



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. Dan Thelen, Pastor	715-384-3252 ext. 2
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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 8/22/22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
7:00am Susan Seifert Radcliffe
Scripture Readings: Thes 1:1-5, 11-12, 14-17 Mt 23:23-26

TUES 8/23/22 St. Rose of Lima, Virgin
7:00am Jerome Kirsch
Scripture Readings: Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17 Mt 23:23-26

WED 8/24/22 St. Bartholomew, Apostle
7:00am Nancy Duellman
Scripture Readings: Rv 21:9b-14 Jn 1:45-51

THUR 8/25/22 St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasana, Priest
7:00am Janet Courtney
Scripture Readings: 1 Cor 1:1-9 Mt 24:42-51

FRI 8/26/22
7:00am Wayne & Leona Kraemer
Scripture Readings: 1 Cor 1:17-25 Mt 25:1-13

SAT 8/27/22 St. Monica
8:00am Linda Hennes
Scripture Readings: 1 Cor 1:26-31 Mt 25:14-30

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

SUN 8/28/22
7:00am Chester & Bernice Jablonski
9:00am Dave & Rose Taylor
11:00am Mary Alice Stangl
Scripture Readings: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a
Lk 14:1, 7-14

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS

August 27th & 28th, 2022

LECTORS

4:30pm Jeff Schultz
7:00am Connie Manlick
9:00am Rita Blenker
11:00am John Salzmann

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Marty Draxler / Becky Kaiser
7:00am Pam Alt / Jean Kaiser
9:00am Ann Kunding / Cheryl Schmidt
11:00am Jonathan & Melanie Rootellis

SERVERS

4:30pm Emmett Luther / **Open**
7:00am Paige Schlaghaft / **Open**
9:00am Lily & Neil Adler
11:00am Audrey Clubb / 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 beginning at 6:00pm. September 2nd is the next Friday night of confessions. Two priests are available at this time. They are also available on Saturdays after the 8:00am Mass.

Weekday Mass Servers:

Monday - David Gouin	Thursday - Lee Alt
Tuesday - Dan Alsides	Friday - Mike Spencer
Wednesday - Lenny Kieliszewski	Saturday - Kolbe & Dominic Landwehr

"When we serve the poor and the sick, we serve Jesus. We must not fail to help our neighbor, because in them we serve Jesus."

St. Rose of Lima ~ Feast day - August 23rd

STEWARDSHIP - August 13th & 14th

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$11,227.73
Parish Improvement	\$350.00
Total	\$11,577.73
ACH	\$14,022.00
Total To Date for the month of August	\$25,599.73

Prayer Vine ~ Do you or someone you know need prayers?

To have requests for prayer placed on the vine, please call Connie Manlick 715-305-6742 and Donna 715-384-2479 (there are 2 lists).

It is not necessary to give a name or specific details for your request.

Parish picnic! Thank you for all those that worked so hard on putting together an unforgettable day! The food, the music and games, the smiles and laughter were all part of what made this day wonderful. It couldn't have happened without those that worked behind the scenes as well as those that served during the event! Know of our gratitude. We look forward to this event again next summer!

Lector, Eucharistic Ministers and Youth Servers: The schedules for the months of September through January 1st are completed and can be found in the sacristy. Please pick up as soon as possible.

Children's Liturgy of the Word (Cherubs): Three year olds through First Graders are invited to attend this program during the 9:00am Mass on Sundays from late September to early May. The children hear an age appropriate Gospel reading, sing songs and do activities to help them understand Mass better. They rejoin the assembly at offertory time. We are in need of a few more adult or teen leaders. The commitment is one weekend a month. If you enjoy working with children, please prayerfully consider volunteering. For more info. contact Heather Adler at heatherkadler@gmail.com.

Funeral Choir: Beginning in the fall the full choir will once again be invited to participate at our funeral Masses. If you would like to join, please call Cindy at 715-389-2354.

