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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 7/21/2025** St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest, Doctor of the Church**7:00am Communion Service**

Scripture Readings: Ex 14:5-18

Mt 12:38-42

TUES 7/22/2025 St. Mary Magdalene

7:00am Brother Michael Mandernach

Scripture Readings: Sg 3:1-4a

Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

WED 7/23/2025 St. Bridget, Religious**No 7:00am Mass (see bulletin notice)**

Scripture Readings: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15

Mt 13:1-9

THUR 7/24/2025 St. Sharbel Makhluf, Priest**No 7:00am Mass (see bulletin notice)**

Scripture Readings: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b

Mt 13:10-17

FRI 7/25/2025 St. James, Apostle**No 7:00am Mass (see bulletin notice)**

Scripture Readings: 2 Cor 4:7-15

Mt 20:20-28

SAT 7/26/2025 Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**No 8:00am Mass (see bulletin notice)**

Scripture Readings: Ex 24:3-8

Mt 13:24-30

4:30pm Norbert & Rosella Specht

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**SUN 7/27/2025**

7:00am Charles & Mary Rentmeester

9:00am Jack Lang

11:00am Tracy Zimmermann

Scripture Readings: Gn 18:20-32

Col 2:12-14

Lk 11:1-13

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS****July 26th & July 27th, 2025****LECTORS**

4:30pm Bryan Pischel

7:00am Jan Altmann

9:00am Al May

11:00am Danielle Rummells

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Marcy Gotz / Joe & Clare Fischer / Becky Kaiser

7:00am Peg Endries / Dale & Judy Garfield

9:00am Linda Lewer / Chris Nemitz / Christina Nemitz

Jill Hiller / Brian Kostka / David Schlinsog

11:00am Audrey Ably / Michael Clubb / Linda Degenhardt
Lori Keller**SERVERS**

4:30pm Abigail, Sullivan, Eliza & Olivia Schuld

7:00am Joseph & Madeline Niehaus

9:00am Isaac & Nathan Scheer / Graham Bauer

11:00am Grace Clubb / Evelyn & Eleanor Leschke

MUSIC MINISTER4:30pm **Open**

7:00am Megan Schirger

9:00am **Open**11:00am **Open****Weekday Mass Servers - July 21st - July 26th****Monday** - Glen Linzmeier**Tuesday** - Marty Draxler**Wednesday** **No Mass****Thursday** **No Mass****Friday** **No Mass****Saturday** **No Mass**

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 July 12th - July 13th**

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$14,293.67
Parish Improvement	170.00
Total	\$14,463.67

Total to date for July \$28,885.01

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Important Notice on Mass Cancellations! As Father Thelen and Father Mlsna will be away through July 29th, there **will not be** a 7:00am Mass on Wednesday, July 23rd, Thursday, July 24th, Friday, July 25th and the 8:00am Mass on Saturday, July 26th.

Communion services will continue on Mondays.

Father Nathan, Pastor of Christ the King will celebrate Mass here on the remaining weekdays as listed in the Mass Schedule section.

Father Sakowski will celebrate the weekend Masses.

Sacred Heart has weekday Masses on Wednesdays & Fridays at 8:00am. OLP has weekday Masses on Tuesdays & Thursdays at 8:00am.

Communion Services: For the month of July, St. John's will offer a Communion service rather than Mass on Mondays. Mass intentions that were scheduled for that day will be transferred to one of the weekend Masses.

CARNIVAL OF LIFE: On Saturday, August 9th, 11-2pm, the *third annual* Carnival of Life will be held in the field behind Columbus Catholic High School in Marshfield, WI. Admission is FREE! Enjoy an afternoon of family fun with ice cream, brats, hotdogs, games, and activities. Games and activities will be offered for free or at a very low cost with prizes. The Carnival of Life is generously sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and local parishes. Questions or willing to help with this faith-filled family event? Contact Troy Kroening at troy@gotojoe.com or 715-383-3660. God Bless and we look forward to celebrating Life with you!

**St. John the Baptist Parish Picnic!****Sunday, August 17th, 2025 - Noon until 4:00pm****Lunch served from 12:00pm - 2:00pm****Burgers ~ Brats ~ Hot dogs ~ Salads & Desserts****Back by popular demand,****Horse'n Around Ice Cream!****Join us for music and a fun-filled afternoon!**

Volunteers are needed for set-up of tables, chairs and games around 8:30am and clean-up around 3pm. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Sherrie at 715-567-0611 or Alyse at 608-630-4113.

Adoration Opening: Immediate openings at JP II Adoration Chapel are Sundays from 9-10 a.m. and Wednesdays from 9-10 p.m. If any of these hours work in your schedule please let us know, call Jean at 715-387-0571 or Deacon Ray at 715-207-6085.

August through December schedules for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors and youth servers will soon be worked on. Please call the parish office or email secretary@stjmf.diocparish.org by July 28th if you know of any dates that won't work for you. Thank you!

2025 - Marshfield Parish Pull with Gratitude To all who supported this event in any capacity, we appreciate your gift of time, talent, and treasure. Rain dampened the ability to make it a full night of truck and tractor pulls but we are grateful for the time we had and the proceeds that will be shared with this year's recipients including First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center (Marshfield), Stratford Food Pantry, Christ Guide Us Our Way/Praschak Park, Ronald McDonald House, National Farm Medicine, Auburndale FFA, and Cattails Place.

