

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.

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

ACH November

SERVERS

6:30am

12:00pm

6:00pm

\$13,722.00

8:00am School Mass

250

MASS SCHEDULE

MON 12/5/22

7:00am Donna Kappel

Scripture Readings: Is 35:1-10 Lk 5:17-26

TUES 12/6/22 St. Nicholas, Bishop

7:00am Living & deceased members of the Area

Catholic Missionaries

Scripture Readings: Is 40:1-11 Mt 18:12-14

WED 12/7/22 St. Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

7:00am John & Joyce Zinthefer

Scripture Readings: Is 40:25-31 Mt 11:28-30

THUR 12/8/22 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist 8:00am Lawrence & Mariann Van de Loo

12:00pm Kathleen Feirer

6:00pm Harvey & Donna Smazal

Scripture Readings: Gn 3:9-15, 20 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12

Lk 1:26-38

FRI 12/9/22 St. Juan Diego

7:00am Special Intention

Scripture Readings: Is 48:17-19 Mt 11:16-19

SAT 12/10/22 Our Lady of Loreto

8:00am James Hlavac

Scripture Readings: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 Mt 17:9a. 10-13

Third Sunday of Advent

4:30pm Lindsay Dick Zuelke

SUN 12/11/22

7:00am Chester & Bernice Jablonski

9:00am Richard Herr

11:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

Scripture Readings: Is 35:1-6a, 10

Jas 5:7-10

Mt 11:2-11



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

December 10th & 11th, 2022

LECTORS

4:30pm Bryan Pischel

7:00am Laurel Rudolph-Kniech

9:00am Rita Blenker

11:00am Gayle Specht

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Susan Jahr / Kay Kmiec

7:00am Laurel Rudolph-Kniech / Jean Kaiser

9:00am Dan & Dorothy Flees / Rita Blenker / Jill Hiller

11:00am Christine Rutschow / Maria Laura Garcia

SERVERS

4:30pm Abigail & Eliza Schuld

7:00am Ava Rootellis / Paige Schlagenhaft

9:00am Lily & Neil Adler

11:00am Emmett Luther / Nolan Frane

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Cathy Heuer

7:00am Mary Frey

9:00am Suzanne Golden / 11:00am Cathy Heuer

Confessions are heard on the first and third Fridays of the month beginning at 6:00pm. December 16th 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 -Glenn Linzmeier Thursday Lee Alt Tuesday Marty Draxler Dennis Spencer Friday -Wednesday Dan Flees Saturday Kolbe & Dominic Landwehr

Prayer Vine To have requests for prayer placed on the vine, please call Connie Manlick 715-305-6742 and Donna 715-384-2479

STEWARDSHIP - November 19th & 20th

Adult / Youth / Plate \$16,889.55 Parish Improvement 120.00 \$17,009.55

STEWARDSHIP - November 26th & 27th

\$10,595.93 Adult / Youth / Plate Parish Improvement 127.00 Total \$10,722.93

Total to date for the month of November \$76.675.88

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception - Thursday, December 8th is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses on Thursday will be 6:30am, 8:00am (children's Mass) Noon and 6:00pm. There will be a sign-up sheet in the sacristy for Eucharistic Ministers, lectors and servers for the noon and 6pm Mass. Ushers - there is a sign-up sheet in the usher closet.

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS December 8th **LECTORS** 6:30am Scheduled Weekly Lector 8:00am School Mass 12:00pm Open 6:00pm Marcy Gotz MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Father / Deacon Austin Father / Open / Open 6:30am 8:00am School Mass 12:00pm 6:00pm Father / Lonny Roberts / Open



Weekday Scheduled Server Open / Open

Open / Open

OUR LADY OF PEACE CHURCH SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18TH-12:30pm - 6:30PM

There will be four confessionals continually available with twelve priests assisting throughout the afternoon.

Local Mass Time Change Until further notice, there will be no 6:00 pm Sunday Mass at Sacred Heart Church in Marshfield.

The PCCW Christmas party will be held on Sunday, December 11" at 12pm in the Columbia Room. There will be a catered luncheon and a brief business meeting after which sweepstakes winners will be drawn with Bingo to follow. All women of the parish are invited to come and enjoy an afternoon of fun!

Frassati Young Adult Group: There will be a gathering for all young adults on Tuesday, December 13th, at 6:30pm. Please join us for a Christmas potluck (see the group email for the link to the sign up sheet) and a white elephant gift exchange! 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!

Campaign Goal \$1,170,000.00 Pledged 71.12% \$832,047.00 Under/Over Goal -28.88% \$337,953.00 Average Pledge \$3,328.19 Number of Pledges

When filling our your pledge cards, please write checks out to Inspired By the Spirit. Thank you!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This past week I was blessed to gather with many of the priests from our diocese who studied in Rome. It is always a blessing to reconnect with my brother priests. This particular tradition, called the Romani dinner, has been ongoing since 1974 so it is a wonderful mixture of priests of all ages. I pray that each of you are also able to gather with other Catholic friends during the weeks before Christmas. These holy friendships fortify us in our walk with the Lord.

