

HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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Rectory Office Hours

8:00am to 4:00pm (Tuesday - Friday)

St. Gabriel Archangel

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8:00am to 4:00pm (Tuesday - Friday)

Holy Days

Mass times to be announced.

Baptism

Please call St. John's Rectory office.

Marriage

Please contact the parish at least 6 months prior to the wedding date.

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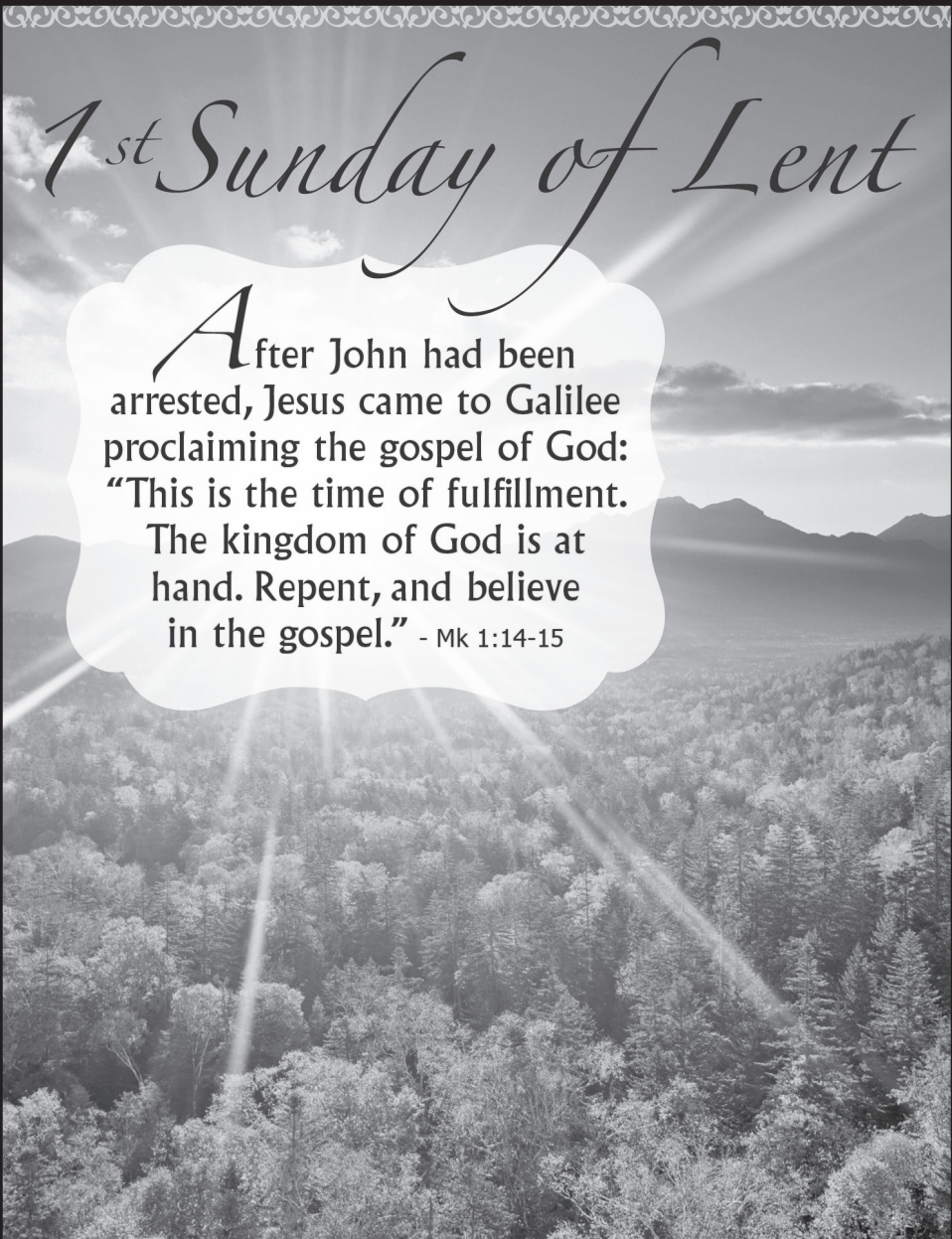
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February 22, 2015 - 1st Sunday of Lent

