

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

Tuesday - Fridays 6:30 a.m. Third Fridays 6:00 p.m.

Following the 8:00 a.m. Mass Saturdays

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 9/30/2024 St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

7:00am Jerry De Smet

Scripture Readings: Jb 1:6-22 Lk 9:46-50

TUES 10/1/2024 St. Therese of the Child Jesus. Virgin

7:00am Nancy Zygarlicke

Scripture Readings: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23 Lk 9:51-56

WED 10/2/2024 The Holy Guardian Angels

7:00am Jerome & Mary Lou Kirsch

8:00am Archie Schwantes

Scripture Readings: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16 Mt 18:1-5,10

THUR 10/3/2024

7:00am David Olsen

Scripture Readings: Jb 19:21-27 Lk 10:1-12

FRI 10/4/2024 St. Francis of Assisi

7:00am Bill Drexler

Scripture Readings: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5 Lk 10:13-16

SAT 10/5/2024 St. Faustina Kowalska, Virgin; Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

8:00am Lynette Barrett

Scripture Readings: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6,12-17 Lk 10:17-24

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm Eugene Zygarlicke

SUN 10/6/2024

7:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

9:00am Gabriel Borchardt

11:00am Clarence & Ann Folz

Scripture Readings: Gn 2:18-24 Heb 2:9-11

Mk 10:2-16

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<u>LITURGICAL MINISTERS</u>

October 5th & 6th, 2024

LECTORS

4:30pm Jonathan Rootellis **7:00am** Laurel Rudolph-Kniech 9:00am Al May **11:00am** Josh Dick

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Joe & Clare Fischer / Marcy Gotz / Susan Jahr

7:00am Laurel Rudolph-Kniech / Peg Endries

9:00am Maureen Karaliunas / Ron & Patty Kraus

Ann Kundinger / Pat & Marlea Lescynski

11:00am Michael Clubb / Linda Degenhardt / Lori Keller / Lucas Hart

SERVERS

4:30pm Ava & Gianna Rootellis

7:00am Kolbe & Dominic Landwehr

9:00am Dakota Hannasch / Jeremiah & Fulton Prusinski

11:00am Maria Elizabeth Garcia / Ella Gullickson

MUSIC MINISTER

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

Weekday Mass Servers - September 30th - October 5th

Monday -
Tuesday -
WednesdayGlenn Linzmeier
Marty DraxlerThursday
Friday -
SaturdayLee Alt
Mike SpencerSaturdayKolbe & 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.





The parish office will be closed Monday, Sept. 29th, Thursday, Oct. 3rd & Friday, Oct. 4th. Hours for Oct. 1st, 2nd will be 10am - 3pm.

STEWARDSHIP for Sept. 21st - 22nd

Adult / Youth / Plate \$10,790.53
Parish Improvement 122.00
Total \$10,912.53

ACH for September \$14,240.00

Total to Date for September \$77,060.21



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October: Month of the Rosary!

Please Save The Date: October 12th 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 12 noon. We will be praying for the conversion of our nation. Any questions, please call Lori Mann at 715-652-6545 or Joan at 715-384-5935.

Pro-life Rosary at Gate of Heaven Cemetery Oct.

19th. 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.

October Church Tours following Weekend Masses St. John the Baptist Church is blessed with much beauty in its art, structure, and the presence of saints seen not only in the sanctuary, but also in the windows and in the relics on display. The Adoration Chapel is also a place of much inspiration and prayer. Tours of our church will be available after each Mass in October for parishioners to get a first hand guided tour of our beautiful church. Limit 10 persons per tour. We hope you can join at some point. Join your "tour guides" following Mass in front of the Marian Altar as they share information on the rich treasures of our parish!

Respect Life Sunday - October 5-6, 2024 - Knights of Columbus LifeSavers Every October, the Church in the U.S. celebrates Respect Life Month. We reflect on the gift of every human life and how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death. Jesus, truly present in the Eucharist, gives us the fullness of life. While we live in a



society that often rejects those who are weak, fragile, or vulnerable, they are the most in need of our care and protection. He calls each of us to respect that gift of life in every human person. *Following the October 5-6 weekend Masses*, the KCs will have LifeSavers available for a donation to support their Pro-Life activities such as scholarships for attending March for Life, purchasing ultrasound equipment for area Pregnancy Resource Centers and attending their annual Banquet of Life. We greatly appreciate your donations.

