

# HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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## HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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**Rectory Office Hours**

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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**

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## The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." *Jn 6:51, 55-56*



## St. Gabriel Archangel

### HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JUNE 25

John Chaffee, Mary Prindle

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JUNE 24/25

Saturday 4:00 pm Laura Meyer, Tom Steiner, Richard Ambrose

Sunday 10:00 am Mark Gilberts, Ann Lessard,

### SERVERS-JUNE 24/25

Saturday 4:00 pm Seth & Jack MacEachern  
Mitchell Colson & Jack Simmons

Sunday 10:00 am Ashlyn & Makenzie Knapp  
Logan & Tessa Higgins

### LECTORS-JUNE 24/25

Saturday 4:00 pm Rhonda Stubbe

Sunday 10:00 am Scott Kennedy

### USHERS-JUNE 24/25

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

Sunday 10:00 am Mark Mara, Tom Hampton, John Chaffee & Volunteer

### SCRIP WORKERS-JUNE 24/25

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteers

Sunday 10:00 am Brandon & Danielle Swiggum



## St. John Nepomuc

### HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JUNE 25

Ann Quick, Donna Steiner

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JUNE 24/25

Saturday 7:00 pm Deacon Mark Grunwald

Sunday 8:00 am Dave Hemmer, Lucy Cornford & Jean Ann Dillman

### SERVERS-JUNE 24/25

Saturday 7:00 pm Matthias Gerhards & Logan Brown  
Kori Jaynes & Allison Kennedy

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

### LECTORS-JUNE 24/25

Saturday 7:00 pm Rita Krahn

Sunday 8:00 am JJ Jackson

### USHERS-JUNE 24/25

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

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

### SCRIP WORKERS-JUNE 24/25

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteers

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

Mitchell Colson & Jack Simmons



Tuesday, June 20	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Peter Steele
Wednesday, June 21	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† James Coorough
Thursday, June 22	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Stella Lipke
Friday, June 23	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† William McCoy
Saturday, June 24	4:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	† Helen Wilkinson
	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	† Pam Steiner Smith
Sunday, June 25	8:00 am	St. John's Church	For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor
	10:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Bernard & Darlene Pedretti

## THE MONTH OF JUNE IS TRADITIONALLY DEVOTED TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS.

The center point of this devotion is our feast today, the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, or *CORPUS CHRISTI*. Following is from an article by Sister Theresa Aletheia Noble, FSP, on [www.aleteia.org/2016/07/05](http://www.aleteia.org/2016/07/05)

We are looked after.

We are cared for.

We have a heavenly Father who knows our every need and goes to great lengths to give us what we require. Our daily bread is not a symbol or mere earthly sustenance; it is true spiritual food, the real flesh and blood of our Savior the God-man. The Eucharist is nourishment that transcends ceremony and finds its power and its essence in the very workings of the Trinity itself.

Here are some of the amazing effects of the Eucharist:

**Union with Christ:** Reception of Jesus in the Eucharist fuses our being with that of Christ. St. Cyril of Alexandria describes it as similar to “when melted wax is fused with other wax.” The Christian journey is a journey to become like Christ, to “abide in him” and he in us. The Eucharist is the means for this to happen.

**Destruction of venial sin:** The Eucharist destroys venial sin. Destroys! Through sin, the fervor of our charity can be dampened by venial sin. But when we receive the Eucharist we are united with Charity himself, which burns away the vestiges of our venial sins and leaves us cleansed and ready to begin again.

**Preservation from mortal sin:** While we should refrain from receiving the Eucharist when we are aware of being in a state of mortal sin, we should receive the Eucharist as much as possible when we are able because it *preserves* us from grave sin. It is as if the Eucharist’s power washes away the venial sin in our souls and then covers us with a protective coat which helps us to stay away from serious sin.

**Personal relationship with Jesus:** Many Christians speak of the importance of a personal relationship with Jesus, which is very true. But it is primarily through the Eucharist that we can truly have an intimate encounter with the Person of Jesus. Benedict XVI once pointed out this connection:

*“Today, there is a need to rediscover that Jesus Christ is not just a private conviction or an abstract idea, but a real person, whose becoming part of human history is capable of renewing the life of every man and woman. Hence, the Eucharist, as the source and summit of the Church’s life and mission, must be translated into spirituality, into a life lived ‘according to the Spirit’” (Sacramentum Caritatis).*

**Provides a focal point for our lives:** If we really understood the profound nature of the Eucharist, we would begin to center our lives around Holy Communion. There is nothing more important that can happen in our lives. Not football games, or get-togethers or picnics. There is nothing more important than our weekly appointment to receive the medicine of the Doctor of souls, Jesus.

