

HOLY FAMILY Catholic Parish

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HOLY FAMILY PARISH

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St. John Nepomuc

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Prairie Du Chien, WI 53821

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Rectory Office Hours

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

St. Gabriel Archangel

506 N. Beaumont Rd.

Prairie Du Chien, WI 53821

Phone: 326-2404

Rectory Office Hours

8:00am to 4:00pm (Monday - 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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April 25, 2021 - 4th Sunday of Easter



4th Sunday
OF EASTER

"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me." - Jn 10:14



St. Gabriel Archangel

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER-MAY 1/2

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer

Sunday 8:00 am Volunteer

SERVERS--May 1/2

Saturday 4:00 pm No Servers at this time

Sunday 8:00 am No Servers at this time

LECTORS-May 1/2

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteer

Sunday 8:00 am Volunteer

USHERS-MAY 1/2

Saturday 4:00 pm Volunteers

Sunday 8:00 am Volunteers

SCRIP WORKERS-MAY 1/2

Saturday 4:00 pm No Scrip Sales after Mass

Sunday 8:00 am No Scrip Sales after Mass

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**



St. John Nepomuc

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-May 1/2

Saturday 7:00 pm Volunteer

Sunday 10:00 am Volunteer

SERVERS-MAY 1/2

Saturday 7:00 pm No Servers at this time

Sunday 10:00 am Volunteers (Call Msgr. at 326-6511)

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Readings for the week of April 25, 2021

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 [cf. 3a]/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [117:1a]/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24-13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 [4]/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab [7bc]/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd4 [3cd]/Jn 14:7-14

St. Joseph the Worker: Gn 1:26-2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/
Ps 90:2, 3-4, 12-13, 14 and 16 [cf. 17b]/Mt 13:54-58

Next Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 [26a]/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 26	7:30 am	St. John's Church	Wencil & Leona Swatek
Tuesday, April 27	8:30 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Special Intention - Health of Rich Waller
Wednesday, April 28	7:30 am	St. John's Church	the Faithful of Holy Family Parish
Thursday, April 29	8:30 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Avalo & Lucille Berns
Friday, April 30	7:30 am	St. John's Church	the Faithful of Holy Family Parish
Saturday, May 1	4:00 pm	St. Gabriel's Church	the Faithful of Holy Family Parish
	7:00 pm	St. John's Church	Maria J. Schneider
Sunday, May 2	8:00 am	St. Gabriel's Church	Don McFarland
	10:00 am	St. John's Church	Maxine Becwar Brooks

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

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, Janet Dickman, Peg Stoeffler, Michael Hinrich, William Blake, John & Cheyenne Messling, Peyton Kraushaar, Earl Nye, Ethel Sebastian, Tara Pellock, Don & 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, Phyllis Waller, Sandi Herreid, Melinda Neumann, 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, Gaike Hatlin, Doris Bohnenkamp, Lyle & Rosella Ahles, Marita (Hoeger) Conley, Jeffery Scott DuCharme, Gina Buettner, Audrey Mara, Sister Suzanne Gallagher, Nancy Knutson, George Kahler, Charles Barney, Rick Hamann, Darlene (McKillip) Murana, Patricia Coorough, John Gillitzer, Carol Mullikin, Doug Dickman, Loren & Diane Fishler, Wayne Mitchell, 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, Alice M. Ohlert, Tony Teynor, Arnold Gillitzer, Roger Prew, Tammy Nolan.

With the lessening threat of covid, the parish desires to have servers at the weekend Masses again. The first Mass to cover is the 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday. If it proves successful, servers will help cover an additional Mass until four are. If you are or want to be a server, please contact Msgr. Stoetzel at 608-326-6511 as soon as possible.

Please note the wearing of masks and social distancing is still effective in the Catholic churches in the Diocese of La Crosse. The Bishop wants all to be aware of the need to lessen the risk of the virus doing so out of Christian charity to others. The Bishop's letter is found at the main doors of both churches for you to read. Thank you.

PARISH SUPPORT

	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes for April 18th	\$5,727.00	\$6,144.00
Plate for April 18th	614.57	.00
Easter (add'l)	130.00	.00
TOTAL	\$6,471.57	\$6,144.00

The second collection came to \$465.82 and will be used for Prairie Catholic School and our Religious Education Program expenses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Dear parishioners and visitors,

This is a follow-up on the status of the parish house at the site of St. Gabriel Church.

When the furnace quit last fall, it was determined to close the house for the winter and decide later on what should be done; a new furnace was @ \$10,000.00. One of the parish managers, Sandy Halverson, who worked out of that house has been working at her home during this time.

Both the finance and pastoral councils have deliberated on what to do with it. In the deliberations were these things: who works in the house and how many hours per week; the age and practicality of the building; what are the present costs keeping it open; are we getting the full potential out of the building; what will be future, major projects that will have to be done. After considering all these things and more, the consensus is to close the building for good, have it razed, and the spot filled in with soil and seeded keeping the property for potential building in the future when needed.

