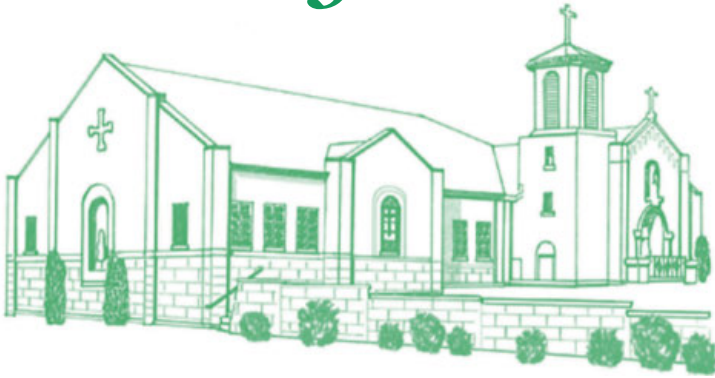


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Mass Schedule

K—Saturdays.....4:30 PM
K---Sundays.....7:30 AM & 8:30 AM
P---Sundays.....10:15 AM

Daily Mass and Reconciliation

Please contact Fr. Jim
to schedule time & attendees

Baptisms

Please email Fr. Jim at frjimtrempe@gmail.com
during pregnancy (prior to the birth of your child) to
make arrangements.

Weddings

Arrangements are to be made with Fr. Jim at least
8-MONTHS in advance of your wedding.
You should not set your date until you know
the church and Fr. Jim are available.

Ministry to the Sick

If you or a loved one are hospitalized, in a nursing
home/ in assisted living center or homebound & would
like a pastoral visit from Fr. Jim please
notify him at 715-693-3120

Holy Mass Intentions

Sat Jan 22	†	Jeno Sipocz
Sun Jan 23	†	Todd Marciniak
Mon Jan 24	†	Bill Sankey
Tue Jan 25	†	Parishioners of SFX & SJB who have passed in the last 5 years
Wed Jan 26	†	Gary Lepinski
Thu Jan 27	†	Edith Walters
Fri Jan 28	†	Stanley Czenczek
Sat Jan 29	†	Fred Moser
Sun Jan 30	†	John Wanta

† - Deceased H - Health S-Special



Father Jim will be taking the Daily Mass intentions with him on Retreat.

Weekend Mass intentions will be celebrated by our visiting priest.

Appointments

St. Francis Xavier

All ministries, please sign-in upon arrival.

MC

Sat 4:30 PM Jan 29 Hilary Omernik
Sun 8:30 AM Jan 30 Brett Obremski

Lector

Sat 4:30 PM Jan 29 Mary Virant
Sun 7:30 AM Jan 30 Kurstin Kolodziej
Sun 8:30 AM Jan 30 Marge Wojcik

Eucharistic Minister

Use of Eucharistic Ministers suspended until further notice.

Youth Server

Sat 4:30 PM Jan 29 Karson Kasat, Lilee Jo Legner,
Ruby Mullins
Sun 8:30 AM Jan 30 Dylan Grezinski, Jaymason Mayek,
Kaydin Mayek

Hospitality

Sat 4:30 PM Jan 29 Jim Olson, Ed Stankowski
Dave Virant
Sun 7:30AM Jan 30 Tom Wengelski
Sun 8:30 AM Jan 30 Carl Belohlavek, Mike Pliska,
Greg Sondelski

Brinks

Wed Jan 26 Patti Klinger, Rita Olson, Tom Wiczbicki

Paper Pulpit

This weekend in the second reading, we heard St. Paul give us THE definitive explanation of the various ministries that are evident in the Body of Christ through the analogy of the parts of the human body. However, in case you didn't "get it", I have another analogy that you might understand better. Since it is the week before THE football game of the year, **I propose the following:**

For the team is one and have many players, and all the players of the team, though many, are one team. Indeed, the team does not consist of one player, but of many. If the defensive end would say, 'Because I am not the quarterback, I do not belong to the team,' that would not make him any less a part of the team. And if the right tackle would say, 'Because I am not a wide receiver, I do not belong to the team,' that would not make him any less a part of the team. If the whole team were tackles, where would the running backs be? If the whole team were running backs, where would the kickers be? And if the whole team were kickers, where would the cornerbacks be? But as it is, the coach has arranged the players of the team, each one of them, as he chose. If all were quarterbacks, where would the team be? As it is, there are many players, yet one team. The quarterback cannot say to the tackle, 'I don't need you.' Nor can the defensive ends say to the running backs, 'We don't need you.' On the contrary, if one player suffers, the team suffers together with him; if one player is honored, the team rejoices with him.

