

Respect Life Month

October 2026



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 4:30 p.m.
Sundays 7 a.m. / 9 a.m. / 11 a.m.

HEARING LOOP INSTALLED

Switch
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to T-coil



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.
First Fridays 6:15 a.m.
Third Fridays 6:00 p.m.

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 10/12/2026**

6:45am Jim Hasenohrl

Scripture Readings: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1 Lk 11:29-32

TUES 10/13/2026

6:45am Charles Hastreiter

Scripture Readings: Gal 5:1-6 Lk 11:37-41

WED 10/14/2026 St. Callistus I, Pope

6:45am Robert, Marie & Raymond Kelly

8:00am Living & deceased members of the Garcia & Moya families

Scripture Readings: Gal 5:18-25 Lk 11:42-46

THUR 10/15/2026 St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church

6:45am Dennis Kmiec

8:00am Elaine Fehrenbach

Scripture Readings: Eph 1:1-10 Lk 11:47-54

FRI 10/16/2026 St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

6:45am Donald Schnitzler

Scripture Readings: Eph 1:11-14 Lk 12:1-7

SAT 10/17/2026 St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr

8:00am Mass at Our Lady of Peace

Scripture Readings: Eph 1:15-23 Lk 12:8-12

4:30pm Marlous Gonerig

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**SUN 10/18/2026**

7:00am Robert Schiferl, Sr.

9:00am Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

11:00am Deceased members of St. John the Baptist PCCW

Scripture Readings: Is 45:1, 4-6 1 Thes 1:1-5b

Mt 22:15-21

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS - OCTOBER 17 & 18****LECTORS**

4:30pm Michael Purdon

9:00am Al May

7:00am Pam Alt

11:00am Sharon See

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS4:30pm Louise Kobylinski / Joan Raschke / Jeff Sternberg
Renee Wagner

7:00am Ray & Pam Housworth / Hope Kuehner

9:00am Al & Barb May / Dan & Dorothy Flees / Jill Hiller
Nancy Immerfall11:00am Sharon See / Audrey Ably / Michael Clubb
Linda Degenhardt**SERVERS**

4:30pm Xavier & Annabelle Egle

7:00am Joseph & Madeline Niehaus

9:00am Jonathan & Maria Nemitz / Jesse Hunt

11:00am Gwendolyn Clubb / Savannah Rummells

MUSIC MINISTER

4:30pm Ashley & Karen

9:00am Children's Choir

7:00am Megan Schirger

11:00am Auriel Prusinski

Weekday Mass Servers - October 12 - 16**Monday** Glenn Linzmeier**Thursday** Lee Alt**Tuesday** Marty Draxler**Friday** Dennis Spencer**Wednesday** Lenny K**Saturday** No Mass**STEWARDSHIP FOR OCTOBER 4 & 5**

Adult / Youth / Plate	\$24,202.00
Parish Improvement	612.00
Total	\$24,814.00
Total to date for October	\$24,814.00



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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).



Adoration Hour: "Neither theological knowledge nor social action alone is enough to keep us in love with Christ unless both are preceded by a personal encounter with Him in Adoration." (Blessed Fulton J. Sheen) Friday at midnight to 1 a.m. Saturday a holy hour is available at JP II Adoration Chapel. Call Deacon Ray at 715-207-6085 or Jean Kaiser at 715-387-0571.

Save the Date For These Events!

October 13 PCCW Meeting - All women of the parish are invited to join in at this meeting and enjoy some time of fellowship. Bingo and refreshments to follow the meeting.

October 17 - Given Retreat St. Joseph's Parish, Stevens Point, WI. 8am - 2:30pm See flyer on the kiosk for more information.

October 22 - Franciscan Retreat with Sister Mary Ann Spanjers, OSF and Fr. Nathan Linton, OFM 6:00pm Social followed by 6:30pm Presentation in Schuh Hall. All are welcome!

October 28 - St. Vincent de Paul Meal - 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.

**A Presentation on the 800th****Anniversary of St. Francis of Assisi****Location:** St. John the Baptist - Schuh Hall**Time:** 6:00pm Social 6:30pm Presentation

"How Death becomes Life;

Living One's Baptism"

Presentation by Sr. Mary Ann Spanjers, OSF
and Fr. Nathan Linton, OFM

With a penetrating simplicity, the Spirit of the Lord that enters the Christian soul at Baptism is the font of grace Francis discovered which led him to God. It is our font of grace as well! All are welcome!

