

# HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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## HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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**Rectory Office Hours**

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**St. Gabriel Archangel**

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**Rectory Office Hours**

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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*July 23, 2017 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR

DEACON MARK GRUNWALD



## 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all who cause others to sin and all evildoers. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father." *Mt 13:41-43a*



## St. Gabriel Archangel

### HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JULY 30

Nancy DuCharme

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JULY 29/30

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

Sunday 10:00 am Megan Pedretti, Becky Henry, Deacon Mark Grunwald

### SERVERS-JULY 29/30

Saturday 4:00 pm Owen Teynor & Sawyer Swiggum  
Shawn & JT Egstad

Sunday 10:00 am Kendall Hill & Nick Mara  
Katelyn & Jesse Lutz

### LECTORS-JULY 29/30

Saturday 4:00 pm Dan Schickert

Sunday 10:00 am Scott Kennedy

### USHERS-JULY 29/30

Saturday 4:00 pm Bob Ziel, Richard Steiner, Gene Kirschbaum, & Volunteer

Sunday 10:00 am Mark Hamann, Jerry Matousek, Jim McGrath, Nathan Mezera

### SCRIP WORKERS-JULY 29/30

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteers

Sunday 10:00 am Kalli Igou



## St. John Nepomuc

### HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JULY 30

Nick Nugent, Peg Smith

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JULY 29/30

Saturday 7:00 pm Deacon Mark Grunwald

Sunday 8:00 am Doris Krogman, Dave Hemmer, Jean Ann Dillman

### SERVERS-JULY 29/30

Saturday 7:00 pm Garrett Young & Macey Banasik  
Blake Thiry & Matt Rogge

Sunday 8:00 am Dominique & James Reilly  
Nicole Rickleff & Allison Linder

### LECTORS-JULY 29/30

Saturday 7:00 pm Andy Banasik

Sunday 8:00 am Charlie Connell

### USHERS-JULY 29/30

Saturday 7:00 pm Tim Looney, Alex Schaefer, Mark Forsythe & Volunteer

Sunday 8:00 am Paul Porvaznik, Dennis Mezera, Mike Mara

### SCRIP WORKERS-JULY 29/30

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteers

Sunday 8:00 am Volunteers

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!

#### WEEKDAY MASS SERVERS:

Sawyer Swiggum & Owen Teynor  
Tues. through Friday



Tuesday, July 25	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Bob Willms
Wednesday, July 26	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Tom White
Thursday, July 27	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Bob Boland
Friday, July 28	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Mary Ellen McNamara
Saturday, July 29	4:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	† Richard DuCharme
	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	† Darol Boldt
Sunday, July 30	8:00 am	St. John's Church	For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor
	10:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Eugene Gillitzer

## PATIENCE

I read an article on patience recently, a virtue that comes up often and is one we never perfect. This particular article was based on farming, and how in some cases it can take years to bring this to fruition. Being able to take a few days off with some priest friends fishing, this virtue came into my mind. It may be because of the value of this virtue that Christ chose fishermen to be his first Apostles. You simply cannot demand the fish bite, or come to the boat or slip into the net. The most beautiful day on the water, the best lures or flies, a perfect presentation can, and often do, come up empty. However, not all is lost. In all experiences in this life, there are lessons to bring to the spiritual life. It is this life that gives true meaning to our natural lives, as one will come to an end, and the other will extend into eternity.

Following is a reflection taken from an article by Joan Watson. To see the full article, see: <http://www.integratedcatholiclife.org/2017/07/watson-the-three-people-that-require-patience>.

In the spiritual life, it's important to learn patience with three people:

**Others:** I'm not just talking about patience with that guy who is driving slow in the passing lane or the woman at the grocery store with six dozen coupons. We have to have patience with the conversion processes of our family and friends. In another parable, Jesus warns us that the kingdom of heaven is going to have weeds growing among the wheat, and reminds us that sorting out the two is not our responsibility. While we can judge actions, our Father is the judge of souls. We need to pray for our family and friends, we need to be good witnesses of the truth, and we need to spread the Gospel. But we also need to be patient. St. Josemaria Escriva said we need to cultivate patience which "moves us to be understanding with others, for we are convinced that souls, like good wine, improve with time." If the gardener is willing to wait for the figs, we need to be willing to wait too. Never give up on our loved ones, no matter how far they seem to have strayed.

