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
Fr. Daniel Williams, Associate Pastor	715-384-3252 ext. 3
Deacon Jeffrey Austin, Permanent Deacon .	715-676-3186
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St. John School Office	
David Eaton, CCS President	
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.



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 Saturdays

6:00 p.m. 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

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"It is only through suffering that we become holy. And to become holy is our only purpose in life, our only preparation for heaven." Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos Feast Day ~ October 5th

STEWARDSHIP

The report for September $24^{th} \& 25^{th}$ will be given in the bulletin of October 9^{th} .

Thank you for your continued support to our parish!

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).

Family Movie: On Sunday, October 9th, the KC's will show a family friendly movie. This Sunday, *The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima*, will be shown. Come and learn more about this miracle! Join us in the Columbia room of St. John's school at 2:00pm. You are welcome to bring your own snacks and beverages.

PCCW will meet at 6:30pm on Tuesday, October 11th. Beginning in November, the meetings will begin at 6:00pm. All ladies of the parish are welcome to join us for our monthly meeting followed by bingo and refreshments. Come learn what we do for our parish.

Frassati Young Adult Group: There will be a gathering for all young adults on Tuesday, Oct. 11th, at 6:30pm. Please join us for Catholic Trivia Night! We'll break into teams and test your knowledge of some aspects of the faith and hopefully learn some new facts! If you would like to be added to the email list to receive updates about our monthly meetings and other events, please email <u>marshfieldfrassatiyoungadults@gmail.com</u>.

Saturday, October 15th St. John's Family Life Committee will meet at the Memorial for the Unborn at the Gate of Heaven Cemetery. Please come and join your parish family as a Pro-life Rosary will be prayed with meditations on healing for all who have been harmed by the scourge of abortion. We will meet around 8:45am, following the Saturday 8am Mass with the rosary starting shortly after.

Raffle items needed: The pilgrims attending the next World Youth Day in August 2023 will have a pancake breakfast at Christ the King Nov. 6th and are seeking raffle items for this fundraiser. Please help support this group in gathering next summer with Pope Francis and pilgrims from around the world in Lisbon, Portugal. For more information, contact Dan Kitzhaber 715-600-0521 or drkitzhaber@gmail.com

Available Adoration Hours: Need an hour of power? Mondays 8-9 am, Thursdays 1-2am, Fridays 1-2am and 6-7pm are available to be with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament at Pope John Paul II Adoration Chapel. Please call Jean at 715-387-0571 or Deacon Ray 715-207-6085. *"Can you not sit with Me one hour?"*

The Family Life Committee is collecting baby items for families who seek help during the month of October (Respect Life Month). Help a struggling families care for their little ones. Please bring NEW items to church and place them by the Baby Display in the vestibule.

Needed items include:

- * diapers of varying sizes
- * onesies and socks
- * receiving blankets and washcloths
- * teething items and crib toys
- * bring NEW items to church and place them near the cradle on the table. All donated items will be brought to the Hannah Center. Thank you!

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Campaign Goal		\$1,170,000.00
Pledged	55.53%	\$649,692.00
Under/Over Goal	-44.47%	\$520,308.00
Average Pledge		\$3,979.12
Number of Pledges		163

All parishioners are invited to either one of two informational receptions to be held in the Columbia Room. The first meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 4th at 3:00pm and the second meeting will be on Tuesday, October 11th at 5:00pm.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

We enter now into the month of October, the month of the Holy Rosary. The Rosary has been described as the sword of Our Lady. Growing up my family always prayed at least a decade of the Rosary between supper and milking cows (a full five decades during Lent). I believe I carried a Rosary with me all through college and into my 20's. However, it was not until the age of 27 when I began to pray the Rosary every day. I felt a strong yet gentle prompting to pray the Rosary. Thankfully, I obeyed. I speak of this moment at the age of 27 as a watershed moment. I searched for other Catholics all throughout my 20's who were alive with the Holy Spirit, but not once did I find a connection. But after this moment, after this commitment to pray the Rosary, I was blessed to meet so many countless people who knew Jesus and who loved their Catholic Faith. Once I began to pray the Rosary daily, I began to learn how to deepen my prayer, I grew to love Scripture, I hungered for adoration and the Eucharist. Seminary and ordination followed. The Rosary remains a foundation of my priesthood. The Rosary is the sword of Our Lady. I don't know how to explain it, but I know that when we act in Faith, the Rosary is powerful, gentle, it moves mountains.

