

HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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

St. Gabriel Archangel

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

Holy Days

Mass times to be announced.

Baptism

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March 20, 2016 - Palm Sunday

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

"Blessed is the king who comes
in the name of the Lord.

Peace in heaven
and glory in the highest."

Lk 19:38



St. Gabriel Archangel

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR MARCH 27

John Chaffee, Mary Prindle

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-MARCH 26/27

Holy Saturday 8:00 pm Kathy Schneider, Deb Morovits
& Mark Gilberts

Easter Sunday 8:00 am Eileen Hermesen, Nick Nugent,
Mary Osterhaus

SERVERS-March 26/27

Holy Saturday 8:00 pm JWalkers

Easter Sunday 8:00 am Jack Peterson, volunteers

LECTORS-MARCH 26/27

Holy Saturday 8:00 pm Jeanette Steiner, Scott Kennedy
& Dr. Mark Grunwald

Easter Sunday 8:00 am Dan Schickert

USHERS-MARCH 26/27

Holy Saturday 8:00 pm Richard Steiner, Joe Barrette,
Gene Kirschbaum, John Chaffee

Easter Sunday 8:00 am Don Osterhaus, Dick Tesar, Mark
Hamann, Butch Boland

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

SCRIP WILL NOT BE SOLD NEXT WEEKEND.



St. John Nepomuc

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR MARCH 27

Kathleen Deluhery, Joan Poots, & Janet Lueck

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-MARCH 27

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

SERVERS-MARCH 27

Easter Sunday 10:00 am Josh Dyer, volunteers

LECTORS-MARCH 27

Easter Sunday 10:00 am Kurt Kravchuk

USHERS-MARCH 27

Easter Sunday 10:00 am Mark Mara, Mike Mara, Dennis
Mezera, & Ron Trautsch

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 24 AT 7:00 PM AT ST. JOHN'S

Eucharistic Ministers: Jeri Kluesner, Dr. Mark Grunwald

Lector: Dr. Mark Grunwald; **Servers:** Volunteers

Ushers: Bernie Mayer, Dennis Mezera, Tim Looney

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 25 AT 1:30 PM AT ST. GABRIEL'S

Eucharistic Ministers: Eileen Hermesen, Dr. Mark
Grunwald; **Lectors:** Rita Krahn & J.J. Jackson

Servers: JWalkers

Ushers: Don Cipra, John Gillitzer, Cliff Stram



Tuesday, March 22	NO MASS	(Chrism Mass in LaCrosse at the Cathedral)	
Wednesday, March 23	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Jack Kluesner
Thursday, March 24	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	HOLY THURSDAY (Priest's Intention)
Friday, March 25	1:30 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	GOOD FRIDAY
Friday, March 25	8:00 pm	St. John's Church	TENEBRAE SERVICE
Saturday, March 26	8:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	HOLY SATURDAY (Priest's Intention)
Sunday, March 27	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)

CONCLUSION OF THE MASS

The Communion Rite and the dismissal are the final actions of the Mass. After the consecration, the Lord is present on the altar, and so our reverence should reflect this as well.

THE LORD'S PRAYER: This is the perfect prayer taught to us by the Lord himself. It is a prayer directed to his Father and our Father, and we pray this together with the Lord present with us on the altar.

THE RITE OF PEACE: This rite, originally called the kiss of peace, has a long history in the church. As you know, there are some that are very uncomfortable with even shaking hands, while others could go on for some time. In the early centuries of Christianity, a kiss of peace when greeting others was normal, although that particular custom has not caught on in the United States outside the immediate family for the most part. Many of St Paul's letters reference a wish for communal peace among the members of a particular church. At the sign of peace, we need to take a moment to recall who is present upon the altar, and continue acting with reverence as we are in the presence of Christ in a very special way. Shaking hands with those in our immediate vicinity is an offering of peace to them, but it is also an invitation to make peace with anyone we might need to- whether they are in the church at that particular moment or not.

LAMB OF GOD: The Lamb of God, or Agnus Dei, is a prayer asking for mercy and forgiveness for our sins.

FRACTION RITE: this is a rite that might pass over the congregation, as it is difficult to see what is going on. Often during the Lamb of God, the priest takes the large host that was just consecrated, and breaks it in 2 or more pieces. He then breaks off a very small piece of the host and places it into the chalice with the precious blood. This is a reminder of the times Christ did something similar; breaking of the loaves to feed the 5000, and again to feed the 7,000; when he did this at the Last Supper and again in Emmaus, where the disciples recognized him in the breaking of the bread. At the same time, this reflects on the sacrifices made by Old Testament priests. For them, the blood and the body were completely separated, signifying the animal was dead. Here we commingle the body and blood, signifying life, the fullness of life promised by Jesus Christ.

HOLY COMMUNION: As we begin to come forward to receive Holy Communion, we recite a prayer right out of Sacred Scripture: *Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul will be healed.* (Mt 8:5-13) This is a prayer offered by a centurion, a pagan Roman officer seeking recovery from an injury or illness for one of his servants. We are acknowledging our unworthiness for Christ to enter under our roof, to enter into our soul; and at the same time we confess our belief that he can heal us of this unworthiness. Coming under our roof, he transforms us into him, into living, walking tabernacles being sent out into the world.

