

# HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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## HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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Rectory Office Hours

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

St. Gabriel Archangel

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Rectory Office Hours

8:00am to 4:00pm (Tuesday - 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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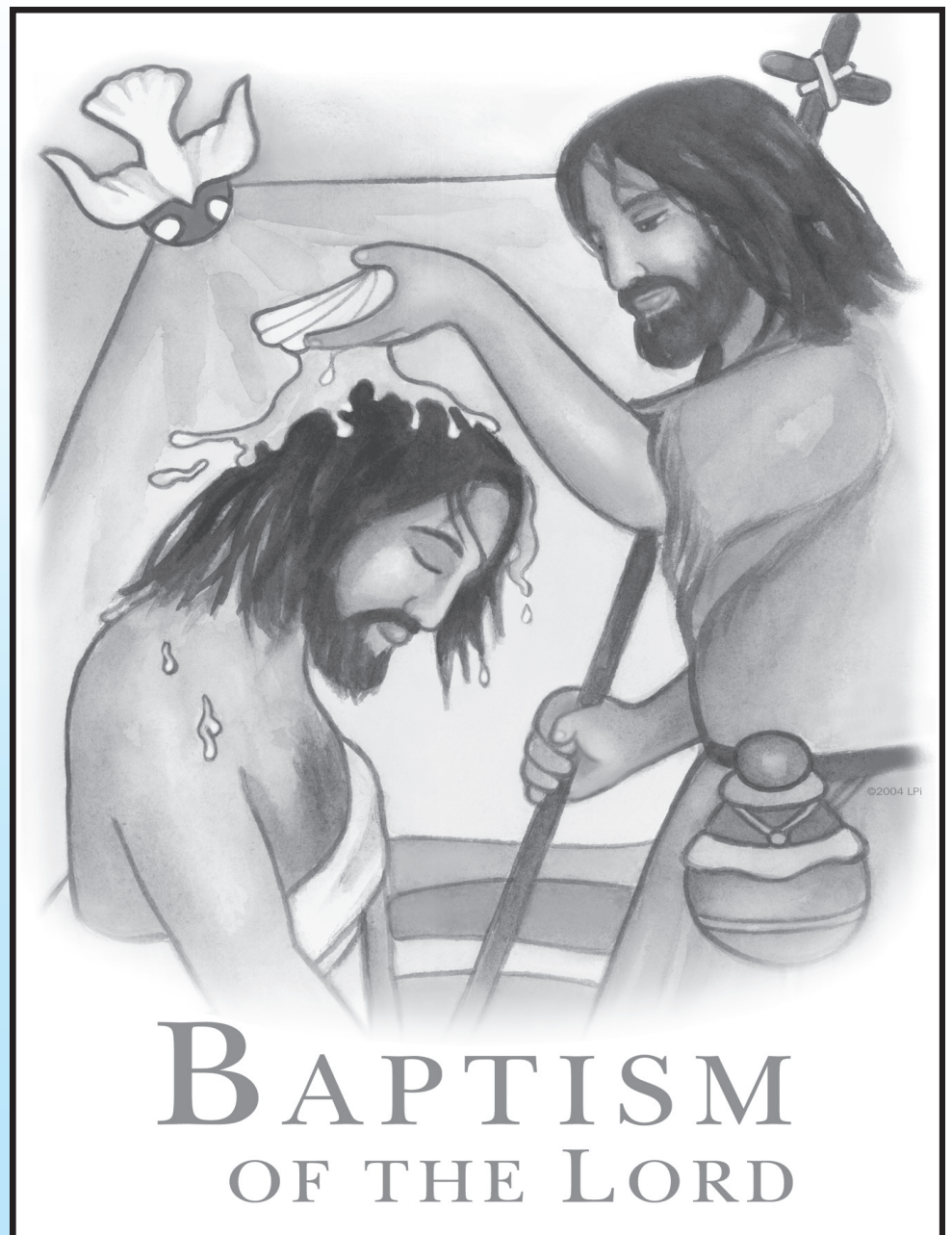
Parish Nursing Program

Rose Bauer, Shirley Cipra

Please call (357-2000)

