



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.

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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 8/25/2025 St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest
 7:00am Larry & Greg Dick
 Scripture Readings: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10 Mt 23:13-22

TUES 8/26/2025
 7:00am John Sr. & Betty Zeidler
 Scripture Readings: 1 Thes 2:1-8 Mt 23:23-26

WED 8/27/2025 St. Monica
 7:00am William & Gladys Patefield
 Scripture Readings: 1 Thes 2:9-13 Mt 23:27-32

THUR 8/28/2025 St. Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
 7:00am Chester & Bernice Jablonski
 Scripture Readings: 1 Thes 3:7-13 Mt 24:42-51

FRI 8/29/2025 The Passion of St. John the Baptist
 7:00am 55th Anniversary Blessings for Jeff & Candy Zondlo
 Scripture Readings: 1 Thes 4:1-8 Mk 6:17-29

SAT 8/30/2025
 8:00am Robert Schiferl, Sr.
 Scripture Readings: 1 Thes 4:9-11 Mt 25:14-30
 4:30pm Dennis Juncer

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUN 8/31/2025
 7:00am Catherine Poehnelt
 9:00am Living & deceased members of the John & Phyllis Kollross family
 11:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
 Scripture Readings: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a Lk 14:1, 7-14



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Aug 30th & Aug 31st, 2025

LECTORS

4:30pm Jonathan Rootellis
 7:00am Luke Schlagenhaft
 9:00am Al May
 11:00am Josh Dick

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Joan Raschke / Jeff Sternberg / Tom & Susan Youngwith
 7:00am Dan Alsides / Dale & Judy Garfield
 9:00am Dan & Dorothy Flees / Nancy Immerfall / Ann Kundinger Ron & Patty Kraus
 11:00am Kim Rybicki / John Salzmann / Sharon See Audrey Ably

SERVERS

4:30pm Emmett Luther / Griffin Lescynski
 7:00am Cole & Derek Krieg
 9:00am Phinehas & Benjamin Prusinski
 11:00am Grace & Gwendolyn Clubb / Graham Bauer

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Ashley Nikolai & Karen Isaacson
 7:00am Megan Schirger
 9:00am Megan Schirger
 11:00am Cathy Heuer

Weekday Mass Servers - August 25th - August 30th

Monday - David Gouin	Thursday Lee Alt
Tuesday - Ray Housworth	Friday Dennis Spencer
Wednesday Lenny K	Saturday Kolbe & Dominic

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 August 16th - August 17th

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$13,932.64
Parish Improvement	350.00
Total	\$14,282.64
ACH for August	\$14,797.00
Total to Date	\$58,793.08



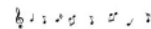
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Prayer Vine ~ Do you or someone you know need prayers?

To have requests for prayer placed on the vine, please call Connie 715-305-6742 and Donna 715-384-2479 (there are 2 lists).

Join St. John's Children's Choir!

The Children's Choir is for all children ages 8-12. If your child would like to join the Children's Choir, please email Ashley Nikolai at nikolai.ashley@columbusdons.org or call 715-387-1177 ext. 3111 by September 13th.



The Social Justice Committee will be serving the St. Vincent de Paul Friendship meal on Wednesday, August 27th. Time commitment 4:30pm—6:30pm. The meal is served at 5pm. If you would like to help serve this meal, please contact the parish office or just show up at St. Vincent de Paul's by 4:30pm. We would love to have you!

Mass of Hope and Healing Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman: Bishop Gerard Battersby will celebrate a Mass of Hope and Healing on Tuesday, September 23rd at 6:30pm at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman. This Mass will be offered for anyone grieving the loss of children through miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, abortion, stillbirth, accident or infant death. A book of remembrance will be available before and after Mass for those who would like to inscribe the name(s) of their child(ren). Votive candles will be given to families before Mass in remembrance of each child. Candles will be lit and carried forward by family members, just before the entrance procession, and placed before the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. After Mass, refreshments will be served along with a display of resources and books in the Gathering Space. Volunteers with name tags will be present to offer assistance, support, and comfort.

First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center cordially invites all to their Open House on Aug. 26th from 4pm - 7pm. Located at 1722 N. Galvin Ave., Marshfield. Walk through the center, pray over the rooms or Boutique, bring a donation if you feel led, and explore the generosity of the Marshfield community bringing what was once a vision, to life!

St. John the Baptist Parish is the grateful recipient of a grant from the Diocese of La Crosse Bishop's Education Endowment Trust. The grant was awarded to the Digital Wellness and Freedom from Pornography Parish Mission. The project period runs through June 30, 2026. As a first step, a parish resource page has been created at: <https://stjohnsmarshfield.org/freedom/> These grants are possible because of your generosity; thank you for supporting our efforts to heal persons, relationships, and families.

The new playground at St John's Primary school looks great and I thank all of the benefactors who have already contributed. Our bishop has granted us the ability to fundraise up to \$270,000 for the playground. This means that monies raised will not be counted towards our future annual appeal and quota assessments. So in essence donations toward this playground project is a very good way to give to the parish. So far we have raised a total of \$139,010. We are permitted to continue to raise \$130,990 in additional funds and can receive these funds at any time before June 30, 2026. Through other parish accounts we have already paid all the bills for the playground; however, since we have been granted permission to raise a total of \$270,000 and the additional funds raised won't be used in our assessment calculations, please consider donating towards the playground as a good way to assist our parish.

