

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF

Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

Rev. James C. Weighner

This Week at the Parishes

Sunday, January 8

9:00 am Holy Name Meeting
in St. Gabriel's School Hall

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

Monday, January 9

7:00 pm Bingo at St. Gabriel's

Tuesday, January 10

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Mai-
son

Wednesday, January 11

4:30 to 6:45 pm - Chili &
Soup Supper in St. Gabriel's
School Hall - Prairie Catholic
7th Grade Fundraiser - all are
invited to attend

5:30 pm Choir rehearsal at St.
John's Church - new singers
are welcome

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

Thursday, January 12

Adoration after the 8:30 am
Mass at St. Johns with Benedic-
tion at 1:00 pm

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

Friday, January 13

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

Saturday, January 14

Sunday, January 15

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



St. Gabriel Archangel

506 N. Beaumont Rd.
326-2404



St. John Nepomuc

710 S. Wacouta Ave.
326-6511

Soup & Chili Supper
Wednesday, Jan. 11th
4:30 to 6:45 pm
St. Gabriel's Hall
Chicken Noodle
Chicken Dumpling
Tomato & Chili
Grilled Cheese
Bars & Cookies
Fundraiser for
Pra. Cath. 7th Grade
Washington D.C. Trip

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." - Mt 2:1-2



January 8, 2012 - Epiphany of the Lord

Offertory Gift Bearers-January 14/15

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteers
 Sunday 8:00 am Jerry & Rose Wright

Eucharistic Ministers-January 14/15

Saturday 4:00 pm Kathy Schneider, Don Cipra & Lyle Marfilus
 Sunday 8:00 am Joe & Sharon Atkins, Donna Teynor

Home Communion Ministers for January 15th:
 Bonnie Reilly, Sheila Linder

Servers-January 14/15

Saturday 4:00 pm Ethan & Zachary Swiggum
 Ellie & Jacob Mara
 Sunday 8:00 am Karly Jaynes & Faith Dillman
 Levi Orr & Kyle MacEachern

Lectors-January 14/15

Saturday 4:00 pm Lyle Marfilus
 Sunday 8:00 am Ann Grunwald

Ushers-January 14/15

Saturday 4:00 pm Joe Barrette, Stu Bosworth,
 Russell Eulgem, & Bob Ziel
 Sunday 8:00 am Mark Hamann, Jim McGrath,
 Dick Tesar, John Gillitzer

Scrip Workers-January 14/15

Saturday 4:00 pm Carrie Colson, Christine M. Blondin
 Sunday 8:00 am Sue Groom, John/Heather Luster

Parish Support

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes for January 1st	\$3,623.00	\$2,640.00
Plate for January 1st	313.56	357.05
New Years Envelopes	752.00	548.00
Christmas (addt'l)	255.00	.00
2011 Envelopes (addt'l)	<u>3,157.00</u>	<u>2,675.00</u>
Total	\$8,100.56	\$6,220.05

The second collection at St. Gabriel's came to **\$688.26** and will be used for school expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Readings for the Week of January 8, 2012

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1:9-20/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1/Mk 2:13-17
Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

St. Gabriel's Mass Intentions

Monday, January 9

NO MASS

Tuesday, January 10

NO MASS

Wednesday, January 11

8:15 am Peter & Catherine Ambrose:
 by Dorothy Baures

Thursday, January 12

NO MASS

Friday, January 13

8:15 am Dr. Daniel Fagan: by Monie Key

Saturday, January 14

4:00 pm For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor

Sunday, January 15

8:00 am Clint, Lance, & Harry Shedivy:
 by Eli Shedivy

BINGO

Bingo Workers for Monday, January 9th:

Check Writer: Debbie Morovits; **Floor**

Workers: Deb Schultz and Becky Rooney;

Caller: Bill Schultz; **Food Preparation:** Char

Steger; **Lunch Stand Workers:** Parents of Nicholas Weber & Anna Zeeh

The Progressive Bingo Jackpot for January 9th will be at **\$874.00** plus 50% of the progressive jackpot card sales in 58 calls or less.

