

# 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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Prairie Du Chien, WI 53821

Phone: 326-2404

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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.

**Principal**

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July 10, 2016 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR



## 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight."

Lk 10:30b-31, 33



## St. Gabriel Archangel

### HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JULY 17

Jeri Kluesner, Sheila Linder

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JULY 16/17

Saturday 4:00 pm Debbie Morovits, Tom Steiner, Mary Kirschbaum

Sunday 10:00 am Becky Henry, Eileen Hermsen, & Rhonda Stubbe

### SERVERS-JULY 16/17

Saturday 4:00 pm Kyle & Seth MacEachern  
John Titlbach & Jack MacEachern

Sunday 10:00 am Logan & Tessa Higgins  
Kendall Hill & Ellie Mara

### LECTORS-JULY 16/17

Saturday 4:00 pm Arlene Willms

Sunday 10:00 am Steve Schwager

### USHERS-JULY 16/17

Saturday 4:00 pm Joe Barrette, Gene Kirschbaum,  
Richard Steiner, Bob Ziel

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

### SCRIP WORKERS-JULY 16/17

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteers

Sunday 10:00 am Sheila Eastman



## St. John Nepomuc

### HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JULY 17

Chris Ingham, Mary Steiner, Donna Steiner

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JULY 16/17

Saturday 7:00 pm Linda Moser

Sunday 8:00 am Peggy Gallagher, Doris Krogman,  
Jean Ann Dillman

### SERVERS-JULY 16/17

Saturday 7:00 pm Blake Thiry & Matt Rogge  
Nick & Jenna Holler

Sunday 8:00 am Jonah Linder & Claire Teynor  
Chase & Madilyn Fisher

### LECTORS-JULY 16/17

Saturday 7:00 pm Rita Krahn

Sunday 8:00 am Jerry Cummings

### USHERS-JULY 16/17

Saturday 7:00 pm Merle Frommelt, Bernie Mayer, Alex Schaefer, Tyler Rochleau

Sunday 8:00 am Jim Gallagher, Ron Trautsch, Mike Mara, Dennis Mezera

### SCRIP WORKERS-JULY 16/17

Saturday 7:00 pm Amy Young

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!

#### WEEKDAY MASS SERVERS:

Tuesday through Friday  
Logan & Tessa Higgins



Tuesday, July 12	5:15 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	Communion Service
Wednesday, July 13	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Edmund Jelinek
Thursday, July 14	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† William L. Rice
Friday, July 15	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Juanita Tully
Saturday, July 16	4:00 pm 7:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church St. John's Church	† For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor † Joe Rod
Sunday, July 17	8:00 am 10:00 am	St. John's Church St. Gabriel's Church	† Dorothy Rolph † Joseph & Margaret Cipra

## IMPORTANCE OF COMMITMENT

When I was young my parents helped my four brothers and three sisters and I to include prayer as part of our family life. We prayed our meal prayers together always before we started eating and a decade of the Rosary during Advent and Lent. At times, it became difficult with all of the sports practice, but my parents remained steadfast with their commitment. Before bed, we would kneel down, to think back through the day about the times we were unkind and selfish and then we prayed an Act of Contrition with our mother until third grade, and then after that by ourselves. Looking back now, I recognize that these are essential habits that form an important foundation for every child.

Unfortunately, in college, all of these habits went out the window because I did not want my roommate to know that I was praying. I had this fear that she would think I was weird. Therefore, I would crawl into bed, and begin to examine my conscience with the intention of also praying the Act of Contrition – definitely needed during that time of life – but fall asleep shortly after getting started.

Many years later, as I faced difficulties in life, I came to recognize, through the grace of God, that my laziness of crawling into bed and starting a prayer before falling asleep was really not having a conversation with the Person of Christ. One day, as I had no idea how to move forward in making one of the most serious decisions of my life, I knelt down next to my bed and prayed, “God, I don’t know who You are or where You are, but will you help me?” That prayer was immediately answered and has not stopped being answered. Another result of that prayer was that I became convinced that God really knows me and wants me to know Him and that He wants to give me everything that is good.

Shortly after that important prayer to God for help, I decided that I wanted to “learn how to pray” as an adult and be committed on a daily basis. The only problem was I overlooked a few of the basics. Exactly one year later, I realized that I was waiting for “free time” in order to pray and so I had never even started. I finally figured out that if I did not decide on the exact time that I would pray, it just wasn’t going to happen. Thankfully, from my sports background, I knew that it was necessary to start out small and then slowly build. So I decided on a specific time and committed to five minutes a day. My commitment was to pray three Our Fathers, three Hail Mary’s and three Glory Be’s very slowly, thinking carefully about the words.

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I would close by thanking God for three things. Sometimes this led to simple conversation with Jesus about what was going on in my life and the help I needed. After six months of being faithful to five minutes I added two more

Since that time, I have learned that the Holy Spirit is the “interior Teacher of Christian Prayer.” Therefore, when I don’t even have a desire to pray, or want to cut my prayer time short because I am “too busy”, I ask the Holy Spirit to give me a desire to pray and to teach me how to pray with my heart. He always answers that prayer, in changing my attitude and leading me to different forms of prayer so that my friendship with Jesus is dynamic and grows stronger.