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR



1st Sunday of Lent

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." - Mk 1:14-15

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St. Gabriel Archangel

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR MARCH 1ST

LeAnn Craig, Theresa Heal

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-FEB. 28/MAR. 1

Saturday 4:00 pm Mary Kirschbaum & Trish Hager,
(Virginia Konichak)

Sunday 8:00 am Ann Lessard, Jeri Kluesner, (Rhonda
Stubbe)

SERVERS-FEB. 28/MAR 1

Saturday 4:00 pm Brady & Mitchell Luster
Breanna Teynor & Brytta Sagedahl

Sunday 8:00 am Claire & Ben Teynor
Nicole Rickleff & Ryan McGrath

LECTORS-FEB. 28/MAR 1

Saturday 4:00 pm Richard Ambrose

Sunday 8:00 am Joe Atkins

USHERS-FEB. 28/MAR. 1

Saturday 4:00 pm Richard Steiner, Cliff Stram, Jim
Welsch & Bob Ziel

Sunday 8:00 am Butch Boland, Don Cipra, John
Gillitzer

SCRIP WORKERS-FEB. 28/MAR. 1

Saturday 4:00 pm Teresa Jaynes

Sunday 8:00 am Brad & Jenni Linder



St. John Nepomuc

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR MARCH 1ST

Shirley MacEachern, Ann Quick, Merle & Barb Frommelt

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-FEB. 28/MAR. 1

Saturday 7:00 pm (Tim Steger)

Sunday 10:00 am Jean Ann Dillman, Gene Carlson,
(Patty Schauf-Yager)

SERVERS-FEB. 28/MARCH 1

Saturday 7:00 pm Allison & Lauren Kennedy
Makayla Steger & Molly Peterson

Sunday 10:00 am Ashlyn & Makenzie Knapp
Katelyne & Taylor Lutz

LECTORS-FEB. 28/MAR 1

Saturday 7:00 pm Andy Banasik

Sunday 10:00 am John Chaffee

USHERS-FEB. 28/MAR. 1

Saturday 7:00 pm Don Roh, Bernie Mayer, Alex Schaefer
& Mark Forsythe

Sunday 10:00 am Merle Frommelt, Mike Mara, Mark
Mara, Dennis Mezera

SCRIP WORKERS-FEB. 28/MAR 1

Saturday 7:00 pm Aaron or Sara Kramer

Sunday 10:00 am Volunteers

WEEKEND MASSES: MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY REQUESTING THE MASS ARE ASKED TO BRING THE GIFTS OF BREAD AND WINE TO THE ALTAR. PLEASE MAKE YOURSELVES KNOWN TO THE USHERS AND SIT NEAR THE GIFTS. THANK YOU!



Tuesday, February 24	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Richard & Michael Aschom
Wednesday, February 25	8:15 am	St. John's Church	Philip Polodna
Thursday, February 26	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Deceased Members of the Don McFarland Family
Friday, February 27	8:15 am	St. John's Church	Ron Cherrier
Saturday, February 28	8:00 am	St. John's Church	Priest's Intention
	4:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	LaVerne White
	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor
Sunday, March 1	8:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Florence Erickson
	10:00 am	St. John's Church	Poor Souls in Purgatory

There is a meditation on the Seven Last Words of Christ that is a popular meditation. Fr Roman Cessario, O.P. has put together a short essay on each of these seven Last Words. Each week during Lent we will offer Fr. Cessario's reflection as a guide for our Lenten journey. It is my prayer that these short meditations will help deepen your pilgrimage this year. Have a blessed Lent. Fr. Jim

THE FIRST WORD: I THIRST

From the wood of a cross sanctified by his blood, God's own son expresses the purpose of his becoming man. Jesus, one like us in all things but sin, thirsts for the souls of those he came to save. That is, every person on earth, beginning with Adam. Jesus wants to love us and wants us to love him in return. So he thirsts. The thirst that Jesus experiences at his death endures throughout the ages. This last word of Jesus provides a first word for every Christian. No one should begin a day without remembering before all else that Jesus thirsts for his or her soul. 'We love because he first loved us' (1 Jn 4:19). The priority of the divine initiative takes on human expression in the words of a thirsty, dying man.

