

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PARISH

Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

Rev. James C. Weighner
Pastor

This Week at the Parish
Sunday, August 4

Coffee & Rolls after the 8:00 am Mass at St. John's plus the drawing for the Lottery Sweepstakes Calendar and Holy Name Raffle winners will take place at that time.

Monday, August 5

7:00 pm Bingo at St. Gabriel's School Hall

Tuesday, August 6

Noon - 7:00 pm Registration will be held for Prairie Catholic School & Daycare at the St. Gabriel's campus. Students will have their pictures taken for the Yearbook and families can pay their tuition and fees

7:00 pm Planning meeting for Fr. Jack Wambach's 80th Birthday party at St. Gabriel's School Hall. Anyone who would like to help with this please attend

Wednesday, August 7

Thursday, August 8

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

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

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

Friday, August 9

2:55 pm Divine Mercy Prayer Group meets at St. Gabriel's

Saturday, August 10

Sunday, August 11



St. Gabriel Archangel

506 N. Beaumont Rd.
326-2404



St. John Nepomuc

710 S. Wacouta Ave.
326-6511

HOLY FAMILY

FALL BAZAAR

SUNDAY, SEPT. 15TH

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to share the inheritance with me." He replied to him, "Friend, who appointed me as your judge and arbitrator?" Then he said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." - Lk 12:13-15



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August 4, 2013 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. GABRIEL'S CHURCH

Offertory Gift Bearers-August 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Jackie Stram Family
 Sunday 10:00 am Volunteers

Eucharistic Ministers-August 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Mary Kirschbaum, Jeri Kluesner,
 Howard Gillitzer
 Sunday 10:00 am Eileen Hermsen, Megan Pedretti
 & Becky Henry

Home Communion Ministers for August 11th:

Nancy DuCharme

**Servers for Wed, Aug. 7th at 5:15 pm and
 Fri., Aug. 9th at 8:15 am:**

Aaron Neisius & Ramon Gonzalez

Servers-August 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Kori & Karly Jaynes
 Dalton & Preston Hendrix
 Sunday 10:00 am Elizabeth Carlson & Molly
 Peterson
 Jacob & Ellie Mara

Lectors-August 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Don Cipra
 Sunday 10:00 am Joe Atkins

Ushers-August 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Joe Barrette, Stu Bosworth,
 Russell Eulgem, Gene
 Kirschbaum
 Sunday 10:00 am Jerry Matousek, Nathan Mezera,
 Butch Boland, John Chaffee

Scrip Workers-August 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteers
 Sunday 10:00 am Sheila Eastman

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Offertory Gift Bearers-August 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Merle & Barb Frommelt
 Sunday 8:00 am Mike Mara Family

Eucharistic Ministers-August 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Tim Steger
 Sunday 8:00 am Doris Krogman, Verna Panka &
 Donna Steiner

Home Communion Ministers for August 11th:

Shirley MacEachern, Ann Quick, Merle & Barb
 Frommelt

**Servers for Tues., Aug. 6th at 5:15 pm and
 Thurs., Aug. 8th at 8:15 am:**

Aaron Neisius & Ramon Gonzalez

Servers-August 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Rebekah Champion & Kierstyn
 Rogers
 Evan Boisvert & Emily Steger
 Sunday 8:00 am Aaron Neisius & Ramon
 Gonzalez
 Brandon Hanger & Macy
 Sanders

Lectors-August 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Pat Mulhern
 Sunday 8:00 am Norb Aschom

Ushers-August 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Tim Looney, Doug & John
 Rickleff
 Sunday 8:00 am Mike Mara, Paul Porvaznik &
 Ron Trautsch

Scrip Workers-August 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Sarah or Steve Holler
 Sunday 8:00 am Colleen Teynor

Holy Family's Mass Intentions

Monday, August 5	NO MASS		
Tuesday, August 6	St. John's Church	5:15 pm	Clara Dale: by Family & Friends
Wednesday, August 7	St. Gabriel's Church	5:15 pm	Clyde Noggle: by Family & Friends
Thursday, August 8	St. John's Church	8:15 am	Alma Wall: by Carol Wagner & Gordon
Friday, August 9	St. Gabriel's Church	8:15 am	Bernard Pedretti: by Family
Saturday, August 10	St. Gabriel's Church	4:00 pm	Ivan Heisz: by Family
Saturday, August 10	St. John's Church	7:00 pm	Charles, Doris, Steve & Brent Jelinek: by Family
Sunday, August 11	St. John's Church	8:00 am	Marty & Mary Betzle: by Family
Sunday, August 11	St. Gabriel's Church	10:00 am	For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor

Holy Family Parish

What are our Roots and Our Destiny?

