

ST. MICHAEL'S
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HOLY TRINITY
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December 22, 2019

Fourth Sunday Of Advent

TO USE OR RENT ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH CENTER: Call Janel Weigel 785-623-3689

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. Stephen.

For Baptism or Marriage Preparation: Please call Fr. Stephen.

Monday, Dec 23	8:00 am	LaCrosse	Special Intention (Donna Schmidt)
Tuesday, Dec 24	4:00 pm	Liebenthal	+Clarence Suppes
Tuesday, Dec 24	6:00 pm	LaCrosse	+Patty Enslinger
Wednesday, Dec 25	10:00 am	Timken	+Frank Oborny
Thursday, Dec 26	10:00 am	Locust Grove	+Blanche Tomecek
Friday, Dec 27	8:00 am	LaCrosse	+Roberta Schuckman
Saturday, Dec 28	8:30 am	LaCrosse	+Rosarie Jecha
Saturday, Dec 28	4:30 pm	Liebenthal	For The People And Needs Of Our Tri Parishes
Saturday, Dec 28	6:30 pm	McCracken	+Mike Higgins
Sunday, Dec 29	8:00 am	Timken	+Lora Kaus
Sunday, Dec 29	10:00 am	LaCrosse	+Alex Herrman

LITURGY MINISTERS:

Liebenthal: Saturday, December 28 – 4:30 pm

COMMUNION: Phyllis Conrad and Louise Dechant

SERVERS: Blake Herrman and Colby Stull

LECTOR: Leo Herrman

GIFTS: Rueben and Virginia Urban

USHERS: Raymond Depperschmidt and Darryl Herrman

Timken: Sunday, December 29 – 8:00 am

COMMUNION: Mike Kaus and Louise Seltman

SERVERS: Cordell Oborny and Travis Ross

LECTOR: Steve Oborny

GIFTS: Lucy Besperat and Mike Kaus

USHERS: Louise and Allie Seltman

LaCrosse: Sunday, December 29 – 10:00 am

COMMUNION: *Plate:* James Suppes

Cup: Rob Holopirek and Brittany Suppes

SERVERS: Avery Parrott, Brennen and Tyron Steinert

LECTOR: Nicholl Weigel

HOSTS/GIFTS: Pat and Kelly Baalman Family

USHERS: Mark Baalman and Phillip Schwindt

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

Stewardship Of Treasure

St. Joseph (Dec 14, 2019)

Envelopes \$ 485.00

Offertory \$ 75.00

Candles \$ 10.00

TOTAL \$ 570.00

Steeple Fund: \$412.00

Holy Trinity (Dec 15, 2019)

Envelopes \$ 475.00

Offertory \$ 59.00

Childrens Off \$ 3.00

Candles \$ 15.00

TOTAL \$ 552.00

St. Michael (Dec 15, 2019)

Envelopes \$ 589.00

On-Line \$ 240.00

Offertory \$ 64.00

Childrens Off \$ 5.00

Candles \$ 38.50

TOTAL \$ 936.50

Thank You For Your Support!

CONFESSIONS:

Holy Trinity:

7:00-7:30 am before Sunday Mass

St. Joseph:

3:30-4:00 pm before Saturday Mass

St. Michael:

Saturday: 8:00-8:30 am

First Wednesday Of The Month: 6:00-7:00 pm

CHURCH SECRETARY

If you need to reach JoAnn,

Please call or text her

At 785-623-1917

Or by email at jchiefs0308@yahoo.com.

Thank you!

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: Marvin Herrman ~ Mary Lou Herrman ~ Whitley Pivonka

Safe Christmas Travels ~ Those Who Are Alone This Christmas

Religious Vocations ~ World Peace

BULLETIN ITEMS: Please give your announcements to Father, email to church@gbta.net, or mail to PO Box 309, LaCrosse. **PLEASE NOTE THE BULLETIN DEADLINE UNTIL JANUARY 5, 2020, is Wednesday at 9:00 am.**

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*******

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM FR. STEPHEN:

My dear brothers and sisters in the Lord, about four weeks ago, we began the Advent Season to prepare for The Nativity of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The Advent Season is almost about to end and this week, God willing, we shall celebrate with joy

The Nativity of Our Lord (Christmas). Let us not forget to be thankful for all the countless blessings God bestowed on us from the beginning of the year till this day. I pray that He will continue to guide, protect, and bless all of us in the coming year. I thank you for your hospitality and friendship.

As disciples of Christ, let us continue to live the core values of the Gospel

and also to evangelize with joy in our Tri Parishes.

I wish you a Blessed Merry Christmas and a wonderful Happy New Year 2020. God Bless You All.