Let us recognize that our commitment to prayer really rests on choosing a time, much like we set aside time for meals, sports, hair appointments and other personal priorities. Even Christ did the same: “Early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up and slipped to a solitary place to pray” (Mark 1:35). If we want to spend eternity with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit in Heaven, we must get to know them now through a commitment to daily prayer!

Ann Lankford

Director for Catechesis and Evangelization

## 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, John Felder, Ann Fulcher, Nancy Patzner, Janelle Becwar, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, John & Cheyenne Messling, Earl Nye, Ethel Sebastian, Tara Pellock, Margaret Konichek, Geraldine Barr, Marguerite Begnoche, Bill McCoy, Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Ken Fleshner, Carrie Breuer, Graham Shedivy, Mary Gillitzer, Mark Janz, Lorna Porvaznik, John Rink, Dale LaBonne, Dallas Valley, Mary T. Shedivy, Lavon David, 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 & Celine Boxrucker, Nora Vickerman, Dave Bohnenkamp, Cecil Olson, Mary Kann, Herb Schneider, Eugene Gillitzer, Barbara Schwant, Tyler Gillitzer, Anita Steger, Lynette Reichmann, Janet Beinborn, Scott Plondke, Richard Gillitzer, Gerald Stram, Joe Barrette, Sally Ann White, Scott Sklenar, Shirley Ambrose, Don McFarland, Vickie Samples, James Thompson, Nancy Aschom, Phyllis Waller, Jack Dahl, Joan Sheckler, Sandi Herreid, Melinda Neumann, Don Ritchie, Sally White, Bernice DuCharme.

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

4a July, 2016 Calendar Sweepstake Winners

**\$100.00:** Roger Moore, PdC; Fr. Jim Warosh, Wauwatosa, WI; Scott White, Fennimore; Jamin Hitchcock, Ames, IA; Terry Mezera, Oconomowoc, WI

**\$50.00:** Cecelia Benda, PdC; Angie Foley, PdC; Pat Erdenberger, PdC; Mary Novey, PdC; Makayla Steger, PdC

**\$25.00:** Suellyn Scharping, Donners Grove, IL; Kim Barrows, PdC; Barb Novey, PdC; Kathy Degan, Wauzeka; Dorothy Baures, PdC; Vicki Sebastian, PdC; Jessi Steger, PdC; Quick Family, PdC; Joshua Dyer, Eastman, Claire Kennedy, PdC; Mary Smith, Lancaster; Chuck Steiner, PdC; Cecelia Benda, PdC; Tim Jacobson, Platteville; Peg Gallagher, PdC; Armella Kueter, PdC; John Betzle, East Moline, IL; Weber Chiropractic, PdC; Terry Steger, PdC; Tarra Brewer, PdC

**THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH** 4b

Sunday, July 10

Monday, July 11

Tuesday, July 12

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

Wednesday, July 13

Thursday, July 14

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

6:00 pm Holy Family Finance Council meeting in St. John's School

Friday, July 15

Saturday, July 16

Sunday, July 17

**ELEMENTARY TEACHER POSITION OPEN**

Prairie Catholic School has a current opening for an elementary teaching position. If interested, please contact Principal Wade Marlow at 608-326-8624 or email [wmarlow@prairiecatholic.org](mailto:wmarlow@prairiecatholic.org) for specifics on this opening. Open until filled.

**The Parish is looking for volunteers to distribute communion to the home-bound.** Communion ministers have one rotation every 10 weeks or so and it amounts to about 2 hours for 2 Sundays. For more information contact Barbara or Merle Frommelt at 326-2275.

**Unit Chairpersons** In next weekend's bulletin we will be listing the new chairpersons for our units. Each new chairperson will be mailed a list of the parishioners in their unit and instructions for what a unit chairperson does. Last year many parishioners were confused about what unit they were in. The units go by the first letter of your last name and are divided into two groups.

**The Saints**

January (A & H)  
February (B & V)  
March (C & Z)  
April (D & R)  
May (E & W)  
June (F & T)

**The Angels**

July (G & I & O)  
August (J & P & Q)  
September (K)  
October (L & N & Y)  
November (M)  
December (S)

For example if your last name is Smith you are in the December Unit or if your last name is Jones, you are in the August Unit.

**Readings for the Week of July 10, 2016**

**Sunday:** Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37 or Ps 19:8-11/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

**Monday:** Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23/Mt 10:34-11:1

**Tuesday:** Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-8/Mt 11:20-24

**Wednesday:** Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27

**Thursday:** Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-21/Mt 11:28-30

**Friday:** Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10-12, 16/Mt 12:1-8

**Saturday:** Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21

**Next Sunday:** Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-5/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

**PARISH SUPPORT**

	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Last Year</b>
Envelopes for July 3rd	\$10,731.00	\$10,029.00
Plate for July 3rd	<u>1,186.47</u>	<u>1,235.75</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,917.47</b>	<b>\$11,264.75</b>

The second collection came to \$544.26 and will go toward the Youth Group's Mission trip. The Prairie Catholic School envelopes came to a total of \$215.00.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

**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.