

# 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.

### *Parish Personnel*

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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 3/17/2025** St. Patrick, Bishop  
 7:00am Charles & Mary Rentmeester  
 Scripture Readings: Dn 9:4b-10 Lk 6:36-38

**TUES 3/18/2025** St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop, Doctor of the Church  
 7:00am Richard Hansen  
 Scripture Readings: Is 1:10, 16-20 Mt 23:1-12

**WED 3/19/2025** St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
 7:00am Mary Alice Stangl  
**8:00am No Mass**  
 Scripture Readings: Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14, 16 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22  
 Mt 1:16, 18-21

**THUR 3/20/2025**  
 7:00am Frances Weigel  
 Scripture Readings: Jer 17:5-10 Lk 16:19-31

**FRI 3/21/2025**  
 7:00am Melvin Heintz  
 Scripture Readings: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

**SAT 3/22/2025**  
 8:00am Marian Wagner  
 Scripture Readings: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
 4:30pm David Schlagenhaft

**Third Sunday in Lent**

**SUN 3/23/2025**  
 7:00am Living & deceased members of the William & Philomene  
 Schneider family  
 9:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist  
 11:00am Catherine Poehnel  
 Scripture Readings: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12  
 Lk 13:1-9



**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

March 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

LECTORS

4:30pm Jeff Schultz  
 7:00am Dale & Judy Garfield  
 9:00am Lonny Roberts  
 11:00am John Salzmann

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Mike Gonerig / Joan Raschke / Tom & Susan Youngwith  
 7:00am Lee & Pam Alt / Peg Endries  
 9:00am Lonny Roberts / David Schlinsog / Rita Blenker  
 Jill Hiller / Dan & Dorothy Flees  
 11:00am Robert & Ruth Richmond / Jonathan & Melanie Rootellis

SERVERS

4:30pm Emmett Luther / Cole & Derek Krieg  
 7:00am Joseph & Madeline Niehaus  
 9:00am Dakota Hannasch / Jeremiah & Fulton Prusinski  
 11:00am Zach Zerrudo / Elliott Alcott

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Suzanne Golden  
 7:00am Megan Schirger  
 9:00am Megan Schirger  
 11:00am Megan Schirger

**Weekday Mass Servers - March 17<sup>th</sup> - March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

<b>Monday</b> - Glenn Linzmeier	<b>Thursday</b> Lee Alt
<b>Tuesday</b> - Marty Draxler	<b>Friday</b> - Mike Spencer
<b>Wednesday</b> Dan Flees	<b>Saturday</b> 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 March 8<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup>**

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$18,220.93
Parish Improvement	247.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$18,467.93</b>
<b>Total to date for March</b>	<b>\$37,114.46</b>



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**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).

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

The Stations of the Cross will be offered on the following dates and times:



2:00pm for the students of St. John's (anyone is welcome to join)

March 19<sup>th</sup> / March 26<sup>th</sup>

April 2<sup>nd</sup> / April 9<sup>th</sup> / April 16<sup>th</sup>

Fridays at 5:15pm (followed by Confessions)

March 21<sup>st</sup> / March 28<sup>th</sup>

April 4<sup>th</sup> (Confessions at Sacred Heart) / April 11<sup>th</sup>

March 21<sup>st</sup> Servers: Kolbe L / Dominic L / Ava R

**Pastoral Council** will meet at 6:30pm on Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> in the Columbia room of St. John's.

**Lector, EM and youth server schedules** for the months of May - August will soon be worked on. Please notify the office by March 25<sup>th</sup> at [secretary@stjmf.diocparish.org](mailto:secretary@stjmf.diocparish.org) if you know of any dates that you should not be scheduled. Thank you!

**Youth Servers: if you would like to participate more fully in the Mass**, and are in fourth grade or older, we would love to have you as a Mass Server. We are especially in need of servers for the Saturday 4:30pm and the Sunday 7:00am Masses. If you are interested, call the parish office at 715-384-3252. A training will be set up in the near future and new servers would serve alongside our experienced servers.

**In gratitude for the Knights and all who attended the Pancake breakfast on February 16<sup>th</sup>**. A net total of \$3761 has been raised towards the Columbus Catholic School Playgrounds. If you would like to donate to this fundraiser, please make your check out to St. John the Baptist.



**PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE**

Confession available Fridays during Lent beginning at 6:00pm

March 21<sup>st</sup> / March 28<sup>th</sup> / April 11<sup>th</sup>

**Confessions at Sacred Heart on April 4<sup>th</sup>**

Beginning after the 5:30pm Mass

Every Saturday morning following the 8:00am Mass

Tuesdays - Fridays 6:30am - 6:50am

**DEANERY-WIDE CONFESSIONS**

Our Lady of Peace  
 April 6<sup>th</sup>  
 Noon - 5pm

**Holy Week Confessions - Noon - 1pm**

Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> & Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup>  
 No Confessions on Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners: Our Lenten journey continues. This time of penance and prayer strips us of distractions and brings us back to our greatest need, that of God. The way we can connect to God the best is through the sacraments. Thus Mass, along with the other six sacraments, are the most precious gifts we have.

What is offered at Mass? I lift the bread, and offer it to God. I lift the wine, and offer it to God. I offer to God the fruits of the earth. God then takes these fruits, bread and wine, and transforms them into divine food. Into his Body and Blood, food that gives us eternal life.