"No where does Jesus hear our prayers more readily than in the Blessed Sacrament." -Blessed Henry Susson Adorers are needed Wed., Thurs., Sunday from 4-5 a.m., Sat. 3-4 a.m. and Thursday at midnight until 1 a.m. Friday at Pope St. John Paul II Adoration Chapel. If you would like any of these holy hours, Please contact Jean at 715-387-0571 or Deacon Ray at 715-207-6085.

Attention engaged couples: Registration is now open for the *Married Love: two becoming one* classes. Next available dates are: Oct. 8, 2022, Feb. 11, 2023 and April 15, 2023. 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.

Gift Card Program: Did you know that you can indirectly tithe through the Gift Card Program? When you purchase gift cards for gas, restaurants, grocery stores or department stores, a per centage comes back to the parish. Gift cards can be purchased during school hours in the Columbus High school office. When filling out the order form, simply note St. John's Church and the percentage earned comes back to our parish. It is an easy way to tithe! Should you have any questions, the ladies in the Columbus office are very helpful!

A Threshold Bible Study

Jesus The Word Made Flesh: Book of John – chapters 1 to 10

Enter into a deeper relationship with God through Scripture. This Bible study will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 20th and will run for 6 weeks. All sessions begin at 6:00pm and will be held in the Bride's Room of St. John's church. Cost of the study book is \$15.00. **To register**, please call Carol Jonas at 715-676-3989 by September 15th.

The Great Adventure Bible Study will run for 24 weeks beginning Sunday, Sept. 11th. This will be held in the Columbia Room of St. John's school. Deadline to sign up is September 1st. To register, please call Judy Garfield at 715-305-2261. Cost for the registration is \$38 to cover the materials used. More information can be found on the flyer located on the kiosk as you enter church.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

One of the most unique titles of Jesus is from the Gospel of John where Jesus says, "I am the gate." (Jn 10:9) We probably all have stories of gates in our lives. Whether it is a gate to keep your pet in a kennel, your infant child away from stairs, or gates on a farm. All gates serve to protect and save one from danger. Jesus is the gate. He protects us and leads us to true life. This succinct and profound title of Jesus is expressed most fully in Jesus' words, "I am the way, the truth, and the life." (Jn 14:6)

St. Peter proclaims in the Acts of the Apostles, "There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved." (Acts 4:12) As Catholics we know that it is only through Jesus that we will find salvation. He is the gate that leads to true life.

Our Gospel this weekend says, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." (Lk 13:24) Our Lord warns us to take our faith seriously. He has given us many years as an opportunity to choose Him. Do not delay. Do not postpone your conversion. Do not let anything keep you from reconciling your life with God. Jesus is the only way. We must strive to enter through the narrow gate.

The word gate appears in another very famous Bible passage. Jesus says, "I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hell shall not prevail against it." (Jn 16:18) According to this passage, when we remain in the Church, we remain protected. The gates of Hell will not prevail against us.

Gates have another very strong symbol. Gates do not move. Rather we have to move to the gate. Therefore, what will you do with your life. Will you move to the Gate of Life? Will you seek Jesus in the sacraments, in prayer, in adoration, in penance? Will you pursue Jesus and enter into the fullness of life? Or will you move to the Gate of Death? Are you becoming complacent and insincere in your faith? Are you resisting the call of Jesus and finding yourself in a life of sin? One Holy Confession can set you free! You have a choice. Gates do not move. We move. Choose to move to the gate that is Jesus. Choose the narrow way and enter into the fullness of the life of Jesus. ~ Blessings to each of you this coming week.

May St. John the Baptist pray for us.

