

# 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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Prairie Du Chien, WI 53821

Phone: 326-2404

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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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*November 18, 2018 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR

DEACON MARK GRUNWALD

*33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday*  
IN ORDINARY TIME



"Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father." - Mk 13:30-32



## St. Gabriel Archangel

### HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR NOV. 25TH

John Chaffee, Mary Prindle

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-NOVEMBER 24/25

Saturday 4:00 pm Tom Steiner, Kathy Schneider & Mary Kirschbaum

Sunday 8:00 am Joe & Sharon Atkins, Deacon Mark

### SERVERS-NOVEMBER 24/25

Saturday 4:00 pm Shawn & JT Egstad  
Owen Teynor & Allison Lindner

Sunday 8:00 am Scout Hall & Logan Kiesau  
Addison Kirschbaum & Brogan Brewer

### LECTORS-NOVEMBER 24/25

Saturday 4:00 pm Barb Welsch

Sunday 8:00 am Dan Schickert

### USHERS-NOVEMBER 24/25

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

Sunday 8:00 am Dick Tesar, John Gillitzer, Mark Hamann & Volunteer

### SCRIP WORKERS-NOVEMBER 24/25

Saturday 4:00 pm Ashley Lindner

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!

PLEASE NOTE: Mass on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 22 is at St. John's at 8:00 am. No Mass on Friday, Nov. 23rd.



## St. John Nepomuc

### HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR NOV. 25TH

Kathleen Deluhery, Joan Poots

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-NOV. 24/25

Saturday 7:00 pm Deanna Hromadka

Sunday 10:00 am Michael Bornholdt, Deacon Mark, Doris Krogman

### SERVERS-NOVEMBER 24/25

Saturday 7:00 pm Zach & Caleb Mezera  
Ava & MaKenna Forde

Sunday 10:00 am Gabriel Munson-Fishler & Madilyn Coffield  
Dustin & Prestin Nolan

### LECTORS-NOVEMBER 24/25

Saturday 7:00 pm Linda Moser

Sunday 10:00 am Kurt Kravchuk

### USHERS-NOVEMBER 24/25

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

Sunday 10:00 am Paul Porvaznik, Mike Mara, Dennis Mezera, Mark Mara

### SCRIP WORKERS-NOVEMBER 24/25

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteers

Sunday 10:00 am Stephanie Vlaming

Tuesday, November 20	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Deanne Heilman Smith
Wednesday, November 21	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Elizabeth & Thomas Brom
Thursday, November 22	8:00 am	St. John's Church	† Herb Schneider
Friday, November 23	8:15 am	NO MASS	
Saturday, November 24	4:00 pm 7:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church St. John's Church	† Ken & Vi Kane † Louis & Rita Horkheimer
Sunday, November 25	8:00 am 10:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church St. John's Church	† Jim & Clara Powers † For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor

### 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 Confessions on days with weddings or funerals)

## THANKSGIVING WEEK

This Thursday we celebrate Thanksgiving in the United States. This is a very American feast, celebrated in only a few nations in the world, including Canada. For us as Americans, it is a national holiday that can be traced back to the early pilgrim settlers coming to America from Europe. At its core, it is a harvest feast, but the true sense of Thanksgiving goes deeper. It holds on to the truth that we as a people and a nation are beholden to one greater than ourselves. We are a nation that is blessed. Recognizing this is critical in order to grasp who we are as a nation and what we are called to be for the world; a light for freedom liberty and justice.

As I was preparing this reflection, one of the daily Gospel readings was from Luke, and it was the story of the ten lepers. As you should recall, ten lepers were calling out: 'Lord Jesus, have mercy on us'. Jesus sends them to the priest so they can offer the customary sacrifices. On their way, they realize they have been cured, but only one, a foreigner (actually from a nation that was very antagonistic toward the Jewish people) returns to give thanks and praise God. This one received more than only a bodily cure, but he was cured spiritually as well, as he is told "go your way, your faith has saved you". These words from Christ reflected what was happening in his soul, and are very similar to the words we hear in reconciliation, when the priest says 'Go in peace, your sins are forgiven'. Although we do not normally have a physical manifestation to go with these words, they are the word of Christ spoken through a priest, and they convey a truth that goes beyond the material world.

I believe it is important that we reflect on these things in our lives. It is so easy to get caught up in events of the day and forget that we as a people are still pilgrims. Like the nine lepers that were cured, we can go from event to event in our lives, including some great milestones, and simply move on as if they were ordinary things, and we can forget to return to the source of these blessings and graces to offer thanksgiving. We are on this earth and travelling through at the same time. Our true home is in heaven.

Thanksgiving offers us the opportunity to return balance to our lives by taking an objective look at the blessings we have received. Taking an honest look at these, not all of them bring material success or joy, but with a deeper reflection we can appreciate even difficult moments and events in our lives. And see how these can bring us closer as a family and deepen our relationship with the Holy Trinity.

If you can, please join us for the celebration of the Mass this Thanksgiving, bringing to God all our joys and our struggles from this past year, and seek His blessings for our Church, our nation, our loved ones and ourselves for the coming year. *Lord Jesus, Have Mercy On Us.*

God bless.

