

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PARISH

Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

Rev. James C. Weighner
Pastor

This Week at the Parish

Sunday, November 4

10:00 am RCIA Classes will be at St. John's

10:45 am Holy Family Fall Fest at St. Gabriel's - Family Style Dinner - Chicken & Ham, Games, Prizes, Raffle, Bake Sale; Cafeteria Style Supper begins at 4:30 pm

Monday, November 5

10:00 am Faith Alive Bible Study at St. John's Church

7:00 pm Bingo at St. Gabriel's School Hall

Tuesday, November 6

Election Day

NO Mass at Prairie Maison

Wednesday, November 7

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

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

Thursday, November 8

Adoration after the 8:15 am Mass at St. John's

Benediction at 1:00 pm

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

Friday, November 9

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

Saturday, November 10

4:30 to 6:30 pm Holy Name Men's Group will be holding a Burgers & Fries supper in St. John's Hall

Sunday, November 11

10:00 am RCIA classes at the Mark Grunwald residence

REMINDER: Next week Mass times will be as follows:

8:00 am at St. Gabriel's

10:00 am at St. John's

Holy Family

Fall Fest

St. Gabriel's

November 4th



St. Gabriel Archangel

506 N. Beaumont Rd.
326-2404



St. John Nepomuc

710 S. Wacouta Ave.
326-6511



Nov. 11 - Nov. 15

PRAYER FOR THE SUCCESS OF A PARISH MISSION

O Jesus, most holy Redeemer, our Master and our King, it is to Your Sacred Heart, that ocean of love and goodness, that we owe the inestimable blessing of a Parish Mission. Touched with compassion at the sight of our miseries and the eternal unhappiness that threatens us, You have resolved to save us. The missionary who is coming to us is Your representative; in Your person he will break for us the bread of God's Word and will bring to us the joy of forgiveness. Grant, O Lord, that we may be faithful to Your grace and correspond zealously with the advances of Your Divine Mercy. Let the preaching of Your eternal truths enlighten and quicken our minds, and deeply move our hearts, so that we may realize our shortcomings and sincerely repent of them. To the poor souls plunged in the darkness of ignorance and error, please grant the light of faith. To those who have saddened You by a wicked life, please give the grace of a sincere conversion. Bestow fresh fervor upon the lukewarm, and upon the just true progress in the way of virtue. Send forth Your Holy Spirit upon all of us, and the face of this parish shall be renewed. O Holy Mary, immaculate Virgin and Mother of Perpetual Help, you are the refuge and advocate of poor sinners; the more guilty they are, the more claim they have upon your tenderness. It is for this reason that we make bold to implore your powerful and motherly protection with all confidence. Our salvation is in Your hands, plead our cause and intercede for us with your divine Son. Amen.

November 4, 2012 - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. GABRIEL'S CHURCH

Offertory Gift Bearers-November 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Jackie Stram Family

Sunday 8:00 am Volunteers

Eucharistic Ministers-November 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Mary Doscocil, Laura Meyer,
Tom Steiner

Sunday 8:00 am Eileen Hermesen, Karen Fritsche,
& Megan Pedretti

Home Communion Ministers for Nov. 11th

Nancy DuCharme

Servers-November 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Clayton DuCharme & Bryce
Bedward

Sunday 8:00 am Dalton & Preston Hendrix
Clare, Ben & Evan Teynor
Taylor Lutz

Lectors-November 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Jeanette Steiner

Sunday 8:00 am Mary Stoeffler

Ushers-November 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-November 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Tammy DuCharme

Sunday 8:00 am Colleen Teynor

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Offertory Gift Bearers-November 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Merle & Barb Frommelt

Sunday 10:00 am Mike Mara Family

Eucharistic Ministers-November 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Deanne Hromadka

Sunday 10:00 am Doris Krogman, Verna Panka &
Patty Schauf-Yager

Home Communion Ministers for Nov. 11th

Shirley MacEachern, Ann Quick & Merle & Barb
Frommelt

Servers-November 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Jenna & Breann Holler

Peggy Koresh & Zachery Rod

Sunday 10:00 am Nolan Stram & Kierstyn Rogers
Made & Jack Peterson

Lectors-November 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Andy Banasik

