

**ST. MICHAEL'S**  
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**HOLY TRINITY**  
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**December 2, 2018**

*First Sunday Of Advent*

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

**FUNERAL DINNERS:** St. Michael: Pat Lohrey 785-650-4255

St. Joseph: 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. Eric Gyamfi.

**For Baptism or Marriage Preparation:** Please call Fr. Eric Gyamfi.

Monday, Dec 3	8:00 am	LaCrosse	+John & Dotty Kober
Tuesday, Dec 4	9:00 am	Liebenthal	+Elmer Herrman
Wednesday, Dec 5	8:00 am	Timken	+Mildred Sauer
Thursday, Dec 6	10:00 am	Locust Grove	+All Deceased of Rush County
Friday, Dec 7	8:00 am	LaCrosse	+Ida Pfeifer
Friday, Dec 7	10:00 am	Long Term Care	+Verle Marvin
Saturday, Dec 8	4:30 pm	Liebenthal	+Jim Pivonka
Sunday, Dec 9	8:00 am	Timken	+Marguerite Schneider
Sunday, Dec 9	10:00 am	LaCrosse	For The Parish

**LITURGY MINISTERS:**

**Liebenthal: Saturday, December 8 – 4:30 pm**

**COMMUNION:** Darryl & Sherri Herrman

**SERVERS:** Blake Herrman & Colby Stull

**LECTOR:** Norman Legleiter

**GIFTS:** Duane & Monica Legleiter

**USHERS:** Don & Randy Urban

**Timken: Sunday, December 9 – 8:00 am**

**COMMUNION:** Lydia Flax & Louise Seltman

**SERVERS:** Youth

**LECTOR:** Youth

**GIFTS:** Jim & Karen Pechanec

**USHERS:** Jim & Karen Pechanec

**LaCrosse: Sunday, December 9 – 10:00 am**

**COMMUNION:** Plate: Marilyn Seidel

**Cup:** Edmund Oborny & Frank Seidel

**SERVERS:** Youth

**LECTOR:** Youth

**HOSTS/GIFTS:** Youth

**USHERS:** Youth

*Please find a replacement if you will not be at Mass to fulfill your liturgical duty.*

**Stewardship Of Treasure**

**St. Joseph (Nov 24, 2018)**

Envelopes \$ 485.00

Offertory \$ 34.00

Candles \$ 28.00

**TOTAL \$ 547.00**

*Steeple Fund: \$40.00*

*Cemetery Plot: \$30.00*

*Memorial Gift: \$25.00*

**Holy Trinity (Nov 25, 2018)**

**NO MASS DUE TO BLIZZARD**

**St. Michael (Nov 25, 2018)**

**On-Line Giving \$ 345.00**

**TOTAL \$ 345.00**

**NO MASS DUE TO BLIZZARD**

**CONFESSIONS:**

*Holy Trinity: 30 minutes before weekend Mass*

*St. Joseph: 30 minutes before weekend Mass*

*St. Michael: First Wednesday of the month*

*6:30-7:30 pm*

**OFFICE HOURS:**

*Scheduled hours are Thursday's*

*From 5:00 to 6:30 pm.*

*Or to schedule an appointment,*

*Please contact JoAnn*

*At 785-623-1917 or [jchiefs0308@yahoo.com](mailto:jchiefs0308@yahoo.com).*

**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: Special Intention ~ Safety From Winter Storms  
Religious Vocations ~ World Peace*

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

**\*\*\*\*\*TRI-PARISH NEWS\*\*\*\*\***

**ROSARY MAKERS:** No rosary making in December, but we will resume Wednesday, January 9, 2019.



**This Sunday, December 2 at 4:00 pm at St. Michael**  
**Priests Hearing Confessions: Fr. Eric, Fr. Anselm Eke, and Fr. Bernard Felix**

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** is at St. Michael on Wednesday, December 5 beginning at 9:00 am with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. We encourage parishioners from the Tri-Parish church community to sign up for one hour and spend that hour with Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament.