This might seem a disappointment to some, and it is always difficult to part with what we have. However, it is important for the parish to evaluate what it needs both now and in the future. In order to maintain this house, there will have to be a major capital investment if not now later in the future. The parish must evaluate all its buildings to see what is needed. The parish must use its financial resources prudently.

It will take time to determine when this project will be done. Until it is razed, it might happen that Sandy will be working out of it part of the year when heating is not required. The cemetery records will be transferred and re-located. All other things inside will be judged whether to retain or disposed properly.

Thank you very much for your attention.

Thank you, and God bless you. *Msgr. Stoetzel*

SCHOOL NEWS....Mrs. Huser's kindergarten class is learning how to recite the prayer "Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep". The students are doing a great job reciting it. In phonics, I am using "Word Families" to teach unknown words and how to blend words. The students are engaged with hands on learning fun! We start with one syllable words that can be broken down with rhyme. I teach the students to see a pattern in the words. I model for them how easy it is to change the first letter to make new words. For example we start with (-at) mat, bat, sat, fat rat and so on. We learn Word Families for all the short vowels. The class is also writing letters that they will mail on a walk to the Post Office as part of our Community Helpers Unit.

**Prairie Catholic Middle School
2020-2021 3rd Term Honor Roll**

5th Grade Honors: Eli Heilmann, Kristin Nolan
6th Grade High Honors: Camryn Knapp, Claire Kennedy, Brecklyn McCumber, Harrison Osterkamp
6th Grade Honors: Madelyn Coffield, Jacob Mara, Carter Simmons, Stephanie Welter
7th Grade High Honors: Jasper Thompson
7th Grade Honors: Allison Cejka, Andrew Geisler, Elle Schneider, Jack Simmons, Laura Sturmer
8th Grade High Honors: Jacob Egstad
8th Grade Honors: Tucker DuCharme, Dustin Nolan

WEDDING BANNES

Nathan Mezera & Jessica Nagel (III)

The Parish Council of Catholic Women thanks everyone who donated to our spring rummage sale. We really appreciate your support. Proceeds go to parish and missionary needs.

JWALKER MISSION TRIP....This July we have about 35-40 young people and chaperones going to Lake Charles, Louisiana to help with clean up from 2 Hurricanes within 6 weeks of each other. Therefore, we are in need of scholarships for these missionaries. A full Scholarship is \$400.00 and a half Scholarship is \$200.00. However, any amount you may be able to offer will be much appreciated. If you are able to help, you may drop check at St. John's rectory or you may place a check in the collection basket marked especially for this purpose. Any questions or concerns you may contact Mary Stoeffler. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare themselves for this trip.

There are two months left to complete the 2020 Diocesan Annual Appeal. Here is where we stand as of April 20th: **Pledged - \$50,940.00** which is **81.6%** of the target amount from **241** parish households. 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. If we do not reach our goal by the end of June, the balance will have to be paid from the general parish account used to meet our financial obligations. So we need your support now!

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE GIVEN TO THE DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL. We will be listing names of all who responded. If you do not see your name it will appear in future bulletins. Mark R. Check, Jeff & Jill Mara, Debbie Morovits, Richard & Verna Panka, Michael & Melissa Stram.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

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Sunday, April 25

Monday, April 26

Tuesday, April 27

Wednesday, April 28

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

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

Thursday, April 29

Adoration after the 8:30 am Mass at St. Gabriel's
Benediction at 1:00 pm

Friday, April 30

Saturday, May 1

Wedding of Nathan Mezera & Jessica Nagel

As Operation Warp Speed races forward in search of a safe and effective vaccine for the novel coronavirus, it is imperative that the pro-life movement lay down firm ethical parameters around this effort. Hear from Pro-Life Wisconsin's Legislative Director, Matt Sande as he presents *Vaccine Ethics and Operation Warp Speed* at Huckleberry's Restaurant in Prairie du Chien on Wednesday, April 28 from 6-8p.m.

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Mother's Day Roses after weekend Masses on Mother's Day weekend, May 8 & 9. Roses will be 1/\$3, 2/\$5, 6/\$15 or a dozen for \$25. All proceeds go to support local pro-life efforts in the Driftless Area.

THANK YOU to the family of Michael H. Morrissey for the generous donation to our Parish in his memory. We are very grateful for this gift.

Knights of Columbus lawn mower raffle

1st prize Snapper riding Lawn Mower 23 Hp 42 inch deck 2200.00 value or cash option \$1500.00

2nd prize \$150.00 Scrip and 3rd prize \$100.00 Scrip
Drawing to be May 1st 2021

Tickets are \$20.00 a piece or 6 for a \$100.00

Contact any Knight or call Scott Kennedy 608-412-0172 or Ken Stoeffler 563-568-3366

School Notes.....We are looking for two full time middle school teachers for next school year at Prairie Catholic. If interested please apply on WECAN or contact Principal Spindler at 608-326-8624.

The Mission of Prairie Catholic School is to nurture Christ centered students through spiritual growth, academic excellence, and service to others in a safe and caring environment.