Mark Your Calendar: Marshfield Parish Pull 2026
We hope to see you all at the family-friendly, fun-filled Wisconsin Fairgrounds.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners: The two months are nearly complete! I so greatly appreciate Fr. Mlsna, Deacon Jeff and all the priests who have assisted during my absence. A big thank you to our staff also. They are incredible! They have done such a good job of keeping everything running smoothly. I get weekly updates on how things are going and sometimes daily pictures of our many projects being completed. I can't wait to return and see you all again - and to see the many things done on our campus during my absence: the new landscaping, the remodeled Columbia room and kitchen, and the brand new playground – just to name a few!

My finals following my June classes went well. Both finals were oral exams. So basically this means that I sat down with the professor for fifteen minutes and the professor asked questions from anything that was taught during the 40 hours of class.

This month I am studying the canons on all of the sacraments, apart from Holy Orders. As an example, the canon on marriage states "The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life and which is ordered by its nature to the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring, has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a sacrament between the baptized."

We then study the original Latin words from this canon. For instance, the word covenant in Latin is the word 'foedus', which originates from the word 'faith' or 'fidelity'. Hence, when a couple come together in the sacrament of matrimony, they do so as an act of faith – both as an act of faith in the one whom they are marrying and a faithful trusting in God's lifelong presence in their union.

The professor (forgot) but he intended to bring into class two large die (dice) to illustrate a further point. The word partnership in the above quote, is 'consortium' in Latin. And the word 'sors' (found in the middle of the word 'consortium') in Latin means 'lot', 'chance' or 'fate'. Thus, the word partnership literally refers to two people throwing their lots together for life - hoping it will work :)

So marriage is vocation where two people place in a very serious manner their 'foedus' in each another and God for a life-long 'consortium', recognizing God's action lifting them up as a sign of Christ and His Church.

Please pray for me in my finals coming next week! I will be back July 29th. Looking forward to seeing you all when I return!

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

Fr. Thelen



What does Fr. Mlsna do in his spare time? Many things! Sometimes he is called to do a blessing for a new business such as Taqueria Monarca. Father says the food is great!



The Silver Rose is a program of the Knights of Columbus that reaffirms our dedication to the sanctity of human life. There will be a program on Monday, July 21st at Sacred Heart Parish at 4:30pm led Fr. Jared Clements. The rose will be in Abbotsford on Sunday and then go to Wisconsin Rapids on Tuesday eventually making its way to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico.

Help those Afflicted by the Tragic Flooding in Texas

Catholic Charities is rushing assistance to those devastated by the recent catastrophic flooding in Texas, as the death toll continues to climb and whole communities are displaced. Please consider donating – visit www.cclse.org and click on the "Texas Flood Relief" tab. And please hold in your prayers the souls of those who lost their lives, their grieving families and loved ones, and all who are suffering as a result of this tragic disaster.

Single and Catholic? Join 400+ singles coming from all over the US (and beyond) at the **20th Anniversary National Conference for Single Catholics** in Denver, Colorado on **August 22nd-24th, 2025!** (Can't travel? Join the virtual option with online socials and small group discussions). This is your chance to connect with like-minded singles of all ages. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass with Archbishop Samuel Aquila, adoration, fellowship and more. (Use the promo code **PARISH25** for a discount. Visit NationalCatholicSingles.com for more information and to register.

Hospital Care Notice: Most hospitals are no longer asking patients their religious affiliation upon admittance. Spiritual services are still being provided, such as Anointings and Communion visits. However, the patient must notify the nursing staff of their desire to be placed on the Communion list or to have a priest visit. Please keep this in mind if you or a loved one is admitted to a hospital. Spiritual care is of very great importance during hospital stays and when preparing for surgeries.

If you are anticipating a hospital visit or upcoming surgery, please notify the parish if you would like to be anointed, go to Confession and/or receive Communion beforehand. An appointment can be made and one of our priests can make a visit.

If you haven't had a chance to check out the new playground, check it out after Mass! It is beautifully done and invites children of all ages to play! Donations are still being accepted to help offset the cost. If you would like to donate, please make checks payable to St. John the Baptist and mark Playground in the memo. Thank you!



Need Hope?

Take a Minute to Get to Know
"the God of all hope."

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born anew to a

living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead" (1 Peter 1:3). Our hope rests on the faithfulness of God who always keep His promises. We trust with confidence in His plan of perfect goodness as He re-united us with Himself after the Original Sin of our first parents. This union with our Heavenly Father was made possible through Jesus' death and resurrection. We experience this union with God by receiving His very life into our soul in the Sacrament of Baptism, and through the reception of Jesus in Holy Communion each Sunday (or Saturday evening), as well as receiving any of the Sacraments.



"STILL THE ANSWER" EUCHARISTIC RALLY 2025

Saturday, Aug. 9, 2025
The Pablo Center, Eau Claire, WI

On Saturday, August 9, 2025, we have another incredible opportunity to pause, reflect and be renewed in His presence. The 2025 Eucharistic Rally will take place at the Pablo Center in Eau Claire, WI, bringing together Catholics from across the Diocese for a day of faith, fellowship and encounter like no other.

Come and be part of this powerful movement of faith. Bring your family, your friends, your parish community. Open your heart to Christ and allow Him to renew your spirit!

Registration Fee: \$20 To register, go to www.dioc.org and click on "Still the Answer".

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