

# Messago

St. Gabriel's Church

Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin

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No. 1



Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Parish Family  
of St. Gabriel's,

As my first year here in your midst as pastor draws to a close, the adult education committee has agreed that one possible way of bettering communication among all of us would be the occasional production of a parish newspaper. Through this media we can reach everyone registered in the parish whether they are with us for Sunday worship or not. We can also touch on subjects in depth (such as parish history, the accomplishments of various parishioners, the listing of newcomers and recipients of various sacraments, spiritual essays, book reviews, poetry, and development of themes) which could never be exhausted from the pulpit or in the weekly bulletins.

The parish council approved our experimenting with a few issues to be followed up by a parish-wide evaluation as to its first issue, much of which will be dedicated to the theme of fatherhood (physical and spiritual), what with this being the month of Father's Day. In August, just before the opening of school, it is hoped that a second issue will be forthcoming centered around the theme of education. Finally, about the time of Thanksgiving, a third issue would touch on the double theme of thanksgiving and Advent/Christmas. If all proceeds according to plan, at that point you would be invited to register your evaluation of this project. So here's to some good reading, improved communication, and a growth in parish identity. God bless you!

Sincerely,

*Fr. Hubert Bischoff, SJ*

## LOCAL MOVIE GUIDE

A-I	- General Patrons
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Grease II	A-III

The following "Tributes to Dad" were written by St. Gabriel's students in the first six grades. They appear here just as they were handed in. Each child in the first six grades wrote and handed in his or her article; however, those written by 7th and 8th graders were too long for publication in this issue. One or two of the most meaningful ones from 7th and 8th grade will be published in the near future.

## TRIBUTES TO DAD

He takes me on a boat ride. He hugs me. He kisses me. He gives me pennies. I like my Dad because He likes me. I love my Dad because He loves me.  
... Sarah Larkin ... Grade 1

Dear Dad I love you because you do a lot of things for me. You take me and the girls fishing. And me and you go for a ride on our bikes. And you help me with my home work sometimes. And you take me to the dentist. And you take me to the store. And me and you and the girls go to the parade.  
... Rachel Groom ... Grade 1

My Dad. Some times he help me on the farm. He keeps the speed limit 55 or 30 or whatever. And we play catch and some times he plays cards. This year we might get a puppy and make a doghouse. He gets up at 5:00 in the morning.  
... Evan Bloyer ... Grade 2

My Dad. I like my dad because he is nice. He is smart. He does good work. I like him because he is good to me. Every time I ask him to help me he does. I like my dad because he always does what I ask him to. I love my dad.  
... Carl DuCharme ... Grade 2

My dad is very kind and he loves me. I like my dad because he helps me learn how to be a better Christian and also when he yells at me, he does it because he loves me. I love my dad!

... Laurel Dahman ... Grade 3

My dad, Bob Myers. My dad is so nice I wish I could name all the nice things he does for me. But the nicest thing he does is love me and I love him to.  
... Chuck Myers ... Grade 3

My Dad John Kluesner. There are so many things about my dad. He is so close to me. He is so nice. He helps me so much. But most of all because he is friendly. When I have my blues he will cheer me up. He understands when I play and get all dirty. He does so much with us. He takes us to all different places. He works so much for our family. That is why I love my dad even though there is much more. We have family joke, "What do we like about \_\_\_\_\_?" "nothing, nothing, nothing!"

... Chris Kluesner ... Grade 4

## TRIBUTES TO DAD (Cont.)

Thing about our Fathers. I love my dad because he helps me with my home-work, he makes sure I have enough to eat. He makes sure I have enough clothes to wear. When ever I am sick he makes sure that I have what I need. If I want to play a game he will play it with me. He always teases me. I always know that he will be at my side when I need help. The End.  
... Kate Hermsen ... Grade 4

Father's Day. I like my dad because he corrects me when I need it. He also helps me when I need his help and comforts me when I'm feeling down. I hope you like your dad because I love mine.  
... Eric Teynor ... Grade 5

Father's Day. My dad is very special to me because he treats me special. He's the only one I look like in the family. Most of my qualities I get from him. He is a wonderful man, and when I ask for advice he gives it to me right away!  
... Bobbie Flitsch ... Grade 5

My dad is nice. He buys us our clothes and food. He takes us places and plays games with us. He helps me with my studies and cares for me when I'm sick. My dad's great.  
... Angela Clements ... Grade 6

Dad. The person who always is there to help, love, teach and give. The person hard working to put food on our table but alway has time to go on a vacation. The person I love and would alway grow-up to be like him.  
... John Luster ... Grade 6

### A TRIBUTE TO FATHER...Frances Dobbs

For many of us, father has been an important person in our lives. I'm sure, as a result, love and respect have been his on many days throughout the year.

