



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 6:45 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

Monday - Thursdays 6:15 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 3/16/2026**

6:45am Living & deceased members of the Bernie & Donna Knoeck family
 Scripture Readings: Is 65:17-21 Jn 4:43-54

TUES 3/17/2026 St. Patrick, Bishop

6:45am Ron Maurer
 Scripture Readings: Ex 47:1-9, 12 Jn 5:1-16

WED 3/18/2026 St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

6:45am Dale & Todd Kopf
 Scripture Readings: Is 49:8-15 Jn 5:17-30

THUR 3/19/2026 St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:45am Art & Ann Servais
 8:00am Cathy Kolpanen & Mark Reigel
 Scripture Readings: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22
 Mt 1:16, 18-21

FRI 3/20/2026

6:45am No Mass (8:00am Mass at Sacred Heart)
 Scripture Readings: Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

SAT 3/21/2026

8:00am Dennis Juncer
 Scripture Readings: Jer 11:18-20 Jn 7:40-53
 4:30pm Melvin Spencer

Fifth Sunday of Advent**SUN 3/22/2026**

7:00am Elaine Fehrenbach
 9:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
 11:00am Deceased members of the Irban Aumann family
 Scripture Readings: Ez 37:12-14 Rom 8:8-11
 Jn 11:1-45

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS****March 21st & March 22nd, 2026****LECTORS**

4:30pm Brian Kostka
 7:00am Ray Housworth
 9:00am Al May
 11:00am John Salzmann

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30pm Kat Egle / Joe & Clare Fischer / Marcy Gotz
 7:00am Ray & Pam Housworth / Hope Kuehner
 9:00am Al & Barb May / Chris Nemitz / Christina Nemitz
 Lonny Roberts / David Schlinsog
 11:00am Audrey Ably / Linda Degenhardt / Pam Hoffarth
 Jane Lamermayer

SERVERS

4:30pm Ava & Gianna Rootellis
 7:00am Nathan Scheer / Cole & Derek Krieg / **Open**
 9:00am Phin & Ben Prusinski / Graham Bauer / Jonathan Nemitz
 11:00am Nolan & Myah Frane

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Cathy Heuer
 7:00am **Open**
 9:00am Suzanne Golden / Adult Choir
 11:00am Cindy Penker / Ann Kunding

Weekday Mass Servers - March 16th - March 21st

Monday	Glenn Linzmeier	Thursday	Lee Alt
Tuesday	Marty Draxler	Friday	No Mass
Wednesday	Dan Flees	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 6:15am Monday - Thursday and on Saturdays after the 8am Mass.

**STEWARDSHIP for March 7th & March 8th**

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$13,651.04
Parish Improvement	443.00
Total	\$14,094.04

Total to date for March \$31,220.63**Thank you for your contributions!**

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We did it! We have received the goal set for St. John's! Any monies over our goal will come back to the parish! We thank everyone who took part in this year's appeal. If you would still like to donate, please send in your pledge card and payment.

Diocesan Annual Appeal - 2025-2026**We will give weekly updates on our progress. As of 3/10/2026:**

Campaign Goal		\$131,020.00
Amount Received	100.18%	\$131,252.68
Over Goal		\$232.68
Number of Donors	342!	

Thanks to your incredible generosity, we're thrilled to share that we've reached our Diocesan Annual Appeal target — and have also fully covered the costs of the playground!

We couldn't have done this without each and every donation. Your support is making a real difference, and we're so grateful to have such generosity.



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
Father Thelen / Deacon Jeff
will lead the Stations on the
following

Fridays at 5:15pm:**March 20th Open** (please call the parish office if you can help)**March 27th Anabelle & Xavier Egle****Thank you to our Youth Servers for assisting!**

Stations of the Cross on the following
Wednesdays at 1:00pm for our St. John's
students (any one welcome)

March 18th / April 1st**PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE**

St. John's: March 20th at 6:00pm (Friday)
 Every Saturday morning following the 8:00am Mass
 (Two priests will be available)

DEANERY-WIDE CONFESSIONS

Sunday, March 29th at Our Lady of Peace
 (1:00pm - 5:00pm)

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners of St John the Baptist!

The prophet Isaiah says, "Make justice your aim: redress the wronged, hear the orphan's plea, defend the widow." (Is 1:17) Jesus elevates this calling in saying, "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." (Matt 25:40)

We are called to serve our neighbors, and Lent is a good time to highlight this core mission of our Christian witness. The diocesan organized retreat on charisms this coming Saturday at Our Lady of Peace is a great way to learn about your gifts and how you can use these gifts for love of God and neighbor. A charism is a spiritual way of saying a talent or gift that God has given to you. This retreat will focus on about twenty charisms, some of which St. Paul highlights in scripture. Often our temptations are direct attacks on our gifts (or our charisms) because Satan wants to prevent us from living out our gifts for others and for God.

