

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 (Monday - Friday)

Holy Days

Mass times to be announced.

Baptism

Please call St. John's Rectory office.

Marriage

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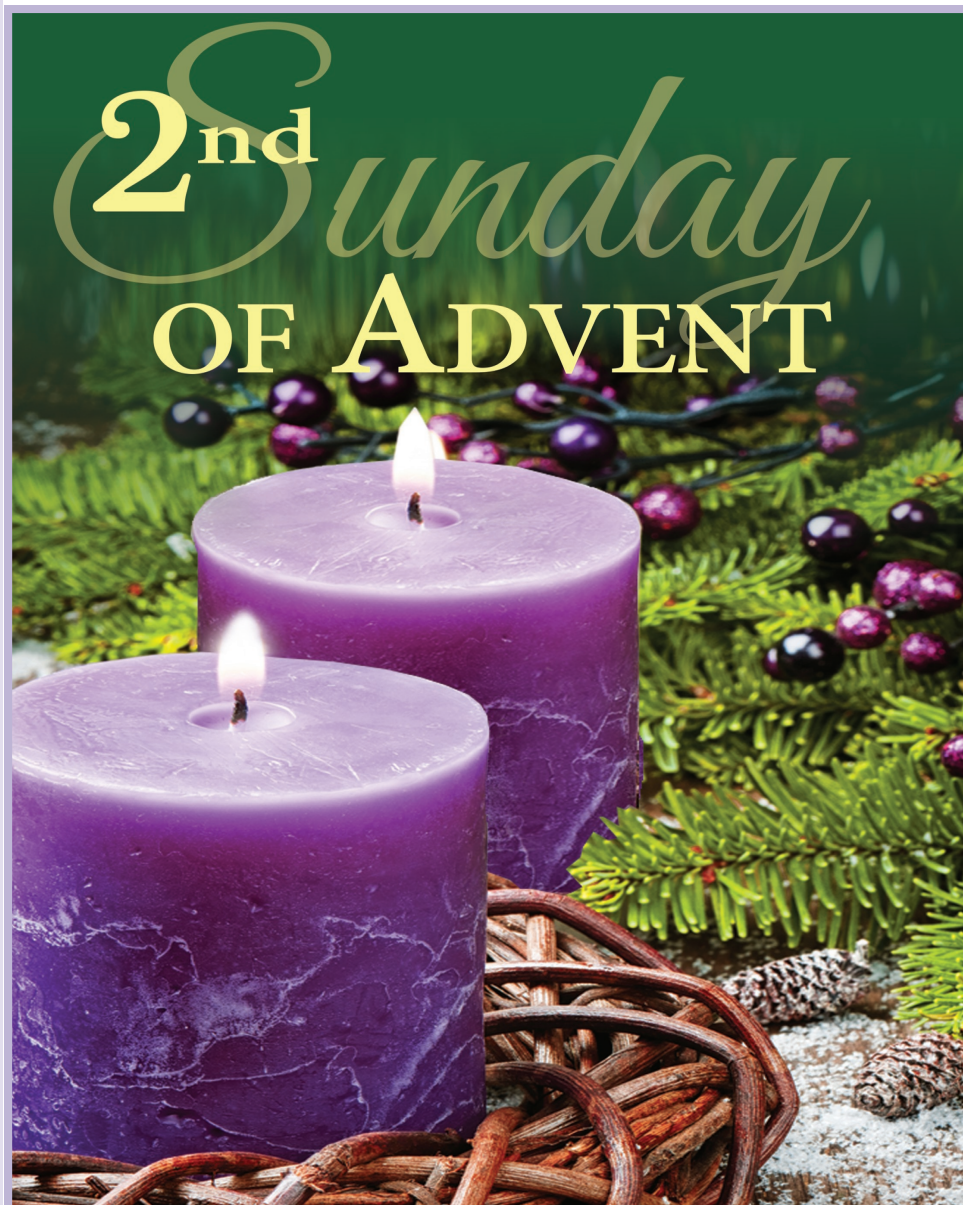
Parish Nursing Program

Rose Bauer, Shirley Cipra (326-8553)

December 6, 2020 - 2nd Sunday of Advent

MONSIGNOR CHARLES DAVID STOETZEL, PASTOR

DEACON MARK ANDREW GRUNWALD





St. Gabriel Archangel

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER-DEC. 12/13

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer
Sunday 8:00 am Volunteer

SERVERS--DEC. 12/13

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Sunday 8:00 am No Servers at this time

LECTORS-DEC. 12/13

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USHERS-DEC. 12/13

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SCRIP WORKERS-DEC. 12/13

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Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire You with all my heart.
Since I cannot now receive
You sacramentally,
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already
In my heart
and unite myself to You completely.
Please do not let me ever
be separated from you
Amen

