

HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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Rectory Office Hours

8:00am to 4:00pm (Tuesday - Friday)

St. Gabriel Archangel

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8:00am to 4:00pm (Tuesday - Friday)

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.

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August 3, 2014 • 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR



“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life?” — Mt 16:24b-26

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St. Gabriel Archangel

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR AUG. 9/10

Nancy DuCharme

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-AUGUST 9/10

Saturday 4:00 pm Tom Steiner, Mary Kirschbaum, &
Kathy Schneider

Sunday 10:00 am Joe & Sharon Atkins, Megan Pedretti

Servers for Wed, Aug. 6 at 5:15 pm and Fri., Aug. 8th at 8:15 am at St. Gabriel's: Kylie Kramer & Ellie Mara

SERVERS-AUGUST 9/10

Saturday 4:00 pm Mitchell & Brady Luster
Kori & Karly Jaynes

Sunday 10:00 am Peggy & Sadie Koresh
Jacob Fishler & Alexis Nolan

LECTORS-AUGUST 9/10

Saturday 4:00 pm Don Cipra

Sunday 10:00 am Arlene Willms

USHERS-AUGUST 9/10

Saturday 4:00 pm Joe Barrette, Stu Bosworth, Russell
Eulgem, & Gene Kirschbaum

Sunday 10:00 am Mark Mara, Chad Mara, Nathan
Mezera & Butch Boland

SCRIP WORKERS-AUGUST 9/10

Saturday 4:00 pm Barb Welsch

Sunday 10:00 am Sheila Eastman



St. John Nepomuc

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR AUG. 9/10

Chris Ingham, Mary Steiner, Donna Steiner

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-AUGUST 9/10

Saturday 7:00 pm Mary Pellock

Sunday 8:00 am Jean Ann Dillman, Doris Krogman, &
Verna Panka

Servers for Tues., Aug. 5 at 5:15 pm and Thurs., Aug. 7 at 8:00 am at St. John's: Kylie Kramer & Ellie Mara

SERVERS-AUGUST 9/10

Saturday 7:00 pm Gina & Angela Sebastian
Kylie Kramer & Rebekah Champion

Sunday 8:00 am Frankee & Harlee Eastman
Jack & Made Peterson

LECTORS-AUGUST 9/10

Saturday 7:00 pm Andy Banasik

Sunday 8:00 am Charlie Connell

USHERS-AUGUST 9/10

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

Sunday 8:00 am Gene Carlson, Mike Mara, Paul
Porvaznik & Ron Trautsch

SCRIP WORKERS-AUGUST 9/10

Saturday 7:00 pm Sarah & Steve Holler

Sunday 8:00 am Colleen Teynor

WEEKEND MASSES: MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY REQUESTING THE MASS ARE ASKED TO BRING THE GIFTS OF BREAD AND WINE TO THE ALTAR. PLEASE MAKE YOURSELVES KNOWN TO THE USHERS AND SIT NEAR THE GIFTS. THANK YOU!



Tuesday, August 5	5:15 pm	St. John's Church	† Norman Berns
Wednesday, August 6	5:15 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	† Lawrence David
Thursday, August 7	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Roger Pellock
Friday, August 8	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Bob Boland
Saturday, August 9	4:00 pm 7:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church St. John's Church	† Walter Hermsen (ann. 8/5) For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor
Sunday, August 10	8:00 am 10:00 am	St. John's Church St. Gabriel's Church	† Marty Betzle † Max Gilberts

Back to School

Exciting changes at Prairie Catholic School! I know many of us do not want to think about this, but school will be here before we know it. As the school is the number one outreach of our parishes, I would like to outline what is going on in PCS as we prepare for the school year. Each fall brings with it a new year, new opportunities, new challenges, new classes, new teachers; the list could go on and on. Most of all, it is a time for new beginnings, and that is exciting. I truly believe that we have something special at PCS, and although nothing is perfect, we will continue to strive to see that families in Prairie du Chien and the surrounding area will have a Catholic option for their children's education.

One of the newest and most challenging aspects this year is the joining of the two school buildings. We have been united in name since the late 1980's, and now we will be united in a single campus. This has been a difficult decision to reach; it has been talked about often but always put off till 'next year'. Well, *next year* is here, and we have made the decision to unite, and now the practical aspects are being put into place. New bus schedules, lunch times, Mass schedules and playground assignments are some of the areas that need to be adjusted.

Computers and technology are always high on the list of discussion points at any school meeting. We have upgraded all our equipment to Windows 7 or newer, which is a great expense when you consider the number of computers needed. In addition, we have Smart Boards operating in all classrooms heading into the fall, and we have upgraded the computer lab to all flat screen monitors. One item we did not have a budget for this year is new computer tables for the lab that would hide the cables. This is high on the list going forward.

New staff: at the close of the year last spring, 2 long time teachers elected not to return for the fall of 2014. Mrs. Ashley Simon has been hired as primary religion teacher, and Ms. Katie Lenzendorf has been hired in the English department. We welcome our new teachers to the Prairie Catholic family, and look forward to working with them.

One last thing that will be addressed is the weekday Mass times. This will be posted before the school year begins as we are still working out the implications of different schedules. Having all the kids at the St Gabriel campus brings many challenges as well as blessings. I believe the positives far outweigh any negatives, and the growing pains will be minimal.

You will also note that we will have two rounds of **registration** scheduled. The first is Monday Aug 4 from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM and on Wednesday August 13 from 12:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Tours of our facilities are also available. Please call the St Gabriel school office to set a time if you are interested. Current class sizes range from 8 to 26, so we have room to grow. One other item that is new for this year is the tax deductions available this year for private school education. Please check out web site (www.prairiecatholic.org) for details on this new tax information.

