

# HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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## HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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**St. Gabriel Archangel**

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**Rectory Office Hours**

8:00am to 4:00pm (Monday - 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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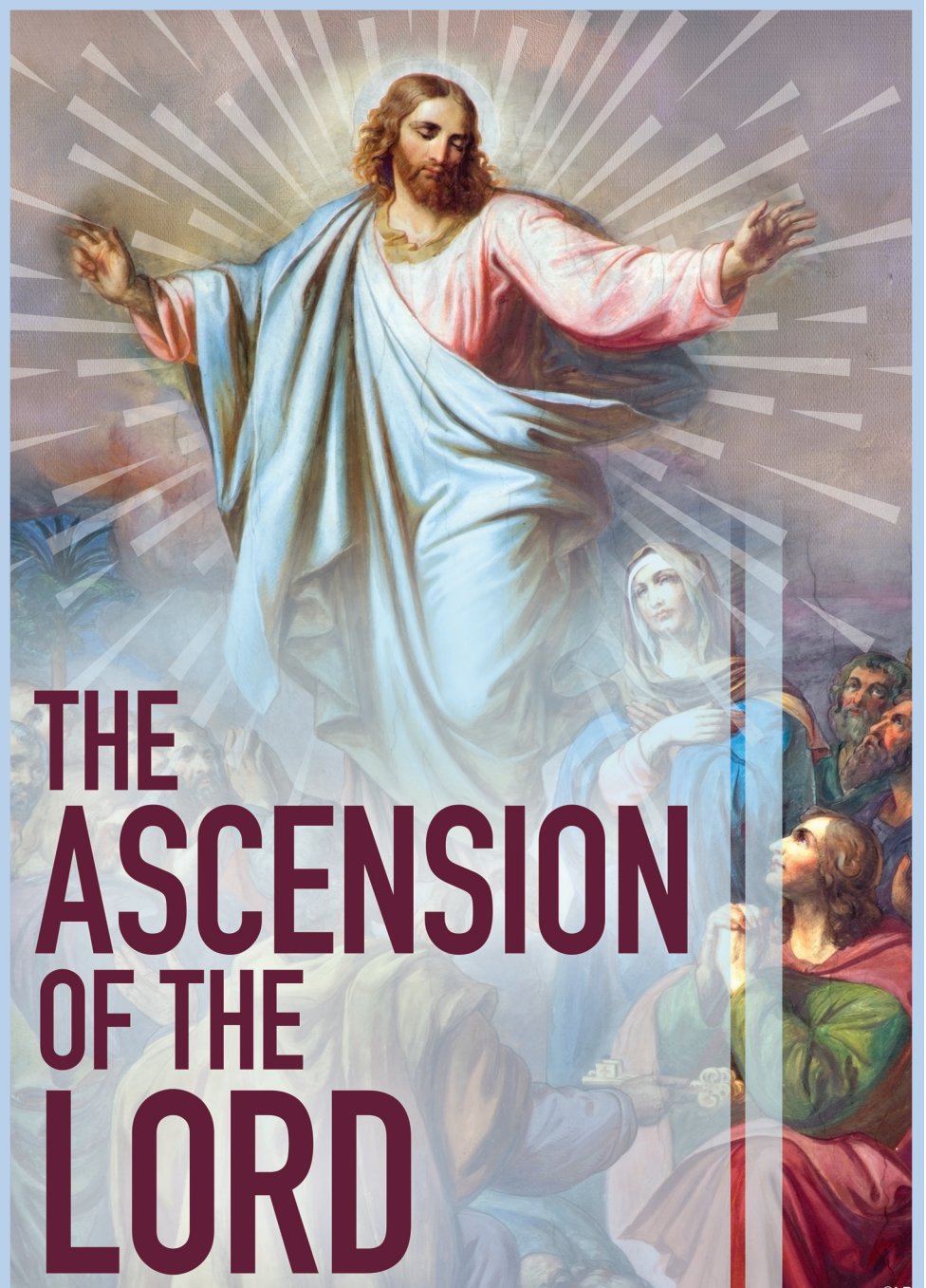
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*May 16, 2021 - The Ascension of the Lord*





## St. Gabriel Archangel

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER-MAY 22/23

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer

Sunday 8:00 am Volunteer

### SERVERS--MAY 22/23

Saturday 4:00 pm No Servers at this time

Sunday 8:00 am No Servers at this time

### LECTORS-MAY 22/23

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer

Sunday 8:00 am Volunteer

### USHERS-MAY 22/23

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteers

Sunday 8:00 am Volunteers

### SCRIP WORKERS-MAY 22/23

Saturday 4:00 pm No Scrip Sales after Mass

Sunday 8:00 am No Scrip Sales after Mass

### **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

**My Jesus,**

**I believe that You**

**are present in the Blessed Sacrament.**

**I love You above all things,**

**and I desire You with all my heart.**

**Since I cannot now receive**

**You sacramentally,**

**I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.**

**I embrace You as if You were already**

**In my heart**

**and unite myself to You completely.**

**Please do not let me ever**

**be separated from you.**

**Amen**



## St. John Nepomuc

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-MAY 22/23

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteer

Sunday 10:00 am Volunteer

### SERVERS-MAY 22/23

Saturday 7:00 pm No Servers at this time

Sunday 10:00 am Volunteers (Call Msgr. at 326-6511)

