

# HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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*January 7, 2018 - The Epiphany of the Lord*

## HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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## Rectory Office Hours

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

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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## The Epiphany of the Lord

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother.

They prostrated themselves and did him homage.

Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11



## St. Gabriel Archangel

### HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JAN. 14TH

Nancy DuCharme

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JANUARY 13/14

Saturday 4:00 pm Mary Kirschbaum, Kathy Schneider,  
Tom Steiner

Sunday 8:00 am Dave Hemmer, Lucy Cornford, Jeri  
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### SERVERS-JANUARY 13/14

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

Sunday 8:00 am Emma & Michael Bjurquist  
Logan & Tessa Higgins

### LECTORS-JANUARY 13/14

Saturday 4:00 pm Mark Gilberts

Sunday 8:00 am JJ Jackson

### USHERS-JANUARY 13/14

Saturday 4:00 pm Richard Steiner, Bob Ziel, Gene  
Kirschbaum, & Volunteer

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

### SCRIP WORKERS-JANUARY 13/14

Saturday 4:00 pm Melanie Schneider

Sunday 8:00 am Jenny Campbell



## St. John Nepomuc

### HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JAN. 14TH

Nick Nugent, Peg Smith

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JANUARY 13/14

Saturday 7:00 pm Tim Steger

Sunday 10:00 am Jean Ann Dillman, Gene Carlson &  
Doris Krogman

### SERVERS-JANUARY 13/14

Saturday 7:00 pm Makayla Steger & Kori Jaynes  
Nick Holler & Blake Thiry

Sunday 10:00 am JWalkers

### LECTORS-JANUARY 13/14

Saturday 7:00 pm Andy Banasik

Sunday 10:00 am JWalkers

### USHERS-JANUARY 13/14

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

Sunday 10:00 am JWalkers

### SCRIP WORKERS-JANUAR 13/14

Saturday 7:00 pm Holler Family

Sunday 10:00 am Stephanie Vlaming

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 for the Week

Tuesday, January 9	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Theresa Bushnell
Wednesday, January 10	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Paul Kovarik
Thursday, January 11	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Mr. & Mrs. Keith A. Key
Friday, January 12	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Celine Boxrucker
Saturday, January 13	4:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	† Peter & Catherine Ambrose
	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	† Wm. & Lora Young Family
Sunday, January 14	8:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Jim & Clara Powers
	10:00 am	St. John's Church	For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor

## EPIPHANY

This Sunday the church celebrates Epiphany. This feast, which began in the 3<sup>rd</sup> century in the East and quickly spread to the West, commemorates Christ's manifestation to the Magi, the three kings from Persia who represent the world beyond Israel and Judaism. By the light of a brilliant star, the Magi have been drawn to a newborn baby lying in a manger. This infant king is the savior not just of the scattered tribes of Israel, but of the Gentile world as well. He will invite all nations to enter into the heavenly kingdom of His Father. As the first reading for Epiphany from Isaiah tells us, Jerusalem will rise up in splendor. Her light coming from this baby hidden in a manger, but will go forth and shine over all, dispelling the darkness that covers the peoples of the earth. The nations will come from afar to adore and give homage to the King of Kings.

Let us follow the example of the wise men in the coming year. Let us not approach Him empty handed, but like the Wise Men bring spiritual treasures that befit our Lord. We bring him Gold, indicating His royalty. In our acts of charity done for neighbor, we are showing our fidelity to our servant King. In the Frankincense we present, we acknowledge His divinity. Our worship and prayer rises like burning incense and is pleasing to Him. The Myrrh we bring attests to His humanity and His death. We join our sufferings to His. We take up our crosses and offer them as a sacrifice to Him.

*Deacon Mark*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

As we move into the heart of the winter season, there are many events coming up that will be of interest to our parish family. Please note the dates and times for these events:

### **CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP AND CHILI - January 13**

This will be our second Chicken Noodle Soup and Chili dinner. We will serve from 4:00 to 7:30 pm at the Holy Family Fellowship Hall. Free Will Offering

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK:** Jan 28 to Feb 2: The highlight of this week is our Wednesday Open House and Burgers and Fries Dinner. Please plan on joining us at this annual event at Prairie Catholic School. Watch the bulletin for other events held during this week.

**SWISS STEAK DINNER:** Sun Feb 4 is our annual Swiss Steak Dinner. Please watch your mail for advance tickets. This is also the first drawing for the 2018 annual Calendar Raffle Drawing.

**FEB 14: ASH WEDNESDAY** Please see upcoming bulletins for Mass times

**HOLY FAMILY FISH FRY** March 16; serving from 4:00 to 7:00 pm

## PRAYER CORNER

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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, Howard Gillitzer, Art Boxrucker, Nora Vickerman, Cecil Olson, Mary Kann, 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, Gaike Hatlin, Avalo A. Berns, Doris Bohnenkamp, Lyle & Rosella Ahles, Judy Knickerbocker, Millie Senesac, Donna Teynor, Fr. Edwin Thome, Marita Conley, Greta Martin, Andrew Prew.

