



OCTOBER

Month of the *Holy Rosary*

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.

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 10/21/2024**7:00am *Communion Service led by L. of P.*

Scripture Readings: Eph 2:1-10

Lk 12:13-21

TUES 10/22/2024 St. John Paul II, Pope7:00am *Communion Service led by L. of P.*

Scripture Readings: Eph 2:12-22

Lk 12:35-38

WED 10/23/2024 St. John of Capistrano, Priest

7:00am Wesley & Lorraine Schar

8:00am Heather Widmann

Scripture Readings: Eph 3:2-12

Lk 12:39-48

THUR 10/24/2024 St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

7:00am Jeanette Lang

Scripture Readings: Eph 3:14-21

Lk 12:49-53

FRI 10/25/2024

7:00am Louie Schecklman

Scripture Readings: Eph 4:1-6

Lk 13:1-9

SAT 10/26/2024

8:00am Donald Eilers

Scripture Readings: Eph 4:7-16

Lk 13:1-9

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm Norman Wittman

SUN 10/27/2024

7:00am Sr. Mary Michel

9:00am Thomas Stoecker

11:00am Catherine Poehnelt

Scripture Readings: Jer 31:7-9

Heb 5:1-6

Mk 10:46-52

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS****October 26th & 27th, 2024****LECTORS**4:30pm Bryan Pischel **9:00am** Dorothy Flees/ Natalie Ridder7:00am Jan Altmann **11:00am** Sharon See/ Akosua Yeboah**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

4:30pm Marty Draxler / Joe & Clare Fischer / Marcy Gotz

7:00am Jane Lamermayer / Brian Kostka

9:00am Nancy Immerfall / Natalie Ridder / Ron & Patty Kraus

Ann Kunderinger / Linda Lewer

11:00am Kim Rybicki / John Salzmänn / Sharon See / Audry Ably

SERVERS

4:30pm Abigail, Sullivan & Eliza Schuld

7:00am Kolbe & Dominic Landwehr

9:00am Maverick, Dakota & Isabelle Hannasch

11:00am Zach Zerrudo / Elliott Alcott

MUSIC MINISTER4:30pm Kris Herr / Adult Choir **9:00am** Cathy Heuer7:00am Ashley N. & Karen I. **11:00am** Megan Schirger**Weekday Mass Servers - October 21st - October 26th****Monday** - David Gouin **Thursday** Lee Alt**Tuesday** - Ray Housworth **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.

**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).

STEWARDSHIP for Oct. 12th - 13th

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$13,532.52
Parish Improvement	231.00
Total	\$13,763.52

Total to Date for October \$32,684.84



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The next Holy Day of obligation is All Saints Day. The Mass schedule is as follows:

Friday, November 1st 6:30am, 8:00am and 12:00pm

Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, lectors, and servers are needed for the noon Mass. The sign-up sheet is in the sacristy. Please volunteer as soon as possible.

October Church Tours following Weekend Masses Join your "tour guides" following Mass in front of the Marian Altar as they share information on the rich treasures of our parish!

REMINDER: Grief support group will meet 6:30pm on October 21st in the St. Francis room at St. John's Catholic School. If you need more information, please contact the parish office.

PCCW Christmas Raffle: Our Parish Council of Catholic Women will once again be holding their Christmas Raffle Basket giveaway. The proceeds for this raffle go to benefit the parish in a myriad of ways. Please consider donating an item such as a theme basket, handmade item, or gift cards for groceries or restaurants. The raffle tickets will be sent out in early Nov. If you would like to donate an item for this raffle, please contact Cheri Imhoff at 507-993-8740.

The Marshfield Deanery Council of Catholic Women is holding its Fall Assembly on Wednesday, October 23rd at Rembs Celebration Center, 250 S. Oak in Marshfield. Registration is \$12.00 (for the meal), payable at the door. A delicious meal will be served at 5:45 pm, with a program beginning at 6:45 pm. Our guest speaker is Very Reverend Jesse Burish, whose talk is titled, *Bring One Back. How to Bring Those Who Have Fallen Away Back to the Church.* All are invited to join us for an uplifting evening of friendship, fellowship, and faith-sharing! There will be raffle baskets available, as well as door prizes. We will be collecting food, paper products, and toiletries for St. Vincent de Paul. Monetary donations will be collected to help defray the cost of Mass server cassocks & surplices for Fr. Burish's parishes. Wives, your husbands are welcome to attend!

St John's Social Justice committee and parish have the fellowship meal service on Wednesday, Oct. 23rd starting at 4:30pm. Please call (715) 751-7380 if you would like to volunteer.

All Souls' Day Memorial Mass - All are invited to an evening Prayer Service at 6:30pm on All Souls' Day, November 2nd, in memory of the deceased members of our parish community. Please join, whether in person or through home prayer, as we honor and pray for the deceased of our parish community. Names of all who have passed since last November will be read. A gathering will be held in the Columbia room after the Prayer Service with snacks and beverages hosted by the Bereavement Ministry team.

St. John the Baptist annual parish picnic is in need of a coordinator. Please consider helping in this capacity to make sure our August picnic happens in 2025. We will also be celebrating our 150th anniversary as a parish in 2027. Fr. Thelen is hoping that the person or team of persons who steps up to take on this role of picnic coordinator can also plan our 150th celebration in the summer of 2027. Interested persons should contact the parish office as soon as possible! Thank you!