However, one day has been set aside to show added appreciation of what he has meant to us. For those who have a father living, you can tell him of your love and what he means to you. If father has gone to his heavenly home, you are left with memories. In either case, prayers may be offered.

Father, we salute you for your patience, strength, love and compassion. You are one who seeks no worldly fame, but just a place within each heart. You have dreams and plans for your family. Your guiding hand will help us weather many storms. You inspired us by practicing your faith, thus setting an example. For all this, we thank you. May God bless you for your devotion.

### MARRIAGES from Jan. 1, 1982

Frank Pintz, Jr. and  
Phyllis Waller  
Mark Jensen and  
Diane Becwar  
Joseph Gillitzer and  
Lisa Dickman  
David Anderson and  
Beth Gillitzer  
William Chesebro and  
Kim Heiring  
John Polashek and  
Carol Gaidowski  
Roy Swanke and  
Bernice Gillitzer  
James Ross and  
Sharon Noggle  
Steven Leverenz and  
Joan Gavin  
Darryl Martin and  
Sharon Bedward  
Jeff Banta and  
Gale Walters

## JUBILEE CELEBRATION.....Margaret Welsh

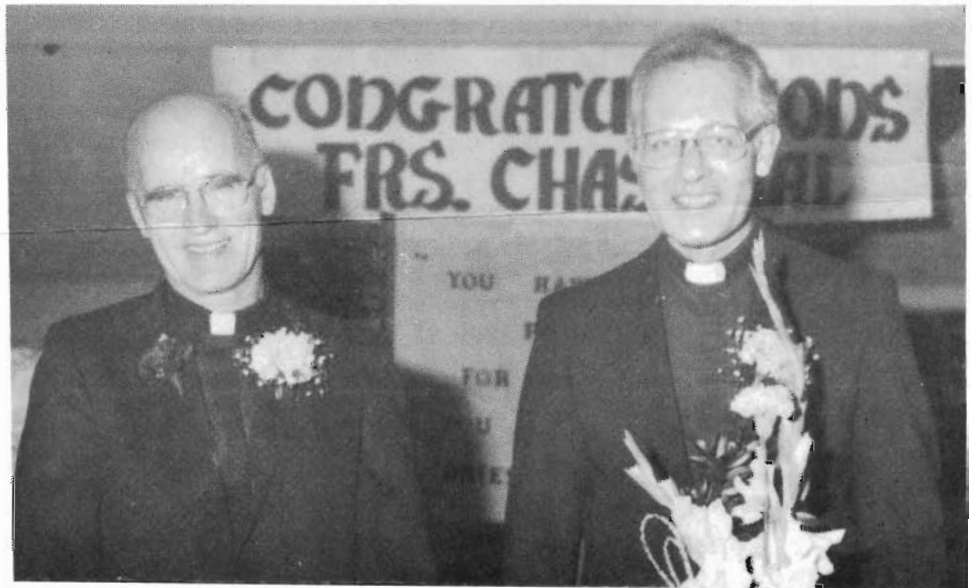
Sunday, May 28, 1982, is a day that will be long remembered by St. Gabriel's Parish (Prairie du Chien) and particularly by the two who were honored by the Parish family on that day.

Meaningful festivities began with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, concelebrated by the two who were being honored on this the twenty-fifth anniversary of their ordination as Jesuits - Father Harold Brahm and Father Charles Scherman - both associate pastors of the parish.

A very meaningful sermon in which tribute was paid to the two priests was preached by the pastor, Father Hubert Boschert, S.J. Beautiful, huge bouquets, gifts for the occasion from parish organizations, graced the sanctuary and added to the beauty of the occasion.

In the early afternoon the annual procession of parishioners and the school children took place ending with the symbolic crowning of the statue of our Blessed Mother, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the church.


