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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 4/7/2025** St. John Baptist La Salle, Priest

7:00am Margaret Bredl

Scripture Readings: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 Jn 8:12-20

TUES 4/8/2025

7:00am Norma Potter

Scripture Readings: Nm 21:4-9 Jn 8:21-30

WED 4/9/2025

7:00am Living & deceased members of the Robert & Rita Imhoff family

8:00am Deceased members of the Jerry & Pat Pritzl family

Scripture Readings: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 Jn 8:31-42

THUR 4/10/2025

7:00am Willie & Ann Maurer

Scripture Readings: Gn 17:3-9 Jn 8:51-59

FRI 4/11/2025 St. Stanislaus, Bishop, Martyr

7:00am Jane Seifert

Scripture Readings: Jer 20:10-13 Jn 10:31-42

SAT 4/12/2025

8:00am Bill & Theresa Scholzen

Scripture Readings: Ez 37:21-28 Jn 11:45-56

4:30pm John Pritzl

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**SUN 4/13/2025**

7:00am Roman & Arvilla Masanz

9:00am Madeline Joan Empey

11:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

Scripture Readings: Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11

Lk 22:14—23:56

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS****April 12th & 13th, 2025****LECTORS**

4:30pm Jeff Schultz / Bryan Pischel

7:00am Connie Manlick / Judy Garfield

9:00am Columbus School Students

11:00am Akosua Yeboah / Sharon See

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Susan Jahr / Tom & Susan Youngwith / Becky Kaiser

7:00am Hope Kuehner / Lori Kieffer / Melissa Pittsley

9:00am Lonny Roberts / Tiffany Scheer / David Schlinsog

Rita Blenker / Dan & Dorothy Flees

11:00am Lori Keller / Jane Lamer Mayer / Argelia Moya

Maria Elizabeth Garcia

SERVERS

4:30pm Annabelle Egle / Xavier Egle

7:00am Cole & Derek Krieg

9:00am Maverick, Dakota & Isabella Hannasch / Benjamin Prusinski

11:00am Zach Zerrudo / Olivia Burg

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Kris Herr / Adult Choir

7:00am Ashley Nikolai / Karen Isaacson

9:00am Megan Schirger

11:00am Cathy Heuer

Weekday Mass Servers - April 7th - April 12th**Monday** - David Gouin **Thursday** Lee Alt**Tuesday** - Ray Housworth **Friday** - Dennis 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.

**STEWARDSHIP for March 29th - 30th**

Adult / Youth / Plate \$10,883.06

Parish Improvement 68.00

Total \$10,951.06

Total to date for March \$78,912.68

Total to date for St. Joseph's Almsgiving \$6252.00. Thank you!!



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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)

April 9th / April 16th

Fridays at 5:15pm (followed by Confessions)

April 11th

April 11th Servers: Kolbe & Dominic L

**PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE**

The following Fridays during Lent at St. John's
beginning at 6:00pm

April 11th

Every Saturday morning following the 8:00am Mass

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

DEANERY-WIDE CONFESSIONS

Our Lady of Peace

April 6th

Noon - 5pm

Holy Week Confessions - Noon - 1pm

Wednesday, April 16th & Thursday, April 17th

No Confessions on April 15th

as our priests will be at the Chrism Mass

Columbus Catholic Schools are hosting an Ignatius Press Catholic book fair at Columbus Catholic High School on Sunday, April 13th from 11am-6pm; all are welcome. Book fair profits will benefit our school libraries and classrooms. Books are better than candy in Easter baskets!

PCCW (Parish Council of Catholic Women) will meet for a brief meeting on Tuesday, April 8th. Due to our parish Mission, the meeting will begin at 5:45pm and end by 6:15pm.

Christ the King Youth Group will present **Shadow Stations** on Wednesday, April 9th. This presentation will be held at the LuCille Tack Center in Spencer at 6:30pm. A free-will offering will be accepted.

Eucharistic Minister, Lector and Youth Server schedules are now ready to be picked up. Please find your schedule in the Sacristy and pick up as soon as possible! Thank you!

The sign-up sheet for EM, Lectors and Servers for Holy Week is now in the Sacristy. We will need volunteers for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses. On Holy Thursday, we will need 12 volunteers for the Washing of the Feet. Please sign up in the Sacristy.

THE DEACON IS SPEAKIN'

As we approach the end of this year's Lenten journey, it is good that we review our Lenten practices of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.

The people of St. John the Baptist's parish have always been very generous when it comes to sharing their financial resources when asked and even when not specifically asked. I think you can be proud of your support for Ukraine, the Diocesan Annual Appeal, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul as well as other worthy charities. If you haven't yet participated in the act of almsgiving, there is still plenty of time (two weeks) to do so.

