

HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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St. John Nepomuc

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Rectory Office Hours

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

St. Gabriel Archangel

506 N. Beaumont Rd.

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

Holy Days

Mass times to be announced.

Baptism

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Marriage

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

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July 19, 2015 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. - Mk 6:34



St. Gabriel Archangel

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JULY 26

John Chaffee, Mary Prindle

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JULY 25/26

Saturday 4:00 pm Kathy Schneider, Tom Steiner, Don Cipra

Sunday 10:00 am Megan Pedretti, Ann Lessard, & Rhonda Stubbe

SERVERS-JULY 25/26

Saturday 4:00 pm Mitchell & Gracie Colson
Kori & Karly Jaynes

Sunday 10:00 am Nicholas & Zachary Mara
Zachary Swiggum & Caitlin Nolan

LECTORS-JULY 25/26

Saturday 4:00 pm Richard Ambrose

Sunday 10:00 am Mark Gilberts

USHERS-JULY 25/26

Saturday 4:00 pm Joe Barrette, Bob Ziel, Gene Kirschbaum, Richard Steiner

Sunday 10:00 am Mark Mara, Chad Mara, Nathan Mezera & Jerry Matousek

SCRIP WORKERS-JULY 25/26

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteers

Sunday 10:00 am Rochelle Neisius



St. John Nepomuc

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JULY 26

Chris Ingham, Mary Steiner, Donna Steiner

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JULY 25/26

Saturday 7:00 pm Deanne Hromadka

Sunday 8:00 am Doris Krogman, Patty Schauf-Yager,
& Gene Carlson

SERVERS-JULY 25/26

Saturday 7:00 pm Garrett Young & Thomas Mara
Nick & Jenna Holler

Sunday 8:00 am Chase & Madilyn Fisher
Joshua & Jonah Linder

LECTORS-JULY 25/26

Saturday 7:00 pm Andy Banasik

Sunday 8:00 am Kurt Kravchuk

USHERS-JULY 25/26

Saturday 7:00 pm Tim Looney, Dan Schickert, Alex Schaefer, Mark Forsythe

Sunday 8:00 am Paul Porvaznik, Mike Mara, Dennis Mezera & Volunteer

SCRIP WORKERS-JULY 25/26

Saturday 7:00 pm Steve or Sarah Holler

Sunday 8:00 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!

WEEKDAY SERVERS:

Chase & Madilyn Fisher

Tuesday-Friday



Mass Intentions
for the Week

Tuesday, July 21	5:15 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	† Walter Hermsen
Wednesday, July 22	5:15 pm	St. John's Church	† Ed, Lena, & Jerry Kirschbaum
Thursday, July 23	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Bruce Ohlert
Friday, July 24	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Merv Nimbar
Saturday, July 25	4:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	† Mike & Mary Elliott
	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor
Sunday, July 26	8:00 am	St. John's Church	† Mary Betzle
	10:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Mary McGrath

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 confession on days with weddings or funerals)

Why did God create men and women different?

Have you ever been around an expecting couple who is scheduled for their first ultrasound? Not only are they excited about seeing their baby for the first time, they are also very interested in learning if their child is a boy or a girl. Identifying the sex of their child has great significance for the mother and father. It begins unraveling a mystery of life; one that will be framed in either masculinity or femininity. It will help them determine everything from the color of the nursery to the baby's given name. To the parents, gender really matters.

God agrees that knowing who you are as either a man or woman is significant – because He created us that way. Being male or being female is fundamental to each person. From biology to psychology, sentimentality to spirituality, sexual distinction permeates everything that we are and do. According to Saint Pope John Paul II, maleness and femaleness – one's "sexuality" – is a fundamental fact of human existence. It affects the unity of one's body and soul and gives rise to a powerful and tender expression of love.

Remarkably, the first chapter of the Bible tells us "that God created mankind in His image; in the image of God He created them; male and female He created them." (Genesis 1:27) The placement of this text reveals that "from the beginning"

God intentionally wanted human persons to be either men or women. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that: "Man and woman have been created, which is to say, willed by God; on the one hand, in perfect equality as human persons; on the other, in their respective beings as man and woman. 'Being man' and 'being woman' is a reality which is good and willed by God: man and woman possess an inalienable dignity which comes to them immediately from God their Creator" (paragraph #369).