Then all gathered in the school auditorium to greet, congratulate, and visit with our two honored guests. A very attractive table of most appetizing dainties had been prepared by the ladies of the parish, and the rest of the afternoon was spent in enjoying these dainties, visiting with the two priests and with friends new and old.



Yes, I repeat - Sunday was a day to be long remembered by the St. Gabriel Family, and especially by our dear friends, Father Scherman, S.J. and Father Brahm, S.J.

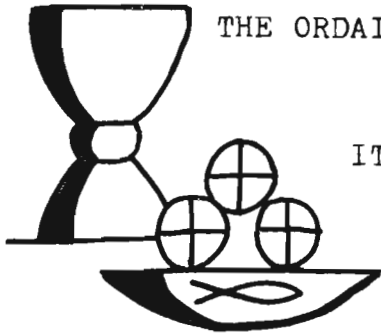
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### BAPTISMS from Jan. 1, 1982



Alva James Wendland  
Corissa Ann Pintz  
Sara Jo Kratochvill  
Chellanie Elizabeth Adams  
Brett Joseph Jackson  
Norbert Bernard Swenson  
Colin Andrew Nelson  
Justin Paul Shedivy  
Paul Anthony Gordon

Julie Marie Konichek  
Travis Jon O'Neal  
Elizabeth Catherine Feally  
Jennifer Catherine Boldt  
Julie Elizabeth Swenson  
Melissa Jean Kramer  
Jarvis Mitchell Moss  
Amy Marie Welsch  
Steven Richard DuCharme



THE ORDAINED

PRIESTHOOD:

ITS PLACE AMONG

THE PEOPLE

OF GOD

Recently the parish celebrated the 25th Jubilee of ordination for Fathers Brahm and Scherman. As I witnessed the outpouring of love and concern and gratitude for these two priests, I couldn't help but consider what their 25 years of priesthood had entailed. They were ordained in 1957, the last full year of Pius XII as Pope. At that time few in America knew Angelo Roncalli (who became John XXIII) or Jean Baptiste Montini (later Paul VI). On their ordination date, few prophets, much less these two newly-ordained, could have foreseen the tremendous changes that were soon to come upon the church. The Mass and sacraments were still being celebrated in the Latin tongue, vocations were so plentiful that most religious congregations were expanding or remodeling their physical plants for their members, the Church was highly identified with the Holy Father and, to a lesser degree, with the Bishops. Consequently, the priest was recognized as the local spokesman for the bishop and whatever Father said was gospel truth as far as what Catholics should or shouldn't do was concerned.

With the death of Pius, John became Pope as interim Pontiff, supposedly, because the conclave of Cardinals could not agree on a more acceptable successor. At the age of 79 John electrified the world by announcing the Second Vatican Council, a step his predecessor, at a younger age, had chosen not to take. The newly ordained Jesuits, therefore, experienced the Church of the Council of Trent their first few years of ministering to God's people and then hoped and prayed and strug-

gled through the transforming years of the Church following Vatican II. Being men of faith, they did not have a clear-cut awareness of where all the developments were leading, but they clung to the conviction that God was with us all, working together at times with us and at some moments even in spite of our human endeavors. They knew the joys of the Church breaking out of a siege mentality, of the identification of the Church becoming more consciously associated with all of God's baptized and not just with His ordained, of the laity more and more becoming involved with the various ministries of the Gospel; they also anguished over friends and classmates who for whatever reason judged that they could no longer serve in their priestly capacity. They rejoiced over individuals who made their own Christian principles by which to live and who no longer leaned on the expectations and demands of others and yet experienced the tension over the apparent breakdown of Catholic witness in various areas which formerly had seemed so strongly entrenched. Through it all, they persevered until they reached the present day and the 25th anniversary of their ordination. At this point, in retrospect, it is a real source of joy and satisfaction to be able to look back and see the continued activity of the Spirit amongst His people and to recognize the abundant fruit He has produced through each and all of us.

