

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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FEBRUARY 21, 2010 - FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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CALENDAR OF PARISH ACTIVITIES

FEBRUARY / MARCH 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
MASSES 7:00AM 9:00AM 11:00AM CONFIRMATION BRUNCH 10:00AM 21	 RAD JR HIGH YOUTH GROUP 7:00PM 22	 23	CCD 6:30-7:30PM LIFETEEN 8:00PM 24	 25	STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND BENEDICTION 2:00PM CONFESSIONS 7:00 - 8:00PM DAY OF ABSTINENCE 26	BRANDL/ BRANDT 1:30PM WEDDING MASSES 4:30PM 7:00PM CONFESSIONS 6:15-6:40PM 27
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<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> ST. JOHN'S PARISH MISSION 6:30PM SUNDAY - THURSDAY </div>						

MISSION STATEMENT: *Our mission at St. John the Baptist Parish is to prepare people for the coming of the fullness of God's Kingdom by sharing the Catholic Faith and its tradition.*

PARISH PERSONNEL

Fr. Charles Stoetzel, Pastor 384-3252 ext. 212
 Fr. Victor Feltes, Associate Pastor 384-3252 ext. 213
 Sister Rita Adlkofer, Spiritual Counselor 384-3252 ext. 215
 Lori Salzmann, Finance Office 384-9565 ext. 210
 Richard Hoffmann, DRE 659-4480 ext. 202
 Dan Kitzhaber, Youth Minister 384-4989 ext. 3
 St. John School Office 384-4989 ext. 1
 David Eaton, MACS President 387-1177

MASSES

Weekdays 7:00 AM
 Saturdays 4:30 / 7:00 PM
 Sundays 7:00 / 9:00 / 11:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Expectant parents are to participate in the Baptism preparation program. Classes are offered in February, June, and October

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Fridays 7:00 - 8:00 PM
 Saturdays 6:15 - 6:40 PM

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Those preparing for serious surgery are to contact the rectory; the shut-ins and elderly contact Sr. Rita.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP Call the Rectory Office 384-3252

MASS SCHEDULE / SCRIPTURE READINGS

MON 2/22/10 The Chair of Peter, Apostle
7:00am Eleanor Ormond
Scripture Readings: 1 Pt 5:1-4 Mt 16:13-19

TUES 2/23/10
7:00am Dec. Mem. of Servais, Dischler and Barrett Families
Scripture Readings: Is 55:10-11 Mt 6:7-15

WED 2/24/10
7:00am Eddie Ungs
8:00am Robert Schiferl
Scripture Readings: Jon 3:1-10 Lk 11:29-32

THUR 2/25/10
7:00am Jack Gerend
Scripture Readings: Est C:12,14-16,23-25 Mt 7:7-12

FRI 2/26/10
7:00am Henry and Anna Rehlinger, and Frank Theurer
Scripture Readings: Ez 18:21-28 Mt 5:20-26

SAT 2/27/10
Scripture Readings: Dt 26:16-19 Mt 5:43-48

Second Sunday of Lent

4:30pm Lucille Koenig
7:00pm Ruth Smith

SUN 2/28/10
7:00am Ralph, Welthia and Mary Jane Noonan
9:00am Margaret Pankratz
11:00am Harold Faust
Scripture Readings: Gn 15:5-12,17-18 Phil 3:17-4:1
Lk 9:28b-36

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

February 27 & 28

LECTORS

4:30pm Jeff Schultz
7:00pm Jane Gerend
7:00am Gail Guldán
9:00am Gary & Ruth Elderbrook
11:00am Phyllis Werner

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

4:30pm Marcy & Mckenzie Gotz/John & Shirley Pritzl
7:00pm Andy & Carol Wanta/Sally Beck/Linda Egner
7:00am Tony & Millie Eilers/Dale & Judy Garfield
9:00am Mary Bixby/Dan & Dorothy Flees/Heidi Flees
11:00am Herb Stephani/Norman Eckes/Glenn & Jane Frankwick

