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## 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*

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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*

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 10/9/2023** St. Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs;  
St. John Leonardi, Priest  
7:00am Clement & Catherine Vogt  
Scripture Readings: Jon 1:1—2:2, 11 Lk 10:25-37

**TUES 10/10/2023**  
7:00am David & Dorothy Ashenbrenner  
Scripture Readings: Jon 3:1-10 Lk 10:38-42

**WED 10/11/2023** St. John XXIII, Pope  
7:00am Jane Seifert  
8:00am Bradley Gryder  
Scripture Readings: Jon 4:1-11 Lk 11:1-4

**THUR 10/12/2023**  
7:00am Roger Kyle  
Scripture Readings: Mal 3:13-20b Lk 11:5-13

**FRI 10/13/2023**  
7:00am Ted Zondlo  
Scripture Readings: Jl 1:13-15, 2:1-2 Lk 11:15-26

**SAT 10/14/2023** St. Callistus, I, Pope, Martyr  
8:00am Margaret Altmann  
Scripture Readings: Jl 4:12-21 Lk 11:27-28

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30pm Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

**SUN 10/15/2023**  
7:00am Donald Schnitzler  
9:00am Deceased Members of the PCCW  
11:00am Henrietta Gundloch  
Scripture Readings: Is 25:6-10a Phil 4:12-14, 19-20  
Mt 22:1-14



**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

October 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**LECTORS**

4:30pm Monte & Patti Willkom  
7:00am Caren Alsides  
9:00am Lonny Roberts  
11:00am Allyson Mayeux

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

4:30pm Mike Gonerig / Susan Jahr / Becky Kaiser / Kay Kmiec  
7:00am Dan Alsides / Barb Barrett  
9:00am Ann Kundinger / Chris Nemitz / Lonny Roberts  
David Schlinsog  
11:00am Audrey Ably / Michael Clubb / Linda Degenhardt  
Lucas Hart

**SERVERS**

4:30pm Abigail, Sullivan & Eliza Schuld  
7:00am Kolbe & Dominic Landwehr  
9:00am Maverick, Dakota & Isabella Hannasch  
11:00am Luis & Emily Villalba

**MUSIC MINISTER**

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

**Weekday Mass Servers - October 9<sup>th</sup> - October 14<sup>th</sup>**

<b>Monday</b> - David Gouin	<b>Thursday</b> Lee Alt
<b>Tuesday</b> - Ray Housworth	<b>Friday</b> - Dennis Spencer
<b>Wednesday</b> Lenny Kieliszewski	<b>Saturday</b> Kolbe & Dominic Landwehr

**Opportunities for Confession:** Saturday mornings at St. John's after the 8:00am Mass and on the third Friday of the month at 6:00pm and by appointment. First Friday Confessions are now held at Sacred Heart Parish at 6:00pm.

**STEWARDSHIP - SEPTEMBER 30<sup>th</sup> & October 1<sup>st</sup>**

Adult / Youth / Plate - \$13,081.85  
Spanish Mass 477.25  
Parish Improvement - 530.00  
Total to date: \$14,089.10



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**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).

**A Mass for the deceased members of St. John's PCCW who have died between Apr. 1<sup>st</sup> & Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 will be offered Sunday (Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>) at the 9am Mass.**

Please remember the following ladies in your prayers: Margaret Weigel / Roswitha Burkart / Diane Creola / Helen Bartsch / Marjorie Oppman / Ardean Young / Lucille Ortner / Rhea Mae Vogel / Agnes Stini / Sally Bremmer / Nancy O'Brien and Kelly Grosbier

**PCCW will meet in the Columbia Room on Tuesday, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.** All women of the parish are invited to learn what the women of the parish do for St. John's. Following the meeting is a time for bingo and refreshments. Come join us!

