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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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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 8/7/2023 St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest 7:00am Jerome & Mary Lou Kirsch Scripture Readings: Nm 11:4b-15	Mt 14:13-21
TUES 8/8/2023 St. Dominic, Priest 7:00am Rollie Thomas Scripture Readings: Nm 12:1-13	Mt 14:22-36
WED 8/9/2023 St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin, Martyr 7:00am Living & deceased members of the Gerend & Malolepsy families Scripture Rdgs: Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35	Mt 15:21-28
THUR 8/10/2023 St. Lawrence, Deacon, Martyr 7:00am Tony Eilers Scripture Readings: 2 Cor 9:6-10	Jn 12:24-26
FRI 8/11/2023 St. Clare, Virgin 7:00am Jane Seifert Scripture Readings: Dt 4:32-40	Mt 16:24-28
SAT 8/12/2023 St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious 8:00am Jan Courtney Scripture Readings: Dt 6:4-13	Mt 17:14-20
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
4:30pm George Asher	
SUN 8/13/2023 7:00am George Winkler 9:00am Gordon Schuster 11:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist parish Scripture Readings: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a Rom 9:1-5 Mt 14:22-33	

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**August 12th & 13th, 2023**LECTORS**

4:30pm	Kristin Bornbach
7:00am	Laurel Rudolph-Kniech
9:00am	Dorothy Flees
11:00am	Sharon See

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm	Kay Kmiec / Joan Raschke / Becky Kaiser / Marcy Gotz
7:00am	Connie Manlick / Tonya Schlagenhaft
9:00am	Pat & Marlea Lescynski / Chris Nemitz / Rita Blenker Ann Kundinger / Linda Lewer
11:00am	Danielle Rummells / Audrey Aply / Lori Keller Linda Degenhardt

SERVERS

4:30pm	Emmett Luther / Open
7:00am	Kolbe & Dominic Landwehr
9:00am	Lily & Neil Adler
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	Emma Tollefson
11:00am	Emma Tollefson

Weekday Mass Servers - August 7th - August 12th

Monday -	David Gouin	Thursday	Lee Alt
Tuesday -	Ray Housworth	Friday -	Mike Spencer
Wednesday	Lenny Kieliszewski	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).

STEWARDSHIP - July 29th & 30th

Adult / Youth / Plate -	\$10,632.79
Parish Improvement -	183.00
Total	\$10,815.79
Total to date for July	\$79,227.94



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Beloved Stewards "...then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.'"—MT 17:5 When Peter, James, and John heard this, they immediately fell, prostrate to the ground, and "were very much afraid." We, stewards, may similarly respond when we hear God's voice. How many times do you become fearful when invited to participate more fully in the life of the Church? Or are you afraid to respond when someone says something negative about the Church? Remember, we are beloved sons and daughters of God; Jesus is there to help us, but we need to listen.

Welcome Fr. Arturo! There will be a welcoming reception in the Columbia room of St. John's school for Father Arturo after the 11am Mass this Sunday! Father Arturo is excited to meet us so please take the time to stop in and introduce yourself to our new Associate Pastor. The PCCW will serve light refreshments.



Hi everyone! For all who don't know me, my name is Paige Preston and I have been helping in youth ministry here at St. John's this summer. I grew up in Marshfield, graduating from Marshfield High School in 2020. I recently graduated from Carroll University with a degree in biology. Now, I am planning on going on mission with NET Ministries. NET is a Catholic organization whose mission is to bring young people into the faith through relational ministry. They send teams of young adults across the country to minister to 6th-12th graders, leading them into a relationship with Christ. I will be presenting after each Mass Aug 12-13. Please feel free to stop by after Mass and ask any questions or see what you can do to be a key part of this important mission!! Please reach out with any questions at pgpreston5@gmail.com. Thanks!



New chasubles and dalmatics will be purchased this coming Fall to replace our current Mass vestments. Donations towards this expense are welcome.

Carnival of Life On **Saturday, August 12th, 12-3pm**, will be held in the field behind **Columbus Catholic High School**. Enjoy an afternoon of family fun with brats, hotdogs, and activities. Questions or willing to help with this faith-filled family event? **Contact Troy Kroening at troy@gotojoe.com or 715-383-3660.**

The Feast of the Assumption: Tuesday, August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times at St. John's will be 7:00am, Noon and 6:00pm. If you can help assist at one of these Masses, please sign up in the Sacristy. An usher sign-up sheet will be in the Usher's closet.

Lector, Eucharistic Ministers and Youth Servers: Soon the September through December schedules will be put together. Please call the parish office at 715-384-3252 or email mjgouin@frontier.com by August 10th.

St. John's Parish Picnic! It's FINALLY here! The last hurrah of summer!! St. John's parish picnic will be held on Sunday, August 13th from noon until 4pm. Lunch will be served from noon until 2:00pm. Ice-cream, music, face painting and games for all ages! Not into games? Come and socialize with your fellow parishioners. Put down the electronics for a few hours and enjoy each other. Sign up sheets are in the back of church for food donations and volunteering. We especially need help setting up table and chairs around 9:00am and tearing down around 3:30pm. If you can help--please sign up. Note: parking will be limited to handicapped ONLY in front of church on Sunday morning, August 13 after the 7:00am Mass. Please plan accordingly.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners: This past week Krause Konstruktion has been working diligently on tuckpointing the church. The bricks on the church and the rectory have needed attention for many years and I am so happy that this project is getting under way. If you have passed by the church on a weekday, you can see the boom truck and the construction workers removing the crumbling bricks and replacing them with new bricks. Modern developments have made it possible to match the color of the existing bricks, hence you probably won't even notice the work having been done when the job is finished. Before August is completed we will also finish up the landscaping around the garage and sealcoat the parking lot.

