

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF

Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

Rev. James C. Weighner
Pastor

This Week at the Parishes
Sunday, February 5

10:45 am Swiss Steak Dinner
at St. Gabriel's School Hall

6:00 pm RCIA Classes at St.
John's School

Monday, February 6

7:00 pm Bingo at St. Gabriel's

Tuesday, February 7

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Mai-
son

Wednesday, February 8

5:30 pm Choir Rehearsal at
St. John's Church

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

7:00 pm Organizational
meeting for the next ***Faith
Alive*** Group Study will be
held in St. John's Hall

Thursday, February 9

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

6:00 pm Joint Finance Coun-
cil will meet in St. John's Hall

Friday, February 10

2:55 pm Divine Mercy Bible
Study will meet in St. John's
Church

Saturday, February 11

Sunday, February 12

9:00 am Holy Name Society
will meet in St. Gabriel's
School Hall

ST. GABRIEL'S
Swiss Steak Dinner
Sunday, Feb. 5th
10:45 am to 1:00 pm
You Are Invited



St. Gabriel Archangel

506 N. Beaumont Rd.
326-2404



St. John Nepomuc

710 S. Wacouta Ave.
326-6511



When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him. - -Mk 1:32-34



Offertory Gift Bearers-February 11/12

Saturday 4:00 pm Jackie Stram & Family
Sunday 8:00 am Don & Mary Osterhaus

Eucharistic Ministers-February 11/12

Saturday 4:00 pm Kathy Schneider, Don Cipra & Lyle Marfilus
Sunday 8:00 am Eileen Hermesen, Arlene Willms & Megan Pedretti

Home Communion Ministers for February 12th:
Nancy DuCharme

Servers-February 11/12

Saturday 4:00 pm Ellie & Jacob Mara
Karly Jaynes & Faith Dillman
Sunday 8:00 am Ben & Evan Teynor
Brett Sanders & Matthew Chase

Lectors-February 11/12

Saturday 4:00 pm Mary Stoeffler
Sunday 8:00 am Rhonda Stubbe

Ushers-February 11/12

Saturday 4:00 pm Joe Barrette, Stu Bosworth, Russell Eulgem, Bob Ziel
Sunday 8:00 am Don Cipra, Mark Hamann, John Gillitzer

Scrip Workers-February 11/12

Saturday 4:00 pm Kimberly MacEachern/Matt Jackson
Sunday 8:00 am Leslie Orr/Lisa Peterson

Parish Support

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes for Jan. 29th	\$3,204.00	\$2,598.00
Plate for Jan. 29th	257.35	241.11
Heat Envelopes	560.00	853.00
Total	\$4,021.35	\$3,692.11

The second collection at St. Gabriel's came to **\$413.05** and will be used for school expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Catholic Charities is looking for volunteers to do general office tasks such as filing, copies, mailings, etc. If you or someone you know is looking for a great opportunity to volunteer or if you would like more information, please contact Sandra Marx at 608-326-1616.

**ST. GABRIEL'S
SWISS STEAK DINNER
WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS
TODAY, SUNDAY, FEB. 5TH
10:45 AM to 1:00 PM
ALL ARE INVITED**

St. Gabriel's Mass Intentions

Monday, February 6

NO MASS

Tuesday, February 7

NO MASS

Wednesday, February 8

8:15 am Fred Becwar: by Florence Becwar

Thursday, February 9

NO MASS

Friday, February 10

8:15 am For the Family of Ruth Ertel

Saturday, February 11

4:00 pm For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor

Sunday, February 12

8:00 am Hazel Lechnir:
by Gene & Mary Kirschbaum



Bingo Winners from Monday, January 30th:
\$25.00 - Annabelle Stubbe, Conrad Hammill, Roger Goodman, Ruth French; \$30.00 Barb Mergen; \$100.00 - Gloria Hudson; **Progressive Jackpot Consolation (\$100.00)** - Betty Cejka; **50/50 Winner (\$67.00)** - John Fischer

Bingo Workers for Monday, February 6th:
Check Writer - John Fischer; **Floor Workers** - Lucy Cornford, Betty Fischer, Peggy Fischer, Kati Forsythe; **Caller** - Kyle Teynor; **Food Preparation** - Tammy Cram & Kati Forsythe; **Lunch Stand Workers** - Parents of Rebekah Champion and Anthony Farone

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

We would like to thank the following parishioners who have made the sacrifice to support the annual appeal this year. Please note that we only publish names two weeks in a row in the bulletin but all names are listed on the bulletin boards in both churches.