Sunday 10:00 am Norb Aschom

Ushers-November 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-November 10/11

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

Sunday 10:00 am Sheila Eastman

Holy Family's Mass Intentions

Monday, November 5 NO MASS

Tuesday, November 6 St. John's Church 8:15 am Donald McGuire, Sr: by Joan Poots

Wednesday, November 7 St. Gabriel's Church 8:15 am Marguerite Caya (ann.): by Family

Thursday, November 8 St. John's Church 8:15 am Donald Slama: by Gladys Slama

Friday, November 9 St. Gabriel's Church 8:15 am John Feeney: by Family

Saturday, November 10 St. Gabriel's Church 4:00 pm Helen Wilkinson: by Family

Saturday, November 10 St. John's Church 7:00 pm For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor

Sunday, November 11 St. Gabriel's Church 8:00 am Tracy L. Horner: by Family

Sunday, November 11 St. John's Church 10:00 am Kenneth Kane: by Family

Holy Family Parish

PARISH MISSION-INVITE A FRIEND

Next week is our parish mission. Fr. Tony Stephens will be at our parish to help us deepen our relationship with Christ. This is a great opportunity to grow in our faith during the Year of Faith Pope Benedict has called. All of us have friends and family that do not practice their faith for one reason or another. I would like to issue a challenge: everyone knows someone who is not practicing their faith. We all have family members, friends or neighbors we have not seen at Mass recently. Stop by their house, give them a call; a personal invitation from you may be all that is keeping them from coming to the mission.

In light of this, I would like to share this event. I have a friend that dropped out of school when we were in high school. I was speaking with him years after, and the subject came up: why didn't you come back to school? He said he wanted to, but no one came to him: not the principal, not a teacher, not a friend. He said if one person had taken the time and effort to reach out to him was all it would have taken. I think this happens in our faith life as well. Why they quit practicing is not important; what is important is that they know someone cares. Perhaps there is someone in your life, and all they need is an invitation.

My brethren, if any of you err from the truth and one convert him: He must know that he who causes a sinner to be converted from the error of his way shall save his soul from death and shall cover a multitude of sins. (James 5:20)

Apology: In last week's Mass of Remembrance, we missed reading the name of Mary Ellen Linder. I offer my sincere apology to the entire Linder family for this oversight.

Missing names in the appeal report: It has come to my attention that there are some names missing from the list of donors to the annual appeal. As the past year was our first attempt at this, some mistakes were made in transferring names. We are trying to correct this for future reference. The following are those we are aware of whose names were missed: Tom Mara, Sandy Halverson, Mike & Zita Balk, John & Annette Powers, Jim & Yvonne Pitzer. If others notice they have not been included, please let us know and we will make note of it in a future bulletin. The mistake was only in transferring names; all collections were properly recorded in the appeal. Fr. Jim

Scrip News....We can no longer get any of the \$5.00 Subway scrip. We will only have the \$10.00 scrip cards for Subway. With the holidays just around the corner - don't forget about Scrip gift cards. They make great gifts.

PRAYER CORNER

God, grant healing and peace to the sick of our communities and those who have requested our prayers. Please pray for Linda Vance, John Felder, Ann Fulcher, Jim Coorough, Sis Jelinek, Elaine Shedivy, Nancy Patzner, Marge Noggle, Janelle Becwar, Virginia Eichmann, Dennis Brandt, Harry Konichek, Carissa Waldo, Earl White, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, Cathy Vondrum, Mildred Prew, Steve Moris, Mark Lochner, Tony Teynor, Eileen Sutton, Mary Ann Heisz, Sena Breuer, Jerry Matousek, Loren Fishler, LaVern Sutton, Adam Heiring, Tom White, Roger Pellock, Bryce Kazda, Janet Dickman, Peg Stoeffler, Maxim Kramer, John & Cheyenne Messling, Earl Nye & Ethel Sebastian.

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

Parish Support

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes for	\$8,294.50	\$7,910.00
Plate for	<u>530.50</u>	<u>532.89</u>
Total	\$8,825.00	\$8,442.89

The second collection came to **\$506.28** and will be used for School & CCD Religious Education expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Holy Family Men's Club will be having a Burgers & Fries Supper on Saturday, November 10th from 4:30 to 6:30 pm in St. John's Hall. Hamburgers, Fries, Dessert, Coffee, Milk. All are invited. Bring your family & friends.

