

ST. MICHAEL'S
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HOLY TRINITY
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July 16, 2017

Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

TO USE OR RENT ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH CENTER: 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, July 17	8:00 am	LaCrosse	***NO MASS***
Tuesday, July 18	8:00 am	Liebenthal	+Sharon Urban
Wednesday, July 19	8:00 am	Timken	+Vera Peach
Thursday, July 20	10:00 am	Locust Grove	+Catherine Baker
Friday, July 21	8:00 am	LaCrosse	+Blanche Tomecek
Saturday, July 22	7:00 pm	Timken	+Lora Kaus
Sunday, July 23	8:00 am	Liebenthal	For The Parish
Sunday, July 23	10:00 am	LaCrosse	+Sr. Louise Herrman

LITURGY MINISTERS:

Timken – Saturday, July 22 – 7:00 pm

COMM: Lydia Flax & Bernard Juno

SERVERS: Audra Oborny & Gabriel Oddo

LECTOR: Steve Oborny

GIFTS: Jim & Karen Pechanec

USHERS: Barb & Steve Oborny

Liebenthal – Sunday, July 23 – 8:00 am

COMM: Carolyn Thompson & Louise Dechant

SERVERS: Blake & Brooke Herrman

LECTOR: Darryl Herrman

GIFTS: Bob & Betty Tryon

USHERS: James & Paul Depperschmidt

LaCrosse – Sunday, July 23 – 10:00 am

COMM: *Plate:* Knights of Columbus

Cup: Knights of Columbus

SERVERS: Knights of Columbus

LECTOR: Knights of Columbus

HOSTS/GIFTS: Knights of Columbus

USHERS: Knights of Columbus

Holy Trinity Collections (July 8, 2017)

Envelopes	\$ 740.00
Offertory	\$ 36.00
Childrens Off	\$ 4.00
Votive	\$.50
TOTAL	\$ 780.50

St. Joseph Collections (July 9, 2017)

Envelopes	\$ 290.00
Offertory	\$ 180.00
Candles	\$ 11.00
TOTAL	\$ 481.00

St. Michael Collections (July 9, 2017)

Envelopes	\$ 1900.00
Offertory	\$ 191.00
Childrens Off	\$ 3.00
Hall Rent	\$ 825.00
Timken Bills	\$ 929.38
Candles	\$ 19.10
TOTAL	\$ 3867.48

Thank You For Your Support!

CONFESSIONS:

Holy Trinity: Saturday, 30 minutes before Mass

St. Joseph: Sunday, 30 minutes before Mass

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

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

*Scheduled hours are Friday's
from 1:00 to 3:00 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: Fr. Marvin Reif ~ Patty Moran ~ Dana Randel
Moisture ~ Summer Travelers ~ World Peace*

Our deepest sympathy and prayers to the family & friends of Eric Shannon.
Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him.

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 Friday. (PLEASE SEE NOTE BELOW FOR CHANGE IN THE DEADLINE FOR NEXT WEEK!)**

PLEASE NOTE THE OFFICE HOURS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 16th will be changed to Thursday, July 20th from 8:30 to 10:30 am. **PLEASE HAVE YOUR BULLETIN ITEMS SUBMITTED BY 8:00 am ON THURSDAY, JULY 20th!**

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.**

GOSPEL REFLECTION: "Blessed are your eyes, because they see, and your ears, because they hear." [Matthew 13:1-23](#): In Jesus' parable of the sower, he focuses on the quality of the soil. How are you using these summer months to enrich the quality of your "soil" so that your faith will bear much fruit in your own life and in the life of your family and community?

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO FR. MATTHEW! He will celebrate the Anniversary of his Ordination on July 17th. Many Blessings to Father & thank you for your ministry!

ALTAR SERVERS' PARTY: There will be a party for all of the Tri-Parish Altar Servers with Fr. Matthew on Tuesday, July 18th at 5:00 pm at St. Michael's Parish Center. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring this party!

MONTHLY PRAYER HOUR FOR OUR COUNTRY will be this Wednesday, July 19th at 1:00 pm in St. Joseph's Church. We will also be praying for much needed moisture and protection from storms. Join us.

CATHOLIC WORKMAN PICNIC! It's time for our annual FCSLA Catholic Workman Branch W133 picnic! Lunch at 12:30 pm on Sunday, July 30th at the Timken Hill. Members, families, and friends invited!

HOLY HOUR on Wednesday, August 2nd at 6:30 pm at St Michael's Church. Confessions will also be available. Please come and spend an hour in prayer.

S.O.S.: Sister Charlotte needs jelly jars for the annual Dominican Sisters Bazaar. She is running out. If you have jars, bring them to St. Joseph's Church and leave in the entrance area. We'll get them over to sister A.S.A.P. Thanks!

