



Saint John the Baptist CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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.

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Masses

Weekdays 7 a.m.
Saturdays 8 a.m. / 4:30 p.m.
Sundays 7 a.m. / 9 a.m. / 11 a.m.

HEARING LOOP INSTALLED



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. Contact the parish office for details.

Sacrament of Penance

First & Third Fridays 6:00 p.m.
Saturdays Following the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Those preparing for serious surgery are to contact the Rectory Office at 715-384-3252.

Parish Membership

Call the Rectory Office at 715-384-3252

MASS SCHEDULE**MON 1/25/21** The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

7:00am Robert Schiferl, Sr.

Scripture Readings: Acts 22:3-16

Mk 16:15-18

TUES 1/26/21 Sts. Timothy & Titus, Bishops

7:00am Deceased members of the Rakovec & Debeve families

Scripture Readings: 2 Tim 1:1-8

Mk 3:31-35

WED 1/27/21 St. Angela Merici, Virgin

7:00am Dick Meyer

Scripture Readings: Heb 10:11-18

Mk 4:1-20

THUR 1/28/21 St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor of the Church

7:00am Florence Newkirk

Scripture Readings: Heb 10:19-25

Mk 4:21-25

FRI 1/29/21

7:00am Jerome Hamus

Scripture Readings: Heb 10:32-39

Mk 4:26-34

SAT 1/30/21

8:00am Special Intention

Scripture Readings: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19

Lk 1:69-75

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm John LaTourelle

SUN 1/31/21

7:00am Lavern & Jane Kolbeck

9:00am Warren Von Holzen

11:00am St. John the Baptist Parish Families

Scripture Readings: Dt 18:15-20

1 Cor 7:32-35

Mk 1:21-28

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS**January 30th & 31st 2021****LECTORS**

4:30pm Jeff Schultz

7:00am Connie Manlick

9:00am Rita Blenker

11:00am Josh Dick

Eucharistic Ministers

4:30pm Becky Kaiser

7:00am Jean Kaiser

9:00am Lonny Roberts

11:00am Michael Clubb

SERVERS4:30pm **Open / Open**

7:00am Koffee Hansen / Ava Rootellis

9:00am Isaac Mauritz / Rylee Mauritz

11:00am Maria Laura Garcia / **Open****Music Minister**4:30pm **Open**

7:00am Suzanne Golden

9:00am Suzanne Golden

11:00am Ruby Pinter / Linda Degenhardt

Confessions are held on Saturday mornings after the 8:00am Mass and on the first & third Fridays of each month beginning at 6:00pm.**FUNERAL SERVERS** January 25th - January 30th, 2021

Ardell Klein / Bernie Knoeck / Denny Loughlin / Dan Mroz

At this time we are looking for more men to assist as funeral servers. Never served before? No worries! We have willing and experienced servers to train you. Please call the parish office to inquire.

Weekday Mass Servers: We are looking for a couple of men to sign on as weekday Mass servers so that we can rotate one day a week or even once every other week if we get enough volunteers! If you are able to attend morning Mass, and would like to help out, please call the parish office at 715-384-3252.**Monday** - Glenn Linzmeier**Tuesday** - Marty Draxler**Wednesday** - Dan Flees**Thursday** - Ray Housworth**Friday** - Mike Spencer**Saturday** - Nick & Kolbe Landwehr**STEWARDSHIP - JANUARY 16th - 17th, 2021**

This information will be reported in next weekend's bulletin due to timing of the bulletin being sent to the printer.

