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.

Parish Personnel

Fr. Jim Weighner, Pastor715-384-3252 ext. 2
Fr. Daniel Williams, Associate Pastor715-384-3252 ext. 3
Deacon Jeffrey Austin, Permanent Deacon715-676-3186
Sister Rita Adlkofer, Spiritual Counselor
Mary Gouin, Parish Secretary715-384-3252 ext. 0
Monica Trussoni, Finance Office715-384-3252 ext. 4
David Alcott, Director of Faith Formation715-384-3252 ext. 6
St. John School Office
David Eaton, CCS President715-387-1177
Mass Times 715-384-3252 ext. 1

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. Following the 8:00 a.m. Mass Saturdays

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 5/10/2021 St. Damien de Veuster, Priest 7:00am Donald Eilers
Scripture Readings: Acts 16:11-15 Jn 15:26—16:4a
TUES 5/11/21 7:00am John & Caroline Breu
Scripture Readings: Acts 16:22-34 Jn 16:5-11
WED 5/12/21 Sts. Nereus & Achilles, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr 7:00am Living & Deceased Members of the Hamus & Heyer Families
Scripture Readings: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1 Jn 16:12-15
THUR 5/13/21 Our Lady of Fatima7:00am Women at the WellScripture Readings: Acts 18:1-8Jn 16:16-20
FRI 5/14/21 St. Matthias, Apostle
7:00am Natalie Gisvold Scripture Readings: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Jn 15:9-17
SAT 5/15/21 8:00am Special Intention Scripture Readings: Acts 18:23-28 Jn 16:23b-28
Seventh Sunday of Easter 4:30pm St. John the Baptist Parish Families
 SUN 5/16/21 7:00am Living & deceased members of the Frederick Scheppler familiy 9:00am Albert & Sarah Langreck
11:00am Richard Knutson
Scripture Readings: Acts 1:1-11 Eph 1:17-23 Mk 16:15-20
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LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MAY 15th & 16th, 2021

LECTORS

4:30pm Bryan Pischel

7:00am Jan Altmann

9:00am Rita Blenker

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS 4:30pm Susan Jahr 7:00am Pam Alt 9:00am Jill Hiller 11:00am Danielle Rummell 11:00am Argelia Moya

SERVERS

4:30pm	Open / Open
7:00am I	Paige Schlagenhaft / Abigail Schuld
9:00am l	Lily & Neil Adler
11:00am I	Kendall Bisek / Kendra Strey

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm	Cathy Heuer
7:00am	Cindy Penker / Roni Steines-Machtan
9:00am	Mary Frey / Ed Grant
11:00am	Cathy Heuer

Confessions are heard on the first and third Fridays of the month at 6:00pm. Two priests are available at this time. They are also available on Saturdays after the 8:00am Mass.

FUNERAL SERVERS May 10 th - May 15 th , 2021
Ardell Klein / Bernie Knoeck / Denny Loughlin
Dan Mroz / Glenn Linzmeier / Ray Housworth
We are always looking for more adult servers for our funeral Masses.
If you are willing and able please call the parish office

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 -	David Gouin	Thursday	Ray Housworth
Tuesday -	Dan Alsides	Friday -	Dennis Spencer
Wednesday	Dan Flees	Saturday	Nick & Kolbe Landwehr



"Love our Lady and she will obtain abundant grace to help you conquer in your daily struggle." St. Josemaria Escriva Wishing all of our mothers a very blessed Mother's Day

STEWARDSHIP - MAY 1 & 2, 2021	
Adult / Youth / Plate	\$10,064.25
Parish Improvement	\$80.00
Weekend Total	\$10,144.25
Total to Date	\$10,144.25
Amount needed for May	\$67,743.00
Easter Contributions (to date)	\$13,947.00

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).

Parish Office Hours: Mary will be away from May 17th through May 26th. Therefore, the office will be closed on Monday, May 17th and May 24th. The office will also be closed on Friday, May 21st. Open hours will be limited on the rest of the days: Tuesdays from 10:00am - 4:00pm and 10am - 1pm on Wednesday and Thursday. Monica will assist anyone during those hours on those days. Thank you!

