

ST. MICHAEL'S
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ST. JOSEPH'S
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HOLY TRINITY
103 South Main
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July 30, 2017

Seventeenth 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 31	8:00 am	LaCrosse	+Norbert Hartman
Tuesday, August 1	8:00 am	Liebenthal	+Kyle Lichter
Wednesday, August 2	8:00 am	Timken	+Matthew Kopsky
Thursday, August 3	10:00 am	Locust Grove	+Nettie Hepp
Friday, August 4	8:00 am	LaCrosse	+All Deceased in Rush County
Saturday, August 5	5:00 pm	Timken	For The Parish **NOTE TIME**
Sunday, August 6	8:00 am	Liebenthal	+Mike Schaffer
Sunday, August 6	10:00 am	LaCrosse	+Dennis Seidel

LITURGY MINISTERS:

Timken – Saturday, August 5 – 5:00 pm

COMM: Barb & Steve Oborny

SERVERS: Audra Oborny & Jared Vondracek

LECTOR: Duane Oborny

GIFTS: Craig & Carol Scheuerman

USHERS: Barb & Steve Oborny

Liebenthal – Sunday, August 6 – 8:00 am

COMM: Darryl & Sherri Herrman

SERVERS: Brett Herrman & Colby Stull

LECTOR: Leo Herrman

GIFTS: Don & Seth Urban

USHERS: Raymond Depperschmidt & Glenn Herrman

LaCrosse – Sunday, August 6 – 10:00 am

COMM: *Plate:* Amy Depperschmidt

Cup: Rachel Holopirek & Virginia Schneider

SERVERS: Lillian McGaughey, Abbey Oborny

Mariah Werth

LECTOR: Brady Gros

HOSTS/GIFTS: Rick & Janel Weigel

USHERS: Bill & Pat Baalman

Holy Trinity's Collections (July 22, 2017)

Envelopes	\$ 630.00
Offertory	\$ 4.00
Childrens Off.	\$ 2.00
Cemetery	\$ 100.00
Votive	\$ 21.50
TOTAL	\$ 757.50

St. Joseph's Collections (July 23, 2017)

Envelopes	\$ 565.00
Offertory	\$ 109.00
Candles	\$ 7.50
TOTAL	\$ 681.50
<i>Roof Fund: \$120.00</i>	

St. Michael's Collections (July 23, 2017)

Envelopes	\$ 927.00
Offertory	\$ 105.00
Childrens Off.	\$ 4.00
Candles	\$ 12.00
TOTAL	\$ 1048.00

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 ~ Jim Pivonka ~ Much Needed Rain

Our deepest sympathy and prayers to the family & friends of Donald Schmidt & Vernita Serpan. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them.

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: "When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it." Matthew 13:44-52 What is your personal treasure, your "pearl of great price"? What do you value above all other things? What would you give up everything for? As our "lazy" summer days wind down, it's a good time to reflect on the things we most value and the amount of time and energy we give (or don't give) to them.

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 AUGUST MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday, August 5 th :	5:00 pm	For The Rush County Fair
Saturday, August 12 th :	5:00 pm	For The Timken Fire Department's Picnic
Sunday, August 20 th :	8:00 am	Due To Liebenfest On Saturday
Saturday, August 26 th :	5:00 pm	For Fr. Matthew's Farewell Supper

INVITATION TO ALL! LIEBENFEST is Saturday, August 19th. Mass is under the tent at 4:00 pm.

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.

ST. JOSEPH'S 30 DAYS OF CASH FUNDRAISER: Every day in September a winning ticket will be drawn. Sept 1-27: Daily win is \$300. Sept 28: \$750; Sept 29: \$1,000; Sept 30: \$3,000. Every ticket has multiple chances to win. Tickets are \$50 each. Please contact Judy, 222-6044; Sue Basgall or Jerilyn Stull.

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

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. *Guests are asked to bring the desserts.*

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

A PICNIC FOR FATHER! Well, you could say that, because this year's LIEBENFEST PICNIC will be a great opportunity for everyone all around the county to come and say goodbye to our pastor of 4 years. With heavy hearts, we must let him go back to Ghana. Come to the picnic and have some one-on-one time with Fr. Matthew! Saturday, August 19th, starting with Mass at 4:00 pm "under the tent". Following Mass we will thank and bid fond farewell to Father. Food stand and beer stand will open after Mass. Cake walk and bingo follow and the drawings for prizes after that. A fun night waiting for you.

DONATIONS FOR THE PICNIC RAFFLE (DRAWING) are still needed. We are asking all parishioners to donate something, if possible. Cash or gift items. Barbara Matal will head up the raffle. Call her for tickets and to donate: 785-623-6987. Thank you!

THE CASH RAFFLE IS UP AND RUNNING! This fundraiser is vital to keep our parish on financial footing. In the past, you have been so supportive; please help again. Every day in September a winning ticket will be drawn. Sept 1-27: Daily win is \$300. Sept 28: \$750; Sept 29: \$1,000; Sept 30: \$3,000. Every ticket has multiple chances to win. Tickets are \$50 each. Contact Judy, 222-6044; Sue Basgall or Jerilyn Stull.

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

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 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.

BLESSING: At the end of Mass on Saturday, August 12th, Fr. Matthew will have a "Back Pack" Blessing for our students as they prepare to return to school.

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 5:00 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

It is with deep gratitude that we thank everyone who participated in last week's Commitment Weekend for the Vibrant Ministries Appeal. Your gifts of prayer and almsgiving are a true blessing.

While our parish results are being processed, be assured that by your generosity we are offering true sacrifices to help the various ministries across the Diocese.

If you have yet to share your support, you are welcome to do so. For on-line giving go to www.dcdiocese.org or call Mark Roth, Director of Development, at 620-227-1535 and he can take your pledge over the phone.

The Appeal total stands at \$8.6 million and our faithful are proclaiming the Good News of Jesus with great joy!

May you have a blessed week. Fr. Matthew Kumi

WEEKLY VOCATION VIEW: God invites us to ask for what we need. Consider what Solomon requested – an understanding heart. What do you need as you seek to follow Jesus? (1 Kings 3:5, 7-12). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or vocations@dcdiocese.org.

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.

ACTS, a three day/three-night Catholic lay retreat will be held at the Heartland Center for Spirituality, 3600 Broadway, Great Bend. The women's retreat will be held September 7-10, 2017 and the men's retreat will be November 16-19, 2017. Talks and activities during the retreat focus on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service, from which the ACTS acronym is derived. Cost is \$175 per person, which includes all meals and accommodations for the three-day weekend. Deadline for registration and payment for the women's retreat is September 1st and for the men's retreat, November 10th. Registration forms are available at <http://greatbendcatholic.com>.

THE RACHEL'S VINEYARD TEAM of Kansas City will be holding a retreat on the weekend of September 22-24 in the Kansas City area. In order to protect the confidentiality of those attending, the location is told only to those who call with their contact number and are planning to come to the retreat. The retreat is open to all who suffer from an abortion decision, not just women. Men also suffer from the loss of fatherhood, grandparents mourn the loss of grandchildren and those who have supported someone in their abortion decision often face regret later on. Registration fee is \$40, but no one is turned away due to inability to pay.