

HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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

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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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March 29, 2015 - Palm Sunday

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Those preceding him as well as those following kept crying out:

"Hosanna!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

Hosanna in the highest!"

- Mk 11:9-10



St. Gabriel Archangel

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 2ND AT 7:00 PM AT ST. GABRIEL'S

Eucharistic Ministers: Jeri Kluesner, Eileen Hermsen
Lector: Debbie Morovits; **Servers:** Seth & Kyle MacEachern,
 Ellie Mara, Katie Welsch; **Ushers:** Dan Schickert, Jim
 Welsch, John Chaffee, Don Cipra

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR APR. 5

LeAnn Craig, Theresa Heal

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR APRIL 5

Sunday 8:00 am Joe & Sharon Atkins

SERVERS-APRIL 5

Sunday 8:00 am Jack Peterson & Ryan McGrath
 Emma Bjurquist & Makayla Steger

LECTOR-APRIL 5

Sunday 8:00 am Eric Teynor

USHERS-APRIL 5

Sunday 8:00 am Don Osterhaus, Butch Boland, Dick
 Tesar & Jerry Matousek

**PLEASE GET A SUBSTITUTE IF THESE TIMES AND
 DATES DO NOT WORK OUT FOR YOU.
 THANK YOU.**

SCRIP WILL NOT BE SOLD NEXT WEEKEND.



St. John Nepomuc

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD AT 1:30 PM AT ST. JOHN'S

Eucharistic Ministers: Barb Frommelt, Tim Steger
Lector: Mark Gilberts; **Servers:** Josh Lenzendorf, Emily
 Steger, Evan Teynor & Bree Holler; **Ushers:** Bernie Mayer,
 Merle Frommelt, Dennis Mezera, Mike Mara

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR APRIL 5TH

Kathleen Deluhery, Joan Potts, Janet Lueck

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-APRIL 4/5

Saturday 8:00 pm Megan Pedretti, Deanne Hromadka
 Sunday 10:00 am Peggy Gallagher, Doris Krogman

SERVERS-APRIL 4/5

Saturday 8:00 pm Jon Dyer, Jack Stoeffler, Andrew Waller &
 Wesley Schwager
 Sunday 10:00 am Katelyn & Taylor Lutz
 Caitlin Nolan & Alexis Nolan

LECTORS-APRIL 4/5

Saturday 8:00 pm Rita Krahn & Dr. Mark Grunwald
 Sunday 10:00 am Jerry Cummings

USHERS-APRIL 4/5

Saturday 8:00 pm Brett Sanders, Don Roh, Alex Schaefer, &
 Bernie Mayer
 Sunday 10:00 am Mike Mara, Mark Mara, Merle Frommelt,
 Dennis Mezera

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, March 31	NO MASS		
Wednesday, April 1	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Mary Markham
Thursday, April 2	7:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	HOLY THURSDAY (Priest's Intention)
Good Friday, April 3	1:30 pm	St. John's Church	GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES
Tenebrae Service	8:30 pm	St. John's Church	
April 4	8:00 pm	St. John's Church	HOLY SATURDAY (Priest's Intention)
April 5	8:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church	EASTER SUNDAY (Priest's Intention)
	10:00 am	St. John's Church	EASTER SUNDAY (For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor)

The following is from: [www.http://catholicism.about.com](http://catholicism.about.com)

Holy Week is the week preceding Easter and the final week of Lent. Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday and ends with Holy Saturday, the day before Easter Sunday. Holy Week includes Holy Thursday (also known as Maundy Thursday) and Good Friday, which, together with Holy Saturday, are known as the Triduum. Before the revision of the liturgical calendar in 1969, Holy Week was the second week of Passiontide; in the current calendar, Passiontide is synonymous with Holy Week.

During Holy Week, Christians commemorate the Passion of Christ, Who died on Good Friday in reparation for the sins of mankind, and rose on Easter Sunday to give new life to all who believe. Thus, while Holy Week is solemn and sorrowful, it also anticipates the joy of Easter through the recognition of God's goodness in sending His Son to die for our salvation. Special observances this week are Palm Sunday, Spy Wednesday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

Palm Sunday commemorates the triumphal entrance of Christ into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-9), when palm branches were placed in His path, before His arrest on Holy Thursday and His Crucifixion on Good Friday. It thus marks the beginning of Holy Week, the final week of Lent, and the week in which Christians celebrate the mystery of their salvation through Christ's Death and His Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

Spy Wednesday; this is a reference to Judas's action in Matthew 26: 14-16: *'Then went one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, to the chief priests, and said to them: What will you give me, and I will deliver him unto you? But they appointed him thirty pieces of silver. And from thenceforth he sought opportunity to betray him.'* The beginning of Matthew 26 seems to place that event two days before Good Friday. Thus, a spy entered the midst of the disciples on Wednesday of Holy Week, when Judas resolved to betray our Lord for 30 pieces of silver.

Holy Thursday is the day on which Christ celebrated the Last Supper with His disciples, four days after His triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. Only hours after the Last Supper, Judas would betray Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane, setting the stage for Christ's Crucifixion on Good Friday. Holy Thursday is more than just the lead-in to Good Friday; it is, in fact, the oldest of the celebrations of Holy Week. And with good reason: Holy Thursday is the day on which Catholics commemorate the institution of three pillars of the Catholic Faith: the Sacrament of Holy Communion, the priesthood, and the Mass. During the Last Supper, Christ blessed the bread and wine with the very words that Catholic and Orthodox priests use today to consecrate the Body and Blood of Christ during the Mass and the Divine Liturgy. In telling His disciples to "Do this in remembrance of Me," He instituted the Mass and made them the first priests.

