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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

Tuesday - Fridays 6:30 a.m.
 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 9/2/2024**

8:00am Living & deceased members of the Albert & Sarah Langreck family
 Scripture Readings: 1 Cor 2:1-5 Lk 4:16-30

TUES 9/3/2024 St. Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church

7:00am David Schlagenhaft
 Scripture Readings: 1 Cor 4:1-2, 5-7 Lk 22:24-30

WED 9/4/2024

7:00am Jack Wallace
 8:00am Margaret Weigel
 Scripture Readings: 1 Cor 3:1-9 Lk 4:38-44

THUR 9/5/2024 St. Teresa of Calcutta, Virgin

7:00am Marjorie Oppman
 Scripture Readings: 1 Cor 3:18-23 Lk 5:1-11

FRI 9/6/2024

7:00am Living & deceased members of the James & Jeanette Baltus family
 Scripture Readings: 1 Cor 4:1-5 Lk 5:33-39

SAT 9/7/2024

8:00am Norbert Specht
 Scripture Readings: 1 Cor 4:6b-15 Lk 6:1-5

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm John Latourell

SUN 9/8/2024

7:00am Walter & Josephine and Peter & Maria Manlick families
 9:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
 11:00am Richard De Jarlais, Sr.
 Scripture Readings: Is 35:4-7a James 2:1-5
 Mk 7:31-37

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**September 7th & 8th, 2024**LECTORS**

4:30pm Kathy Doebereiner
 7:00am Dale & Judy Garfield
 9:00am Rita Blenker
 11:00am Sharon See / Akosua Yeboah

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Lois Carlson / Marty Draxler / Joe & Clare Fischer
 7:00am Connie Manlick / Melissa Pittsley
 9:00am Rita Blenker / Dan & Dorothy Flees / Nancy Immerfall
 Jill Hiller / Ann Kundingner
 11:00am Audrey Aply / Lori Keller / Argelia Moya /
 Maria Elizabeth Garcia

SERVERS

4:30pm Emmett Luther / Andrew & Vivien Wojcik
 7:00am Gianna & Ava Rootellis
 9:00am Lily, Neil & Dax Adler
 11:00am Zach Zerrudo / Elliott Alcott

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Cindy Penker / Roni Steines-Machtan
 7:00am Cindy Penker / Roni Steines-Machtan
 9:00am Cathy Heuer / **11:00am** Cathy Heuer

Weekday Mass Servers - September 2nd - September 7th

Monday - Glenn Linzmeier	Thursday Lee Alt
Tuesday - Marty Draxler	Friday - Mike Spencer
Wednesday Dan Flees	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 at 6:30am Tuesday - Friday and on Saturdays after the 8am Mass.

**STEWARDSHIP for August 24th - 25th**

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$14,697.25
Parish Improvement	<u>120.00</u>
Total	\$14,817.25
Total to Date	\$75,065.28



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Diocese of La Crosse Televised Masses - September 3rd

St. John's has been asked to record two Masses that will be televised at a later date on the Diocesan website. These Masses are a blessing for the homebound. Masses will be taped on Tuesday, September 3rd at 9:00am and again at 9:45am.

9:00am

Intention: Mike & Cheryl Schmidt family

Lector: Judy Garfield

Server: Marty Draxler

9:45am

Intention: Caroline Stini

Lector: Laurel Rudolph Kniech

Server: Lee Alt / Dan Mroz

We would like at least twenty people at each of these Masses.

If you can attend, please call the parish office at 715-384-3252.

Mass on Monday, September 2nd (Labor Day) will be at 8:00am and the parish office will be closed. Have a safe and enjoyable Labor Day!

Mass Intention Notice: Canon law states that the parish priest is required to say a Mass *pro populo* (Mass for the people) on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. That is why every weekend one of the Masses is for The Parishioners of St. John's. It is important that our Pastor take that Mass. At this time, the 9am Mass will be designated as the Pro Populo Mass. If you had scheduled an intention at a 9am Mass, it will be moved to one of the other Masses that weekend. Please follow the bulletin to see the change. Questions? Please call the parish office at 715-384-3252.

Frassati Young Adult Group: There will be a gathering for all young adults on Tuesday, Sept. 3rd, at 6:30pm, in Columbia Park. We are kicking off the new school year of meetings with an evening of fellowship and lawn games, including a bean bag tournament! Feel free to bring a friend and a lawn game! In case of inclement weather, we will meet in St. Francis Hall. If you would like to receive updates about our monthly meetings and other events, email marshfieldfrassatiyoungadults@gmail.com.

Attention Choir members! Choir practice will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 4th at 6:30pm in the choir loft. New voices are always welcome! Join us on Wednesday evening at 6:30pm!

PCCW Announcement: All ladies of the parish are invited to attend a PCCW meeting on Tuesday, Sept 10th at 6:00pm in the Columbia Room. After the meeting, we will have refreshments and play Bingo. We look forward to seeing you there!

Marshfield's That Man is You "TMIY" program starts again Tuesday, September 10th in Dillenberg Hall at Our Lady of Peace, from 6am to 7am. If you have wanted to attend but can't due other commitments, you now can watch the presentation on-line at your convenience! Join our program with the below link to sign up so you will receive the weekly program link.

