



# 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, Pastor ..... 715-384-3252 ext. 2  
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 St. John School Office ..... 715-384-4989  
 David Eaton, CCS President ..... 715-387-1177  
 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.  
 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 8/23/21** St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

7:00am Al &amp; Barb Salzmann

Scripture Readings: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10 Mt 23:13-22

**TUES 8/24/21** St. Bartholomew, Apostle

7:00am Carol Sirko

Scripture Readings: Rv 21:9b-14 Jn 1:45-51

**WED 8/25/21** St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest

7:00am John &amp; Cathryn Marx

Scripture Readings: 1 Thes 2:9-13 Mt 23:27-32

**THUR 8/26/21**

7:00am Jerome Hamus

Scripture Readings: 1 Thes 3:7-13 Mt 24:42-51

**FRI 8/27/21** St. Monica

7:00am Mary Purkapile

Scripture Readings: 1 Thes 4:1-8 Mt 25:1-13

**SAT 8/28/21** St. Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

8:00am Gertrude Blackwood

Scripture Readings: 1 Thes 4:9-11 Mt 25:14-30

**Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30pm Billy Shear

**SUN 8/29/21**

7:00am Chester &amp; Bernice Jablonski

9:00am St. John the Baptist Parish Family

11:00am Ted Zondlo

Scripture Readings: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8 Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27  
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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**LITURGICAL MINISTERS****AUGUST 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021****LECTORS**

4:30pm Bryan Pischel

7:00am Dale &amp; Judy Garfield

9:00am Maureen Karaliunas

11:00am Gayle Specht

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

4:30pm Susan Jahr

7:00am Ray &amp; Pam Housworth

9:00am Rita Blenker

11:00am Michael Clubb

**SERVERS**4:30pm **Open / Open**

7:00am Koffee Hansen / Ava Rootellis

9:00am Maverick &amp; Dakota Hannasch

11:00am Elizabeth Kitzhaber / Rita Glab

**MUSIC MINISTER**

4:30pm Cathy Heuer

7:00am Cathy Heuer

9:00am Cathy Heuer

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** Denny Loughlin / Dan Mroz

Glenn Linzmeier / Ray Housworth / Lonny Roberts

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 -** Glenn Linzmeier**Tuesday -** Marty Draxler**Wednesday** Dan Flees**Thursday Open****Friday -** Mike Spencer**Saturday** Nick & Kolbe Landwehr**STEWARDSHIP - AUGUST 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>**

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$10,412.12
Parish Improvement	\$179.00
Total	\$10,591.12
ACH	\$13,509.00
<b>Total to Date for the month of August</b>	<b>\$54,274.77</b>

It was humbling to receive so many kind cards, notes, letters, gifts, telephone calls, emails, and text messages, and to celebrate in person with those who were able to be present at the celebration of my 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination to the priesthood. Most of all, I appreciate the prayers you offered for me on this happy occasion. Thank you - Fr. Douglas Robertson.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** An informational meeting will be held on Sunday, Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup> after the 11am Mass. This meeting will be held in the Columbia room of St. John's School. RCIA is the process whereby a person learns about the beautiful Catholic faith that we sometimes take for granted. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or if you just want to deepen your understanding of the faith contact the parish office at 715-384-3252.

**Save the Date!** Men of the Cross Conference: "Walking with St. Joseph" We are very excited to announce this conference will be held in person on Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center in La Crosse, WI. More details coming soon!

**St. John Paul II Adoration Chapel:** Come adore and know peace! Saturdays at 5-6pm is available to anyone wanting to be close to Our Lord. Please call Jean at 715-387-0571 or Deacon Ray at 715-207-6085 to inquire or to schedule an hour of power. Many Blessings to be received!

**New Youth Servers:** A new server training will be held on August 28<sup>th</sup>. Please call the parish office at 715-384-3252 if you have a child in 4<sup>th</sup> grade or older who would like to be a Mass server.