SERVERS

4:30pm Aidan Voss/Trevor Rhodes
7:00pm Charlotte & Julia Urban
7:00am Luke Guldán/Flynn McQuillen
9:00am Matthais Gouin/Jon Hoesser
11:00am Tony Nichols/Steven Salzmann

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm **Open**
7:00pm **Open**
7:00am **Open**
9:00am Adult Choir/Kris Herr
11:00am **Open**

WEEK DAY SERVERS February 22 - 26 Peter Wojcik

FUNERAL SERVERS February 22 - 27

Norman Eckes/Tony Eilers/Dave Fehrenbach

AREA EVENTS

Fri-Feb 19: **Knights of Columbus Fish Fry**, 4:00-8:00pm at KC Hall.
Fri-Feb 19: **St. Mary's Fish Fry - Auburndale**, 5:00-8:00pm. Includes: fish or shrimp, potato, coleslaw, bread, beverage & homemade desserts.
Fri-Feb 19: **St. John's Fish & Shrimp Fry - Edgar**, 4:00-7:30pm. Carry outs available. Fish Fry will continue every Friday during Lent.
Fri-Feb 19: **St. Patrick's Fish Fry - Halder**, 4:00-8:30pm. Includes: potato, coleslaw, bread, dessert & beverage. Is held every Friday of Lent.
Sun-Feb 21: **Christ the King Pancake & Sausage Dinner - Spencer**, 9:00am-1:00pm. Serving pancakes, eggs, ham, sausage, & applesauce.
Sun-Feb 21: **Candle Light Dinner & Entertainment For Women**, Corpus Christi, Bakerville. 6:30pm. "The Sister Act" Profits will go to the House of the Dove. RSVP 384-8963, seating is limited.
Sun-Feb 21: **Knights of Columbus Bingo**, 6:00pm at KC Hall.
Thurs-Feb 25: **Knights of Columbus Meeting**, 7:30pm K.C. Hall.
Fri-Feb 26: **Knights of Columbus Fish Fry**, 4:00-8:00pm at KC Hall.
Sun-Mar 14: **Sacred Heart Parish Sheephead Card Party - Mfld** 1:00-4:00pm in Toeller Hall. Lunch & prizes.

To place a prayer request on the St. John Prayer Chain, please call Shirley 384-3613 and Gail 384-4474 (there are 2 lists). For information about the Prayer Chain or anyone interested in becoming a part of the Prayer Chain as a "prayer" please call Patti McCormick, 387-4635.

If you have not picked up your children's envelopes from the back of church, please do so immediately. The remaining envelopes will soon be removed from church.

Boy Scout Troop 385 are once again selling Fr. Meret's Cinnamon Rolls. We have forms available for you to place an order at the back of Church. We will be baking with Father February 27th and the rolls will be available for pickup on the 27th and 28th after all Masses. Stop after Mass and talk to the Boy Scouts at the back of church for details.

Natural Family Planning (NFP) offers you a reliable way to avoid or achieve a pregnancy without artificial chemicals or devices. Recent research findings on the long-term health and environmental risks of the pill, patch or shot have made many couples rethink their family planning options. NFP is completely safe, scientifically proven, & environmentally friendly. It is the only family planning method that is in harmony with the teaching of the Church.

A NFP Three Class Series will be offered at St Joseph Hospital St. Joseph Conference Rooms in Marshfield from 7:00 to 9:00 PM on the following Tuesdays – March 16th, March 30th, & April 13th. To register or to obtain more info visit the NFP website at www.dioceseoflacrosse.com/nfp or call the Natural Family Planning Office at 1-800-255-6226.

Upcoming dates for the Married Love: Two Becoming One marriage preparation seminar in Marshfield are March 6 and April 16-17, 2010. Engaged couples should first contact their priest, then plan to attend the seminar at least 6 months prior to their wedding. Space is limited, and registration deadline is two weeks prior to the program. Questions? Contact Jodi Arrowood, 486-1255 or arrowood@tznet.com.

