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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
Fr. Daniel Williams, Associate Pastor	715-384-3252 ext. 3
Deacon Jeffrey Austin, Permanent Deacon	715-676-3186
Sister Rita Adlkofer, Spiritual Counselor	715-384-9929
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St. John School Office	
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.

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 3/21/22

7:00am James Mikula

Scripture Readings: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b Lk 4:24-30

TUES 3/22/22

7:00am Ben Schar

Scripture Readings: Dn 3:25, 34-43 Mt 18:21-35

WED 3/23/22 St. Turbius of Mogovejo, Bishop

7:00am Jim Reigel 8:00am Special Intention

Scripture Readings: Dt 4:1, 5-9 Mt 5:17-19

THUR 3/24/22

7:00am Carol Sirko

Scripture Readings: Jer 7:23-28 Lk 11:14-23

FRI 3/25/22 The Annunciation of the Lord

7:00am Special Intention

Scripture Readings: Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Heb 10:4-10

Lk 1:26-38

SAT 3/26/22

8:00am Claudine Blum-Hamus

Scripture Readings: Hos 6:1-6 Lk 18:9-14

**Fourth Sunday of Lent** 

4:30pm Lindsay Dick Zuelke

SUN 3/27/22

7:00am Living & Deceased Members of the William Schneider Family

9:00am Living & Deceased Members of the Don Aumann Family

11:00am St. John the Baptist Parish Families

Scripture Readings: Jos 5:9a, 10-12 2 Cor 5:17-21

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

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#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

March 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022

#### **LECTORS**

4:30pm Bryan Pischel

7:00am Caryn Alsides

9:00am Rita Blenker

11:00am Danielle Rummells

#### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

4:30pm Louise Kobylinski / Susan Jahr

7:00am Al & Barb May

9:00am Dan & Dorothy Flees

11:00am Kim Rybicki / Mike Clubb

#### **SERVERS**

4:30pm Emmett Luther / Open

7:00am Koffee Hansen / Open

9:00am Maverick & Dakota Hannasch

11:00am Audrey & Luke Clubb

#### MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Cindy Penker / Roni Machtan-Steines

7:00am Suzanne Golden

9:00am Kris Herr / Adult Choir / 11:00am Cathy Heuer

Confessions will be offered the following Fridays of Lent: March 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup> and April 8<sup>th</sup>. Two priests are available at this time. They are also available on Saturdays after the 8:00am Mass.

**Stations of the Cross** The Leaders of Prayer of St. John's will lead the Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent through April 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm in the church. Everyone is invited to participate.

#### Weekday Mass Servers:

Monday - Glenn Linzmeier Tuesday - Marty Draxler Wednesday Lenny Kieliszewski Thursday Lee Alt Friday - Mike Spencer Saturday Kolbe & Dominic Landwehr STEWARDSHIP FOR MARCH 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>

 Adult / Youth / Plate
 \$12,206.48

 Parish Improvement
 \$621.00

 Total
 \$12,827.48

 ACH
 \$14,182.00

 Total to date for the month of March
 \$48,396.73

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 for your continued support!

There is a box located in the back of church until April 18<sup>th</sup> for you to discard old palms. Since they were blessed, they should not be thrown away They will be burned and buried properly.

**Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers & Youth Servers:** The May - August schedule is now being worked on. If you have been off of the schedule, and would like to be put back on, please e-mail <a href="mailto:mjgouin@frontier.com">mjgouin@frontier.com</a> call the parish office at 715-384-3252. If you have dates that you know you are not available, also call the office. All information is needed by March 28<sup>th.</sup>

The PCCW (Parish Council of Catholic Women) is looking for candidates for the two-year term of Vice President. There are six meetings per year, to attend, and duties are assisting the President, and helping with fundraising activities. If you have an interest in this position, please call Shirley Pritzl at 715-384-8589 or Marcy Gotz at 715-650-2184, nominating committee members.