**Jesus, The Messianic King - Book of Matthew - chapters 1 to 16** A *Threshold Bible Study* that is a dynamic, informative, and inspiring way to enter into a deeper relationship with God through Scripture. This Bible Study will start on Tuesday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>. Two sessions will be offered: 4:00pm or 6:30pm in the Bride's room at St. John's. This Bible study will run 6 weeks and cost of the study book is \$15. **To register please call Carol Jonas at 715-676-3989 by Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>.**

**Bible Study - now in our 16<sup>th</sup> year!****Unpack the Mysteries of Revelation!** An 11 part

Bible study featuring Jeff Cavins is starting soon! It will be held on Sundays from 8:15am to 10:30am from September 12<sup>th</sup> to November 21<sup>st</sup> in the Columbia Room of St. John's Primary School. The cost is \$30 per person for materials. To register or for more information please contact Judy Garfield at (715) 305-2261.



**Back to School! St. John PCCW will again be collecting school supplies for our St. John Primary teachers.** They may be dropped off in the box provided in the back of church. **Needed:** disposable face masks, adult size disposable gloves, hand sanitizer in dispenser bottles, **Elmers** glue (bottles & sticks), rubber cement, white cardstock, colored pencils, sandwich, quart & gallon sized ziplock bags, paper plates, pink erasers, colored ink pads, electric pencil sharpeners, colored Sharpie pens, laminating pouches, #2 pencils, brass fasteners, 3 hole punches, washable bean bag chairs, black & colored Expo markers, colored gel pens, black and colored sharpie pens, watercolor paint sets, Washable markers, yellow & orange highlighters, Sticky notes (any size), Manila file folders, and letter sized white envelopes. **Thank you!**

**\*Newly added items for the Faith Formation Program:** 2 inch white 3 ring binders, letter-size (8.5 x 11) cardstock, letter-size copy paper, business size #10 envelopes, clipboards and pens.



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### MEET THE SAINTS - ST. PATRICK

In today's article, we will introduce you to St. Patrick, arguably one of the best known saints in Catholic history. Almost everyone has heard of this great saint of Ireland, but were you aware he was not of Irish descent? Patrick was of Scottish heritage. His father was a high ranking officer in the Roman military, and his mother was from what is France today (Gaul), and was a close relative of St. Martin of Tours.

In his teens, Patrick was taken hostage by a raiding party from Ireland, and sold as a slave to a chieftain named Milchu in Ireland. He was a shepherd for Milchu's flock for six years before he escaped back to England. He experienced a conversion while in captivity, turning to prayer many times a day.

After his escape, Patrick began studies for becoming a priest. He studied in Gaul before being ordained to the priesthood under St. Germain. When Germain was sent to Britain as an ambassador, Patrick accompanied him. It was here that Patrick's thoughts returned to Ireland, and he had a vision of the children of Focluth crying out: "O holy youth, come back to Erin, and walk once more amongst us."

Patrick was the second missionary to Ireland, after the Druids expelled the first missionary, Palladius. It was around the year 433 that Patrick arrived in Ireland, and the Druids were up in arms against him. He began his missionary activity in the area where he had been held captive, paying the price of ransom to his former master, and in exchange for the servitude and cruelty endured at his hands to impart to him blessings and freedom of God's children. As he began his missionary work, tradition fondly points out the impression of St. Patrick's foot upon the hard rock — off the main shore, at the entrance to Skerries harbor. It was at the River Boyne that he performed his first miracle on Irish soil.