As we celebrate this occasion as a parish family, it might be well for each one of us to do some serious reflecting on our own understanding and appreciation of the ordained ministry within the Church. Very obviously, we have great love and respect for those individual priests we have come to know personally, but my question goes beyond any individual and touches upon our understanding of the ordained priesthood itself. As the laity become more and more involved and grow into their rightful place within the church community, have we

## THE ORDAINED PRIESTHOOD: ITS PLACE AMONG THE PEOPLE OF GOD (Cont.)

lost sight of the unique contribution of the priestly minister? Some maintain that from a human viewpoint the Holy Spirit seems to be working at cross purposes. It would seem evident that as the former awareness dies out that practically all ministries were the reserve of the priests and religious men and women, that fewer individuals would experience the impulse or need to walk the path of priesthood or vows in order to serve in a Christian way.

And yet, we are aware today that the Church even in our own diocese is beginning to do a projected study of its future use of the dwindling number of ordained clergy. Some parishes will lose their resident pastors, others will have religious or laity appointed as administrators. This is not all negative or detrimental but it does indicate the fact that some of the sacramental ministry formerly so available to us will be less so in times ahead unless more individuals can come to a personal appreciation of the priest's contribution to the community and resolve to continue it. Some years back, here in Wisconsin, a Serra Club, a group of Catholic businessmen dedicated to the promotion and nourishing of vocations to the priesthood, conducted a project whereby all ordained sons of each parish in a diocese were invited home on a given weekend and they alone provided any sacramental ministry (Masses, confessions, anointings, weddings, etc.) at their respective home parishes for those few days. Any parish who did not

have a native son ordained found itself with locked church doors for the weekend with a notice tacked up to the effect:

"This parish has not provided the church at large with any ordained minister; today, the church at large fails to provide this local community with any ordained minister."

A rather heavy-handed way of dealing with the situation perhaps, but it certainly got the attention of the parishioners wherever it occurred. Here at St. Gabriel's we have been blessed over the years with a goodly number of those who responded to the call but it is perhaps time for us to dwell on the fact that it has been some years now since any new blood has responded. Should this continue for a decade or two more, where will the church of the future be with regard to the ministry proper only to the ordained? May we all resolve to pray for and support with encouragement more and more those who feel drawn to enter this ministry today; may those of us who feel so drawn pray for the generosity and love to be able to make this commitment. This indeed is the greatest possible gift that one could give to any priest who has walked this path up to the present time. God bless you all!

.... Father Hubert Boschert, SJ



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FIRST COMMUNION - 1982

Evan Bloyer  
Kevin Check  
Rachel Clements  
Scott Colsch  
Tom Cooley  
Carl DuCharme  
Robert Fritsche  
Thomas Hamann

Darci Hemmer  
Shelly Howe  
Emily Jones  
Nichole Kluesner  
Francis Kratochvill  
Christopher Lange  
Ryan Moore  
Kerry O'Brien

Brent Petsche  
Jolene Rice  
Terry Sprosty  
Heather Steiner  
Norbert Swenson  
Douglas Tesar  
Sarah Teynor  
Mike Welsch





We are sometimes like radios or TV sets that are not properly tuned in to a station or channel. This is often our problem with God. God is out there - as well as inside us - beaming forth his love and goodness, but it's lost on us because we fail to pray; that is, we fail to tune in or open ourselves to God's loving presence.

The essence of prayer consists in this humble waiting, ("But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." -Is. 40:31) in childlike openness, ("Except you be converted, and become as little children, you shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." -Mt. 18:3) and expectation and listening.

To pray means to make ourselves present and available to God so that we are truly ready to open the door when Jesus comes and knocks. ("Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me." -Rev. 3:20)

Each of us must find the styles of prayer that suit us. The Holy Spirit is the only true teacher of prayer.

Familiar Prayers. The Our Father, Come, Holy Spirit, the Rosary and others when slowly pondered, have great potential as passageways into the presence of God.

Prayer of Praise belongs near the top of any list. Praise is the bubbling over of the Spirit.

Prayer by savoring of Scripture Texts. You take some words of Scripture and simply repeat and relish them. ("How sweet are thy words unto my taste! sweeter than honey to my mouth!" -Ps. 119:103)

The Jesus Prayer in its fullest formulation consists in the words: "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner."

#### Prayer of Inner

Quiet is one of the richest forms of prayer. ("Be still, and know that I am God." - Ps. 46:10)

Prayer of Listening. To really listen to God - or to another human being - you have to become very still and very quiet and center in on the presence of the other. In this prayer you listen at the very core of your being to the deepest voice of all - that of the Spirit.