Our Harmony Choir will practice at 5:30 pm Wednesdays at St. John's on November 7 & 14, skipping Thanksgiving Week and practicing again November 28th. We welcome new singers, young and old, as we prepare for the Feast of Christ the King, Advent & Christmas. Call Terri Connell at 326-4240, with any questions.



Bingo winners from Monday, October 29th: \$20.00 - Kathy Dagnon; \$22.50 - Betty Marmann, Barb Groom; \$100.00- Helen Upton; **Progressive Consolation (\$100.00)** - Lois Pollack; **50/50 Winner (\$63.00)** -Maxine Ronnfeldt

Bingo Workers for Monday, November 5th - Check Writer: John Fischer; **Floor Workers:** Lucy Cornford, Betty Fischer, Peggy Fischer, Kati Forsythe; **Caller:** Kyle Teynor; **Lunch Prepared by:** Tammy Cram & Kati Forsythe; **Lunch Stand Workers:** Parents of Kyle MacEachern & Zachary Mara

School News.....The fourth grade have had a busy first nine weeks. They took a trip to "Cannons at the Fort" in September which they enjoyed immensely. The "Smoke House: from LaCrosse visited 4th grade in October for fire safety month. They learned valuable safety ideas from the firemen as well as getting to view a fire truck and equipment up close. The fourth grade has also been working on Halloween projects for the month of October. They have created poems, haunted houses, jack-o-lanterns, and scarecrows to get us in the spooky feel for Halloween.

Academically the class is doing quite well and we will be getting into more challenging material especially in math and science. We also are starting the "Iowa Basic Testing" program from October 29th to Nov. 16th.

We recently just finished up with parent teacher conferences which I felt went very well. It was great to visit with all the parents.

Mrs. Post

8th Grade Soup Fundraiser will be held on Tuesday, November 13th in St. Gabriel's School Hall from 4:30 to 6:45 pm. Chicken Noodle, Chicken Dumping, Chili, Grilled Cheese & Dessert. We are taking orders for quarts of soup (nice for deer hunting.) \$4.00 a quart. We could also use any jars with lids, please drop at St. Gabriel's School or contact Ken & Mary Stoeffler 326-0033.

Congratulations to Walter & Eileen Hermesen on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. May God continue to bless them.

PARISH MISSION

Our Parish Mission will be presented from November 11th to the 15th from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Fr. Tony Stephens of the Fathers of Mercy will present the mission 5 consecutive evenings. Please make plans to attend as many of the sessions as possible. Any parish family in need of childcare during the mission are asked to contact Nancy Becker at 326-4005 to reserve a spot for your child. If you need transportation, please contact Verna Panka at 326-2196. Deadline to request either of these services is Thursday, Nov. 8th.

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Daily Election Prayer by Father Hardon
Lord Jesus Christ, You told us to give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God. Enlighten the minds of our people in America. May we choose a President of the United States and other government officials according to Your Divine Will. Give our citizens the courage to choose leaders of our nation who respect the sanctity of unborn human life, the sanctity of marriage, the sanctity of marital relations, the sanctity of the family and the sanctity of the aging. Grant us the wisdom to give You what belongs to You, our God. If we do this as a nation, we are confident You will give us an abundance of Your blessings through our elected leaders. Amen

Mass Counts: Many dioceses throughout the United States count the number of people attending Masses during the month of October. Parishes in the diocese of La Crosse take part in this as well. This year, in Prairie du Chien, we have seen a decrease of around 6%, from 4365 last year to 4096 this year. This comes on the heel of an increase of 2.5% last year. Hopefully next year we will see an increase, but this will only happen if you desire it. The parish mission is a start, but we need to continue making an effort to make it known that we welcome seekers and those that have wandered to come home. This is part of what John Paul II and Benedict XVI have called the New Evangelization, which is a new way of living our faith. God bless. Fr. Jim

Holy Family Parish-Prairie du Chien WI

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
 lgratace@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
No 3:00 pm confessions on days with weddings or funerals.