I urge you to pray the Rosary. I urge you to teach your grandchildren to pray the Rosary. This coming Friday evening October 7th we will have here at St John's at 5pm a Rosary Rally. I will be giving a talk on the history of the Rosary. The Rosary will then be prayed and Confessions will be available following. A luncheon will also be served. I pray that many of you can join. I pray even more that each of you can begin to pray the Rosary in your own home.

Following up on the capital campaign: we will have two light receptions in the Columbia Room for those who have further questions, Oct 4th & Oct 11th. The October 4th reception will be at 3pm and the Oct 11th reception will be at 5pm. Brochures describing the details of the campaign remain in the back of the church. Thank you again for all who have supported the campaign. ~ Blessings to each of you this coming week.

May St. John the Baptist pray for us.

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Columbus Corner: Employment Opportunities: Visit our website to view our employment opportunities for the 2022-2023 school year including PM Janitor (CCHS/CCMS), and Substitute Teachers.

Homecoming will be the week of September 25th, with the football game on September 30th and the dance on October 1st!

Alpine: We are currently booking vendors for the Alpine Holiday Craft Boutique! Contact Krisann Mauritz at 715-387-2444 or <u>Mauritz.krisann@columbusdons.org</u>

Mission Co-op Weekend: Oct 15th & 16th

Quote for the week: "Then I will not have lived in vain, and I'll not care how long I'll live, if I can give and give and give." — Fr. Joseph Walijewski

October 15th & 16th, Msgr. Joseph Hirsch will celebrate Mass at St. John the Baptist and share the story of Father Joseph Walijewski and how his legacy lives on today. Padre Jose, as he was called by the people of Peru, received \$50,000 in 1985 from St. Pope John Paul II to start Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II orphanage which continues to provide a better future for children, built on a foundation of faith and the experience of a healthy family.

As the Director of Casa Hogar, Msgr. Hirsch has a unique perspective of the work done in Peru. Through his stories, he will explain what life is like for children before they arrive and what life is like for them now, thanks to the generosity and support of the people and organizations in the Diocese of La Crosse and across the United States.

To learn more about the Father Joseph Walijewski Legacy Guild and Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II please go to <u>www.homeajpm.org</u>.

St. Joseph, defender of life, pray for us. The Knights of Columbus will be distributing Lifesaver candies on Respect Life Sunday following each Mass on October 1st-2nd. We need to consider more deeply why <u>every</u> human life is valuable and reflect on how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death. Thank you for supporting our local Culture of Life activities in the parish and community.

The St. Vincent de Paul Conference of St. John's parish is always looking to add new members. If you are looking for opportunities for fellowship, spirituality or helping our neighbors in need, please contact Lonny Roberts at (618) 580-3230.

The Women of Christ Conference "A Time For Fearless Faith" will be Saturday Nov 5th in West Bend. Speakers include: Fr. Donald Callaway, Sonja Corbitt, Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow, & Sr. Tracey Mathia Dugus. Archbishop Jerome Listecki will offer Mass. Registration is on an individual basis at <u>womenofchrist.net</u> St. John's PCCW has covered the cost for a bus and will cover the cost for any woman who is a member of St. John's. The bus will meet riders at the Park N Ride by Schalow's Nursery / Kwik Trip and is scheduled to leave the parking lot at 5:45am. Please reserve your spot by Oct. 5th. For more information or to reserve your spot on the bus, please call Gail at 715-389-2939.

Marshfield Deanery Council of Catholic Women Fall Deanery Assembly. All women are invited to the Marshfield DCCW Fall Assembly on Thursday October 13th at Our Lady of Peace in Dillenburg Hall, hosted by Sacred Heart's PCCW. Registration at 5:00; Welcome at 5:30; Meal at 6:00; Program to follow, featuring Stacy Schultz from the Marshfield Area Community Foundation who will present "Speak Your Peace." Come enjoy good food and fellowship, and take your chance at winning a raffle basket.

That Man is You!: All men are invited to join Marshfield's dynamic men's group. We meet on Tues. mornings from 6-7am in Dillenberg Hall at OLP. There will be a light breakfast, a video presentation by Catholic speakers & discussion. This year features a brand new year of *That Man is You!* called "The Light of Men". Join us!

MARSHFIELD ROSARY RALLY Friday, October 7th

Gather in Columbia Park (if inclement weather, we will gather in the Columbia room) ~ please bring a dish to pass

Beverage will be provided.

5:00pm - Rosary - Third Order Carmelites 5:20pm - Pot Luck Supper 5:30pm - Speaker - Fr. Dan Thelen

(The History of the Most Holy Rosary) 6:00pm - Personal Testimony

Confessions are being heard beginning at 6:00pm at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church.



