



# 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.

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### *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 5/19/2025**

7:00am Cheri Krier

Scripture Readings: Acts 14:5-18

Jn 14:21-26

**TUES 5/20/2025** St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

7:00am Gerald &amp; Nancy Bauer

Scripture Readings: Acts 14:19-28

Jn 14:27-31a

**WED 5/21/2025** St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest,  
and Companions, Martyrs

7:00am Richard Franke

8:00am Jerald Kraus

Scripture Readings: Acts 15:1-9

Jn 15:1-8

**THUR 5/22/2025** St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

7:00am Irv &amp; Mary Ann Heyer

Scripture Readings: Acts 15:7-21

Jn 15:9-11

**FRI 5/23/2025**

7:00am Larry &amp; Greg Dick

Scripture Readings: Acts 15:22-31

Jn 15:12-17

**SAT 5/24/2025**

8:00am Tony Hoffman

Scripture Readings: Acts 16:1-10

Jn 15:18-21

4:30pm Sylvester &amp; Dorothy Gessert

**Sixth Sunday of Easter****SUN 5/25/2025**

7:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist Parish

9:00am Louise Herr

11:00am Oscar &amp; Frances Weigel

Scripture Readings: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Rv 21:10-14, 22-23

Jn 14:23-29

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS****May 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025****LECTORS**

4:30pm Marcy Gotz

7:00am Pam Alt

9:00am Dorothy Flees

11:00am Gayle Specht

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

4:30pm Mike Gonerig / Jeff Sternberg / Lois Carlson / Marty Draxler

7:00am Lori Greenwald / Loir Kieffer / Melissa Pittsley

9:00am Pat &amp; Marlea Lescynski / Al &amp; Barb May

Chris Nemitz / Christina Nemitz

11:00am Lucas Hart / Jonathan &amp; Melanie Rootellis / Kim Rybicki

**SERVERS**

4:30pm Annabelle &amp; Xavier Egle

7:00am Joseph &amp; Madeline Niehaus

9:00am Dakota &amp; Isabella Hannasch / Graham Bauer / Griffin Lescynski

11:00am Ava &amp; Gianna Rootellis

**MUSIC MINISTER**4:30pm **Open**

7:00am Megan Schirger

9:00am Megan Schirger **11:00am Cathy Heuer****Weekday Mass Servers - May 19<sup>th</sup> - May 24<sup>th</sup>****Monday** - David Gouin**Tuesday** - Ray Housworth**Wednesday** - Dan Flees**Thursday** - Lee Alt**Friday** - Dennis Spencer**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 May 10<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>**

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$14,824.27
Easter	350.00
Parish Improvement	125.00
Total	\$15,299.77

Total to date for May \$34,380.48



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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).

**Finance Council & Pastoral Council** will meet on Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. Please arrive at 5pm for the social before the meeting begins.

**We thank those that have donated to the new school playground.**

If you would like to donate to this fundraiser, please make your check out to St. John the Baptist.

**St John the Baptist Primary School will be getting new playground equipment in June 2025.**

**If you are interested in the old playground equipment please contact the parish. Free will offerings are accepted.**



**Welcome to all visitors!** If you are new to the area and interested in joining St. John's, please call the parish office at 715-384-3262 ext. 0. We can get you set up with a parish registration form. If you are regularly donating to the parish, we can record that for tithing purposes for the end of year tithing statements. By being a member you can receive email updates on all that is happening in the parish on a monthly basis!



**"Honor Our Veterans" Picnic** Join us for a delightful picnic at Aster Assisted Living on Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from 11am - 1pm. Brats, hamburgers and drinks will be served on the eastside parking lot. Music provided by Cannonshots Classic Country. No charge for Veterans or their families. Everyone is welcome! (Sponsored in part by Mall Furniture)

**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 received another generous donation of yarn, which you may pick up for free, from the Bride's Room. Please knit or crochet a 30" x 60" shawl of comfort and return it, when completed, to the Bride's Room.



**The Columbus Catholic Pro - Life Club** is hosting an Easter Season Baby Item Drive to support the First Choice Pregnancy Center. We invite you to join us in standing for Life by picking up an item listed and donating it. If you are unable to donate at this time, we kindly ask for your spiritual support. Suggested items: 4T & 5T

clothes, size 5, 6 diapers, 4T & 5T Pullups, cribs, crib sheets, health & safety kits, nursing pads, nipple shields, Lanolin breastfeeding ointment, Boppy, milk storage bags, Avent/Dr. Brown's bottles with different nipple flows, full size strollers, sensitive wipes, Swaddles, infant & toddler toys, books, Baby monitors (video preferred), baby towels, baby carriers and BOBA type wraps, Kwik Trip, Walmart, Amazon or Aldi Gift cards, heavy card stock and cases of bottled water. **Thank you for your generosity and support.**

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners: The time of my departure for studies in Canon Law is fast approaching. I will be flying to Washington DC on Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> and will be returning on Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>. During these nine weeks away, I will take four classes and at both the end of June and July I will have Final Exams.