Andrew & Melissa Banasik, Randy & Jane Bushnell, Nancy DuCharme, Thomas & Nancy Koenig, Arnie & Pat Mueller.

**At The Advertisers
LOOK Supporting Our
Church Bulletin**

THANK YOU

Thank you to all who gave of your Sunday afternoon to spend some time discussing the future of our parish in Prairie Du Chien. These town hall meetings are important for a variety of reasons as they help build a cohesive identity, they bring us together as a family and they are an opportunity for us to avoid rumors and false information so we can speak the truth to friends and neighbors who were not able to be with us. There were some good ideas that came from this meeting, and I hope

The primary topic was to get a consensus for the name of our new parish. The top two were Holy Family and All Saints, which you will have voted on by the time you read this. Both of these titles would give us a particular feast day in the Liturgical calendar, and will be a meaningful title to unite our parishes. We will be making a recommendation to the diocesan planning committee and Bishop Callahan soon.

On another note, we all know Lent is fast approaching. (Ash Wednesday is Feb 22) As with any important event in our lives, pre-planning is necessary to have a good start. If we wait until Ash Wednesday to begin thinking about what we would like to do, we will fall into the old trap of not starting anything for a week or two. By the time we get into our Lenten practices, it is 1/3 or even 1/2 over. I would like to make a suggestion: Adoration. There is no shortage of things that need our prayers, from the HHS decision Bishop Callahan wrote about last week, to the shortage of priests (the primary reason to merge our parishes), to the many members of our families suffering from various illnesses, to the health of our school, to any number of things we face on a daily basis. With this in mind, after discussions with those that administer our Thursday Adoration times, we would like to offer one 24 hour period of adoration per week during Lent. In order to do this, we need to be assured that there will be someone accompanying our Lord the entire time. Right now we are working out the details, but there should be sign-up sheets available by next weekend. This schedule will be broken down into 1 hour segments. If you or your family would care to join in this effort, please write in your name in one of these slots. You may also contact one of the parish offices if that is more convenient. This would be a beautiful sacrifice we can offer to God that has been proven over and over again to deepen our personal relationship with Him. Please give this prayerful consideration as we prepare for this holy time of Lent and Easter.

God bless

Fr Jim

PRAYER CORNER

God, grant healing and peace to the sick of our communities and those who have requested our prayers. Please pray for Arleen Gillitzer, Linda Vance, Adrienne Kortas, Odelia Matt, John Felder, Ann Fulcher, Jim Coorough, Sis Jelinek, Elaine Shedivy, Nancy Patzner, Jack Kluesner, Marge Noggle, Emma Becwar, Janelle Becwar, Tom Banasik, Virginia Eichmann, Wendy Garrity, Dennis Brandt, Mary Nash, Anne Hiebing, Payton Kay Kazda and Mary Ann Heisz.

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

The Bishops website is:

www.usccb.org/conscience Cardinal-designate Timothy Dolan has a video here that responds to the Department of Health and Human Services administrative decision on insurance providers that as noted in last week's homily. If you would like to read Bishop Callahan's letter, you can find a link to it on our website:

www.prairiecatholic.org

FAITH ALIVE....There will be a organizational meeting for the next Faith Alive Group Study at St. John's Church Hall on Wednesday, February 8th at 7:00 pm. If this is something you think you might be interested in please join us.

School News.....January kept the Pre-K classes at Prairie Catholic busy working on our Alaskan and Rainforest Units. We also worked on our numbers, ABC's and seasonal activities. We needed "teamwork" to complete many of our creations and listening skills for our friend's ideas. We were Great Teams!

