



# *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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David Eaton, CCS President .....715-387-1177  
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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 1/23/2023** St. Vincent, Deacon, Martyr; St. Marianne Cope

7:00am Father Lawrence Gerend

Scripture Readings: Heb 9:15, 24-28 Mk 3:22-30

**TUES 1/24/2023** St. Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

7:00am Lee Parbel

Scripture Readings: Heb 10:1-10 Mk 3:31-35

**WED 1/25/2023** The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

7:00am Robert Schiferl, Sr.

8:00am Rev. Anthony Fischer

Scripture Readings: Acts 22:3-16 Mk 16:15-18

**THUR 1/26/2023** Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

7:00am Michael Mazzone

Scripture Readings: 2 Tim 1:1-8 Mk 4:21-25

**FRI 1/27/2023** St. Angela Merici, Virgin

7:00am Jim Spencer

Scripture Readings: Heb 10:32-39 Mk 4:26-34

**SAT 1/28/2023** St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor of the Church

8:00am Sylvester &amp; Evelyn Zurn

Scripture Readings: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 Mk 4:35-41

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30pm Eugene Zygarlicke

**SUN 1/29/2023**

7:00am Ralph Lang

9:00am Jeanette Telford

11:00am William Krainz

Scripture Readings: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13 1 Cor 1:26-31

Mt 5:1-12a

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**LITURGICAL MINISTERS****January 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023****LECTORS**

4:30pm Jeffrey Schultz

7:00am Connie Manlick

9:00am Lonnie Roberts

11:00am Allyson Mayeux

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

4:30pm Louise Kobylinski / Kay Kmiec

7:00am Jane Lamermayer / Jean Kaiser

9:00am Ann Kunding / Linda Lewer / Bernice Mercer / Jill Hiller

11:00am Jonathan Rootellis / Christine Rutschow

**SERVERS**

4:30pm Emmett Luther / Alex Burg

7:00am Kolbe &amp; Dominic Landwehr

9:00am Nathaniel &amp; Maria Nemitz

11:00am Maria Elizabeth Garcia / Emily Villalba

**MUSIC MINISTER**

4:30pm Cathy Heuer

7:00am **Open**

9:00am Kris Herr / Adult Choir

11:00am Cathy Heuer

**Confessions are heard at St. John's on the first Friday of the month and at Sacred Heart on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri. beginning at 6:00pm. Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> is the next Friday night of confessions and will be held at St. John's. Two priests are available at this time. Confessions are also available on Saturdays after the 8am Mass.**

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

Attention choir members! Practice for February and March have been moved to Tuesday night at 6:30pm.

**STEWARDSHIP - January 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>**

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$11,415.61
Parish Improvement	245.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,660.61</b>
<b>Total to date for January</b>	<b>\$52,064.26</b>

**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).

**LIVING STATIONS:** We are asking our high school students to step out in faith in helping us experience the actions taken by Jesus during his walk to Calvary. Last year was our first year doing the living stations and we had many who said they were touched by our actions. There are no lines to memorize, only being willing to walk with Jesus. We meet as a team and practice our parts. We are asked this year to perform on March 8<sup>th</sup> and the 15<sup>th</sup>. Please consider being a part of this so we can be open to what God can do through us. Please contact Dave Alcott at [teachdisciples@gmail.com](mailto:teachdisciples@gmail.com)

**Pastoral Council** will meet on Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Columbia room in St. John's school.

**Stepping Out of the Pew:** A series of talks to help us grow and share better our faith will be offered beginning February 1<sup>st</sup> and running through the Lenten season. In this weekend's bulletin you will find a bio on each speaker along and their topic, the time, date and location. Attend one, two or as many as you are able to make this Lent a time of prayer, healing and awareness.

**"That Man is You!":** Marshfield's dynamic men's group starts meeting again on Tues., Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> at 6 am at Dillenberg Hall at Our Lady of Peace. Please join us for a brand new spring semester, featuring a Lenten Mission filmed on site in the Holy Land."

**Natural Family Planning:** NFP: 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 1:00pm-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 Couple's Guide to Fertility book, the fee will be waived. Contact Christy Kitzhaber at [kitzhaber@symptopro.org](mailto: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](mailto:hart_alanna@yahoo.com) or 715-650-7310.

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:** Catechesis of the Good Shepherd has resumed after a Christmas break and will run through April. There will be no sessions during Spring break (March 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>). No sessions March 20,21 (Spring break) and April 10 (Monday after Easter). All sessions (all levels) will be held on Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> to celebrate Liturgy of the Light. If you are at all interested in becoming a Catechist or know someone who might be interested, a training will be offered this summer for Level 1. It will enhance your faith and knowledge of children. Registration is limit to 12 due to space. The training will be June 19-24 at St. Philip's in Rudolph. For more information, contact Jean Kaiser at 715-503-0118.

**Parish Bake Sale Returns! When? Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> after all weekend Masses.** Please consider helping by providing homemade baked goods. Pies, breads, bars & breakfast treats are some of our best sellers. All items are greatly appreciated. You may bring your items to any of the Masses that weekend. (Due to COVID, this has not occurred the past couple years.) If you have questions, please contact Dan Kitzhaber 715-600-0521.



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This coming Wednesday is the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. The life of St. Paul is characterized by prayer and preaching. Saint Paul was driven by a passion for preaching and was always on the move, announcing Jesus Christ to the world. This passion for preaching was fueled by St. Paul's profound encounter with Christ. Even before his conversion, he was a man of great dedication to God. His conversion on the road to Damascus intensified this zeal and led him to know Jesus Christ. It was at this time that he heard the voice of Jesus. He then spent three years in silence in Arabia and describes being caught up into the third heaven, providing him an experience of God that exceeded explanation.

