

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PARISH

Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

Rev. James C. Weighner
Pastor

This Week at the Parish
Sunday, October 6

JWalkers Kick off Sunday starting with Mass at St. Gabriel's followed by a Youth Retreat

6:00 pm meeting for those interested in serving as a Eucharistic minister in St. John's Hall

6:30 pm Bible Study at Mark & Ann Grunwald residence

Monday, October 7

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

Tuesday, October 8

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

6:00 pm Fall Fest planning meeting at St. Gabriel's Cafeteria - plus we will need help stuffing envelopes for a mailing

Wednesday, October 9

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

Thursday, October 10

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

6:00 pm Finance Committee meeting at St. John's Hall

Friday, October 11

Divine Mercy Bible Study at St. Gabriel's Parish

Saturday, October 12

Wedding of Demetri Andrews & Jaimie Ann Ariss at St. John's

4:30 to 6:45 pm Burgers & Fries Supper at St. John's Hall

Sunday, October 13

6:30 - 8:00 pm JWalkers meeting in St. Gabriel's School Hall

6:30 pm Bible Study at the Grunwald residence

**EXTRA-ORDINARY
MINISTERS
of the
EUCHARIST**

Informational meeting
Sunday, Oct. 6th
St. John's Hall 6:00 pm
We are in need of volunteers. Anyone interested in serving as a Eucharist minister at Mass, home communion, or to volunteer at the hospital are invited to attend.



St. Gabriel Archangel

506 N. Beaumont Rd.
326-2404



St. John Nepomuc

710 S. Wacouta Ave.
326-6511

You are Invited—

BURGERS & FRIES

4:30 - 6:45 pm

St. John's Hall

ALL YOU CAN EAT

Free will Offering

Proceeds to

Prairie Catholic School
Saturday, Oct. 12th

"Is he grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? So should it be with you. When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'" - Lk 17:9-10



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October 6, 2013 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. GABRIEL'S CHURCH

Offertory Gift Bearers-October 12/13

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

Eucharistic Ministers-October 12/13

Saturday 4:00 pm Laura Meyer, Tom Steiner,
 Debbie Morovits
 Sunday 10:00 am Ann Lessard, Donna Teynor,
 Becky Henry

Home Communion Ministers for October 13th

Nancy DuCharme

Servers-October 12/13

Saturday 4:00 pm Hayley & Bryce Bedward
 Kama & Lizzie Tesar
 Sunday 10:00 am Chase Fisher & Kyle
 MacEachern
 Kylee Weber & Paige Schneider

Lectors-October 12/13

Saturday 4:00 pm Jeanette Steiner
 Sunday 10:00 am Joe Atkins

Ushers-October 12/13

Saturday 4:00 pm Richard Steiner, Cliff Stram, Jim
 Welsch & Bob Ziel
 Sunday 10:00 am Kurt & Gunnar Kravchuk, Jim &
 Sean McGrath

Scrip Workers-October 12/13

Saturday 4:00 pm Vicki Waller
 Sunday 10:00 am Colleen Teynor

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Offertory Gift Bearers-October 12/13

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

Eucharistic Ministers-October 12/13

Saturday 7:00 pm Tim Steger
 Sunday 8:00 am Doris Krogman, Verna Panka,
 Patty Schauf-Yager

Home Communion Ministers for October 13th

Nick Nugent, Peg Smith, Mary Check

Servers-October 12/13

Saturday 7:00 pm Breann & Nick Holler
 Gabby Toberman & Rebekah
 Champion
 Sunday 8:00 am Made & Jack Peterson
 Frankie & Harlee Eastman

