



Saint John the Baptist

CATHOLIC CHURCH

201 W. Blodgett St., Marshfield, WI 54449-2004 | stjohnsmarshfield.org

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, Pastor715-384-3252 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.



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 2/6/2023** St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

7:00am Louise Herr

Scripture Readings: Gn 1:1-19

Mk 6:53-56

TUES 2/7/2023

7:00am Walter & Lucille Hebert

Scripture Readings: Gn 1:20—2:4a

Mk 7:1-13

WED 2/8/2023 St. Jerome Emiliani

7:00am Sharon Wittman

8:00am Mike Blackwood

Scripture Readings: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17

Mk 7:14-23

THUR 2/9/2023

7:00am Loretta Tritz

Scripture Readings: Gn 2:18-25

Mk 7:24-30

FRI 2/10/2023 St. Scholastica, Virgin

7:00am Jean Joseph

Scripture Readings: Gn 3:1-8

Mk 7:31-37

SAT 2/11/2023 Our Lady of Lourdes

8:00am Jim Reigel

Scripture Readings: Gn 3:9-24

Mk 8:1-10

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm Living & deceased members of the Lawrence & Helen Strupp family

SUN 2/12/2023

7:00am Chester & Bernice Jablonski

9:00am Erv Folz

11:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

Scripture Readings: Sir 15:15-20

1 Cor 2:6-10

Mt 5:17-37

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS****February 11th & 12th, 2023****LECTORS**

4:30pm Monte & Patti Willkom

7:00am Luke Schlagenhaft

9:00am Dorothy Flees

11:00am Danielle Rummells

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Becky Kaiser / Shirley Pritzl

7:00am Dan Alsides / Melissa Pittsley

9:00am Dan & Dorothy Flees / Rita Blenker / Patty Kraus

11:00am John & Lori Salzmann

SERVERS

4:30pm Emmett Luther / Alex Burg

7:00am Paige Schlagenhaft / **Open**

9:00am Christina & Jonathan Nemitz

11:00am Luke & Grace Clubb

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Ashley Nikolai / Karen Isaacson

7:00am Cindy Penker / Roni Steines-Machtan

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 3rd Fri. beginning at 6pm. Feb. 17th is the next Friday night of confessions and will be held at Sacred Heart. 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**STEWARDSHIP - January 28th & 29th**

Adult / Youth / Plate

\$9,616.69

Parish Improvement

111.00

Total

\$9,727.69

Total to date for January**\$89,893.53****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).



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

Frassati Young Adult Group: There will be a gathering for all young adults on Tuesday, February 14th, at 6:30pm. Please join us for a talk by Father Thelen! 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, email: marshfieldfrassatiyoungadults@gmail.com Newcomers are always welcome!

Shrove Sunday Celebration: The Adoration Committee invites everyone on Sunday, February 19th to an afternoon of Prayer, Presentation & Pot Luck. The event begins at 12:30pm at Our Lady of Peace Church. The Divine Mercy will be sung at 12:30pm, a pot luck dinner will follow at 12:45pm. A personal testimony will be heard at 1:45pm. At 1:15pm Lonny Roberts and Tricia Hebert will give a talk on how our local St. Vincent de Paul reaches out to friends and neighbors in need. More information coming in next weekend's bulletin.

The Family Life Committee will be showing the movie *Lifemark* on Sunday, Feb. 19th in the Columbia room at 1pm. *Lifemark* is the incredible true story that celebrates the gift of life. While rated PG13 nothing shown or discussed is graphic.

NEEDED: A 3-bedroom dwelling for rent for a family of 11 in our parish (2 parents and 9 children ages 3 months to 18 years old), in walking distance to grocery store and St. John's Parish. This family's current lease goes until April 1st. Any information or leads, please contact Kathi Boyce (507) 513-0417 or kathiboyce71@gmail.com

Attention engaged couples: Registration is now open for the *Married Love: two becoming one* classes. Next available dates are: is April 15, 2023. Couples should first contact their priest and then plan to attend a class at least six months before their wedding. To register, call Alanna Hart at 715-650-7310.

Gift Card Notice: February Contest For every \$100 worth of Scrip gift cards you purchase in February, your name will be put into a drawing to win a \$100 gift card of your choice! If you have never purchased gift cards, now would be a great time to start!

Parish Bake Sale Returns! When? Feb. 18th-19th 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.

**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, February 10th.** You can sign up by calling Fr. Williams, Chaplain at (715) 387-1177 ext. 3316 or by visiting: <https://tinyurl.com/3z8d55zu>.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The most recent copy of the Parish Council minutes can be found in the back of the church. Highlighted in these minutes are a few projects. The garage is near completion, the side chapel of the church is getting some updates including fresh paint and a new ceiling, and plans are being developed for some designated parking spaces near the adoration chapel. Also we are starting a few subcommittees focusing on social justice and family activities. Finally, a series of talks is being offered in February and March. Thank you for all your assistance in making our parish a special place.

Recently we celebrated the feast of Saint Thomas Aquinas. It reminded me of the significant influence St. Thomas had upon my seminarian formation. I was blessed during my studies to study at a university that he in part founded and to visit the castle where he was born along with the monastery where he died. Likewise, I visited some of the churches in Naples and Orvieto where he served.