During my years of schooling prior to seminary, I participated in many volunteer organizations: Pals in FFA, Habitat for Humanity, etc. As a student it was easy to join and participate in good programs that helped others. However, when I graduated from school and transitioned into adult life – I personally found it very challenging to connect myself with organizations that were helping others. It felt awkward and as a 20-something I felt very isolated in my attempts to help others.

We can all feel this dual pull. We want to help, but we feel scared to make that first contact. How do we begin? Where do we go? What if I talk to someone and I feel embarrassed? One of the key ways to take that first step is to identify needs for which you could help. Then brainstorming how you could help. Then starting small and being faithful in continuing this aim to help. Don't do it alone. Get support. Friendships and community are super helpful. You are cared for and your desire to help is treasured. Whether with youth, the elderly or an age or category in between, ask the Lord in prayer where you can help.

I pray that many can register and participate in the charism retreat coming up on March 21st. This is a great opportunity for you to discover your gifts and where you can express them in service to God and neighbor.

May St. John the Baptist pray for us.

Fr. Thelen



The Easter Triduum

Sign up sheets for Lectors, EM, Servers and the Washing of Feet are in the Sacristy. Please sign up to help!

Lector, EM and youth server schedules for the months of May - August will soon be worked on. Please notify the office by March 23rd at secretary@stjmf.diocparish.org if you know of any dates that you should not be scheduled. Thank you!

Footprints of God video series continues this Sunday, March 15th. Join us at 8:15am in the Columbia room as we watch the second video of the series, *Moses*. All are welcome!

Shadow Stations of the Cross Come experience the Stations of the Cross in an intimate, engaging and powerful way. Shadow Stations will be performed by Christ the King's youth group on Wednesday, March 25th at 6:30pm at the Tack Center. This is a free event. A free-will offering will be taken at the end of the show.



CHALICE OF MERCY MISSION TO UKRAINE

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Saturday, March 21st

4:30pm – 5-minute presentation following the 4:30pm Holy Mass

6:15 pm – Presentation with video and talk in the Columbia Room.

All are invited to hear Valentyna Pavsyukova share information on the Chalice of Mercy Mission and the hardships faced by the people of Ukraine.

"Called and Gifted" Workshop - March 21, 2026 at Our Lady of Peace Parish in Marshfield:

An in-person "Called and Gifted" workshop will be offered on Saturday, March 21, 2026 from 9am to 4pm. The Office for Catechesis & Evangelization and the Marshfield parishes will be hosting the workshop.

There is still time to register for this workshop! Registration open now at <https://dioc.org/catechesis/called-and-gifted-workshop/>



Sacred Worship, Social Justice and Family Life Committees will meet on Monday, March 16th at 6:00pm in the Rectory.

Finance Council will meet on Tuesday, March 17th at 6:30pm in St. Francis Hall.

Monthly Gathering for Prayer Shawl Ministry! Knitters or Crocheters.

Where: Everette Roehl Marshfield Public Library

When: Monthly on the 3rd Wednesday from 1 - 3pm

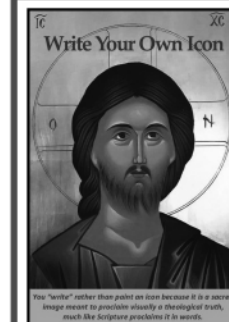
Purpose: Prayerfully knit or crochet prayer shawls to be donated to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church.

You are invited to join us on the 2nd floor (Bee Bee room) of the library on March 18th. Questions? Please call Lori at 715-305-6322.



ALMSGIVING - Feast of St. Joseph - March 19th

As we come upon this feast day, we remember that one of the disciplines of Lent is to give alms to the poor. We will have a monetary collection only from March 14th through March 22nd to help families of our parish as well as those in the community. On March 14th the St. Joseph Table will be set up with envelopes provided for donations. Please make checks out to St. John's.



The Faithful of the Marshfield Deanery are invited to write an icon. No experience is necessary.

Master Iconographer Drazen Dupor from Middleton will guide participants through a step-by-step process of writing an icon of Jesus. By the end of this workshop, they will each have completed a beautiful icon.

When: Friday, May 15, 5:00pm - 8:00pm
Saturday, May 16, 9:00am - to 5:00pm
Sunday, May 17, 11:00am - 3:00pm

Where: Toeller Hall, Sacred Heart of Jesus

Cost: \$270 which includes instructions and all painting materials. Participants provide their own lunches, snacks and refreshments. Questions? Call Allyson at 715-305-5453



We welcome this child through the Living Waters of Baptism

Roxana Elena Lezotte Cruz - daughter of
Thomas Lezotte & Magdalena Cruz-Santiago
Baptized March 14, 2026

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