Mrs. Steiner
Pre-K teacher

The Golden Rule is of no use whatsoever unless you realize that it is YOUR move.

-Dr. Frank Crane

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. John's Church

Offertory Gift Bearers-February 11/12

Saturday 7:00 pm Merle & Barb Frommelt

Sunday 10:00 am Mike Mara Family

Eucharistic Ministers-February 11/12

Saturday 7:00 pm Mary Ellen Pellock

Sunday 10:00 am Verna Panka, Donna Steiner,
Doris Krogman

Home Communion Ministers for Feb. 12th:

Shirley MacEachern, Arlien Balk & Merle & Barb Frommelt

Servers-February 11/12

Saturday 7:00 pm Paige Rickleff & Emily Steger

Zachary Mara & Evan Boisvert

Sunday 10:00 am Caitlin & Alexis Nolan

Eric Nolan & Julia Welter

Lectors-February 11/12

Saturday 7:00 pm Natalie Stram

Sunday 10:00 am Sarah Mezera

Ushers-February 11/12

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

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

Scrip Workers-February 11/12

Saturday 7:00 pm Judy Warpinski/Maureen
Gerhards

Sunday 10:00 am Heidi Dickman/Lara Higgins

Parish Support

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes for Jan. 29th	\$3,227.00	\$2,798.00
Plate for Jan. 29th	248.15	178.12
Heat Envelopes	30.00	153.00
Total	\$3,505.15	\$3,129.12

The second collection at St. John's came to **\$221.45** and will be used for school expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



Valentine's Day will be here shortly. We have several Scrip Gift Cards that would make great gifts for Valentines Day. Scrip can be purchased at either rectory or after Mass on the weekends.

St. John's Mass Intentions

Monday, February 6

5:15 pm Marcella (Sally) Leibfried:
by Marita Seitz

Tuesday, February 7

8:15 am Joe Rod: by Family

Wednesday, February 8

NO MASS

Thursday, February 9

8:15 am Fred & Marcella Zins:
by Linda Ginkel & Family

Friday, February 10

NO MASS

Saturday, February 11

7:00 pm Living & deceased family members of
Matthew & Rose Mezera:
by Mark & Mary Jane Mezera

Sunday, February 12

10:00 am Bill Fillbach: by Gerald & Mary Jane Kerr

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Have we worked to make our marriage of God, or is it of the worldly things? Come and learn how to bring God into your marriage. The next *Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends* are Feb. 17-19, 2012 at Crystal Lake, Illinois; March 23-25, 2012 at Madison, WI; May 18-20, 2012 at Brookfield, WI; June 8-10, 2012 at Rockford, Illinois; July 20-22, 2012 at Madison, WI. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653

Readings for the Week of February 5, 2012

Sunday:	Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/ Mk 1:29-39
Monday:	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday:	1 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23
Thursday:	1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30
Friday:	1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Mk 7:31-37
Saturday:	1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Mk 8:1-10
Next Sunday:	Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/1 Cor 10:31-- 11:1/Mk 1:40-45

Reminder.....If you use a cell phone as your main phone - could you please inform your rectory office of your cell phone number. Also if you have moved recently - please let your rectory office know what your new address is. Thank you.

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm
 7:00 pm

St. Gabriel's
St. John's

Sunday 8:00 am
 10:00 am

St. Gabriel's
St. John's

E-mail Addresses: sgp@prairiecatholic.org
ljgratace@hotmail.com

Website: www.prairiecatholic.org
pastor@prairiecatholic.org

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
Wade Marlow

Office Managers
Lana Gratace
Sandy Halverson

Director of Grade School Religious Education
Pat Prochaska

Parish Nursing Program
Rose Bauer, Shirley Cipra
Please call (357-2000)

Rectory Office Hours at St. Gabriel's:
8:00 am to 4:00 pm (Monday- Friday)
Rectory Office Hours at St. John's
8:00 am to 4:00 pm (Tuesday - Friday)

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