Two genders establish the great human love story that God intends. By creating two sexes, He reveals how a man is made for a woman and woman for man. The inherent differences orient each sex to the other. Their complementarity gives rise to a total and complete union that images divine love. In God's eyes, complementarity is not only a necessary and good thing, it is beautiful.

Sacred Scripture tells us that something was missing in Adam's life before Eve was created. Even though he had complete reign over the earth and could do whatever he wanted, he was alone. Before Eve, he had no one with whom to talk, to ponder the beauty of life, to share the garden and all its richness. God wanted him to have a suitable helper; a person with whom he could totally share all the wonders of the earth. Someone who would help him find his true meaning as a human person. The person that God chose for Adam was a woman named Eve.

God places high value on the male/female relationship making the complementarity between the genders the norm for permanent, faithful and fruitful love. Through her femininity, Eve helps Adam know himself as a son of God. In turn, Adam's masculinity helps Eve know herself as a daughter of God. Together, they can become "one flesh" catching a glimpse of the glory God intends for generous human love.

The sexual differences between male and female give rise to the biblical passage, "that is why a man leaves his father and mother and clings to his wife and the two of them become one body" (Genesis 2:24).

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Just as expectant parents find awe and wonder in knowing the sex of their unborn child, so too should we recognize and respect the mystery and beauty of each gender. Just as the parents of the unborn baby contemplate how the sex of their child will impact their life, so too should we consider the fullness of life that is possible because humans are created male and female, uniquely suited by their complementarity to be joined in a bond of self-giving, fruitful, permanent love. This gift from God of the complementary union of man and woman is so vital to His plan that He instituted it as the Sacrament of Marriage.

From the Diocese of La Crosse

Office of Catechesis and Evangelization

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, 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, 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, Marilyn Rybarczyk, Pam Waller, Jackie Cherrier, Jennifer Gilman, Sara Breuer, Rose Miller, Tracy Pedretti, Bob Burr, Bonnie Boland, Roger Moris, Annabelle Stubbe, Karen Carroll, LaVonne Laskaskie, Richard Ginsterblum, Letty Oehler, Howard Gillitzer, James Stroscheim, Art & Celine Boxrucker, Nora Vickerman, Dave Bohnenkamp, Ed Rocksvold, Lewis Marfilus, Cecil Olson, Mary Kann, Judy Gillitzer, Christine Alioto, Michael Thompson & Herb Schneider.

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 July 12th	\$6,545.00	\$9,603.00
Plate for July 12th	917.81	744.44
Electronic Transfers	<u>2,002.00</u>	<u>.00</u>
Total	\$9,464.81	\$10,347.44

The second collection came to **\$518.80** and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Bingo Winners from Monday, July 13th

\$25.00 - Armella Kueter, Ruth Moris, Jennifer O'Connell, Hunter Lawver; \$30.00 - Cindy Bender; \$100.00 - Marian Taylor; **Progressive Jackpot (\$1,456.00)** - Agnes Tesar; **50/50 Winner (\$62.50)** -Karen Peters

Bingo Workers for Monday, July 20th: Check Writer: Sarah Holler; **Caller:** Michael Higgins; **Floor Worker:** Ruth Klang; **Lunch Prepared by:** Cassie Rickleff & Holly Nicholson; **Lunch Stand Workers:** Parents of Katie Rogers & Zachary Mara

FALL BAZAAR NEWS.....

Holy Family Fall Bazaar at St. John's will be held on Sunday, September 20th. WE NEED A GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS to take over the "Paddle Wheel" for the Bazaar. Five to 10 people are needed to solicit prizes and run the wheel from 11 am to 1:00 pm and from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Please call Linda at 874-4682 if you can help us out. Also if any parishioners would have some prizes suitable for the wheel and would like to donate them please inform Linda of this.