Is there anything else that is offered at Mass? Yes, there is. It is ourselves. We present ourselves and offer our prayers, our needs, and our lives to God. If God can change bread and wine into his Body and Blood, what can he change in us if we offer ourselves at Holy Mass? If we truly come to Mass and say to Jesus, I give you everything of myself. I hold nothing back. I give you everything. My thoughts, my desires, my hopes, my dreams, my past, my future, my repentant heart. I give you everything. Do with me whatever you wish. I desire only to serve you and do your will.

God then takes this offering of ourselves, and transforms us. He makes us new. He fills us with His life. He brings us in to partake of his Divine life. We then participate in the life that God desires for us. Life with God. Attendance at Mass changes us. The divine mysteries of Mass change us. Therefore, do not limit yourselves by just being present at Mass, offer yourselves actively to God at every Holy Mass. May this time of Lent be a true blessing for you. Be transformed by God. Take this season of Lent seriously. Be transformed by God through the Sacraments of the Church.

May St. John the Baptist pray for us and bless us.

Fr. Thelen



Encounter Jesus  
in the Eucharist.  
He waits for you!

### Jesus is the "living Bread from Heaven."

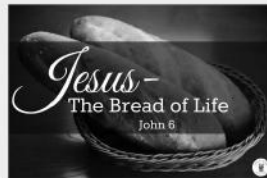
Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from Heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever." (John 6:51). Jesus gave this living bread for

the first time to His Apostles at the Last Supper. Jesus gives this living Bread to us in Holy Communion. The **living Bread** is Jesus Himself.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week:

*Jesus, please strengthen my faith to believe that You are the "living Bread" received in Holy Communion.*

This week, read the explanation that Jesus gives that He is the "living Bread from Heaven" in John 6: 48-51



### Jubilee Pilgrimage to Italy - September 29 - October 8, 2025

Join Fr. Daniel Sedlacek and St. Charles Parish in Genoa for a profound spiritual journey through Italy as we celebrate the Jubilee Year and honor our patron St. Charles Borromeo. This pilgrimage offers a unique opportunity to deepen your faith while visiting sacred Catholic sites in Rome, Orvieto, Assisi, Milan, Arona, and more. Special highlights include the Diaconate Ordination of Kyle Lang of the Diocese of La Crosse at St. Peter's Basilica, walking through the Holy Doors, praying at the tombs of the Saints, and much more! Cost: \$6,277.00. Contact: [frdanielsedlacek@gmail.com](mailto:frdanielsedlacek@gmail.com)

## Feast of St. Joseph - March 19<sup>th</sup>

### Daily Prayer to St. Joseph

My beloved St. Joseph, adopt me as your child. Take charge of my salvation. Watch over me night and day. Preserve me from occasions of sin. Obtain for me purity of body and soul and the spirit of true prayer. Win for me a spirit of sacrifice, humility, and self-denial. Obtain for me a burning love for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and tender love for Mary, my Mother. St. Joseph, be with me in life; be with me in death and obtain for me a favorable judgment from Jesus. Amen.



### Living Stations of the Cross

**Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church - April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00pm**  
Students from four different schools invite you to come to their presentation of the Living Stations. These young people have put much time into preparing for this event. They would love to see you!

**Guided by Grace Silent Retreat:** Sara Clements (Father Clements's mother) will be offering an adult Silent Retreat at Christ the King in Spencer on Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 7:30am-2:30pm. **Guided by Grace: Cultivating a Listening Heart for the Holy Spirit** will include 2 presentations by Sara, guided meditation, silent reflection, and Adoration. Presentation 1: "*Discerning the Spirit's Voice*" will provide an overview of listening to the Holy Spirit, practical exercises and Q&A. Presentation 2: "*Walking in the Spirit*" explores how to respond to the Holy Spirit's guidance and live out faith. A light breakfast and lunch will be served. Cost is \$20. To sign up, visit Christ the King's website [ctkspencer.net](http://ctkspencer.net) or contact the parish office. [office@ctk.diocparish.org](mailto:office@ctk.diocparish.org) 715.659.4480

**Lenten Mission Into the Deep** is a two-night Lenten mission at Our Lady of Peace Church in Marshfield featuring Braden Johnson, a Catholic evangelist with experience in campus ministry and speaking at conferences and parishes nationwide. On April 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm, he will speak on *Called to Faith*, exploring how we can deepen our relationship with God. On April 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm, his talk *Understanding the Hearts of Young People* will cover guiding youth in virtue, relationships, and faith. Don't miss this opportunity for spiritual growth during this holy season. More information can be found on the kiosk.

**An in-person 3-part SymptoPro Natural Family Planning course** will be offered in the Marshfield Deanery at St. John the Baptist Marshfield from 10:00am-11:45am on Sundays, May 4<sup>th</sup>, May 18<sup>th</sup>, and June 1<sup>st</sup>. Cost is \$100. If you are looking for a refresher, have taken this course in the past and have the Couple's Guide to Fertility book, the fee will be waived. Contact: Christy Kitzhaber at [kitzhaber@symptopro.org](mailto:kitzhaber@symptopro.org) or 715-486-5733 for registration information.

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