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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.

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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 1/6/2025 St. André Bessette, Religious
 7:00am Carol Sirko
 Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6 Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

TUES 1/7/2025 St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
 7:00am Rollie Thomas
 Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 4:7-10 Mk 6:34-44

WED 1/8/2025
 7:00am Donald & Margaret Kraus
 8:00am Tony Hoffman
 Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 4:11-18 Mk 6:45-52

THUR 1/9/2025
 7:00am Dolores Strohman
 Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4 Lk 4:14-22a

FRI 1/10/2025
 7:00am Mary Ann Condon
 Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 5:5-13 Lk 5:12-16

SAT 1/11/2025
 8:00am Jane Seifert
 Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 5:14-21 Jn 3:22-30
 4:30pm Living & deceased members of the Albert Langreck family

The Baptism of the Lord

SUN 1/12/2025
 7:00am Herbert Schneider
 9:00am John & Betty Hartl
 11:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
 Scripture Readings: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 Acts 10:34-38
 Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

January 11th & 12th, 2025

LECTORS

4:30pm Jonathan Rootellis
 7:00am Caren Alsides
 9:00am Dorothy Flees
 11:00am Ruth Richmond

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Mike Gonerig / Marcy Gotz / Susan Jahr / Becky Kaiser
 7:00am Peg Endries / Dale & Judy Garfield
 9:00am Chris Nemitz / Natalie Ridder / Lonny Roberts
 Tiffany Scheer / Ray Langreck / Rita Blenker
 11:00am Kim Rybicki / John Salzmann / Sharon See / Audrey Aply

SERVERS

4:30pm Gianna & Ava Rootellis
 7:00am Kolbe & Dominic Landwehr
 9:00am Isaac & Nathan Scheer / Graham Bauer
 11:00am Zach Zerrudo / Elliott Alcott / Nolan Frane

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Ashley Nikolai
 7:00am Ashley Nikolai
 9:00am Ashley Nikolai / Children's Choir
 11:00am Kris Herr / Adult Choir

Weekday Mass Servers - January 6th - January 11th

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




STEWARDSHIP for December 24th - 25th

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$8,353.54
Parish Improvement	190.00
Total for Christmas 2024	<u>26,694.00</u>
Total	\$35,237.54
Total to date for December	\$119,901.91

STEWARDSHIP for December 28th - 29th

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$28,749.52
Parish Improvement	<u>620.00</u>
Total	\$29,369.52
Total to date for December	\$149,271.43
Total for Religious Retirement	\$3,787.00



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Thank you for your constant generosity to St. Johns as well as to your response to help the retired religious!

Diocesan Annual Appeal - 2024-2025

After not posting last week, we have good news! We continue to climb towards meeting our goal! Below is the update as of December 30th:

Campaign Goal	\$129,070.00
Amount Received	\$111,928.00
Under Goal	\$19,817.00
Percentage Received	84.65%
Number of Donors=	335

St. John's has a total of 1080 families. We are reaching out to those who have not yet donated. Please help us reach our goal! Any amount you can spare helps! Thank you!

Marshfield Catholic Cemetery Association will meet on Wednesday, January 8th, 2025, at 3:00pm Toeller Hall at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish.

Frassati Young Adult Group: There will be a gathering for all young adults on Tuesday, January 7th, at 6:30 pm. Please join us for a Christmas potluck (see the group email for the link to the sign up sheet) and an optional white elephant gift exchange! We will meet in St. Francis Hall in St. John's school. 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. Newcomers welcomed!

Deanery Living Stations: We are looking for young men and ladies in high school to help perform the Living Stations. There are no lines to memorize but what is needed is an openness to practice and present the Stations for the parish and Faith Formation program. We walk the stops of Jesus as he carried his cross to Calvary until his death. If interested, please contact Father Jared at 715-387-1177 ext 3316 or the parish office of St. John's at 715-384-3252.

Adoration Chapel: Urgent hours are needed to fill: Tuesdays from 9-10pm, Wednesdays 11-midnight and Saturdays 1-2pm. If you feel called to fill one of these hours, please call Jean at 715-387-0571 or Deacon Ray at 715-207-6085.

Marshfield Faith Formation update
 In January there are classes for grades 1-10 on January 8th at 6pm. There are classes for grades 6-10 on January 22nd at 6pm. The theme for grades 1-5 is "The Bible: Our Family's Story". Every family has stories, from funny to heartbreaking. The Bible is God's family story, and we are in God's family through our baptism. This month we will focus on this bigger story and what it means for us.



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).