"LIVE OUTDOOR NATIVITY" PRESENTATION: This Sunday, December 22 from 5:30-8:30 pm, St. Michael's PSR is doing a presentation of the Christmas Story with **live animals**. It will be located on the grounds surrounding the parish school building. There will be a walking path to follow where you will see five different stations depicting five different scenes of the story about the Birth of Our Lord. The five minute narrative will be played multiple times at intervals, so visitors can come and go at their leisure and can take their time as they follow the path and enjoy the presentation. The LaCrosse Knights of Columbus and St. Michael's Social Commission will be serving hot chocolate and cookies in the Parish Center for visitors after they've walked through the presentation. **We invite everyone** to come and enjoy the PSR re-creation of the Story of the Birth of Jesus. This will be open to the public.

ST. MARY'S IN MCCRACKEN will have Mass at 6:30 pm on Saturday, December 28. All are welcome.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD MASS TIMES:

Tuesday, December 31: 5:00 pm at St. Joseph

Wednesday, January 1: 8:00 am at Holy Trinity and 10:00 am at St. Michael

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION is at St. Michael on Wednesday, January 8 beginning at 9:00 am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. We encourage parishioners from the Tri Parishes to sign up for one hour and spend that hour with Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament.

HOLY HOUR is Wednesday, January 8 at 6:00 pm at St. Michael. We invite you to join in prayers, Rosary, and confessions. After Holy Hour, please join us in the Parish Center for rolls, coffee, and fellowship.

TRI PARISH ROSARY MAKERS will meet on Wednesday, January 15 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center. All are invited.

REFLECTION: What does it mean for me that Jesus gave up His position of glory and humbled Himself by becoming human? What message do I receive from Jesus' Incarnation (becoming human flesh)? How can I bring this meaning to others, especially during this most holy season of the year? *Reflections by Bob Kondrath*



Christmas Eve: 4:00 pm at St. Joseph and 6:00 pm at St. Michael
Christmas Day: 10:00 am at Holy Trinity

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

MEETINGS: Property Commission – Monday, January 13 at 7:00 pm
Knights of Columbus – Monday, January 20 at 7:00 pm
Religious Education Commission – Wednesday, January 22 at 6:00 pm
Parish Council – Wednesday, January 22 at 7:00 pm

MINISTRY LIST FOR CHRISTMAS EVE MASS AT 6:00 PM: *Plate:* Janel Weigel; *Cup:* Rich Leiker and Virginia Schneider; *Servers:* Ryland Baalman, Madison Morgan, Mariah Werth; *Lector:* Ardis Viegra; *Hosts/Gifts:* Bill and Ruth Baalman; *Ushers:* Pat Baalman and Matt Mongeau

2020 CHURCH ENVELOPES can be found in the back of church. If you are not signed up for on-line giving, please pick up your box of envelopes. Thank you!

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

MINISTRY LIST FOR CHRISTMAS EVE MASS AT 4:00 PM: *Eucharistic Ministers:* Judy Hoffman and Carolyn Thompson; *Servers:* Blake and Brooke Herrman, Colby Stull; *Lector:* Darryl Herrman; *Gifts:* Al and Elaine Urban; *Ushers:* Roy Conrad and James Depperschmidt

BAD WEATHER: In the event of snow, ice, sleet or any inclement weather that make sidewalks and steps slippery, Mass will automatically be cancelled. We will use "call notify" when we know by 10:00 am on Saturday and the Monday night for Tuesday Masses. The call must be placed at least six hours before scheduled Mass times. If you didn't get the message sent out last week, call Judy to get your number on the call list. 785-222-6044

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

MINISTRY LIST FOR CHRISTMAS DAY MASS AT 10:00 AM:

Eucharistic Ministers: Steve and Barb Oborny; *Servers:* Audra and Cordell Oborny; *Lector:* Wyatt Oborny; *Gifts:* Terry and Cheryl Conard; *Ushers:* Terry Conard and Steve Oborny

HOLY TRINITY PARISH COUNCIL will meet after Mass on Sunday, January 12.

HOLY TRINITY ALTAR SOCIETY: Our meetings will return to the second Wednesday of the month. There will not be a meeting in January. We will meet again on Wednesday, February 12 at 5:30 pm. We would love to have more ladies attend.

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



This Christmas, we value the many volunteers in our Tri Parish family.
Our Rush County Catholic Churches are blessed to have
so many caring and helpful parishioners.
May God Bless You for your giving hearts!

The "Little Town of Bethlehem" nativity at St. Boniface Church in Vincent will be open for visitors on Sunday, December 22 and Christmas Day. Viewing times are 1:00-5:00 pm.

New Year's Day Dance on Wednesday, January 1 from 1:30-5:00 pm at St. Michael's Parish Center with Wes Windholz providing the music. Cost is \$8.00. Snack bar included. Everyone is invited. Bring your refreshments. Sponsored by the Sunflower Polka Club.

