

HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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

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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.

Marriage

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

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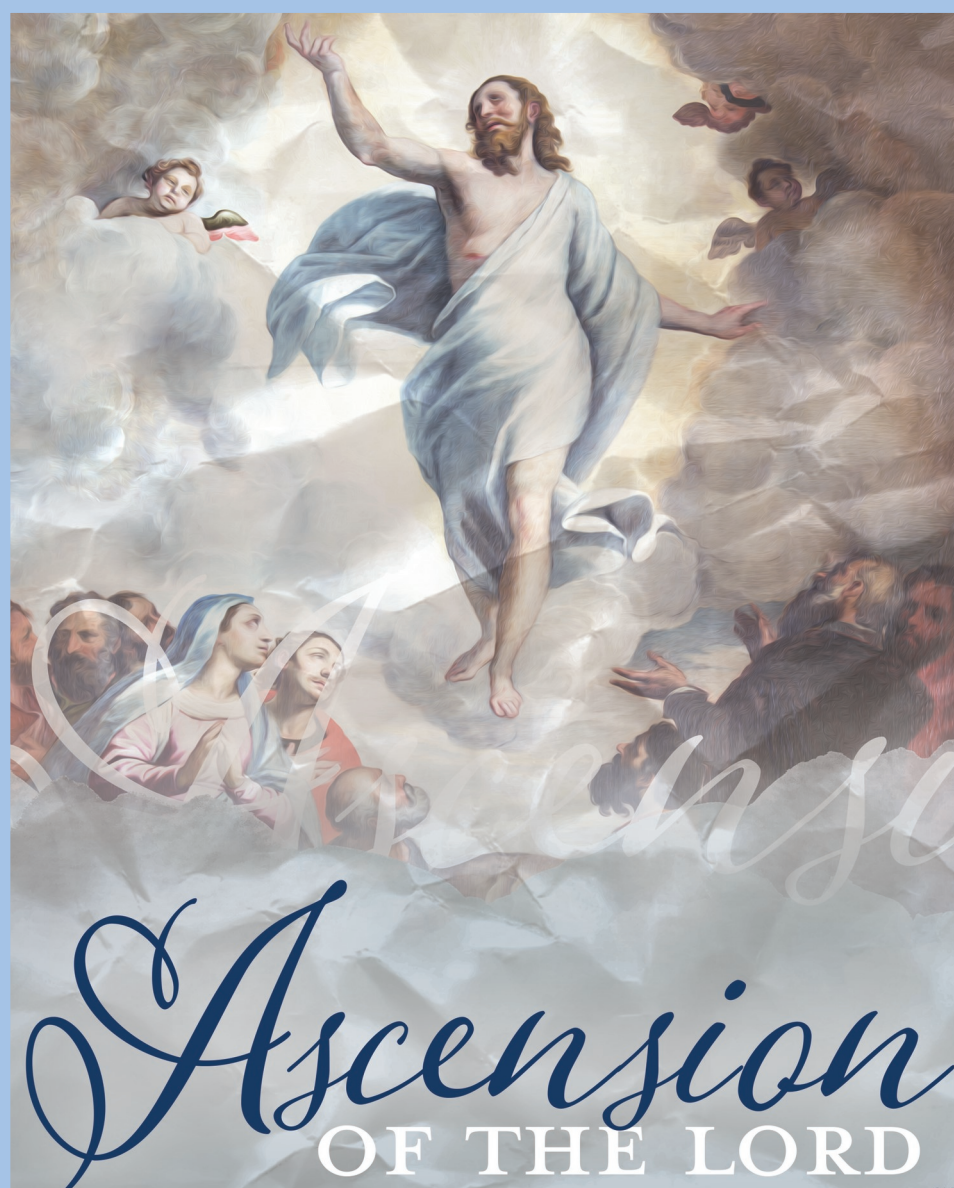
Parish Nursing Program

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June 2, 2019 - The Ascension of the Lord

