

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.

Prairie Du Chien, WI 53821

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Rectory Office Hours

8:00am to 4:00pm (Monday - 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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February 14, 2016 - 1st Sunday of Lent

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR



1st Sunday of Lent

The devil said to him, "All this will be yours, if you worship me."

Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written:

*You shall worship the Lord, your God,
and him alone shall you serve."*

Lk 4:6a, 7-8



St. Gabriel Archangel

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR FEB. 21ST

Jeri Kluesner, Sheila Linder

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-FEBRUARY 20/21

Saturday 4:00 pm Laura Meyer, Richard Ambrose, &
Debbie Morovits

Sunday 8:00 am Mary Osterhaus, Joe & Sharon Atkins

SERVERS-FEBRUARY 20/21

Saturday 4:00 pm Seth & Kyle MacEachern
Paige & Max Schneider

Sunday 8:00 am Jerrod Osterkamp & Claire Teynor
Logan Kiesau & Kennedy Kirschbaum

LECTORS-FEBRUARY 20/21

Saturday 4:00 pm Arlene Willms

Sunday 8:00 am Eric Teynor

USHERS-FEBRUARY 20/21

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

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

SCRIP WORKERS-FEBRUARY 20/21

Saturday 4:00 pm Barb Welsch

Sunday 8:00 am Brad & Jenni Linder



St. John Nepomuc

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR FEB. 21ST

Chris Ingham, Mary Steiner, Donna Steiner

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-FEBRUARY 20/21

Saturday 7:00 pm Mary Ellen Pellock

Sunday 10:00 am Peggy Gallagher, Windy Mezera &
Doris Krogman

SERVERS-FEBRUARY 20/21

Saturday 7:00 pm Macey Banasik & Emma Bjurquist
Matthias & Madelyn Gerhards

Sunday 10:00 am Logan Higgins & Josh Dyer
Kendall Hill & Katelyn Lutz

LECTORS-FEBRUARY 20/21

Saturday 7:00 pm Mary Stoeffler

Sunday 10:00 am Jerry Cummings

USHERS-FEBRUARY 20/21

Saturday 7:00 pm Merle Frommelt, Bernie Mayer, Tyler
Rochleau, Alex Schaefer

Sunday 10:00 am Jim Gallagher, Ron Trautsch, Mark
Mara, Dennis Mezera

SCRIP WORKERS-FEBRUARY 20/21

Saturday 7:00 pm Amy Young

Sunday 10:00 am Sheila Eastman

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!



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| Tuesday, February 16 | 8:15 am | St. Gabriel's Church | † Cathy Vondrum |
| Wednesday, February 17 | 8:15 am | St. John's Church | † Ann Rowe |
| Thursday, February 18 | 8:15 am | St. Gabriel's Church | † Frank Nolan |
| Friday, February 19 | 8:15 am | St. John's Church | † Bill Betzle |
| Saturday, February 20 | 4:00 pm | St. Gabriel's Church | † Caroline Schmidt |
| | 7:00 pm | St. John's Church | † Bob Boland |
| Sunday, February 21 | 8:00 am | St. Gabriel's Church | For All Those Entrusted to Our pastor |
| | 10:00 am | St. John's Church | † Vulmar Bohnenkamp |

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.)

Each week during Lent, I will offer some comments on various aspects of our faith, with a special focus on the Mass. Why do we do certain things as Catholics? What do various parts of the Mass mean? Hopefully these reflections will help gain a deeper appreciation for the Mass and our faith whether we are cradle Catholics or preparing to enter the Church or even if we are just thinking about entering. If you have friends or family that have left the practice of their faith, perhaps these can help them return home.

God bless

Fr Jim

ADORATION: Why do we have Adoration in the Church? We believe that the bread and wine are substantially changed with the words of consecration into the body and blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ. This being the case, we will occasionally place a consecrated host into a *monstrance* and have a period for special prayer. At Holy Family parish, we normally offer adoration on Thursdays (St Gabriel's) and Fridays (St John's) during the year, but during Lent we offer adoration for a 24 hour period following the Friday morning Mass through Saturday morning. We conclude this time of prayer with Benediction and a Saturday morning Mass at 8:00 AM. When the Blessed Sacrament is removed from the Tabernacle for Adoration, we try to never leave him alone. This is why we ask people to sign up for a designated time. One question that comes up occasionally is 'I did not sign up, can I still participate?' Yes, anyone can stop in at any point, whether you have 5 minutes free or you want to spend an hour or more. The SE door to the church will remain open throughout the period of adoration.