<https://programs.paradisusdei.org/join/E154BC>



*Congratulations to this couple celebrating
 61 years of Marriage on September 1st!
 Bob & Sharon Rottscheit*

Our sympathy to the families of:

Caroline Stini and Mary Ann Heyer

*May the souls of Caroline & Mary Ann
 and the Souls of all the Faithful Departed,
 through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace.*



THE DEACON IS SPEAKIN'

And so September begins! A new school year with young children eager to learn, accept new responsibilities and renew old friendships. At least that's what I'm told is going on. For me, back-to-school was a return to the drudgery of school work, the opportunity to meet new and meaner bullies and the responsibility of taking care of new and heavier books. Whatever the case may be, it is time for us to be more attentive when driving city and county streets. And for heaven sake, slow down if you see a school bus, and if its lights are flashing - STOP - and let the children get across the street!!

September is also when we begin a new OCIA class. OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, formerly known as RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the means by which we bring new adults into the Church. Some of these adults will have little or no religious background, while others come from different Christian traditions. Others can be lapsed Catholics seeking to re-learn their faith and re-enter the Church. As of the writing of this article, it is unknown how many Catechumens / candidates we will have. If you know of anyone who is interested, have them call Mary at the parish office. And PLEASE be sure to pray for all those inquiring into the Church.

With Labor Day behind us, Fall is not far away. Soon the mornings will be crisp and frosty, the geese will gather for their trip south and the leaves will begin their explosion of color. Be sure to take time to enjoy God's work and the beauty of His creation.

Mary, Seat of Learning and our Queen, pray for us!

Deacon Jeff Austin



About our bulletin cover: This month on Sept. 14th, we observe the Exaltation of the Cross. Why? To honor the cross on which Jesus Christ was crucified. The universal symbol of the Christian faith, the cross represents Christ's victory over death. The Exaltation of the Holy Cross also commemorates the discovery of the True Cross. Legend holds that the relic was found by St. Helena, mother of Constantine the Great, during her pilgrimage to the Holy Land about 326. This painting was done by Piero Della Francesca, an Italian Renaissance painter.

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) begins on September 5th with full entrance into the church occurring at Easter of 2025. If you would like to join this class, please call the parish office.



Encounter Jesus in the Eucharist. He waits for you!

Jesus Wants to Remain within Us
 The second part of the Mass is the Liturgy of the Eucharist. We know that Jesus wants to remain with us – to abide within us. We celebrate at Mass the enduring self-gift of Jesus Christ by which He fulfills His promise to remain with us always (unless we choose to separate ourselves from Him through serious sin.) When we receive the Eucharist, we are united to Jesus. He dwells within our heart. This is why the Eucharist is called Holy Communion.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week:
Jesus, please continue to "stay with me", to abide in me so that I can be strengthened as Your faithful follower.

This week, read how after the Resurrection Jesus walked with two disciples, explained the Scriptures to them and then celebrated the Eucharist so that they could abide in Him in Luke 24: 13-35



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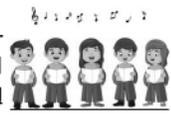
OLP Church, October 6, 4pm - October 8, 8am



Scan the QR Code to sign up and for more information including the schedule of Events

St. John's is starting a new Children's Choir!

St. John's is looking to start a new Children's Choir for ages 8-12. For those interested, please email Ashley Nikolai at nikolai.ashley@columbusdons.org or call 715-387-1177 ext. 3111 by September 13th.



Summary of St. John's Tanzania Mission Team

Have you ever seen the picture collection by the closet in the Columbia Room? Ever wondered why? Fr. Thelen suggested a summary of St. John's Tanzania Mission Team
 My first thought: **Living out the gospel message and our baptismal promises through relationship with and stewardship of our friends in Tanzania, the Sisters of Our Lady Queen of Africa (SOLQA).** It started with my friend Sr. Sabina Kabuga, who stole our hearts during her visit to St. John's back in 2014. She told us the greatest need was to build a convent in the north, Mwanza, Tanzania. Check out the parish website <https://stjohnsmarshfield.org/missions-team/> to see pictures of our early Mission Team efforts and more!

Then, I think about our **mission trips, from which relationships developed and friendships endure to this day between Sisters of Our Lady Queen of Africa and our parishioners!**

- 2017 Small group of 5 parishioners to Mwanza and Sumbawanga, TZ, to see the finished Divine Mercy Convent and deepen our relationship with SOLQA.
- 2018 Two youths who were invited to help with English classes at St. Theresia School for Girls.
- 2019 Intergenerational mission trip of 21 people to Sumbawanga. Mission Trips change hearts...because you get to see/feel/hear touch/taste the reality of the needs, the spirit of giving and receiving

Lastly, the **financial support**, which is truly incredible:

ST JOHN'S PARISH DONATIONS:

\$113,000 (2014-2016) to build the Divine Mercy Convent, Mwanza

OTHER DIOCESAN DONATIONS:

- \$5000 (2016) solar panels, Divine Mercy Convent (DMC)
- \$10,000 (2017) stove and autoclave; drainage for DMC
- \$12,500 (2018) Set aside in interest bearing acct for Dar es Salaam Convent
- \$12,500 (2019) start foundation for co-ed school admin building
- \$25,000 (2020) walling up for admin building and classrooms, co-ed school
- \$60,000 (2021) Computer and Library Building; finishing toilets
- \$40,000 (2022) Finish co-ed school security fence per gov't mandate to register the school.
- \$50,000 (2023) \$35K to orphanage school and \$15K to coed school
- \$38,000 (2024) \$30K to girls' dormitory (co-ed school) and \$8 K to flood damage repair of DMC
- Total= \$253,000 (7/2024)**

Mission Team: what can happen when we step out of the way of the Holy Spirit to let His will be done through our hearts and hands!

Interested in learning more? Contact SAM Steiner (715-384-4397), Dorothy Flees (dorothy.flees@gmail.com), Christy Kitzhaber (cmkitz@tds.net) or Dan Kitzhaber (drkitzhaber@gmail.com)

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