Fr Jim

## PRAYER CORNER

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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, Janet Dickman, Peg Stoeffler, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, John & Cheyenne Messling, Peyton Kraushaar, Earl Nye, Ethel Sebastian, Tara Pellock, Geraldine Barr, Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Ken Fleshner, Graham Shedivy, Lorna Porvaznik, John Rink, Dale LaBonne, Dallas Valley, Mary T. Shedivy, Diane Fernette, Stacey Johnson, Frank Tiller, Carl Shedivy, Rosanna Mayer, Marilyn Rybarczyk, Pam Waller, Jackie Cherrier, Jennifer Gilman, Rose Miller, Letty Oehler, Art Boxrucker, Nora Vickerman, Barbara Schwant, Tyler Gillitzer, Lynette Reichmann, Scott Plondke, Gerald Stram, Joe Barrette, Sally Ann White, Scott Sklenar, Shirley Ambrose, Don McFarland, Phyllis Waller, Sandi Herreid, Melinda Neumann, Don Ritchie, Sally White, Faye Tesar, Carol Kalish, Matilda Flansburgh, Joan Marie Tiller, Joseph Hamann, Janet Kahler, Judy Mezera, Owen Price, Kathy Leard, Scott Yeomans, Dorothy Gilkes, Andra Meana, M. Catherine Benoy, Irene Mitchell, Gaige Hatlin, Avalo A. Berns, Doris Bohnenkamp, Lyle & Rosella Ahles, Millie Senesac, Donna Teynor, Marita Conley, Greta Martin, Robert Hazen, Bernard "Butch" Boland, Jeffery Scott DuCharme, Gina Buettner, Audrey Mara, Sister Suzanne Gallagher, Nancy Knutson, George J. Mezera, George Kahler, Terry Zinkle, Charles Barney, Bonnie Boland, Steven Richard DuCharme.

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

## MAINTENANCE APPEAL UPDATE

Thank you to all that have made contributions or pledges to our maintenance appeal. Over the past 3 weeks, we have collected **\$32,050.00**. This is a great beginning to this appeal, but as I noted at Mass just after the letters for this appeal went out, we are in need of over \$170,000 for the roof at St Gabriel church, the boiler at St Gabriel school and the exterior work at the rectory. The goal for this drive is to have an emergency fund put aside as well for unforeseen events that always come up. Please continue to pray for the success of this drive, and if you have not done so, consider joining in this effort to maintain our facilities. Thank you for supporting your parish in this way.

## PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for Nov. 11th	\$6,291.00	\$8,917.00
Plate for Nov. 11th	<u>480.50</u>	<u>975.37</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,771.50</b>	<b>\$9,892.37</b>

The second collection came to **\$1,950.50** and will be sent to the Diocese for the Missionary Cooperative Plan Appeal (Warangal Diocese, India).

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

## IN SYMPATHY

Please remember **Nancy Aschom** in your prayers. Her funeral was held on Tuesday, November 13th at St. John's Church of the Holy Parish Family. May God grant **Nancy** eternal life and comfort to her family.

**"It's that time of year again!** The hustle and bustle of the holidays has started! For many of us, it is the happiest time of the year. But there are many families in our community who struggle through the holidays every year and are unable to provide their children with anything for Christmas. To try to help these families, Catholic Charities is reaching out to you to ask for your assistance. We are looking for individuals, families, organizations, or other groups to sponsor our Christmas families. How the Program Works: Our Christmas families offer us a wish list for their household. Once we receive the wish lists, we cross reference with other Christmas programs to ensure only one program is being utilized per household. After the family has been approved, sponsors are able to select a family they feel they can help with gifts and food. Once items are purchased and gifts are wrapped, they are delivered to the Catholic Charities office and then distributed to the family. Everything is confidential. If you or your group or organization would like to sponsor a family or if you know of a family in need, please call Sandy Marx at 608-326-1616.

## SCHOOL NEWS

In the 7th and 8th grade US history class, we have been learning about the United States becoming a nation and the development of the country's new government. We have been discussing the writing of the Constitution, as well as the three branches of government. In life science, we just wrapped up our chapter on cells. We learned about the discovery of, parts of and chemical compounds in cells. We are now starting our unit on cell processes and energy.

In the 5th and 6th grade geography class, we just finished learning about the five themes of geography. The students learned about places, locations, regions, human-environment interactions and movement that help us better understand the different regions of the world. In physical science, the students recently worked in groups to create posters relating to the three states of matter. They presented the posters to their classmates after they were done. We have also just started talking more about the parts of atoms. Throughout this upcoming unit, students will gain a better understanding of atoms, bonding, and the periodic table of elements.

-Ms. Jamie Feye

## THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

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Sunday, November 18

Monday, November 19

Tuesday, November 20

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

Wednesday, November 21

NO CCD CLASS

7:00 pm Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service at the United Methodist Church, Prairie du Chien. All are invited

Thursday, November 22 - Thanksgiving

8:00 am Mass at St. John's

Friday, November 23

NO WEEKDAY MASS

Saturday, November 24

**Volunteers for Bingo** are needed for the 2nd Monday of the month. We need a floor worker and a caller. Please call either rectory if you can help us out. St. John's 326-6511 or St. Gabriel's 326-2404.

## ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

This year our goal is \$53,965. Thus far we have received pledges and donations of \$31,130 for the appeal. This appeal is the one you have received a mailing from the diocese, and is the main source of funds for the 'home office'. As in the past, any money collected over the goal is returned 100% to the parish, and is not subject to the normal percentage of the Sunday collections that are sent to the diocese. Please continue to pray for the success of this appeal, and if you have not done so consider joining with your fellow parishioners and Catholics throughout the diocese in support of the appeal.

**On Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 22nd Mass will be at St. John's at 8:00 am and on Friday, November 23rd there will not be a weekday Mass**

