

HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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St. John Nepomuc

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Rectory Office Hours

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

St. Gabriel Archangel

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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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April 13, 2014 • Palm Sunday

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR

Passion/Palm Sunday



So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna, Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!"





St. Gabriel Archangel

Liturgical Ministers for Good Friday Services

April 18th - 1:30 PM

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Kathy Schneider, Howard Gillitzer Jeri Kluesner; **LECTORS:** Tom Farrell & Rita Krahn; **SERVERS:** Aaron Neisius, Clayton DuCharme, Weston Hill, Preston Hendrix; **USHERS:** Joe Barrette, Don Osterhaus, John Gillitzer & Dick Tesar

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR APRIL 20

Jeri Kluesner, Sheila Linder

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR APRIL 19/20

Saturday 8:00 pm Laura Meyer, Debbie Morovits, Howard Gillitzer

Sunday 8:00 am Joe & Sharon Atkins, Rhonda Stubbe

SERVERS FOR APRIL 19/20

Saturday 8:00 pm Evan Boisvert, Bailey Ottaway Anthony & Rene Irvin

Sunday 8:00 am Ben Teynor, Clare Teynor, Josh & Jonah Linder

LECTORS FOR APRIL 19/20

Saturday 8:00 pm Sarah Mezera & Barbara Welsch

Sunday 8:00 am Mark Grunwald

USHERS FOR APRIL 19/20

Saturday 8:00 pm Richard Steiner, Joe Barrette, Russell Eulgem, Stu Bosworth

Sunday 8:00 am Mark Hamann, Jerry Matousek, Don Osterhaus & Dick Tesar

SCRIP WILL NOT BE SOLD NEXT WEEKEND



St. John Nepomuc

Liturgical Ministers for Holy Thursday, April 17th at 7:00 pm

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Doris Krogman, Barbara Frommelt, Verna Panka; **LECTOR:** Mark Grunwald; **SERVERS:** Morgan Kiesau, Peggy Koresh & Ashley Mezera; **USHERS:** Merle Frommelt, Tim Looney, Dennis Mezera

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR APRIL 20

Kathleen Deluhery, Joan Poots, Janet Lueck

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR APRIL 20

Sunday 10:00 am Peggy Gallager, Donna Steiner, Doris Krogman

SERVERS FOR APRIL 20

Sunday 10:00 am Alexis Nolan, Caitlin Nolan, Lindsey Nicholson, Ellie Mara

LECTORS FOR APRIL 20

Sunday 10:00 am Jerry Cummings

USHERS FOR APRIL 20

Sunday 10:00 am Jim Gallagher, Ron Trautsch, Mark Mara & Dennis Mezera

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, April 15	8:15 am	St. John's Church	NO MASS
Wednesday, April 16	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Fred Becwar
Thursday, April 17	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	HOLY THURSDAY (Priest's Intention)
Friday, April 18	1:30 pm 8:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church St. John's Church	GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE
Saturday, April 19	8:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	HOLY SATURDAY (Priest's Intention)
Sunday, April 20	8:00 am 10:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church St. John's Church	EASTER SUNDAY (Priest's Intention) EASTER SUNDAY (Priest's Intention)

WELCOME HOME

With the Easter season fast approaching, this is a beautiful time to welcome back to the practice of the faith those who have been away for any reason. I would like to encourage you to reach out to a family member, to a loved one or to a neighbor you may know who has not been actively practicing his or her faith with an invitation to join you at the Easter Mass this year. Although, you may not be able to invite them to receive Holy Communion, they are always welcome to join in the celebration of the Mass.

There are so many reasons one stops practicing their faith, and there are some legitimate reasons we should refrain from receiving Holy Communion at a particular time. In today's day, these two things often are confused with each other. The Gospel calls us to *keep holy the Sabbath*; we are not necessarily called to receive Holy Communion at each Mass we attend. As Catholics we keep the Sabbath by attending the sacrifice of the Mass on Saturday evening or on Sunday. While we should do all we can in order to receive Holy Communion in a worthy fashion (without serious sin on our conscience, being in a valid marriage, observing the fast, etc), the most important aspect is worshipping God by our physical presence at the sacrifice of the Mass.

Our walk of faith is both personal and communal. Each of us is called to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and that relationship should not be damaged by what someone else may say or do. We also have a communal aspect of our faith, and for a thriving community, we need each other. The Church is a hospital for sinners, not a shrine for saints. We are all sinners, striving for sanctity. In order to attain this, we need each other, no matter how broken one of us may be at a particular time.