Sr. Carol Schnitzler, long time principal of Sacred Heart grade school, now lives in assisted living. If you would like to send her a note you can send it to Trinity Woods, 9525 W. Burleigh St. Apt. 136, Milwaukee, WI 53227



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 - Thursdays and on First Fridays of the month.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners of St. John the Baptist. I thought I would give you an update on my studies. Back in February of 2025 Bishop Battersby asked me to study canon law. This was a great surprise and something I had never considered. But as with all things I brought it to prayer. I knew it would be difficult, but I could not see any reason to say no. The only contrary voice was the 'loud' screaming sound of anxiety, change, fear and how much work it would involve. But this is not of God, so I just ignored it.

The process of applying for graduate studies involved a sharp learning curve of just figuring out how to get in the school. What letters, transcripts, etc. were required. Somehow, I navigated through all this. Then it was figuring out how to provide coverage for our parish during my absence. Fr. Misna was assigned and then most recently Fr. O'Hara. I am so thankful for their assistance and the many other priests that pitched in.

Then it was the whole experience of spending that first summer, going alone, making new friends, finding where my classes were. So nice having Fr. Martin with me last summer. And then finally digging into the books and learning how a lawyer thinks with precision and clearness of language. I appreciate church law in that it is founded on the truths of Jesus. Thus, the law of the Church is completely in harmony with the revelation of God. It is aided by human experience and wisdom. Thus, Church law changes overtime, but ultimately in learning the law of the Church I go deeper into understanding Christ.

This week I have my mid-terms in Latin. An example is the following: "Matrimonium catholicorum, etsi una tantum pars sit catholica, regitur iure non solum divino, sed etiam canonico iure" I'll give you brownie points if you tell me what canon this Latin text is from :) I am also busy writing papers for Supra-Diocesan structures and for my final thesis. Two more years to go. I wrap up August of 2028.

May St. John the Baptist pray for us and bless each of you.

Fr. Thelen

A Mass for the deceased members of St. John's PCCW who have died between Apr. 1st & Sept. 30th, 2026 will be offered Sunday (Oct. 18th) at the 11am Mass. Please remember the following ladies in your prayers: Bonnie Meyer / Donna Prepeluh / Lauretta Taushek / Beatrice Verhulst / Kay O'Brien

World Mission Sunday is celebrated October 18th. Please use the envelope provided in your packet or the Propagation of the Faith envelope in the envelope containers in the entryways of the church. Thank you!

We welcome this child through the Living Waters of Baptism

Anne Susan Freiburger
daughter of William & Maria Freiburger



Welcome

to these new families!
Sally Larson / Doreen Mattson /
Patrick & Angie Nikolai family



In sympathy to the family of

Kay O'Brien

May the soul of Kay and the Souls of all the
Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God,
Rest in Peace.



Pro-life diaper drive!

As October is Pro-life month, St. John's will hold a diaper drive the month of October. All sizes are welcome. Diapers will be given to the Hannah Center.

If you would like to donate, please leave the diapers on the table in the entryway. This collection will run the month of October. For more information, contact Stephanie Clubb at 715-630-4498. Thank you!

Celebrate 150 years of our parish by being part of our new Church Directory!

Every household is invited to enjoy a free 20-minute professional photo session and receive a complimentary 5x7 or 8x10 portrait. Use the QR code to sign-up!



Reminder: **Group Photos on Wed., October 21st. Meet in Church.**

Marshfield Faith Formation is a faith formation program for the Catholic students in Marshfield attending public schools. Our Lady of Peace, Sacred Heart, and St' John the Baptist are part of it. We started classes in September, and our October theme is "*The Mass, where heaven and earth meet*". A unique aspect of family formation is that parents of grades 1-5 students attend a parent presentation, and are encouraged and equipped to be "the first and foremost educators of their children" [Gravissimum Educationis, 3]. Questions? Please visit familyformation.net and marshfieldfaithformation.org
David Alcott - dalcott@mff.diocparish.org



Diocesan Annual Appeal 2026-2027 Many Gifts, One Mission

Letters and pledge cards for this year's appeal are out and you should have received in the mail. If you have not, please call the parish office.

Please pray about how you can help and send in your donation as soon as possible! All checks get sent to the Diocese in the envelope they provide. When you donate, please write checks out to Diocesan Annual Appeal and not to St. John's. We will give weekly updates of our progress! As of September 28th.....

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