There are basic questions that we ask ourselves: Where do we come from? Where are we going? What is our end? How are we to get there? The answers to these questions are decisive in helping us to know our true identity as children of God and the orientation of our life and actions.

Jesus came to reveal God's plan that tells us of our Biblical roots, our dignity and our destiny. Knowing our roots that lay the foundation for our destiny provides peace and security in the present moment. Consider a practical example. With neurological patients who have suffered head injuries and trauma, memory can be lost. Some wake up and do not know who they are; others lose their long term memory, early childhood memory, or only recall their life's history up to a certain point, having lost the memory of the recent past.

The counseling rehabilitation team, along with the family, begins the difficult task of filling in the missing pieces of the person's memory. Pictures of family members, the home, and events are brought in to help him remember particular parts of his life, which he may actually never remember. The family and team assure them that they are telling the truth about how the past transpired. Nevertheless, patients without their full memory are very insecure and find daily life difficult. Consider a person who has lost all memory of their spouse and imagine trying to live married life with a relative stranger!

The same problem exists for those who have never acquired in the first place or have lost their *spiritual memory*, the knowledge of their spiritual roots and destiny. It is impossible to make sense of the present, and one wanders aimlessly through life without hope, joy and peace. Knowing an overall summary of God's plan fills in the missing memory, thus revealing our origin, dignity, destiny, and daily vocation to follow Jesus Christ. The nine points below are meant to summarize the entire Bible. The major thread is the word union. Union means unity or oneness.

The Blessed Trinity – a communion of love God is one in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Blessed Trinity is a Communion of Persons of total, self-giving love.

Creation - made for union. Each person is created for union with God. God created Adam and Eve to be united with Him in a relationship of love. God dwelt within the soul of Adam and Eve. We call this sanctifying grace. Sanctifying grace is relationship with God and a participation in His Divine Life.

The Fall of Man and Woman – union broken Through the Original Sin, we lost our union with God. We lost sanctifying grace, our being united with God in a relationship of love, through the Original Sin of Adam and Eve. There was nothing we could do to fix the problem of sin, which caused separation from God.

The Incarnation – to restore union God became man in Jesus Christ to reunite us in a relationship of love.

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Paschal Mystery – union restored: The Paschal Mystery refers to Jesus' suffering, death, resurrection, and ascension into Heaven. Jesus willingly accepted the Paschal Mystery so that our sins could be forgiven and we could be reunited with the Persons of the Blessed Trinity in a relationship of love.

The Holy Spirit at Pentecost – source of union: The Holy Spirit is the source of this relationship of love. The Father and the Son poured out the Holy Spirit in abundance on Mary and the Apostles to empower them to publicly manifest the Catholic Church. The Holy Spirit in the Church restores to the baptized the divine likeness lost through sin, reuniting us in friendship with the Blessed Trinity.

The Catholic Church – family reunion. During His public ministry, Jesus established the Church upon Peter and the Apostles, giving them the truths of the Kingdom and instituting the Sacraments. The Holy Spirit comes to us through the Church, communicating truth and grace. The Church is the means of intimate union with God and of the unity of all mankind. It is through the Church that we receive the seven Sacraments.

The Sacraments – 'channels' of union The Sacraments are sacred signs instituted by Christ that restore our relationship with God. This relationship heals our human nature which is wounded by sin, thus reuniting us with the Persons of the Trinity in a relationship of love. We call this sanctifying grace. The source and summit of the seven Sacraments is the Holy Eucharist as we receive Jesus in the total gift of Himself.

The Last Judgment – final union with God: we look forward with joy to the return of Christ, confident that we will be united with Him, body and soul, forever in Heaven.

This summary helps us to understand all the teachings of the Faith! Rather than our minds being filled with seemingly unrelated components of the Catholic Faith, we now see each part in relation to God's plan, a unified whole. Let us give thanks to our Heavenly Father for His desire to be united with us in a relationship of love!

From the *Year of Faith* series from

Diocese of La Crosse Catechetical Office

Are you ready for the start of school? Prairie Catholic Schools and Daycare will be holding registration at St. Gabriel School. The dates are Tuesday, August 6th from 12:00 – 7:00 pm and Wednesday, August 14 from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm. Students will be having their pictures taken for the yearbook and families can pay their tuition and fees, etc. See you there!



