



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.

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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 2/20/2023**

7:00am Linda Hennes

Scripture Readings: Sir 1:1-10

Mk 9:14-29

TUES 2/21/2023 St. Peter Damian, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

7:00am Neil & Pat Jirschele

Scripture Readings: Sir 2:1-11

Mk 9:30-37

WED 2/22/2023 Ash Wednesday

6:30am Kathleen Feirer

8:00am Herbert Weigel

12:00pm Mary Beyer

6:00pm Jerome & Mary Lou Kirsch

Scripture Readings: Jl 2:12-18

2 Cor 5:20—6:2

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

THUR 2/23/2023 St. Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr

7:00am Peter Dietel

Scripture Readings: Dt 30:15-20

Lk 9:22-25

FRI 2/24/2023

7:00am Harold & Dorothy Hellenbrand

Scripture Readings: Is 58:1-9a

Mt 9:14-15

SAT 2/25/2023

8:00am Jack Gerend

Scripture Readings: Is 58:9b-14

Lk 5:27-32

First Sunday of Lent

4:30pm Doris Gadke

SUN 2/26/2023

7:00am Jeanette Lang

9:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

11:00am Living & deceased members of the Heyer & Hamus families

Scripture Readings: Gn 2:7-9, 3:1-7

Rom 5:12-19

Mt 4:1-11

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LITURGICAL MINISTERSFebruary 25th & 26th, 2023**LECTORS**

4:30pm Jonathan Rootellis

7:00am Caren Alsides

9:00am Lonny Roberts

11:00am Gayle Specht

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Marty Draxler / Louise Kobylinski

7:00am Connie Manlick / Tonya Schlagenhaft

9:00am Rita Blenker / Pat & Marlea Lescynski / Lonny Roberts

11:00am Argelia Moya / Maria Laura Garcia

SERVERS

4:30pm Emmett Luther / Alex Burg

7:00am Ava Rootellis / **Open**

9:00am Nathaniel, Christina & Maria Nemitz

11:00am Maria Elizabeth Garcia / Luis Villalba

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Cindy Penker / Roni Steines-Machtan

7:00am Cindy Penker / Roni Steines-Machtan

9:00am Cathy Heuer

11:00am Cathy Heuer

During Lent, Confessions will be heard every Friday at St. John's beginning at 6pm. Two priests will be 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 - February 11th & 12th**

Adult / Youth / Plate

\$13,557.99

Parish Improvement

513.00

Total

\$14,090.99

Total to date for February**\$31,405.90****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).

ST. JOHN'S ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES - FEBRUARY 22nd
Day of Fast and Abstinence
6:30am - 8:00am - 12:00pm - 6:00pm

Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers (Distributors of Ashes) will be needed for the 12pm and the 6pm Masses. Please sign up in the sacristy.



Stations of the Cross will be held at St. John's every Friday at 5:15 during Lent beginning on February 24th.

Servers for Friday, February 24th:**Ava Rootellis / Open / Open**

We could use two more youth servers. Please call the parish office if you could fill in these open spots for this Friday.

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 OLP. 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.

The Family Life Committee will be showing the movie *Lifemark* this Sunday, February 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.

Lenten Spiritual Books: Are you looking for a way this Lent to develop a more fervent practice of your faith? In the entryway of the church there are books to help guide you through the holy season of Lent. The *Magnificat Lenten Companion* and *Lent for Kids* are all available at all entrances. These Lenten books are a gift from the parish!

"Broken" and "The Master's Mosaic" with Laura Boronski

Laura will give the talk on "Broken" on Wednesday, March 1st at 6:00pm. Laura is the a gifted songwriter, singer and speaker. These are the gifts that God allows her to use as she shares His love with those around her. On Saturday, March 4th, Laura will hold a retreat beginning at 9:30am and ending at 2:30pm. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided. The title of this retreat is "The Master's Mosaic: Using our brokenness to rebuild the Kingdom of God" and is open to men and women.

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 1. They are limited to \$900 for monthly rent. Any information or leads, please contact Kathi Boyce (507) 513-0417 or kathiboyce71@gmail.com

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, March 3rd. 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

Dear Parishioners: first a few practical notes. The front porch of St. John's rectory needs some TLC. The wood posts and railings are beginning to rot. If you or someone you know is handy, please let the parish know. Also, the brick on the church is in need of tuckpointing. I have been calling contractors every month to get a bid. This week one contractor finally responded to my request. If you know a contractor willing to provide a secondary bid for tuckpointing, please let me know. Our church is so beautiful, I hope that it can always remain that way. Thank you.