ALL GROUP CHAIRPERSONS FOR AUGUST THOROUGH DECEMBER are asked to attend planning meetings for the bazaar. The dates and times for the meetings are Monday, August 10th at 5:30 pm and Sunday, Sept. 13th at 5:30 pm. Meetings will be held in St. John's Hall. The following Chairpeople are asked to attend: July - Jim & Peggy Gallagher, Terry & Kathy Igou, James & Ruth Gates, Todd & Dee O'Connell, Alex & Nicole Osterkamp; August - Kurt & Teresa Jaynes, Greg & Ann Quick, Jerome & Dixie Jackson, Mark & Megan Pedretti, John & Annette Powers; September - Robert & Rita Kazda, Gene & Mary Kirschbaum, John & Sheri Kennedy, Jeri Kluesner, Mary Ann Knutson; October - Rick & Mary Kay Lange, Jeff & Brenda Lenzendorf, Janet Nelson, John & Joyce Luster, David & Amy Young; November -Chris & Mary Mara, David & Renee Martin, Mark & Mary Jane Mezera, Terry & Jeanne Moris, Don & Pat McGuire; December - Randy & Kathy Schneider, Steve & Julie Schwager, Bob & Song Shaben, Greg & Diane Steger, Dirk & Janet Steiner, Mike & Melissa Stram.

Anyone planning a game or activity for the fall bazaar to be held at St. John's on Sept., 20th, please contact Linda Moser at 874-4682. We are hoping to increase advertising to increase attendance. A comprehensive list of games and activities will be very useful.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday, July 19

Monday, July 20

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

Tuesday, July 21

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

Wednesday, July 22

Thursday, July 23

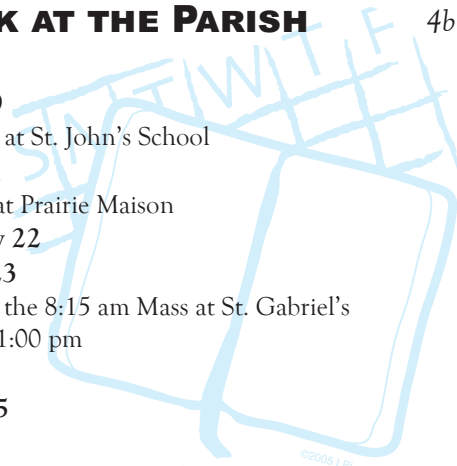
Adoration after the 8:15 am Mass at St. Gabriel's
Benediction at 1:00 pm

Friday, July 24

Saturday, July 25

Sunday, July 26

10:30 am to 6:30 pm Holy Family Brat Fest at St. Gabriel's; Sweetcorn, Brats Burgers; all are invited



Blood Drive will be held on Monday, July 20th from Noon to 6:00 pm at City Hall in the Community Room. **SAVE A LIFE - GIVE BLOOD!**

IN SYMPATHY

Please remember **KENNETH E. OTTESON** in your prayers. His funeral services will be held at St. John's Church of the Holy Family Parish on Monday, July 20th. May God grant him eternal life and comfort to his family.

BREWERS BUS TRIP.....

The date has been set for the Annual Holy Family Altar Servers Brewers Bus Trip. This trip is open to all Holy Family Church servers in the current year 4th grade class and older. Parents and siblings of servers are welcome, but any student younger than 4th Grade must be accompanied by a parent. The date is Thursday, August 6th game vs the San Diego Padres; departing 7:30 am from St. John's School parking lot; cost \$15.00 for students and \$30.00 for adults. **(NO REFUNDS)** Price includes bus ride, game ticket, tailgating before the game and sandwiches/chips/dessert/beverage for the bus ride home. We will ask each family for some food donations for the meal on the bus coming home. For more information call Vicki at (608) 326-4015 or Mary at 563-329-0149.

Holy Family Parish Brat Fest will be held next Sunday, July 26th at St. Gabriel's. Serving Brats, Burgers, Hot Dogs, Sweet Corn, Beverages from 10:30 am to 6:30 pm Please note we need items for our Bake Sale. All are invited to attend!