THE DEACON IS SPEAKIN'

I think it is fitting that we start the New Year off by celebrating the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. We, as Catholics, begin each year by honoring Jesus' mother under her title of "Mother of God". We do this to remind ourselves that, from the very moment of conception, Jesus was fully God and fully man. He is one person with two natures, one divine and one human. He is fully God and fully man not part God and part man.

This is an important concept because if Jesus, who is divine from all eternity, took on His humanity at the very moment of His conception in Mary's womb, then each and everyone of us became a human being at the moment of our conception! We are, in fact, endowed by our creator, God, with human rights which cannot, must not be taken away from us. No one, not the executive branch, not the legislative branch, not the judicial branch of any government, federal, state, local or international have the right to deprive us of our basic human rights. If we continue to allow our rights to be eroded then we will have no right to complain when these rights are taken from us.

Each year hundreds of thousands of people, mostly young, descend on Washington D.C. to defend our basic human rights, the right to life. In what has become the most ignored event in America, people from all across America, and yes from around the world, march peacefully in defense of basic human dignity, the right to life. There will be no rioting, no looting, no destruction of personal property, no violence, just good people whose love of God and love for you brings them to march in defense of the life of the unborn and the rights of us all.

The people of St. Johns have always been very generous when supporting worthy causes. I can assure you that these young people deserve your support and I urge you to do so. First with your prayers, and second, with any other help you can give them.

Holy Mary, Mother of God and our Mother, pray for them and please, pray for us.

Deacon Jeff Austin



*Encounter Jesus
in the Eucharist.
He waits for you!*

Wise men came to worship Jesus
Wise men from far away saw an incredibly bright star moving across the sky. They followed the star to see where it would take them. It led them to the Infant Jesus. The Magi gave

precious gifts to adore the Christ Child, which reveal this holy Child's identity; God becoming man: gold for Christ's kingship, frankincense for His divinity and myrrh for His anointing after His sacrifice on the Cross. Jesus gives us the greatest Gift – the Gift of Himself in the Eucharist again and again in a life-giving encounter.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: *Jesus, the wise man brought You precious gifts. Thank You for giving us the most precious Gift of Yourself in the Eucharist.*

This week, read how the wise men came to worship Jesus and bring Him gifts in Matthew 2:1-12



You are invited -- January 11th Chalice of Mercy Ukrainian Christmas Dinner Each year, Valentyna Pavsuykova, founder of Chalice of Mercy, a mission to Ukraine (now suffering so much), hosts a Ukrainian Christmas Dinner at the Lilydale Event Center in Chippewa Falls. All proceeds from this amazing, multicourse meal served by young people in full Ukrainian garb, go to benefit the work of the mission. To learn more, or to donate to Chalice of Mercy, visit diolc.org/chalice-of-mercy. More information can be found on the flyer on the kiosk as you enter church.

Sunday, January 12, 2025 - Mass with Bishop Battersby and Bishop Vitalii! Join us at the 11:00am Mass and then for a special meal to follow in Schuh Hall. (Overflow will be in the Columbia Room)

All are welcome! We are hoping for a nice crowd and so it may be a bit crowded. We ask for your patience.

Donations

- Please drop in the collection basket or mail to the parish
- Two ways to support
 1. Diocese of Kyiv–Zhytomyr
Please make checks out to St John the Baptist Parish. Note on check: Ukraine Diocese Support
 2. Chalice of Mercy, Inc. 501(c)3
Please make checks out to Chalice of Mercy

Sunday Mass & Healing Service St. Matthew Catholic church in Wausau will celebrate Sunday Mass followed by communal and individual prayer for health and healing on Sunday, January 12 at 3:30pm. The sacrament of reconciliation will be available prior to Mass from 2pm until 3:25pm.

On Tuesdays after the 7am Mass you are invited to come and pray the Chaplet of St. Gertrude for all the souls in Purgatory.

St. Gertrude the Great Prayer

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, those in my own home and within my family, Amen.

Mass Intentions - the stipends for Masses has remained the same for over 30 years throughout the Dioceses of Wisconsin. Recently when the Bishops of the state of Wisconsin gathered, they decreed that the stipends should be adjusted. Mass stipends will now be \$20 (formerly \$10). As always, Mass stipends are paid to the parish and not the priest directly. Thank you!

Please note the following guidelines on scheduling a Mass:

- ◇ **Only one scheduled intention can be booked per Mass. This one scheduled intention can have no more than three names within the intention.**
- ◇ **A family can book no more than four scheduled Masses per person in a calendar year and only two of those can be weekend Masses.**
- ◇ **Masses for 2025 are fully booked.**
- ◇ **The calendar for Mass Intentions for 2026 are now open. Please call or drop in during business hours to schedule. Please know that some dates might not be available as we honored first the recently deceased.**

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