

HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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

Available by telephone

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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December 25, 2022 The Nativity of the Lord

Please remember your parish family in your financial offering during the Christmas Season. It is one of the precepts of the Catholic Church to support the work she does here and abroad. Your financial giving supports the general operational budget. Please be generous again this year.

The 2023 calendars are now available for parish members to take home. Initially, please only one per household. If there are extras, you may take additional copies. The parish is very appreciative to Tiller Furniture for sponsoring it again.

I extend to all our parishioners and their families a very Blessed Christmas. May the peace of the Christ-Child Jesus abide in your hearts and homes this Christmas and throughout the New Year of 2023!

Msgr. Stoetzel

Readings for the week of December 25, 2022

Sunday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3])/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Wednesday 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 2:13-18

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/Lk 2:22-35

Friday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18

Next Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

MERRY CHRISTMAS



St. Gabriel Archangel

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER-DEC 31/JAN 1

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer
Sunday 8:00 am Volunteer

SERVERS--DEC 31/JAN 1

Saturday 4:00 pm Jack Wallace & Steve Lechnir
Sunday 8:00 am Declan Campbell & Grayson Cooley

LECTORS- DEC 31/JAN 1

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer
Sunday 8:00 am Volunteer

USHERS-DEC 31/JAN 1

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer
Sunday 8:00 am Volunteer

SCRIP WORKERS-DEC 31/JAN 1

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer
Sunday 8:00 am Volunteer



Anyone wishing to have a loved one honored with flowers for the Christmas Mass season, please place an envelope with your donation in the collection basket with the name of the honoree. We will publish names in the bulletin.



St. John Nepomuc

HOME COMMUNION FOR JANUARY 1

Donna Steiner & Kathleen Deluhery

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-DEC 31/JAN 1

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteer
Sunday 10:00 am Volunteer

SERVERS-DEC 31/JAN 1

Saturday 7:00 pm Jacob Mara & Wynn Hall
Sunday 10:00 am Breileigh & Braxton Trautsch

LECTORS-DEC 31/JAN 1

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteer
Sunday 10:00 am Volunteer

USHERS-DEC 31/JAN 1

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteer
Sunday 10:00 am Volunteer

SCRIP WORKERS-DEC 31/JAN 1

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteer
Sunday 10:00 am Volunteer

LOTTERY SWEEPSTAKE CALENDARS

are now for sale. Thirty monthly prizes. You can purchase them at St. John's Rectory, Prairie Catholic School or call John Fischer (326-2827). Six for \$100.00 or \$20.00 per calendar. Winners names will be published in the church bulletin. Just a reminder these make great Christmas Gifts!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 26	7:30 am	St. John's Church	Special Intention
Tuesday, December 27	7:30 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Thomas Becwar
Wednesday, December 28	7:30 am	St. John's Church	Pat Lorenz
Thursday, December 29	7:30 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Dr. & Mrs. Daniel Fagan
Friday, December 30	7:30 am	St. John's Church	Living & deceased members of Mathew and Rose Mezera Family
Saturday, December 31	4:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	John Powers
	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	the Faithful of Holy Family
Sunday, January 1	8:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Living & deceased members of Daniel and Agnes Ocenosak Family
	10:00 am	St. John's Church	Jerald Bohman

In first grade, we have been getting excited for Christmas and seeing where our shepherd is. The shepherd is similar to the elf, except the focus is finding Jesus and how we can live our lives like Jesus. Also, in religion class, we have been learning about Advent, the feast day of the Immaculate Conception, and St. Nicholas. In Social Studies, we also learned how Germany celebrates St. Nicholas Day in our unit, Holidays Around the World. We have also traveled to Mexico, where we learned about the legend of the poinsettia; Italy, where we learned about La Befana, who delivers gifts on the Epiphany; and Sweden's tradition of celebrating Saint Lucia Day. In math class, the students have been learning math fact families and the relationship between addition and subtraction. Lastly in reading class, we had just read a story called *Brontorina* by James Howe. This story is about a dinosaur who never gave up her dreams.

Finally, I just wanted to say happy holidays and Merry Christmas from all of us in first grade.

Samantha Christian
First Grade Teacher
Prairie Catholic School

The mission of Prairie Catholic School is to nurture Christ centered students through spiritual growth, academic excellence, and service to others in a safe and caring environment.

The Knights of Columbus are having a personal care drive. Items will be distributed through the Cap Office. Boxes are in the back of both churches, Walgreens, Dollar Tree and Anytime Fitness. The Cap Office has indicated they are very short on items at this time.

PRAYER CORNER

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

Please pray for: Patricia Coorough, Elissa Lechnir, John Lochner, Special Intention and Oaklynn Petersen.

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

Due to the number of requests and space in the bulletin, names submitted for the prayer corner will be deleted after one month. Please accept our apologies for any inconveniences .

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

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday, December 25

No Scripture Study

Monday, December 26

Tuesday, December 27

Wednesday, December 28

No Confirmation or CCD classes

Thursday, December 29

Adoration after the 7:30 am Mass at St. Gabriel's

Benediction at 1:00 pm

Friday, December 30

Saturday, December 31

Sunday, January 1

No Scripture Study

BAPTISM

We welcome into the family of God, **Braxton Louis Swatek**, son of Brett Michael Swatek and Elizabeth Marcella Mezera through the Sacrament of Baptism. May God continue to bless **Braxton Louis** and his family.

IN SYMPATHY

Please remember Laurretta Rod in your prayers. Her funeral was held at St. John's Church. May God grant eternal life to Laurretta and comfort to her family.

IN SYMPATHY

Please remember Myrna Shulka in your prayers. Her funeral was held at St. John's Church. May God grant eternal life to Myrna and comfort to her family.

PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for Dec 11	\$6,640.00	\$10,764.00
Plate for Dec 11	<u>708.25</u>	<u>459.80</u>
Total	\$7,348.25	\$11,223.80

The second collection came to \$300.00 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Because our bulletin had to go to press early this week, the collection for December 17/18 will be posted in next week's bulletin.