

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF

Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

Rev. James C. Weighner
Pastor

This Week at the Parishes

Sunday, January 29

Town Hall meeting after the 10:00 am Mass in St. John's Hall to discuss the parish merger

1st day of Catholic School's Week

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

Monday, January 30

7:00 pm Bingo at St. Gabriel's

Tuesday, January 31

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

Wednesday, February 1

4:30 - 6:15 pm "Burgers & Fries" Supper at St. Gabriel's School in conjunction with Catholic Schools Week - All are invited to attend

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

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

Thursday, February 2

Adoration after the 8:15 am Mass with Benediction at 1:00 pm

Friday, February 3

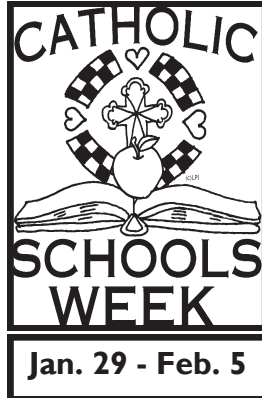
2:55 pm Divine Mercy Bible Study in St. John's Church

Saturday, February 4

Sunday, February 5

No Coffee & Rolls at St. John's Church

10:45 am to 1:00 pm - Swiss Steak Dinner with all the trimmings in St. Gabriel's School Hall - the Lottery Calendar Sweepstake's drawing will be held at the dinner



St. Gabriel Archangel

506 N. Beaumont Rd.
326-2404

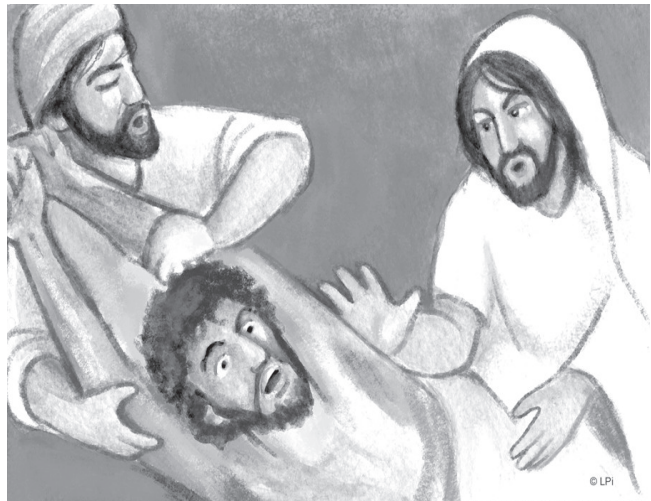


St. John Nepomuc

710 S. Wacouta Ave.
326-6511

Town Hall Meeting
Sunday, Jan. 29th
after 10 am Mass
St. John's Hall

In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are--the Holy One of God!" Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!" - Mk 1:23-25



January 29, 2012 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Offertory Gift Bearers-February 4/5

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteers
Sunday 8:00 am Volunteers

Eucharistic Ministers-February 4/5

Saturday 4:00 pm Mary Doscocil, Laura Meyer,
Tom Steiner
Sunday 8:00 am Mark Gilberts, Jeri Kluesner,
Karen Fritsche

Home Communion Ministers for February 5th:
LeAnn Craig, Theresa Heal

Servers-February 4/5

Saturday 4:00 pm Kaitlyn & Andrew Waller
Nolan Stram & Taylor Lutz
Sunday 8:00 am Breanna Teynor & Dalton
Hendrix
Diana & Matthew Jelinek

Lectors-February 4/5

Saturday 4:00 pm Claire Stoeffler
Sunday 8:00 am Natalie Stram

Ushers-February 4/5

Saturday 4:00 pm Randy Ginsterblum, Richard
Steiner, Cliff Stram, & Jim
Welsch
Sunday 8:00 am Mark Hamann, Jim McGrath
Butch Boland & John Gillitzer

Scrip Workers-February 4/5

Saturday 4:00 pm Kathy Welter & Kerri Weber
Sunday 8:00 am Jenni/Brad Linder & Lisa Dyer

Parish Support

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes for Jan. 22nd	\$3,402.00	\$2,837.00
Plate for Jan. 22nd	330.39	234.25
Heat Envelopes	<u>80.00</u>	<u>152.00</u>
Total	\$3,812.39	\$3,223.25

The second collection at St. Gabriel's came to **\$405.00** and will be used for school expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist are needed to visit homebound parishioners on Sunday mornings. If you feel this is something you would like to do, please contact the rectory office at 326-6511 or 326-2404.