Looking forward to a great year! God bless

Fr Jim

Prayer Corner

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God, grant healing and peace to the sick of our communities and those who have requested our prayers.

Please pray for: Steve Moris, Eileen Sutton, Mary Ann Heisz, Jerry Matousek, Loren Fishler, LaVern Sutton, Janet Dickman, Peg Stoeffler, Maxim Kramer, John Felder, Ann Fulcher, Jim Coorough, Elaine Shedivy, Nancy Patzner, Janelle Becwar, Carissa Waldo, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, Cathy Vondrum, Mildred Prew, John & Cheyenne Messling, Earl Nye, Ethel Sebastian, Tara Pellock, Margaret Konichek, Geraldine Barr, Marguerite Begnoche, Roberta Marfilus, Ann Rowe, Bill McCoy, Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Michael Aschom, Ken Fleshner, Clem Wachuta, Lara Czajkowski Higgins, Carrie Breuer, Graham Shedivy, Dale Boldt, Marion Bernabei, Mary Gillitzer, Richard Aschom, Mark Janz, Lorna Porvaznik, Carolyn Schmidt, John Rink, Josephine Cipra, Dale LaBonne, Dallas Valley, Pam Hamann, Mary T. Shedivy, Lavon David, Diane Fernette, Joe Ludvik, Stacey Johnson, Albenia Sutton, Patricia McCoy, Bernie O'Connell, Frank Tiller, and Fr. Jim.

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

St. John's School Building One question that comes up regularly is what is going on with the St John's building? We have had feelers out to various businesses, schools and government agencies. A couple of these have expressed much interest, but the one thing all of them needed is handicap access and air conditioning. Getting estimates to upgrade the building has shown that this is not feasible at this time. Therefore, this fall we will utilize this building in a variety of ways. First, it will be our primary CCD building. We will also use part of the building as a JWalkers meeting space, giving them a space of their own. How much they use this will be up to them and their leaders. We have set up one room as a meeting room. The K of C will be meeting on parish grounds for the first time in quite a while. This room will be available for a number of other activities as well, including Bible studies and adult faith formation. The dining/kitchen area will be available as well for various activities or for parish members to rent. As this is a work in progress, the above is not an inclusive list. If any have suggestions, please bring them to myself or a parish council member. Fr. Jim

PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for July 27	\$7,312.00	\$7,186.00
Plate for July 27	<u>871.77</u>	<u>818.24</u>
Total	\$8,183.77	\$8,004.24

The second collection came to \$409.50 and will be used for school and CCD expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

BINGO

Bingo winners from Monday, July 28th: \$25.00 - June Petsche, Peg Stoeffler, Nancy Donlon, Marian Taylor; **\$45.00 -** Sean Miller; **\$100.00 -** Roxie Shipley; **Progressive Consolation \$50.00 each -** Peg Stoeffler & Mary Ann Baker; **50/50 Winner (\$53.00) -** Richard Crabtree

The bingo workers for Monday, August 4th are:

Check Writer: John Fischer; **Floor Workers:** Lucy Cornford, Betty Fischer, Peggy Fischer, Kati Forsythe; **Caller:** Bill Schultz; **Food Preparation:** Tammy Cram & Kati Forsythe; **Lunch Stand Workers:** Parents of Austin Cejka & Jaxson Tesar.

All incoming Freshmen and High School students are invited to say "goodbye" to our Senior JWalkers as they leave for college. We will be having a Beach Party on Sunday, August 17th at noon and will go until 6:00 pm. Please meet at the Gazebo across from the Dousman House. Mr. Kravchuk will have his boat and give rides over to the beach. The day will include good food, fun games and great company. Any questions contact Kurt Kravchuk or Mary Stoeffler

PRISON MINISTRY

There is a great need to serve those Catholics in our local Correctional institute. There are a variety of activities that need volunteers to assist. If you would be interested in more information on what this might entail, please contact Kathy Irvin at 326-0516 or Pat Mercaitis at 988-4556. Thank you.

BAPTISM

We welcome into the family of God, **MIA LYNN TEYNOR**, daughter of Kyle & Brooke (Post) Teynor through the Sacrament of Baptism. May God continue to bless Mia Lynn and her family.

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 scheduled confessions on days with weddings or funerals.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday, August 3

Coffee & Rolls after the 8:00 am Mass at St. John's - Drawing for the Lottery Sweepstake Calendar and Holy Name raffle winners

Monday, August 4

8:00 am to 1:00 pm Registration for Prairie Catholic School at St. Gabriel's School

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

Wednesday, August 6

6:00 pm Education Commission meeting in St. John's School

Thursday, August 7

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

Benediction at 1:00 pm

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

****NOTE FRIDAY, AUGUST 15th IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

St. John's Parish in Patch Grove will be hosting their annual Summer Fest on Sunday, August 10 beginning with Mass at 10:00 am. A delicious Ham & Roast Beef dinner will be served family-style from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm. Prices for the dinner are \$9.50 for adults, \$4.00 for children (4-10) and no charge for children 3 years old and younger. All are invited to attend.

WEDDING BANNES

Bryan Trainor & Carissa Kramer (I)

Congratulations to Charlie & Terri Connell on the occasion of their 40th Wedding Anniversary. May God continue to bless them.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE!!!

Prairie Catholic School

I know you will agree that Catholic schools provide an education we can all have faith in. Prairie Catholic School has openings in all grade levels Pre-K to 8. Day Care available. Call to set up a tour at 326-8624.

Registration - Monday, August 4th

8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Registration - Wednesday, August 13th

12:00 - 7:00 pm

Please visit our website at:

www.prairiecatholic.org and read information regarding the private school tuition tax break.