



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, Pastor715-384-3252 ext. 2
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- David Eaton, CCS President715-387-1177
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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 4/17/2023

7:00am Otto & Carol Schecklman
 Scripture Readings: Acts 4:23-31 Jn 3:1-8

TUES 4/18/2023

7:00am Donald & Annie Hahn
 Scripture Readings: Acts 4:32-37 Jn 3:7b-15

WED 4/19/2023

7:00am Kathleen Feirer
 8:00am Warner Von Holzen
 Scripture Readings: Acts 5:17-26 Jn 3:16-21

THUR 4/20/2023

7:00am George Winkler
 Scripture Readings: Acts 5:27-33 Jn 3:31-36

FRI 4/21/2023 St. Anselm, Bishop

7:00am Living & deceased members of the James & Jeanette
 Baltus family
 Scripture Readings: Acts 5: 34-42 Jn 6:1-15

SAT 4/22/2023

8:00am Ralph Lang
 Scripture Readings: Acts 6:1-7 Jn 6:16-21

Third Sunday of Easter

4:30pm Ervin Ploog

SUN 4/23/2023

7:00am Leona Kraemer
 9:00am Jack Lang
 11:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist parish
 Scripture Readings: Acts 2:14, 22-23 Lk 24:13-35 1 Pt 1:17-21



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

April 22 & 23, 2023

LECTORS

4:30pm Jeff Schultz
 7:00am Dale & Judy Garfield
 9:00am Ann Kundinger
 11:00am Allyson Mayeux

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Shirley Pritzl / Joan Rashke
 7:00am Al & Barb May
 9:00am Dan & Dorothy Flees / Bernice Mercer / Cheryl Schmidt
 11:00am Kim Rybicki / Melanie Rootellis

SERVERS

4:30pm Emmett Luther / Alex Burg
 7:00am Kolbe & Dominic Landwehr
 9:00am Nathaniel, Maria & Jonathan Nemitz
 11:00am Maria Elizabeth Garcia / Luis Villalba

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Cathy Heuer
 7:00am Ashley Nikolai / Karen Isaacson
 9:00am Kris Herr / Adult Choir 11:00am Suzanne Golden

STEWARDSHIP - April 8th & 9th

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$12,072.91
Parish Improvement	\$275.00
Total	\$12,347.91

Total to date for April \$29,842.26

Total to date for Easter Collection \$13,093.08

Weekday Mass Servers:

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

Prayer Vine ~ Do you or someone you know need prayers?

To have requests for prayer placed on the vine, please call Connie 715-305-6742 and Donna 715-384-2479 (there are 2 lists).

The Diocese of La Crosse Parish Councils of Catholic Women annually holds a Council Sunday Collection on Divine Mercy Sunday weekend (April 15th - 16th). This collection is the sole source of revenue to fund the ministries and outreach of the La Crosse Diocesan CCW. Councils seek to support and educate Catholic women in the skills of spirituality, leadership, and service. Some of the notable ministries the Councils of Catholic Women support include Project Milk, Catholic Relief Services, the Madonna Plan which offers pregnancy and early childhood care, Casa Hogar, televised Mass, retreats and much more. We are grateful for your contribution to this collection!

Marshfield Deanery Catholic Women's Spring Gathering

All women of the Marshfield Deanery are invited to the Deanery Catholic Women's Spring Gathering on Thursday April 27 at Rembs Celebration Center. Registration begins at 5:00pm; dinner at 5:30; with the program at 6:30, featuring Reverend Dan Thelen, pastor of St. John the Baptist. Cost is \$10, payable at the door. There will also be a basket raffle. Come and enjoy good food, faith, and fellowship.

Breakfast Social: On April 30th after the 9am Mass, a social will be held outside, between the church and school, or in case of rain, in the Columbia room. Doughnuts, muffins, fruit & cheese/crackers will be available. Stay for some good old fashioned socializing. Come, get to know your St. John's parish family and enjoy a light breakfast. Sponsored by the Family Activities committee.

The St. Vincent de Paul Outreach is going back to in-place fellowship meals (no longer takeout) starting April 10th. The fellowship meals will be served every Monday and Wednesday starting at 5:00pm. If you or your group would like to volunteer to help serve the meal, please contact the Outreach at 715-387-0395 or email svdpmfldoutreach@outlook.com

Also, the wonderful cook for these meals is retiring after many years of serving our friends and neighbors in need. If you would like to volunteer to cook these meals on Mondays and/or Wednesday, please contact the Outreach.

Stepping Out! We continue our talks on Wednesday, April 19th with Christopher Ruff. Chris is the Director of the Office For Ministries & Social Concerns. A light supper will be offered at 5:30pm.

"I am humbled and full of gratitude to God for his gifts of life, mercy, family and community in Christ. If I can be an instrument in kindling gratitude, wonder and love in others, my life will have been worthwhile". -Christopher Ruff



STEPPING OUT OF THE PEW

Christopher Ruff will present on "The Heart of the Matter: A Scriptural Understanding".