Four Committees will meet on Monday, May 10th at 6:00pm in the school. Rooms assigned as in previous meetings.

The next PCCW meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 11th in the Columbia Room at 6:30pm. All ladies of the parish are encouraged to attend. We will have a presentation on the St. John's Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, by Denise Roberts, our PCCW Vice President. Denise is also the President of the District Council of La Crosse Diocese of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Come and learn about the assistance this group provides to those in need. After our business meeting, Bingo will be played and refreshments served.

Frassati Young Adult Group: There will be a gathering for all young adults (high school graduates through age 39) on Tuesday, May 11th at 6:30pm in Columbia Park across from St. John's. Please join us for praying the rosary and then playing yard games. Please bring a lawn chair. In case of inclement weather, we will meet in St. Francis Hall for the rosary and board games. If you would like to be added to the email list to receive updates about our monthly meetings and other events, please contact Michael Iwanski at michaeliwanski38@gmail.com. Newcomers are always welcome!

St. John's Pastoral Elections will be held at all Masses the weekend of May 15th / 16th. This year there are 4 open seats. When you cast your votes, please be sure to sign your ballots. Failure to do so makes your vote ineligible. Our candidates are: Bob Trussoni, Nick Landwehr, Brian Kostka, Dan Alsides & Mark Adler. More information about each candidate can be found in this bulletin.

Attention engaged couples: Registration is now open for the Married Love: two becoming one classes. Next available dates are: Oct., 2, 2021, Feb. 12, 2022 and April 2, 2022. Couples should first contact their priest and then plan to attend a class at least six months before their wedding. For questions or to register, contact Alanna Hart at hart alanna@yahoo.com or 715-650-7310.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

MEET THE SAINTS: SAINT HELENA

We do not know a lot about St. Helena as a youth. Some scholars speak of her humble origins, and state she was an inn keeper or a stable maid. Born in the middle of the third century, she married Constantius Chlorus, and their son Constantine (Constantine the Great) was born in the year 274. In 292, Constantius, then the co-Regent of the West, for political reasons forsook Helena in order to marry Theodora, the stepdaughter of Emporer Maximinianus Herculius, his political patron. Constantine, however, remained faithful to his mother and in the year 308, when he succeeded his father, summoned his mother to the imperial court and conferred upon her the title of Augusta, ordering that all honor should be paid to her as mother of the sovereign, and had coins struck bearing her image.

Under the influence of Constantine, she became a devout servant of God, and through her devotion she was instrumental in the spread of Christianity. Tradition connects her with Christian churches in various cities of the West where the imperial court resided, including Rome and Trier. In her advanced age, after Constantine became the sole ruler of the Roman Empire, she undertook a journey to Palestine, seeking to spread the kingdom of the King of Kings and was directed to find relics of the early Christian churches. She erected 2 churches in the Holy Land, one near Bethlehem near the Grotto of the Nativity and the other on the Mount of the Ascension near Jerusalem.

It was during her time in Jerusalem she is credited with her most important discovery, the True Cross of Christ. Around the year 130, the Emperor Hadrian had erected a temple dedicated to Venus over the site of Jesus' death. Helena had this Temple destroyed, and had the site evacuated. In the ensuing evacuation, 3 crosses were discovered. Tradition tells of a woman nearby who was near death, and Helena directed that she place a hand on all 3 crosses. When she placed her hand on one of the crosses, she suddenly recovered, and this cross was declared the True Cross of Christ. It was on this site that Helena ordered the Church of the Holy Sepulcher to be built. In addition to the True Cross, Helena discovered many other relics, including the nails of the crucifixion, parts of Jesus' tunic and pieces of the rope used to tie Jesus to the cross. She had churches built over the sites of these discoveries as well.

In her life, Helena was renowned for helping not only individuals, but entire communities as well as the poor and destitute. She was a devout servant of God, often leaving rich donations in churches she would visit. Helena died around the year 330 AD with her son by her side, and is buried in the Mausoleum of Helena outside Rome. Her feast day is August 18, and is patron saint of new discoveries.

God bless.

