

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

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Prairie Du Chien, WI 53821

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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 17, 2023 Third 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. 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!



St. Gabriel Archangel

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER-DECEMBER 23/24

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer
 Sunday 9:00 am Volunteer
 Sunday 5:30 pm Volunteer

SERVERS--DECEMBER 23/24

Saturday 4:00 pm Colin Vlaming & Brice Krachey
 Sunday 9:00 am Kellan Ingham & Dylan Heilmann
 Sunday 5:30 pm Ava & Jack Kapfhamer

LECTORS-DECEMBER 23/24

Saturday 4:00 pm Lori Waller
 Sunday 9:00 am Eric Teynor
 Sunday 5:30 pm Volunteer

USHERS-DECEMBER 23/24

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer
 Sunday 9:00 am Volunteer
 Sunday 5:30 pm Volunteer

SCRIP WORKERS-DECEMBER 23/24

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer
 Sunday 9:00 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.

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 24

Mark Gerhards & Barb Mezera

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER-DEC 23/24

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteer
 Sunday 4:00 pm J Walkers
 Sunday 8:00 pm Volunteer

SERVERS-DECEMBER 23/24

Saturday 7:00 pm Ava & Jack Kapfhamer
 Sunday 4:00 pm J Walkers
 Sunday 8:00 pm Elouise Igou & Breileigh Trautsch

LECTORS-DECEMBER 23/24

Saturday 7:00 pm Corey Steger
 Sunday 4:00 pm J Walkers
 Sunday 8:00 pm Charlie Connell

USHERS-DECEMBER 23/24

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteer
 Sunday 4:00 pm J Walkers
 Sunday 8:00 pm Volunteer

SCRIP WORKERS-DECEMBER 23/24

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteer



MASS INTENTIONS

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| Monday, December 18 | 7:30 am | St. John's Church | Jon Kaber |
| Tuesday, December 19 | 8:30 am | St. Gabriel's Church | Mr. & Mrs. Keith Key |
| Wednesday, December 20 | 7:30 am | St. John's Church | Special Intention |
| Thursday, December 21 | 8:30 am | St. Gabriel's Church | Margaret Wachter |
| Friday, December 22 | 7:30 am | St. John's Church | Special Intention |
| Saturday, December 23 | 4:00 pm | St. Gabriel's Church | Clifford Stram |
| | 7:00 pm | St. John's Church | Edith Ritchie |
| | 9:00 am | St. Gabriel's Church | the Faithful of Holy Family Parish |
| | 4:00 pm | St. John's Church | Mary Marcella MacEachern |
| Sunday, December 24 | 5:30 pm | St. Gabriel's Church | Special Intention |
| | 8:00 pm | St. John's Church | Arlene Trautsch |
| | 9:00 am | St. Gabriel's Church | John Powers |
| Monday, December 25 | 9:00 am | St. Gabriel's Church | |

Readings for the week of December 17, 2023

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
Monday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25
Tuesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25
Wednesday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38
Thursday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45
Friday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56
Saturday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66
Next Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 (2a)/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

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!

Lottery Calendar Winners for December 2023

\$100.00: Barbara & Merle Frommelt, PdC; Christine L. Brown, PdC; Tom Early, Little Elm, TX; Matt Mezera, Blue River, WI; Brian Gilberts & Family, Stoddard, WI

\$50.00: Adam Mezera, PdC; Dan Martin, Eastman, WI; Julie Simon, PdC; Roger & Barb McLavey, Sunrise Beach, MO; Key Law Firm LLC, PdC;

\$25.00: Tom & Deb Gallagher & Family, Gays Mills, WI; James Wachuta, Sparta, WI; Dan Strnad, PdC; Kayla Ingham, PdC; Armella Bolton, New Richmond, WI; Kari Koresh, PdC; James Nash Peck, Wausau, WI; Kenny Nies, PdC; Kali Aspenson, Winona, MN; Brett Strnad, PdC; Paul Krachey, PdC; Patricia A. Taylor, Clinton, WI; Jeremy Jandt, PdC; Ellie Dixon, Brooten, MN; Barb Schwant, Austin, TX; Carson Horihan, Hokah, MN; Janelle Peterson, PdC; Ricky Brown, PdC; Wendy Strutt, Cross Plains, WI; Bill Schultz, Steuben, WI

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 17

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

Monday, December 18

Tuesday, December 19

Wednesday, December 20

No Confirmation Class

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

Thursday, December 21

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

Benediction at 1:00 pm

Friday, December 22

Saturday, December 23

Sunday, December 24

No Scripture Study.

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, Dennis Droessler, Bob Wachter and Donna McRobbie.

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

The Knights of Columbus are having a food drive. Items will be distributed through the Cap Office. Boxes are located in the back of both Churches and Primitive Health Chiropractic. Thank you.

Thank you to the family of Loren Vondrum for the generous gift to Holy Family Parish in his memory. We are very grateful for this donation.

Thank you to the family of Patricia Prochaska for the generous gift to Holy Family Parish in her memory. We are very grateful for this donation.

Because our bulletin had to go to press early this week, the collection for December 9/10 will be posted in next week's bulletin.