

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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Prairie Du Chien, WI 53821

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

Holy Days

Mass times to be announced.

Baptism

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

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March 6, 2016 - 4th Sunday of Lent

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR



4th Sunday of Lent

"His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'let us celebrate with a feast because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.'" Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a



St. Gabriel Archangel

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR MARCH 13

Nancy DuCharme

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-MARCH 12/13

Saturday 4:00 pm Kathy Schneider, Richard Ambrose, & Laura Meyer

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

SERVERS-MARCH 12/13

Saturday 4:00 pm Brady Luster & Ryan Waller
Seth & Kyle MacEachern

Sunday 8:00 am Jonah Linder & Claire Teynor
Logan Kiesau & Thomas Mara

LECTORS-MARCH 12/13

Saturday 4:00 pm Dr. Mark Grunwald

Sunday 8:00 am Rhonda Stubbe

USHERS-MARCH 12/13

Saturday 4:00 pm Joe Barrette, Gene Kirschbaum, Jim Welsch, Bob Ziel

Sunday 8:00 am John Chaffee, Don Cipra, John Gillitzer, Mark Hamann

SCRIP WORKERS-MARCH 12/13

Saturday 4:00 pm Melanie Schneider

Sunday 8:00 am Roland & Ashley Lindner



St. John Nepomuc

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR MARCH 13

Ceil Benda, Volunteers

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-MARCH 12/13

Saturday 7:00 pm Linda Moser

Sunday 10:00 am Verna Panka, Jean Ann Dillman, & Karen Hertrampf

SERVERS-MARCH 12/13

Saturday 7:00 pm Kylie Kramer & Makayla Steger
Emma Bjurquist Rebekah Champion

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

LECTORS-MARCH 12/13

Saturday 7:00 pm Rita Krahn

Sunday 10:00 am Charlie Connell

USHERS-MARCH 12/13

Saturday 7:00 pm Tim Looney, Doug Rickleff, Dan Schickert

Sunday 10:00 am Gene Carlson, Mike Mara, Paul Porvaznik & Ron Trautsch

SCRIP WORKERS-MARCH 12/13

Saturday 7:00 pm Andy & Melissa Banasik

Sunday 10:00 am Megan Coffield

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 8	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Cathy Vondrum
Wednesday, March 9	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Al Duve
Thursday, March 10	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Frank Nolan
Friday, March 11	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Arlene Stoeffler
Saturday, March 12	4:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	† Rudy Long
	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	† Charles Krogman
Sunday, March 13	8:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church	For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor
	10:00 am	St. John's Church	† Vulmar Bohnenkamp

UNDERSTANDING THE MASS

Our discussion has now brought us to the second section of the Mass, the Liturgy of the Word. At the beginning of Lent, we heard Satan tempt Christ to turn the rocks into bread. Jesus' response was 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God'. This proclamation of Christ's is lived out at each Mass. As important as the Eucharist is for our salvation, hearing and reflecting on the word of God is never to be regulated to second place. If you are striving for a deeper appreciation of the Mass, perhaps a better preparation may help. We can prepare better by reading the Sacred Scripture earlier in the week. (There are many web-sites that publish the Sunday readings) The Sunday readings are grouped into 3 cycles, with each cycle featuring one of the Synoptic Gospels throughout the year.

FIRST READING: Normally this reading is from the Old Testament, the faith of the Israelite community, our fathers in faith. The proper way to read the Old Testament is through the light of Christ, so this gives us new insights. There are often parallels between any given Sunday Old Testament reading and the Gospel of the day.

PSALM RESPONSE: The psalms play an important role in our liturgies, and are more than something put in there to give the choir another chance to sing. Even Masses without a 2nd reading have a psalm response, and they are prayed every day in the Divine Office. Psalms are a reflection of our normal everyday life; some days we are very connected with God and other days we feel far from Him. The psalm prayers reflect our struggles and our longings, and are a reminder of St Augustine's instruction that when we sing, we pray twice.