**Frassati Young Adult Group:** There will be a gathering for all young adults on Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm in St. Francis Hall. Please join us for Catholic Trivia Night! We'll break into teams and test our knowledge of our faith and hopefully learn some new facts! If you would like to be added to the email list to receive updates about our monthly meetings and other events, please email [marshfieldfrassatiyoungadults@gmail.com](mailto:marshfieldfrassatiyoungadults@gmail.com). Newcomers are always welcome!

**The Marshfield Deanery Council of Catholic Women is holding its Fall Gathering on Thursday October 12 at the Rembs Celebration Center, 250 S Oak, in Marshfield.** Registration begins at 5:00; delicious meal will be served at 5:30pm with a program beginning at 6:30 pm. Our guest speaker is Noel Furger, Director of Development / Volunteer Coordinator for Casa Hogar. Registration is \$12.00 (for the meal), payable at the door. All women are invited to join us for an uplifting evening of friendship, fellowship, and faith-sharing! There will be raffle baskets available, as well as door prizes. We will also collect donations for Casa Hogar Project Milk. **Ladies!, let's make a good showing of St. John's PCCW members!**

**"That Man is You!:** It's not too late to join our 6:00am Tuesday morning dynamic men's group. On October 24<sup>th</sup> we'll transition to a 7 week series on the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary, filmed on location in the Holy Land."

**Estate & Funeral Planning Seminar:** The Knights of Columbus, Council 1799, will be holding this seminar at 7pm on Tuesday, Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> in the Columbia Room. This seminar is open to all members of the parish. No advance registration is required. The speaker will be Jason Bourget, FIC, Knights of Columbus Assistant General Agent. Tragedies sometimes happens to young families as well as older people. Being prepared is always your best option.

**The Family Life Committee is collecting baby items for families who seek help during the month of October (Respect Life Month).** Help struggling families care for their little ones. Please bring NEW items to church and place them by the Baby Display in the vestibule.

Needed items include: \*diapers of varying sizes / \*onesies and socks / \*receiving blankets and washcloths / \*teething items and crib toys

\*All donated items will be brought to the Hannah Center. Thank you!



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners: Each year on October 7<sup>th</sup> the universal church celebrates the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary. This memorial was established by Pope Pius V in thanksgiving for the victory at Lepanto in 1571. As a seminarian, I remember travelling to Greece and standing on the shores of this sea with some of my fellow classmates praying a Rosary in thanksgiving for this victory. This sea marked the spot of a great sea battle between Christian Europe and the Muslims of the Ottoman Empire. The Ottoman fleet presented an almost insurmountable force; nevertheless, through a miraculous turn of events the Christian fleet won the battle, protecting and saving Christian Europe from invasion. Historically, this has been seen as a pivotal moment in history.

The Holy Rosary was a powerful spiritual weapon in this victory and continues as an equally powerful force in victory in our own day. Pope Pius V called upon all of Christendom to pray the Rosary in 1571 and petition heaven for victory. With the same urgency we should call upon heaven through the intercession of Our Lady and the praying of the Rosary for our spiritual protection and blessing. Fr. Don Calloway has written a wonderful book on the Holy Rosary entitled: 'Champions of the Rosary', highlighting the historical and the theological importance of the Rosary. My professors in seminary, all Dominicans, wore a Rosary on their left side as part of their habit. Fr. Don Calloway describes this custom as a Spiritual Sword of our Lady, as it was the left side that the medieval knights held their physical swords to defend themselves, so the Dominicans carry a Rosary also on their left side.

I myself know how powerful the Rosary has been in my own life. As a child my family prayed a decade of the Rosary between supper and milking the cows, a full five decades during Lent. At the age of twenty-six I felt a strong movement, even a calling, to again pray the Rosary. I began on that day to pray the Rosary and have prayed a Rosary each day for the last seventeen years. To me the moment of hearing the call to pray the Rosary was a watershed moment. In my twenties I always wanted to find good Catholic friends, but never did. However, from the time that I began to pray the Rosary I have been surrounded by strong Catholic friends ever since. I know in my life that there was a significant difference, a before and after, due to my praying of the Rosary. I therefore strongly encourage you to take up the habit and pray this most powerful prayer, the most Holy Rosary.

