



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 5/20/2024 The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
 7:00am Prayer Service (No Mass)
 Scripture Readings: Gn 3:9-15, 20 Jn 19:25-34

TUES 5/21/2024 St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
 7:00am Virginia Tritz
 Scripture Readings: Jas 4:1-10 Mk 9:30-37

WED 5/22/2024 St. Rita of Cascia, Religious
 7:00am Norma Potter
 8:00am Pete & Joan Lindner family
 Scripture Readings: Jas 4:13-17 Mk 9:38-40

THUR 5/23/2024
 7:00am Wilfred & Ann Maurer
 Scripture Readings: Jas 5:1-6 Mk 9:41-50

FRI 5/24/2024
 7:00am Mary Alice Stangl
 Scripture Readings: Jas 5:9-12 Mk 10:1-12

SAT 5/25/2024 St. Bede the Venerable, Priest, Doctor of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, Virgin
 8:00am David Fehrenbach
 Scripture Readings: Jas 5:13-20 Mk 10:13-16

The Most Holy Trinity

4:30pm Living & deceased members of the John & Cathryn Marx family

SUN 5/26/2024
 7:00am Warren & Evelyn Franz
 9:00am Ted & Dorothy Lescynski
 11:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
 1:30pm Spanish Mass
 Scripture Readings: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40 Rom 8:14-17



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

May 25th & 26th, 2024

LECTORS

4:30pm Marcy Gotz
 7:00am Dale & Judy Garfield
 9:00am Dorothy Flees
 11:00am Danielle Rummels

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Jeff Sternberg / Lois Carlson / Marty Draxler / Mike Gonerig
 7:00am Peg Endries / Jean Kaiser
 9:00am Rita Blenker / Dan & Dorothy Flees / Jill Hiller Nancy Immerfall / Maureen Karaliunas
 11:00am Chris Rutschow / Kim Rybicki / John Salzmann / Lucas Hart

SERVERS

4:30pm Abigail, Sullivan & Eliza Schuld
 7:00am Paige Schlagenhaft / Ella Gullickson
 9:00am Lily, Neil & Dax Adler
 11:00am Maria Elizabeth Garcia / Evelyn & Eleanore Leschke

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Cathy Heuer / 7:00am Cathy Heuer
 9:00am Cathy Heuer / 11:00am Cathy Heuer

Weekday Mass Servers - May 20th - May 21st

Monday - No Mass	Thursday - Lee Alt
Tuesday - Ray Housworth	Friday - Dennis Spencer
Wednesday - Lenny K.	Saturday - Kolbe & Dominic Landwehr

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.



STEWARDSHIP for May 11th - 12th

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$17,096.39
Parish Improvement	275.00
Spanish Mass	138.00
Total	\$17,509.39



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Total to date for May \$35,895.57

Thank you for your generous contributions!

Diocesan Annual Appeal - 2023-2024

Campaign Goal	\$133,350.00
Pledged & Received	82.63% \$110,190.00
Under Goal	\$24,144.30
Number of Donors	375



These numbers reflect the report as of May 14, 2024.

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

Change to Daily Mass on Monday, May 20th:

On Monday, May 20th both Fr Arturo and myself will be at the installation and ordination of our new Bishop, the Most Reverend Gerard W. Battersby. Deacon Jeff Austin will be traveling and out of the area. Therefore, I have asked a leader of prayer to lead a Communion service for our parish community on that morning. Judy Garfield has accepted this and will lead a Communion service. We have a number of Leaders of Prayer in our parish and they have studied and prepared to lead Communion services and other prayers upon need.

Finance Council will meet at 6:30pm in St. Francis Hall on Tuesday, May 21st. Pastoral Council will meet on Tuesday, May 28th at 6:30pm in the Columbia Room.

Pastoral Council Election: Voting will take place during all Masses this weekend. The results of the election will be posted in an upcoming bulletin. We thank all those who generously offered to run!

