

# HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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## HOLY FAMILY PARISH

Website: [www.prairiecatholic.org](http://www.prairiecatholic.org)

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## St. John Nepomuc

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Prairie Du Chien, WI 53821

Phone: 326-6511

## Rectory Office Hours

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

## St. Gabriel Archangel

506 N. Beaumont Rd.

Prairie Du Chien, WI 53821

Phone: 326-2404

## Rectory Office Hours

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.

## Principal

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July 16, 2017 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR

DEACON MARK GRUNWALD



## 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." Mt 13:22-23



## St. Gabriel Archangel

### HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JULY 23RD

John Chaffee, Mary Prindle

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JULY 22/23

Saturday 4:00 pm Laura Meyer, Richard Ambrose,  
Deacon Mark Grunwald

Sunday 10:00 am Rhonda Stubbe, Ann Lessard, Deacon  
Mark Grunwald

### SERVERS-JULY 22/23

Saturday 4:00 pm Paige & Max Schneider  
Katy Welsch & Elle Schneider

Sunday 10:00 am Katelyne & Jesse Lutz  
Julian DeGidio & Dawson Eastman

### LECTORS-JULY 22/23

Saturday 4:00 pm Virginia Konichek

Sunday 10:00 am Mark Gilberts

### USHERS-JULY 22/23

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

Sunday 10:00 am Mark Mara, John Chaffee, Kurt  
Kravchuk, Volunteer

### SCRIP WORKERS-JULY 22/23

Saturday 4:00 pm Barb Welsch

Sunday 10:00 am Brandon & Danielle Swiggum



## St. John Nepomuc

### HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JULY 23RD

Nick Nugent, Peg Smith

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JULY 22/23

Saturday 7:00 pm Tim Steger

Sunday 8:00 am Lucy Cornford, Donna Steiner,  
Deacon Mark Grunwald

### SERVERS-JULY 22/23

Saturday 7:00 pm Makenna Forde & Rebekah Champion  
Emma & Michael Bjurquist

Sunday 8:00 am Chase & Madilyn Fisher  
Kennedy Kirschbaum & Scout Hall

### LECTORS-JULY 22/23

Saturday 7:00 pm Mary Stoeffler

Sunday 8:00 am Norb Aschom

### USHERS-JULY 22/23

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

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

### SCRIP WORKERS-JULY 22/23

Saturday 7:00 pm Amy Young

Sunday 8:00 am Kevin & Jenny Campbell

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 MASS SERVERS:  
TUESDAY - FRIDAY  
Elle & Max Schneider



Mass Intentions  
for the Week

Tuesday, July 18	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† William Steele
Wednesday, July 19	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Ed & Lucille Farrell
Thursday, July 20	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† JoAnn Shea
Friday, July 21	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Celine Boxrucker
Saturday, July 22	4:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	† Juanita Tully
	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	† For Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sunday, July 23	8:00 am	St. John's Church	For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor.
	10:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† LaVon David

While on vacation I found an article that I hope will resonate. Perhaps the line from last week's Gospel can give further perspective: *My yoke is easy, my burden is light.* For the full article see: <http://blog.adw.org/2017/07/five-hard-truths-will-set-free/>

### **Five Hard Truths That Will Set You Free**

Msgr. Charles Pope • July 11, 2017 •

I have received many requests to republish a post from several years ago. The following five truths from that essay are indeed hard. They rock our world and stab at the heart of some of our most cherished modern notions. If they can be accepted for the truth they convey, however, they bring great peace. These truths are not only good medicine for our collective self-absorption but they also help us to have more realistic expectations as we live out our lives in this imperfect and limited world. Study these truths well. If they irritate you a bit, good; they're supposed to. They are meant to provoke thought and reassessment.

Following is the condensed version of the article. To see Msgr. Pope's comments as well see the full article at the above web page.

**1. Life is hard.** We live in times of comfort and convenience. Medicine has removed a lot of pain and suffering from our lives. Consumer goods are readily available and we have a wide array of choices. Entertainment comes in many varieties and is often inexpensive. Hard labor is something that few of us are familiar with. Obesity is common due to overconsumption and underactivity.

All of these creature comforts have led us to expect that life should always be just peachy. We become outraged at the slightest suffering, inconvenience, or delay.

**2. Your life is not about you.** If you want to make God chuckle, tell Him your plans. If you really want to give him a belly laugh, tell Him *His* plans! We often like to think that we should just be able to do what ever pleases us and maximizes our "self-actualization." However, we do not decide alone what course our life will take.

In this age of "nobody tells me what to do," it is important to remember that our true happiness comes from getting not what we want, but what God wants. Our destiny is not to follow our star; it is to follow God. True peace comes from careful discernment of God's will for us.

**3. You are not in control.** Control is something of an illusion. We may have plans for tomorrow but there are many things between now and tomorrow over which we have no control. For example, we cannot even control or guarantee the next beat of our heart. I may *think* I have tomorrow under control, but tomorrow is not promised; it may never come.

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**4. You are not that important.** This one hurts. We often think that the whole world should revolve around us. We think it is only our feelings that matter and our well-being that is important. We are loved by God in a very particular way, but that does not change the fact that we must often yield to others who are also loved by God in a very special way.