From Reverend Anbalagan Shanmugam

Dear Loving Parishioners,

I belong to the Catholic Diocese of Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India and at present I am serving for the Diocese of La Crosse at Sacred Heart, Spring Valley, Sacred Heart, Elmwood and St. Luke's, Boyceville.

The Catholic Diocese of Vellore was started by Salesians in the year 1952. Further, in 1969, a few parishes from the Archdiocese of Pondicherry-Cuddalore were attached to this Diocese. It comprises of two civil districts namely Vellore and Tiruvannamalai. There are 89 parishes having a Catholic population of 200,000 people with 185 priests serving in my Diocese. Our Diocese is a Mission Diocese and almost 95% of the Catholics are belonging to the lower caste (Untouchable Communities). India is cursed by the caste system. We have approximately 3000 caste and 25,000 subcaste. In that last layer of the caste system people are called untouchables. Everything in India runs according to their caste. The lower caste people are denied of their human rights, social rights and political rights. They are denied an education, employment and social dignity. In the Catholic Church the caste system is deeply rooted. Among the 19 Dioceses and three Archdioceses in the state of TamilNadu only two bishops are from this untouchable community and there are no Archbishops.

The Diocese of Vellore is a Mission Diocese where the children are denied an education and their basic human rights so the Diocese is making an appeal to you to help our children to get their education. The Catholics are a minority in India. The present government and the majority of the people are Hindu and because of this many churches were demolished. Recently, two Catholic nuns were arrested by Hindu fanatics. Real persecution is going on in India. The Diocese of Vellore Priests have 150 year old buildings to live in. These buildings have lots of leakages and we don't know when they will fall down. Therefore, our Diocese believes that only through education can we bring transformation. Education can bring massive changes in the society and in their lives. In the name of the Catholic Diocese of Vellore we make an appeal to you to help our children's education. You are invited to light the life of a child!!

God bless you and we will meet on August 30th and 31st.
Fr. Anbu

Mission Co-Op Envelopes: For those receiving the monthly packets of tithing envelopes, you will have received the Mission Co-Op envelope in the June packet. Mission Co-Op envelopes can be found in the envelope holders in the entryways for anyone who does not receive the monthly packet. If you are able to donate to Fr. Anbu's mission, please write checks out to St. John's. One check will be sent to the Mission office in Fr. Anbu's name. Thank you!

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A Call to Serve:

Have you ever wondered if the Lord is calling you to be a priest? To begin the conversation or to inquire about what it means to be a priest, please contact me: Fr. Steven Weller, Director of Office For Vocations at the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2666. God bless you!

Picnic Thank You! Sherrie and Alyse want to thank everyone who came to the parish picnic this weekend. We couldn't have done it without the donations, volunteers, attendees, and prayers. We had a wonderful amount of food! The help with set up, serving, grilling, and clean up was remarkable.

The kids had a blast with games, bouncy houses, bubbles, and dancing. Ice cream was also enjoyed by all. We can't wait for next year!"



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

St. John's Parish offers CGS to children ages 3-9, end of September through April. The children hear and reflect prayerfully on the biblical and liturgical themes to grow in their knowledge and love of God. This takes place in the atrium, next to the adoration chapel. It is a place to begin to learn and recognize the signs and symbols that speak of Him. A prayerful place to listen and respond to a relationship with Jesus.



Level 1 is offered on Tuesdays for children of 3-6 years of age. Level 2 is offered on Mondays

for children 6 - 9 years of age. For more information call Jean Kaiser at 715-387-0571 or email, saintplus6@frontier.com. Registration forms are in the Kiosk, main entrance to St. John's Church.

Confirmation Sunday On September 7th young people from our parish and surrounding parishes will receive the sacrament of Confirmation. This Mass will be held at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church at 2:00pm with Bishop Battersby as main celebrant. Please keep these young people in prayer. If you have been praying for a particular young person and would like to give him/her a card, please drop it off at the rectory with the name of the young person on the outside of the envelope. The cards will be given to them before the day of Confirmation. Thank you for keeping them in daily prayer this past year.

Columbus Corner for August 23-24, 2025

Here is what's new at Columbus Catholic Schools! For more information visit , scan the QR Code below, or call 715-387-1177 ext. 3318. We welcome opportunities for our students to serve our community. Our goal is to connect students with meaningful service experiences that help them grow and give back. To learn more and request volunteers, see the QR code to the left.



Need Hope?

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

The gift of hope occupies a place of great importance in our lives because by hope we "desire the Kingdom of Heaven and eternal life as our happiness." However, the busyness of life can pull our focus away from this profound desire for Heaven. All of us are on a journey through this earthly life that will come to an end. We want to live forever with God our loving Father and with family and friends. Hope is based upon "placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraph 1817). Jesus is the unfailing hope of all who believe in Him and are committed to follow His way. There is always a need to grow in hope. Let us ask Jesus to strengthen our trust in Him.



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