**Myself:** Often, this is the hardest lesson to learn. Conversion is a slow process, and we need to have patience with our own shortcomings. This does not mean we have permission to sin, nor does it mean we should take sin lightly. But when we do fall - and we will - we know that the Father is waiting to take us back, if we have contrition (even if it's imperfect!). Impatience with ourselves in the process of conversion isn't a sign of virtue but a sign of pride. Get to confession, state your sins humbly, and then get back to work. As Francis de Sales reminds us, "Be patient with everyone but especially with yourself; I mean that you should not be troubled about your imperfections and that you should always have courage to pick yourself up afterwards. There is no better way of getting there in the end in the spiritual life than always starting all over again and never thinking that you have done enough."

**God:** It's no news to anyone that "God works in mysterious ways" and "God's time is not our time." This can be terribly frustrating, to say the least. But we have to remember that in the big tapestry of life, we are only looking at a few threads. God has the entire picture in his mind at every moment, since He is always in the present. (continued on next column)

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No matter how much we might knot those threads with our sins and disobedience, He loves us enough to work all for our good. His plan might not be our plan, and his time frame might not be our time frame, but since He is patient with us, we need to be patient with Him! It will be worth it, to say the least.

The spiritual life is a gradual process that requires patience and mercy.

*"Grace, like nature, normally acts gradually. We cannot, properly speaking, move ahead of grace. But in all that does depend on us we have to prepare the way and co-operate when God grants grace to us. Souls have to be encouraged to aim very high; they have to be impelled towards Christ's ideal. Lead them to the highest goals which should not be reduced or made weaker in any way. But remember that sanctity is not primarily worked out with one's own hands. Grace normally takes its time, and is not inclined to act with violence."*

(St. Josemaria Escriva)

## PRAYER CORNER

God, grant healing and peace to the sick of our communities and those who have requested our prayers. Please pray for: Eileen Sutton, Mary Ann Heisz, Jerry Matousek, LaVern Sutton, Janet Dickman, Peg Stoeffler, Nancy Patzner, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, John & Cheyenne Messling, Peyton Kraushaar, Earl Nye, Ethel Sebastian, Tara Pellock, Margaret Konichek, Geraldine Barr, Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Ken Fleshner, Carrie Breuer, Graham Shedivy, Mary Gillitzer, Lorna Porvaznik, John Rink, Dale LaBonne, Dallas Valley, Mary T. Shedivy, Diane Fernette, Joe Ludvik, Stacey Johnson, Bernie O'Connell, Frank Tiller, Carl Shedivy, Rosanna Mayer, Marilyn Rybarczyk, Pam Waller, Jackie Cherrier, Jennifer Gilman, Sara Breuer, Rose Miller, Annabelle Stubbe, Karen Carroll, Richard Ginsterblum, Letty Oehler, Howard Gillitzer, Art Boxrucker, Nora Vickerman, Cecil Olson, Mary Kann, Barbara Schwant, Tyler Gillitzer, Lynette Reichmann, Scott Plondke, Richard Gillitzer, Gerald Stram, Joe Barrette, Sally Ann White, Scott Sklenar, Shirley Ambrose, Don McFarland, Vickie Samples, Nancy Aschom, Phyllis Waller, Jack Dahl, Sandi Herreid, Melinda Neumann, Don Ritchie, Sally White, Faye Tesar, Dean Heintz, Robert McCarty, Matilda Flansburgh, Joan Marie Tiller, Mary Jo Carl, Joseph Hamann, Stan Garnsworthy, Janet Kahler, Judy Mezera, Owen Price, Sandra Marx, Wilbur Rupp, Kathy Leard, Scott Yeomans, Dorothy Gilkes, Andra Meana, Christine Carlson, M. Catherine Benoy, Irene Mitchell, Gaige Hatlin, Avalo A. Berns.

