

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

Holy Days

Mass times to be announced.

Baptism

Please call St. John's Rectory office.

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Please contact the parish at least 6 months prior to the wedding date.

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November 4, 2018 - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR

DEACON MARK GRUNWALD



31st SUNDAY *in ordinary time*

When Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him,
"You are not far from the kingdom of God." - Mk 12:34ab

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St. Gabriel Archangel

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR NOV. 11TH

Joe Prochaska, Nancy DuCharme

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-NOV. 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Tom Steiner, Kathy Schneider &
Deacon Mark
Sunday 8:00 am Megan Pedretti, Jeri Kluesner, Deacon
Mark

SERVERS-NOV. 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Max & Elle Schneider
Jack MacEachern & Allison Linder
Sunday 8:00 am Addison Kirschbaum & Scout Hall
Dawson Eastman & Logan Kiesau

LECTORS-NOV. 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Eric Teynor
Sunday 8:00 am JJ Jackson

USHERS-NOV. 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Robert Ziel, Richard Steiner, Gene
Kirschbaum & Robert DeFord
Sunday 8:00 am Dick Tesar, John Gillitzer, Mark
Hamann & Volunteer

SCRIP WORKERS-NOV. 10/11

Saturday 4:00 pm Melanie Schneider
Sunday 8:00 am Sheila Eastman



St. John Nepomuc

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR NOV. 11TH

Ann Quick, Donna Steiner

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-NOV. 10/11

Saturday, 7:00 pm Deacon Mark
Sunday 10:00 am George & Nancy Eastman, Deacon
Mark

SERVERS-NOV. 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Ava & MaKenna Forde
Makayla Steger & Blake Thiry
Sunday 10:00 am Logan & Tessa Higgins
Lindsey Nolan & Jesse Lutz

LECTORS-NOV. 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Corey Steger
Sunday 10:00 am Steve Schwager

USHERS-NOV. 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Tim Looney, Doug Rickleff, Dan
Schickert & Volunteer
Sunday 10:00 am Gene Carlson, Make Mara, Paul
Porvaznik & Ron Trautsch

SCRIP WORKERS-NOV. 10/11

Saturday 7:00 pm Corey Steger
Sunday 10:00 am Tammy & Patrick Nolan

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 Location Change on Nov. 11th
8:00 am at St. Gabriel's
10:00 am at St. John's



Tuesday, November 6	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Communion Service
Wednesday, November 7	8:15 am	St. John's Church	NO MASS
Thursday, November 8	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Communion Service
Friday, November 9	8:15 am	St. John's Church	NO MASS
Saturday, November 10	4:00 pm 7:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church St. John's Church	† Helen Wilkinson For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor
Sunday, November 11	8:00 am 10:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church St. John's Church	† Bob Waller † Pauline Dundee

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)

REMEMBER TO VOTE TUESDAY NOV 6

Pope Francis speaks of how easy it is in this world today, even with all the modern communication and internet options, to be invisible; to think the battles are for others; to think our voice doesn't matter, so we are tempted to remain silent. But one day, we will be called to answer. How do we respond when 'Catholic' politicians are on public record in support of abortion at all stages of pregnancy? How do we respond when a 'Catholic' politician calls abortion 'sacred ground'? Are we silent, or do we make our voices heard? When we vote, are we Democrat, Republican or Catholic? As we prepare for the upcoming mid-term elections, some things to consider:

If there is separation of church and state, why does the Catholic Church speak out on political issues?

As followers of Jesus Christ, we are morally obligated to defend the vulnerable and to create a more peaceful and just society. In doing so, the Church is not seeking to impose its teaching on anybody, but it is using rational arguments and moral persuasion to defend the dignity of the human person, the core of its social teaching.

As Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI explains, "The Church is not a political power, it's not a party, but it's a moral power. Since politics fundamentally should be a moral enterprise, the Church in this sense has something to say about politics." (Interview on route to Mexico, March 23, 2012) In addition, under the First Amendment, individuals and groups have the right to speak freely and to freely exercise their religion. Indeed, our nation's character is strengthened by the participation of all faiths in the public square.

There are certain issues that by their nature carry more moral weight. We simply cannot equate the basic right to life with economic issues of the day. These issues are termed 'non-negotiable moral issues'. For further information on these from a Catholic perspective:

<https://www.ewtn.com/vote/non-negotiables.asp>

If the Church participates in the political process, why not endorse candidates?