Lectors-October 12/13

Saturday 7:00 pm Rita Krahn
 Sunday 8:00 am Charlie Connell

Ushers-October 12/13

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

Scrip Workers-October 12/13

Saturday 7:00 pm Sarah or Steve Holler
 Sunday 8:00 am Sheila Eastman

Holy Family's Mass Intentions

Monday, October 7	NO MASS		
Tuesday, October 8	St. John's Church	8:15 am	Edna Bauer: by Maria T. Becwar & Rose Bauer
Wednesday, October 9	St. Gabriel's Church	8:15 am	Deceased members of the Donald & Leone Peloch Family: by Family
Thursday, October 10	St. John's Church	8:15 am	Clara Dale: by Family & Friends
Friday, October 11	St. Gabriel's Church	8:15 am	Ralph & Cora Dohse: by Larry & Ann Dohse
Saturday, October 12	St. Gabriel's Church	4:00 pm	Carla Werger: by Family
Saturday, October 12	St. John's Church	7:00 pm	For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor
Sunday, October 13	St. John's Church	8:00 am	Tom Hogenson: by Emy Hogenson
Sunday, October 13	St. Gabriel's Church	10:00 am	Walter Hermsen: by Friends

Holy Family Parish

Spiritual Fatherhood (In conclusion)

Perhaps the most pointed New Testament reference to the theology of the spiritual fatherhood of priests is Paul's statement, "I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. *For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel*" (1 Cor. 4:14-15).

Peter followed the same custom, referring to Mark as his son: "She who is at Babylon, who is likewise chosen, sends you greetings; and so does my son Mark" (1 Pet. 5:13). The apostles sometimes referred to entire churches under their care as their children. Paul writes, "Here for the third time I am ready to come to you. And I will not be a burden, for I seek not what is yours but you; for children ought not to lay up for their parents, but parents for their children" (2 Cor. 12:14); and, "My little children, with whom I am again in travail until Christ be formed in you!" (Gal. 4:19).

John said, "My little children, I am writing this to you so that you may not sin; but if any one does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous" (1 John 2:1); "No greater joy can I have than this, to hear that my children follow the truth" (3 John 4). In fact, John also addresses men in his congregations as "fathers" (1 John 2:13-14).

By referring to these people as their spiritual sons and spiritual children, Peter, Paul, and John imply their own roles as spiritual fathers. Since the Bible frequently speaks of this spiritual fatherhood, we Catholics acknowledge it and follow the custom of the apostles by calling priests "father." Failure to acknowledge this is a failure to recognize and honor a great gift God has bestowed on the Church: the spiritual fatherhood of the priesthood.

Catholics know that as members of a parish, they have been committed to a priest's spiritual care, thus they have great filial affection for priests and call them "father." Priests, in turn, follow the apostles' biblical example by referring to members of their flock as "my son" or "my child" (cf. Gal. 4:19; 1 Tim. 1:18; 2 Tim. 2:1; Philem. 10; 1 Pet. 5:13; 1 John 2:1; 3 John 4).

All of these passages were written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and they express the infallibly recorded truth that Christ's ministers do have a role as spiritual fathers. Jesus is not against acknowledging that. It is he who gave these men their role as spiritual fathers, and it is his Holy Spirit who recorded this role for us in the pages of Scripture. To acknowledge spiritual fatherhood is to acknowledge the truth, and no amount of anti-Catholic grumbling will change that fact.

(See www.catholicanswers.com)

I hope these last weeks have helped our understanding of this sometimes confusing practice of our faith. Like many of the issues we face, if we try to give a succinct quick answer, there may be more questions after than before. God bless. 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 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 Marfilius, 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, Mary Hannah, Roger Goodman, Doug Rickleff, Richard Aschom, Michael Aschom, LeRoy Trautsch, and Kayla Taylor Vorwald.

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 Sept. 29th	\$6,322.00	\$7,934.00
Plate for Sept. 29th	798.61	723.20
Heat Envelopes	<u>75.00</u>	<u>105.00</u>
Total	\$7,195.61	\$8,762.20

The second collection came to **\$649.14** and will be used for school and CCD expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR... Burgers & Fries at St. John's Church Hall of the Holy Family Parish on Saturday, October 12th from 4:30 to 6:45 pm. **ALL YOU CAN EAT!** Free Will Offering - Proceeds to Prairie Catholic School. Bring your family and friends!