You are invited to a Transitus Service on Thurs., Oct. 3rd at 6pm here at St. John's hosted by the Secular Franciscans. Transitus is the annual celebration by Franciscans throughout the world of the passing of St. Francis from this life to life with God. The Sisters of the Franciscan Congregation of Divine Mercy will have a first class relic of St. Francis that will be available for veneration during and after the service and again on Friday, Oct. 4th on the Feast Day of St. Francis at the 7:00am Mass. Please join us!

Diaper Drive

The St. John's Family Life Committee will host a Diaper Drive in support of the Hannah Center, a non-profit organization that exists to assist women in life crisis through compassion and guidance in a nurturing environment. They are committed to preserving life, providing a home



and promoting change. Our participation will help families who are unable to provide an adequate monthly supply of fresh diapers for their children. Our efforts in this diaper drive will go a long way to ensuring that these babies get a healthier start in life. The Diaper Drive will take place during the month of **October-Respect Life Month**. Please drop off diapers at the designated table in the entry.

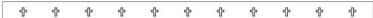
FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners: This coming Wednesday is the 10th anniversary of my ordination to the Diaconate. On October 2, 2014 I was ordained a Deacon in the Basilica of St. Peter in Rome. It was a special day as about 50 of my classmates got ordained with me. I recall the slightly strange yet wonderful feeling of being able to bless sacramentals and persons following my ordination. The day following my ordination Bishop Callahan celebrated a Mass in the chapel of St. Lawrence, the very location where this saint was martyred almost 1,800 years ago. It was my first Mass as a Deacon and I felt honored that our bishop at the time was able to celebrate this Mass at this most unique spot in gratitude for my ordination. The day following I travelled with a bus of pilgrims from Boyd and Chippewa Falls to San Giovanni Rotondo. Here I served as Deacon at Mass at the very altar of St. Padre Pio, the location where he celebrated Mass for over 50 years in the early 1900's.

I look back at the past 10 years with gratitude. I received the grace of priestly ordination the following summer in La Crosse and then have served now in four different assignments (8 different churches) in the subsequent years. The 4,500 Masses I have celebrated bring back many blessed memories. As I look forward to many more years in service to Christ and his Church, I wish to encourage vocations to the priesthood and religious life. A life lived for Christ is rich: rich in deep encounters with people of every age and rich in closeness to His merciful love.

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

Fr. Thelen



Children's Choir Practice: Our first practice will be Wednesday, Oct. 9th. All parents of interested youth should attend this first practice. We will meet from 4 - 5pm in the church. Please enter by the side wooden door.

Frassati Young Adult Group: There will be a gathering for all young adults on Tuesday, October 1st, at 6:30pm. Please join us in St. Francis Hall. <u>Our guest speaker is Fr. Jared Clements!</u>
If you would like to be added to the email list to receive undates

If you would like to be added to the email list to receive updates about our monthly meetings, please email marshfieldfrassatiyoungadults@gmail.com.

Transformed - 6 - Week Bible Study For Moms
All moms are invited to join this fall Bible study where you will
grow in community and faith. We meet on Tuesdays 9:30am 11:30am in the Columbia room beginning on October 1st. For
more information or to sign up, email Kat at
katrinaegle@gmail.com

"Our Lord hears our prayers anywhere, but He has revealed to His servants that those who visit Him in the Eucharist will obtain a more abundant measure of grace." St. Alphonsus Ligouri Immediate openings at St. JP II Chapel are Sundays at noon or Saturdays from 1-2pm. Please call Jean at 715-503-0118 or Deacon Ray at 715-207-6085 for more information.



40 Hours Devotion for Columbus Catholic Schools

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





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

Save the Date! Saturday, October 19~ Day of Equipping

9:00am-3:30pm

Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman, La Crosse, WI Cost: \$25.00 - Lunch included

There is still time to sign up for this one day retreat. All information can be found on the table in the vestibule. Please register individually either by email <u>cathedralsjworkman.org/church-on-fire-mission/</u> or scan the QR code!