As a moral voice in the public square, the Church must remain independent of any political party, faction, or candidate. Within the Church, clergy and laity have different but complementary roles. The charism of the clergy is to teach the Gospel message so that all may form their consciences properly.

The charism of the laity is to transform the culture. In the political arena, lay men and women do this by voting, serving in public office, supporting or opposing candidates, forming political parties, educating voters, and developing or influencing public policy between elections.

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Aren't Catholics supposed to follow their individual conscience when voting?

Yes, but the key is that the individual conscience must be well-formed. "Conscience is not something that allows us to justify doing whatever we want, nor is it a mere 'feeling' about what we should or should not do." (FCFC 17) Rather, conscience is a judgment about what is right or wrong in a particular instance. For Catholics, this inner judgment presupposes some knowledge of a higher moral law. This higher or divine law comes to us from Scripture, Church teaching, and the natural law.

May God bless you, your families and our nation
Fr Jim

Some additional websites to consider:

Wisconsin Family Action www.wifamilyaction.org

On the Issues www.ontheissues.org

www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship

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, 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, Bernie O'Connell, 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, Nancy Aschom, 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.

PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for October 28th	\$4,765.00	\$7,850.00
Plate for October 28th	801.76	745.24
TOTAL	\$5,566.76	\$8,595.24

The second collection came to **\$456.56** and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Readings for the Week of November 4, 2018

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

Monday: Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30e, 31-32 [26a]/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [3b]/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Saturday: Phil 4:10-19/Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a and 9/Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

Knights of Columbus will have a 1st degree initiation on Tuesday, Nov. 6 at 6:15 pm in St. John's School Library, regular meeting will follow at 7:00 pm. If you are a member of the Knights and your child attends Prairie Catholic you can receive a minimum of \$500.00 tuition reduction.

IN SYMPATHY

Please remember **Carrie D. Breuer** in your prayers. Her funeral was held on Monday, Oct. 29th at St. Gabriel's Church of the Holy Family Parish. May God grant Carrie eternal life and comfort to her family and friends.

SCHOOL NEWS.....The 3rd and 4th graders joined forces to learn about landforms and our ever changing earth. As part of this science unit, the students used salt dough to create islands. Students had to incorporate at least five landforms on their islands. Students painted the islands and wrote personal narratives about their lives on the islands. What terrific imaginations! Students shared the stories in class and now have their islands on display. Students ended the unit by erupting volcanoes which they also created with dough. *What a blast!* -Mrs. Jennifer Wachuta

Prairie Catholic 7th Grade are having a pie fundraiser. They will be taking orders for take-and-bake pies after all Masses on the weekend of November 10th & 11th.

MISSIONARY PRIEST

Welcome Fr Sudhaker of the Diocese of Warangal in India to this weekend's Masses. He will have envelopes available. Please take an envelope home and return it next week as our 2nd collection the weekend of Nov 10-11 will go to the missions. God bless Fr. Jim

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

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Sunday, November 4

9:00 am Coffee & Rolls in the Fellowship Hall at St. John's plus drawing for the Lottery Sweepstakes
Calendar winners

10:45 am to 1:00 pm **Fall Fest** - Chicken & Ham dinner in St. Gabriel's School Hall; Evening meal begins at 4:30 pm; Games, Prizes, Raffles & Entertainment. All are invited

Tuesday, November 6

8:15 am Communion Service at St. Gabriel's
3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

6:15 pm Knights of Columbus will have a 1st degree initiation and a regular meeting will follow at 7:00 pm at St. John's School

Wednesday, November 7

6:30 pm Freshmen Confirmation Class in the Fellowship Hall at St. John's

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

Thursday, November 8

Adoration after the 8:15 am Communion Service at St. Gabriel's

Benediction at 1:00 pm

7:00 pm PCCW will meet in the Fellowship Hall at St. John's

Sunday, November 11

JWalkers Road Rally

Prairie Catholic School will be presenting a Veterans Day Program on Monday Nov. 12th at 2:00 pm at the school. All are invited.

The Parish Council of Catholic Women would like to thank all the people who donated items for our rummage sale. Also, thank you to all who worked so hard to set up for the sale and pack up the leftovers. The sale was well attended and donations for the items came to \$2,357.44 after expenses.



Fall Festival

HOLY FAMILY FALL FEST

Sunday, Nov. 4th
Chicken & Ham Dinner
Serving from 10:45 am until 1:00
Cafeteria Supper at 4:30 pm
Games, Prizes, Raffle
ALL ARE INVITED