A Letter From Sr. Editruda, Mother General of the Sisters of Our Lady Queen of Africa:

May 2, 2024 "In Mwanza our Divine Mercy Convent is in terrible situation. The areas around it has turned into gorges that you can not reach it by car. The other day a lot of rain water enters the house! It caused lot of damages! We just pray for God to look upon us!"

Please pray for the Sisters living at the Divine Mercy Convent. You can see pictures in the Columbia Room of this very convent that St. John's Mission Team helped build in 2015-17.

Hospital Care Notice: Most hospitals are no longer asking patients their religious affiliation upon admittance. Spiritual services are still being provided, such as Anointings and Communion visits. However, the patient must notify the nursing staff of their desire to be placed on the Communion list or to have a priest visit. Please keep this in mind if you or a loved one is admitted to a hospital. Spiritual care is of very great importance during hospital stays and when preparing for surgeries.

"Kickoff to June Dairy Month" with the Stratford FFA Alumni Dairy Breakfast, at the Country Aire Ballroom, on Sunday, June 2nd, from 7:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., "All You Care to Eat". Matching funds from Catholic Financial Life, Str. Chapter #203.



"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.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners: Of all the great celebrations within the Church, I believe that today's feast of Pentecost ranks at the very top. The Solemnity of Pentecost celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit. Jesus says, "It is better for you that I go. For if I do not go, the Advocate will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you." (Jn 16:7) He furthermore states, "I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always." (Jn 14:16)

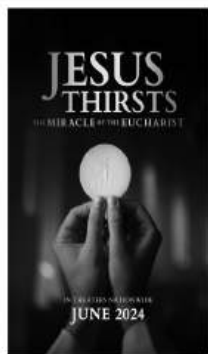
The gift of the Holy Spirit is the most superior of gifts. The Holy Spirit enlivens our faith. His presence in our lives makes our faith flourish in ways beyond our natural comprehension. I invite you to invite the Holy Spirit into your life. Develop a relationship with the Holy Spirit.

St. Cyril of Jerusalem, a bishop of Jerusalem in the 4th century, describes the Holy Spirit in the following profound words, "The Spirit comes gently and makes himself known by his fragrance. He is not felt as a burden, for he is light, very light. Rays of light and knowledge stream before him as he approaches. The Spirit comes with the tenderness of a true friend and protector to save, to heal, to teach, to counsel, to strengthen, to console."

"As light strikes the eyes of a man who comes out of darkness into the sunshine and enables him to see clearly things he could not discern before, so light floods the soul of the man counted worthy of receiving the Holy Spirit and enables him to see things beyond the range of human vision, thing hitherto undreamed of."

Please develop a relationship with the Holy Spirit. Without the Holy Spirit our parish will not grow. However, if we open ourselves to the Holy Spirit and dedicate our lives to prayer, fasting and the living of the moral life, our parish will be fruitful. We will have conversions in our community. God's grace will touch souls and bring people to the living waters of our Faith. I invite you with strong urging: develop a relationship with the Holy Spirit. Invite him into your life. Simply say, "Come Holy Spirit, come into my life."

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



Jesus Thirsts Coming to Rogers Cinema in Marshfield A new film focusing on the transformative power of the Eucharist will be showing at Rogers Cinema in Marshfield on June 4th, 5th, and 6th at 7:00pm each night (The showing on June 6th will have Spanish subtitles). *Jesus Thirsts: The Miracle of the Eucharist* will take viewers on a journey to rediscover the importance of the Eucharist through dialogue with notable Catholic figures including Father Donald Calloway, Scott Hahn, Jim Wahlberg, Curtis Martin, Chris Stefanick, Father Robert Spitzer, Bishop Andrew Cozzens, and Tim Gray, among others. Deacon Steve Greco, the

executive producer of the film, explained that amid the ongoing Eucharistic Revival in the U.S., he felt it was "very critical that we have a movie focusing on the real presence of Jesus with top Catholic theologians and leaders." Greco added that they partnered with the Knights of Columbus to add a 13-minute adjunctive film, produced by the Knights of Columbus, titled *Our Lady of Guadalupe: Woman of the Eucharist*. The short film will air after *Jesus Thirsts* and explores the centrality of the Eucharist in that famous Marian apparition. He added, "We really believe that every priest, every deacon, every bishop, every Catholic needs to see this."