The point no matter what your gifts are, they are needed in the Body of Christ. This is true whether it refers to the human body, a football team or a choir. There would be no body, no team and no choir if everyone withheld their gifts from the group. And gifts can take many forms.

The Christmas season officially ended for the Church two weeks ago on the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Perhaps for some of us, the Christmas season ended when we finished opening all of the gifts we had received for Christmas. But you know, if you think back, perhaps you may have opened one of those myriad of Christmas cards which you had received from all and sundry to find that it said "May the Spirit of Christmas be yours throughout the season and the coming New Year". Christmas should still be a part of our lives even in ordinary time because the Spirit of Christmas is love, the love of a Savior who saw before one atom of Creation existed that if he went through with it, he would have to come and be born as one of us and someday die a death on the cross. And yet, even knowing all that it would cost him in pain and suffering, he loved us enough to create us. And the Spirit continues to give of himself to us today and all he asks is that we use those gifts for the greater good of the Body of Christ. I'm sure that some of you may be saying to yourselves that you have no special gifts or talents to offer. But you have been given the most blessed gift of all: the gift of your life and additional time on this earth to return those gifts to the Creator to the best of your ability. And why does he continue to bless us with gifts? **Because:**

He has no hands but our hands to do his work today;
He has no feet but our feet to lead others in his way;
He has no voice but our voice to tell others how he died;
and,
He has no help but our help to lead them to his side.

Have a great and Blessed Week, Fr. Jim Trempe

Calendar of Events

January
January 26

February 2
February 9
February 16
February 17

Choir Practice every Thursday 6:30pm
Faith Formation with Family Faith and Food Night-Serving begins at 5:30PM
Faith Formation 6:15 - 7:30
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Finance Council Mtg 6:30




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St. Francis Xavier	Jan. 9	\$3,507.00	
St. John the Baptist	Jan. 9	\$ 410.00	

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Please pick them up.

Statements that are not picked up will be mailed home on January 31st.

Thank you for your generosity!

Pizza Party

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, February 26** for a Pizza (and Beer) party with the Pastor!
More details at a later date!



St. Anthony's Retreat Center

EVENING FOR LOVERS ~ Curing the Fear of Forever:
Little Steps for a Quality Relationship/Marrige
Sunday, February 13, 5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

St. Anthony Retreat Center, Marathon City
Contact: 715.443.2236 or www.sarcenter.com

World Day for Consecrated Life

In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This celebration is attached to the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd.

This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day, the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples. The celebration of World Day for Consecrated Life is transferred to the following Sunday in order to highlight the gift of consecrated persons for the whole Church.

World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in parishes on the weekend of February 5-6. Please pray for all those who have answered the call to consecrated life, aspiring towards joy-filled holiness in the service of the Church and world. Please pray also for many more laborers to enter the vineyard so that Jesus Christ may be better known, experienced, and loved!



PRAY!

Stewardship

St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians states, "If they were all one part, where would the body be? But as it is there are many parts, yet one body" (1 COR 12:18-20).

What does this teach us as Christian stewards? First, it shows us that we all have equal dignity and worth in God's sight and that if God sees us as equally precious, we should view each other in this same light. It teaches us to humbly recognize our gifts and the giftedness of every member of our parish family. And, while God designed us to be ultimately dependent on Him, it seems He has also designed us to need each other!

This is part of the beauty and richness of a stewardship way of life. No one person can "do it all" in life — whether in family or parish life. But God does not ask us to do it all. He asks us to share the gifts and talents we have in the season of life we find ourselves in right now. It might feel uncomfortable at first. But the good news is you don't have to do it all. Do your part, let your brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ do theirs, and know that the Spirit of the Lord is upon us all as we live out this stewardship way of life.

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness,
but will have the light of life.



John 8:12

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