



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

Switch
hearing aid
to T-coil



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 1/2/2023 St. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops,
Doctors of the Church
7:00am Darrell & Ruby Brantner
Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 2:22-28 Jn 1:19-28

TUES 1/3/2023 The Most Holy Name of Jesus
7:00am Ron & Agnes Rehlinger
Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 2:2-29—3:6 Jn 1:29-34

WED 1/4/2023 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
7:00am Nick Stuttgen
8:00am Donna Kappel
Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 3:7-10 Jn 1:35-42

THUR 1/5/2023 St. John Neumann, Bishop
7:00am Betty Guden
Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 3:11-21 Jn 1:43-51

FRI 1/6/2023 St. Andre Bessette, Religious
7:00am Alice Petkoveseck
Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 5:5-13 Mk 1:7-11

SAT 1/7/2023 St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
8:00am David Schlagenhaft
Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 5:14-21 Jn 2:1-11

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

4:30pm Richard DeJarlais, Sr.

SUN 1/8/2023
7:00am Patti Herr
9:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
11:00am Living & deceased members of the Harold & Dorothy
Hellenbrand
Scripture Readings: Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Mt 2:1-12

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS

January 7th & 8th, 2023

LECTORS

4:30pm Marcy Gotz
7:00am Caren Alsides
9:00am Rita Blenker
11:00am Danielle Rummells

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Marcy Gotz / Marty Draxler
7:00am Dan Alsides / Pam Alt
9:00am Bernice Mercer / Jill Hiller / Rita Blenker / Linda Lewer
11:00am Michael Clubb / Melanie Rootellis

SERVERS

4:30pm Abigail, Sullivan & Eliza Schulz
7:00am Kolbe & Dominic Landwehr
9:00am Lily & Neil Adler
11:00am Emmett Luther / Kofi Yeboah

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Suzanne Golden
7:00am Ashley Nikolai
9:00am Mary Frey
11:00am Mary Frey

Confessions are heard at St. John's on the first Friday of the month and at Sacred Heart on the 3rd Friday beginning at 6:00pm. January 6th is the next Friday night of confessions here at St. John's. Two priests are available at this time. They are also available on Saturdays after the 8:00am Mass.

Weekday Mass Servers:

Monday -	Glenn Linzmeier	Thursday	Lee Alt
Tuesday -	Marty Draxler	Friday -	Dennis Spencer
Wednesday	Dan Flees	Saturday	Kolbe & Dominic Landwehr

STEWARDSHIP - December 24th & 25th

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$37,091.73
Parish Improvement	237.00
Total	\$37,328.73
Total to date for December	\$111,277.38
Christmas Contributions	\$21,919.00
Religious Retirement Fund	\$2,976.00

We are so grateful for your 2022 contributions!

Children's Tithing Envelopes: As in the past, we will not be issuing each student a box of envelopes. However, there will be boxes available in the vestibule for any child that would like their own box. These boxes are outdated as we are using up older envelopes. Tithing boxes will be available through January.

Sunday Mass & Healing Service: St. Matthew's in Wausau will celebrate Sunday Mass followed by communal and individual prayer for health and healing on Sunday, January 8th at 3:30pm. The sacrament of reconciliation will be available prior to Mass from 2pm - 3:25pm.

Frassati Young Adult Group: There will be a gathering for all young adults on Tuesday, January 10th, at 6:30pm. Please join us for board game night! Feel free to bring your favorite game and invite a friend! We will meet in St. Francis Hall in St. John's school. If you would like to be added to the email list to receive updates about our monthly meetings and other events, please email marshfieldfrassatiyoungadults@gmail.com. Newcomers are always welcome!

Marshfield Catholic Cemetery Association will gather on January 9th, 2023 at 3pm Our Lady of Peace in the sacristy.

The 3 Committees will meet on Monday, Jan. 12th beginning at 6pm. Please meet in the rectory.

Natural Family Planning: Embrace the beauty of what your body was created to communicate. God's design for married love. Learn the language of your body.

An in-person 3-part SymptoPro Natural Family Planning course will be offered in the Marshfield Deanery at St. John the Baptist Marshfield from 1:00 pm-4:00pm Sunday, Jan. 22, Feb. 5, and Feb. 19. Cost is \$100. If you have taken this course in the past and have the Couple's Guide to Fertility book, the fee will be waived. Contact Christy Kitzhaber at kitzhaber@symptopro.org or 715-486-5733 for registration information.

Attention engaged couples: Registration is now open for the *Married Love: two becoming one* classes. Next available dates are: 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.

ACH (automatic withdrawal) is another way you can choose to do your tithing. There are benefits to using this method of financial giving to St. John's. Not only does it save the parish in the cost of envelopes and postage, but it helps one to remain consistent in their tithing while away on vacation. If you would like to switch to this method, call the parish finance office at 715-384-3252. Monica will provide you with the needed information.

You are invited -- January 14th Chalice of Mercy Ukrainian Christmas Dinner Each year, Valentyna Pavsyukova, founder of Chalice of Mercy, a mission to Ukraine (now suffering so much), hosts a Ukrainian Christmas Dinner at the Lillydale Event Center in Chippewa Falls. All proceeds from this amazing, multicourse meal served by young people in full Ukrainian garb, go to benefit the work of the mission. To learn more, or to donate to Chalice of Mercy, visit diolc.org/chalice-of-mercy. More information can be found on the flyer on the kiosk as you enter church.