Fr. Jim

There is a group that has started reaching out to all: those not Catholic, the Catholics not attending Mass, and those that are firm in their faith. Take a look at www.catholicscomehome.org for more information. I have included a bit of their introduction in the following paragraphs:

There's an old saying that goes, "Once a Catholic, always a Catholic." Maybe you have been away from the Church for a little while or quite some time, but somehow you now feel a tug at your heart calling you back home to the Catholic Church. That's why we're here.

Whether or not you know you want to return to the Catholic Church, we're here to help you take that second look.

That mysterious pull inside you, driving you to look into your faith once more, comes directly from God. Your Heavenly Father is yearning for a relationship with you again, in the Church founded by Jesus 2000 years ago. He's waiting for you with open arms.

You may want to take some time to explore all of the resources we have provided, to help you learn more about coming home to the Catholic Church. We know you may have questions, and may even want to resolve some past hurts before you can feel free to enter into a relationship with Jesus or His Church again. We understand. You are not alone.

The Church has compelling answers to all of your questions. The Catholic Church has never wavered in its mission to spread truth and love throughout the world. The Lord wants us all to know and understand His truth, so we can embrace it wholeheartedly and live by it. Christ himself reminds us that "The truth shall make you free" (John 8:32). Consider this a sign, and your invitation to rediscover the truth, wonder and mystery of the Catholic faith. We are family. Welcome home!

CLARIFICATION ON A LOCAL CHURCH

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You may have heard on the radio or seen an obituary in the past week or so that a mass of Christian burial would be held at 'Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church' in Seneca. In order to avoid any confusion concerning this church, please know there is only one legitimate Roman Catholic parish in Seneca, and that is St. Patrick's parish. 'Our Lady of Grace' is a church that is not in communion with the Roman Catholic Church, they do not and cannot offer a Catholic mass (whatever they chose to call it, it is not our Mass) and no Catholic should participate in the services there or receive sacraments from any of the priests from that church. We are putting similar announcements in all Prairie du Chien deanery bulletins. If you have any questions on this, please do not hesitate to contact your pastor. God bless.

Prayer Corner

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

Steve Moris, Tony Teynor, Eileen Sutton, Mary Ann Heisz, Jerry Matousek, Loren Fishler, LaVern Sutton, Janet Dickman, Peg Stoeffler, Maxim Kramer, John Felder, Ann Fulcher, Jim Coorough, Sis Jelinek, Elaine Shedivy, Nancy Patzner, Janelle Becwar, Carissa Waldo, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, Cathy Vondrum, Mildred Prew, John & Cheyenne Messling, Earl Nye, Ethel Sebastian, Tara Pellock, Margaret Konichek, Geraldine Barr, Marguerite Begnoche, Roberta Marfilus, Ann Rowe, Bill McCoy, Randy Radsek, Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Michael Aschom, Mary Lou Kavon, Ken Fleshner, Rita Lester, Clem Wachuta, Lara Czajkowski Higgins, Carrie Breuer, Merv Nimbar, Graham Shedivy, Dale Boldt, Marion Bernabei, Mary Gillitzer, Richard Aschom, Lavonne Laskaskie, Mark Janz, Lorna Porvaznik, Carolyn Schmidt, John Rink, Ann Dohse, Josephine Cipra, Dale LaBonne, Dallas Valley, Pam Hamann.

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

Upcoming Events.....

Burgers & Fries Supper will be held Saturday evening, April 26th at St. Gabriel's.

Mother's Day Breakfast at St. Gabriel's on Sunday, May 11th.

Mark Your Calendar.....Monday, April 21st a Blood Drive will be held at City Hall in the Community Room from 11:30 am to 5:30 pm. GIVE BLOOD - SAVE A LIFE.

PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for April 6th	\$8,737.00	\$10,646.27
Plate for April 6th	<u>601.74</u>	<u>581.32</u>
Total	\$9,338.74	\$11,227.59

The second collection came to **\$1047.97** and will be used for school and CCD expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

BINGO

Bingo Winners from Monday, April 7th: \$25.00 - Eldora Coorough, Dana Kahler, Ruth Moris, Erika Dedrick, Angela Schroeder, Pat Check, Mary Ann Baker; **\$30.00** - Helen Upton, June Petsche; **\$31.25** - Dana Kahler, Dorothy Rood, David Kasey, Terry Crabtree; **\$35.00** - Gene Kirschbaum, **\$40.00** - Tiffany Upton, Dana Kahler, **\$50.00** - Lyle Neirling; **Progressive Jackpot Winner (\$2,149.00)** - Alice Schlitter; **50/50 Winner (\$165.50)** - Barb Nebendahl

Bingo Workers for Monday, April 14th: Check Writer: Deb Schultz; **Floor Workers:** Pam Kiesau & Becky Rooney; **Caller:** Bill Schultz; **Lunch Provided by** Char Steger; **Lunch Stand Workers:** Parents of Zachary Mara & Sophie Miller.

Sweepstake Calendar Winners for April

\$100.00 - Max Gallagher, Gays Mills, Weber Chiropractic, PdC; Mike Hager, PdC; Mike Morrissey, PdC; Daniel & Nekole Frommelt, Platteville

\$50.00 - Ann Lessard, PdC; Frank Rugers, Ohio, IL; Larry Dohse, PdC; Jeff & Christine Panka, PdC; Brad Kleven, PdC.

\$25.00 - Sandra Krieg, PdC; Lori Koch, Papillion, NE; Kate Hermsen PdC; Carol Walz, PdC; James & Lucy Cornford, PdC; Kyle Teynor, PdC; Lizzie Tesar, Eastman; Dave Walz, PdC; Weber Chiropractic, PdC; Molly Farrell-Kirschbaum, PdC; Arleen Kozelka, PdC; Ross Bushnell, PdC; Karen K. Hertrampf, PdC; Amanda J. Mezera, Moncks Corner, S. C.; Clayton DuCharme, PdC; Millie Senesac, PdC; Shelley Mergen, PdC; Terry Lee Forst, Bloomington, Stephan Polodna, Highlands Ranch, Co; Lana Gratace, PdC

Holy Name Raffle Winners for April

\$10.00: Dustin Flansburgh, Greg & Ann Quick, Aelred Mezera, Ann & Greg Quick, John Chaffee; **\$25.00:** Emily Steger & Ken Hess; **\$100.00:** Isaiah Wimmer, St. Charles, Minn.

IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for **Jeanne M. Novey** and **Rita Lester**. Jeanne's funeral was on Wednesday at St. John's of the Holy Family Parish and Rita's funeral was Thursday at St. Gabriel's of the Holy Family Parish. May God grant them eternal life and comfort to their families.

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.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday, April 13

4:30 pm Bible study at the Grunwald residence
6:30 pm JWalkers practice for the Live Stations

Monday, April 14

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

Tuesday, April 15

No 8:15 am Mass

10:00 am Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Joseph, LaCrosse

No Mass at Prairie Maison

Wednesday, April 16

7:00 pm JWalkers will be performing live stations at St. John's Church

Thursday, April 17 - HOLY THURSDAY

7:00 pm Mass of the Last Supper at St. John's

Friday, April 18 - GOOD FRIDAY

1:30 pm Good Friday Services at St. Gabriel's

8:00 pm Tenebrae Service at St. John's

Saturday, April 19 - HOLY SATURDAY

8:00 pm Holy Saturday Mass at St. Gabriel's

Sunday, April 20 - EASTER

8:00 am Mass at St. Gabriel's

10:00 am Mass at St. John's

Food Pantry Collection - There are containers in the back of both Churches to deposit the non-perishable food items.

We will be cleaning up the cemeteries at St. Gabriel's & Calvary. If you have any items (artificial flowers, etc.) that you would like to save, please remove them by Wednesday, April 16th - otherwise they will be thrown away. Thank you for your attention to this.

WEDDING BANNS

Ryan Adams & Melanie Wagner (I & II)

SPRING IS HERE SO TREAT YOURSELF TO SOMETHING SPECIAL. ORDER SCRIP TODAY. THE SCRIP PROGRAM WILL NOW STOCK \$10.00 DAIRY QUEEN CARDS.

School News.....The Junior High students are working on learning the 14 works of Mercy and the Beatitudes and how they apply to them. Students are continuing working on preparing themselves for Easter by doing things that will bring them closer to God, or by giving up those things that are keeping them from having a relationship with Jesus.

In English the seventh graders have started working on their 5 page research paper. They will use what they have learned in technology as well as incorporating what they have learned from their English class.

Mrs. Jean Jozefowicz