It's been great seeing some of our major projects getting completed. It has also been a wonderful time in our parish for youth ministry. We had over 70 kids participate in VBS and then another 30 in Totus Tuus. Youth are also in Portugal at World Youth Day and then a group also just returned from Steubenville. We also had our Confirmation retreat out at the School Forest. The retreat was led by a nationally known speaker. Fifty-six students from Marshfield will be confirmed on September 17th.

Summer can seem like a quiet time; however, there is always plenty happening. Please keep our youth in your prayers.

May St. John the Baptist pray for us and our parish.

Fr. Thelen



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will be beginning in **September** with full entrance into the church occurring at **Easter of 2024**. RCIA is the process whereby a person learns about the beautiful Catholic faith that we sometimes take for granted. Please contact the parish office if you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or if you just want to deepen your understanding of the faith. This will be an excellent way to grow closer to God by learning about Catholicism and how it promotes heroic goodness! Brochures with more information is available near the bulletin rack in the church.

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

The Eucharist is called the Holy Sacrifice



A sacrifice is an offering of love for someone. Jesus rescued us and set us free from the bondage of sin by offering Himself through His painful sacrifice on the Cross. At each Mass, Jesus offers Himself to the Father for love of us. Jesus is not being "re-sacrificed" but the sacrifice of Calvary is being made present at each Mass. To express our gratitude and to open our hearts more deeply to Him, we can show our love by offering small sacrifices to Him: our willingness to forgive after being hurt by someone, cutting our time short with TV to take time for prayer, visiting someone who is sick etc.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week:

Thank You, Jesus, for loving me so much that You were willing to die in order to save me and set me free from the bondage of sin.

This week, read how we are to imitate Jesus by walking in the way of love in Ephesians 5:2.

"Walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved me and gave Himself up for me as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God" (Ephesians 5:2).

St. John's invites all to attend the 2023 Witnesses For Christ Live, Virtual Conference with Mark Hart! On Monday, August 21st you have the opportunity to participate in two interactive presentations: *God's Masterpiece: Christ Within Us* and *God's Master-plan: Christ Before Us*. Join Mark Hart, an internationally known Biblical teacher to:



- Exhale and take time for yourself.
- Engage more deeply with the incredible miracle that is the Eucharist!
- Understand better what Jesus has proclaimed about this Sacrament of His Body and Blood.

This event is \$10. Everyone who registers will receive a free copy of Mark Hart's book "The Divine Encounter".

This event will begin at 5:30pm and be held in the Columbia room. There will be time for discussion between the two presentations. You are asked to bring a bible.

There is a sign-up sheet for this conference in the vestibule. We will need to send the number attending to the Diocese to get the material needed. It would be nice to have at least 15 signed up! Please make checks out to St. John the Baptist. Deadline to sign up is Aug. 14th.

WORLD-FAMOUS FATIMA STATUE COMING TO OUR PARISH!



The world-famous International Pilgrim Virgin Statue, which has been traveling for 75 years, will be at St. John the Baptist on Tuesday, August 22nd.

On this 75th anniversary year, the mission of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima continues the same, to bring the message of Fatima—the Peace Plan from Heaven—to a world in need. Our Lord told Sister Lucia, the oldest of the three seers at Fatima, that he had entrusted the peace of the world to the Immaculate Heart.

The International Pilgrim Virgin Statue has visited more than 100 countries, including Russia and China, bringing Mary's powerful message of salvation and hope to millions of people. Countless favors and graces have been reported wherever the Virgin Statue has traveled.

We hope you will come and experience the blessings of Our Lady during this special statue visitation, sponsored by the World Apostolate of Fatima, USA – Our Lady's Blue Army. (www.bluearmy.com)

This statue of the Virgin Mary will remain in our church until 5:00pm. You are welcome to make a visit anytime throughout the day!

NATIONAL EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS PILGRIMAGE!

In July 2024 the National Eucharistic Congress will be held in Indianapolis, IN. This 5 day experience titled *Eyes Opened, Hearts on Fire*, will be held July 17-24, 2024. Speakers such as Bishop Robert Barron, Fr. Mike Schmitz, Fr. John Burns, Bishop Andrew Cozzens, and many more will inspire and invite people to return to the source and summit of our Faith in the celebration of the Eucharist. In addition to the work being done in our Diocese as part of the Eucharistic Procession to Indianapolis we are exploring the possibility of taking a group from the Diocese of La Crosse to attend the Eucharistic Congress. In order to prepare such a pilgrimage, we would need to know the number of pilgrims that might be interested in joining a group from the Diocese of La Crosse to attend the National Eucharistic Congress. **If you are interested in attending, please email mjgouin@msn.com to sign up.** Once the diocese has a number of people wishing to participate then we will be provided further information related to costs, travel, and the registration process.



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