of open, unstructured time for individual prayer, spiritual direction, massage, naps — whatever restores your soul. A few short teachings on prayer will be offered as well for those who are interested. This weekend is designed to be a time of getting in touch with Christ through learning, refreshment and renewal. Spiritual Direction and Massages will be available during the weekend. Presenter is Phil St. Romain. Fee is \$125.00 (Commuter rate available.) To register visit our website <http://heartlandspirituality.org/programs/sacramental-retreats/>

Ash Wednesday Mass Times on Wednesday, March 1st:

5:30 pm at St. Michael's

7:00 pm at Holy Trinity

**IN FEBRUARY, WE CELEBRATE THE HOLY FAMILY-JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE HOLY FAMILY**

Grant unto us, Lord Jesus, ever to follow the example of Thy Holy Family, that in the hour of our death Thy glorious Virgin Mother together with blessed Joseph may come to meet us and we may be worthily received by Thee into everlasting dwellings: who livest and reignest world without end. Amen. *Roman Missal*

ANSWER TO THE TRIVIA QUESTION: In the Song of Songs, it is said: "More delightful is your love than **wine!**" (Song of Songs 1:2)