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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

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 4/29/2024 St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor of the Church
7:00am Edward Vogt
Scripture Readings: Acts 14:5-18 Jn 14:21-26

TUES 4/30/2024 St. Pius V, Pope
7:00am Linda Hennes
Scripture Readings: Acts 14:19-28 Jn 14:27-31a

WED 5/1/2024 St. Joseph the Worker
7:00am Vi Charron
8:00am Dale & Todd Kopf
Scripture Readings: Acts 15:1-6 Jn 15:1-8

THUR 5/2/2024 St. Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
7:00am Ted Zondlo
Scripture Readings: Acts 15: 7-21 Jn 15:9-11

FRI 5/3/2024 Sts. Philip & James, Apostles
7:00am Marylee Slark
Scripture Readings: 1 Cor 15:1-8 Jn 14:6-14

SAT 5/4/2024
8:00am Women at the Well
Scripture Readings: Acts 16:1-10 Jn 15:18-21

Sixth Sunday of Easter

4:30pm Marlous Gonerig

SUN 5/5/2024
7:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
9:00am Ron & Agnes Rehlinger
11:00am Dennis Juncer
1:00pm Tommie Sue Sklar - First Communion Mass
Scripture Readings: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 1 Jn 4:7-10 Jn 15:9-17



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

May 4th & 5th, 2024

Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors and youth server schedules are now ready and can be picked up in the Sacristy. Thank you for your willingness to assist at Holy Mass!

LECTORS

4:30pm Monte & Patti Willkom
7:00am Caren Alsidis
9:00am Al May
11:00am Sharon See / Ruth Richmond

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Lois Carlson / Marty Draxler / Joe & Clare Fischer
7:00am Dan Alsidis / Jane Gerend
9:00am Rita Blenker / Dan & Dorothy Flees / Jill Hiller Linda Lewer / David Schlinsog
11:00am Michael Clubb / Kim Rybicki / Sharon See / Argelia Moya

SERVERS

4:30pm Emmett Luther / Andrew & Vivien Wojcik
7:00am Paige Schlagenhaft / Ella Gullickson
9:00am Isaac & Nathan Scheer / Graham Bauer
11:00am Luke & Grace Clubb / Cole Krieg

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Cathy Heuer
7:00am Cathy Heuer
9:00am Cathy Heuer
11:00am First Communion Mass / Adult Choir
1:00pm First Communion Mass / Adult Choir

Weekday Mass Servers - April 29th - May 4th

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

STEWARDSHIP for April 20th / 21st

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Rows include Adult / Youth / Plate, Parish Improvement, Spanish Mass, Total, Total for April ACH, Total to date for April.



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Diocesan Annual Appeal - 2023-2024

Table with 3 columns: Category, Percentage, and Amount. Rows include Campaign Goal, Pledged & Received, Under Goal, Number of Donors.



These numbers reflect the report as of April 23, 2024.

When filling our your pledge cards, please write checks out to Diocese of La Crosse. Thank you!

Immediate openings at
Pope St. JP II Adoration Chapel,
Sundays at 8-9am or 10-11am

God bestows many graces through adoration!!

For more information or to schedule a holy hour, don't hesitate to call Jean at 715-387-0571 or Deacon Ray at 715-207-6085.

Marshfield Catholic Cemetery Association will gather on May 8th, 2024 at 3:00pm at Our Lady of Peace sacristy.

Women's Vocation Dinner: Saturday, May 11th, 2023 for High Schoolers and older We will have Mass at 4pm at Our Lady of Peace in Marshfield with Dinner to follow at OLP Rectory.

A Mother's Day Breakfast will be held Sunday, May 12th after the 9:00am Mass in Schuh Hall. All family members are invited to attend.

COME AND SEE

family adoration



Celebrate Pentecost weekend with

Adoration and live music on

Saturday, May 18th from 8:30-9:30 am

(after Daily Mass) followed by a light brunch in the Columbia Room.

LOCATED IN ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

All parishioners of all ages are welcome to attend!

"Family Adoration is a space where parishioners can feel comfortable bringing young children to experience Eucharistic Adoration without having to worry about them making too much noise or being disruptive. This is the last Family Adoration until we start up again in the fall. Anyone is welcome to attend!"

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners: Pope Francis recently released a Vatican document entitled 'Infinite Dignity'. Last week I shared some of this document. The following are a few more highlights from this important teaching from our Holy Father. You are welcome to read the full document online.