The second Lenten discipline, that of fasting, is usually accomplished through the practice of "giving up" something for Lent. Many people give up sweets or a favorite food but I've also heard of people giving up coffee or even alcohol. Either of those would be tough. If you didn't "give up" something for Lent, there is still time to do so. It's never too late!

There are many ways to enhance your prayer life during the last few weeks of Lent. Daily scripture reading, the use of Lenten Devotional Booklets, spending a few minutes in the quiet of the Church or taking a meditative walk praying the Rosary are just a few ways to pray.

If you haven't done the Stations of the Cross in a while, I strongly recommend this particular devotion. Here at St. John's we have several different booklets that will guide you through the Stations including one for children. When I was much younger, the Church was always full for the Stations of the Cross on Friday evening. I invite you to come this year and fill it up again.

May all the angels and Saints pray for us these last days of Lent.

Deacon Jeff Austin



Come away by yourselves to a lonely place, and rest a while!

Do you need some time to pray and recharge? All men are invited to a weekend retreat based on St. Ignatius's Spiritual Exercise. It will be in Lake Elmo, Minnesota May 29th to June 1st. 17 year-olds can attend with their father/guardian. It is a silent retreat on 100 beautiful acres of lakeshore, forest, and pasture. All meals and lodging are included for a free-will donation. Car-pooling may be available. Space is limited. **If interested please contact David Alcott at 715-384-3252 ext. 5**

About the Retreat House: Each year more than 3,000 men from all walks of life participate in retreats at the Demontreville Jesuit Retreat House. Retreats at Demontreville have one theme: to know, love, and serve God in this world. To really know, love, and serve God, however, one must know oneself. The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola (1491-1556) provide a wonderful method for doing this. They help us see who we are – one loved by God. They help us realize we are called by God to follow Jesus Christ, who became man over 2,000 years ago to show us how to live. He still shows us how to live today.



Youth Servers! We are now ready to train new servers! If you are in fourth grade or up, you are eligible to be a Mass server and we would love to have you. Serving God as an altar server is a wonderful way for a child to grow in faith as well as in responsibility, friendship, and other virtues. Please call the parish office to get your name on the list for the next training.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST LENTEN MISSION with Father Samuel Martin

Nights of Spiritual
Reflection With
Our Eucharistic Lord

Monday & Tuesday Evenings
April 7th & 8th
6:30pm—7:45pm
In the Church



Monday, April 7th

Eucharistic Revival - Reflections on
Pope Francis' Encyclical *Dilexit Nos*
(“He Loved Us”)

After Father's talk, Adoration will take
place along with praise & worship led
by Jimmy Lynch.

Benediction will end the night.

Tuesday, April 8th

Eucharistic Revival - St. Therese
of Lisieux and her “little way.”

Procession with the Blessed
Sacrament after Father's talk - a
powerful time of prayer & music
led by Jimmy Lynch.

Religious Life Vocation Day! Are you being called to be a handmaiden of Jesus? This could be you! Come learn more about Religious Life and discernment!

When? May 10th, 2025

For: 9th grade girls through College and beyond

Schedule:

4:00pm Mass at Our Lady of Peace, Marshfield

5:00pm Pizza Dinner at OLP Rectory

5:30pm Q & A with Mother Veronica and Sr. Lucia (Franciscan Sisters of Divine Mercy), Mother Agnes and Sisters of the Seraphic Adorers of the Child Jesus, and priests.

RSVP to father.clements@columbusdons.org



Encounter Jesus
in the Eucharist.
He waits for you!

Jesus is the “living Bread from Heaven.”

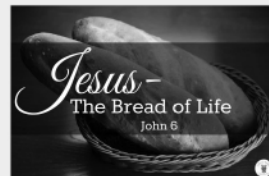
Jesus said, “I am the living bread that came down from Heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever.” (John 6:51). Jesus gave this living bread for

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



April 24th: PCCW Spring Deanery Meeting at Rembs. Speaker: Fr. Kuhn.

May 15th: Adult and Children's Choir Concert

June 15th - June 20th Totus Tuus at Sacred Heart

June 23rd - June 27th: Vacation Bible School at St. John's
8am - 11:30am

July 11th: Parish Pull at the Marshfield Fair Grounds

July 27th - August 1st: Adventure Camp

August 9th: Eucharistic Revival Continues in Eau Claire

August 17th: St. John the Baptist Parish Picnic

More information on all of the above events will be coming!

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