

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PARISH

Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

Rev. James C. Weighner

This Week at the Parish

Sunday, October 27

3:30 pm to 5:00 pm JWalkers
we will be doing service work
at St. Gabriel's Cemetery;

Monday, October 28

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

Tuesday, October 29

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie
Maison

Wednesday, October 30

6:45 pm CCD Classes

Thursday, October 31

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

Friday, November 1

All Saints Day

Holy Day of Obligation

8:15 am - Mass at St. Gabriel's
12:10 - Mass at St. John's
6:00 pm - Mass at St. John's

JWalkers - Scavenger Hunt on
Wheels

Sunday, November 3

HOLY FAMILY FALL FEST

St Gabriel Hall. 10:45 am to
1:00 pm Chicken & Ham Din-
ner with all the trimmings.
Cafeteria supper starts at 4:30
pm; Evening games from 5:00
to 7:30 pm

CAR & CASH II

Grand Prize 2013 Dodge Dart
1st Prize \$2,500 cash
2nd Prize 10 x \$250.00 each
Raffle tickets are \$20.00 each
or 6 for \$100.00. Tickets can be
purchased at either rectory or
school office, from Mary
Neisius, many local businesses
and at St. Gabriel's Fall Fest.
The car is courtesy of Sut Hill.
www.prairiecatholic.org



Holy Family Parish
FALL FEST
St. Gabriel's Hall
Sunday, Nov. 3rd
Family Style
Chicken & Ham
Serving from
10:45 am to
1:00 pm
All are invited



St. Gabriel Archangel

506 N. Beaumont Rd.
326-2404



St. John Nepomuc

710 S. Wacouta Ave.
326-6511



**HOLY DAY OF
OBLIGATION
FRIDAY, NOV. 1ST**
MASS SCHEDULE
8:15 am at St. Gabriel's
12:10 at St. John's
6:00 pm at St. John's

"But the tax collector stood off at a distance? and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." - Lk 18:13a, 13c-14



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October 27, 2013 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. GABRIEL'S CHURCH

Offertory Gift Bearers-November 2/3

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteers
 Sunday 10:00 am JWalkers

Eucharistic Ministers-November 2/3

Saturday 4:00 pm Mary Kirschbaum, Howard
 Gillitzer & Jeri Kluesner
 Sunday 10:00 am Mark Gilberts, Karen Fritsche,
 Mary Osterhaus

Home Communion Ministers for November 3rd

LeAnn Craig, Theresa Heal

Servers-November 2/3

Saturday 4:00 pm Mitchell & Brady Luster
 Gina & Angela Sebastian
 Sunday 10:00 am JWalkers

Lectors-November 2/3

Saturday 4:00 pm Jeanette Steiner
 Sunday 10:00 am JWalkers

Ushers-November 2/3

Saturday 4:00 pm Joe Barrette, Stu Bosworth,
 Russell Eulgem, Gene
 Kirschbaum
 Sunday 10:00 am JWalkers

Scrip Workers-November 2/3

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteers
 Sunday 10:00 am Brad & Jenni Linder

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Offertory Gift Bearers-November 2/3

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteers
 Sunday 8:00 am Volunteers

Eucharistic Ministers-November 2/3

Saturday 7:00 pm Deanna Hromadka
 Sunday 8:00 am Doris Krogman, Jean Ann
 Dillman & Patty Schauf-Yager

Home Communion Ministers for November 3rd

Chris Ingham, Mary Steiner, Donna Steiner

Servers-November 2/3

Saturday 7:00 pm Bailey Ottaway & Ramon
 Gonzalez
 Lauren & Allison Kennedy
 Sunday 8:00 am Seth & Kyle MacEachern
 Caitlin & Taylor Lutz

Lectors-November 2/3

Saturday 7:00 pm Pat Mulhern
 Sunday 8:00 am Steve Schwager

Ushers-November 2/3

Saturday 7:00 pm Don Roh, Bernard Mayer, Alex
 Schaefer, & Mark Forsythe
 Sunday 8:00 am Merle Frommelt, Mike Mara &
 Dennis Mezera

Scrip Workers-November 2/3

Saturday 7:00 pm Amy Young, Sheri Kennedy
 Sunday 8:00 am Volunteers

Holy Family's Mass Intentions

Monday, October 28 *NO MASS*

Tuesday, October 29 **St. John's Church** 8:15 am William Fritsche:
 by Rose & Jerry Wright

Wednesday, October 30 **St. Gabriel's Church** 8:15 am Wencil J. Swatek, Jr.: by Elaine Moris

Thursday, October 31 **St. John's Church** 8:15 am Bob Matejka: by Tom Ganser

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Friday, November 1 **St. Gabriel's Church** 8:15 am Bernard Pedretti: by Family