Prayer of Petition. We should not hesitate to recognize our dependence on God and pray for our daily needs and those of others. ("Give us this day our daily bread." -Mt. 6:11)

Almost anything we see or experience can be a prayer - a pathway or tool for tuning in to God. ("Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you." - 1 Thess. 5:17,18)

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#### DEATHS from Jan. 1, 1982

Norbert Adler  
Mary Smrcina  
Edith Palmer  
Carl LaBonne  
Marjorie Kozelka  
June LaBonne  
Mary Krachey  
Paul Shaben  
Mary C. Tieman  
Oliver White  
Ernest White

#### BURIALS from other Parishes

Infant Durst  
Mary E. White  
Olga Rider  
Timothy Stankus  
Mary Mara  
Debra Jelinek  
Wayne Himrich  
Joseph Cosgriff

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Anyone approaching Prairie du Chien, or a stranger within the city, is very likely to have his attention attracted to a tall shining spire in the distance. That particular spire, and a shorter one nearby in a similar position may have been placed there with great thought, expense, and effort by dedicated people, but not with as great a dedication and sacrifice as that of those who were responsible for the construction of the building that these spires so proudly grace.

St. Gabriel's, for that is the "spired" building, is the culmination of one of the dreams of "The Builder and Organizer", Father Samuel Mazzuchelli, Dominican priest, and it is with him that the history of St. Gabriel's spired church as it stands today actually begins.

This dedicated Italian born young man, imbued with missionary zeal and a deep interest in the American Indian, came to America in 1828, was ordained in two years, and was sent to Mackinac, Canada, and then, on September 21st, 1832, he finally reached his destination - the little settlement of Prairie du Chien.

Other priests had visited this territory earlier, had celebrated Mass here, and had even started building a little log church, but partly because of the Winnebago War, and for other reasons, one of importance being the scarcity of priests, nothing definite was accomplished.

Although Father Mazzuchelli stayed here only 15 days, he accomplished an unbelievable amount of good work. He made friends with both Indian and white settlers, and feeling that they were deserving of better treatment from the Church than they were getting, he wrote to his Bishop, strongly recommending that a permanent priest be appointed to the settlement, and stating that he had drawn up plans for a church, but it would not be started until a pastor

was appointed.

In February, 1836, Father Mazzuchelli himself arrived, having been appointed by the Bishop of St. Louis to serve the people of Prairie du Chien.

Race and creed distinction were unknown to this man and all loved him. In 1831 a four-acre plot on a part of which our church now stands, had been donated by a Protestant gentleman, Mr. Strange Powers. Various circumstances necessitated a delay in building, but on July 4th, 1839 the corner stone was laid for a rock church, one hundred by fifty feet, with walls two feet thick of "good light stone found in abundance on the hills." (Quotation is from a letter written by Father Mazzuchelli to his Bishop in Dubuque, the diocese to which Prairie du Chien had been transferred from the St. Louis diocese.)

The church was built in a remarkably short time although there seems to be no record of its completion nor of the first service held in it; however, we know that in the years 1841 and 1842, Bishop Loras of Dubuque confirmed large classes in the new church.

The report of Bishop Henni, successor of Bishop Loras, tells us that it was necessary in 1853 to send St. Gabriel's \$800.00 and he concludes with the charge, "that St. Gabriel's stone church was commenced on too large a scale by Bishop Loras in the expectation that the village of Prairie du Chien would increase; but it has remained 'in status quo'!

Another authority tells us that Father Galtier who was here from 1847 until 1866 wrote that it took 18 years to complete the building of the church.

Many changes and improvements, both as to the structure and the development of the parish have taken



A DREAM FULFILLED .... (Cont.)

place, but the walls are still those of Father Mazzuchelli, and the original structure erected by those far-sighted men of long ago now accommodates a thriving active Catholic parish of about 2,800 souls, served since 1916 by Jesuit priests. This is as it should be, as one of the first two white men who set foot on the soil of this region was Father Marquette, a Jesuit priest.