Patrick's humility and meekness won over many local chieftains to the faith, including Benen, the son of a chieftain whose family embraced the faith. Benen became Patrick's faithful companion, and one of Patrick's successors in Armagh. One of the most famous decrees of Patrick over the Druid chieftains occurred at Easter in 433. A royal decree went forth that all fires were to be extinguished until the signal blaze was kindled at the royal mansion. Patrick went to the hill across the valley from the royal mansion and lit a Paschal fire for all to see. The druids called to the king: 'O King, live forever; this fire, which has been lighted in defiance of the royal edict, will blaze forever in this land unless it be this very night extinguished'. Despite repeated attempts, the fire burned through the night, and Patrick, protected and shielded by divine power, came away unscathed from the snares and assaults of the druids. On Easter day the druids and magicians put forth their strength and all their incantations to maintain their sway over the Irish people. By their incantations, the druids overspread a darkness over the hill and plain worse than the Egyptian darkness. Patrick defied them to remove this, but when they were unable to do this, Patrick prayed and the sun broke through sending forth its rays, and the prayer and faith of Patrick achieved a glorious triumph. This was the final blow to paganism in the presence of the chieftains. This Easter victory marked the triumph of religion at Tara, and the Ard-Righ granted permission to Patrick throughout Ireland. It is said that Patrick wrote the prayer "*St Patrick's Breastplate*" for this victory over paganism.

This short introduction can only scratch the surface of the life of this great saint. There are many articles on the internet and books galore on the life and times of St. Patrick, a saint as relevant to us today as he was in his day.

God bless

*Fr Jim*



## *Congratulations to these couples celebrating Anniversary Milestones!*

*65 Years - Andy & Carol Wanta*

*59 years - Robert & Sharon Rottscheit*

## *Our sympathy to the families of:*

JoAnn Goes / Ervin Ploog

*May the Souls of JoAnn & Ervin  
and the Souls of all the Faithful Departed,  
through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen*



**Faith Formation:** Register now for Marshfield Faith Formation, the new religious education program for students in grades 1-10 in the Marshfield Area. Register online at [www.MarshfieldFaithFormation.org](http://www.MarshfieldFaithFormation.org). Please contact David Alcott, Director of Faith Formation with any questions. Call 715-384-3252 ext 6 or [teachdisciples@gmail.com](mailto:teachdisciples@gmail.com)

**Join us for Rural Life Day – Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>** The Diocese of La Crosse will hold its 40<sup>th</sup> annual Rural Life Day on Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, hosted by Carla Kostka and her son, Barry, at their Castle Rock Organic Farms, S12360 Young Road in Osseo. Come celebrate the farmers in our midst, who benefit us all by their good stewardship of the land. The day begins with 10am Mass celebrated by Bishop William Patrick Callahan, followed by awards, recognitions, the blessing of crops and machinery, and a meal catered by members of St. Raymond of Peñafort Parish. For a flyer or brochure, visit [www.dioc.org/rural-life](http://www.dioc.org/rural-life). For more information, contact Deacon Bob Zietlow, Rural Life Committee Liaison, [rzietlow@dioc.org](mailto:rzietlow@dioc.org).

**Tell Congress – No Taxpayer Funding of Abortion** The Hyde Amendment and similar laws have protected taxpayers from funding elective abortion for 45 years. Now, powerful members of Congress, with the support of the Biden Administration, want to take away these laws that both Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century. Here are two ways you can tell Congress "no" to taxpayer funding of abortion:

- Sign the petition sponsored by the U.S. Bishops at [notaxpayerabortion.com](http://notaxpayerabortion.com).
- Visit [marchforlifeaction.org](http://marchforlifeaction.org) and click on the link for "Save Hyde" to send an email to your U.S. Senators and Representatives.

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) Level 1** will be starting September 27<sup>th</sup> / 28<sup>th</sup> on Mondays or Tuesdays from 2:40 - 5:00pm. Level 1 is for children between the ages of 3 - 6 years old. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori based Catholic faith formation program where children can grow in their relationship with God through a deep engagement in Scripture and liturgy. Classes are held in the atrium (located next to the Adoration Chapel) which is a specially prepared room where children can come to know Jesus, the Good Shepherd. The atrium is prepared with materials that children work with as a way of meditating upon the essentials of our faith found in Scripture and in liturgy. If you would like to register your child, please call Jean at 715-387-0571. Registration forms can also be found in the kiosk as you enter the church.



Please keep CGS in your prayers for the children, catechists and the helpers.

**Donations are appreciated!** The following supplies are needed: YES paste, tracing paper, large crayons, flowers and plants.



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