My courses are titled:  
General Norms of Canon Law  
Structures of the Particular Church  
Sacramental Law  
Juridical Structures: Sacrament of Matrimony

I remember taking one course in Canon Law during Seminary, so will have to brush off these old notes and then begin digging deeper into this discipline. As I have prayed these past few months, I can see myself growing to enjoy these studies and this coursework. It is interesting how each step of my priesthood has introduced me to new challenges that I would never have taken on my own; but with each step I discover more and more of a potential that hitherto was unknown. I think this is the case for all of us when we step out of our comfort zone and take on new challenges.

The Canon Law degree will take me five years to obtain. Each summer I will spend 2 months in DC and then return to our parish for the remainder of the year. During the Fall and Spring of each year I will take online courses. At the end I will have to write a thesis paper and defend it. If I am successful, I will then obtain a License in Canon Law. Looking at other priests in our diocese who have received a degree in Canon Law, some have worked in the diocese but about half have remained in their parish and then assisted with Canon Law while remaining pastors.

I will be sharing more of my experiences throughout the summer. Please keep me in prayer – as it will indeed be difficult to leave our community for so long. However, I feel very blessed that Fr. Mlsna is now with us to assist in providing the Sacraments during the weeks of my absence.

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

Fr. Thelen



**Seniors in the spotlight!** This weekend, Father Thelen will bestow a special blessing on six Senior high school students who have willingly volunteered at St. John's as Mass servers, Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. We are very grateful for their witness to the Catholic faith and their willingness to serve. Thank you, Akosua Yeboah, Maria Elizabeth Garcia, Elliott Alcott, Isaac Scheer, Zach Zerrudo and Brenden Clubb. You will remain in our prayers as you move on to your next chapter of life!

### ***"Still the Answer" Eucharistic Rally***

On Saturday, Aug. 9, 2025 we have a new opportunity to pause, reflect and renew our embrace of the gift of the Eucharist, as Jesus continues to give us His body and blood, strengthening us through life's joy, sorrows and challenges. The day's events will include a river walk procession, Mass, engaging speakers, live music and Eucharistic adoration. Take this time to join faithful from across the diocese at The Pablo Center in Eau Claire and remember how much you need Jesus - and that He is *Still the Answer* for you, for your family, for your parish and for the world. Visit [diolc.org/still-the-answer](http://diolc.org/still-the-answer) for further details. **Depending on interest, a group from St. John's might go down together.**

Prayer for Our New Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV

*In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

*Lord God, we thank you for the gift of our new pope, Leo XIV, chosen to shepherd your Church in this time.*

*Bless him with wisdom, courage, and holiness of life.*

*Guide him by your Holy Spirit, that he may lead us in Truth and unity, always faithful to the Gospel of your Son.*

*Send your Spirit upon us as well. Make us holy, and deepen our love for Jesus, that we may follow with joyful hearts wherever you lead. Amen.*



*We welcome this new family to St. John's*

Michael & Krystal Clermont family

**Catholic Kidz Camp** - St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Mon.-Fri. June 23<sup>rd</sup>- 27<sup>th</sup> - 8 am -11:30am - 4K-5<sup>th</sup> grade Registration forms can be found in kiosk in the entry way. Teachers and helpers would be appreciated. Please watch for our giving tree that will be set up in the entryway of church! Questions? Please email Alyssia Krieg at [krieg.alysia@columbusdons.org](mailto:krieg.alysia@columbusdons.org)

**Evening of Hope - May 31, 2025 - Sacred Heart of Jesus Church – Eau Claire**

*Please join His Excellency Bishop Gerard William Battersby at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Eau Claire on May 31 for the second of three Jubilee events for the Diocese of La Crosse. This second event coincides with the Jubilee of Families, which will be celebrated in Rome. At this event, Fr. Dan Sedlacek will offer a reflection on the virtue of hope.*



#### **Schedule**

**2:00 PM – Holy Hour** with Jubilee Reflection by: Fr. Dan Sedlacek – Main Church

**2:00 PM – 3:20 PM – Confessions** – Main Church

**3:30 PM – Benediction** – Main Church

**4:00 PM – Holy Mass** with Papal Blessing – Main Church

Two Plenary Indulgences may be obtained by attending this event. For the Jubilee year Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Eau Claire has been designated as a pilgrimage site. By completing a pilgrimage to this church the Jubilee plenary indulgence may be obtained under the usual conditions.

At the end of the Holy Mass, Bishop Battersby will impart the *Papal Blessing* with the attached plenary indulgence, obtainable by all the faithful who receive this *Blessing* under the usual conditions.



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

#### **Confession – a preparation for receiving the Eucharist**

The best way to prepare to receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist is by going to Confession (also known as the Sacrament of Reconciliation,

Penance). We want to receive Him with a clean heart. If it is not possible to go to Confession before receiving Jesus, make a sincere Act of Contrition in your heart, and as always pray with sincerity the prayer at Mass, "I confess to Almighty God..." A sin that is mortal – serious or grave – requires Sacramental Confession before receiving Holy Communion. If you are not sure about this, speak with a priest.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: *Jesus, please give me the grace to be truly sorry for my sins.*

This week read how God calls us out of darkness into His own wonderful light in 1 Peter 2:9-10.



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