Good Friday, the Friday before Easter Sunday, commemorates the Passion and Death of our Lord Jesus Christ on the Cross. Good Friday is the second of the three days of the Easter Triduum. From the earliest days of Christianity, no Mass has been celebrated on Good Friday; instead, the Church celebrates a special liturgy in which the account of the Passion according to the Gospel of John is read, a series of intercessory prayers (prayers for special intentions) are offered, and the faithful venerate the Cross by coming forward and kissing it.

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The Good Friday liturgy concludes with the distribution of Holy Communion. Good Friday is a day of strict fasting and abstinence. Catholics over the age of 18 and under the age of 60 are required to fast, which means that they can eat only one complete meal and two smaller ones during the day, with no food in between. Catholics who are over the age of 14 are required to refrain from eating any meat, or any food made with meat, on Good Friday.

Holy Saturday is the final day of Lent, of Holy Week, and of the Easter Triduum, the three days (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday) immediately preceding Easter, during which Christians commemorate the Passion and Death of Jesus Christ and prepare for His Resurrection.

As on Good Friday, there is no Mass offered for Holy Saturday. The Easter Vigil Mass, which takes place after sundown on Holy Saturday, properly belongs to Easter Sunday, since liturgically each day begins at sundown on the previous day. (That is why Saturday vigil Masses can fulfill our Sunday Duty.) Unlike on Good Friday, when Holy Communion is distributed at the afternoon liturgy commemorating Christ's Passion, on Holy Saturday the Eucharist is only given to the faithful as *viaticum*—that is, only to those in danger of death, to prepare their souls.

Until the revision of the rules for fasting and abstinence in 1969 strict fasting and abstinence continued to be practiced on the morning of Holy Saturday, thus reminding the faithful of the sorrowful nature of the day and preparing them for the joy of Easter feast. While fasting and abstinence are no longer required on Holy Saturday morning, practicing these Lenten disciplines is still a good way to observe this sacred day.

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, Albena 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, LaVonne Laskaskie, Richard Ginsterblum, Letty Oehler, Howard Gillitzer, James Stroscheim, Art & Celine Boxrucker.

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

BINGO

Bingo Workers for Monday, March 30th are:
Check Writer: Sarah Holler; **Floor Workers:** Ruth Klang, Amy Young, Sheila Eastman; **Caller:** Michael Higgins; **Lunch Stand Workers:** Parents of Shawn Egstad & Kaitlyn Waller

School News....Through this Lenten season the 5th grade have written their sacrifices for Lent. What they want to offer to the Lord. Each week they are revealed in the Prayer corner. They have also been learning about the Holy Family and how this should be a model for all families. With the quarter nearly at an end it is always good to reflect back on the “ups” and “downs” and arrive to end the school year in the best possible way.

Miss Pelleymounter

PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for March 22	\$5,964.00	\$7,417.00
Plate for March 22	<u>633.56</u>	<u>533.64</u>
Total	\$6,597.56	\$7,950.64

The second collection came to \$342.00 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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.

The Knights of Columbus will be having their annual “Tootsie Roll” Drive on Friday, April 10th, Saturday, April 11th and Sunday, April 12th. K.C. members will be participating in the drive after all Masses that weekend. Please support the K.C. Tootsie Roll Drive.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Tues., March 31, 10:30 am Chrism Mass-Cathedral
 Wed. April 1 - 7:00 pm Live Stations at St. John's
 Holy Thursday, April 2 7:00 pm St. Gabriel's
 Good Friday, April 3 1:30 pm St. John's
 Fri., Apr 3, Tenebrae Service-8:30 pm at St. John's
 Holy Saturday, April 4.....8:00 pm St. John's
 Easter Sunday, April 5 8:00 am St. Gabriel's
 Easter Sunday, April 5 10:00 am St. John's

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday, March 29

6:00 pm JWalkers practice for Live Stations

Monday, March 30

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

Tuesday, March 31

No AM Mass at St. Gabriel's

10:30 am Chrism Mass at the Cathedral in LaCrosse

NO Mass at Prairie Maison

Wednesday, April 1

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

7:00 pm Live Stations at St. John's Church

Holy Thursday, April 2

7:00 pm Mass at St. Gabriel's

Good Friday, April 3

1:30 pm Good Friday Service at St. John's

8:30 pm Tenebrae Service at St. John's

Holy Saturday, April 4

8:00 pm Easter Vigil at St. John's

Easter Sunday, April 5

8:00 am Mass at St. Gabriel's

10:00 am Mass at St. John's

THE 7TH WORD

Woman, behold your son...Behold, your mother. (Jn 19:26, 27)

I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you (Jn 14:18). From the cross, Jesus fulfills the promise he made to his disciples at the Last Supper. He confides his mother Mary to the care of the beloved disciple. St. John in turn takes her into his home. This word that Jesus speaks from the cross announces Mary's unique participation in the saving work of her Son. When Mary receives John, she also embraces each one of us. We become in the order of grace her sons and daughters. Mary's maternal mediation is coextensive with the Church. No grace reaches any person on earth apart from Mary's personal love for the brothers and sisters of her only Son. This is why the saints encourage us to come to Jesus through Mary.

The Unit Chairpersons for Holy Family Parish for the Month of April are:

Layne & Susan David, Gary & Joanne Delury, Larry & Sharon Dahman, Scott & Bonnie Reilly, William & Lorraine Rice, Larry & Denise Rod.

Coffee & Rolls will be April 12th at St. Gabriel's School Hall after the 8:00 am Mass.

We need volunteers to distribute communion to the home bound on Sunday mornings. If this is something you might be interested in please contact Barb Frommelt at 326-2275 for more information