January 11, 2015

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR





## St. Gabriel Archangel

### HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JAN. 18TH

Jeri Kluesner, Sheila Linder

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JANUARY 17/18

Saturday 4:00 pm Howard Gillitzer, Mary Kirschbaum  
& Kathy Schneider

Sunday 8:00 am Rhonda Stubbe, Donna Teynor &  
Becky Henry

### SERVERS-JANUARY 17/18

Saturday 4:00 pm Bryce & Hayley Bedward  
Breanna Teynor & John Titlbach

Sunday 8:00 am Chase Fisher & Aaron Neisius  
Emma Bjurquist & Ellie Mara

### LECTORS-JANUARY 17/18

Saturday 4:00 pm Don Cipra

Sunday 8:00 am Mark Gilberts

### USHERS-JANUARY 17/18

Saturday 4:00 pm Richard Steiner, Cliff Stram, Jim  
Welsch, & Bob Ziel

Sunday 8:00 am Butch Boland, John Chaffee, John  
Gillitzer

### SCRIP WORKERS-JANUARY 17/18

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteers

Sunday 8:00 am Ashley Linder



## St. John Nepomuc

### HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JAN. 18TH

Ceil Benda, Ramona Heiring & Pat McCoy

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JANUARY 17/18

Saturday 7:00 pm Mary Ellen Pellock

Sunday 10:00 am Peggy Gallagher, Doris Krogman, &  
Karen Hertrampf

### SERVERS-JANUARY 17/18

Saturday 7:00 pm Nick & Jenna Holler

Garrett Young & Brandon Hanger

Sunday 10:00 am JWalkers

### LECTORS-JANUARY 17/18

Saturday 7:00 pm Scott Kennedy

Sunday 10:00 am JWalkers

### USHERS-JANUARY 17/18

Saturday 7:00 pm Merle Frommelt, Bernie Mayer, Alex  
Schaefer, Tyler Rochleau

Sunday 10:00 am JWalkers

### SCRIP WORKERS-JANUARY 17/18

Saturday 7:00 pm Cathy Irvin

Sunday 10:00 am Jean Ann Dillman, Ramon Gonzalez

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!

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, January 13	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Don Walters
Wednesday, January 14	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Deceased members of the Wm. & Lora Young Family
Thursday, January 15	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Keith L. Kozelka
Friday, January 16	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Bill & Edith McGrath
Saturday, January 17	4:00 pm 7:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church St. John's Church	† Richard DuCharme † Roger Pellock (Ann.)
Sunday, January 18	8:00 am 10:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church St. John's Church	† Phyllis Gokey † For All Those Entrusted to our Pastor

## Obstacles between many of us and Christ . . . and Actions to Overcome Them

As we enter into a new year, many of us strive to find and make New Year's resolutions. Often the focus of these resolutions is the material world we live in, but we also need to take care of the spiritual. I came across this article, which I will offer in this week and next week's bulletin that names some common spiritual ailments that affect many of us (we cannot fight against them unless we acknowledge them) and it offers some practical advice on what we can do about them.

- **Pride** – We have to surrender on an ongoing basis to Christ for His will to be done in our lives. He is not looking for a copilot. He is the pilot. We simply have to recognize that we are not in charge—as much as we want to be! Our active practice of humility will counter the sin of pride.
- **We don't fully appreciate the Eucharist** – All of us have an opportunity every single day to have the most personal relationship possible with Christ by partaking of the Eucharist during Mass, yet we may not truly understand or appreciate this great gift He has given us. Many parishes offer Eucharistic Adoration, which provides an opportunity to kneel and pray before the True Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. We will never know Him if we don't spend time with Him.
- **Lack of a prayer life** – We can't have a relationship with Jesus if we never talk to Him. I will work harder on my daily prayer with the goal of at least an hour a day devoted to prayer. Sound difficult? Think about how much TV we watch a day. Consider how much time we spend in our cars each day and how much time we devote to exercise. We have more than enough time for prayer if we plan for it, schedule it, and commit to it. Pray the Morning Offering or other prayers before you leave home (ten minutes), five decades of the Rosary in your car or while exercising (twenty minutes), the Daily Jesuit Examine (fifteen minutes), Grace with all meals (five minutes), and with your children and spouse (ten minutes). Add it up, and we just did an hour of prayer.
- **Misunderstanding our true vocation** – For those of us blessed to be married and have children, we must recognize that helping our families get to heaven and being good spouses and parents (and not our business careers) is our real vocation. It is so easy to allow our family to serve our work (my issue many years ago) instead of having our work serve our family, and, in turn, our family to serve the Lord.
- **Not spending enough time with the Blessed Mother** – The surest way to Christ is through the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Seeking Mary's frequent intercession and praying a daily Rosary are necessary in my desire to be closer to her son.