Readings for the week of December 6, 2020

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/
Mk 1:1-8

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 35:4f]/Lk
5:17-26

Tuesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-
12/Lk 1:26-38

Wed. Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 [1]/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt
11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde,
19 [15:9d]/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Next Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 51-54 [Is
61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 7	7:30 am	St. John's Church	Dr. Daniel Fagan
Vigil for Holy Day	5:15 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	Mike Stoeffler
<u>Immaculate Conception</u>			
Tuesday, December 8	8:30 am 12:15 pm	St. Gabriel's Church St. John's Church	Avalo & Lucille Berns Esther G. Fagan
Wednesday, December 9	7:30 am	St. John's Church	Angela Ann Farnum
Thursday, December 10	8:30 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Margaret Wachter
Friday, December 11	7:30 am	St. John's Church	Mary Marcella MacEachern
Saturday, December 12	4:00 pm 7:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church St. John's Church	Herb Baures Roger W. Steiner
Sunday, December 13	8:00 am 10:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church St. John's Church	Avalo & Lucille Berns the Faithful of Holy Family Parish

Dear parishioners and visitors,

Things will be changing very soon at the parish office on the site of St. Gabriel's. The boiler is completely shot and needs to be replaced at the cost of @ \$9,700.00. Since the building is being used only by one person during the day (*Sandy Halverson*), a decision is being pondered whether or not this is an efficient way of using our parish financial resources. The immediate decision for now is to not replace it.

So for the time being during this winter season, the office building will be closed. The water will be drained from the pipes. Sandy will work remotely from home; phone calls will be routed to her phone. She will be occasionally working in the office on cemetery matters. Scrip can be purchased at the St John's office from Tuesdays through Fridays through Lana. Once the heating season is over, Sandy might return working in the office again. Once we get past the winter, the finance council and I will deliberate on the long-term use of the building.

Thank you, and God bless you.

Msgr. Stoetzel

Here is the schedule for Masses on Christmas Eve and Day this year: December 24th – 2:00 PM and 4:00 PM at St. John, and 7:00 PM at St Gabriel; and December 25th - 9:00 AM at St. Gabriel. If a fifth Mass is needed, it will be on the 25th at 7:00 AM at St. Gabriel. Please note the 25% capacity at St. John is 132 and St. Gabriel at 100. Admission is by ticket only which you can pick up at St. John office on Tuesdays – Friday on a first come, first served basis. Those who will get tickets must be in church no later than 10 minutes before Mass. If you are requesting tickets, you must get them no later than Sunday, December 20th, 3:00 PM. The fifth Mass temporarily scheduled at 7:00 AM on December 25th will be said only if all tickets are gone for the four scheduled Masses.

Please note the solemnities and holydays of obligation that will be celebrated in the next few weeks: December 8th – the Immaculate Conception, December 25th – the Nativity of Our Lord, and January 1st – Mary, the Holy Mother of God. Due to covid-19, the Bishop has relaxed the obligation to attend Mass on these dates this year.

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, 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, Rosanna Mayer, Pam Waller, Jackie Cherrier, Jennifer Gilman, Rose Miller, Nora Vickerman, Barbara Schwant, Tyler Gillitzer, Lynette Reichmann, Gerald Stram, Joe Barrette, Sally Ann White, Richard & Shirley Ambrose, Don McFarland, Phyllis Waller, Sandi Herreid, Melinda Neumann, Don Ritchie, Sally White, Carol Kalish, Matilda Flansburgh, Joan Marie Tiller, Joseph Hamann, Janet Kahler, Judy Mezera, Owen Price, Kathy Leard, Scott Yeomans, Dorothy Gilkes, Andra Meana, Gaije Hatlin, Doris Bohnenkamp, Lyle & Rosella Ahles, Marita (Hoeger) Conley, Jeffery Scott DuCharme, Gina Buettner, Audrey Mara, Sister Suzanne Gallagher, Nancy Knutson, George Kahler, Terry Zinkle, Charles Barney, Rick Hamann, Justina Koresh. Darlene (McKillip) Murana, Patricia Coorough, John Gillitzer, Carol Mullikin, Doug Dickman, Loren & Diane Fishler, Wayne Mitchell, Shanen Kazynski, Matthew Stubbe, Robert McCarty, Phyllis Tichenor, Virginia A. Walz, Jennifer Lessard, Joe Prew, Linda Sweeney, Jeanelle Westerfield, Nick Morgan, Mary Duffy, Robin Valley Massey, Edith Adamson, Gracie Quam, Deacon Mark Grunwald, Sue Groom, Arlene Willms, Ryan Kozelka, Kathy Kurt, Rachel Bakken, Ron Ore, Lora Chamberlain, Christina Toberman, Mary Jane Mezera.