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.

Florence Becwar, Carrie Breuer, Art & Carolyn Conley, Anita Cowie, Janette DuCharme, Nicholas & Andrea Gilberts, Steven & Rebecca Henry, Ivan & Mary Hoffland, Al & Sandra Krieg, Mark & Lisa Mara, Lester Marx, Fred & Darlene Moris, Leslie Orr, Patrick & Tammy Nolan, Clyde & Margaret Noggle, Kathleen Novey, Maurice & Letty Oehler, John & Annette Powers, Greg & Ann Quick, Don & Charlene Roh, Mick & Becky Rooney, Caroline Schmidt, Melanie Schneider, Mary Schultz, Scott & Peggy Sklenar, Gregory & Diane Steger, Cecilia Steinberg, Richard & Jeanette Steiner, Tom & Karen Steiner, Ken & Mary Stoeffler, Brian & Shelly Trautsch, Damian & Stephanie Vlaming, Pam Waller, Martin & Judy Warpinski.

The word Epiphany means appearance, manifestation or showing forth. In the Western Church, the feast commemorates the coming of the Magi as the first manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles. In the Eastern Church, this feast primarily commemorates the baptism of Christ. The angels revealed Jesus to the shepherds, and the star revealed him to the Magi. Later, God the Father revealed Jesus' identity as His beloved Son at his baptism in the River Jordan. In the synagogue at Nazareth, Jesus revealed himself as the promised Messiah. These multiple revelations are all suggested by the Feast of the Epiphany.

Today's gospel teaches us how Christ enriched those who brought him their hearts. Since the Magi came with joy in their hearts to visit the Christ Child, God allowed them to see wondrous things. At the same time, today's gospel hints at different reactions - the hatred and suspicion of King Herod who considered the child as his future rival for the kingdom, the total indifference of the religious leaders and the adoration, worship and life-surrender of the shepherds and the magi.

Let us make sure that we join the Magi. **a)** By worshipping Jesus at Mass with the gold of our love, the myrrh of our humility and the frankincense of our adoration. Let us offer him our very selves, promising God that we will use His blessings by doing good for our brothers and sisters. **b)** By choosing a better path for our lives. Just as the Magi chose another route to return to their home, let us choose a better way of life, abstaining from proud and impure thoughts, evil habits, addictions and selfish behavior and actively doing acts of charity. **c)** By becoming the Star, leading others to Jesus, as the star led the Magi to Him. We can help to remove the darkness of evil around us by being like burning candles, radiating Jesus' love in selfless service, unconditional forgiveness and compassionate care.

Fr. Jerome, OSB

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, Kathy Kelly, 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, Cleo Mercaitis, Dennis Brandt, Viola Tesar, Mary Nash, 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.

The names of Bill & Mayme Quinn should have been listed under St. Gabriel's Flower Memorials. We are sorry that we inadvertently missed their names.

January 2012 Sweepstake Winners

\$100.00 - Jacob Schneider, PdC; Jason Adamany, PdC; Nancy Gokey, Salisbury, N.C.; Lester Marx, PdC; Ryan Severson, Eastman

\$50.00 - James Cornford, PdC; Nathan Mezera, PdC; Gari Lorenz, Wauzeka; Mike Morrissey, PdC; Molly Halpin, PdC

\$25.00 - Tyler Nack, PdC; Lewis Marfilus, PdC; Roger Goodman, PdC; Ruth Klang, PdC; Bruce Klang, PdC; Ara Hager, PdC; Ron White, PdC; Bart Knight, McGregor; John Cram, PdC; Mark Mayer, Jonesboro, TN; Jim & Carolyn McGrath, PdC; Sarah Novey, Lee's Summit, MO; Bob Sebastian, PdC; Mark Tiller, PdC; Mary M. White, PdC; Armella Kueter, PdC; Jan Duve, PdC; Lizzie Tesar, Eastman; Maxine Rink, La-Crosse; Wolf Machine, PdC

SCHOOL NEWS....With the weather turning colder, Mrs. Pattison's Physical Education Class has moved into St. John's Basement for the middle school students. The kids will be working on ping pong, cup stacking and muscular development. The students at St. Gabriel's will be working on spatial awareness, body control and non-competitive games.



