

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF

Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

Rev. James C. Weighner
Pastor

This Week at the Parishes

Sunday, March 4

9:00 am Coffee & Rolls will be served in St. John's Hall & March Calendar drawing

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

6:30 pm Faith Alive Book Study at St. John's

Monday, March 5

10:00 am Faith Alive Book Study in St. John's Church

6:00 pm St. Patrick's Day preparation meeting in St. Gabriel's Hall - all St. Gabriel's Unit leaders are asked to attend

7:00 pm Bingo at St. Gabriel's

Tuesday, March 6

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

Wednesday, March 7

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

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

Thursday, March 8

6:30 AM Men's Group will meet at St. John's Church

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

6:00 pm Joint Finance Council in St. John's Church Hall

Friday, March 9

Stations of the Cross:

following 8:15 am Mass at St. Gabriel's & 3:15 pm at St. John's

Adoration: 9:00 am Friday to 8:00 am Saturday at St. Gabe's

5:00 to 7:30 pm Fish Fry in St. John's Church Hall

Saturday, March 10

Benediction & Mass at 8:00 am at St. Gabriel's

9:00 am Confirmation Retreat at St. Gabriel's

Sunday, March 11

9:00 am Holy Name Society meeting in St. Gabriel's School



St. Gabriel Archangel

506 N. Beaumont Rd.
326-2404



St. John Nepomuc

710 S. Wacouta Ave.
326-6511

FISH FRY

Friday, March 9th

St. John's Hall

5:00 - 7:30 pm

Deep Fried or

Broiled Cod

Bake Potato or

French Fries

Coleslaw, Bars

ALL ARE INVITED

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; then from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. - Mk 9:7-8



March 4, 2012 - Second Sunday of Lent

Offertory Gift Bearers-March 10/11

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

Eucharistic Ministers-March 10/11

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

Home Communion Ministers for March 11th:

Nancy DuCharme

Servers-March 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Marissa Anderson & Nolan Stram
 Lauren & Lindsey Nicholson
 Sunday 8:00 am Sean & Ryan McGrath
 Josh Linder, Levi Orr

Lectors-March 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Don Cipra
 Sunday 8:00 am Mary Stoeffler

Ushers-March 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Randy Ginsterblum, Richard Steiner, Cliff Stram & Jim Welsch
 Sunday 8:00 am Mark Hamann, Jerry Matousek, Jim McGrath & Dick Tesar

Scrip Workers-March 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Tammy DuCharme/Tarra Brewer
 Sunday 8:00 am Leslie Orr/Colleen Teynor

Parish Support

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes for Feb. 26th	\$4,300.05	\$2,848.05
Plate for Feb. 26th	235.75	221.95
Total	\$4,535.80	\$3,070.00

The second collection at St. Gabriel's came to **\$263.04** and will be used for school expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

New address? Do you use your cell phone as your main phone? Please inform your rectory office of any changes. Thank you.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER
HICKORY SMOKED HAM
ST. GABRIEL'S SCHOOL HALL
SUNDAY, MARCH 18TH
10:45 AM TO 1:30 PM
CARRYOUTS AVAILABLE
ALL ARE INVITED

St. Gabriel's Mass Intentions

Monday, March 5

NO MASS

Tuesday, March 6

NO MASS

Wednesday, March 7

8:15 am Luella Titlbach: by Family

Thursday, March 8

NO MASS

Friday, March 9

8:15 am Marge Robejsek: by Family & Friends

Saturday, March 10

4:00 pm For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor

Sunday, March 11

8:00 am Betty Berns: by Charles & Theresa Morel



Bingo Workers for Monday, March 5th: Check
Writer: Debbie Morovits; **Caller:** Kyle Teynor,
Floor Workers: Lucy Cornford & Peggy Fischer;
Food Preparation: Tammy Cram & Kati Forsythe;
Lunch Stand Workers: Parents of Kyle MacEachern & Julia Welter

Bingo Winners from Monday, February 26th:
\$25.00 - JoAnn Pedretti, Marian Taylor; **\$30.00** - Jeanne Moris; **\$45.00** - Glenda Wolfram; **\$100.00** - Dian Malsack; **Progressive Consolation (\$100.00)** - Mary Ann Baker; **50/50 Winner (\$58.00)** - Linda Kelly

There will be a meeting for all St. Gabriel's Unit Chairpeople on Monday, March 5th at 6:00 pm in St. Gabriel's School Hall to prepare for the St. Patrick's Day Dinner on Sunday, March 18th.

WANTED VOLUNTEERS: If you have some spare time and would be interested in volunteering; the American Red Cross is in need of several people to help at the Blood Drive held at the Prairie du Chien National Guard Armory 4 times a year. If interested, please call Donna Hamann at 608-412-0809. Thank you very much.

"The Family Life Committee would like to remind all Confirmation prayer partners to contact your 8th grader with a short note or prayer card sometime in the next couple of weeks. Keep your partner in your prayers throughout the season of Lent."

RANDOM THOUGHTS

Merger update: Please keep an eye out for the next set of budget envelopes, as we have included a financial report for our parishes. There is some information concerning the school in this report as well, but please keep in mind the school endowment is a separate entity and the school has its own accounting that is already together as Prairie Catholic Schools. Also, last week I had a meeting with Bishop Callahan, and he gave his approval for our parish name: Holy Family Parish. Please stay tuned as there will be some meetings coming up in the near future concerning this new venture.