Amount Needed Month of **January****\$56,446.00****To have a prayer added to St. John's Prayer Chain**, please call Shirley 715-384-3613 and Donna 715-384-2479 (there are 2 lists).**Thank you!** In the name of Fr. Jim and Fr. Williams I want to express our heartfelt gratitude to our Holy Communion Ministers for their faithfulness and commitment in bringing Holy Communion to the homebound parishioners of the parish. Come rain or shine, snow or ice they have gone out in loving service to the elderly and homebound members of the parish. Thank you so much for all you do. If anyone else is interested in joining the team please contact the rectory. Sister Rita**The schedule for Masses at St. John's in 2022 is ready.** If you want to have Mass intentions scheduled, please contact the parish office. Please keep in mind that it might happen that a Mass will have to be cancelled now and then depending upon the availability of a priest to cover. **Also**, we have started a list of Mass Intentions for the Priests on their day's off. These are private Masses. Call the parish office for more information.**Marshfield Deanery Catholic Men's Group** Week 16: This week we have another great session from Scott Hahn, this time about a great role model for us, St. Joseph! Join us Wednesday morning at 6am in Dillenberg Hall at OLP.**Adoration:** Available adoration hours at John Paul II Adoration Chapel are: Mon. at noon, Tues. from 2-3 & 4-5pm, Thurs. from 7-8am, Sat. from 8-9am, 2-3pm, 7-8pm. Please contact Jean, 715-387-0571 or Deacon Ray, 715-207-6085.**January 30 - Pro-Life Virtual Afternoon of Reflection:** "Walking with Moms in Need" Some people accuse pro-lifers of caring only about the child in the womb and not women in need. Not true at all, as you will see from this virtual afternoon of reflection on January 30, 2021, with keynote speaker Bob Perron, Executive Director of JMJ Pregnancy Center in Orlando, FL. You will also hear about the fourteen Pregnancy Care Centers in the Diocese of La Crosse and what you can do to help one near you. This afternoon of reflection is a free event and will have broad appeal for families, adults and teens. To register, visit diolc.org/respect-life.**Save the Date!** February 20, 2021 Virtual Men's Lenten Retreat: We will have a Virtual Lenten Retreat for Men talking about looking to St. Joseph as a model for being a great husband and father. The retreat will feature speakers Fr. Sam Martin and Mr. Pat Brueggan.**Father - Daughter Date Night at Home: Saturday, February 6th** Rather than canceling the annual Father-Daughter Dance, we would like to offer the opportunity for fathers (or father -figures) and their daughters to have a special date night at home. Due to COVID-19 we will not be able to have the traditional dinner & dance. However, in person professional photos by Paul Tishim will be available. You must sign up to reserve a photo timeslot. Price includes 5x7 photo, "to-go" cupcakes and activity packets. 4pm Mass at OLP is also encouraged. Email nicki.kitchner@gmail.com to reserve a photo timeslot. Additional details will be emailed to you at that time.**Diocesan Annual Appeal 2020-2021.** As of January 18th, we have **425** donors and a total of **\$113,027.00.00** pledged toward our goal of \$136,700.00. **We still need \$23,673.00** to reach our goal so we ask that if you have never given to this appeal, please consider to help our parish this year! **At this time we thank** Kenneth & Virgean Heintz / Evelyn Hemmy / Tim & Kris Herr / James & Karleen Hlavac / Patrick & Helga Imhoff / Susan Jahr / Ron & Roberta Jevaltas / Brian & Jean Kaiser / Bernard & Donna Knoeck / John & Phyllis Kollross / Martin & Rosemary Laidlaw / Dale & Linda Lewer / Gary & Allyson Mayeux / Dan & Clare Mroz / Alberta Strey / Richard Podsiadlik / James & Jenny Sternweis / Andrew & Carol Wanta / Tom & Susan Youngwith / David & Mandy Alcott / Barb Barrett / Mary Bunge / David & Marion Daniel / Richard & Colleen DeJarlais / Ronald & Karleen Derfus / David & Julieanne Drexler / Barb Milich

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Catholic Schools Week

As we approach the end of January, we again prepare to celebrate Catholic Schools Week. Although it will be somewhat subdued this year, it is still a time to recall the many blessings we have in regard to our Catholic school. We will find new ways to showcase what the Catholic Church in general, and Columbus Catholic in particular, offers our families and those who choose this education for their children. A Catholic education is the primary mission of our church, and we strive to fulfill this mission in a variety of ways, including Columbus Catholic and our Family Faith Formation program. As the primary mission, the education of the future generations in the faith is supported financially by the local parishes in terms of a monthly subsidy, and this makes it a part of each family's heritage, and something we can all be proud of.