Cost is only \$25 and includes lunch, snacks and refreshments.

Prayer Shawl Ministry members are offering free lessons in basic knitting (Barb 1-715-486- 5917) and basic crocheting (Lori 715-305-6322) to anyone willing to prayerfully complete one prayer shawl. We should be able to provide you with supplies, so no financial investment is needed. We would like to gather in groups, so please call with your availability.



Prayer Shawl Ministry also received a generous amount of yarn. Please call Lori to make arrangements to pick up yarn, as there is not enough room to be stored in the Bride's Room.

Women at the Well - For information or questions call Judy (715-305-2261) "The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." John 4:14



This past summer a number of parishioners from St. John's attended the Eucharistic Congress. Wanting to pass on the zeal they experienced while there, the next few weeks they will share a few of the inspiring

words that impacted them from some of the excellent speakers during this event.

Encountering Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament can influence the rest of our lives. St. Charles de Foucauld evangelized non-Christians in the Sahara Desert. He spent hours each day before Jesus as he understood that he needed to come to Jesus in the Eucharist in order to be transformed be the Holy Spirit, filled with His strength to be able to be an evangelizing witness to Christ. (cf Pope Benedict XVI)

Spend some time reflecting on your own vocational state. As the Church so beautifully teaches, we all participate in the mission of Jesus through our Baptism. How do you, in your state in life, take part in the saving *mission of Jesus, which is rooted in the*

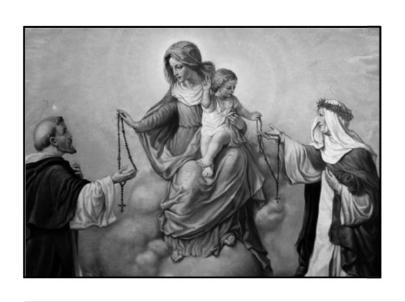
Eucharist? For those discerning their vocation, how might Jesus be inviting you through a particular vocational state to make a complete gift of yourself to him?

Sr. Alicia Torres F.E.



Encounter Jesus in the Eucharist. He waits for you!

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY



Our Lady of Peace & Father Dillenburg Hall

Join us at Our Lady of Peace Church during the 40 Hour Devotion

4:00 PM → Rosary

Led by Barb Barrett

4:25 PM → Personal Testimony

- Allyson Mayeux
- Bob Richmond
- Theresa Konopa

5:00 PM → Speaker

Fr. Gregory Michaud. Pastor, St. Mary - Neillsville
 "Are Indulgences Biblical?"

5:30 PM → Pot Luck Supper

 Fr. Dillenburg Hall → Please bring a dish to pass <u>prior to</u> the Rosary/Testimony/Speaker "Never will anyone who says the Rosary every day be led astray. If there were one million families praying the Rosary every day, the entire world would be saved."

Our Lady of the Rosary

Sponsored by Marshfield Deanery Perpetual Adoration Committee

Information: Jean Kaiser 715-387-0571

Monday, October 7, 2024

St. John Paul II Perpetual Adoration Chapel

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Truly present in the Eucharist, I place my Trust in You.



Thank you for adoring JESUS, the TRUE PRESENCE – Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity – in the ST. JOHN PAUL II ADORATION CHAPEL

AVAILABLE HOURS

It is our goal to have two adorers for each hour. The day of the week/hour with a \boxtimes below has *only* one adorer. A second adorer would be *greatly* appreciated.

TIME	12 am	1 am	2 am	3 am	4 am	5 am	6 am	7 am	8 am	9 am	10 am	11 am	12 pm	1 pm	2 pm	3 pm	4 pm	5 pm	6 pm	7 pm	8 pm	9 pm	10 pm	11 pm
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If you would like to adore during any of the times listed above or you are in need of more information, please contact

Jean Kaiser at 715-387-0571 or

Deacon Ray Draeger at 715-207-6085

If you are unable to commit to a holy hour with Jesus, you are always welcome to adore at any time in the

St. John Paul II Adoration Chapel located in the Mother Frances Streitel Center at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 201 W. Blodgett Street, Marshfield, WI

PARISH MISSION WITH OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

THE MARIAN MESSENGERS

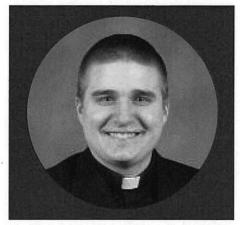


MARY COMES TO INSPIRE YOUR FAITH!