**SWISS STEAK DINNER
with all the trimmings
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH
10:45 am to 1:00 pm
St. Gabriel's School Hall**

St. Gabriel's Mass Intentions

Monday, January 30

NO MASS

Tuesday, January 31

NO MASS

Wednesday, February 1

8:15 am Mary Lou Shipley: by Family

Thursday, February 2

NO MASS

Friday, February 3

8:15 am Bill Hiebing, Jr.: by Family

Saturday, February 4

4:00 pm For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor

Sunday, February 5

8:00 am Betty Berns: by Margaret Key

SWISS STEAK DINNER WORK LIST

Sunday, February 5, 2012

Saturday Morning - Set-up 8:00 am or earlier if possible - John Gillitzer, Ed, Louis, Tim & Terry Steger, Dick Cherrier, Mick Rooney, Cliff Stram, Jerry Stram, Lyle Marfilus, Ken, Jack & Sam Stoeffler, Gene Kirschbaum, Lawrence David, John Luster, Don Osterhaus and any other volunteers; **Saturday Morning - Table Set-up** - Bill & Mark Hamann, Bill Huser & sons, Don Cipra; **Sunday Morning Cooks** - Ed, Terry and Tim Steger, John Gillitzer, Brad Steiner, Bob Ziel, Keith Kozelka, Brian Nelson, Larry Dahman, Scott Kozelka, Keith Neisius and any other volunteers; **Money Barrel** - Don Cipra, Bill Check, Butch Boland, John Chaffee, Mark Pedretti and any other volunteers; **Tickets** - Lyle Marfilus, Russ Eulgem, Louis Steger & any other volunteers; **Ushers** - Layne David, Pat Gasser, Randy Bushnell, Gary Keeney; **Serving Line** - Bill Huser, Bill Nicholson, Jim & Dan Welsch, Paul Bowar; **Waiters** - John Kramer, Gary Howe, John & Pat Nolan, Mark, Nick & Brad Gilberts, Terry Igou, Jim & Alex Jackson, J. J. Jackson, Mark, Ryan, & Tracy Pedretti, Rod Fishler, Bryan Irvin, Gene Jelinek, Elroy McConnell, Mike & Gary Stram, Ken & Sam Stoeffler, Rick & Conner Morovits, Randy & Jacob Schneider; **Mike & Coffee** - Rick, Mark, Jeff and Brian Groom, Tim Baxter, Al & Vince Weber, Jeff DuCharme, John Balk, Jim McGrath, & Ryan Kossman; **Dishes, Pots & Pans** - Dave Walz, Jeff & Tyler Nack, Brian, Matthew & Michael Steiner, Dirk Steiner, Derrick Eastman, Larry Dahman, Steve & Mark Wachuta, Jeff Chase, Bruce Waller, Matt Stubbe, Gary, Ryan & Seth Adams, Rod Fishler, Eric Teynor & sons, Russ Gillitzer, Steve Henry, Joe Gillitzer, Keith Neisius & sons, Brad & Joe Linder, Jim McGrath and any other volunteers; **Pie Cutters** - Dave & Ray Check, Gene Kirschbaum, and any other volunteers; **Delivery** - Ed Gilkes, Chris & Ethan Mara; **Clean up** - Tom & Cody Steiner, Tom & Nathan Stram, Eric Teynor, Joe Bierman, Tim & Terry Steger and any other volunteers

Catholic Schools Week

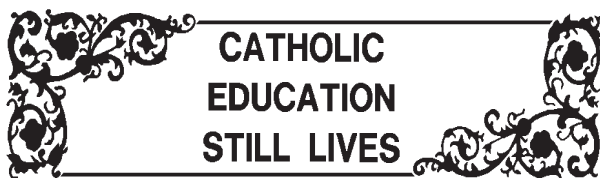
Once again, we come to the week Catholic education is celebrated, not only here in the diocese of La Crosse, but throughout our entire country. Although Catholic Schools Week offers us a chance to showcase our school and our children, our Catholic school is something we can be proud of all year. It is something we all should pay close attention to, as the education of our children is the primary mission of our parish. So whether you have a child or grandchild in school or not, you are supporting our Catholic school and your input is important. I think it is good to occasionally look at what it is that makes this such an important mission in the Catholic Church.

Any school can provide quality education in the sciences, mathematics and languages. What is offered over and above this is what sets a particular school apart. For Catholic schools, the thing that sets us apart is our ability not only to witness Christian values, but to have this as part of the curriculum. Daily religion classes plus the opportunity to attend Mass, the center of our Catholic-Christian lives, during the week are invaluable in the formation of our children as they develop into the Christian leaders of tomorrow.

If Catholic education is to continue to be a strong influence in our community, we as Catholics have to stand up for our beliefs. Yes, it is a sacrifice to place your children in a Catholic school, especially in these difficult economic times. However, it is a sacrifice that I believe is blessed over the years. When everything is considered, there is one thing that will ensure Catholic education will remain here in Prairie du Chien, and that is enrollment numbers. In the coming weeks, we will hold registration for next year's classes. On Wednesday evening we will be celebrating family night with activities showcasing many of the talents of our children. There will be a book fair and we will be serving burgers and fries, so bring the family for dinner. (Free-will offering) If you are parents of pre-school or grade school children come and see what Prairie Catholic Schools can offer. It truly is your school.