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

NOTE DATE CHANGE! THE PROPERTY COMMISSION will meet on Thursday, July 20th at 7:00 pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COMMISSION MEETING is Wednesday, July 26th at 6:00 pm.

PARISH COUNCIL will meet on Wednesday, July 26th at 7:00 pm.

FAREWELL DINNER for Fr. Matthew Kumi on Sunday, August 20th right after the 10:00 am Mass in the Parish Center. We invite you to come and join Fr. Matthew to his last St. Michael's church dinner and also send him off with our thankfulness and give him our love and safe travel wishes as he goes back home to Ghana.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Betty Hafenstine & Virginia Schneider on being elected to the Liturgy Commission! (The new Property Commission members will be announced soon.)

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

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PICNIC PLANNING MEETING will be after Mass next Sunday, July 23rd. Please stay and give us your ideas and see if you can help in some way. The Parish Picnic (Liebenfest) will be Saturday, August 19th.

DONATIONS WELCOME for the picnic raffle. We are asking for cash donations for prizes or items you can donate so we can get a list of items to print on the raffle tickets. Call Judy, 222-6044 if you have a donation. Thank you.

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

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HOLY TRINITY ALTAR SOCIETY will hold a brief meeting at 5:30 pm on Wednesday, August 9th to discuss and plan several upcoming events. Ladies please try to attend and help us with your input.

FAREWELL SUPPER FOR FR. MATTHEW: On Saturday, August 26th, following Mass, we will hold a potluck supper for Fr. Matthew. Drinks and table service will be provided. Please mark your calendars and help us give Father Matthew a proper send-off, and thank him for his wonderful service to our parish. **Please note Mass will be at 5:30 pm.**

THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH
please contact Fr. Matthew at 785-222-2561

VIBRANT MINISTRIES: A Special Appeal Of The Catholic Diocese Of Dodge City

“BUT THE SEED SOWN ON RICH SOIL IS THE ONE WHO HEARS THE WORD AND UNDERSTANDS IT, WHO INDEED BEARS FRUIT AND YIELDS A HUNDRED OR SIXTY OR THIRTYFOLD.” (MATTHEW 13:23)

As of July 7th:

5.8% of Holy Trinity's family has helped us reach \$2,250 or 4.2% of our parish's \$54,050 goal.

25.8% of St. Joseph's family has helped us reach \$9,370 or 22.1% of our parish's \$42,415 goal.

8.4% of St. Michael's family has helped us reach \$22,548 or 21.6% of our parish's \$104,460 goal.

Our Lord promises us that if we build our life on his Word, he will reward us abundantly, beyond a measure we can even grasp. With confidence in our Lord's promise, let's join in supporting Priestly vocations, works of mercy and faith formation and meet our goal.

COMMITMENT WEEKEND IS NEXT WEEKEND! During Mass, each of us will be asked to make a Vibrant Ministries Appeal pledge as part of a special offertory. Together we will witness our parish, our diocese, our loved ones in southwest Kansas bear fruit one hundred, or sixty or thirtyfold!

Gifts of grain, stock, mutual funds, IRAs or other investments are welcome. Contact Mark Roth at 620-227-1535 or mroth@dcdioocese.org to complete.

Fr. Matthew Kumi

WEEKLY VOCATION VIEW: God is sowing seeds of a vocation to ordained ministry and consecrated life. Are you cultivating good soil in you and your family? May the seed take root in your hearts. (Matthew 13:1-23). If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdioocese.org/vocations.

JULY 30th IS WORLD DAY AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS. There are global maps showing the epidemic of human trafficking and reports on the existence of slavery in countries. JOIN US, U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (sistersagainstrafficking.org) to combat modern-day slavery.

COME & SEE/VEN Y VE: On September 9th, catechist formation for 2017/2018 will gather with music ministers and catechists for a unique day of lively formation. Come & See / Ven y Ve, is a Spanish/English conference which focuses on techniques for liturgical and catechetical ministries to support vibrant prayer and liturgy for parish communities. Come & See / Ven y Ve is a partnership with RCL Benzinger, Oregon Catholic Press, and the Diocese of Dodge City. Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 9th, Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Dodge City, and watch for more details.

Travel Prayer

God, my companion, teach me to follow the path

You set before me, allowing it to lead me to a new frontier.

May I celebrate its rough places and its smooth places;

as I cross over hills, through streams, and by lost fields and ponds,

I am traveling always toward You and with You.

O God, I know that the heart is the truest compass.

Grant me the wisdom to trust the path itself more than my own interests,

and the strength to follow wherever Your will may lead me.

Each path is an open road if You are by my side. **Amen.**