Join us as we explore one of the most amazing events in the history of the Church. Fr. Tim will be presenting the vital message of Guadalupe for our troubled times. Let us stand close to Mary as she teaches us how to live for and love Jesus in our daily lives that all may come to believe and follow!

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN:

- Mary's Message of Evangelization for our time.
- Meaning of the Miraculous Image of Guadalupe
- Reasons why Marian Devotion is essential
- · Deeper Appreciation of how to share our Faith



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Politics, Voting and Christian Faith



As Christians, we do not leave our faith behind when we engage the world of politics and elections. We understand that politics, like every other part of life, must be illuminated by God's light or we will stumble in the dark. A generation ago, a large majority of Americans shared this view. Call it the Classical Christian worldview. It was the common foundation for our social and political life; we assumed it like the ground beneath our feet. Today, however, that foundation is under attack from another worldview, one that rejects God, or at least marginalizes him, as it makes the self supreme. Let's call it the Radical Selfist worldview.

The Classical Christian Worldview

The Classical Christian worldview holds that we have received our lives as a gift from a God who loves us, and that we are accountable to him. It believes in moral laws that God has written on our hearts and clarified through his revelation. This is his blueprint for us, his design for our happiness and fulfillment. This blueprint reveals to us certain foundational moral principles. Among them, we see:

- · That every human life, of every race and nation, born and unborn, is sacred, with equal rights and dignity;
- That we are created male or female according to God's plan;
- That sexual relations are meant for marriage between one man and one woman;
- That religious freedom and the rights of conscience are sacred.

Though we are imperfect human beings, we work to build our lives on foundational principles such as these, as we raise our families and shape our social and civic communities.

The Radical Selfist Worldview

The Radical Selfist worldview opposes everything we have just described, rejecting the idea of a God-given blueprint. Everything is up to personal 'choice.' We can choose our own gender, our preferred exercise of sexuality, our definition of marriage, and even whether a child in the womb shall live or die. Radical Selfism preaches tolerance until it gains power, at which point it seeks to intimidate, silence and punish those who disagree with it. Unfortunately, this worldview has been promoted by many in Hollywood, mass media, and big tech. It has also infected substantial segments of corporate America, the education system, and government.

Political Consequences

Sadly, the current political landscape essentially forces us to choose between these worldviews. This choice has weighty consequences at every level of government, from the White House and Congress to State and local officials and school boards. The most telling indicator of Radical Selfism is advocacy of abortion, by which man steals from God the very power over life and death. By far the gravest human rights violation of our time, abortion has cost the lives of more than 64 million unborn babies in our nation. Thankfully, the Supreme Court's Dobbs decision reversing Roe v. Wade returned abortion law to the states. But abortion advocacy continues with its deceitful buzzwords and slogans, closing its eyes to the life of the child in the womb. And abortion is inevitably clustered with other positions of the Radical Selfist worldview.

What is a Christian to do?

While we cannot expect perfection from any political candidate, it is vital that Christians support those most closely aligned with the Classical Christian worldview, and oppose those aligned with the Radical Selfist worldview. For Radical Selfism, with its worship of 'choice' in place of God, inevitably produces bitter fruits: moral and civil breakdown, destruction, and death. It is simply impossible to achieve lasting harmony and peace without adhering to the foundational principles of God's plan. Therefore, let us be courageous witnesses to the Gospel, and pray tirelessly that God might heal our nation and lead us in his ways. And let us intensify our efforts to elect candidates with the courage to stand up for the God-given principles and rights on which our nation was founded. Our future, and the future of our children and our grandchildren, is at stake.



Christopher Ruff, Director of the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns.

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