

HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

506 N. BEAUMONT ROAD & 710 S. WACOUTA AVENUE, PRAIRIE DU CHIEN 53821

October 15, 2017 - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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8:00am to 4:00pm (Monday - Friday)

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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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son... Tell those invited: "Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast." ' ' - Mt 22:2, 4bc



St. Gabriel Archangel

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR OCT. 22ND

John Chaffee & Mary Prindle

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-OCTOBER 21/22

Saturday 4:00 pm Mary Kirschbaum, Laura Meyer, Tom Steiner

Sunday 10:00 am Becky Henry, Megan Pedretti, Ann Lessard

SERVERS-OCTOBER 21/22

Saturday 4:00 pm Owen & Bree Teynor
Shawn & JT Egstad

Sunday 10:00 am JWalkers

LECTORS-OCTOBER 21/22

Saturday 4:00 pm Dan Schickert

Sunday 10:00 am JWalkers

USHERS-OCTOBER 21/22

Saturday 4:00 pm Richard Steiner, Bob Ziel, Gene Kirschbaum, & Volunteer

Sunday 10:00 am JWalkers

SCRIP WORKERS-OCTOBER 21/22

Saturday 4:00 pm Melanie Schneider

Sunday 10:00 am Kalli Igou



St. John Nepomuc

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR OCT. 22ND

Nick Nugent & Peg Smith

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-OCTOBER 21/22

Saturday 7:00 pm Deanne Hromadka

Sunday 8:00 am Dave Hemmer, Jean Ann Dillman,
Karen Hertrampf

SERVERS-OCTOBER 21/22

Saturday 7:00 pm Blake Thiry & Makayla Steger
Michael & Emma Bjurquist

Sunday 8:00 am Tessa & Logan Higgins
Scout Hall & Sawyer Swiggum

LECTORS-OCTOBER 21/22

Saturday 7:00 pm Rita Krahn

Sunday 8:00 am JJ Jackson

USHERS-OCTOBER 21/22

Saturday 7:00 pm Tim Looney, Alex Schaefer, Tyler Rochleau, Mark Forsythe

Sunday 8:00 am Paul Porvaznik, Mike Mara, Dennis Mezera & Mike Mara

SCRIP WORKERS-OCTOBER 21/22

Saturday 7:00 pm Scott & Sheri Kennedy

Sunday 8:00 am Volunteers

WEEKEND MASSES: MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY REQUESTING THE MASS ARE ASKED TO BRING THE GIFTS OF BREAD AND WINE TO THE ALTAR. PLEASE MAKE YOURSELVES KNOWN TO THE USHERS AND SIT NEAR THE GIFTS. THANK YOU!



Tuesday, October 17	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Dr. & Mrs. Daniel Fagan
Wednesday, October 18	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Kevin Nugent
Thursday, October 19	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† For All Souls
Friday, October 20	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Rosella Scherlin
Saturday, October 21	4:00 pm 7:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church St. John's Church	† Richard Cherrier † Sylvia Nugent
Sunday, October 22	8:00 am 10:00 am	St. John's Church St. Gabriel's Church	For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor † Caryl Wachuta

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 scheduled confessions on days with weddings or funerals.)

FROM BISHOP CALLAHAN

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, pray for us!

Dear brothers and sisters, I am so happy that we maintain a strong spiritual bond with our brothers and sisters at Casa Hogar in Peru. Not only is there the strong financial support we provide through the Fr. Joseph Walijewski Legacy Guild, but also there is our strong union through the Rosary promotion that is offered by the boys and girls who make the rosaries that I am happy to give away at our Confirmation ceremonies across the Diocese. As young people in our Diocese receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, they are drawn more deeply into the mystery of love shown to us in the consolation of our meditation on the life of Grace offered to us in the recitation of the Rosary.