All of these amazing effects and more can be yours this Sunday! Or better yet, try going to a daily Mass near you. But remember that your disposition when receiving the Eucharist can determine how open you are to the powerful effects. So, be reverent, focused and beg God to give you, through the power of the Eucharist, all the graces that you need in your life right now.

Like a good Father, he will listen.

## Lack of prayer is the cause of lack of time. 3

Our great-grandmothers took many hours to scrub their clothes on a hand-held washboard; we just push a button on a washing machine. Our forefathers had to grow, hunt, and slaughter their own food; we buy it at the supermarket, open the microwave door, and push a button. Yet we are far more harried and hassled by time than they were. Why?

In most ancient societies, the rich had slaves to do their manual work so that they could enjoy leisure. Today, machines have replaced slaves; yet we have less leisure, not more. Why?

This is not the place for a general diagnosis of our society’s sickness (though for a quick, profound hint, read Pascal’s *Pensées*, especially on “diversion”). But it is the place for a diagnosis of our excuse for not praying, and I think this diagnosis has many other applications too.

“All that we are begins with our thoughts; it moves as our thoughts move, and it ends where our thoughts end.” So says Buddha, wisely. We must begin here with our *thoughts* about time. We don’t have time for prayer because *we think wrongly* about time and prayer.

We have time and prayer backwards. *We think time determines prayer, but prayer determines time.* We think our lack of time is the cause of our lack of prayer, but our lack of prayer is the cause of our lack of time.

When a little boy offered Christ five loaves and two fishes, he multiplied them miraculously. He does the same with our time, but only if we offer it to him in prayer. This is literally miraculous, yet I know it happens from repeated experience. Every day that I say I am too busy to pray, I seem to have no time, accomplish little, and feel frazzled and enslaved by time. Every day that I say I’m too busy *not* to pray, every time I offer some time-loaves and life-fishes to Christ, he miraculously multiplies them and I share his conquest of time. I have no idea *how* he does it, I know *that* he does it, time after time.

And yet I resist sacrificing my loaves and fishes to him. I am an idiot. That’s one of the things original sin means: spiritual insanity, preferring misery to joy, little bits of hell to little bits of heaven.

We must restore our spiritual sanity. One giant step in that direction is to think truly about time.

Time is like the setting of a play. The setting is really part of the play, contained by the play, determined by the play. But we often think the opposite: we think the play is contained by the setting. We think that the theme, the meaning, the spirit of the play is *in* its material setting instead of the other way around.

That’s like thinking the soul is in the body. In fact, the body is in the soul. So says St. Thomas Aquinas. And since time measures the movements of material bodies, while prayer measures the movements of the soul, time is really in prayer rather than prayer in time. Prayer determines and changes and miraculously multiplies time (the loaves and fishes).

The above is a continuation on an article on Time by Peter Kreeft. For the full article, see [www.integratedcatholic.org](http://www.integratedcatholic.org)

**HAPPY FATHER’S DAY!**

## Calling all Servers:

### SERVER BASEBALL APPRECIATION TRIP

The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a bus trip into Milwaukee to see the Brewers take on the St Louis Cardinals on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Parents of servers, please sign up soon. Children in 4<sup>th</sup> grade need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Sign-up sheets are available at the parish office or on our webpage ([www.prairiecatholic.org](http://www.prairiecatholic.org)) The cost is only \$15.00 for servers. Adult tickets will be available as room allows for \$30.00. Price includes bus, game ticket, tail-gate lunch and paper bag dinner on the ride home. Will be opening this up to others soon in order to fill the bus. Register soon by calling the rectory.

## BAPTISMS

We welcome into the family of God, **Stacie F. Xiong** and **Jaxson G. Weber**, children of Christian Weber & Maibaokou Yang through the Sacrament of Baptism. May God continue to bless them

**Thank you to the families of Lucille Berns and JoAnn Shea for the donations to our parish and school in their memory. We are very grateful for these gifts.**

## WEDDING BANNS

*Jonathan Quamme & Molly Pedretti (III)*  
*David Michael Foster & Caitlin Ann Carlson (II)*

## 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.

## PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for June 11th	\$7,628.00	\$6,650.00
Plate for June 11th	760.68	997.85
Electronic Transfers	<u>2,202.00</u>	<u>1,652.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,590.68</b>	<b>\$9,299.85</b>

The second collection came to \$625.78 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

## THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

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Sunday, June 18

Happy Father's Day

Monday, June 19

Tuesday, June 20

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

Wednesday, June 21

Thursday, June 22

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

Friday, June 23

Saturday, June 24

Wedding of Jonathan Quamme & Molly Pedretti at St. Gabriel's

## 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, Dave Bohnenkamp, 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, Michele Gale Tiller Karr, 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.

## IN SYMPATHY

Please remember **Irene E. Mohoney** and **James R. Miller** in your prayers. Their funerals were held last week. May God grant them eternal life and comfort to their families.