

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PARISH

Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

Rev. James C. Weighner
Pastor

This Week at the Parish

Sunday, March 3

Coffee & Rolls after the 8:00 am Mass at St. Gabriel's plus drawing for the Calendar Sweepstake winners & Holy Name winners

6:30 pm Faith Alive group will meet at St. John's

6:30 pm Sgt. Kyle Teynor will be giving a presentation on Meth in St. Gabriel's Hall. All parents and high school students are invited. Taco's in the bag will be served with all the trimmings.

Monday, March 4

10:00 am Faith Alive group will meet at St. John's

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

Tuesday, March 5

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

Wednesday, March 6

5:30 pm Harmony Choir Rehearsal at St. John Church

6:45 pm CCD Classes at St. John's School

Thursday, March 7

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

Friday, March 8

Adoration after the 8:15 am Mass at St. Gabriel's until Saturday at 8:00 am

Saturday, March 9

8:00 am Mass at St. Gabriel's

Sunday, March 10

2:00 pm Healing Service at St. Gabriel's Church

3:00 pm Reconciliation Service at St. Gabriel's

6:30 pm Faith Alive Group will meet at St. John's Church

St. Patrick's Day Dinner



Sunday, March 17th
St. Gabriel's Hall
10:45 am to 1:00 pm



St. Gabriel Archangel

506 N. Beaumont Rd.
326-2404



St. John Nepomuc

710 S. Wacouta Ave.
326-6511



And he told them this parable: "There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?'" - Lk 13:6-7



March 3, 2013 - Third Sunday of Lent

ST. GABRIEL'S CHURCH

Offertory Gift Bearers-March 9/10

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteers

Sunday 8:00 am Volunteers

Eucharistic Ministers-March 9/10

Saturday 4:00 pm Kathy Schneider, Don Cipra & Lyle Marfilius

Sunday 8:00 am Eileen Hermsen, Megan Pedretti & Ann Lessard

Home Communion Ministers for March 10th

Nancy DuCharme

Servers-March 9/10

Saturday 4:00 pm Preston & Dalton Hendrix, Lindsey & Jon Nicholson

Sunday 8:00 am Brett Sanders & Tanner Gillitzer
Rebecca Champion & Karly Jaynes

Lectors-March 9/10

Saturday 4:00 pm Barb Welsch

Sunday 8:00 am Mary Stoeffler

Ushers-March 9/10

Saturday 4:00 pm Joe Barrette, Stu Bosworth, Russell Eulgem, Bob Ziel

Sunday 8:00 am Mark Hamann, Jerry Matousek, Jim McGrath & Don Osterhaus

Scrip Workers-March 9/10

Saturday 4:00 pm Cory Steger & Tammy DuCharme

Sunday 8:00 am Colleen Teynor

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Offertory Gift Bearers-March 9/10

Saturday 7:00 pm Merle & Barb Frommelt

Sunday 10:00 am Mike Mara Family

Eucharistic Ministers-March 9/10

Saturday 7:00 pm Mary Pellock

Sunday 10:00 am Verna Panka, Doris Krogman & Jean Ann Dillman

Home Communion Ministers for March 10th

Nick Nugent, Peg Smith, Mary Check

Servers-March 9/10

Saturday 7:00 pm Madelyn & Makennan Gerhards
Breann & Jenna Holler

Sunday 10:00 am Sean & Ryan McGrath
Gunner Kravchuk & Paige Rickleff

Lectors-March 9/10

Saturday 7:00 pm Andy Banasik

Sunday 10:00 am Sarah Mezera

Ushers-March 9/10

Saturday 7:00 pm Tim Looney, Doug Rickleff, John Rickleff

Sunday 10:00 am Mike Mara, Paul Porvaznik, Ron Trautsch, & Gene Carlson

Scrip Workers-March 9/10

Saturday 7:00 pm Sarah or Steve Holler

Sunday 10:00 am Sheila Eastman & Katie Fox

Holy Family's Mass Intentions

Monday, March 4	NO MASS		
Tuesday, March 5	St. John's Church	8:15 am	Clyde Noggle: by Nick Nugent
Wednesday, March 6	St. Gabriel's Church	8:15 am	Laurayne Prew: by Barb & Richard Smith
Thursday, March 7	St. John's Church	8:15 am	Al Duve: by Janice Duve
Friday, March 8	St. Gabriel's Church	8:15 am	Arleen Gillitzer: by Dale & Donna Cipra
Saturday, March 9	St. Gabriel's Church	4:00 pm	For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor
Saturday, March 9	St. John's Church	7:00 pm	Janice Stark: by Gregory Curti
Sunday, March 10	St. Gabriel's Church	8:00 am	Glee Mulrooney: by Family & Friends
Sunday, March 10	St. John's Church	10:00 am	Steve Fishler - In Thanksgiving

