

ST. MICHAEL'S
918 Lincoln Box 309
LaCrosse, KS 67548

ST. JOSEPH'S
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HOLY TRINITY
103 South Main
Timken, KS 67575

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July 23, 2017

Sixteenth 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.

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| Monday, July 24 | 8:00 am | LaCrosse | +Danny Petz |
| Tuesday, July 25 | 8:00 am | Liebenthal | +Alvin & Agnes Herrman |
| Wednesday, July 26 | 8:00 am | Timken | +Esther Urban |
| Thursday, July 27 | 10:00 am | Locust Grove | +Emma Moeder |
| Friday, July 28 | 8:00 am | LaCrosse | +Dotty Kober |
| Saturday, July 29 | 7:00 pm | Timken | +Victor Pechanec |
| Sunday, July 30 | 8:00 am | Liebenthal | +Vincent Depperschmidt |
| Sunday, July 30 | 10:00 am | LaCrosse | For The Parish |

LITURGY MINISTERS:

Timken – Saturday, July 29 – 7:00 pm

COMM: Louise Seltman & Tina Vondracek
SERVERS: Emily George & Laken Vondracek
LECTOR: Emily George
GIFTS: LoRay & Kathryn George Family
USHERS: Mark Koochel & Duane Oborny

Liebenthal – Sunday, July 30 – 8:00 am

COMM: Knights of Columbus
SERVERS: Knights of Columbus
LECTOR: Knights of Columbus
GIFTS: Knights of Columbus
USHERS: Knights of Columbus

LaCrosse – Sunday, July 30 – 10:00 am

COMM: *Plate:* Karen Schmidt
Cup: Brittany & James Suppes
SERVERS: Madison Morgan, Avery Parrott,
Danielle Wagner
LECTOR: Nancy Meitl
HOSTS/GIFTS: Sue & Danielle Wagner
USHERS: Rollie Holopirek & Richard Leiker

Holy Trinity's Collections (July 15, 2017)

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| Envelopes | \$ 335.00 |
| Offertory | \$ 33.00 |
| Childrens Off | \$ 4.00 |
| Votive | \$ 14.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 386.00 |

St. Joseph's Collections (July 16, 2017)

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| Envelopes | \$ 250.00 |
| Offertory | \$ 114.00 |
| Candles | \$ 8.10 |
| TOTAL | \$ 372.10 |
| <i>Roof Fund: \$20.00</i> | |

St. Michael's Collections (July 16, 2017)

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| Envelopes | \$ 607.00 |
| Offertory | \$ 145.00 |
| Liebenthal Bills | \$ 929.38 |
| Candles | \$ 14.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 1695.38 |

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 jtchiefs0308@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 ~ Lonnie Depperschmidt ~ Frances Eargood
Moisture ~ Summer Travelers ~ World Peace*

Our deepest sympathy and prayers to the family & friends of Tom Baalman.
May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

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.**

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: PLEASE NOTE: **starting Thursday, August 10th**, the church office hours will return to 5:00-6:30 pm on Thursday's.

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: While we like to think of ourselves as good seeds planted in rich soil, sometimes our thoughts and attitudes are pretty weedy. The force of evil in this world is strong. The devil knows all the chinks in our armor. Negativity creeps in and colors our perspective despite the rich blessings in our lives. May we pray that all who seek to serve God persevere in the face of struggle—internal and external—and that we consistently water the wheat by proclaiming Jesus as our Lord!

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.

HOLY TRINITY'S MASS ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 12th will be at 5:00 pm for the Timken Fire Department's Annual Picnic!

LIEBENFEST PARISH PICNIC will be Saturday, August 19th, starting with Mass under the tent at 4:00 pm. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for a good old-fashioned picnic.

ATTENTION KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERS! There will be a 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Exemplification Saturday, August 26th in Hays in honor of Fr. Alvin Werth. Any 3rd degree member is eligible and encouraged to join. Please contact Bill Baalman or Kevin Moeder for details. All current members of our 4th degree Assembly are encouraged to attend the Exemplification, Mass, and Banquet to give support for our new members. Contact Bill or Kevin for reservation forms.

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 ASAP. Thanks!

MANY THANKS to the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring the Altar Servers' Party with Fr. Matthew.

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

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 THE NEW PROPERTY COMMISSION MEMBERS: Richard Leiker, Mark Baalman, Rob Holopirek and Aaron McGaughey!

THANK YOU to all of the out-going commission members. Your service and dedication to our St. Michael's Parish is appreciated!

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

LIEBENFEST PARISH PICNIC will be Saturday, August 19th, starting with Mass under the tent at 4:00 pm. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for a good old-fashioned picnic.

DONATIONS for the picnic raffle are needed. If you have cash or an item to donate, contact Judy: 785-222-6044. Thanks!

30 DAYS OF CASH RAFFLE: Tickets are now available! \$50 each; a prize of \$300 daily awarded from Sept.1-27. Sept 28: \$750; Sept.29: \$1,000; Sept.30: \$3,000. You can get tickets from Jerilyn Stull, Sue Basgall, Judy Hoffman. Tickets available at St. Joseph's before & after Mass. Pick up a pack and help sell them for the parish. Thank you.

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

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

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.

HOLY TRINITY'S MASS ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 12th will be at 5:00 pm for the Timken Fire Department's Annual Picnic.

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
**"HE WHO SOWS GOOD SEED IS THE SON OF MAN, THE FIELD IS THE WORLD,
THE GOOD SEED THE CHILDREN OF THE KINGDOM." (MATTHEW 13:37-38)**

As of July 14th:

5.8% of Holy Trinity's family has helped us reach \$2,250 or 4.2% of our parish's \$54,050 goal.
30.6% of St. Joseph's family has helped us reach \$10,090 or 23.8% 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.

We are nearing the end of the Vibrant Ministries Appeal. Please support this important effort for Priestly vocations, works of mercy and faith formation. We are the good seed that our Lord speaks of, sowing and harvesting the fields in his name. Together, let's ensure that we meet our goals!

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

Fr. Matthew Kumi

WEEKLY VOCATION VIEW: Good and evil exist together in the world. Pray that good may grow and take root in you like a mustard seed that, when full-grown, is the largest of plants. What are you doing to nurture good in our world? (Matthew 13:24-43). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or vocations@dcdiocese.org.

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 PRAY WITH AND FOR OUR SEMINARIANS: All are invited to join Bishop John, Fr. Wesley, and all the Dodge City seminarians for a Holy Hour from 10:30–11:30 am, Saturday, August 5th at St. Anthony Church in Liberal. It will be an opportunity to pray in front of our Eucharistic Lord both with and for the seminarians of our Diocese.

SEMINARIAN SEND-OFF IN LIBERAL: Bishop John will be blessing our seminarians as they begin their new academic year at the following Masses: August 5th at 5:30 pm; August 6th at 9:00 am (English) and 11:00 am (Spanish). Each Mass will be followed by an opportunity to meet and greet the seminarians. Come offer your prayers and best wishes as they prepare to return to school.

ST. ISIDORE'S will be hosting a retreat for all incoming freshmen at Kansas State University. This retreat focuses on building strong friendships and encouraging students to maintain their Catholic faith in college, while also demonstrating all that St. Isidore's has to offer. Our retreat will be held on Friday August 25th and Saturday August 26th, and will be run by our students, FOCUS Missionaries, and Campus Ministers. This is not an overnight retreat. For additional information, contact Robbie Jennings at rjennings@stisidores.com. To sign-up, visit our website www.stisidores.com.

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.