St. Paul was a man of action. However, his action sprung from his encounter with Christ. His action was not of his own doing. This is critical to understand. His action did not flow from himself, it flowed from his encounter with Jesus Christ, an encounter he renewed daily through sacrifice, prayer and obedience. He lived as a man fully alive in Christ. He says, "None of us lives for oneself...For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's." (Rom 14:7-8) St. Paul loved God with the greatest intensity and it manifested itself through his incredible preaching.

May we too be given the grace to seeking and encountering the Lord in all that we do. Jesus says in the Gospel, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned." (Mark 16:15)

Are you zealous in witnessing the Gospel? Do your friends, family and co-workers know you are a Christian? The Gospel must always be preached with love. But it should be preached. Too often we do not pray and we do not make sacrifices for the Lord, and therefore we do not preach. And as a result, our faith becomes lukewarm. Our faith grows cold and we do not witness to Jesus with our lives. Resist this. Dedicate your life for the sake of the Gospel. Offer your life for the sake of the Gospel. Blessings to each of you.

May St. John the Baptist and St. Paul pray for us.

Fr. Thelen

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### What Are You Looking For?

The first question that Jesus asks in John's Gospel is, "What are you looking for?" He is speaking to John's disciples as they follow after Him, desiring to know who Jesus is and what His mission is all about. After the disciples respond, Jesus gives them an instruction, "Come and you will see!" Whether we can hear it or not, that same question is being asked to you. What are YOU looking for? So often, we find ourselves searching, not knowing exactly where to go or what to do in life. We seek things that will hopefully fill the emptiness and longing that we have in our hearts, but nothing seems to satisfy. The real answer to this can be found in Jesus' response as He invites each of us to follow after Him, to get to know Him, and to follow the path He has placed before us. For some men, that path is a very special invitation to walk in Jesus' footsteps as a priest. If you or someone you know is interested in discovering more about this call to the priesthood, please contact me at: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2667. God bless you!

## Our sympathy to the families of:

Mary Beyer / Mary Lou Kirsch



*May the Souls of Mary & Mary Lou  
and the Souls of all the Faithful Departed,  
through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace.*

Christ the King Parish is offering discussion groups for **Catechism in a Year (CIY)**. Catechism in a Year is a new podcast set to begin on January 1<sup>st</sup> and it will cover the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church! If you are interested in sharing thought and ideas of what you have heard with others, join us for discussion!

- \* Discussion groups will meet every other week.
- \* The morning group will meet on Wednesday at 8:30am beginning January 11<sup>th</sup>.
- \* The evening group will meet on Sun. or Mon. at 6pm of the same week as the morning group (first evening meeting is Sun, Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>).
- \* Come ready to discuss—bring your catechism and notes!
- \* Meetings will be held in the parish basement.
- \* There is no cost to participate.
- \* A flyer with this information can be found on the kiosk as you enter the church.

To sign up send your name, email, phone number, morning/evening preference to Deb Mlsna at email [dre@ctk.diocparish.org](mailto:dre@ctk.diocparish.org) or call 715-659-4480 ext 3

### Eucharistic Revival: A Minute with Jesus

#### Why does Jesus want to stay with us always?

You know that Jesus wants to stay with you always because He loves you unconditionally (completely). Why? Because He wants to be with the person He loves. How do you (we) know He loves you so much? Jesus gave His life for you by dying on the Cross so that your sins can be forgiven. Let's pray this right now and every day this week. Thank You Jesus that You want to be with me all the time. This week, read Psalm 139: 13-16 which speaks of how well God knows me and how close He is to me.

**Columbus Corner** Here is what's new at Columbus Catholic Schools! Visit [www.columbuscatholicschools.org](http://www.columbuscatholicschools.org) or call 715-387-2444 for more information.

**Substitute teachers** are needed for all grade levels! We have small class sizes and supportive staff. Call 715-387-1177 ext. 3305 or email [edwards.jennifer@columbusdons.org](mailto:edwards.jennifer@columbusdons.org). The Columbus Catholic Schools Annual Appeal is currently at 46%! This year our goal is \$85,000. You can help by visiting our website and learning the different ways you can donate. Catholic Schools Week will be January 29<sup>th</sup> to February 4<sup>th</sup>. Stay tuned for details! Shadow Day is Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023. This is when prospective students spend a day "shadowing" a current student. For more information or to sign up, visit our website [admissions@columbusdons.org](mailto:admissions@columbusdons.org)

## AREA EVENTS

**Father-Daughter Date Night is back! January 28<sup>th</sup> - Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church Mass 4pm, Dinner & Dance to follow 5-7:15pm** This is a formal event for fathers (or father-figures) and their daughters. This is a free event which includes dinner, activities & dancing. Professional photography by Paul Tishim Photographic Artist will be available for purchase on site. An opportunity to offer a free will donation will be available. Donations collected will go toward a charitable cause on behalf of the Columbus Catholic High School Student Council who help make this event possible. Register here: <https://forms.gle/1w6RwJnRpeQPix1P8> Registration deadline is Friday January 20<sup>th</sup>. Contact [nicki.kitchner@gmail.com](mailto:nicki.kitchner@gmail.com) for questions.

**St. Anthony's Loyal, Pancake Breakfast**, Sunday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 12:30pm. Breakfast is in the St. Anthony Jerome Abbott Hall.

**Soups on!** St. Wenceslaus will host a Drive Thru Soup Supper on February 11<sup>th</sup>, and March 18<sup>th</sup>.



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