Fr. Thelen

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Back to School! St. John PCCW will again be collecting school supplies for our St. John Primary and Faith Formation teachers. They may be dropped off in the box provided in the back of church. **Needed:** adult size disposable gloves, hand sanitizer in dispenser bottles, Elmers glue (bottles & sticks), rubber cement, white cardstock, colored pencils, mechanical pencils, sandwich, quart & gallon sized ziplock bags, paper plates, napkins, paper towels, wide-ruled white lined paper, pink erasers, pencil top erasers, colored ink pads, colored Sharpie pens, laminating pouches, crayons 24 count, Crayola twistable crayons, pens with caps, #2 pencils, brass fasteners, 3 hole punches, washable bean bag chairs, black & colored Expo markers, Washable markers, yellow & orange highlighters, Sticky notes (any size), Manila file folders, 2 inch capacity white 3 ring binders, letter-size 8/5 x 11 cardstock, letter size copy paper and letter sized white envelopes #10. **Thank you!**

*We welcome these children through the
Living Waters of Baptism*



Baptized on August 21, 2022
Harlee Ann Loos - daughter of Jeremy & Kari Loos

Marshfield Faith Formation will begin September 14th. Online registration is now open at www.marshfieldfaithformation.org We are looking for Catechists to teach a 4th, 7th, and 8th grade class. Please pray about helping and reach out to David Alcott if you are interested or have questions. David's email is teachdisciples@gmail.com. His phone number is 715-384-3252 ext. 6. Thank you!

St. John The Baptist Parish will be offering Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Level 1 (3-6 years of age) and Level 2 (6-9 years of age) starting September 26 or 27 through April. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a Montessori-based Catholic faith formation program for children to grow in their relationship with God through a deep engagement with Scripture and liturgy. Level 1 will be offered Monday mornings from 9-11am or Tuesdays from 2:40-5pm. Level 2 on Mondays from 2:40-5 pm. You may pick up a registration form in the entrance way of St. John's or email saintplus6@frontier.com. Please call Jean for more information, 715-387-0571. If anyone wishes to contribute to CGS go to <https://www.thingsstogetme.com/405722a2dde5>

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will be beginning in September with full entrance into the church occurring at Easter of 2023. RCIA is the process whereby a person learns about the Catholic faith that we sometimes take for granted. Contact the parish office if you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or if you just want to deepen your understanding of the faith. This will be an excellent way to grow closer to God by learning about Catholicism and how it promotes heroic goodness! **Update! Brochures are now prepared and can be found in the same areas where the bulletins are placed.**

St. Anthony of Padua Fraternity in Marathon invites you to come and see all about what a Secular Franciscan is on Tuesday - August 30th at 1pm for potluck/picnic with time to ask questions and share some humor. There will be a live reenactment on the life of St. Margaret of Cortona by a staff member of the St. Anthony Spirituality Center from 2-3pm. You don't want to miss this live presentation, it is riveting. If you can't make the picnic time, just come for the presentation. The Secular Franciscans meet in the Solanus Center at St. Anthony's in Marathon every last Tuesday of the month. If interested in the Franciscan way of life for lay people, come and check us out, please contact Lori Kieffer OFS at 715-741-2959.

Monsignor Hirsch will be our Mission Co-Op speaker the weekend of Oct. 14th / 15th. He will update us on Casa Hogar. Mission Co-Op envelopes can be found in the entry way envelope boxes or in the monthly packets.

St. John's Adult Choir Message: We have been



very blessed for many years to have a healthy number of members in our choir. Over the last several years we have lost members for various reasons, including Covid. The advantage to having a large group is that when there are Sundays that we sing and some cannot make it, there is still a good balance so we can continue to sing the songs selected for the day. We start practice the Wednesday after Labor Day at 6:30pm and, unless notified, practice is held every Wednesday lasting about an hour. Yes, there are times we all feel like we don't want to venture out especially in the winter or you just had a bad day, I guarantee you, once we start singing and practicing, you will be glad you are there. God blesses us every week for our faithfulness to Him. There are many reasons to join the choir but the best reason is because singing is praying twice! Just think of all the praying You can get done. Work hard and have fun and at the same time be blessed! Please pray about this. See if this is the ministry that is meant for you. Any questions please feel free to contact the church office or contact Kris Herr at 715-305-5747.

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