

**ST. MICHAEL'S**  
 918 Lincoln Box 309  
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**ST. JOSEPH'S**  
 202 Main Street  
 Liebenthal, KS 67553  
 Pastor: **Father Matthew Kumi**  
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**HOLY TRINITY**  
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 Timken, KS 67575  
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**March 12, 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.

<b>Monday, March 13</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>LaCrosse</b>	<b>In Thanksgiving (Marge Burchfiel)</b>
<b>Tuesday, March 14</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Liebenthal</b>	<b>+Rosanna Herrman</b>
<b>Wednesday, March 15</b>	<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>Timken</b>	<b>+Esther Urban <i>Stations Followed By Mass</i></b>
<b>Thursday, March 16</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Locust Grove</b>	<b>+Robert Ruder</b>
<b>Friday, March 17</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>LaCrosse</b>	<b>+Duane &amp; Mary Engel</b>
<b>Friday, March 17</b>	<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>Liebenthal</b>	<b><i>Stations Followed By Lenten Presentation</i></b>
<b>Saturday, March 18</b>	<b>4:30 pm</b>	<b>Liebenthal</b>	<b>+Kyle Lichter</b>
<b>Sunday, March 19</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Timken</b>	<b>For The Parish</b>
<b>Sunday, March 19</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>LaCrosse</b>	<b>+Rex Hafenstine</b>

**LITURGY MINISTERS:**

**Liebenthal – Saturday, March 18 – 4:30 pm**

**COMM:** Louise Dechant & Carolyn Thompson

**SERVERS:** Brett Herrman & Colby Stull

**LECTOR:** Randy Urban

**GIFTS:** Norman & Lou Ann Legleiter

**USHERS:** Dermot & Jerome Randa

**Timken – Sunday, March 19 – 8:00 am**

**COMM:** Duane Oborny & Louise Seltman

**SERVERS:** Audra Oborny & Gabriel Oddo

**LECTOR:** Tina Vondracek

**GIFTS:** LoRay & Kathryn George Family

**USHERS:** Barb & Tim Oborny

**LaCrosse – Sunday, March 19 – 10:00 am**

**COMM:** *Plate:* Janel Weigel

*Cup:* Rob Holopirek & Rick Weigel

**SERVERS:** Johannah Baalman, Lillian McGaughey,

Kinley Mongeau

**LECTOR:** Bill Baalman

**HOSTS/GIFTS:** Rollie & Marie Holopirek

**USHERS:** Lynn Enslinger & Kenny Goetz

**St. Joseph Collections (March 4, 2017)**

Envelopes	\$1096.00
Offertory	\$ 128.00
Rice Bowl	\$ 40.00
Candles	\$ 38.14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1302.14</b>

*Roof Fund: \$20.00*

**Holy Trinity Collections (March 5, 2017)**

Envelopes	\$ 793.00
Offertory	\$ 97.00
Childrens Off	\$ 4.00
Church Cleaning	\$ 5.00
Altar Society	\$ 47.00
Cemetery	\$ 100.00
Candles	\$ 39.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1085.50</b>

**St. Michael Ash Wednesday Totals**

Envelopes	\$ 300.00
Offertory	\$ 265.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 565.00</b>

**St. Michael Collections (March 5, 2017)**

Envelopes	\$1314.00
Offertory	\$ 128.00
Childrens Off	\$ 7.46
Candles	\$ 29.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1478.96</b>

*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 [jtchiefs0308@yahoo.com](mailto: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 Viegro (222-3629).

*Please keep in your prayers: Albina Besperat ~ For Moisture  
Those affected by the bad fires this past week.*

Our deepest sympathy & prayers to the family & friends of Emanuel Herrman.

We pray for his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed.

**BULLETIN ITEMS:** Please give your announcements to Father, email to [church@gbta.net](mailto: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.**

**MARCH 12<sup>th</sup> STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION:** "Bear your share of the hardship which the gospel entails," St. Paul tells Timothy in today's second reading. What sacrifice is asked of me for the sake of the Gospel? How willing am I to bear my share?

**HOLY TRINITY STATIONS & MASS WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS AT 5:30 PM.**

*March 15<sup>th</sup> Stations will be led by the Parish Council.*

*March 22<sup>nd</sup> Stations will be led by the Finance Committee.*

*March 29<sup>th</sup> Stations will be led by Fr. Matthew.*

*PSR will lead Stations on April 5<sup>th</sup>.*

**STATIONS & PRESENTERS' SCHEDULE FOR ST. MICHAEL & ST. JOSEPH (Begin at 5:30 pm.)**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Stations Leaders</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Presenter(s)</b>
Friday, March 17 <sup>th</sup> :	St. Joseph's Ladies	Liebenthal	Tracy Delimont
Friday, March 24 <sup>th</sup> :	Choir	LaCrosse	Rob & Rachel Holopirek
Friday, March 31 <sup>st</sup> :	St. Joseph's Men	Liebenthal	Nicholl Weigel
Friday, April 7 <sup>th</sup> :	Youth Group	LaCrosse	Youth Group

**YOUTH GROUP FRIED CHICKEN DINNER:** St. Michael's high school youth group will be hosting their Fried Chicken Dinner Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am-1:00 pm. Pre-orders can be made by calling Amy at 785-259-0347. Help support our youth trip to Colorado in May. They will be visiting the Mother Cabrini Shrine, Air Force Academy Chapel, volunteering their time at the Marian House for the homeless along with other activities. Your continuous support is always much appreciated!

**THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH**

*please contact Fr. Matthew at 785-222-2561*

**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 Parish 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 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. Both presentations will take place in the Parish Center and refreshments will be served after each one. We encourage you to come both nights and listen to our Mission speakers as they challenge us to be better Christians.

**MONTHLY PRAYER HOUR FOR OUR COUNTRY** is this Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 pm in St. Joseph's Church. Join us as we continue to pray for the many needs of our country, especially much needed moisture.

**PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE** in defense of traditional marriage will be Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon in front of Dechant store (north of St. Joseph's Church). Bring your rosary and a lawn chair and join us in praying the rosary and litany of St. Joseph, patron of families.

**TRI-PARISH INVITATION TO ST. JOSEPH FEASTDAY CELEBRATION:** Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, after 4:30 pm Mass, in the parish hall. Remember: we have the stair lift for those who have trouble with the steps. All are welcome to join in celebrating our parish patron saint. We'll serve up the soup (chili, green bean dumpling, chicken and noodle) and drinks. If you'd like to bring something, we welcome relish dishes and desserts. A fun evening is planned including cash bingo. Y'all come!

**WOMEN'S RETREAT DAY** will soon be here. Special guests Karen and Gary Schmidt will share their experience of the March for Life in Washington, D.C. Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 9:00 am-3:00 pm. Bring your FAVORITE rosary, a dish to share; free will offering to help cover utilities. Call Judy to register: 222-6044.

**TRI-PARISH LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE** is Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. More details coming soon.

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**COOKIES NEEDED!** There will be refreshments served after the Lenten Mission on Monday & Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>. Ladies we are asking for your help to bring cookies or sweet breads that will be served each evening after the Mission in the Parish Center. The Parish Center kitchen door will be unlocked on Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 to 11:00 am if you wish to drop off your cookies/breads. Thanks for your willingness to share your baked items with the parish.

**ST. MICHAEL'S PROPERTY COMMISSION MEETING** is Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** will meet on Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

**NO PSR CLASS** on Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> for St. Michael's due to Spring Break.

**PARISH COUNCIL** will meet on Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COMMISSION MEETING** is Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. (Please note the date has been changed from March 22<sup>nd</sup> to March 29<sup>th</sup>.)

**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.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Brian & Dodie Baalman on the birth of their 3rd daughter, Whitlee Dax, who was born on March 5<sup>th</sup>.

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

**PRAY FOR RAIN** and protection for farms and farmers: pick up a copy of the Litany of St. Isidore or the Novena to St. Isidore for much needed moisture and for our farmers. Copies can be found in the entrance of St. Joseph's church.

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

**HOLY TRINITY ALTAR SOCIETY** will not meet in March. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm.

**Happy St. Patrick's Day!**



**WEEKLY VOCATION VIEW:** This Lent Jesus invites us to go up on a mountain, to spend extra time in prayer. Don't be afraid of what you might experience. Trust that God is leading you to greater understanding. (Matthew 17:1-9) If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or [vocations@dcdioocese.org](mailto:vocations@dcdioocese.org)

**MOVIES WITH A MESSAGE:** *The Real Face of Jesus From the Shroud of Turin* on Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. A team of graphic experts uses cutting-edge 3D software to bring a holy relic known as the Shroud of Turin to life. Many believe Jesus Christ was buried in this ancient linen cloth, which bears traces of blood and the faint, ghostly image of a man. Movie begins at 6:15 pm at the Great Bend Dominicans Motherhouse Auditorium. Join us for an evening to watch and reflect upon a movie that conveys a meaningful spiritual or ethical theme. There is no registration fee, but we welcome your donation to help offset our expenses.

**THE DIOCESE OF SALINA** is sponsoring the Sixth Annual Diocesan Men's Conference, "Men on a Mission" on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays. Please attend and bring your sons who are high school age and up. Two nationally known speakers, Dr. Ray Guarendi, host of "The Dr. Is In" and "Living Right With Dr. Ray", and Fr. John Lager national chaplain of FOCUS and co-founder of Marked Men for Christ, are this year's speakers. To register online (beginning April 1st) or for more information go to [www.salinadiocese.org/family-life](http://www.salinadiocese.org/family-life) or call 785-827-8746 Ext. 17. Deadline to register is August 1<sup>st</sup>.