Sometimes other people are more important than we are. We might even be called upon to give our life so that others may live. We must yield to others whose needs are more crucial than our own. The world doesn't exist just for us and what we want.

**5. You are going to die.** We get all worked up about what this world dishes out, but just take a walk in a cemetery. Those folks were all worked up too. Now their struggles are over. If they were faithful, they are with God; they are now experiencing that "trouble don't last always."

So there you have them, five hard truths that will set you free. Think about them. Memorize them. Pull them out when life comes at you fast and hard with its agenda of control, self-importance, and empty promises of perfect comfort here on earth. A simple, sober, humble, and focused life brings great serenity.

## **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, Nancy Patzner, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, John & Cheyenne Messling, Peyton Kraushaar, Earl Nye, Ethel Sebastian, Tara Pellock, Margaret Konichek, Geraldine Barr, Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Ken Fleshner, Carrie Breuer, Graham Shedivy, Mary Gillitzer, Lorna Porvaznik, John Rink, Dale LaBonne, Dallas Valley, Mary T. Shedivy, Diane Fernette, Joe Ludvik, Stacey Johnson, Bernie O'Connell, Frank Tiller, Carl Shedivy, Rosanna Mayer, Marilyn Rybarczyk, Pam Waller, Jackie Cherrier, Jennifer Gilman, Sara Breuer, Rose Miller, Annabelle Stubbe, Karen Carroll, Richard Ginsterblum, Letty Oehler, Howard Gillitzer, Art Boxrucker, Nora Vickerman, Cecil Olson, Mary Kann, Barbara Schwant, Tyler Gillitzer, Lynette Reichmann, Scott Plondke, Richard Gillitzer, Gerald Stram, Joe Barrette, Sally Ann White, Scott Sklenar, Shirley Ambrose, Don McFarland, Vickie Samples, Nancy Aschom, Phyllis Waller, Jack Dahl, Sandi Herreid, Melinda Neumann, Don Ritchie, Sally White, Faye Tesar, Dean Heintz, Robert McCarty, Matilda Flansburgh, Joan Marie Tiller, Mary Jo Carl, Joseph Hamann, Stan Garnsworthy, Janet Kahler, Judy Mezera, Owen Price, Sandra Marx, Wilbur Rupp, Kathy Leard, Scott Yeomans, Dorothy Gilkes, Andra Meana, Christine Carlson, M. Catherine Benoy, Irene Mitchell, Gage Hatlin, Avalo A. Berns.

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



## BREWER BUS TRIP

We just want to clear up any miss-understandings on the Brewer vs. St Louis Cardinals game on Aug 3. We are planning on 2 busses; one will have the servers and chaperones, the second will be for adults. The server bus is almost full, so if you have not signed up for that yet, please contact the rectory soon to get a space reserved. There are spaces available on the 2<sup>nd</sup> bus, so if you would like to get away for a day of baseball, please contact the rectory soon to reserve a spot. The cost for this trip is only \$30, and includes the bus trip, parking and tailgate, game ticket and a sandwich for the ride home. We thank the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring this server trip

## BAPTISM

We welcome into the family of God, **Dane Thomas Driscoll-Howe**, son of Shelly Howe and Terri Driscoll into the family of God through the Sacrament of Baptism. May God continue to bless **Dane Thomas** and his family.

## Available Ad Space

Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

**Eric Girton** from Liturgical Publications, our bulletin printer, will be in our office the week of **July 31**, securing new ads for our bulletin. We need your help! Please consider purchasing an ad. Your participation makes our bulletin successful, and you attract customers!

### BENEFITS OF ADVERTISING

- Local, targeted community advertising for **one full year, at one low price.**
- A FREE ad listing on [parishesonline.com](http://parishesonline.com).
- FREE, professional ad design, and 4 free ad changes per year.

**Eric Girton**

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## 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

**Sunday, July 16**

Collection of non-perishable items for our local food pantry. Containers in the back of the churches

**Monday, July 17**

**Tuesday, July 18**

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

**Wednesday, July 19**

**Thursday, July 20**

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

**Friday, July 21**

**Saturday, July 22**

## PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for July 9th	\$8,396.00	\$6,882.00
Plate for July 9th	913.41	853.63
Electronic Transfers	<u>1,907.00</u>	<u>1,462.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,216.41</b>	<b>\$9,197.63</b>

The second collection came to \$730.56 will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

## Readings for the week of July 16, 2017

**Sunday:** Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10-14/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

**Monday:** Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-8/Mt 10:34-11:1

**Tuesday:** Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 11:20-24

**Wednesday:** Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7/Mt 11:25-27

**Thursday:** Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27/Mt 11:28-30

**Friday:** Ex 11:10-12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc-18/Mt 12:1-8

**Saturday:** Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

**Next Sunday:** Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/  
Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

**HOLY FAMILY BRAT FEST**  
**SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2017**

**St. Gabriel's Rectory Lawn**

**10:30 am to 6:30 pm**

**Brats, Burgers, Hot Dogs**  
**Sweet corn, Beverages**

**(Save the date)**