Holy Family Parish

SNOW, SNOW, SNOW

Have you looked out during a snow-storm or shortly after? Everything is so beautiful, covered with a nice layer of fresh, white snow. We may see only the work that is going to be required to clear it off our streets and sidewalks, but for the moment, one cannot deny that it is very beautiful and peaceful. In November or December, it can be refreshing to see the dead grass and trees covered with a fresh blanket as well. However, for most of us, by the time January and February come along, the freshness is gone, and we begin to long for some signs of spring: melting snow, the hope of spring and green grass shooting up are things we all look forward to.

I think this can also be a reflection of our Lenten season. Just like winter, we know it comes around each year. It can also be something we kind of look forward to. We can make our plans on what we are going to do, what we are going to give up, how we can improve our prayer life, perhaps a devotion we have been thinking of. Really, almost anything that comes along, and we can begin with gusto. Ash Wednesday hits, and off we go. The first weekend of lent, and everything goes well. The second week hits, and we begin to realize how long lent really is. The third weekend and we are already looking for the end. In terms of our analogy, the snow is getting dirty, and it keeps coming down. It becomes something we dread rather than something we are looking forward to. We can become complacent in our Lenten observances, and only want it to be over with.

With this in mind, I think there is a way to keep our Lenten observances fresh in our minds and to keep them from becoming boring or a burden. Whichever leg we have chosen to focus on, don't forget to utilize the other two aspects. For instance, if it is a deepening of prayer that we desire, don't forget to set aside as aspect of almsgiving and fasting to go with it. If we are offering something up (fasting) join to that an element of prayer and almsgiving to bring it alive. Utilizing these three weapons the Church gives us, we can remain faithful to our Lenten observances, and perhaps surprise yourself when the Holy Spirit blesses these in ways we would never expect.

May God keep you and your loved ones safe during this holy season.

Fr. Jim

PRAYER CORNER

God, grant healing and peace to the sick of our communities and those who have requested our prayers. Please pray for Linda Vance, John Felder, Ann Fulcher, Jim Coorough, Sis Jelinek, Elaine Shedivy, Nancy Patzner, Janelle Becwar, Virginia Eichmann, Harry Konichek, Carissa Waldo, Earl White, 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, Adam Heiring, Roger Pellock, Janet Dickman, Peg Stoeffler, Maxim Kramer, John & Cheyenne Messling, Earl Nye, Mary Kann, Ethel Sebastian, Don Walters, Earl Whittle, Tara Pellock, Lavonne Laskaskie, Jerry Cummings, and Gary Adams.

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

Parish Support

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes for Feb. 28th	\$7,300.00	\$8,078.05
Plate for Feb. 28th	481.63	580.67
Heat & Utilities	<u>10.00</u>	<u>.00</u>
TOTAL	\$7,791.63	\$8,658.72

The second collection came to **\$483.45** and will be used for school and religious education expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Sunday, March 3rd, Sgt. Kyle Teynor will do a presentation on Meth. This will be held in St. Gabriel's School Hall at 6:30 pm. All parents and high school students are invited to this valuable presentation. We will be serving Taco's in the bag and all the trimmings.

School News,,,,, We have had a wonderful year in Art and computers this school season. Our students would like to invite you to come to the Art Show. We will be displaying our art work at Effigy Mounds the weekend of March 16, 17, & 18th. Thank you for the support you give our Catholic School. *-Mrs. Colleen Welter*

Friends & Family are invited to an Open House celebrating Pat Wachuta's 90th Birthday on Sunday, March 3rd from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at Prairie du Chien Town Hall, 33890 Hwy 35 (across from and north of Cabela's.) Your presence is the best gift.. (Hosted by Pat's children.)