REV. JAMES C. WEIGHNER, PASTOR

DEACON MARK GRUNWALD





St. Gabriel Archangel

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JUNE 9TH

Nancy DuCharme

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER-JUNE 8/9

Saturday 4:00 pm Tom Steiner, Kathy Schneider &
Deacon Mark

Sunday 10:00 am Rhonda Stubbe, Austin Bechard,
Becky Henry

SERVERS-JUNE 8/9

Saturday 4:00 pm Emma & Michael Bjurquist
Olivia Colson & Allison Lindner

Sunday 10:00 am Ashlyn & Camryn Knapp
Dustin & Prestin Nolan

LECTORS-JUNE 8/9

Saturday 4:00 pm Jeanette Steiner

Sunday 10:00 am Charles Connell

USHERS-JUNE 8/9

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

Sunday 10:00 am Nathan Mezera, Mark Hamann, Dick
Tesar & Volunteer

SCRIP WORKERS-JUNE 8/9

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer

Sunday 10:00 am Stephanie Vlaming



St. John Nepomuc

HOME COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JUNE 9TH

Shirley MacEachern, Merle & Barbara Frommelt

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-JUNE 8/9

Saturday 7:00 pm Ken Stoeffler

Sunday 8:00 am Lucy Cornford, Doris Krogman,
Deacon Mark

SERVERS-JUNE 8/9

Saturday 7:00 pm Zach & Caleb Mezera

Makayla Steger & Stephanie Welter

Sunday 8:00 am Scout Hall & Addison Kirschbaum

Harrison Osterkamp & Dawson
Eastman

LECTORS-JUNE 8/9

Saturday 7:00 pm Pat Mulhern

Sunday 8:00 am JJ Jackson

USHERS-JUNE 8/9

Saturday 7:00 pm Tim Looney, Doug Rickleff, Dan
Schickert, & Volunteer

Sunday 8:00 am Gene Carlson, Mike Mara, Paul
Porvaznik & Ron Trautsch

SCRIP WORKERS-JUNE 8/9

Saturday 7:00 pm Corey Steger

Sunday 8:00 am Sheila Eastman

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, June 4	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Lewis Marfilus
Wednesday, June 5	8:15 am	St. John's Church	† Millie Senesac
Thursday, June 6	8:15 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Phyllis Steiner
Friday, June 7	8:15 am	St. John's Church	Communion Service
Saturday, June 8	4:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	† Laverne Steiner
	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	For All Those Entrusted to Our Pastor
Sunday, June 9	8:00 am	St. John's Church	† Eleanor Gebel
	10:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church	† Ed & Martha Wachter

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.)

WHY ARE YOU STANDING THERE? GO!

Each year the Church celebrates Jesus' Ascension into heaven and his exaltation at the Father's right hand. The observance traditionally takes place 40 days after his resurrection. In a handful of dioceses in the United States, this significant 40-day mark still remains. In other dioceses, bishops have chosen to move the Solemnity of the Ascension to the following Sunday. Such is the case in the dioceses in Wisconsin, when the Ascension in 2019 will fall on Sunday, June 2.

Even though we will celebrate Ascension on a Sunday, we need to stay intently focused on this rather key moment in Christ's saving work. Our Catechism's Compendium sums up Christ's life-work neatly when it writes that "*The Paschal Mystery of Jesus, which comprises his passion, death, resurrection, and glorification [that is, ascension], stands at the center of the Christian faith...*" (112).

So, while we are most familiar with Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection at the Triduum, we find that his Ascension can seem detached some 40 days—or 43 days—out from Easter. Yet the Ascension is the completion, perfection, and exclamation point on Jesus' saving work for us. We can't let this important feast pass over without notice!

St. Matthew records Jesus' Ascension in these words: "*The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, 'All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age'*" (28:16-20).

The Acts of the Apostles begins "the rest of the story," as the late radio personality Paul Harvey would have put it. As St. Luke recounts: "*When Jesus had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven.' Then they returned to Jerusalem...*" (1:9-12).

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Apart from the annual observance of the Ascension and the Paschal Mystery, the weekly (and even daily) remembrance of that same mystery takes place at every celebration of the Church's greatest prayer—the Mass. Can you hear how the Ascension passages are prayed at the concluding texts of the Mass? Jesus gives the great commission to "*Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,*" only to have angelic witnesses tell them to "*stop standing there looking at the sky.*" At Mass, the priest blesses us in the name of "the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit" before the deacon commands to "Go and announce the gospel of the Lord."

Every Mass celebrates "the memorial of the blessed Passion, the Resurrection from the dead, and the glorious Ascension into heaven" (Eucharistic Prayer I) and then commissions us, Jesus' disciples, to go out and transform the world.

Therefore, it is fitting that we should pray the Opening Prayer for the Vigil of the Ascension before, during, and after this magnificent mystery: "*O God, whose Son today ascended to the heavens as the Apostles looked on, grant, we pray, that, in accordance with his promise, we may be worthy for him to live with us always on earth, and we with him in heaven.*" Amen!