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Mass Intentions: Our Mass intentions are completely full for 2021 and 2022 is filling fast. If you would like a Mass intention for a loved one, and would like it soon, there is an opportunity to do so. Now that St. John's has two priests one often offers a private Mass. Please call the parish office if you would like to submit a name for one of these private Masses. Mass stipends are \$10.00 which is put into a charitable account.

The CCS Peru Mission Teams have missed you! The 2020 Mission Team was not able to travel to Peru because of the pandemic, but we have been able to send 11 suitcases full of donations and a check for Casa Hogar to use as needed. Thank you!

The 2022 Mission Team has formed but until now we have not been able to fundraise due to the pandemic. With Easter Sunday came new hope and we have been given permission to offer you the chance to "buy stock" in our 2022 Mission Trip to Casa Hogar. Before and after the Masses on **May 15th and 16th**, members of our 2022 Mission Team will be at a table in the main entry to the church. If you would like to make a donation to our Mission Team, every \$10 will buy a share of stock. You are welcome to buy as many shares as you like. Your stock certificate will reflect the number of shares and the total donation that you have made. Thank you for considering this. We appreciate your helpfulness and so do the children at Casa Hogar.

Shareholders Meeting: When we return from Peru in 2022, we will invite you to a Shareholders' meeting to hear all about our Mission Trip Experience and to taste some goodies that we bring back for you from Peru. Thank you also for all of your prayers said on behalf of the children at Casa Hogar and our CCHS Mission Team.

Gracias, Sra. Deb Kennedy Mission Team Leader

The Marshfield Catholic Cemetery Association will gather at 3:00pm on May 12th, 2021 at Our Lady of Peace.

Thursday Rosary at 12:15pm (since Oct. 2011) Join in praying the Rosary at St. John's every Thursday at 12:15pm. If you would like email reminders with a Catholic reflection about 11am prior to the Rosary, please email Troy Kroening at <u>troy@gotojoe.com</u>.

Feed My Starving Children: Dates: Thursday, June 10^{th} to Sat., June 12^{th} / Location: Zion United Methodist Church / Money: \$30,000 needed to pay for the food / 104,000 meals to pack / 125 people needed for the 3 days of packing. / About 30 people in a shift in pods of 5 as the maximum per station. / May 12^{th} is the sign up day online for spots. For more information, contact Shannon at 715-305-3160.

Host a Global Outreach Catholic Exchange Student from the Ukraine: Vika, a 17 year old young lady from the Ukraine, is praying to be able to participate in the 2021-2022 Global Outreach Catholic Exchange Program and attend Columbus Catholic High School. She is only one-step away for her prayers to be answered. She needs a Host Family! For more information, please visit the parish website or contact Barbara Tota-Boryczka, Executive Director: <u>barbara.tota-boryczka@globaloutreachprogram.com / (920) 540-3085</u> or Fr. Larry Seidl, Spiritual Director at <u>ljseidl1949@gmail.com</u> / (920) 412-0320

Diocesan Annual Appeal Update! Slow and steady we are making progress towards reaching our goal! We are grateful as our number of those contributing climb! We have until the end of June to complete this appeal. If the goal is not met, the parish will have to pay the remainder. If you have not yet made your gift to the Bishop's Appeal, please consider and know of the lives you help throughout the diocese when you do so. Thank you!

Diocesan Annual Appeal 2020-2021. As of May 3rd, we have **485** donors and a total of **\$126,782.00** pledged toward our goal of \$136,700.00. We still need **\$9,918.00**. Last year a total of 509 people donated to the annual appeal. We only need **27** more people to exceed that amount. At this time we thank: Mary Bunge / Sally Bremer / Dianne Goodman / Greg & Mary Ellen Gullickson / Roy & Marilyn Krier / Lucy Lang / Rita Latourell / Judy Netzer / Norma Potter / Luke & Tonya Schlagenhaft / Charles & Susan Schuld / Lillian Seubert / Richard & Mary Lee Slark / Jason & Jill Wrench / Matthew & Aimie Eckelberg / Linda Egner / Janet Fruebrodt / Elaine Becker / Glenn & Karen Linzmeier / Ron & Kay O'Brien / Todd & Shari Pankratz / Donald & Roxann Weigel / Gary & Bonny Aschenbrenner / Sandra Bosley / Tom & Joan Breden / Peter & Linda Donnerbauer / John & Nancy Fryza / Jane Gerend