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

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for July 16th	\$6,493.00	\$6,642.00
Plate for July 16th	<u>979.51</u>	<u>839.50</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,472.51</b>	<b>\$7,481.50</b>

The second collection came to \$870.00 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

Work List for Brat Fest - Sunday, July 30th  
St. Gabriel's Parish Lawn - 10:30 am to 6:00 pm

**Chairman:** Ed Steger & John Gillitzer

**Saturday Morning Kitchen Detail: 8:00 am**

Husk Sweet Corn, Prep Food - any volunteer who can help (10-12 men)

**Set Up on Sunday Morning: 7:00 am** Ed Steger, Tom Steiner, Ray Check, Joe Gillitzer, any volunteers

**Food Stand: 9:30 am-1:00 pm** Larry Dahman, Bill Huser, Russ Gillitzer, Tom Stram, Ray & Dave Check, Eric Teynor

**Cooks: 9:30 am -1:00 pm** Jim & JJ Jackson, Jim Welsch, Paul Bowar, Brian Nelson

**Food Stand: 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm** Brad & Joey Linder, Rick, Jeff & Brian Groom, Rick & Connor Morovits, Chris Mara, Tim & Terry Steger, Gene Kirschbaum

**Cooks: 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm** Derek Eastman, Bill Nicholson, Dan Titlbach, Layne David

**Food Stand: 3:30 pm - Close** Mike Stram, Jim & Sean McGrath, Jack Check, Don Osterhaus, Bob Ziel, Fay Yost, Ken & Jack Stoeffler

**Cooks: 3:30 - Close** Jim Mezera, Pete Prew, Keith Neisius & sons

**Money Barrel & Raffle Ticket Sales** Don Cipra, Bill Check, Butch Boland, Russ Eulgem, Gary Howe, Mark Hamann

**Bake Sale** Need Volunteers



## Bake Sale

We are planning on having a bake sale at the Brat Fest next Sunday. We will need items for the bake sale such as cookies, bars, cakes, rolls, candy, etc. Also need volunteers to work at the Bake Sale. Thank you.

Don't forget to use SCRIP over the summer months. We all need to purchase groceries, gasoline, etc. Plus our gift cards make great gifts for any occasion. SCRIP is such a painless way to make extra funds for our parish and school.

### 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

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Sunday, July 23

Monday, July 24

Tuesday, July 25

3:30 Mass at Prairie Maison

Wednesday, July 26

Thursday, July 27

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

Friday, July 28

Saturday, July 29

Sunday, July 30

10:30 am to 6:00 pm Holy Family Brat Fest at St. Gabriel's serving Brats, Burgers, Hot Dogs, Sweet Corn, and Beverages ; Bake Sale; All are invited

*Congratulations to Dan and Kathy Becwar on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. May God continue to bless them.*

### BAPTISM

We welcome into the family of God, **Emmett John Geisler**, son of Scott A. & Frances M. (Hennessy) Geisler, through the Sacrament of Baptism. May God continue to bless **Emmett John** and his family.

### BREWER BUS TRIP

We just want to clear up any miss-understandings on the Brewer vs. St Louis Cardinals game on Aug 3. We are planning on 2 busses; one will have the servers and chaperones, the second will be for adults. The server bus is almost full, so if you have not signed up for that yet, please contact the rectory soon to get a space reserved. There are spaces available on the 2<sup>nd</sup> bus, so if you would like to get away for a day of baseball, please contact the rectory soon to reserve a spot. The cost for this trip is only \$30, and includes the bus trip, parking and tailgate, game ticket and a sandwich for the ride home. We thank the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring this server trip

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St. Gabriel's Rectory Lawn  
10:30 am to 6:00 pm  
Brats, Burgers, Hot Dogs  
Sweet Corn, Beverages  
Bake Sale**