### LECTORS-MAY 22/23

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteer

Sunday 10:00 am Volunteer

### USHERS-MAY 22/23

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteers

Sunday 10:00 am Volunteers

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### Readings for the week of May 16, 2021

**Sunday: Ascension:** Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6] Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

**Monday:** Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab [33a]/Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday:** Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/Jn 17:1-11a

**Wednesday:** Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab [33a]/Jn 17:11b-19

**Thursday:** Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Jn 17:20-26

**Friday:** Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday:** Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [7b]/Jn 21:20-25

**Next Sunday:** Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]Gal 5:16-25/Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, May 17	7:30 am	St. John's Church	the Faithful of Holy Family Parish
Tuesday, May 18	8:30 am	St. Gabriel's Church	the Faithful of Holy Family Parish
Wednesday, May 19	7:30 am	St. John's Church	Special Intention for Lora Chamberlain
Thursday, May 20	8:30 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Terry Powers
Friday, May 21	7:30 am	St. John's Church	Keith Kozelka
Saturday, May 22	4:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	Lawrence Novey
	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	Norman & Betty Berns
Sunday, May 23	8:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church	the Faithful of Holy Family Parish
	10:00 am	St. John's Church	Donald Draka



## 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, Janet Dickman, Peg Stoeffler, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, John & Cheyenne Messling, Peyton Kraushaar, Earl Nye, Ethel Sebastian, Tara Pellock, Don & Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Ken Fleshner, Graham Shedivy, Lorna Porvaznik, John Rink, Dale LaBonne, Diane Fernette, Stacey Johnson, Frank Tiller, Rosanna Mayer, Pam Waller, Jackie Cherrier, Jennifer Gilman, Rose Miller, Nora Vickerman, Barbara Schwant, Tyler Gillitzer, Lynette Reichmann, Gerald Stram, Joe Barrette, Sally Ann White, Richard & Shirley Ambrose, Phyllis Waller, Sandi Herreid, Melinda Neumann, Sally White, Carol Kalish, Matilda Flansburgh, Joan Marie Tiller, Joseph Hamann, Janet Kahler, Judy Mezera, Owen Price, Kathy Leard, Scott Yeomans, Dorothy Gilkes, Andra Meana, Gaike Hatlin, Doris Bohnenkamp, Lyle & Rosella Ahles, Marita (Hoeger) Conley, Jeffery Scott DuCharme, Gina Buettner, Audrey Mara, Sister Suzanne Gallagher, Nancy Knutson, George Kahler, Charles Barney, Rick Hamann, Darlene (McKillip) Murana, Patricia Coorough, John Gillitzer, Carol Mullikin, Doug Dickman, Loren & Diane Fishler, Wayne Mitchell, Matthew Stubbe, Robert McCarty, Phyllis Tichenor, Virginia A. Walz, Jennifer Lessard, Joe Prew, Linda Sweeney, Jeanelle Westerfield, Nick Morgan, Mary Duffy, Robin Valley Massey, Edith Adamson, Gracie Quam, Deacon Mark Grunwald, Sue Groom, Arlene Willms, Ryan Kozelka, Kathy Kurt, Ron Ore, Lora Chamberlain, Christina Toberman, Alice M. Ohlert, Tony Teynor, Arnold Gillitzer, Roger Prew, Tammy Nolan, Betty Cejka.

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

**School Notes.....**We are looking for a full time 3rd grade teacher for next school year at Prairie Catholic. If interested please apply on WECAN or contact Principal Spindler at 608-326-8624.

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.

## PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for May 9	\$6,662.00	\$7,026.00
Plate for May 9	850.41	.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,512.41</b>	<b>\$7,026.00</b>

The second collection came to \$256.00 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

Dear parishioners and visitors,

If you farm the land, tend a garden, and/or maintain a lawn, you know there is a tremendous need for rain. The forecast is not looking good because it indicated this year will be drought-like. So we need rain and I hope you will be praying for it.

Today (*May 15<sup>th</sup>*) is the optional memorial of St. Isadore who is the patronal saint of farmers. In need of rain, we want to pray to God through the intercession of St. Isadore. Also, we pray that those in farming will receive a just wage for all their labors. I grew up on a farm and know the tremendous hours of work and labor that goes into it. I don't regret growing on the farm for I loved to be outside and enjoyed the fresh produce that came from the garden. Throughout my life, I have had people tell me they wished they had that experience. Frankly, I am not sure if they were cut-out for farm-life; some admitted so. God bless those who are and enjoy farming!