**HOLY HOUR** is on Wednesday, December 5 at 6:30 pm at St. Michael with prayers, confessions, rosary, and benediction. A Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adorations helps to bring everlasting peace to earth.

**THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

Masses are Friday, December 7 at 8:00 am at St. Michael and 10:00 am at Long Term Care.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** St. Michael's High School Youth Group Fried Chicken Dinner is scheduled for Sunday, December 9 from 11:00am-1:00 pm. Proceeds will go towards youth group trip 2020 as well as other youth group activities.

## **This Advent May We Pray...**

For attentiveness to what truly matters, without being distracted by trivial things.



**Christmas Eve: 4:00 pm at St. Michael  
6:00 pm at Holy Trinity  
Christmas Day: 9:00 am at St. Joseph**

### **\*\*\*\*\*ST. MICHAEL in LACROSSE\*\*\*\*\***

**MEETINGS:** Property Commission – Monday, December 3 at 7:00 pm

**DECORATING OUR CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS** will take place after the Sunday, December 16 Mass. Everyone is welcome to help decorate.

**POINSETTIAS:** If you would like to donate a Poinsettia plant in memory of a loved one, you may drop off the plant at the church anytime after Sunday, December 16. Or if you prefer to donate money to have a plant purchased, please put your donation in the Sunday collection basket in an envelope labeled "Christmas Flowers". If you have any questions, please contact Benny Viegra.

**THANK YOU!** We appreciate the PSR students and the adults who helped with taking the old missalettes out and putting the new ones in. God Bless You for sharing your time and helping hands!

**CHURCH NOTIFICATIONS:** To receive notifications about Church Happenings, Functions, Closings, Events, etc., please put your cell phone number on the sign-up sheet in the back of church or contact Linda Moeder at (785-222-6218).

**ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS** are Amy Depperschmidt, Chair (785-259-0347), Duane Moeder, Vice Chair (222-2511), and Erin Petersilie, Secretary (785-346-6185).

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

**ST. ANN'S ALTAR SOCIETY** will meet this Monday, December 3 at 6:30 pm in the school basement (parish hall). Bring your donations for the nursing homes to this meeting so we can get them delivered soon. All women of the parish are encouraged to attend.

**POINSETTIAS:** It's a really nice way to remember loved ones in a special way when you donate to help provide fresh poinsettias for Christmas. Give Lucy a call: 222-3396 to list your loved ones when you donate toward the cost. Thank you.

**WE ARE GRATEFUL!** Tuesday night we were fortunate to have the help of four student nurses and their instructor from Fort Hays State University. They came to help clean our parish hall and decorate it for our Christmas party! They also conducted a pot luck fundraiser on campus for our steeple fund and presented Father with a check for \$200. What a blessing these young students and their instructor have been! We are truly grateful.

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

**CHRISTMAS DECORATING:** We will decorate the church for Christmas on Sunday, December 9. Because there are several things going on that morning, we need everyone's help to decorate following Mass.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY:** On Sunday, December 9, our annual Christmas party will begin with bingo at 4:00 pm followed by a visit from Santa, followed by a soup supper at 6:00 pm. **Tri-Parish members are invited.** Timken parishioners are asked to bring cookies for dessert.

**HOLY TRINITY PARISH COUNCIL'S NEXT TWO MEETINGS** are scheduled for after Mass on Sunday, December 9, and Sunday, January 13.

**ALTAR SOCIETY** will meet at 5:30 pm on Wednesday, January 9.

**ANNUAL CHURCH CLEANING:** All available parishioners are asked to bring some cleaning supplies and help do our annual cleaning and tidying up on Saturday, January 12 at 9:00 am. Lunch will be served. Many hands will make for quick work!

**SUPER BOWL BREAKFAST:** On Sunday, February 3, the Altar Society will serve a delicious Super Bowl breakfast following Mass. Free will donations will be accepted.

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

#### **A PRAYER FOR THE First Sunday of Advent**

God of light and life,  
give us hope as we wait  
for your coming again.  
When we are tempted  
to be grateful to have found you  
while others are lost,  
send us out into the darkness  
in search of those  
who need you most.  
Amen.