COMMUNAL MEDITATION: We have just received Jesus Christ under our roof, into our heart and soul; now is not the time to run for the doors, to beat the traffic out of the parking lot or get a jump on the crowd heading out for dinner or brunch, or whatever the reason may be. It is a time to kneel in gratitude as a communal body and as a singular apostle at the same time, in awe of what we have just experienced.

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CONCLUDING RITE: FINAL BLESSING

Have you seen *The Lord of the Rings* or *Star Trek*? (Or any great action movie) Do you recall the moment Luke or Frodo (any hero or heroine) receives their commission? As they ready themselves to face something greater than themselves, where they accept their destiny and steel themselves for the trials ahead; this moment is similar to our final blessing. God is looking at each of us, pointing at us, proclaiming to you he believes in you and is asking great things of you. The final blessing is God giving us his marching orders to take him with us into the world, and his promise he will be with us in our mission. Missing the final blessing is missing a critical part of our mission.

RECESSIONAL: here we are being led out to do battle, to wage war against sin and declare God's message to those trapped in their sin. Propelled by the Spirit, we are being sent into God's creation to reclaim what rightfully belongs to him.

It is my prayer that these Lenten reflections will give us a greater appreciation for the Mass, and this may truly take hold of our hearts this Easter Season. God bless.

Fr. Jim

We are looking for someone to play the piano for the residents at Prairie Maison on Tuesdays from 3:00 to 3:30 pm. If you would like to volunteer for this please call Shelly at Prairie Maison (326-8471). Thank you.

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, Barbara Schwant, Tyler Gillitzer, Anita Steger, Pat Wachuta, Lynette Reichmann, Janet Beinborn, Scott Plondke, Richard Gillitzer, Gerald Stram, Joe Barrette, Sally Ann White, Scott Sklenar, Shirley Ambrose, Don McFarland, Rosemary Casberg, Carolyn Kester, Vickie Samples, James Thompson, and Clem Stram.

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

Tenebrae Service

We will have our **Tenebrae Service** at night on Good Friday. This can be a powerful experience of the passion, death, and burial of Christ. It is a simple candlelight program with reading from sacred Scripture. This is a fairly short service and has grown since we began holding it. It will be held at 8:00 pm Friday, March 25th at St. John's Church of the Holy Family Parish.

EASTER EGG HUNT.....The Knights of Columbus Campion Council 1840 is sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt this Sunday, March 20th after St. John's 10:00 am Sunday Mass at the Cecil Smith Athletic Field.

Easter Flower Fund.....If you would like to make a donation to the "*Easter Flower Fund*" at the parishes in memory of a loved one, you can do so by placing your donation in a plain envelope marked "*Easter Flowers*" and place it in the parish collection or mail to Holy Family Parish, 710 S. Wacouta Ave, PdC, WI 53821

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Tues., March 22 - Chrism Mass at 10:30 am at
St. Joseph The Workman Cathedral, LaCrosse

Wed, March 23 - Live Stations at 7 pm at St. John's

Holy Thursday, Mar. 24 - 7:00 pm at St. John's

Good Friday, Mar. 25 - 1:30 pm at St. Gabriel's
Good Friday, Mar. 25 - 8:00 pm Tenebrae Service
St. John's

Holy Saturday, Mar. 26 - 8:00 pm at St. Gabriel's

Easter Sunday, Mar. 27 - 8:00 am at St. Gabriel's
10:00 am at St. John's

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

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Sunday, March 20 - Palm Sunday

11:30 am Knights of Columbus Easter Egg Hunt at the
Cecil Smith Athletic Field

Monday, March 21

Tuesday, March 22

10:30 am Chrism Mass at St. Joseph The Workman
Cathedral, LaCrosse; NO morning Mass at St. Gabriel's

Wednesday, March 23

8:15 am School Mass at St. Gabriel's Church
6:45 pm CCD Classes at St. John's
7:00 pm Live Stations of the Cross at St. John's Parish

Holy Thursday, March 24

7:00 pm Mass at St. John's

Good Friday, March 25

1:30 pm Good Friday Service at St. Gabriel's
8:00 pm Tenebrae Service at St. John's

Holy Saturday, March 26

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

Easter Sunday, March 27

8:00 am Mass at St. Gabriel's
10:00 am Mass at St. John's

We will be cleaning up the cemeteries at Saint Gabriel's & Calvary. If you have any items (artificial flowers, etc.) that you would like to save, please remove them by Wednesday, April 15th.

Cash Raffle tickets are available. They can be purchased at either rectory, the school office, Zinkle's Piggly Wiggly, Hartig Drug, True Value, Anchor Bank & both Peoples State Banks. 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.**

PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for March 13th	\$7,397.00	\$7,128.50
Plate for March 13th	703.64	1,473.00
Electronic Transfers	1,702.00	1,535.00
Total	\$9,802.64	\$10,136.50

The second collection came to \$415.35 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!