The above is from an article by Randy Hein;  
<http://www.integratedcatholiclife.org/2015/01>

**Additional memorials for Christmas Flowers that did not get into last weekend's bulletin are:**  
Robert & Brian Waller

## 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, Eileen Sutton, Mary Ann Heisz, Jerry Matousek, Loren Fishler, LaVern Sutton, Janet Dickman, Peg Stoeffler, John Felder, Ann Fulcher, Elaine Shedivy, Nancy Patzner, Janelle Becwar, Carissa Waldo, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, Mildred Prew, John & Cheyenne Messling, Earl Nye, Ethel Sebastian, Tara Pellock, Margaret Konichek, Geraldine Barr, Marguerite Begnoche, Roberta Marfilius, Ann Rowe, Bill McCoy, Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Michael Aschom, Ken Fleshner, Lara Czajkowski Higgins, Carrie Breuer, Graham Shedivy, Marion Bernabei, Mary Gillitzer, Richard Aschom, Mark Janz, Lorna Porvaznik, Carolyn Schmidt, John Rink, Dale LaBonne, Dallas Valley, Pam Hamann, Mary T. Shedivy, Lavon David, Diane Fernette, Joe Ludvik, Stacey Johnson, Albena Sutton, Patricia McCoy, Bernie O'Connell, Frank Tiller, Carl Shedivy, Kerriann Placko, Rosanna Mayer, Jason Bierman, Dana Kahler, Nancy Aschom, Marilyn Rybarczyk, Pam Waller, Jackie Cherrier, Jennifer Gilman, Christine Alioto and Tracy Pedretti.

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

## SWISS STEAK DINNER

If you have not yet received your Swiss Steak Dinner tickets, they will be arriving soon. You will notice a discrepancy between the tickets and the letter. Despite double checking the letters and tickets, this was not caught until they were all ready to go out. The dinner price is set at \$9.50 in advance and \$10.00 at the door. We apologize for any confusion. Fr Jim.

## PARISH SUPPORT

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Christmas	\$16,885.31	\$22,871.83
Envelopes for Dec. 28	\$8,749.50	\$11,201.00
Plate for Dec. 28	<u>1,015.88</u>	<u>1,031.98</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,765.38</b>	<b>\$12,232.98</b>
New Year's Day	\$2,308.55	\$1,918.43
Envelopes for Jan. 4	\$7,414.00	\$8,011.00
Plate for Jan. 4	472.76	517.75
Add'l 2014 Envelopes	<u>2,532.00</u>	<u>5,487.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,418.76</b>	<b>\$14,015.75</b>

The second collection on Dec. 28th came to \$464.86 and the second collection on Jan. 4th came to \$1,191.47 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

**Bingo Workers for Monday, January 12th:** Check  
**Writer:** Deb Schultz; **Floor Worker:** Becky Rooney;  
**Caller:** Aaron Kramer; **Lunch Provided by:** Char  
Steger; **Lunch Stand Workers:** Parents of Mitchell  
Luster & Taylor Lutz

**SCHOOL NEWS.....**The school is looking forward to Catholic Schools Week from January 25th through 30th. We have many events scheduled for each day of the week. Please look for the schedule on the school's website and plan to attend any event listed.

**Our Car & Cash Raffle is now underway.** For only \$20.00 or 6 tickets for \$100.00 you will have a chance to win a 2013 Ford Focus Hatchback program car. Other prizes include: First Place Prize - \$2,000.00; Second Place Prize - \$500.00 or 10 - 3rd place prizes at \$250.00 each. Tickets are available at both rectories and at Prairie Catholic School Office.