Thank you, and God bless you.

Msgr. Stoetzel

**Please note the wearing of masks and social distancing is still effective in the Catholic churches in the Diocese of La Crosse. The Bishop wants all to be aware of the need to lessen the risk of the virus doing so out of Christian charity to others. The Bishop's letter is found at the main doors of both churches for you to read. Thank you.**

Helping College Students stay connected to God and the Catholic Church Newman Connection is a national organization that connects your graduating seniors to college Catholic campus ministries. Cassie Campton with Newman Connection will be contacting you. Without this connection so many students drift away from their faith and relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church. You can speak with Cassie at 217-262-6571 to participate or you can use this link to sign-up now: [hso.newmanconnection.com](https://hso.newmanconnection.com). Participating in this program is so simple – you can send your student's college information to Newman Connection, who will pass that on to the college campus ministers in the fall, plus you can encourage your 2021 high school grads to download the Newman Connect app where they can connect instantly to their college campus ministry! The app is new this year, and more than 100 college campuses are using it already, to reach Catholic students.

**JWALKER MISSION TRIP....**This July we have about 35-40 young people and chaperones going to Lake Charles, Louisiana to help with clean up from 2 Hurricanes within 6 weeks of each other. Therefore, we are in need of scholarships for these missionaries. A full Scholarship is \$400.00 and a half Scholarship is \$200.00. However, any amount you may be able to offer will be much appreciated. If you are able to help, you may drop check at St. John's rectory or you may place a check in the collection basket marked especially for this purpose. Any questions or concerns you may contact Mary Stoeffler. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare themselves for this trip.

**Scripture Study is back in session. We will be meeting on Wednesdays at 8:15 am in St. John's Sacristy. If you have questions please call 608-326-5459. Please join us.**

**There are less than two months left to complete the 2020 Diocesan Annual Appeal.** Here is where we stand as of May 11th; **Pledged - \$52,285.00** which is **83.76%** of the target amount from **254** parish households. Thank you very much to those who have given thus far, and we are counting on the rest to do your part to make it successful. If we do not reach our goal by the end of June, the balance will have to be paid from the general parish account used to meet our financial obligations. **So we need your support now!**

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE GIVEN TO THE DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL.** We will be listing names of all who responded. If you do not see your name it will appear in future bulletins.

Joseph & Sharon Atkins, Michael & Angela Gillitzer, Roger & Marlene Grunow, Michael & Debra Henthorn, Eileen Hermsen, Gene & Mary Kirschbaum, Brian & Susan Koresh, Patricia Lenzendorf, Dennis Mezera, Mitch & Peggy Mezera, Frederick Moris, Keith & Rochelle Neisius, Janette Nicholson, Bernard O'Connell, Todd & Dee O'Connell, Alex & Nicole Osterkamp, Mattie Rademacher, Curt & Shelly Root, Steve & Julie Schwager, Michael & Sharon Strnad, John & Sheila Swatek, Fritz & Wanda Tippery, Jan & Lori Waller, Pamela Waller, James & Margaret Walz, Gail Zirngibl.

## 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

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Sunday, May 16

Monday, May 17

Tuesday, May 18

Wednesday, May 19

8:15 am Scripture Study in St. John's Sacristy - Please join us - any questions call 326-5459

Thursday, May 20

Adoration after the 8:30 am Mass at St. Gabriel's  
Benediction at 1:00 pm

6:00 pm Combined Finance & Parish Council meeting in the Fellowship Hall at St. John's

Friday, May 21

Saturday, May 22

Sunday, May 23

## A Note from Fr. Paul Fagan

Dear Friends,

Today is Sat. 08 May 2021. I am writing to you from Prairie du Chien to let you know that after 9 months here in Wisconsin I am planning to fly out of Chicago on Tuesday 11 May returning to my parish of St. Peter in Nkololo and to Songambele Hospital. I have enjoyed the new life and freshness of Spring for the first time in 60 years. If I am well and able I will return for a visit in the summer of 2022. Some of you know that I was sick with Covid 19 a few days before my planned departure on 18 Nov. 2020. I was seriously ill and admitted to Crossing Rivers Hospital in Prairie du Chien for 15 days. Due to excellent care and the fervent prayers of many people I survived and am recovering. I trust in God that I will be able to make the long trip back home and that I will be able to meet the requirements for travel as well as entry into Tanzania. It will be a challenge. I am anxious to get back to my parish and to my assignment as chaplain of Songambele Hospital. I am happy to say that during my absence the administration really did an excellent job of moving forward with reconstruction and passing the many inspections from health officials. It is time for me to get back to work. My prayers for you all and please remember me in your prayers.

Blessings.

Fr. Paul

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