

HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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February 25, 2018 - 2nd Sunday of Lent

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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

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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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2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. - Mk 9:2-3

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.



St. Gabriel Archangel

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR MAR. 4TH

LeAnn Craig, Theresa Heal

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-MARCH 3/4

Saturday 4:00 pm Tom Steiner, Kathy Schneider, Deacon
Mark Grunwald

Sunday 8:00 am Lucy Cornford, Mark Gilberts, Donna
Steiner

SERVERS-MARCH 3/4

Saturday 4:00 pm Shawn & JT Egstad
Owen Teynor & Nick Mara

Sunday 8:00 am Logan & Tessa Higgins
Tommy Mara & Scout Hall

LECTORS-MARCH 3/4

Saturday 4:00 pm Arlene Willms

Sunday 8:00 am Joe Atkins

USHERS-MARCH 3/4

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

Sunday 8:00 am Dick Tesar, Jim McGrath, John
Gillitzer & Nathan Mezera

SCRIP WORKERS-MARCH 3/4

Saturday 4:00 pm Stephanie Zeeh

Sunday 8:00 am Volunteer



St. John Nepomuc

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR MAR. 4TH

Ann Quick, Donna Steiner

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-MARCH 3/4

Saturday 7:00 pm Tim Steger

Sunday 10:00 am Doris Krogman, George & Nancy
Eastman

SERVERS-MARCH 3/4

Saturday 7:00 pm Madilyn Fisher & Ryan Waller
Ava & MaKenna Forde

Sunday 10:00 am Ashlyn Knapp & Sawyer Swiggum
Brogan Brewer & Gabriel Munson-
Fishler

LECTORS-MARCH 3/4

Saturday 7:00 pm Corey Steger

Sunday 10:00 am Steve Schwager

USHERS-MARCH 3/4

Saturday 7:00 pm Don Roh, Bernie Mayer, Alex
Schaefer, Mark Forsythe

Sunday 10:00 am Merle Frommelt, Mike Mara, Mark
Mara, Dennis Mezera

SCRIP WORKERS-MARCH 3/4

Saturday 7:00 pm Linda Moser

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!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 26	5:15 pm	St. John's Church	Priest Intention
Tuesday, February 27	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Sylvia Nugent
Wednesday, March 28	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Ron Cherrier
Thursday, March 1	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Kevin Nugent
Friday, March 2	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Ann Messerli
Saturday, March 3	10:00 am	St. John's Church	Priest Intention
	4:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	† Cletus Steffensmeier
	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	† Donald Lochner
Sunday, March 4	8:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church	For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor
	10:00 am	St. John's Church	† Wendy Garrity

TIPS FOR A BETTER LENTEN SEASON

(From <https://www.osv.com/Magazines/TheCatholicAnswer>)

Lenten prayers and devotions

Begin each morning with the prayer: "Lord, I offer you this day, and all that I think, and do, and say."

- Attend Daily Mass as often as possible.
- Pray the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary.
- Make the Stations of the Cross at home or in a parish celebration.
- Read Scripture for 10 minutes every day.
- Pray the Seven Penitential Psalms (Psalm 6, 31, 50, 101, 129 and 142).
- Spend some time in quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.
- Abstain from meat for an extra day or two each week.
- Listen to spiritual music or a spiritual speaker.
- Keep a Lenten journal with your spiritual insights, special intentions, people you want to pray for, hurts and disappointments that you want to offer up, and progress reports on your Lenten resolutions.

7 LAST WORDS OF CHRIST

From: <https://catholicexchange.com/christs-seven-last-words> by Dr. Kevin Vost

For centuries Catholics have pondered the rich meaning of Jesus' seven last words from the Cross. These "words" are the seven brief sayings Jesus uttered while He hung on the Cross in utmost pain and loneliness. Let's look at them, consider their Source and their context, and ponder how they might console and strengthen us as we bear our own immeasurably lighter crosses.

1. *"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."* (Luke 23:34)

Christ's first words from the Cross, in the earliest throes of His agony, are to ask God to forgive the very people who placed Him there. How many of us are lonely because of estrangement from someone once close to us whom we have refused to forgive or who has been unforgiving of us? Can we make a gesture to reach out to that person while our arms remain free to move? Even if we should be rebuffed, can we do as Christ did and pray that God will forgive that person – and us, too?

2. *"Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."* (Luke 23:43)

The completely innocent Christ was given two criminals as His companions as He hung from the Cross. One of them railed at Him, demanding that He save them all if He truly was the Christ. The other rebuked the first for not fearing God present in Christ, who suffered the same punishment as theirs even though He was innocent.

When that "good thief" asked Jesus to remember him when He came into His kingly power, Jesus uttered His second word from the Cross: "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." These words certainly brought that thief incredible solace and joy. If we are or should become victims of severe emotional or social isolation, how might we treat those in the same boat, bearing a similar cross? Will we recognize Christ in them and treat them accordingly? Our ultimate reward will be great one day should we, too, share Paradise with Christ.

150th ANNIVERSARY OF THE DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE

The opening Mass for the celebration of the 150th anniversary for the Diocese of La Crosse will be celebrated here in Prairie du Chien on Sat March 3rd. There will be a short program on the history of the diocese, and its roots here in the Prairie du Chien area at 10:00 AM, followed by a Mass with Bishop Callahan at St Gabriel's Church. We will have a meal at our Fellowship Hall following the Mass. Please plan on attending if you are free.