God bless

Fr James



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, and Payton Kay Kazda.

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

Knights of Columbus Knowledge Tests

The Knights of Columbus Champion Council 1840 invites **ALL 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade students** in public, parochial and home school to participate in a Knowledge Contest (either Math or Spelling). The contests will be held at Prairie Catholic Middle School – St John's Campus on Monday January 30, 4:00 pm. The tests will take 30 minutes, and all students will receive participation certificates. First place winners can proceed to the District competition. Second place winners will be alternates. The District winners can proceed to State competition. A number of Prairie Du Chien students have done well at the District and State competition in past years, so come and challenge yourself! Direct any questions to Stu Bosworth 326-4823.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Catholic Schools Week is January 29th through February 3rd. Prairie Catholic has a week of activities planned for our students. Of all the events, we would like to extend a special welcome to Family Night hosted on Wednesday, February 1st. **The Men's Club will offer a "Burgers and Fries" supper from 4:30 to 6:15 pm. Everyone is invited to attend.** A Book Fair will run from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. The Prairie Catholic teachers will offer writing sessions from 5:00 to 6:00 pm and the keynote speaker will be author Kathleen Ernst. Mrs. Ernst has written books for the *American Girl Mystery Series*. **PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND.**

Offertory Gift Bearers-February 4/5

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteers

Sunday 10:00 am Volunteers

Eucharistic Ministers-February 4/5

Saturday 7:00 pm Deanne Hromadka

Sunday 10:00 am Doris Krogman, Windy Mezera,
& Patty Schauf-Yager

Home Communion Ministers for February 5th

Shirley MacEachern, Arlien Balk, Merle & Barb
Frommelt

Servers-February 4/5

Saturday 7:00 pm Gina & Angela Sebastian
Elizabeth Carlson & Madelyn
Gerhards

Sunday 10:00 am Josh & Jonathon Dyer
Paige & Ryan Severson

Lectors-February 4/5

Saturday 7:00 pm Linda Moser

Sunday 10:00 am Steve Schwager

Ushers-February 4/5

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-February 4/5

Saturday 7:00 pm Sarah/Steve Holler, Deanna
Koresh

Sunday 10:00 am Bart Zeeh/Michelle Kirchman,
Jean Ann Dillman

Parish Support

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes for Jan. 22nd	\$4,401.00	\$3,336.00
Plate for Jan. 22nd	171.83	171.50
Heat Envelopes	<u>165.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>
Total	\$4,737.83	\$3,557.50

The second collection at St. John's came to **\$150.22**
and will be used for school expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Coffee & Rolls will not be held at St. John's on
Sunday, February 5th. The Lottery Calendar
Sweepstake drawing will be held at St. Gabriel's
Swiss Steak Dinner.

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 infor-
mation, please contact Sandra Marx at 608-
326-1616.

St. John's Mass Intentions

Monday, January 30

5:15 pm John Huza: by Family & Friends

Tuesday, January 31

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

Wednesday, February 1

NO MASS

Thursday, February 2

8:15 am Jane Peterson Mullen;
by Don & Norma Lochner

Friday, February 3

NO MASS

Saturday, February 4

7:00 pm Joe Rod: by Family & Friends

Sunday, February 5

10:00 am Clem C. Mezera: by Family

Bingo Workers for Monday, January 30th: Check

Writer: John Fischer, **Floor Workers:** Lucy Corn-
ford, Betty Fischer, Peggy Fischer, Kati Forsythe;
Caller: Kyle Teynor; **Food Preparation:** Kati
Forsythe & Tammy Cram; **Lunch Stand Workers:**
Parents of Corbin Jones & Makayla Steger.

**Bingo was cancelled last Monday so no winners to
report.**

**The Unit Chairpeople for February at St. John's
Parish:** Mary Jane Faas, Margaret Fischer, Lisa Dyer

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

We would like to thank the following parishion-
ers 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.

Irene Beneker, Nancy DuCharme, Thomas & Nancy
Koenig, Mark & Megan Pedretti, Joe & Joanne Prew.

HURRY TIME IS RUNNING OUT!!!!!!!!!!

Sweepstake Calendars are available from either rec-
tory and school office or call John Fischer at 326-2827.
\$20.00 per calendar or 6 for \$100.00. There are 30
monthly prizes. The profit for this fundraiser helps to
support our Catholic schools. The first drawing for
the new year will be held on February 5th at St.
Gabriel's Swiss Steak Dinner.

IN SYMPATHY

Please remember **Cleo L. Mercaitis** in your
prayers. Her funeral was held at St. John's
Parish Monday, January 23rd. May God
grant Cleo eternal life and comfort to her
family.

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