Every human person possesses an infinite dignity, inalienably grounded in his or her very being, which prevails in and beyond every circumstance, state, or situation the person may ever encounter. (1)

To clarify the concept of dignity even further, it is essential to point out that dignity is not something granted to the person by others based on their gifts or qualities.... All human beings possess this same intrinsic dignity, regardless of whether or not they can express it in a suitable manner. (15)

The Church insists that the dignity of every human person, precisely because it is intrinsic, remains "in all circumstances.".... The only prerequisite for speaking about the dignity inherent in the person is their membership in the human species, whereby "the rights of the person are the rights of man" (24)

While the concept of dignity is reserved for the human being, at the same time, the creaturely goodness of the rest of the cosmos must be affirmed. As Pope Francis points out, "By virtue of our unique dignity and our gift of intelligence, we are called to respect creation and its inherent laws [...], 'Each creature possesses its own particular goodness and perfection...Each of the various creatures, willed in its own being, reflects in its own way a ray of God's infinite wisdom and goodness. Man must therefore respect the particular goodness of every creature, to avoid any disordered use of things.'" (28)

Detached from the Creator, our freedom can only weaken and become obscured. The illusion that moral relativism provides the key for peaceful coexistence is actually the origin of divisions and the denial of the dignity of human beings." (30)

Human trafficking must also be counted among the grave violations of human dignity. While it is not a new phenomenon, it has taken on tragic dimensions before our eyes, which is why Pope Francis has denounced it in particularly emphatic terms: "I reaffirm here that the 'trade in people' is a vile activity, a disgrace to our societies that claim to be civilized!" (41)

The Church consistently reminds us that "the dignity of every human being has an intrinsic character and is valid from the moment of conception until natural death...Unborn children are, thus, "the most defenseless and innocent among us. (47)

The Church also takes a stand against the practice of surrogacy, through which the immensely worthy child becomes a mere object. On this point, Pope Francis's words have a singular clarity: "A child is always a gift and never the basis of a commercial contract. Consequently, I express my hope for an effort by the international community to prohibit this practice universally." The child has the right to have a fully human (and not artificially induced) origin and to receive the gift of a life that manifests both the dignity of the giver and that of the receiver. (48-49)

Regarding Euthanasia or assisted suicide the document says - Helping the suicidal person to take his or her own life is an objective offense against the dignity of the person asking for it, even if one would be thereby fulfilling the person's wish: "(52)

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

Fr. Thelen

Confessions are heard at St. John's on the third Friday of the month and at Sacred Heart on the first Friday beginning at 6:00pm. Two priests are available at this time. Confessions are also available on Saturdays after the 8am Mass.



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).



On Sunday, May 5th, 33 children will receive Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion.

Please pray for these children on this very beautiful day! Please note that some of these children will be receiving their First Communion at the 11:00am Mass. Pews will be reserved for these children and their families. The remaining children will attend the 1:00pm Mass.

Infertility and NaProTECHNOLOGY Infertility is a symptom of underlying disease. Today there is a new approach for assessing the underlying causes of infertility. NaProTECHNOLOGY, the new reproductive science that works cooperatively with the woman's natural cycle, focuses on looking for the underlying causes and then developing and implementing effective treatments for these conditions. With more than 6 million women in USA suffering from infertility, it is time get educated about real solutions to the problem and attend an informative session about the Creighton Model and NaProTECHNOLOGY services. For more information please contact Julia Schulfer (715) 340-3877.

Attention St. John's Parishioners! St. John's Primary School is recruiting a few dependable volunteers to provide supervision at recess and lunch. Currently, our teachers are responsible for both, which means no time for their own lunch/bathroom break, class prep, emails/phone calls to parents, etc. Recesses for 5K-2nd grade run from 9am-10am and 11am-1:10pm. Lunch room duty is from 10:35am-12:30pm. Interested volunteers should contact Melissa Schmitt, schmitt.melissa@columbusdons.org or 715-387-1177.

The Society of the Propagation of the Faith thanks you for your prayerful and generous participation in World Mission Sunday. "A Heartfelt thank you from the Society for the Propagation of the Faith and our Diocesan Mission Office to St. John the Baptist Parish for your generous response of prayer and sacrifices for World Mission Sunday. Your response to Pope Francis' call to have our "Hearts on Fire, feet on the move" gives witness to your commitment to Christ and His teachings. We will forward your financial contribution of \$2,376 to our national office. The collected funds will assist in spreading God's message of hope and peace to the poor, those suffering persecution for their faith, and those who are yet to experience the redeeming power of the Gospel."



"the Answer" Eucharistic Rally will be held on June 7, 2024 at the La Crosse Center in La Crosse, WI. This event kicks off the first day that the National

Eucharistic Pilgrimage will be in the Diocese of La Crosse. The day will include Mass, Adoration, Confession and powerful speakers.

* If you have already signed up for this event, please note that the timeline has changed. We will not stay for the whole event and therefore we will be back to Marshfield by 7:30pm. A new timeline can be found by the sign-up sheet. There is still room for anyone wanting to join the group. Cost for the event is \$20 and can be paid in advance in the parish office.



Encounter Jesus
in the Eucharist.
He waits for you!

Confession – a preparation for receiving the Eucharist

The best way to prepare to receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist is by going to Confession. We want to receive Him with a clean heart. If it is not possible to go to Confession before receiving Jesus, make a sincere Act of Contrition in your heart, and as always pray with sincerity the prayer at Mass, "I confess to Almighty God..." A sin that is mortal – serious or grave – requires Sacramental Confession before receiving Holy Communion. If you are not sure about this, speak with a priest.



Let's pray this right now and every day this week: *Jesus, please give me the grace to be truly sorry for my sins.*

This week read how God calls us out of darkness into His own wonderful light in 1 Peter 2:9-10.

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Psalmo 23

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."
Matt 11:28

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