EXTRA MASSES FOR LENT

Monday's 5:15 PM @ St John's church

Saturdays 8:00 AM @ St John's church

Funeral Masses and the 150th sesquicentennial Mass replace these Masses

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, Janet Dickman, Peg Stoeffler, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, John & Cheyenne Messling, Peyton Kraushaar, Earl Nye, Ethel Sebastian, Tara Pellock, Geraldine Barr, Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Ken Fleshner, Carrie Breuer, Graham Shedivy, 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, Rose Miller, Karen Carroll, Letty Oehler, Art Boxrucker, Nora Vickerman, Cecil Olson, Barbara Schwant, Tyler Gillitzer, Lynette Reichmann, Scott Plondke, Gerald Stram, Joe Barrette, Sally Ann White, Scott Sklenar, Shirley Ambrose, Don McFarland, Vickie Samples, Nancy Aschom, Phyllis Waller, Sandi Herreid, Melinda Neumann, Don Ritchie, Sally White, Faye Tesar, Robert McCarty, Matilda Flansburgh, Joan Marie Tiller, Mary Jo Carl, Joseph Hamann, Janet Kahler, Judy Mezera, Owen Price, Sandra Marx, Kathy Leard, Scott Yeomans, Dorothy Gilkes, Andra Meana, Christine Carlson, M. Catherine Benoy, Irene Mitchell, Gaige Hatlin, Avalo A. Berns, Doris Bohnenkamp, Lyle & Rosella Ahles, Judy Knickerbocker, Millie Senesac, Donna Teynor, Fr. Edwin Thome, Marita Conley, Greta Martin, Andrew Prew, Robert Hazen, Bernard "Butch" Boland, Jeffery Scott DuCharme, Gina Buettner.

PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for Feb. 18th	\$6,022.00	\$5,677.00
Plate for Feb. 18th	613.81	754.60
Unit Dues	470.00	450.00
Electronic Transfers	<u>2,127.00</u>	<u>1,367.00</u>
Total	\$9,232.81	\$8,248.60

The second collection came to \$969.46 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Knight of Columbus Meeting

Congratulations to Patrick Mulhern, Tom Hampton, Kevin Campbell, Michael Higgins, and Ken Stoeffler who became Knights of Columbus members on February 6th. The Knights will have a short business meeting at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, March 6th at the Fellowship Hall, followed by Stations of the Cross at St. John's Church at 7:30 pm. All parishioners are welcome to attend the Stations.

Unit Chairpersons for Holy Family February 2018 to December 2019

January Unit: Chad & Lisa Abram, Richard & Shirley Ambrose, Gordon & Becky Hackett

February Unit: Kristi Bahls, Etta Balk, Andy & Melissa Banasik

March Unit: Mary Campbell, Betty Cejka, Shawn & Melissa Cejka

April Unit: Kay Day, Richard & Mary Day, Terry & Anita Reglin

May Unit: George & Nancy Eastman, Bruce & Barb Elvert, Dan & Julie Wachter

June Unit: Terry & Linda Farmer, John & Marilyn Fassbinder, Ron & Arlene Trautsch

July Unit: James & Ruth Gates, Frances & Scott Geisler, Kalli Igou

August Unit: Julie Jackson, Jeff & Christine Panka, Mary Prindle

September Unit: Greg & Judi Kazynski, Bruce & Ruth Klang, Molly Kirschbaum

October Unit: Jim & Pat LaBonne, Barb LeFevre, Betty Nolan

November Unit: Marty & Kim MacEachern, Jeff & Jill Mara, Wade & Twyla Marlow

December Unit: Steve & Judy Sagedahl, Karl & Tina Sander, Erin Sanders, Josh & Maureen Stark, Dennis & Sharon Steele

If you have not already you will be getting a letter in the mail with a list of your unit members. This is not a difficult job. We hope you will cheerfully accept this chance to serve your parish. Thank you in advance.

Seminarian David Nowicki needs your prayers:

Pre-Theology I, Mundelein Seminary

St. Anthony de Padua, Athens

"If you want to feel rich, just count all the things you have that money cannot buy."

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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Monday, February 26

7:00 pm Bingo at the Fellowship Hall at St. John's

Tuesday, February 27

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

6:00 pm Choir rehearsal at St. Gabriel's for March 3rd ceremony

Wednesday, February 28

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

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

Thursday, March 1

7:00 pm PCCW meeting in the Fellowship Hall at St. John's, ladies please plan to attend

Friday, March 2

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

Saturday, March 3

10:00 am Mass with Bishop Callahan at St. Gabriel's followed by lunch in the Fellowship Hall at St. John's

Sunday, March 4

9:00 am Coffee & Rolls in St. Gabriel's School Hall plus drawing for the Sweepstake Calendar & Holy Name Raffle winners

On Monday, February 26th the Progressive Jackpot at Bingo will be \$1,240.00 plus 50% of the sales in 57 numbers or less.

ATTENTION ALL WOMEN! The time is coming for the Women's CEW (Christian Experience Weekend) to be held at Village Creek Bible Camp near Waukon from March 2nd - 4th, 2018. Come join us as we examine our spirituality, prayer life, and apostolic action as members of the community. Please contact Christy O'Neill at (563) 419-0641 for further details. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity.

For those of you who preordered the Diocesan history books or the New Testament Bibles and have not picked them up yet, please do so. They can be picked up during regular business hours at St. John's Rectory. The History books are \$33.00 each and the Bibles are \$11.00 each. After we see that the pre-orders are filled the remaining books will be available on a first come basis.

School News... The 2nd graders are preparing to receive their First Communion. They are learning about all Jesus has done for us and what happens during the Mass. They are excited for this special moment in their lives and to be able to receive the Eucharist with their family and friends.. -Ms. Felten