PROCESSION: Why do we have a procession to begin Mass? Wouldn't it be easier to just start from the sacristy? Yes, it would be more efficient, but the Mass is not about efficiency. It is about praise and worship; it is about celebrating an ancient liturgy in our world today. Everyone gathers in the church in anticipation. Christ, in the person of the priest, enters last, while all sing God's praises. Similar to a royal procession, where everyone gathers and goes before the king, and they gather around the throne. We gather around our eternal king, who is reigning from his throne; the cross and the altar of sacrifice. We also call to mind that we are on a pilgrimage through this life to heaven. The entrance procession, beginning at the back of the church (the world), is a symbol of that journey to heaven (the altar). Christ is our goal, symbolized by the altar, and he walks with us in the person of the priest.

PRAYER CORNER

God, grant healing and peace to the sick of our communities and those who have requested our prayers. Please pray for: Eileen Sutton, Mary Ann Heisz, Jerry Matousek, LaVern Sutton, Janet Dickman, Peg Stoeffler, John Felder, Ann Fulcher, Nancy Patzner, Janelle Becwar, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, John & Cheyenne Messling, Earl Nye, Ethel Sebastian, Tara Pellock, Margaret Konichek, Geraldine Barr, Marguerite Begnoche, Bill McCoy, Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Ken Fleshner, Carrie Breuer, Graham Shedivy, Mary Gillitzer, Mark Janz, Lorna Porvaznik, John Rink, Dale LaBonne, Dallas Valley, Mary T. Shedivy, Lavon David, Diane Fernette, Joe Ludvik, Stacey Johnson, Albena Sutton, Bernie O'Connell, Frank Tiller, Carl Shedivy, Kerriann Placko, Rosanna Mayer, Marilyn Rybarczyk, Pam Waller, Jackie Cherrier, Jennifer Gilman, Sara Breuer, Rose Miller, Bonnie Boland, Annabelle Stubbe, Karen Carroll, Richard Ginsterblum, Letty Oehler, Howard Gillitzer, Art & Celine Boxrucker, Nora Vickerman, Dave Bohnenkamp, Ed Rocksvold, Cecil Olson, Mary Kann, Herb Schneider, Eugene Gillitzer, Joshua Warpinski, Barbara Schwant, Tyler Gillitzer, Anita Steger, Pat Wachuta, Lynette Reichmann, Janet Beinborn, Von Denlinger, Scott Plondke, Richard Gillitzer, Gerald Stram, Joe Barrette, Sally Ann White, Scott Sklenar, Shirley Ambrose, Don McFarland, and Rosemary Casberg.

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

PARISH HALL CLEAN-UP We would like to have a clean-up day (or days) beginning this Thursday afternoon. If you have some time, please plan on stopping by to help. The first order of business will be mopping and cleaning the floors and windows in order to be ready for the fish fry on Friday Feb 26. Thank you and God bless

THANK YOU JEANETTE After serving in many and varied role in our parish music ministry, Jeanette Steiner has informed us of her desire to resign from the music ministry. Thank you Jeanette for all you have done in volunteering your musical talents to our parish. You will be missed by all. God bless.

PARISH SUPPORT

| | This Year | Last Year |
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| Envelopes for February 7 | \$11,083.00 | \$8,178.00 |
| Plate for February 7 | 633.00 | 463.29 |
| Heat & Util. | 165.00 | 125.00 |
| Unit Dues | 1,955.00 | _____00 |
| Total | \$13,836.00 | \$8,766.29 |

The second collection came to \$398.80 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

School News.....The Middle School Science classes are all finishing units of study in February. The 8th graders are completing a unit on Birds and Mammals with an Endangered Mammals project due on the 15th. The 7th graders are concluding their unit on Volcanoes with a project that will make a 3-D model of Mt. St. Helen's. Thanks again to Jim Walz for sharing his knowledge of Mt. St. Helen's with the class. The 6th graders are also ending a unit on the Nervous and Endocrine Systems. They constructed and labeled pipe cleaner models of neurons showing the functions of each part.