I remind our young people (and all those who attend our Confirmation ceremonies) that the Rosary is not “junk jewelry,” nor is it an “accessory,” for dead bodies. Praying the Rosary unites us with the Biblical realities of our Blessed Lord’s life among us, and offers us the opportunities to meditate on those realities with our Blessed Mother. This is a strong part of the devotional life of the Church. Devotion helps us to energize our faith with a personal sense of attachment to Jesus and Mary, in this case; but devotion energizes us with strength to enter more deeply into personal relationship with each of the Members of the Blessed Trinity and with all the saints.

Disassembling our prayer through the mediations of the Rosary, we come to a deeper awareness of our relationship with Jesus and Mary and enter into the reality of their life and their genuine human experiences that lead us more predictably to their sharing of divine experiences with us as well.

Saint Francis of Assisi and Saint Ignatius of Loyola were great champions of imaginative prayer, or the opening of the mind and heart to the contemplation of a Scriptural passage by placing oneself in its midst as a participant. In Francis’ case, one of the most stirring examples is the formation of the Christmas crib—or Francis’ “real life” version of his imaginative prayer about the Nativity of Our Blessed Lord. For Ignatius, we have the “Spiritual Exercises” used by countless men and women for retreats over the years; or the “Consciousness Examen,” trusted as a means of daily prayer and personal “self-correction” for one’s daily life. These forms of prayer bring us into the area of contemplation and meditation used by saints over the centuries of active and genuine faith.

October is traditionally held as the “Month of the Rosary,” particularly noting the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on 7 October (established by His Holiness Pope Pius V after the victory of Christian forces in the Battle of Lepanto in 1571) as the epicenter of the devotion. I must further remind you once again, that the Church celebrates 2017 as the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of Our Blessed Lady at Fatima. Both of these events are very significant for Christian and world civilizations for without the victory at Lepanto and the warnings given at Fatima—both done under active involvement of Our Blessed Lady, and both accomplished by the praying of the rosary by virtue of Her direct instruction—the world, as we know it, would be an extraordinarily different place!

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Battles fought hundreds of years ago, apparitions of Mary, happening a hundred years ago, do not seem to phase us much these days; nevertheless, there is a strange nexus in the power of evil and the lives of all humanity, that seems to bubble and hiss in the cauldron of contemporary society threatening once again and with even greater ferocity to spill out, scalding and destroying our fragile lives.

I urge you, my dear brothers and sisters, pray the Rosary! Be active in your devotion to the Mother of God. She has been involved—over centuries—in the affairs of humanity and has warned us about so many aspects of our silliness and empty pursuits. She has been right—every time!

PRAYER CORNER

God, grant healing and peace to the sick of our communities and those who have requested our prayers. Please pray for:

Eileen Sutton, Mary Ann Heisz, Jerry Matousek, LaVern Sutton, Janet Dickman, Peg Stoeffler, Nancy Patzner, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, John & Cheyenne Messling, Peyton Kraushaar, Earl Nye, Ethel Sebastian, Tara Pellock, Margaret Konichek, Geraldine Barr, Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Ken Fleshner, Carrie Breuer, Graham Shedivy, Mary Gillitzer, Lorna Porvaznik, John Rink, Dale LaBonne, Dallas Valley, Mary T. Shedivy, Diane Fernette, Joe Ludvik, Stacey Johnson, Bernie O’Connell, Frank Tiller, Carl Shedivy, Rosanna Mayer, Marilyn Rybarczyk, Pam Waller, Jackie Cherrier, Jennifer Gilman, Rose Miller, Annabelle Stubbe, Karen Carroll, Richard Ginsterblum, Letty Oehler, Howard Gillitzer, Art Boxrucker, Nora Vickerman, Cecil Olson, Mary Kann, Barbara Schwant, Tyler Gillitzer, Lynette Reichmann, Scott Plondke, Richard Gillitzer, Gerald Stram, Joe Barrette, Sally Ann White, Scott Sklenar, Shirley Ambrose, Don McFarland, Vickie Samples, Nancy Aschom, Phyllis Waller, Sandi Herreid, Melinda Neumann, Don Ritchie, Sally White, Faye Tesar, Robert McCarty, Matilda Flansburgh, Joan Marie Tiller, Mary Jo Carl, Joseph Hamann, Janet Kahler, Judy Mezera, Owen Price, Sandra Marx, Wilbur Rupp, Kathy Leard, Scott Yeomans, Dorothy Gilkes, Andra Meana, Christine Carlson, M. Catherine Benoy, Irene Mitchell, Gaije Hatlin, Avalo A. Berns, Doris Bohnenkamp, Jerry Cummings, Joanne Prew, Lyle & Rosella Ahles, Donald Lochner, Judy Knickerbocker, Millie Senesac, Donna Teynor, Fr. Edwin Thome.