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTION May 15th - 16th, 2021

St. John the Baptist Parish will be holding an election to fill <u>four seats</u> on the Pastoral Council. The election will take place at all the weekend Masses on May 15th & 16th Each voter will be asked to vote for four candidates. More information on the election procedure for Pastoral Council will be given during the Mass the day of election

All adult parishioners (anyone who has been confirmed) are encouraged to vote on May 15th & 16th, at all the Masses. Only parishioners of St. John's may vote. Ballots will be handed out and collected by the ushers. All ballots <u>must be signed</u> to be eligible for counting.

<u>Current Pastoral Councíl Members are:</u> Father Weighner, Father Williams, Deacon Jeff Austin, Bernice Mercer Chairperson, Linda Egner, Kathy Gessert, Maureen Karaliunas, Kim Rybicki, Jake Dick, Ardell Klein, Mike Gonering, Ann Kundinger, Secretary

The Pastoral Council is the principal consultative body in the parish. It plans and coordinates the overall policy of the parish in order to carry on the pastoral mission. It makes decisions. It is a model of what the parish community is or might become. It provides leadership and direction in the coordination of parish activities through its employees, committees and volunteers. This is accomplished by developing with its committees and Finance Council a "business plan" of the mission, goals, and strategies of the parish.

The Pastoral Council meets five times per year. Members are elected for a two year term. A member can serve three consecutive terms and are usually involved in another parish committee facilitating communication between the council and the committees.

Following are brief profiles of the candidates running for the open seats on the Council.



<u>Mark Adler</u>

Mark and his wife Heather have been members of St. John's for 12 years. They are raising four children, two of whom serve Mass for St. John's. Mark is a computer programmer for the Marshfield Clinic Health System. During the pandemic, Mark has taken on the role as usher and has helped with the cleaning of the church. He also volunteers in coaching youth sports, such as, soccer, basketball, baseball and flag football. The Adler family loves to hike whenever they can!

Dan Alsides



Dan and his wife, Caren, have been members of St. John's parish for 7 years. They are the parents of three grown children. Dan works for Counterform in Marshfield as a driver. Dan is active in the parish in many ways. He is a Eucharistic Minister at Mass as well as an usher. Along with his wife he leads a small group in our new Evangelical Catholic program. Dan is a member of the Knights of Columbus and enjoys going to Men's retreats as they are offered.

BRIAN KOSTKA



Brian and his wife Karyn have been members of St. John's for 9 years. He is a pipefitter for Great Lakes Mechanical. They are the parents of 7 children. Brian assists at Mass as a Eucharistic Minister and is involved in the Bible study. He also participates in the Evangelical Catholic program and is an adorer on a weekly basis at the Adoration Chapel. Brian is a fan of the Green Bay Packers, the Wisconsin Badgers and the Milwaukee Brewers and he enjoys following the local High School sports teams.

NICK LANDWEHR



Nick and his wife Stephanie have been members of St. John's for 5 years. They are the parents of 7 children. Nick works at the Everett Roehl Marshfield Library as a Maintenance Facilities Coordinator. Nick has begun serving Saturday morning Mass with his oldest son. Along with helping to home school their children, Nick enjoys hiking. He was also a member of St. John's Men's softball team!



BOB TRUSSONI

Bob and his wife Monica have been members of St. John's for 12 years. They are the parents of 4 adult children and the grandparents of 10. Bob has retired from his job as General Manager of Marshfield Utilities but keeps busy in many ways. Around the parish and rectory you will find him helping with many projects around the Church grounds as well as in the rectory. He also is a regular Adorer at the St. John Paul II chapel. In the past Bob has been involved with the Rotary Club and the MACCI Board.