Bingo Winners from Monday, February 25th: \$25.00 - Rosemary Gobin, Pat Paske, Roxie Shipley, Sue Butler; \$45.00 - Sue Mara; \$100.00 (3 winners at \$34.00 each.) Rosemary Gobin, Dorothy Degenhardt, Sue Breuer; **Progressive Consolation (\$100.00)** - Sophie Valley; **50/50 Winner (\$70.00)** - Mary Lee Millin

Bingo Workers for Monday, March 4th: Check Writer: John Fischer; **Floor Workers:** Betty Fischer, Lucy Cornford, Peggy Fischer, Kati Forsythe; **Caller:** Kyle Teynor; **Food Preparation:** Kati Forsythe; **Lunch Stand Workers:** Parents of Hailee Lynn & Jacob Mara

Upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weeks are April 5-7 in Madison, WI; May 17-19 in Brookfield, WI and June 7-9 in Rockford, IL Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653.

Many thanks to the family of Leone Peloch for the generous gift to our Catholic School in her memory. We are very grateful for this gift.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICES

10 March; St. Gabriel's, Prairie du Chien
2:00 pm Healing Service, 3:00 pm Reconciliation Service

13 March; St. Mary's, Gays Mills, 7:00 pm

18 March; St. Wenceslaus, Eastman, 7:00 pm

FROM THE DIOCESE.....If you are going to celebrate your 50th Wedding Anniversary this year you are invited to a **50th Jubilee Wedding Anniversary Celebration with Bishop William Patrick Callahan**. Each couple will receive a special invitation from the Bishop. The dates and locations of this year's events are: June 30th at Christ the King Chapel in LaCrosse, August 4th at St. Mary's in Altoona and August 25th at St. Bronislava in Plover. Please call your rectory office and let us know if you are interested in attending so we can submit your name to the Diocese.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL - 2012/2013

We would like to thank the following parishioners who have made the sacrifice to support the annual appeal this year. Please note if your pledge card was given or sent to us in the past four to six weeks - it has not been processed yet and your name will appear in later bulletins. We will publish the names two weeks in a row. This is the first week for these names:

Helen Fernetto, Delores Fischer, Margaret Fischer, Vicki Sebastian, David & Amy Young, Steve & Rebecca Henry, Thomas & Barbara Stram.

St. Patrick's Dinner Work List Sunday, March 17th

Chair Persons: Norma & John Gillitzer, Ed Steger
Dining Room Chairperson: Tammy Nolan; **Unit Chairpersons:** Janette DuCharme, Norma Gillitzer, Mary Jane Mezera; **Tickets:** Russ Eulgem, Mark Eulgem, Lyle Marfilus; **Raffle:** Mark Hamann, Don Cipra, Mark Gilberts, John Chaffee; **Ushers:** Gary Howe, Randy Bushnell, Gary Keeney, Jim Welsch; **Cooks:** Ed Steger, Brad Steiner, Bob Ziel, John Gillitzer, Keith Neisius, Brad Linder; **Meat Cutter:** Dick Tesar; **Carryouts:** Mary Daskocil, Mary Jane Mezera, Vicki Waller, Nancy Becker, Laura Meyer; **Salads, Bread, Relish:** Kathy & Sara Schneider, Donna Gilberts, Linda Schneider; **Pie Cutters:** Monica Shedivy, Zita Balk, Theresa Heal; **Pie Table:** Sheila Linder; **Coffee:** Pete Prew; **Meal Delivery:** Ed Gilkes, Chris Mara; **Kitchen Sink 9:00:** Larry Dahman, Brian Nelson; **11:00:** Bill Nicholson, Joe Gillitzer; **Serving Line:** Jenny Nack, Mary Huser, Janet Steiner, Bonnie Reilly, Lori Waller, Jane Bushnell; **Dish Washing: 11:00 to 1:00:** Dave Walz, Mark & Steve Wachuta, Jim McGrath, Eric Teynor, Bob Vance, any volunteers?? **12:30 to 2:30:** Dirk Steiner, Ron Bunders, Brian Steiner, Jeff Nack, Derrick Eastman, Ken & Jack Stoeffler, any volunteers?? **Kitchen Clean-up - 12:00 till finished:** Tim, Terry Steger, any volunteers??
Saturday Morning Food Prep 7:00 to 9:00 am: Ed Steger, John Gillitzer, any Volunteers??

Pie tins are in the back of both churches for those wanting to bake pies for our St. Patrick's Day Dinner.

Easter Flower Fund If you would like to make a donation to the "Easter Flower Fund" at the parishes in memory of a loved one, you can do so by placing your donation in a plain envelope marked "Easter Flowers" and place it in the parish collection.

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

Principal
Wade Marlow

Office Managers
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 (Monday- 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.