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

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for October 8th	\$8,450.00	\$8,903.50
Plate for October 8th	<u>1,141.89</u>	<u>862.25</u>
Total	\$9,591.89	\$9,765.75

The second collection came to \$697.01 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

MISSIONARIES OF THE SACRED HEART

Please welcome Fr Cesaire Souissa of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart to our parish this weekend. He will make an appeal on behalf of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, a religious community of over 2,000 members serving in 54 countries throughout the world, most of them in developing nations. Please welcome Fr Cesaire and consider a generous donation the MSC in order to spread the Gospel in mission lands. Your contribution is a concrete way to express your baptismal call and share in the missionary work.

IN SYMPATHY

Please remember **Edward C. Zach and Brady A. Powers** in your prayers. Edward's funeral was held on Monday, October 9th and Brady's funeral was held on Thursday, October 12th at St. Gabriel's Church of the Holy Family Parish. May God grant them eternal life and comfort to their families.

PLEASE JOIN US in a small group study. Currently we are discussing 12 Tough Issues - what the church teaches and why. Our next meeting is October 17th from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at the Fellowship Hall at St. John's. The next issue is on divorce and remarriage. An example of the type of discussion question that the group has done had to do with prolonging life and was *"What kind of health care would I find excessively burdensome for me? For my family?"* If you have questions call Deacon Mark & Ann Grunwald (326-5459) or Steve & Pat Mercatis (988-4556.)

All are invited to St. Wenceslaus - Msgr. Baer Hall in Eastman on Sunday, Oct. 29 at 6:30 pm to hear a presentation from Matt Von Rueden on *Medical Decision Making, End of Life and Catholic Principles.* Matt Von Rueden, Development Director at Pro-Life Wisconsin, will present an interactive seminar to equip you with fundamental Catholic ethics and a free Protective Power of Attorney for Health Care legal document.

WEDDING BANNERS

Brennan T. Clark & Kara A. Kenzler (II)
Anthony Bakken & Rachel Daniels (I)

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

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Sunday, October 15

Fr. Cesaire Souissa of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart will be the celebrant at all Masses

Monday, October 16

Tuesday, October 17

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

6:30 pm Small Group Study in the Fellowship Hall at St. John's - discussing *12 Tough Issues - what the Church teaches and why*

Wednesday, October 18

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

Thursday, October 19

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

5:00 pm Parish Council meeting in the Fellowship Hall

Friday, October 20

Saturday, October 21

FALL FEST NOTES

If anyone would like to donate a *Theme Basket* for our Fall Fest which will be held on Sunday, Nov. 5th, please call Mary Stoeffler at 326-0033.

Ann Kerian, a former news anchorwoman for KWWL will speak to our Confirmation Students on the importance her Catholic faith has been in her life. We also will have another young woman from the Madison area speaking on how to stay a practicing Catholic as a young adult in these confusing times. They will speak on Sunday, October 22, at the Fellowship Hall, 4-7 p.m. supper will be provided. This event is opened to ALL high school students not just Confirmation Students.

Saturday Oct 28, 2017



<https://diolc.regfox.com/men-of-the-cross-mens-conference>

SCHOOL NEWS

The second graders are learning about the Ten Commandments. They shared ways they can show their love for God and others. This is important as they begin to prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion. All of the students are excited to grow closer to God this year through the Sacrament. Ms. Felten