Friday, November 1 **St. John's Church** 12:10pm Dr. & Mrs. Daniel Fagan:
 by Monnie Key

Friday, November 1 **St. John's Church** 6:00 pm Marguerite Caya: by Jerry Wachuta

Saturday, November 2 **St. Gabriel's Church** 4:00 pm Joe Ertel: by Ruth Ertel

Saturday, November 2 **St. John's Church** 7:00 pm Jerry Rutter: by Jan Rutter

Sunday, November 3 **St. John's Church** 8:00 am Clara Dale: by Family & Friends

Sunday, November 3 **St. Gabriel's Church** 10:00 am For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor

Holy Family Parish

Prayer is Relationship

When we study our Catholic Faith, we are learning *about* Jesus. This naturally leads us to take time each day to talk with and listen to Him so that we come to *know* Him, in other words, to develop a personal relationship with Him! Prayer is extremely valuable and the *Year of Faith* is a good time to reflect on our commitment to daily prayer.

“Prayer is the raising of one’s mind and heart to God or the requesting of good things from God” according to Saint John Damascene. Put more simply, prayer is conversation with Jesus Christ. We have the desire for God written in our heart and most people want to be more faithful to a time of prayer. But life is very busy, and so making a decision about a few details may make it easier.

One essential detail is to have a specific place in our home that we pray. Have a holy picture of Jesus or a Crucifix and a Bible in this place. Looking at a picture or a Crucifix helps us to stay focused with the reality that we are talking with and listening to a Person. Of course, praying in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, when possible, is a wonderful option. We have to be flexible, and at times we may have to make adjustments and change the place where we pray.

Another important detail is *when* we pray. We are creatures of habit and praying at the same time, at least initially, will help to develop this habit. It is best to pray when we are the most rested and least distracted. Therefore, it is probably better to pray before watching a video or going out for the evening, otherwise we will be too tired and be tempted not to pray. It is also useful to reflect on what may interfere with our prayer time. Remember, Satan does not want us to pray because prayer always leads us closer to God. The only thing that should interrupt our prayer is when the practice of charity is necessary, such as a baby crying, a sick child requiring assistance, a friend in need knocking at the door, etc.

It is spiritual wisdom that we should pray often and spontaneously throughout the day, but growth in our relationship with Jesus truly begins to deepen when we commit to a set-aside time of prayer. We cannot have growth without commitment. If you have not committed to a set amount of prayer time each day, start small, maybe 5 or 10 minutes. Keep in mind that this set-aside time of prayer needs to be practical and appropriate to your state in life. For instance, a retiree is going to have more time for prayer than a person working a full-time job.

Prayer is not about clock watching. Nevertheless, faithfulness to the committed time of prayer is very important and precious to Our Lord, as well as crucial to developing the habit, even when there are not good, devotional feelings involved. What is essential is keeping the “date,” especially during difficult or dry times.

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As you remain faithful to the time that you committed to prayer, there is going to be a natural desire to start increasing the amount. A word of caution is needed here. Developing a habit of prayer can be compared to an exercise program. A person desiring to walk each day does not begin by walking 5 miles but starts out slowly and goes only a short distance and then gradually increases the amount over a reasonable period. Things that can be helpful for prayer can include spiritual reading, pondering a passage of Scripture, praying the Rosary, sitting quietly or listening to Jesus as we feel led to do so.

Have you ever asked Jesus to increase in your heart the desire to spend more time in prayer? Recall that prayer is both a gift of grace and a determined response on your part; ask Jesus for that grace. Each person needs this grace as prayer requires more effort than watching a DVD or sporting event. However, in the end, prayer is much more satisfying and will lead to interior joy and peace as your personal relationship with Christ matures.

Think of a prayer that God answered in a special way for you. Be thankful. And always remember God is waiting to be with you in prayer and answer your requests!

From The Diocese of La Crosse
Office of Catechesis and Evangelization

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, Tara Pellock, Gary Adams, Margaret Konichek, Geraldine Barr, Marguerite Begnoche, Jill Spinna, Roberta Marfilus, Ann Rowe, Bill McCoy, Randy Radsek, Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Mark Gilberts, Lara Czajkowski Higgins, Carrie Breuer, Mae & Merv Nimbar, Graham Shedivy, Dale Boldt, Marion Bernabei, Mary Gillitzer, Roger Goodman, Doug Rickleff, Richard Aschom, Michael Aschom, Kayla Taylor Vorwald and Mary Lou Kavon.

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

All are invited to Sacred Heart Parish Hall in Wauzeka for a delicious Smorgasbord on Sunday, Oct. 27th Serving from 11 am to 1 pm. Chicken, Ham Meatballs & all the trimmings. Country Store, Basket Raffle, and much more.