The 2021 calendars are now available at the church entrances. Please take one per family. **Many thanks** to Tiller Furniture for sponsoring again this year. Please patronize their business.

Please remember your parish family in financial support this Christmas and New Year's. We want to fulfill our obligations in the work our parish does for the glory of God. May the Christ Child Jesus bless you for your sacrificial giving!

PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for Nov. 22nd	\$4,170.00	\$7,677.00
Plate for Nov. 22nd	<u>371.72</u>	<u>687.10</u>
TOTAL	\$4,541.72	\$8,364.10
Envelopes for Nov. 29th	\$8,301.00	\$8,693.00
Plate for Nov. 29th	<u>658.00</u>	<u>691.23</u>
TOTAL	\$8,959.00	\$9,384.23

The second collection came to \$212.00 on Nov. 22nd and the 2nd collection on Nov. 29th came to \$213.10 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

With the Christmas Season approaching very soon, and not knowing where things will be regarding the coronavirus, it is encouraged to minimize the floral decorations. The parish will not be ordering any poinsettias so please do not give any money for them this year. If individuals want to give poinsettias on their own, they must be at either church no later than Sunday, December 20th, 3:00 PM.

Diocesan Annual Appeal Here is the third announcement on the 2020 Diocesan Annual Appeal as of **November 25th: Pledged - \$27,395.00** which is **43.88%** of the target amount from **124** parish holders. Thank you very much to those who have given thus far, and we are counting on the rest to do your part to make it successful.

As in compliance to the Governor's executive order on November 18th, all people from age 5 and up are to wear face masks indoors in confined areas including churches. The penalty could be up to \$200.00 for non-compliance. It is anticipated this will be in effect through the end of January, 2021. Thank you.

Knights of Columbus Pizza Sale - Order Forms in back of the Churches. Orders must be turned in by January 16th. We appreciate your support!

IN SYMPATHY

Please remember **Faye E. Johnson** in your prayers. A Graveside Service was held on Saturday, November 28th. May God grant Faye eternal life and comfort to her family.

News from the Little Saints Learning Center

Little Saints Learning Center is introducing numbers, letters and colors. We are starting to talk about Advent and what the four candles represent. We are working on using our manners and being kind to one another. Little Saints Learning Center recently purchased a smart board so we are very excited to use it for our future learning activities and learning!

Taylor Kapinus, Director

LOTTERY SWEEPSTAKE CALENDARS are now for sale. Thirty monthly prizes. You can purchase them at St. John's Rectory, St. Gabriel's Rectory, at Prairie Catholic Schools or call John Fischer (326-2827). Six for \$100.00 or \$20.00 per calendar. 360 drawings February 2021 through January 2022. Winners names will be published in the church bulletin. Just a reminder these make great Christmas Gifts!

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

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Sunday, December 6

Monday, December 7

5:15 pm Vigil Mass for Holy Day at St. Gabriel's Church

Tuesday, December 8 - Immaculate Conception

8:30 Holy Day Mass at St. Gabriel's

12:15 pm Holy Day Mass at St. John's

Wednesday, December 9

8:15 am Scripture Study in the Fellowship Hall at St. John's

Thursday, December 10

Adoration after the 8:30 am Mass at St. Gabriel's Church

Giving During A Pandemic Time: The Salvation Army Bell Ringing Campaign

2020 has been a difficult time for many in our community. For the less fortunate because of job layoffs, these months have been particularly rough. One of the organizations that has traditionally helped meet the needs of the poor is the Salvation Army. Through the years, the SA has provided vouchers to pay rent bills, for short term stays in a motel, for utility bills, or to buy food, clothing, or prescription drugs. Their major fund raiser of the year is the Red Kettle Campaign between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Local individuals, organizations, and churches have volunteered to be bell ringers. All of money raised stays within Crawford County. This year because of Covid fewer people are volunteering to be bell ringers. In my opinion, this doesn't indicate a lack of charity, but of prudence. How can you help? If you feel comfortable volunteering you can sign up for an open 2-hour slot at registertor-ing.com or by calling 608-379-1356. **If you wish to contribute, please send your donation to Salvation Army, PO Box 423, Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin 53821.**

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

JWalkers are having a fund drive for the Catholic Charities Warming Center.

We are asking for donations of ADULT Hats, Mittens, Gloves, Socks, and Thermal Underclothes for Men and Women. Please drop in totes marked in back of both Churches by Sunday, December 20. We will deliver them by Christmas. Any questions please call Mary Stoeffler 563-329-0149. Thank You so much, they are in desperate need of these items this year.

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE

Monday, Dec. 7th Vigil Mass at St. Gabriel's at 5:15 pm

Tuesday, Dec. 8th Mass at St. Gabriel's at 8:30 am and Mass at St. John's at 12:15 pm