The event will be at 6 PM on April 19th at SJB.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners: This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. Pope St. John Paul II declared that mercy is God's greatest attribute. Each of us are worthy of God's mercy and we should always remember that God desires to dispense his mercy to us. Therefore, no matter our past we should never abandon our hope in God's mercy.

In the 1980 encyclical *Dives in Misericordia*, written by Pope St. John Paul II, our previous Holy Father says, "In the parable of the prodigal son, the term "justice" is not used even once; just as in the original text the term "mercy" is not used either. Nevertheless, the relationship between justice and love, that is manifested as mercy, is inscribed with great exactness in the content of the Gospel parable."

We can look to ourselves. Perhaps there is an event in your past. You have taken it to Confession. You have rightly confessed it, but have you also given yourself permission to receive mercy. God wants you to share in his mercy. He wants to bestow his love upon you and set you free. You have a right to his ineffable mercy. It is imperative that we give ourselves permission to receive his mercy. Only in receiving mercy, can we truly experience the Good News of the Gospel.

The Holy Father continues, "The Paschal Mystery is the culmination of this revealing and effecting of mercy, which is able to justify man, to restore justice in the sense of that salvific order which God willed from the beginning in man and, through man, in the world."

Justice and mercy are never opposed in God. Truth and justice must be sought in every situation of injustice. At the same time, no situation is beyond the capacity and desire of Jesus to extend His mercy. Jesus died and rose for all of us. On this Divine Mercy Sunday receive the mercy of God. Repent as Jesus calls us to do, seek the healing sacrament of Confession and receive the mercy of God.

May St. John the Baptist pray for us. Fr Thelen



EASTER VIGIL - APRIL 8, 2023

St. John's Parish Congratulates

Those who were Baptized
Sarah Elizabeth Jagerson
Steven Crider / Brandon Korth

Those who made their
First Communion

Andres Rodriguez Baltazar / Steven Crider
Christopher Jackson / Brandon Korth
Sarah Elizabeth Jagerson / Jordan Paisley

Those who were Confirmed

Andres Rodriguez Baltazar / Steven Crider
Christopher Jackson / Brandon Korth
Laura Leschke / Jordan Paisley
Sarah Elizabeth Jagerson



MARK YOUR CALENDAR ~ SAVE THE DATE

10th Annual Marshfield Parish Pull
Friday, July 14, 2023
Gates Open: 5:00PM Pull Begins: 7:00PM
Check back for more information & opportunities to volunteer.

Movie Time! Starting in April, approximately every three weeks, on Sunday starting at 1:00pm, we offer you the chance to learn more about 5 of our beloved 20th Century Saints. All are highly acclaimed and are done by Ignatius The first movie to be shown on **April 23: "For Greater Glory"**, the story of the Christeros martyrs and Saints. (Viewer discretion advised. May be too intense for those under 12.) On May 21st the featured movie will be "*Mother Teresa*", arguably the most beloved Saint in history. Join us in St. Francis Hall!

Walk For Life: The annual First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center's Walk for Life will be held in Wisconsin Rapids at Lake Wazeecha on May 6th. This family friendly event will begin at the South Wood County Shelter House at 10:00am with registration beginning at 9:00am. Fun raffles and concessions will be available. Please join us to help raise \$32,000. All area parishes and individuals are welcome to walk and register with the St. Gianna Walkers for Life (team captain is the *Lauren Rubenzer*). To participate or donate you can find more information on the First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center's website: <https://www.firstchoiceprc.org/walkforlife>. Also, **First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center is opening a third location in Marshfield!!**



We welcome these children through the
Living Waters of Baptism

Charlotte Rose Krieg - daughter of Kody & Alyssia Krieg
Lucas Gary Fox - son of Matthew & Jamie Fox
Baptized on April 16, 2023



EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

The Eucharist is the Great Miracle of Mercy

In His great love for us, Jesus gave us a great miracle of mercy: The Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. God did not only become man in the Incarnation to give His life for us on the cross and to rise again in glory for our salvation. The Incarnation also looked forward to Jesus remaining physically with us in the Eucharist as we journey through this life. The Divine Mercy Image of Jesus with the white and red rays represents our Eucharistic Lord, whose Heart has been pierced and now pours forth the water of Baptism and the Precious Blood of the Eucharist as a fountain of mercy for us.

This week, as we continue the Easter Season and celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, let's pray right now 3 times the words that Jesus gave St. Faustina: "*Jesus, I trust in You!*"

This week, read how Jesus appears to Thomas who was not present when He first appeared to the Apostles after His Resurrection. Thomas, when He does see Jesus, falls before Him and says "*My Lord and My God*". John 20:19-29



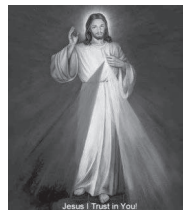
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY AREA EVENTS - April 16th

Christ the King Parish, Spencer

- 1:00pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 - 1:15pm: Presentation by Mother Mary Veronica
 - 2:00pm: Adoration / Meditation
 - 2:30pm: Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 - 2:45pm: Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
- Confessions will be available throughout the service

St. Mary's, Neillsville

- 12:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration
- 12:00pm: Confession
- 2:00pm: Speaker
- 3:00pm: Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- 3:30pm: Holy Mass



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