

HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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St. John Nepomuc

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Prairie Du Chien, WI 53821

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Rectory Office Hours

8:00am to 1:00pm (Tuesday - Friday)

St. Gabriel Archangel

710 S. Wacouta Ave.

Prairie Du Chien, WI 53821

Phone: 608-326-2404

Rectory Office Hours

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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Rose Bauer, Shirley Cipra (608-326-8553)

December 10, 2023 Second Sunday of Advent

Please note the times of Masses and churches for the next two holydays of obligation and the Fourth Sunday of Advent:

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT:

Saturday, Dec. 23rd 4:00 PM - St. Gabriel, and 7:00 PM - St. John; Sunday, Dec. 24th 9:00 AM - St. Gabriel (**NO 8:00 AND 10:00 AM MASSES**)

CHRISTMAS:

Sunday, Dec. 24, 4:00 PM - St. John, 5:30 PM - St. Gabriel, and 8:00 PM - St. John

Monday, Dec. 25th, 9:00 AM - St. Gabriel

MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER GOD (not obligatory to attend Mass this year)

Monday, Jan. 1st 7:30 AM - St. John

Please note the extra times set for the celebration of the **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE** (confessions):

Monday, Dec. 11th 4:00 – 6:00 PM St. John; Monday, Dec. 18th 4:00 – 6:00 PM, St. John

The religious calendars for 2024 are available to take home beginning on December 2nd. Please take only one per household initially. If there are extras at the end of the month, please take another. Many thanks to Tiller Furniture who has sponsored them over the years which this time is the last. Enjoy retirement!

The annual collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious is taken in December. If you would like to contribute, there are envelopes in the book racks in both churches. Please return your donation by the end of December.

Please remember your parish family at Christmas and the New Year with your financial giving. It supports the work of the Church right here in Prairie du Chien. Presently, the parish is meeting its financial obligations. Please continue with your time, talent and treasure. Thank you very much!

Prairie Catholic School Silent Auction December 1st-12th for the class trip to Washington DC in Spring of 2025. A link to the auction site can be found on Prairie Catholic School Facebook page. Contact Brian Simmons at 608-778-9320 if you have questions.



St. Gabriel Archangel

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER-DECEMBER 16/17

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer

Sunday 8:00 am Volunteer

SERVERS--DECEMBER 16/17

Saturday 4:00 pm Tanner Koresh

Sunday 8:00 am Grayson Cooley & Declan Campbell

LECTORS-DECEMBER 16/17

Saturday 4:00 pm J.J. Jackson

Sunday 8:00 am John Chaffee

USHERS-DECEMBER 16/17

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer

Sunday 8:00 am Volunteer

SCRIP WORKERS-DECEMBER 16/17

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer

Sunday 8:00 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!

Our staff works very hard keeping the churches clean. Recently all of the gum was removed from underneath the pews. Please refrain from sticking gum under the pews.

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!



St. John Nepomuc

HOME COMMUNION FOR DECEMBER 17

Mark Gerhards and Barb Mezera

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER-DEC 16/17

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteer

Sunday 10:00 am Volunteer

SERVERS-DECEMBER 16/17

Saturday 7:00 pm Wynn Hall & Cora Fuelling

Sunday 10:00 am Breileigh & Braxton Trautsch

LECTORS-DECEMBER 16/17

Saturday 7:00 pm Linda Moser

Sunday 10:00 am Charlie Connell

USHERS-DECEMBER 16/17

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteer

Sunday 10:00 am Volunteer

SCRIP WORKERS-DECEMBER 16/17

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Sunday 10:00 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.

**Always choose life.
Jeremiah 1:5**

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 11	7:30 am	St. John's Church	Holly Wagner
Tuesday, December 12	8:30 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Patricia Prochaska
Wednesday, December 13	7:30 am	St. John's Church	Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walz
Thursday, December 14	8:30 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Deborah Brooks
Friday, December 15	7:30 am	St. John's Church	Jeanne Smith
Saturday, December 16	4:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	Herbert Baures
	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	the Faithful of Holy Family Parish
Sunday, December 17	8:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Patricia Prochaska
	10:00 am	St. John's Church	Arlene Trautsch

Readings for the week of December 10, 2023

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54 (Is 61:10b)/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

The JWalkers are taking up a collection for the kids at Casa Hogar in Peru. The gifts aren't just for Christmas but for the birthday closet. This is for kids that don't receive gifts from their sponsors so that everyone gets something. The ages of the kids at Casa right now are 6-17. The largest age group is currently 11-14, about even for boys and girls in that age group. We naturally get less donations for the 13-17 year olds because it's easier to think of little kid gifts like barbies and Legos. That doesn't mean we don't need that too, but at this time all I really have for the older kids are Uno and similar card games.

Other items needed all year round are as follows, toothpaste, dental floss, combs and brushes, chap stick, wash cloths, tempera paint, cherry cough drops, bug spray, vitamin C, hydrogen peroxide, travel size Kleenex, finger and toe nail clippers, bandages, gauze pad and tape, triple antibiotic ointment.

There will be totes in the back of both churches and please drop by December 20th. Any questions, please contact Mary Stoeffler.

FALL FESTIVAL 2023

Dinner & Carryout's	\$ 9,981.00
Supper	667.00
Raffle Tickets	12,539.00
Unit Dues	5,612.00
Basket Raffle	2,444.00
Paddle Wheel	1,782.80
Dollar Barrell	882.00
Bake Sale	1,004.75
Expenses	5,435.77
TOTAL PROFIT	\$29,476.78

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday, December 10

J Walker caroling after 10:00 am Mass
11:00 am Scripture Study. Coffee and cookies provided. Any questions, call 608-326-5459.

Monday, December 11

Tuesday, December 12

Wednesday, December 13

6:30 pm Sophomore Confirmation Class

6:45 pm Grade School CCD Classes at St. John School

Thursday, December 14

Adoration after the 8:30 am Mass at St. Gabriel's

Benediction at 1:00 pm

6:30 pm Evangelization Committee Meeting

Friday, December 15

Saturday, December 16

Sunday, December 17

11:00 am Scripture Study. Coffee and cookies provided. Any questions, call 608-326-5459.

PRAYER CORNER

God, grant healing and peace to the sick of our communities and those who have requested our prayers. Please pray for: Bruce Mullikin, June Looney, special intention, special intention, special intention, special intention, Pam Pierce, Helen Schneider and Dennis Droessler.

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

Reminder: Our Scrip Gift Cards make great gifts for any occasion. Scrip is such a painless way to make extra funds for our parish and school.

PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for Dec 3	\$7,358.00	\$ 9,868.00
Plate for Dec 3	<u>563.35</u>	<u>1,305.78</u>
Total	\$7,921.35	\$11,173.78

The second collection came to \$344.00 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

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