October is Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month

Red Bird Ministries is a Catholic, pro-life/pro-family grief support ministry that focuses on bereaved families who have experienced child loss of any age and circumstance, including pregnancy loss through miscarriage and stillbirth, and after birth as an infant, child, adolescent or adult. While they operate as Catholics, their ministry serves anyone who has experienced the loss of a child. This October, in recognition of Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month, they are offering practical ways to honor your precious babies. See their website for more information: redbird.love/

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners: The following is the second of three excerpts from my research on St. Luke.

In either 336 or 357 relics of both St. Andrew and St. Luke were transferred to the Church of the Holy Apostles in Constantinople. The date is confusing because the transfer is cited several times in the writings of St. Jerome but in each case, he credits a different emperor for the transfer. For instance, two of his minor works mention Constantine the Great, while his more noble work the Chronicle gives the honor to Constantius II, the son of Constantine. Here St. Jerome places the transfer in the twenty-first year of the reign of Constantius. The aforementioned minor works may have been an attempt by St. Jerome to shift the credit towards Constantine and away from Constantius, who was known for his Arian tendencies. That the translations of St. Andrew and St. Luke are not mentioned by the historian Eusebius, prior to his death in 340 AD, is another strong indication for the latter date of 357 AD. Regardless of the date, the period was notable for its great interest in relics, for just a year prior the relics of St. Timothy were also translated to Constantinople and likewise placed in the Church of the Holy Apostles. Today this church, which played such a prominent role in the Byzantine Empire, is no longer visible having been destroyed in the 15th century to make way for the Fatih Mosque.

The relics of St. Luke likely originated in the city of Thebes, for this was the generally accepted location of his death and burial. A competing theory proposed by the 4th century church father, Dorotheus of Tyre, placed his original tomb in Ephesus. The veracity of this claim, however, is doubted and Thebes remains the accepted location of his death and burial. A church dedicated to him is still located here and preserves what is thought to be the original grave of St. Luke. Recently a rib bone was also taken from the body of St. Luke in Padua, Italy and given to this church.

In the 6th century the Church of the Holy Apostles was substantially rebuilt by the emperor Justinian. At this time three small caskets were discovered beneath the main altar. Inscribed upon each casket were the names Andrew, Luke and Timothy. The caskets were described as too small to house the entirety of the saints' remains. It remains a mystery as to the whereabouts of the additional relics. Following the completion of Justinian's work upon the church, the three caskets were reinterred under the main altar. Here they remained until the city was sacked in 1204 AD.

To be continued next week...May St. John the Baptist & St. Luke pray for us and our parish.

Fr. Thelen



*We welcome these children through the
Living Waters of Baptism:*

Crew, Dawson & Sawyer Yerke - sons of
Adam & Nichole Yerke

Baptized on October 20, 2024

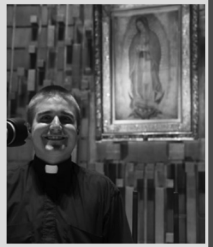
Congratulations to

Adam & Nichole Yerke

On the Convalidation of Their Marriage ~ October 20, 2024

PARISH MISSION WITH OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE SUNDAY - TUESDAY - OCTOBER 27-29 AT 6:30PM

Father Tim Oudenhoven will be with us to give a three-night Parish Mission on Our Lady of Guadalupe. He is the director to the Marian Messengers Apostolate which is dedicated to promoting of Our Lady of Guadalupe and a Marian Spirituality of Evangelization and Intercession. Please join us as we explore one of the most amazing events in the history of the Church.



What you will learn:

- Mary's Message of Evangelization for our time
- Meaning of the Miraculous Image of Guadalupe
- Reasons why Marian Devotion is essential
- Deeper Appreciation of how to share our Faith

This mission is sure to deepen your devotion to the Blessed Mother and leave you in awe of Her amazing love for us!

An endorsement from past members of St. John's...

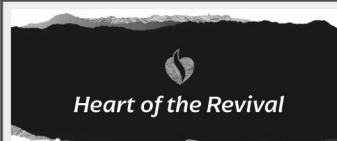
Monte and I attended Fr. Tim Oudenhoven's presentation on Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Marian Messengers here at the Newman Center at UWEC. Father Tim is an outstanding speaker! He has such a passion and dedication for advancing the cause of this ministry, started by St. John Paul II many years ago.

We were so inspired by his message that we want our friends at SJB to clear their schedules to attend your mission on Oct 27-29th. The story, the history, the miracle(s), the mission will inspire them, as it did us!

Calling all couples who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2025 or 2026 Every year we are honored to do something special for couples who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Each couple receives a packet and certificate, as well as an invitation to attend one of three celebrations that include Mass with the Bishop followed by a dinner. We use information provided by your parish's records to know where to send the packets and invitations. We are preparing for the anniversaries happening in 2025 and would like to get a head start on the 2026 anniversaries as well. Please contact your parish office to ensure your wedding date is listed in the parish's records.

Two important reminders: Please remember that Mass stipends are now \$20.00. Also, when using the St. Vincent de Paul envelopes to make a donation, please write checks out to St. John the Baptist. Thank you!

We have recently been given a memorial gift in honor of Shirley Kaiser. With that gift we were able to purchase Children's Bibles that are given to our newly baptized babies! Thank you!!



This past summer a number of parishioners from St. John's attended the Eucharistic Congress. Wanting to pass on the zeal they experienced while there, the next few weeks they

will share a few of the inspiring words that impacted them from some of the excellent speakers during this event.

St. Gerard Majella was a Redemptorist brother who had a devotion to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament from his youth. He promoted Eucharistic devotion wherever he went and would offer this prayer as he visited Jesus:

"I adore You with all my heart, and by this visit I intend to adore You in all places on earth where You are present in the Sacrament ... with the intention also of receiving You spiritually by that act as many times as there are places in which you do dwell."



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