By Chris Carstens, Director for Sacred Worship and RCIA, Diocese of La Crosse

PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for May 26th	\$5,955.00	\$5,129.00
Plate for May 26th	<u>615.75</u>	<u>941.07</u>
Total	\$6,570.75	\$6,070.07

The second collection came to \$462.75 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

JWALKER MISSION TRIP....This month we have 35 to 40 young people and chaperones going to Florida to help with Hurricane Michael cleanup. This year our group is staying at a Tallahassee Diocese camp and it is a bit different from years past. This camp takes care of all the food and lodging for groups staying with them, and so the cost is a bit more for these missionaries. If anyone would still like to donate - a full Scholarship is \$500. and a half Scholarship is \$250. However, any amount you may be able to offer will be much appreciated. If can help contact Mary Stoeffler or drop off at St. John's Rectory.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED TO THE DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL. We will continue to list the names of all who responded. We have a few more names to add to our donor list. Joseph & Catherine Bierman, LeAnn Craig, Dennis & Martha Hoeger, Ronald Ore, Greg & Kelli Taylor.

We are currently around \$11,500 short of our goal, and are falling short of families participating so far by just over 50 families. Please re-consider your support for this appeal.

If you have not yet made a donation, pray over it. If you are wondering what a first time donation might be, consider a \$100 donation. If all you can afford is \$25, that is fine. Many small donations will meet our goal in short order.

IN SYMPATHY

Please remember **Helen C. White** in your prayers. A memorial gathering will be held on Saturday, June 8th from 1:00 to 3:00 pm at the Garrity Funeral Home. May God grant Helen eternal life and comfort to her family.

WEDDING BANNS

Adam Philip Gagliardi & Kelly Ann Heal (I)

MISSIONARY APPEAL

This weekend Msgr Joe Hirsch will be at Holy Family Parish to speak about our diocesan orphanage mission. Please take an envelope home with you and return it next week. In addition, our second collection the weekend of June 15th and 16th will go to the Casa Hogar Orphanage. Thank you for your support for the children in our orphanage.

God Bless *Fr. Jim*

Meeting June 4th, 2019, K of C Meeting Room (St. John's School)

6:30 pm 1st Degree, Candidates report at 6:15pm, Last Chance this Fraternal Year!

7:00 pm Election, Meeting Room (closed meeting)
Installation of Officers by District Deputy Joy Loy, Guest Gordy Kremer, Past State Deputy, all guests invited, Very short business items, open meeting.

At 7:45 pm Farewell to Father Jim, Social Hall, Knights and Families Urged to Attend.

Snacks, refreshments (free will donation) and Reminiscences, Invited Speakers for a Roast.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

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Sunday, June 2

Coffee & Rolls after the 8:00 am Mass at St. John's in the Fellowship Hall; drawing for the Holy Name Raffle & the Calendar Sweepstake's Lottery winners

Monday, June 3

Tuesday, June 4

3:30 pm Mass at Prairie Maison

6:30 pm Knights of Columbus meeting room in St. John's School; 1st Degree, Candidates report at 6:15 pm; meeting followed by Farewell to Fr. Jim, Social Hall, Knights & Families urged to attend

Wednesday, June 5

Thursday, June 6

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

5:15 pm PCCW meeting in the Fellowship Hall at St. John's

Friday, June 7

Saturday, June 8 & Sunday, June 9

Msgr. Joseph Hirsch will be at all our Masses speaking about the mission at Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II Orphanage. Casa Hogar is a direct mission of the Diocese of LaCrosse and all of our parishes.

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, Edith Ritchie, Scott LaBonne, Debbie Eden, Ken Fleshner, Graham Shedivy, Lorna Porvaznik, John Rink, Dale LaBonne, Diane Fernette, Stacey Johnson, Frank Tiller, Carl Shedivy, Rossanna Mayer, Marilyn Rybarczyk, Pam Waller, Jackie Cherrier, Jennifer Gilman, Rose Miller, Letty Oehler, Art Boxrucker, Nora Vickerman, Barbara Schwant, Tyler Gillitzer, Lynette Reichmann, 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, Donna Teynor, Marita (Hoeger) Conley, Robert Hazen, Bernard "Butch" Boland, Jeffery Scott DuCharme, Gina Buettner, Audrey Mara, Sister Suzanne Gallagher, Nancy Knutson, George Kahler, Terry Zinkle, Charles Barney, Bonnie Boland, Steven Richard DuCharme, Rick Hamann, Pat Lenzendorf, Justina Koresch, Darlene (McKillip) Murana, Carl Kasparek., Paul O. White, Patricia Coorough, John Gillitzer, Carol Mullikin, Doug Dickman, Loren & Diane Fishler, Wayne Mitchell, Shanen Kazynski.