The 7th and 8th graders will be traveling to Madison in early March for the Capitol, Veterans' Museum, and Forest Hill Cemetery tour. These tours connect with our curriculums in Civics and History and help the classes appreciate our state government and the sacrifices made by soldiers in many wars.

Mr. Bill Huser

February Calendar Raffle Sweepstake Winners

\$100.00 - Makayla Steger, PdC; Jim Bauer, PdC; Lisa Rogers, PdC; Paul & Pam Steinberg, PdC; Brian Kazda, Mt. Hope

\$50.00 - Robbey Nash, Galesville, WI; Loren Fishler, PdC; Wyatt Welter, PdC; Mary Tiller Jonas, Cedarburg, WI; Bob & Tara Betzle, Mt. Hope.

\$25.00 - Roger Moore, PdC; Janette DuCharme, PdC; Phyllis Waller, PdC; Bill & Lorraine Rice, PdC; Alex Rooney Family, Dyess AFB, TX; Arlene Morovits, PdC; Matt Corlett, PdC; Peter M. Prew, Jr., PdC; Cindy Linder, McGregor; Sara Rybarczyk, PdC; Gari Lorenz, Wauzeka; Linda Vance, PdC; Rebecca Lynn, PdC; Pete Breuer, Glen Haven; Robert Formanek, LaCrosse; Thomas F. Peterson, PdC; Mike Roh, Stewartville, MN; Lisa Swiggum, PdC; Jackie Walz, Otsego, MN; Tami Dillard, Parker, CO.

Holy Name Raffle Winners for February

\$10.00 - Phil Mezera, PdC; Jessi Steger, PdC; Lisa Dyer, Eastman; Diane Steger, PdC; Karen Shulka, PdC;

\$25.00 - Millie Senesac, PdC, Joan Novey, PdC

\$100.00 - Oscar Eastman, PdC

Thank you to all who helped at the Swiss Steak Dinner last Sunday and to all who attended. The Money Barrel Winners were: Dick & Mary Day and Jan Kozelka (\$112.00 ea.)

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 in future bulletins.

Virginia Konichek, Daniel & Dee Kussmaul, Fred Grelle, Thomas & Nancy Koenig, Earl & Janette Nicholson, Steve & Julie Schwager.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday, February 14

Happy Valentines Day

Monday, February 15

Tuesday, February 16

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

Wednesday, February 17

5:00 pm Choir rehearsal at St. John's Church

6:45 PM CCD at St. John's School

Thursday, February 18

1:00 pm Clean up day at our new parish hall, if you can spare a few hours please come and help

5:00 pm Parish Council meeting at St. John's School

Friday, February 19

Adoration after the 8:15 am Mass at St. John's with Benediction followed by Mass on Saturday at 8:00 am

Saturday, February 20

8:00 am Mass at St. John's

Sunday, February 21

3:00 pm Lenten Penance Service at Sacred Heart at Wauzeka

Non-perishable food items for our local food pantry can be brought to the churches next weekend. Containers are in the back of both churches. Thank you to all who support this worthy cause.

Thank you to all who attended our Burgers & Fries supper for Family night at Prairie Catholic School on February 3rd. Our 50/50 winners that evening were Tom Peterson & Millie Senesac (\$72.00 ea.) The profit for the night will be used for our school.

BOX TOPS DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 28TH.....Did you see the 1/25 Courier Press? Prairie Catholic School has earned over \$21,000 in 20 years.. Please cut out those .10 cent labels and send them to school, drop off at my home (328 N. Beaumont) or put in the blue boxes in the back of both churches. They need to be postmarked by **March 1st.** Let's earn another \$1,000+ in more free \$\$\$ for our students.

Rhonda S. Stubbe

Prairie Catholic Box Tops Coordinator

Cash Raffle tickets are available. They can be purchased at either rectory and the school office. The Cash raffle tickets will be available through April 9th, when the drawing will take place during a Burgers and Fries meal. **Tickets are \$10.00 each or eleven for \$100.00. Grand prize is \$7,500.00; 1st Place is \$5,000.00; 2nd place is \$2,500.00 and (10) 3rd prizes - \$250.00 each.**