## IN SYMPATHY

Please remember **Nancy L. Patzner, Margaret R. Steger, and Annabelle M. Stubbe** in your prayers. Nancy's funeral was held at St. Gabriel's of the Holy Family Parish on Tuesday, December 26th and Margaret's was held at St. Gabriel's of the Holy Family Parish on Tuesday, January 2nd. Annabelle's funeral was held on Friday, January 5th at St. Gabriel's of the Holy Family Parish. May God grant them eternal life and comfort to their family.

## PARISH SUPPORT

	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Last Year</b>
Envelopes for Dec. 24th	\$16,545.00	\$6,011.00
Plate for Dec. 24th	<u>936.00</u>	<u>1,888.48</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,481.00</b>	<b>\$7,899.48</b>

<b>Christmas Collection</b>	<b>\$49,810.65</b>	<b>\$16,289.00</b>
Envelopes for Dec. 31st	\$8,562.00	\$7,938.00
Plate for Dec. 31st	<u>1,297.57</u>	<u>780.65</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,859.57</b>	<b>\$8,718.65</b>

**New Year's Day** \$1,453.51 \$1,194.00

The second collection on Dec. 24th came to \$1,081.85 and on Dec. 31st it came to \$555.00 and it will be used for Prairie Catholic School and Religious Education expenses.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

**THANKS TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED TO THE DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL. We will list around 50 parishioners and run them for a few weeks and list 50 or more, so if you don't see your name it will appear in following bulletins.**

Paul J. Lochner, Timothy & Theresa Looney, Patrick & Kay Lorenz, John & Joyce Luster, Donald & Mary Lyons, Michael & Shirley MacEachern, Thomas Mara, David & Renee Martin, Bernard & Rosanna Mayer, Donald & Patricia McGuire, Aelred & Maria Mezera, Anne Mezera, Cletus Mezera, Mark & Mary Mezera, Michael & Kayla Mezera, Paul & Nora Moris, Terry & Jeanne Moris, Patrick & Iva Mulhern, Elizabeth Munson, Keith & Rochelle Neisius, Peter & Mary Neisius, Terry & Janet Neisius, Janet Nelson, David & Marilyn Nies, Betty Nolan, Joan Novey, Joseph & Rosemary Novey, Joyce Novey, Kathleen Novey, William Nugent, Bernard O'Connell, Todd & Dee O'Connell, Marilyn Ocenosak, Maurice & Letty Oehler, Art Osten, Richard & Verna Panka, Thomas & Shirley Panka, Kyle & Michele Pattison, Mark & Megan Pedretti, Vernon & Mary Pedretti, Mary E. Pellock, Thomas & Lisa Peterson, Lucille Phelps, Joan Poots, Paul & Lorna Porvaznik, John & Annette Powers, Terry & Clara Powers, Joseph & Joanne Prew, Mary Prindle, Joseph & Patricia Prochaska, Greg & Ann Quick.

#### WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP - SPACE AVAILABLE

There is space available for our Washington D.C. Trip scheduled for May 13-19, 2018. Stops include Maumee, Ohio, Gettysburg, PA and Washington D.C. This is a wonderful and educational trip. If interested please contact the school office by January 19th for more information at 608-326-8624.

**Seminarian Joseph Richards needs your prayers: Theology II, Mundelein Seminary Cathedral St. Joseph, LaCrosse**

*Prayer is a heart to heart with God: It is through prayer and Mass that we learn to gratefully recognize, receive and share our gifts in love of God and neighbor.*

**The following names should have been included in our Christmas Flower Memorial list: Robert & Brian Waller, deceased members of the Wencil & Leona Swatek Family.**

#### 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, January 7

9:00 am Coffee & Rolls will be served in St. Gabriel's Cafeteria; drawing for the Lottery Calendar & Holy Raffle at that time also

##### Monday, January 8

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

##### Tuesday, January 9

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

##### Wednesday, January 10

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

##### Thursday, January 11

6:00 pm Finance Council will meet in the Fellowship Hall

##### Friday, January 12

##### Saturday, January 13

7:00 to 10:00 am Breakfast at Hardees - all are invited - fundraiser for the JWalkers

4:00 to 7:30 PM Chicken Noodle Soup and Chili dinner in the Fellowship Hall; all are invited

**JWalkers Hardees Breakfast Buffet Fundraiser**  
Saturday, Jan. 13, 2018; 7:00-10:00 am at Hardees, Tickets \$6.00, contact any JWalker, Mary Stoeffler, Kurt Kravchuk or you can purchase them at the door on the morning of the breakfast. All proceeds go directly to JWalkers to help with projects.

#### HISTORY BOOKS AND NEW TESTAMENT BIBLES

The Diocesan history books and New Testament Bibles are in. If you pre-ordered one of these, they are available at the St John's Rectory during regular business hours. 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. We will have them available to preview after Masses later in January.

**March 2 - 4: 150 Anniversary of the Diocese of La Crosse Celebration Kick-off:** This year, the Diocese of La Crosse celebrates 150 years. This will be celebrated in a variety of ways throughout the diocese, with various deaneries joining together to host the events. The Prairie du Chien Deanery is teamed with the Richland Center Deanery for the Kick-off celebration. St Mary's in Richland Center will host their Catholic School and Prairie Catholic School for a Mass with Bishop Callahan on March 2. Sat March 3 there will be a Mass at St Gabriel's Church of the Holy Family Parish at 10:00 in the morning, with a lunch being served at the Fellowship Hall following. Details for events on Sun March 4 are still being worked out.