SECOND READING: The 2nd reading is taken from the epistles and letters of St Paul or one of the other early apostles. Although there may be a tie-in with the Gospel reading, it is not an intentional connection as between the 1st reading and the Gospel. These readings are from the time when the church was in its infancy, giving us a look at what the church and Christian life was supposed to look like.

GOSPEL PROCLAMATION: The Gospel is the heart of the Sacred Scripture, and hold a unique place in the Church. This is one reason we stand to hear the Gospel read. The Gospels are more than readings about God, they are records of the word of God incarnate, Jesus Christ. The Gospels record how God moves and thinks and loves; how he interacted with his people many centuries ago and how he interacts with his people today, and how he is actively involved in our lives seeking our salvation.

HOMILY: This is the reflection on Sacred Scripture given by a priest or deacon. The main focus of the homily should be to apply the readings to our modern life and to concrete situations in the world, the nation or our local community. The topic for any particular homily is chosen by the priest or deacon. Rather than 'talking points' given to us by our bishop, they are reflections of our prayer life, guided by the Holy Spirit.

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PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: This is the concluding section of the Liturgy of the Word. They include prayers for the world and universal church, and are more directed to the local church and particular issues as we proceed. Mention of the Mass intention may be given, but it is not a requirement. Remember that this prayer is happening at all the Masses throughout the world, joining our voices to the communion of saints

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, 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, 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, Scott Plondke, Richard Gillitzer, Gerald Stram, Joe Barrette, Sally Ann White, Scott Sklenar, Shirley Ambrose, Don McFarland, Rosemary Casberg, Carolyn Kester, and Victoria Samples.

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 SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for Feb. 28th	\$6,469.00	\$8,740.00
Plate for Feb. 28th	522.30	680.74
Unit Dues	<u>395.00</u>	<u>.00</u>
Total	\$7,386.30	\$9,420.74

The second collection came to \$426.00 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

SCHOOL NEWS

Halfway through 3rd term, wow this year is flying by! We have been very busy in 5th grade. In reading, we are working on our research skills by writing biographies on a famous person. The students each choose a different person to spend their time researching. We used skittles to show off our graph making skills! In science, we just finished learning about motion and are excited to learn about electrical energy. The students will get the chance to build and learn about circuits. In Religion, the 5th graders have been learning about the sacrifice of the Mass and that Mass is the greatest form of worship.

-Mrs. Michelle Kapfhamer

Thank you to all who attended our Fish Fry last Friday evening and thanks to all who prepared the food or helped in any way. The winners of the money barrel were: Kristofer Warrington and Bruce Waller (\$190.00 each). Bernard Mayer won the iron and the basket winners were Tom Halpin and Sara Check.

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

If you need a gift for a wedding, birthday or any occasion why not give a SCRIP gift card. It is the gift that will not be returned and at the same time our parish and school can profit from your purchase. Also use **SCRIP** for your everyday shopping needs, groceries, gas, etc. **SCRIP** can be purchased at both rectory offices and after Mass on the weekends.

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 4b

Sunday, March 6

Coffee & Rolls after the 8:00 am Mass at St. Gabriel's plus drawings for the Holy Name Raffle and Sweepstake Calendar winners

JWalkers trip to see the Milwaukee Bucks

Monday, March 7

Tuesday, March 8

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

Wednesday, March 9

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

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

Thursday, March 10

6:00 pm Holy Family Finance Council meeting in St. John's School

Friday, March 11

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

Saturday, March 12

8:00 am Mass at St. John's Church

Sunday, March 13

If you are celebrating your 50th Wedding Anniversary this year and would like to attend a celebration at Christ the King Chapel in La-Crosse with Bishop William Callahan on Sunday, August 21st please inform the rectory office at 326-6511. We will need the names submitted to us by March 21, 2016.

Cash Raffle tickets are available. They can be purchased at either rectory, the school office, Zinkle's Piggly Wiggly & Peoples State Bank. 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.**

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