CLOSING PRAYER: AD JESUM PER MARIAM:

To Jesus through Mary. To learn well the divine truths that Jesus speaks to us from the cross, join the company of the Virgin Mother of God, Mary Immaculate. Let Mary open your hearts to hear whatever Jesus would tell you. As she herself instructs us: *Do whatever he tells you* (Jn 2:5). In the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen

AN EXPERIMENT

This Lent, I would like to offer an option at St. John's church. It is something some of my priest friends have done or we have seen in various locations throughout the church in our world today. There is a movement in many areas to go to kneeling to receive Holy Communion, and in order to see where our local community is in regards to this, we will place a double Prex Deux in the front of St John's church. The faithful will have the option of standing or kneeling, and the option of receiving on the hand or on the tongue will remain as well. In other words, you may kneel and receive in the hands or on the tongue, or you may stand and receive either in the hands or on the tongue. We will review this practice after Lent to see whether or not the community desires to continue or not.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS and ADORATION

This Lent we will have Stations of the Cross on Tuesday at 6:00 pm at St. John's church. We will also have Stations of the Cross with the school on Friday's at 2:45 PM at St Gabriel church. Adoration will take place at St John's church this year, following the Friday morning Mass until Saturday morning. Thank you to all that signed up for a regular hour of Adoration. Please note: the church will be open for anyone to visit at any time during adoration. Even if you did not sign up, please stop for even 10 or 15 minutes.

Prayer Corner

God, grant healing and peace to the sick of our communities and those who have requested our prayers. Please pray for: Steve Moris, Eileen Sutton, Mary Ann Heisz, Jerry Matousek, Loren Fishler, LaVern Sutton, Janet Dickman, Peg Stoeffler, John Felder, Ann Fulcher, Elaine Shedivy, Nancy Patzner, Janelle Becwar, Carissa Waldo, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, Mildred Prew, John & Cheyenne Messling, Earl Nye, Ethel Sebastian, Tara Pellock, Margaret Konichek, Geraldine Barr, Marguerite Begnoche, Ann Rowe, Bill McCoy, Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Ken Fleshner, Lara Czajkowski Higgins, Carrie Breuer, Graham Shedivy, Marion Bernabei, Mary Gillitzer, Mark Janz, Lorna Porvaznik, Carolyn Schmidt, John Rink, Dale LaBonne, Dallas Valley, Pam Hamann, Mary T. Shedivy, Lavon David, Diane Fernette, Joe Ludvik, Stacey Johnson, Alben Sutton, Bernie O'Connell, Frank Tiller, Carl Shedivy, Kerriann Placko, Rosanna Mayer, Jason Bierman, Dana Kahler, Nancy Aschom, Marilyn Rybarczyk, Pam Waller, Jackie Cherrier, Jennifer Gilman, Christine Alioto, Sara Breuer, Rose Miller, Tracy Pedretti, Bob Burr, Bonnie Boland, Roger Moris, Annabelle Stubbe, Karen Carroll.

If you have a special intention or loved one who is in need of prayers; please let us know so we can include them.

PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for February 15th	\$6,538.00	\$8,049.00
Plate for February 15th	486.32	424.99
Heat & Utilities	60.00	.00
Electronic Transfers	1,610.00	.00
Total	\$8,694.32	\$8,473.99

The second collection came to \$880.64 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

BINGO

Bingo Winners from Monday, February 9th: \$25.00 - June Petsche, Kathy Johnson, Alice Schlitter, Richard Crabtree; \$30.00 - Helen Ellenbolt; \$45.00 - Carolyn Weipert; \$100.00 - Alice Schlitter; **Progressive Consolation (\$100.00)** - Erika Dedrick

Bingo Winners from Monday, February 16th: \$25.00 - Virginia Meana, Lois Pollack; \$30.00 - Dana Kahler; \$45.00 - Dana Kahler; \$50.00 - Edward Gobin, Cheryl Neirling; **Progressive Consolation (\$100.00)** - Mary Ann Baker

The Progressive Jackpot for February 23rd will be \$1098.00 plus 50% of the progressive jackpot card sales in 56 calls or less.