This year our bishop will not be traveling to the various schools in the diocese, but he will send a message on Catholic schools that will be offered to our students in their classrooms. Knowing the Mass is the center of our faith lives, rather than the entire school gathering as a single community for a Mass, each group will have a Mass that week. This is really what sets a Catholic school apart from others, for most schools can offer a high quality education in the sciences, math, language and the arts. However, we are able to offer another aspect of formation the public schools simply cannot offer; the ability to not only witness Christian values, but to have religious education as an integral part of our curriculum, including the opportunity to have our students at Mass, is invaluable in the formation of our children into tomorrow's Christian leaders.

If Catholic education is to continue to be a strong influence in our community, we as Catholics have to stand up for our beliefs, something we see as needed in our world as never before. Yes, it is a sacrifice to place your children in a Catholic school. However, it is a sacrifice that I believe is blessed over the years. When everything is considered, there is one thing that will ensure Catholic education will remain here in Marshfield, and that is enrollment. When deciding where you choose to send your young students in the coming weeks and months, please consider what your local parishes have to offer through arranging a tour of our facilities. Columbus Catholic is truly your school!

God bless

Fr Jim

FAITH

What is meant by faith? It is to feel in good earnest that we are creatures of God; it is a practical perception of the unseen world; it is to understand that this world is not enough for our happiness, to look beyond it on towards God, to realize His presence, to wait upon Him, to endeavor to learn and to do His will, and to seek our good from Him.

It is not a mere temporary strong act or impetuous feeling of the mind, an impression or view coming upon it, but it is a habit, a state of mind, lasting and constant. To have faith in God is to surrender one's self to God, humbly to put one's interests, or to wish to be allowed to put them into His hands who is the Sovereign Giver of all good.

St. John Henry Newman (+1890)

Fr Jim



Don't do Lent Alone. Join a Small Group!

Have you tried to pray more or read Scripture for Lent, only to fall short of your goal? A small group gives us supportive and encouraging communities that can make your Lent much more meaningful.

There are no teachers in small groups. Trained students/parishioners facilitate conversations. The groups will

- Discuss life and faith
- Reflect on God's Word together – applying the Sunday readings to daily life
- Seek God together
- Pray for and with one another

Lent groups meet for 8 weeks, beginning the week of February 7th. **Are you a middle aged or older man, longing for a closer relationship with God?** A small men's group is being formed for Lent to strengthen our spiritual lives through scripture, trust, and sharing. A few openings are left. If interested, please contact Al May at 715-650-0612 or alvinmay1808@yahoo.com

Women's small group forming for Lent. If you find yourself wanting a closer relationship with God spiritually through studying scripture, trust, and fellowship, this small group may be just what you need. If interested contact Sue Kaudy at 715-305-2545. Thank you.

"Let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works."
Hebrews 10:24

Diaconate Discernment Retreat Are you a man at least 35 years of age who feels a yearning to give yourself more radically to the service of God and the Church – preaching the Gospel, serving those in need, assisting at the altar? If you think God may be calling you to be a deacon, talk to your pastor about attending the Diaconate Discernment Retreat at St. Mary's Church in Altoona on February 27th, 2021. Then contact Deacon Bryan Hilts, at bhilts@diolc.org. A new deacon formation class will begin in the fall of 2021 and attendance at the Discernment Retreat is a prerequisite.

Children's Envelopes: We have a number of boxes available. If you would like your child to have their own 2021 envelopes for tithing, they will be available in the entranceway of the Church.

*We welcome this child through
the Living Waters of Baptism*

Levi Nicholas Ziaya - son of Daniel & Kelly Ziaya
Isaac Robert Naedler - son of Aaron & Jasmine Naedler



We welcome this new family to St. John's:

Christine Nuguid & family



Our sympathy to the family of:

Virginia Narlock



*"May the Soul of Virginia
and the Souls of all the Faithful Departed,
through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen"*

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