Epiphany of the Lord

St. John's Church

Offertory Gift Bearers-January 14/15

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteers

Sunday 10:00 am Volunteers

Eucharistic Ministers-January 14/15

Saturday 7:00 pm Sharon Boylen

Sunday 10:00 am Peggy Gallagher, Donna Steiner
& Doris Krogman

Home Communion Ministers for January 15th:

Kathleen Deluhery, Anne Mezera, & Joan Poots

Servers-January 14/15

Saturday 7:00 pm Makayla Gerhards & Joy Steiner
McKenna & Madelyn Gerhards

Sunday 10:00 am Jerrod Osterkamp & Zachary
Mara
Chad Mara & Peyton Hall

Lectors-January 14/15

Saturday 7:00 pm Rita Krahn

Sunday 10:00 am Jerry Cummings

Ushers-January 14/15

Saturday 7:00 pm Merle Frommelt, Bernie Mayer,
Alex Schaefer, Tim Looney

Sunday 10:00 am Jim Gallagher, Ron Trautsch,
Mark Mara, Dennis Mezera

Scrip Workers-January 14/15

Saturday 7:00 pm Judy Warpinski, Amy Young

Sunday 10:00 am Lara Higgins, Melissa Jones

St. John's Mass Intentions

Monday, January 9

5:15 pm Lora E. Young:
by Richard & Lora Chamberlain

Tuesday, January 10

8:15 am George & Ona Panka: by Family

Wednesday, January 11

NO MASS

Thursday, January 12

8:15 am Ken DesRocher:
by the DesRocher Family

Friday, January 13

NO MASS

Saturday, January 14

7:00 pm For the Poor Souls of Purgatory:
by Mark & Mary Jane Mezera

Sunday, January 15

10:00 am William Fillbach: by Gerald & Mary Kerr

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

In today's gospel the magi came to present their gifts to Jesus and to honor him. Your love as husband and wife is a gift to one another as well as a gift from God. Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend to receive the tools needed to make the most of this precious gift. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is Jan. 27-29 in Brookfield, WI; Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653.

Parish Support

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes for January 1st	\$3,392.00	\$3,584.00
Plate for January 1st	438.50	475.35
New Years Envelopes	685.00	451.00
2011 Envelopes (add'l)	2,205.00	2,099.00
Christmas (add'l)	960.00	175.00
Units	<u>40.00</u>	<u>.00</u>
Total	\$7,720.50	\$6,784.35

The second collection at St. John's came to \$449.93 and will be used for school expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

St. John's Unit Chairpersons for 2012

January: Patricia McCoy, Mary Pedretti, & Mary Ellen Pellock

February: Mary Jane Faas, Margaret Fischer, & Lisa Dyer

March: Theresa Looney, Susan Lynch, Marilyn Nies

April: Lori Bedward, Karen Weier, & Susan Zeeh

May: Chris O'Connell, Letty Oehler & Joanne Prew

June: Odean Kieser, Marsha Konichek & Deanne Koresh

July: Rita Kazda, Mary Ann Knutson, Susan Konichek

August: Jan Duve, Peggy Gallagher, & Vicki George

September: Nicole Osterkamp, Mary Schultz, Mary Steiner

October: Nancy Koenig, Kathleen Krachey, Sandra Krieg

November: Verna Panka, Laura Parker & Michele Pattison

December: Molly Wasechek, Marcia Wilson, & Patricia Yager

Sweepstake Calendars are available from either rectory and school office or call John Fischer at 326-2827. \$20.00 per calendar or 6 for \$100.00. There are 30 monthly prizes. Five - \$100.00 winners; Five - \$50.00 winners and Twenty - \$25.00 winners. The profit for this fundraiser helps to support our Catholic schools.

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