BINGO

Bingo Winners from Monday, October 21st: \$25.00 - Sandy McCoy, Gayle Aspenson, Walter Ready, Jr.; **\$34.00** - Christine Gramlich, Leo Schlitter, Dorothy Reed; **Progressive Consolation (\$100.00)** - John Wolfram; **50/50 Winner (\$71.50)** - Betty Ronnfeldt

The Progressive Jackpot for October 28th will be \$1,268.00 plus 50% of the progressive bingo jackpot card sales in 57 calls or less.

Bingo Workers for Monday, October 28th are: Check Writer: Sheri Kennedy; **Floor Workers:** Karen Fischer, Sue Groom & Melanie Schneider; **Callers:** Dave Hemmer & Bill Huser; **Lunch Provided by:** Denise & Larry Rod & Mary Stoeffler; **Lunch Stand Workers:** Parents of Caitlin Pattison & Brytta Sagedahl

Lost: a silver cuff link at St. Gabriel's Church on Saturday, Oct. 19th. If anyone found it please call 326-4568. Thank you.

IN SYMPATHY

Please remember **LeRoy L. Trautsch** and **Mary Hannah** in your prayers. LeRoy's funeral was held on Thursday, October 24th at St. John's Church of the Holy Family Parish and Mary's funeral will be held on Monday, October 28th at St. John's of the Holy Family Parish. May God grant them eternal life and comfort to their family

FALL FEST NOTES....Holy Family's Fall Fest is quickly approaching. We will be having a Bake Sale, Craft Booth & Country Store. We will need baked goods, homemade candy, jams, jellies, nut meats & pickles, etc. Also we would like to have some garden produce, fruits and plants and wooden items for our craft table. Hopefully you can help us out with some of these items. The Fall Fest will be held on Sunday, Nov. 3rd at St. Gabriel's.

Cake Baker's Needed: Cakes are needed for the Holy Family Fall Festival Cake Walk. Anyone can bring your cake to St. Gabriel's cafeteria on Saturday, November 2nd or Sunday morning, November 3rd. If you have questions, please call Rose Ziel at 326-4897.

Baskets....We are looking for anyone interested in donating a theme basket for the Fall Fest. Please drop them off at St. Gabriel's Rectory. Any questions call Mary Stoeffler at 326-0033.

SCHOOL NEWS....The 3rd graders have been studying insects for science class. Each student has been assigned a bug to research by finding several facts about their habitat and food. They will also be making a replica of their insect during their Art time. Hopefully their reports and insects will be on display during Parent/Teacher conferences.

Mrs. Carlson

Parish Support

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes for Oct. 20th	\$6,878.00	\$8,593.00
Plate for Oct. 20th	<u>723.39</u>	<u>588.00</u>
Total	\$7,601.39	\$9,181.00

The second collection was for Mission Sunday and it came to \$1,248.00.

The School Fund envelopes came to \$135.00.

Burgers & Fries supper from 2 weeks ago had a profit of \$1400.00.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Thank you to all who have donated to the Diocesan Annual Appeal. We will be listing the names of all who responded. We will begin with around 50 parishioners and run them for a few weeks and then list 50 more so if you don't see your name it will appear in following bulletins.

Richard & Shirley Ambrose, Norbert & Nancy Aschom, Jan & Nancy Ashby, Jesse & Gayle Aspenson, Joseph & Sharon Atkins, Mary Barrette, Rose Bauer, Dorothy Baures, Florence Becwar, Dick & Ann Beinborn, Ceil Benda, Irene Beneker, Avalo & Lucille Berns, Timothy & Catherine Betzle, Doris Bohnenkamp, Walter & Mary Boisvert, Bernard & Bonnie Boland, Patricia Boldt, Darol & Dale Boldt, Stewart & Kathryn Bosworth, Eugene & Colleen Bouzek, Arthur & Celine Boxrucker, Gene & Donnette Carlson, Donald & Karen Carroll, Thomas & Karen Cejka, John Chaffee, Richard & Lora Chamberlain, Mary Check, Roger & Joan Check, William & Wanda Check, Mark Check, Richard & Jacqueline Cherrier, Linda Cherrier, Charles & Teresa Connell, Gerald & Eldora Coorough, James & Patricia Coorough, LeAnn Craig, Jerry & Joanne Cummings, Larry & Sharon Dahman, LaVon David, Thomas & Diana Deeney, Margaret Deluhery, Brain & Jean Ann Dillman, Loren and Ann Dohse, Donald & Joan Draka, Danny Dremsa, Janette DuCharme, Irving & Carol DuCharme, Nancy DuCharme, William & Mary Duffy, Janice Duve, Virginia Elvert, Henry & Connie Esser, Thomas & Jean Farrell, Janice Fillbach, John & Betty Fischer, Elaine Fischer.

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.