At The Advertisers

LOOK Supporting Our
Church Bulletin



Bingo winners from Monday, September 30th:
\$25.00 - Gayle Aspenson, Marian Taylor, Sandy McCoy; **\$30.00** - Dorothy Degenhardt; **\$45.00** - John Wolfram; **\$100.00** - Mary Ann Baker; **Progressive Consolation (\$100.00)** - Mary Ann Baker; **50/50 Winner (\$51.00)** - Gayle Aspenson

The progressive Jackpot for Oct. 7th will be at **\$826.00** plus 50% of the progressive jackpot card sales in 54 calls or less.

Bingo Workers for Monday, October 7th: Check Writer: John Fischer; **Floor Workers:** Lucy Cornford, Betty Fischer, Peggy Fischer, Kati Forsythe; **Caller:** Kyle Teynor; **Lunch Provided by:** Kati Forsythe; **Lunch Stand Workers:** Parents of Joshua Linder & Quentin Lochner

HOLY FAMILY FALL BAZAAR 2014
St. John's Location

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Profit</u>
Dinner Sales	\$ 7,119.50		
Dinner Carryouts	1,560.50		
Evening Meal	967.28		
Evening Carryouts	<u>3,128.00</u>		
	\$12,775.28	4,766.36	\$8,008.92
Booster Tickets	13,008.00	1,000.00	12,008.00
Unit Donations	2,772.00		2,772.00
Paddle Wheel	1,418.85		1,418.85
Basket Raffle	1,618.00		1,618.00
Country Store	586.65		586.65
Misc. Games	488.10		488.10
Money Barrel	302.00		302.00
Beer Tent	<u>427.00</u>		<u>427.00</u>
TOTAL	\$33,395.88	5,766.36	\$27,629.52

Thank you to all who contributed to the success of Holy Family Parish Fall Bazaar. The Total profit came to \$27,629.52 down from \$31,184.00 last year.

For all your shopping needs - remember using our Scrip program is a great fundraiser that is painless. Scrip gift cards make for easy shopping for a gift for a wedding, birthday, anniversary. You can purchase Scrip after Mass or from either rectory office during regular office hours.

WEDDING BANNS

Demetri Andrews & Jaimie Ann Ariss (III)
 Paul Jenrich & Vanessa Stubbe (II)
 Peter Grunwald & Chelline Adams (I)

Greetings from Mrs. Hemmer's First Grade,

The First Graders have had a busy first month. We have almost finished our first reading book. We are learning about the "Five Senses" and will enjoy a tasting party that will include sweet, sour, and salty items. In Religion we've been talking about God our Father, His home in heaven and what prayer is. We've discussed how special God has made each one of us. Every student brought an item or picture that reflected something special about them. October will have us busy as we get ready to sail with Christopher Columbus, learn about bats and other nocturnal animals, and do some fall crafts and a cooking activity.

FALL FEST PLANNING MEETING will be held on Tuesday, October 8th in St. Gabriel's School Cafeteria at 6:00 pm. We also will be stuffing envelopes for a Fall Fest mailing and we will need some help.

Congratulations to John & Ann Rink on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. May God continue to bless them.

BISHOP'S APPEAL

Thank you for your generous response. As I write this, we have made our diocesan goal in pledges, and are half way there with donations. Your response is much appreciated, and the money generated over the appeal returns 100% to our parish. This becomes a part of our operating budget, and is a much needed source of income. If you have not responded to this appeal, please pray over making an offering, no matter how much.

A second measure of a successful campaign is the number of families responding. Last year, we had a total of 363 pledges returned (42%). So far this year, although we have made the goal, only 226 of 869 families have responded, which is only 26%. As I have stated in the past, I have been involved with 2 parishes that have attained over 95% of families participating. It is our goal to have 85% participation, and in order to attain this, we need 740 families to return pledges. It is my belief that attaining this goal is a stronger barometer of the vibrancy of a parish. Please consider participating if you have not already done so; each gift, no matter how large or how small, is valued. God bless, and be assured of my prayers. Fr. Jim

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**

E-mail Addresses: sgp@prairiecatholic.org
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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 (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.