St. Thomas Aquinas was born in 1225 to a wealthy Italian family. At age five, he was sent to study at Monte Cassino, the abbey founded by St. Benedict. At the age of ten he entered the University of Naples, where he learned philosophy and rhetoric. As a young man St. Thomas Aquinas desired to become a Dominican priest. His parents, however, opposed this plan because Dominicans, like Franciscans, embraced poverty. The family wanted the young St. Thomas to choose a path that would enhance their family power. The family was so opposed to St. Thomas Aquinas' plan to join the lowly Dominicans, that they actually locked him up for several months in their family castle and then tried to corrupt him by allowing a prostitute to enter his room. St. Thomas Aquinas' immediately chased her out with a smoldering log.

Eventually the family allowed him to escape from captivity. He traveled to Rome, received the Pope's blessing, and then soon departed for Paris to study under St. Albert the Great. By the time he was 23, St. Thomas was teaching alongside his mentor at the university of Cologne. Around the middle of the century St. Thomas was ordained to the priesthood. St. Thomas' best-known achievements were his expansive writings, in particular the Summa Theologica.

St. Thomas Aquinas died on March 7, 1274. He was canonized in 1323, and made a Doctor of the Church in 1567. In 1965, the Second Vatican Council taught that seminarians should learn "under the guidance of St. Thomas," in order to "illumine the mysteries of salvation as completely as possible."

Blessings to each of you.

May St. John the Baptist & St. Thomas Aquinas pray for us.

Fr. Thelen

How does God speak to me?

Have you ever wondered how God may be speaking to you? Perhaps you are waiting to hear a loud, booming voice come from the heavens to tell you what to do or which way to go. While this isn't completely out of the question, often God takes a much subtler approach. In 1 Kings, we have the account of the Prophet Elijah standing at the entrance of a cave, waiting for the Lord to appear. As he waits, he encounters a strong, violent wind, a powerful earthquake and a consuming fire, yet God was not revealing Himself in any of those powerful examples. Finally, as Elijah waited, he heard a soft, quiet whisper. At that, he knelt to the ground and prayed. God often speaks to us, not in grand and impressive ways, but in the silence. When we can still our hearts, that's when we begin to hear His voice, calling us into relationship and to follow Him. Sometimes that invitation is to follow the Lord as one who lovingly serves others in the priesthood. 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 family of:

Lynette Barrett



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



We welcome this child through the Living Waters of Baptism

Anthony Matthew son of Natalie & Brayan Mejia-Nikolai
Baptized on February 5, 2023

The Society of St Vincent De Paul (SVDP) Marshfield, along with the Hannah Center, PDC Orenda Center, and Shirley's House of hope is conducting a hygiene drive for our friends and neighbors in need, Feb 12th-Mar 5th. Donations can be dropped off in the box located in the hallway leading to the Bride's Room. Deodorants and laundry soap are a couple of items that the SVDP pantry ran out of this last year. POC: Lonny Roberts 618- 580-3230

2023 National Marriage Week

The observances of **National Marriage Week (Feb. 7-14)** and **World Marriage Day (Sunday, Feb. 12)** are an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. This year's theme, **"Marriage...one flesh, given and received"** highlights the one-flesh union of husband and wife that is willed by God. It also indicates the personal self-gift of each spouse, one to the other. These concepts point to Christ who gives Himself under the appearance of bread and wine—as real flesh and blood.

Feast of Blessed Brother James Miller – Feb. 13th

A native of Stevens Point and a De La Salle Christian Brother and missionary, Brother James Miller was gunned down while repairing a wall at the school where he worked in Huehuetenango, Guatemala on Feb. 13th, 1982. He was declared a martyr and beatified by Pope Francis on Dec. 7th, 2019. He stands as an example of fidelity to the Gospel and humble and fearless service on behalf of the poor and the vulnerable. To learn more, visit diolc.org/blessed-brother-james-miller.



Give to Chalice of Mercy for Ukraine Relief

The people of Ukraine continue to suffer indiscriminate missile attacks from Russian forces, often aimed at population centers, and at power stations to destroy the capacity for people to heat their homes in winter. Please consider donating to Valentyna Pavlyukova's extraordinarily effective mission, Chalice of Mercy, to help pay for continued shipments of warm clothing, medical supplies, and much more. Visit chaliceofmercy.org/donate. For more information on Chalice of Mercy and links to recent media stories, visit diolc.org/chalice-of-mercy.

Columbus Corner

We will be hosting a blood drive on February 7th from 8:00 am-1:00 pm at Our Lady of Peace Gym. Donors are asked to register for an appointment.

THE PAST WEEK AT CCS:

On Friday, January 20th during the Columbus Boys Basketball game the 871st Engineer Unit thanked CCS with a certificate of appreciation.

The CCHS Quiz Bowl team had a great day at the Holmen Invitational on Saturday, January 28th. Three individual players finished in the top 10 and the team of five seniors placed second overall and first in the Small School Division. They have now qualified for the High School National Championship two years in a row.

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



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