Ash Wednesday services are noted in the bulletin. Also please keep in mind the fasting regulations during Lent. 1) Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday. 2) In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

The season of Lent is a time of greater fruitful union with the Lord. As you practice penance and fasting, you open yourself to the presence of God. Fasting gives you a greater capacity to be filled with God. During each Friday evening of Lent we will also offer Stations of the Cross, Adoration, and Confessions. We will also be continuing a series of faith-based talks throughout Lent. Please take advantage of these opportunities.

I am hoping that this season of Lent will bear fruit not only in your own personal holiness but also in your desire to serve our community. It is my hope that after Easter we can offer the Precious Blood of Jesus at least at one of our weekend Masses. To do this, we will need more people to offer to serve in the role of extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion. We are also in need of additional persons to serve as lectors, ushers, and servers.

May your season of Lent be fruitful. In practicing penance you create the space for Jesus to enter. Jesus will stretch you, but he will also bless you. Let Jesus do His work in you! Untold graces are available at every Holy Mass.

May St. John the Baptist pray for us.

Fr. Thelen

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Jesus will help us believe what we cannot understand.

The Lord always comes in to strengthen and confirm our faith in response to our desire to believe. He actually even uses our hesitation in accepting His true Presence in the Eucharist to bring us to a deeper, more lively faith in the truth of this mystery.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, please strengthen my faith to believe that You are truly present in the Holy Eucharist.

This week, read how Jesus responds to those who are questioning the mystery of the Eucharist in John 6: 52-59.

Our sympathy to the families of:

Joan Burnett / Harold Zelms

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



**Congratulations to
David & Alyssa Shedivy
on the Convalidation of Their Marriage**

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

VOTE: Feb. 21 Wisconsin Supreme Court Election May Determine Abortion Law

The Wisconsin spring primary election will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 21st. The highest stakes are for a new seat on the Wisconsin Supreme Court, and the outcome may well determine whether the current state statute that prohibits abortion will remain standing or be struck down. The Associated Press underscored this in a story titled, "Abortion front and center in Wisconsin Supreme Court race." To read that story and for links to learn more about the candidates for the State Supreme Court and other races, visit diolc.org/social-concerns.

Knights of Columbus: February, Men's Night will be on Monday, February 27th. It is held at the Rembs Celebration Center; Doors open at 5pm and dinner is served from 5:30pm to 7:00pm. Cost is \$15 per person, carry-outs are available. You do not need to be a KC member to enjoy an evening out with your friends. We ask that you let us know before the event if you and/or your friends are coming, that way we make sure to have enough food prepared for everyone. Please call Dan Spencer at 715-305-0398 to register.

Knights of Columbus Council 1799 will be holding its annual Free Throw Championship on Sun., Feb. 26th in the gym of St. John the Baptist. Enter in the door marked "Gym" on Blodgett St. The Contest is open to all boys and girls ages 9 - 14 in public, private or home-schooled. Registration and practice starts at noon. **Needed:** a birth certificate or other proof of age required for registration. Participants must have met the age requirement as of January 1st, 2023. A parent or guardian must be present to register their child. Contest starts at 12:30pm.

Gift Cards: 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!

St. Mary's, Auburndale will hold their 45th annual Shrimp & Battered-Beer Fish Fry on Friday February 24th. Call St. Mary's at 715-652-2747 to place an order after 1pm on Friday. Carry-outs only from 3:30pm - 7:00pm. Menu includes beer-battered fish, shrimp, potato salad, french fries or baked potato, bread, cheese and coleslaw.

Take Your Catholic Faith to the Next Level: St. Joseph's in Stevens Point, is hosting Keith Nester for a Lenten Mission. Keith is a former Protestant Pastor and Catholic convert. He is a Catholic speaker and author. Keith's powerful testimony is relatable, joyful, enthusiastic and truly an audience magnet. His passion for the faith is contagious. Keith will give the following three talks beginning at 6:30:

Sunday, March 5: Keith's Conversion Story

Monday, March 6: What's So Great About Being Catholic?

Tuesday, March 7: Owning Your Faith

Flyer on Keith can be found on the kiosk. More information can be found at www.PointCatholicFaith.org/mission

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