ST. Anthony Spirituality Center in Marathon will be extending their bookstore hours and adding more unique gifts and a children's section. It will be open on Tuesday and Thursday 9:00am–noon and on Saturday during most retreats 12:30-2:00pm (call ahead 715-443-2236). There will be a wide variety of books and a new children's section along with unique gifts, cards, candles, mugs, caps, journals. We also carry Franciscan gifts, icons, rosaries, medals, crucifixes, gifts for Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation. It is the only Catholic bookstore in the greater Wausau area. Come and check us out.

Family bibles are available at the rectory for \$30 (\$99 value). These bibles make beautiful wedding gifts. We also have the **personal size soft cover, bible** for \$6. These are great for personal reading, bible study, going on retreat, or sending to a family member in the military. **The Catechism of the Catholic Faith**, soft cover is also available for \$9.

JANUARY 2010- FINANCIAL REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Income:</u>	
Tithing	\$ 55,376.43
Christmas	205.00
Initial Offering/Visitor	1,357.75
Plate Collection	6,886.73
Youth Stewardship	296.70
Votive Lights	413.00
Altar/Flowers/Liturgical Supplies	87.23
Bulletin Advertising	480.00
Catholic Times	8.00
Religious Ed./Adult Ed./Youth Ministry	120.00
Checking Interest	68.24
Total Income	\$ 65,299.08

<u>Expenditures:</u>	
Priests Wage/FICA	\$ 1,767.35
Staff	8,486.63
FICA/Benefits	2,760.68
Administration/Office	1,775.34
Utilities	8,562.16
Auto Reimburse/Travel	556.24
Altar/Flowers/Liturgical Supplies	62.45
Bulletins / Annual Report	200.09
Catholic Times	88.44
Hospitality (Donut) Sunday	9.44
Religious Ed./Adult Ed./Youth Ministry	-2,215.79
Maintenance/Repairs/Equipment	1,781.59
Diocesan Assessment	3,513.00
MACS Support	48,311.75
Total Expenditures	\$ 75,659.37

Monthly Deficit **\$(10,360.29)**

Parish Improvements income 09/10 YTD **\$ 16,088.00**

Parish Improvements made from 08/09 Funds **\$ 32,288.90**

Window Repair from WBTC Campaign Trust YTD **\$ 24,680.00**

EDUCATION

St. John Catholic Book Club will meet Tuesday evening, February 23, 2010, at 6:30 p.m., to discuss the "Life of St. Joseph" by Father Richard Gilsdorf, a recently deceased priest of the Green Bay diocese. In March 2010, we will read "Hail, Holy Queen" by Scott Hahn, and in April, we will discuss a true case involving the seal of confession, "The Seal, A Priest's Story" by Timothy Mockaitis. Questions? Call Mari Bohman at 384-3919.

New Lighthouse Catholic Media CD's is available for your use, we have ordered many new titles. you may use these CD's to supplement your Lenten planning. These new titles are chosen to help you in making changes in your everyday life. Questions? You may call Mari Bohman at 384-3919.

Accept the Great Marriage Challenge. "Do you have a great marriage? Don't settle for 'good' or 'OK.' Take the challenge to make your marriage a great marriage by joining other married couples for the Covenant of Love marriage ministry. It's a fun opportunity to meet other couples, learn more about your vocation to marriage, and spend quality time with the one you love. The next Covenant of Love session is Monday Feb. 22nd. 6:00pm, KC Hall. This month's topic "**God's Plan for Marriage from the Beginning.**" RSVP to Marie Fleisner (mfleisner@charter.net or 387-01234) by February 15th for a soup & sandwich dinner.