Bingo Workers for Monday, February 23rd are: **Check Writer:** Sheri Kennedy; **Floor Workers:** Karen Fischer, Sue Groom, Melanie Schneider; **Caller:** Dave Hemmer, Bill Huser; **Lunch Provided by:** Larry & Denise Rod and Mary Stoeffler; **Lunch Stand Workers:** Parents of Alexis Nolan & Caitlin Pattison

MARK YOUR CALENDAR....FISH FRY ON FRIDAY, MARCH 6TH in St. John's Hall. This is the evening we will be drawing for our car & cash raffle so make sure you get your raffle tickets. The date is fast approaching.

A thank you from Rev. Msgr. Roger J. Scheckel....

On behalf of the many men and women who serve Christ in the foreign missions, the Diocesan Mission Office extends to Holy Family Parish a heartfelt thank you for your financial generosity on World Mission Sunday. We have received your contribution of \$1,964.80 which will be forwarded to the National Office of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. May God bless you for the financial and spiritual help you offer the missions.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED TO THE DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL. We will list a few names and run them for a few weeks and then list more names. Anthony Bakken, JoAnn Blodgett, Art & Carolyn Conley, Brian & Jean Ann Dillman, Nancy DuCharme, Henry & Connie Esser, Margaret Fischer, Delores Fischer, Elaine Gillitzer, Steven & Rebecca Henry, Edward Linder, Cletus Mezera, Elaine Moris, David & Karen Nelson, Marilyn Ocnosak, Tracy & Laurie Pedretti, Don & Charlene Roh, Wilbur Rupp, Mary Rupp, Vicki Taylor, Thomas Whetston.

CONFESSIONS

St. Gabriel's 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm on Saturday
St. John's 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm on Saturday

No scheduled confessions on days with weddings or funerals.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday, February 22

Monday, February 23

7:00 pm Bingo at St. Gabriel's School

Tuesday, February 24

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

6:00 pm Stations of the Cross at St. John's

7:00 pm Lenten Study at St. John's School

Wednesday, February 25

6:45 pm CCD Classes at St. John's School

Thursday, February 26

Adoration after the 8:15 am Mass at St. Gabriel's

1:00 pm Benediction

Friday, February 27

Adoration following the 8:15 am Mass at St. John's with Benediction at 8:00 am Saturday

2:45 pm Stations of the Cross with our school students at St. Gabriel's

Saturday, February 28

8:00 am Mass at St. John's

Sunday, March 1

JWalkers Ski trip to Mt. LaCrosse - Departure time from St. John's parking lot at 11:30 am

Our Car & Cash Raffle is now underway.

For only \$20.00 or 6 tickets for \$100.00 you will have a chance to win a 2013 Ford Focus Hatchback program car. Other prizes include: First Place Prize - \$2,000.00; Second Place Prize - \$500.00 or 10 - 3rd place prizes at \$250.00 each. Tickets are available at both rectories and at Prairie Catholic School Office, Peoples State Bank, Piggly Wiggly, Anchorbank, Kussmaul Ins. & Prairie View Ins.

If you are celebrating your 50th Wedding Anniversary this year and would like to attend a celebration at Christ the King Chapel in LaCrosse with Bishop William Callahan on June 14th please inform your rectory office so we can forward your name & address to the Diocese. Thank you.

BAPTISM

We welcome into the family of God, **LILY NOELLE MATHIES** and **LUKE CHARLES MATHIES**, children of Alex K. & Janelle (Thompson) Mathies through the Sacrament of Baptism. May God continue to bless **Lily Noelle** and **Luke Charles** and their family.

The Box Tops deadline is February 28th...Please turn in your .10 cent labels to Prairie Catholic School as the deadline is fast approaching. Thank you to all who save these labels.