Weekly Adoration: This seems to be going well. After a bump or two that are to be expected when beginning a new venture, I have heard many compliments and encouraging words about our 24 hour period of adoration. One change we will add is Benediction every week. On Saturdays with no funeral, we will then have the Holy sacrifice of the Mass at 8:00; if there is a funeral scheduled, there will be no 8:00 Mass. Please keep in mind that the sign up was for each Friday during Lent (except Good Friday - Holy Saturday). If you need a sub, there are lists posted in each church building. If you are interested in being a sub, please write your name and number on the sub list

Kindergarten Round-up: On Monday, March 19 we will be holding our kindergarten screening. If you are the parent or guardian of a child entering kindergarten, please keep this date in mind. This is a very important event for Prairie Catholic Schools, as it gives us an indication on enrollment for staffing decisions. Please keep in mind that finances should never be a reason for a child not to receive a Catholic education. We have a fund set aside to help those in need today, with the view that those that are helped today will be able to help others in the future.

I pray that this is not simply another Lent for you, and that your Lenten journey this year is one that will bring you ever closer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus Christ. 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, Janelle Becwar, Tom Banasik, Virginia Eichmann, Wendy Garrity, Dennis Brandt, Mary Nash, Payton Kay Kazda, Harry Konichek, Helen Tarrence, & James Thompson.

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

SEDER MEAL.....A Seder meal will be held at St. John's Hall from 6 to 8 pm on Thursday, March 29th. The meal commemorates the Jewish exodus out of Egypt and uses food as symbols including unleavened bread. Jesus would have celebrated the Passover as his Last Supper with the disciples. Please contact the rectories or Ann Grunwald at 326-5459 by March 22nd if you would like to attend or have questions.

PRAIRIE CATHOLIC SCHOOL announces Kindergarten Screening & Open House for the 2012-2013 school year.

Please call St. Gabriel's School Office (326-8624) Monday - Friday from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm by March 16th to set up a screening time for your child. Please have the following information when you call the school: Child's full name, date of birth, address, phone, and a preferred time between 8:30 am - 3:00 pm for the screening day. The actual screening day is Monday, March 19th. Please bring your child's Baptismal (or Birth Certificate) and Immunization Record to the screening. If you have any questions, please contact the school office at 326-8624.

Easter Flower Fund.....If you would like to make a donation to the "Easter Flower Fund" at St. John's or St. Gabriel's in memory of a loved one, you can do so by placing your donation in a plain envelope marked "Easter Flowers" and place it in your parish collection.

Second Sunday of Lent

St. John's Church

Offertory Gift Bearers-March 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Merle & Barbara Frommelt
Sunday 10:00 am Mike Mara Family

Eucharistic Ministers-March 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Deanne Hromadka
Sunday 10:00 am Verna Panka, Donna Steiner &
Doris Krogman

Home Communion Ministers for March 11:

Ceil Benda, Ramona Heiring & Pat McCoy

Servers-March 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Lauren Kennedy & Bailey
Ottaway
Emily Steger & Elizabeth
Carlson
Sunday 10:00 am Alexis & Eric Nolan
Emily & Jacob Fishler

Lectors-March 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Linda Moser
Sunday 10:00 am Steve Schwager

Ushers-March 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Tim Looney, Doug Rickleff,
John Rickleff, Dan Schickert
Sunday 10:00 am Mike Mara, Paul Porvaznik, Ron
Trautsch

Scrip Workers-March 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Judy Warpinski/Amy DeGidio
Sunday 10:00 am Heidi Dickman/Jean Dillman

Parish Support

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes for Feb. 26th	\$3,778.00	\$3,938.00
Plate for Feb. 26th	304.92	201.67
Units	<u>175.00</u>	<u>145.00</u>
Total	\$4,257.92	\$4,284.67

The second collection at St. John's came to \$239.00 and will be used for school expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Readings for the Week of March 4, 2012

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Rom
8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10
Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt
21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Success has nothing to do with what you gain
in life or accomplish for yourself. Success is
what you do for others.** -Danny Thomas

St. John's Mass Intentions

Monday, March 5

5:15 pm Mary Nash for Health

Tuesday, March 6

8:15 am Marguerite Caya:
by St. John's Harmony Choir

Wednesday, March 7

NO MASS

Thursday, March 8

8:15 am Bill Betzle: by Family

Friday, March 9

NO MASS

Saturday, March 10

7:00 pm Lloyd & David Konichek:
by Lillian Konichek

Sunday, March 11

10:00 am Clem C. Mezera: by Family

**The Diocese of LaCrosse is again sponsoring the
50th Wedding Anniversary Celebrations for
those couples celebrating fifty years of marriage.**

The dates and locations for this year's events are: July 15th at St. Mary's in Altoona; August 5 at Christ the King Chapel in LaCrosse and August 12th in St. Bronislava in Plover. Bishop William Patrick Callahan will send each couple a special invitation to attend a celebration, in their honor. If you are celebrating a 50th Wedding Anniversary this year and are interested in attending call your name into your rectory office.

FISH FRY

FRIDAY, MARCH 9TH

**Serving Deep-Fried or Broiled Cod,
Baked Potato or French Fries, Cole-
slaw, Beverage & Bars in St. John's
Hall. \$9.00 for adults; \$4.00 - 6-12 yrs
and under 6 no charge. Grilled Cheese
& Fries for \$1.00 for Kids under 12 yrs
old. Carryout's available. All are in-
vited!**

Parish Directory....If anyone would like to submit a photo or photo's for our parish directory, please do so by March 7, 2012. Please identify all individuals in photo. Hard copies only, no email or jpeg files. Families or parish group photo's are welcome.

**SCRIP GIFT CARDS CAN MAKE GREAT
GIFTS FOR BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES,
ETC. YOU CAN PURCHASE IT AFTER
MASS OR AT THE RECTORY OFFICES.**

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm St. Gabriel's
 7:00 pm St. John's

Sunday 8:00 am St. Gabriel's
 10:00 am St. John's

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