John Paul the Great Young Adult Discernment Retreat March 5th-7th, The Lions Camp in Rosholt, WI "Open your hearts wide to God, let yourselves be astonished by Christ." -Pope Benedict XVI Adoration, time for prayer & reflection, fellowship, music, & games. "If you are able to open your hearts and minds willingly, you will discover your vocation, the plan that God in his love has designed for you." -Pope John Paul II For more info contact: Phil Lawson (715)344-6115 or Lawspphil@gmail.com

Lent 2010 - Four great booklets are available for your Lenten journey, located in the main entry way of the Church for a \$1.00 donation. A page a day will help guide you to a truly Holy and blessed Easter.

Baked Items Needed - Volunteers are needed to provide cookies and bars for the reception following the nightly Mission Service. Donations are needed Sunday–Thursday (February 28th-March 4th). You may drop off your treats in the Columbia Room before the service. Any questions please call Linda Egner 384-4618. Your donation is greatly appreciated.

St. John the Baptist Parish Mission "Sharing The Good News" will be held Sunday, February 28th - Thursday, March 4th 2010. Fr. Richard Hart, O.F.M., Capuchin, will lead us on the mission journey. A Parish Mission is an opportunity to let go of our fast-paced lives for an hour each day. With our church community, we will reflect on our life journeys ~ where we have been, and where we are going. We will renew our love for God, neighbor, and self. Listed below is the Mission Schedule and theme for each day:

Sunday, February 28th at 6:30PM - "What is the treasure we share?"

Monday, March 1st at 6:30PM - "Too good a secret to be kept."

Tuesday, March 2nd at 6:30PM - "Do you love me?"

Wednesday, March 3rd at 6:30PM - "Are we a forgiving community?"

Thursday, March 4th at 6:30PM - "A work that cannot fail."

Weekend Masses - Father Richard will preach at all of the weekend Masses on February 27th and 28th, 2010.

Morning Mass - will be celebrated on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 7:00AM. A short homily will be presented on the day's theme. Refreshments will follow in the Columbia Room.

Evening Services - Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, will begin at 6:30PM, consisting of prayer and a talk. After the talk, there is an *optional* informal presentation video and discussion led by Father Richard and followed by a reception in the Columbia Room.

Reconciliation Service - will take place Wednesday evening at 6:30PM. Several priests will be available for the Sacrament of Confession.

Closing mass - will be celebrated on Thursday at 6:30 PM. A free-will offering gift will be collected for Father Richard Hart. A reception will follow Immediately in the Columbia Room.

We invite family and friends to attend all or part of the mission journey. Yes, everyone is very busy ~ all the time. Consequently, our spiritual wells "run dry." But if we let go of our "busyness" in order to spend a bit of time with God, our wells can be filled again. We may even be surprised how God is working in our lives.

Hospitality Sunday - St. John's Family Life Committee invites you to join fellow parishioners Sunday, March 7th after the 9:00am Mass at the back of church near the Brides room for fellowship and refreshments of bagels, muffins, coffee and juice. For more info, call Lori at 387-0244.

The Sign of Peace and Holy Communion under both species will return the weekend beginning March 6th-7th. This is the plan unless the regular and H1N1 flues are strong. If so, we will hold off until the flue season has subsided.

Catholic Adventure Camp June 20-25. This is for teens currently in grades 6-12. Crosswoods Christian Adventure Camp, located south of Ashland, has been reserved for the Diocese of LaCrosse. This high adventure week will offer you the chance for rock climbing, repelling, canoeing, mountain bike riding, low ropes & high ropes, adventure trails, hiking, & time for prayer, the sacraments & reflection on God's marvelous creation. The cost will be about \$375 for youth and \$195 for adults Signup soon. This life-changing opportunity is available to the first 50 students with a down payment of \$50. Financial help is available. If you have any other questions, please contact Mr. Dan Kitzhaber 384-4989 x3, 659-4480 x4 or yministry@verizon.net

There are copies of the "History Book" and the "Pictorial Directory" of St. John's Catholic Parish available at the rectory. Cost is \$5.00 each.