People feel especially drawn to worship at St. Gabriel's. Previous to this present year, this attraction may have been partly the life-sized statue of St. Gabriel which stood above the front entrance for an unknown number of years. However, this beautiful, delicate, white statue carved of wood in Europe (France or Germany) an unknown number of years ago, could no longer withstand Wisconsin's winter weather. Consequently it was of necessity brought inside during the present year, and now St. Gabriel stands in the sanctuary proudly overlooking the active, devout congregation which just as proudly bears his name.

Maybe we are drawn by the thought of the first pastor, Father Galtier, founder of the city of St. Paul, the hard working pastor for 19 years, who now lives buried just outside the front entrance.

Maybe the attraction is due to the memory of all that has gone into this structure - not only in material sacrifice, but in Baptisms, First Communions, Confirmations, Marriages, and Funerals, but most likely it's the thought of being a part of that continuous celebration of Eucharist initially brought to this sacred building by Father Mazzuchelli, the way having been prepared somewhat by his self-sacrificing predecessors and continued by an unbroken line of his successors - dedicated men of God. That probably is the main reason that we people today like to worship in old St. Gabriel's as God gives us the opportunity and the right to enjoy the rich blessings of Faith in a free land.

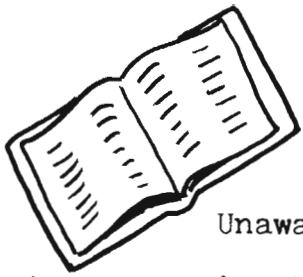
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CONFIRMATION - 1982



Bart Berns  
Emily Check  
Cheri DuCharme  
David Eilers  
Susan Elvert  
Sharon First  
Karen Flansburgh  
Kelly Fuller  
Janet Gillitzer  
Eric Halverson  
Lee Hare  
Loral Hare  
Michael Heal  
Julia Jackson  
Kathy Key  
Rodney Koeller  
Tammy Kozelka  
Angie LaBonne  
Joan Marfilius  
Karen McCarthy

Angela McPhee  
Barb Munson  
Constance Myers  
Jane Nolan  
Lisa Olson  
Chuck Panka  
Maria Panka  
Marty Prew  
Bill Rodenkirch  
Lisa Seymour  
Tom Steiner  
Steve Stoeffler  
James Stoehr  
Matthew Stubbe  
Norbert Swenson  
Lori Tesar  
Jackueline Welsh  
Jeff White  
Mike Zabel



## QUESTION BOX ...

Jean Hamann

Unawareness is the only problem.

Awareness is the only solution.

What is the Bible?

The Bible is the word of God.

The Bible is POWERFUL: "Indeed, God's word is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword. It penetrates and divides soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the reflections and thoughts of the heart." -Hebrews 4:12

The Bible is AUTHORITY: "For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast." Psalm 33:9

The Bible is DEPENDABLE: "God's way is unerring, the promise of the Lord is fire-tried; he is a shield to all who take refuge in him." Psalm 18:31

The Bible is HEALING: "He sent forth his word to heal them and to snatch them from destruction." Psalm 107:20

The Bible is GUIDANCE: "With your counsel you guide me, and in the end you will receive me in glory." Psalm 73:24

Which version is best?

You need not worry. No matter what version it may be, it is still the word of God.

The Catholic Bible does contain 7 extra books in the Old Testament: the Books of Tobit, Judith, 1 Maccabees, 2 Maccabees, Wisdom, Sirach, and Baruch. The book of Daniel has two extra chapters.

## NEW REGISTRATIONS .....

from Sept. 1981

Karl Kuriger  
William & Judy Olson  
Pam Waller  
Paul & Colleen Gokey  
Dan & Terry Sullivan,  
Lisa & Darrin  
Pat & JoAnn Peloch,  
Perri & Joshua  
Richard Marfilus  
Norbert Swenson  
Mrs. Anita Convie  
Marvin & Sharon Jackson,  
William, Robert, Duane,  
& Tarance  
Thomas & Beth Nelson,  
Megan Ann  
Darryl & Sharon Martin  
Clay & Nancy O'Neal  
Joseph & Sandra Kozelka,  
Debie & Denise  
Gregory Steger  
Kevin Tesar  
Terry Tesar  
Sandy Zable  
Frank & Phyllis Pintz, Jr.,  
Corissa Ann  
Robert Coleman  
Edwin & Marjory Weisinger  
Martin & Alice Ohlert,  
Philip & Bryon  
Terry & Ann Meyer  
Patrick & Geri Fergus  
Randall & Ruby N. Comford,  
Nathan  
Ronald & Mary Lou Shipley,  
Camille  
Richard & Sandra Wachter

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If all the neglected Bibles were dusted simultaneously, we would have a record dust storm and the sun would go into eclipse for a whole week.