Bingo Winners from Monday, July 29th: \$25.00 - Pat Check, Linda Ambrose; \$30.00 - Millicent Ronnfeldt, Dana Kahler; \$35.00 - Nancy Bolton, Christine Toberman; \$40.00 - Linda Nelson; \$125.00 - Betty Cejka; **Progressive Consolation (\$100.00)** - Terri Smith; **50/50 Winner (\$109.50)** - Helen White

Next Monday, August 5th the Progressive Jackpot will be at \$1,545.00 plus 50% of the progressive jackpot card sales in 57 calls or less.

Bingo workers for Monday, August 5th: Check Writer: John Fischer; **Caller:** Kyle Teynor; **Floor Workers:** Lucy Cornford, Betty Fischer, Peggy Fischer, Kati Forsythe; **Lunch Provided by** Kati Forsythe; **Lunch Stand Workers:** Parents of Kyle MacEachern & Ellie Mara

Looking for Back-to-School items and a way to earn more free \$\$\$\$ for Prairie Catholic? Sam's Club just added 30+ products with 6 & 8 Bonus Box Tops. Don't forget that Wal-Mart also has many items with 4 & 8 Bonus Box Tops. Let's see how much money we can earn this year for Prairie Catholic Schools.

Parish Support

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes for July 28th	\$7,186.00	\$7,755.00
Plate for July 28th	<u>818.24</u>	<u>1,167.56</u>
Total	\$8,004.24	\$8,922.56

The second collection came to **\$423.55** and will be used for school and CCD expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Readings for the Week of August 4, 2013

Sunday:	Ecl 1:2; 2:21-23/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/ Lk 12:13-21
Monday:	Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36
Wednesday:	Nm 13:1-2, 25--14:1, 26-29a, 34- 35/Mt 15:21-28
Thursday:	Nm 20:1-13/Mt 16:13-23
Friday:	Dt 4:32-40/Mt 16:24-28
Saturday:	2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26
Next Sunday:	Wis 18:6-9/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11: -2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

PRAYER CORNER

God, grant healing and peace to the sick of our communities and those who have requested our prayers. Please pray for John Felder, Ann Fulcher, Jim Coorough, Sis Jelinek, Elaine Shedivy, Nancy Patzner, Janelle Becwar, Virginia Eichmann, Carissa Waldo, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, Cathy Vondrum, Mildred Prew, Steve Moris, Mark Lochner, Tony Teynor, Eileen Sutton, Mary Ann Heisz, Jerry Matousek, Loren Fishler, LaVern Sutton, Roger Pellock, Janet Dickman, Peg Stoeffler, Maxim Kramer, John & Cheyenne Messling, Earl Nye, Ethel Sebastian, Earl Whittle, Tara Pellock, Lavonne Laskaskie, Gary Adams, Margaret Konichek, Geraldine Barr, Marguerite Begnoche, Jill Spinna, Roberta Marfilius, Ann Rowe, Bill McCoy, Randy Radsek, Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Walt Hermsen, Amy Stroschein, Mark Gilberts, Ann Dohse, Lara Czajkowski Higgins, Carrie Breuer, Mae & Merv Nimbar, and Dale Boldt.

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

Check out our Website at:

www.prairiecatholic.org. You can always find the weekly bulletin on our website.

Fr. Jack Wambach's 80th

There is an 80th Birthday Celebration/Potluck being planned for Father Jack Wambach to be held on Sunday, Sept. 22nd following the 10:00 am mass at St. Gabriel's School Hall. There will be a planning meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 6th at 7:00 pm at St. Gabriel's School Hall. All interested parties are invited to attend.. Any questions please contact Carrie Nolan (608) 326-2998.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

BACK TO SCHOOL ITEMS ARE ALREADY IN THE STORES. WATCH FOR 4 AND 8 BONUS BOX TOPS LABELS ON MANY PRODUCTS. Please continue to save these labels and help Prairie Catholic earn even more free money for our schools.

WEDDING BANNERS

Brian S. Kostek & Laura A. Forsythe (I)

Holy Family Parish-Prairie du Chien WI

Mass Schedule

Saturday **4:00 pm** **St. Gabriel's**
 7:00 pm **St. John's**

Sunday **8:00 am** **St. John's**
 10:00 am **St. Gabriel's**

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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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Wade Marlow

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Lana Gratace
Sandy Halverson

Director of Grade School Religious Education
Pat Prochaska

Parish Nursing Program

Rose Bauer, Shirley Cipra
Please call (357-2000)

Rectory Office Hours at St. Gabriel's:
8:00 am to 4:00 pm (Tuesday - Friday)

Rectory Office Hours at St. John's
8:00 am to 4:00 pm (Tuesday - Friday)

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 3:00 pm confessions on days with weddings or funerals.