**Also our Sweepstake Calendars** are also available at Holy Family Rectory, the school office or call John Fischer at 326-2827. They are 6 for \$100.00 or \$20.00 per calendar qualifies you to win, 360 drawings February 2015 through January 2016. HURRY TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

**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 or more, so if you don't see your name it will appear in following bulletins. Mark Check, John & Patricia Check, Russell & Patricia Eulgem, Robert & Rita Kazda, Jason & Sarah Knapp, Gary & Judy Knickerbocker, Virginia Konichek, Patricia Kramer, Bradley & Jennifer Linder, John & Joyce Luster, Mark & Mary Mezera, Patricia Mezera, Debra Morovits, Earl & Janette Nicholson, Vicki Sebastian, Thomas & Barbara Stram, Gerald Stram, Gerald & Judy Strnad, Michael & Sharon Strnad, Mary Stuckey, Norbert & Catherine Swenson, Agnes Tesar, Phyllis Tichenor, Major Sue Ann Tiller (Ret), Brian & Shelly Trautsch, Jerald & Rose Trautsch, Damian & Stephanie Vlaming, Loren Vondrum, Robert & Debra Wachter, Gerald Wachuta, Patricia Wachuta, Steven & Jennifer Wachuta, Joshua & Angela Wagner, Pamela Waller, Evelyn Waller, Lucille Walters, James & Margaret Walz, Carol Walz, Martin & Judy Warpinski, Rev. James C. Weighner, James & Barbara Welsch, James White, Ronald & Karen White, Mary White, Sally White, Lyle Wilkinson, Arlene Willms, Elmer Wisniefsky, Russ & Shawn Wittrig, Gerald & Rose Wright, Phyllis Yeomans, David & Amy Young.

## 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

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### Monday, January 12

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

### Tuesday, January 13

NO MASS at Prairie Maison

### Wednesday, January 14

6:00 pm Education Commission will meet at St. Gabriel's

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

### Thursday, January 15

7:00 pm Holy Family Parish Council meeting in St. John's School

### Saturday, January 17

### Sunday, January 18

Collection for non-perishable food items for our local food pantry. Containers are in the back of the churches.

## SOUP AT NOON....SUNDAY, JANUARY 18TH SACRED HEART PARISH HALL. WAUZEKA

Serving will begin at 11:00 am, Chicken Noodle, Vegetable Beef, Creamy Vegetable, Bean & Ham Soups, Sandwiches, Desserts & Beverages.. Adults - \$6.50; ages 6-1 - \$4.00 and 5 & under are FREE. Bake Sale & Basket Raffle. Carry-outs are available. ALL ARE INVITED.

## Lottery Calendar Winners for January 2015

**\$100.00** - Mary Konichek, PdC; Bob Titlbach, PdC; Joyce Luster, PdC; Lucy Cornford, PdC; Mike Connell, Edwards, WI

**\$50.00** - Steve Pellock, PdC, Loren Fishler, PdC; Virginia Walz, PdC; John Chaffee, PdC; Charles Luster, Hiawatha, IA

**\$25.00** - Shelly Merger, PdC; Derek & Jasmine Frommelt, Clive, IA; Matt Mezera, Bloomington; Joe & Cheryl Hromadka, Fennimore; Richard & Verna Panka, PdC; Paul Flansburgh, PdC; Nate Henry, Eau Claire, WI; Adam Steiner, PdC; Tom & Angie Weighner, Dorchester, IA; Todd Knapp, PdC; Chuck Simmons, Eastman; Gen Stubbe, PdC; Laurretta Rod, PdC; Van Jacobson, PdC; Prairie Catholic School Library, PdC; Lindsey Krachey, PdC; Lyle & Roberta Marfilus, PdC; Weber Chiropractic, PdC; Jan Duve, PdC; Gene Bowar Family, Birchwood, MN

## KATIE STELTER

Katie Stelter, from the Chippewa Falls area in the Diocese of La Crosse, will offer a pro-life presentation here in Prairie du Chien on Jan 21, 2015. Katie has a powerful personal message for all on this 42<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision allowing legal abortions in the United States of America. Since this decision, over 56 million babies have lost their lives through abortion. Katie's personal experience is a profound witness and a voice for those who cannot speak that needs to be heard in our world today. Please plan on attending this talk on Jan 21, 2015 at St Gabriel school hall.

This talk is highly recommended for all, from high school and above. Middle school aged children may attend accompanied by their parents.