This week Susan Jahr retired from her position cleaning the church and the rectory. She has held this position for many years and her service, kindness and dedication will be sorely missed. I wish her the best in her retirement. Please say a big thank you to her if you see her at Mass. She served our parish so well in keeping everything clean and beautiful! Stephanie Clubb, a long-time member of our parish, has accepted the position. We welcome Stephanie and thank her very much for her Yes to serving us in this important role!

We met as a parish council this past week. We discussed increasing our social media presence, updating our parish records, participating in the upcoming Eucharistic conference in La Crosse, offering faith-filled books during the upcoming holy seasons and a series of talks during the Lenten and Easter season led by our Evangelical Catholic group. We are also considering painting and updating the side chapel/cry room. Finally, we are trying to develop a list of persons who could help parishioners where there is an immediate specific need. For instance, if one of our children gets suddenly sick and the parents need to spend significant time in the hospital. How could our parish help in providing meals, mowing the lawn, child-care, driving someone, running errands. If you would like to help in this way or be a point person in organizing an immediate response, please let me know. We want to make sure that our parish is prepared and able to respond in charity when the need arises. Copies of the Parish Council Minutes are posted in the back of the church.

We continue through this holy season of Advent in expectant delight for the coming of Our Savior Jesus Christ. Blessings to each of you this holy season.

May St. John the Baptist pray for us.

Fr. Thelen

We welcome this child through the Living Waters of Baptism

Baptized on December 4, 2022 Aly Cecelia Aden ~ Daughter of Eathen & Christine Aden





Please join us for a special screening of "The Chosen" episodes 1 and 2 of season 3 on Tuesday, December 6th at 7pm in the Columbia room of

St. John's Primary school. Tickets are \$12.55 for adults and \$10.45 for children 12 & under. Concessions will be available for sale, and you are welcome to carry-in your own. For more details and to purchase tickets, visit the announcements page on our website. https://stjohnsmarshfield.org/church-

announcements/ For additional questions, contact David Alcott 715-384-3252 ext. 6 Monday - Friday 9-5.

Our new, beautiful, Yamaha U3 piano was generously donated in memory of Mary Purkapile. Mary was one of our beloved organists/ pianists. Her legacy will live on in St. John's music ministry. Thank you Bob Purkapile and family. What a blessing for our parish.



Any donations you wish to have included on your December 2022 statement must be dated no later than December 30th 2022 and into the parish office by Friday, December 30th as it gives the finance office plenty of time to get it to the bank. Thank you!

Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a general term for fertility awareness-based methods of family planning that are science-based, accurate, natural, healthy and effective. Learning a Natural family planning method allows a woman to observe her bodily changes and chart them throughout her cycle. This knowledge of her fertility pattern informs a woman in regard to her reproductive health and provides information a couple can use to make family planning decisions.

An in-person 3-part SymptoPro Natural Family Planning course will be offered in the Marshfield Deanery at St. John the Baptist Marshfield from 1:00pm-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 <u>Couple's Guide to Fertility</u> book, the fee will be waived. Contact Christy Kitzhaber at <u>kitzhaber@symptopro.org</u> or 715-486-5733 for registration information.

Calendars - 2023: The parish calendars are available and may be picked up when you come to church. We thank Rembs Funeral Home for donating the calendars this year.

Retirement Religious Fund: Give in thanksgiving. "I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education" writes a donor. Please join in thanking senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young, provide health care, minister in parishes, and serve others in need. Please give generously to the Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Envelopes for this cause are in the December packets for those receiving tithing envelopes. Envelopes can also be found in the Special Envelope boxes found in the vestibule of the church.

Eucharistic Revival: The dioceses of the United States of America have embarked on a three-year time of grace called "Eucharistic Revival." It is an occasion for us to restore our understanding, celebration and love of Jesus in the Eucharist. This focus on the Eucharist will begin with Advent Reflections. The recordings will be 40 minutes and discussion questions will be provided. The Advent Series is available here: diolc.org/catechesis ●2nd week: Receiving and Adoring Jesus – Communion and Thanksgiving with Fr. Justin Kizewski. Jesus gives us the Gift of Himself on Christmas. Jesus continues to give us the greatest Gift – the Gift of Himself in the Eucharist again and again in a life-giving encounter. This is really the whole meaning of Christmas. Jesus came to give us Himself as food; He is literally the Bread of Life – supernatural bread that saves us, that spiritually nourishes and strengthens us with His grace.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Give the warmth of a prayer shawl to someone this Christmas! The purpose of our ministry is to offer a symbol of God's love and comfort through the gift of a prayer shawl. We knit or crochet shawls to be given to people in our parish or community. The shawls are then given, by you, to those in need of God's loving embrace. If you know of anyone who could use this gift of healing, we have a supply of prayer shawls in the Bride's Room for you to choose from.

2022 GIVING TREE Sponsored by the St. John the Baptist Social Justice Committee

This weekend concludes our collection to help those in need during the holidays. If you would like to donate, checks should be written out to St. John's and placed in an envelope clearly marked Giving Tree. This may be dropped in one of the locked boxes at Church or sent directly to the office no later than December 5th.



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