Youth Servers! If you have not yet picked up your Christmas card and gift, please do so soon. They can be found in the sacristy.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This weekend marks the beginning of a New Year! I pray that each of you will find 2023 to be filled with many blessings. As I look back on 2022, I am struck by how much change happened for me personally during these past twelve months.

For the past twelve years I have assisted in various ways in the mission to Ukraine called Chalice of Mercy. Our outreach attempted to promote the dignity of every individual by serving families, the poor, and the sick. We worked with Ukrainian doctors to promote life from conception until natural death and by serving the poorest in Ukraine. Our hope was that through these works, Our Father in heaven might be known, loved and honored throughout the world.

For twelve years, I served Chalice of Mercy in this way. Then on February 24th Ukraine was attacked most brutally by Russia. The loss of life from this war has been devastating. Each day I would hear stories more brutal than the previous. November estimates placed the loss of life on all sides at around 200,000 persons. On top of this are the many persons who lost limbs and other faculties because of the war. For me personally, all of this was devastating to hear. I had visited Ukraine and had tried to better their conditions. Now their country was under constant attack. Our team, led by Valentyna Pavysukova, began organizing shipments to Ukraine. In the last ten months we have shipped around 23 million dollars of medical supplies and emergency aid. It has been a daunting task, but it has been worth it to see that our efforts are saving lives. Our efforts continue and we pray that 2023 will see the end of this war.

This year also I was so blessed to move here to Marshfield and take on the responsibility of being pastor at our beautiful parish. It was difficult to say goodbye to the parishioners of my previous assignment as it is always tough to leave those whom you love. However, just as St. Paul went from town-to-town proclaiming the good news, we as priests do the same. I truly feel at home and blessed to be here in our parish of St. John the Baptist. I love that our parish Masses (both weekend and weekday) are so well attended, that our adoration chapel goes non-stop, that our school enrollment is ever increasing and the kindness of each of you the parishioners. These blessings all culminated with the beauty of the Christmas Masses. During our six Masses last weekend about 1400 people came to worship with us. I give God thanks for you and our beautiful parish.

My prayers are with you as we enter into 2023. Blessings to each of you this coming year!

May St. John the Baptist pray for us.

Fr. Thelen

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Updating of Parish Contact Information

Next weekend we will make available in the pews postcards for you to update your parish contact information. As Father mentioned last weekend in his bulletin column, we hope to update our database with your preferred method of contact so that our records are accurate. We are also trying to help those in our parish who find themselves in need. By updating our database you will help us in this goal by creating a proactive group that can be ready to serve people in their time of need. Please take time to provide your current contact information.

Columbus Catholic Schools will once again be having Eucharistic Adoration one Friday a month from 7:51am-2:45pm in the Columbus High/Middle School Chapel. We are in need of volunteers to take a school period so that throughout that time, classes may stop in for shorter periods of time to pray. This also provides an opportunity to prayer for our Columbus community members. This next day of Adoration is Friday, January 6th. You can sign up by calling Fr. Williams, Chaplain at (715) 387-1177 ext. 3316 or by visiting: <https://tinyurl.com/3z8d55zu>.

Thought for the New Year: "When we once begin to form good resolutions, God gives us every opportunity of carrying them out."
~ Saint John Chrysostom

Our sympathy to the family of:

Donna Kundinger

May the Soul of Donna
and the Souls of all the Faithful Departed,
through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace.



AED Training: An AED (Automated External Defibrillator) training will be held on Thursday, January 5th at 5:30pm. This is not a certification course, but will teach and allow practice on how to do CPR and give familiarity to the AED. In an emergency situation acting fast is essential, every second matters therefore, ushers are encouraged to attend, but this is open to anyone interested. Please meet in the vestibule of the church.

Men's Night: January Men's Night will be on January 16th at Remb's Celebration Center. Doors open at 5pm, Serving from 5:30pm - 7:00pm. Cost is \$12. Call Bob Gauerke at 715-384-4890 or Dan Spencer at 715-305-0398 by January 12th if you plan to attend.

Eucharistic Revival: A Minute with Jesus

Jesus came to earth as an infant, born of Mary. Mary was prepared to be the Mother of our Savior; by God's favor she was created "full of grace" and free from sin. The Savior - Jesus - was to be called Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." Jesus will remain with us throughout our life as we receive Him in the Eucharist. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: *Jesus, thank You for the gift of Mary, Your Mother, through whom the world received You as our Savior.* This week, read how this glorious news was revealed to the Shepherds in Luke 2: 8-20

The Catechism in a Year podcast with Fr. Mike Schmitz You are invited to embark on a journey of growing in your understanding of the Catholic faith through a podcast with Fr. Mike Schmitz beginning on Jan. 1, 2023. Each day there will be a 15 minute podcast. Catholics and non-Catholics are welcome to join in. If you have ever wanted to understand what it means to be a Catholic and allow those truths to shape your life - this podcast is for you. Visit ascensionpress.com/pages/catechisminayear to register for free.

Prayer Shawls are made with love. If you know of someone that could use the warmth and prayers at this time, please choose one from in the brides room!

Soups on! Jan. 14th St. Wenceslaus PCCW (Milladore) is hosting their Drive Thru Soup Supper - serving from 2 to 4pm, \$8 a quart with dinner rolls. The soup options are: Chicken with Homemade Noodle, Potato & Sausage, Beef Barley and Creamy Broccoli. St. Wenceslaus will also host a Drive Thru Soup Supper on February 11th, and March 18th.



Diocese of La Crosse Guidelines For Reporting Instances of Child Abuse.

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Teresa Brown, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Brown at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@diolc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679 or tbrown@diolc.org.