Valentyna Pavsyukova, founder of Chalice of Mercy mission to Ukraine, has been thrilled by the generosity shown by the people of the diocese and sends her most profound thanks. The donations received last week, counting medical equipment donated by healthcare institutions, filled 64 pallets at McDonnell High School! Three full semi-trucks will carry this aid to then be transported by air to a neighboring country, and on to the areas of need in Ukraine. Valentyna has excellent contacts at each step and a solid plan. Please pray that this aid safely reaches those in dire need of it.

**Next Step in Collections:** By far, the greatest need now is for financial donations (visit <a href="www.chaliceofmercy.org/donation">www.chaliceofmercy.org/donation</a>). But one more delivery of collected goods from parish/school sites to McDonell High School is planned for the end of the month. To see the "Needs List," (and all items must be new) and for a list of the collection sites around the diocese, visit <a href="doi:diolc.org/social-concerns">diolc.org/social-concerns</a>. On behalf of the stricken people of Ukraine, an enormous thank you!

Watch Valentyna Pavsyukova's Powerful Talk on the tragedy unfolding in Ukraine, mixing sorrw with hope and an invitation to help, at <a href="https://www.diolc.org/social-concerns">www.diolc.org/social-concerns</a>.

As we are so near our goal, we are reaching out to ask anyone who has not made a pledge to please consider doing so. Anything we make above our goal comes back to the parish. If we come up short, the parish will have to cover what is due. Any amount given is appreciated. Thank you!

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:** As of March 15<sup>th</sup>, **422** of our 1195 families have donated! Please consider helping! We currently need **\$13,599** to reach this goal. Anything over that amount, comes back to the parish. <u>If you have not received a mailing from the Diocese</u>, please call the parish office: 715-384-3252.

As the Diocese updates us on our progress we will list those who have contributed. **We now thank** Dale & Linda Lewer / Francis & Connie Manlick / Tom & Sharon Spindler / Peter & Beverly Kurlinski / Bob Purkapile / Kathy Richardson / Joe & Terry Burger / Dawn Fuehrer / Eugene & Marge Zygarlicke / Rose Carter / Romel & Argelia Garcia-Moya / Timothy & Sheryl Hiles / Andrew & Carol Wanta / Mike & Sherrie Spencer / Karen Pernsteiner / Darlene Schmidt / Candice Kelley / Mary Budtke / James & Laurel Kniech / Mary Ann Knutson / Ann Kundinger / Dennis & Darlene Rhodes / Archie & Jean Schwantes / Robert & Gayle Specht / Helen Toelle / Richard & Colleen De Jarlais / Dan DeJarlais / Dorothy Von Holzen

#### **FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

The Third Word:

Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise (Lk 23:43)

The 'today' that Jesus addresses to the repentant thief, whom we know as the good thief, belongs to every age. Whenever a person turns to Jesus and says with love; Jesus, remember me (Lk 23:42) he or she begins a new 'today'. Jesus so much wants us to be with him in paradise that he confides to priests' ministry of forgiveness. The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation provide a unique experience of the 'today'. The Catholic whom sin has separated from communion with God and the Church is reconciled to the company of those who wait with hopeful confidence the reward of paradise. No one knows the sins the Good Thief committed. No one should care. All that matters in life is that we discover our own 'today' of divine forgiveness.

#### The Fourth Word:

Father, into your hands I commend my Spirit (Lk 32:46)

Loving communion with the blessed Trinity is the destiny to which each creature made in the divine image is called. Those on earth who receive, with faith and baptism, the Gospel of Christ accept this word as a prayer to make their own. Each circumstance of life requires on the part of the human person an act of submission to God's will. This personal surrender is sanctifying only when joined to the cry of God's Son. The Savior of the human race points us toward our true end. Those who commit themselves to God in union with Jesus share in his own act of filial love and obedience. Then they understand the mystery: Amen, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven (Mt 18:3).

#### **CLOSING PRAYER**

AD JESUM PER Mariam. To Jesus through Mary. To learn well the divine truths that Jesus speaks to us from the cross, join the company of the Virgin Mother of God, Mary Immaculate. Let Mary open your hearts to hear whatever Jesus would tell you. As she herself instructs us: Do whatever he tells you (Jn 2:5).

#### THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

On March 25<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate the Annunciation of the Lord. The event we are celebrating this day is when the Archangel Gabriel appears to Mary, telling her he has been sent by God to announce she has been chosen to be the Mother of the Redeemer. Mary's yes, or 'fiat' is what each of us desires to offer to God as well. This is a solemnity feast, which is 1 degree below a Holy Day of Obligation in the church, but still a very important feast day. In only 9 months from this day, we will again celebrate the birth of our savior.

It seems that this will be an extra-important solemnity to celebrate this year, given the unrest in the world, especially in Ukraine and Russia. Our Blessed Mother has a special role in the lives of the faithful in that part of the world, so we call upon her intercession for peace and protection for those afflicted by this unjust war and for peace throughout the world. If it is possible with your schedule, please consider coming to Mass on the 25<sup>th</sup> seeking Mary's intercession for the peace she desires to reign in the hearts of her children.

God bless

Fr Iim

Father Jim and Father Williams are offering talks March 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Columbia room of St. John's school.



Each talk will be followed by a question and answer session.

Send for the Priest - Anointing of the Sick is the topic of Fr. Williams talk on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Lord, as I do things differently this Lent, help me make You the center of my life—and the reason I do everything.

St. John the Baptist Parish will be joining efforts of other local churches and Columbus Catholic School to provide support for those suffering in Ukraine. The collection point will be at the Columbus school office. Please drop off your donations at Columbus Catholic School. Thank you, St. John the Baptist Social Justice Committee

# Urgent help for the refugees of Ukraine: "DO SMALL THINGS WITH GREAT LOVE!"

In a meager effort to help the Ukranian refugees, the women of St. John's PCCW would like your help sewing small, warm fleece blankets to be included in the Chalice of Mercy initiative thru the Diocese of La Crosse.

If you sew, (sewing machine), we have fleece for you! Please call Patti Willkom @ 715-207-9426 to volunteer.

If you don't sew, but would like to help, please donate \$10 per blanket to defray the cost of the fabric. Make checks out to: St. John the Baptist, with "PCCW blankets" written on the memo line. Each blanket will be labeled: Made with love from the women of SJB, Marshfield, WI, USA.

\*\*Please help/donate ASAP to meet the shipping/donation deadline of Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, at noon!

Jesus - The Messianic King: Book of Matthew – chapters 17 to 28 A *Threshold Bible Study* is a way to enter into a deeper relationship with God through Scripture. This class will begin at 6pm beginning on Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> and run for 6 weeks. It will be held in the Bride's room at St John's. Cost of study book is \$15. To register please call Carol Jonas at 715-676-3989 by April 17<sup>th</sup>.

**St. Joseph's Table:** This is the last weekend to pick up an envelope for this collection. This act of almsgiving will help families in our parish and community. Thank you for your generosity!

#### **PARISH MINISTRIES**

Your parish involvement is a reflection of yourself, a growth with our community, and a fulfillment of your spiritual needs. Please consider using the gifts you've been given to further these ministries.

#### SACRED WORSHIP COMMITTEE:

The Sacred Worship Committee assists the parish pastoral council in fostering the liturgical life of the parish as celebrated in the Sacraments and rites of the Church. This committee also helps oversee the devotional aspects of the parish's life of prayer. The activities of this committee are coordinated through communication with the pastor of the parish. Keyboardists and choir members receive their direction from Suzanne Golden and Kris Herr both of whom would welcome new members. Decorating for different liturgical celebrations and seasons is led by Jill Hiller who appreciates the help of various parish members for special tasks. We currently have 8 committee members and meet 6 times from September to May. Linda Egner, is chairperson and Ann Kundinger, recording secretary. In addition to those listed above the following are also part of Sacred Worship: Brian Kostka, Mark Adler and Becky Kaiser.

For more information, or to become a member, please contact Linda Egner at lindaegner1956@gmail.com



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