Give others a piece of your heart, not a piece of your mind.

"1982"



## APPLAUSE!

### HONORS and AWARDS

### Graduates of Senior High (Cont.)

John DeMuth  
Scholarship from High Quiz &  
Diocesan, Top 10, Bausch &  
Lomb Science Award

Mary Gillitzer  
All-Around Student, Forensics,  
D.A.R. Award, John Philip Sousa  
Band Award

Gary Hamann  
Golden Cord (3.0 Grade average)

Carol Konichek  
Golden Cord (3.0 Grade average)

Shane Mara  
Kiwanis Hall of Fame Award in  
Industrial Arts

Steve McGrath  
Beneker Football Award

Dean Rink  
All-Around Student, Golden  
Cord (3.0 Grade average)

Dee Steger  
Kiwanis Hall of Fame Award in  
Business

Tom Stram  
Scholarship from Entrepreneur

Lisa Wachuta  
Top 10

William Waite  
Scholarship from UW-Madison -  
Chancellor's Merit, Top 10,  
Art, Kiwanis Hall of Fame Award  
in Math and Science

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The earth is degenerate. Children  
no longer obey their parents.  
-Socrates

Faith can move mountains, but most  
surely a spadeful at a time.

Anytime the going seems easy, better  
check and see if you are going  
downhill.

### Graduates of St. Gabriel's

Barbara DuCharme  
Perfect Attendance, Religion  
Language, Spelling, Math,  
Social Studies, Teacher's Aide,  
Citizenship

Teresa Eilers  
Achievement in Physical Ed.

Eleanor Gavin  
Band

Penny Gramlich  
Science, Spelling, Social  
Studies

Michael Heisz  
Math, Physical Education,  
"George Eastman Award"

John Kluesner  
Physical Education

Karyl Kozelka  
Reading, Religion, Physical Ed.,  
"Wis. Safety Patrol Award"

Carol Neisius  
Perfect Attendance

David Shedivy  
Perfect Attendance, Science,  
Language, Reading, Spelling,  
Religion, Math, Social Studies

Michael Sullivan  
Perfect Attendance, Teacher's  
Aide

Sally Teynor  
Citizenship

### Graduates of Senior High

Brenda Cipra  
Golden Cord (3.0 Grade average)

Karen Degenhardt  
Art

Michelle DuCharme  
Scholarship from Scientific  
Beauty College

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- June 21 - Nutrition program for the elderly cancelled for 2 weeks  
7:30 PM - Bingo  
8:00 PM - Parish Council meeting
- June 30 - 1:30 PM - Meeting for 2nd issue of Parish Newspaper
- July 1 - Confessions at 4 and 7 for First Friday; Benediction at 7
- July 6 - Nutrition program for the elderly resumes
- July 9 - Diocesan Ordination to the Priesthood
- July 11 - Holy Name Society at 7:30 AM (No breakfast this month)
- July 12 - 7:00 PM - Maintenance Committee meeting  
8:00 PM - Administration Committee meeting
- July 19 - 8:00 PM - Parish Council Meeting
- July 25 - Annual Parish Brat Fest
- August 5 - Confessions at 4 and 7 for First Friday
- August 8 - Annual Mission Appeal at St. Gabriel's
- August 15 - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin
- August 20 and 23 - Grade school faculty workshop
- August 24 - School year begins
- August 26 - Parish Council Picnic

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\*\* THANK YOU \*\*  
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THANK YOU - to the Parish Council  
and the Administration Committee  
for their support in beginning this  
first issue of the Parish News-  
paper.

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\*\* STAFF \*\*  
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Margaret Welsh  
Rita Hamann  
Jean Hamann  
Bro. Richard Dahmen, FSC  
Mary Gavin  
Frances Dobbs  
Jeanette Steiner  
Fr. Hubert Boschert, SJ  
S. Dorothy Cherrier, SSND

ST. GABRIEL'S MESSAGE  
St. Gabriel's Church  
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