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

Fr. Thelen



### October: Month of the Rosary!

**Please Save The Date: October 14<sup>th</sup>** Our Lady of Fatima Rosary rally to be held at the "Christ guide us on our way" shrine located at the south end of Marshfield at noon. We will be praying for the conversion of our nation. Any questions, please call Lori at 715-652-6545 or Joan at 715-384-5935.

**Pro-life Rosary at Gate of Heaven Cemetery Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>.** St. John's Family Life Committee will meet at the Memorial for the Unborn at the Gate of Heaven Cemetery. Please come and join your parish family as a Pro-life Rosary will be prayed with meditations on healing for all who have been harmed by the scourge of abortion. We will meet around 8:45am, following the Saturday 8am Mass with the rosary starting shortly after.



*We welcome these new members to St. John's*

Shaun & Melissa Winkler family  
Phil & Mary Borofka / Dan & Mary Aumann  
Matt & Amanda Davis family



*We welcome these children through the Living Waters of Baptism*

Aurelia Clare Schlinsog - daughter of  
David & Hannah Schlinsog  
Baptized October 7, 2023

Samuel Joseph Prusinski - son of Phil & Dana Prusinski  
Tessa Rose Naedler - daughter of Aaron & Jasmine Naedler  
Asher Ray Naedler - son of Austin & Jessica Naedler  
Baptized October 8, 2023

**Trunk or Treat! First time ever for St. John the Baptist families and friends.**

**What: Trunk or Treat**

**When: Sunday, October 22 from 3 - 5**

**Where: St. John's fenced in parking lot**

**Why: To provide a safe environment for kids to enjoy Christian themed trick or treat/activities/lunch**

Families are encouraged to come dressed as their favorite Saints or religious person. **SUGGESTED donation of \$10.00 family fee. (this fee will cover activities; a lunch of hotdogs/chips and a beverage (water or spooky punch) and smores.**

**A donation box will be placed in the back of church for any one who wishes to donate smores ingredients or bags of candy. Donations will collected until October 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**World Mission Sunday October 22<sup>nd</sup> (Propagation of the Faith)**

Pope Francis, in his message for World Mission Sunday 2023, reflects on the theme "Hearts on fire, feet on the move," based on the story of the disciples who encounter Jesus on their way to Emmaus. On World Mission Sunday, we join our Holy Father in supporting his missions. As we pray and respond here at home, we share in those celebrations taking place in every parish and school throughout the world. Together, through our prayers and financial support, we bring the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Envelopes are included in packets or can be found in the envelope boxes in the vestibule. Please make checks payable to St. John's.

**Holy Hour available: Sundays at 9-10am** Please call Jean, 715-387-0571 or Deacon Ray at 715-207-6085 if you can help us out with this weekly holy hour.

### EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

**The Catholic Church in the United States is in the midst of a three-year Eucharistic Revival. This movement is to help all Catholics know and believe that the Eucharist is Jesus.**

**Jesus waits for us.**

After Mass, Holy Communion is reserved in the tabernacle. The red sanctuary candle in the front of the church is constantly burning to remind us that Jesus is present in the tabernacle in the sacred Host. He waits for us to come and spend some time with Him, just as we would spend time with any friend. We can speak with Him about anything and simply be quiet in order to listen to Him. It is helpful to bring a book like *The Divine Encounter* by Mark Hart to have something to help stay focused when distractions arise. This time with the Lord will help bring solace and peace as worries take on a proper perspective, and we will gradually know that when we receive Holy Communion, we are truly receiving Jesus.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: *Jesus, help me to set aside some time to spend with You in church so that You can strengthen my faith that You are truly present in Holy Communion.*



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