Encounter Jesus
in the Eucharist.
He waits for you!

The Holy Spirit and the Eucharist

Even after the Apostles had experienced the Risen Christ, they were afraid. They gathered with Mary on the day of Pentecost and prayed behind locked doors, waiting as instructed for the Gift of the Holy Spirit. After the Holy Spirit descended upon them on Pentecost, the Apostles were no longer afraid and were equipped to fulfill their mission. It is the same for us today. When we receive the Eucharist, we also receive God the Holy Spirit, to abide in the depths of our hearts. If we allow Him, the Spirit of Truth will transform us and we will no longer be afraid, but be equipped with peace and strength for our mission. Let us then prepare for each Eucharistic encounter in the same way the Apostles prepared for Pentecost, "in prayer ... with Mary ..." (Acts 1:14).

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: the Sequence for Pentecost
Come, Holy Spirit, come!

And from your celestial home Shed a ray of light divine!

Come, Father of the poor! Come, source of all our store!
Come, within our bosoms shine.
You, of comforters the best; You, the soul's most welcome guest;

Sweet refreshment here below;
In our labor, rest most sweet; Grateful coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.

O most blessed Light divine, Shine within these hearts of yours,
And our inmost being fill!

Where you are not, we have naught, Nothing good in deed or thought,
Nothing free from taint of ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew; On our dryness pour your dew;

Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will; Melt the frozen, warm the chill;

Guide the steps that go astray.

On the faithful, who adore And confess you, evermore
In your sevenfold gift descend;

Give them virtue's sure reward; Give them your salvation, Lord;

Give them joys that never end. Amen. Alleluia.



Save the Dates for these National Eucharistic Events!

National Eucharistic Procession - Monday, June 10, 2024
Join in the National Eucharistic Procession beginning at 2:00pm at the Park 'n Ride (South of Kwik Trip/Draxler's Transport), processing on the Veteran's Pkwy Bike/Walking Trail, concluding at St. John Paul II Adoration Chapel.

National Eucharistic Pilgrimage Mission Presentation, Exhibits, Adoration, and Prayers: Monday, June 10 - Tuesday, June 11
Join us on Monday, June 10, from 6 - 8pm for a presentation on Blessed Brother James Miller by Fr. Guanella and on Servant of God Fr. Walijewski, by Fr. Kolodziejczyk. The evening also includes Diocese of La Crosse Mission exhibits from 4:30-6pm and 8-9pm; Adoration from 8pm (June 10) through 7am (June 11) in St. John's Church; Matins, including prayer intentions for miracle healings through the intercession of Father Walijewski, led by Fr. Thorn from 3:00am-4:00am.

All are Welcome to Visit

**the Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit
St. John the Baptist School, 307 N. Walnut, Marshfield**

Saturday, June 1 (Columbia Rm) **Sunday, June 2** (Columbia Rm)
8:30am - 10:00am 8:00am - 1:30pm
3:00pm - 6:30pm

Monday, June 3 - Thursday, June 6 (Columbia Rm)
7:30am - 9:00am and 6:00pm—7:30pm

Saturday, June 8 (Columbia Rm) **Sunday, June 9** (Columbia Rm)
8:30am - 10:00am 8:00am - 1:30pm
3:00pm - 6:30pm

Monday, June 10 (School Gym) **Tuesday, June 11** (School Gym)
4:30pm - 6:00pm & 8pm - 9pm 7:30am - 9:00am

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