Elections are held each year to fill open seats on the Council for a two year term. Anyone interested in running on the 2022 ballot, please call the rectory business office, 715-384-3252, between the hours of 9:00am-4:30pm.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PCCW

"As Mary lovingly tended to the Holy Family's home in Nazareth, PCCW members lovingly supply the altar, their spiritual home with all that is necessary for the priest to celebrate Mass, bringing Jesus to all who hunger for Him"

DO YOU WONDER....

WHAT DOES PCCW STAND FOR? PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (Originally called the Rosary Altar Society)

WHAT IS IT? It is an organization that unites all Catholic women within a parish. It allows them to live their faith in unity through words and action. All women of the parish are invited to attend. The more the merrier!

What Do the Members Do? They do many things to help support the parish, such as, attend daily Mass as able, participate in religious activities and women's retreats, supply altar linens, hosts, wine and candles to be used at all parish Masses, cater funeral dinners. Prayer is also important and they willingly offer to pray a rosary during the visitation if requested by the family. Two Masses a year are scheduled for the deceased PCCW members.

How are they able to supply these items? Through the gifts of many as they use their PCCW tithing envelopes, from the monies received from funeral dinners and raffle sales and from other fundraisers, such as their famous pie sales served during the city band concerts.

Meetings...When & Where? Meetings are held six times a year on the second Tuesdays of April, May, September, October, November and December at 6:30pm. Interesting guests sometimes entertain and enlighten us with new information. A Christmas meeting and party is a fun celebration with the drawing of the raffle prizes. During the other months, the evening ends with a couple of games of bingo with prizes and delectable desserts to enjoy!



Our Lady of Good Counsel, patroness of the National Council of Catholic Women Following are donations that our PCCW gives to annually:

Madonna Plan, Water for Life and Project Milk, which are "Works of Peace" programs that benefit disadvantaged nations in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

Provide a one-year daily Mass guide subscription to our RCIA members.

Pay for a coach bus to take interested ladies to the "Women of Christ" conference in West Bend. Donate to Columbus Catholic's Alpine Holiday fundraiser.

Support a parishioner's mission in Mexico through an order of nuns who help disadvantaged children. Give ongoing support to a parishioner's rosary making mission by paying for rosary supplies. Donate money to Fr. Dick Pankratz's mission in the Philippines, and Bishop Robert Flock's mission in Bolivia. Donate to Diocese of La Crosse for the TV Mass.

Additional donations are:

The PCCW has also supported our school and Columbia Room kitchen by purchasing a variety of items, such as: an automatic floor scrubber for the custodians, new Columbia Room tables, new silverware, floor mats for the kitchen, new coffee carafes, etc. The PCCW purchased new blinds for the rectory, and they also hold welcome and farewell receptions for our priests. Give support to our youth by providing books for First Communicants and donating money toward Adventure Camp scholarships. Donated toward the renovation of the Cathedral of St Joseph the Workman in La Crosse

CURRENT PCCW OFFICERS

PRESIDENT: SUSAN YOUNGWITH / VICE-PRESIDENT: DENISE ROBERTS TREASURER: LINDA DICK / SECRETARY: GRETCHEN GOTZ / HISTORIAN: SHIRLEY PRITZL Questions? Call Susan at 715-384-4343



Congratulations on your First Communion May 2, 2021

Hector Aguilar Acosta Adelynn Aschenbrenner Grace Binder Claire Dums Devin Fieber Hannah Frank Annalise Gumabon Oliver Knauf Eli Malyuk Emmett McLean Mitchell Saeger Morgan Strey Kate Trader Connor Willfahrt Maritsa Aguilar Acosta Landon Bauer Callen Blenker Elliott Edwards Myah Frane Norah Gilbertson Isabella Hannasch Cole Krieg Dylan Mayer Bryce Rutter Isabella Steiner Jace Stueland Noah Umlauft Levi Wrensch



A heartfelt "thank you" to everyone who helped with our Faith Formation program this year!! We had a wonderful team of volunteers!! **Thank You** for sharing our faith! We especially thank those involved with preparing our Second Graders:

Father Weighner / Father Williams / David AlcottCheryl Schmidt / Donna Boyung / Katie Nemitz

