



Sunday, December 10, 2023
2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“One mightier than I is coming after me.”
- Mk 1:7a

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HOLY FAMILY PARISH

Adoration and Confessions
Tuesdays from 4:30—5:30 pm
prior to Mass



Mass Schedule & Intentions

Tuesday, December 12, 5:45 PM: †Oliver and Helen Schueller
By Cathy Adamski

SATURDAY, December 16, 7:00 PM: For Our Parish Families of St.John's and Holy Family

SUNDAY, December 17, 10:30 AM: †Frank Lemmer
By Jenni, Cody, and Erica Lemmer

Normal Confession Times:

Saturday at 6:30 PM

Tuesday 4:30 PM

or anytime by appointment

Sanctuary Candle Offering

SANCTUARY CANDLE: for Dec. 9—Dec. 15, 2023

- 1) For Successful Cancer Treatment
- 2) †In Loving Memory of Clarence and Nancy Schreiner
By Randy and Linda Kraft

Grateful Giving

HOLY FAMILY — November 26, 2023 — Receipts

Adults.....	\$3,492.00
Offertory	\$542.00
Thanksgiving Offertory.....	\$152.00
Mission Co-op.....	\$100.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$30.00
Christmas	\$50.00
Immaculate Conception	\$50.00
St Hubert Medals	\$3.00
Vigil Lights	<u>\$21.01</u>
TOTAL	\$4,440.01

Thank you for sharing your Time, Talent, and Treasure
in Building God's Kingdom!

Communal Reconciliation for Advent is Sunday, December 10th at the following parishes:

St. Anthony's in Athens at 1 pm
St. Mary's in Marathon at 6:30 pm

Ministry Schedule

SATURDAY, December 16, 7:00 PM:

Cross-Bearer: Erica Socha

Candle-Bearers: Isaac and Lucas Socha

Minister of Word: Tracy Paul

Eucharistic Minister: Betty Urmanski

Eucharistic Minister-Choir: Tracy Paul

Offertory Gifts: Gary and Betty Urmanski Family

Ushers: Duane and Barb Rauen

SUNDAY, December 17, 10:30 AM:

Cross-Bearer: Jackson Miller

Candle-Bearers: Abby Miller

Minister of Word: Lori Daul

Eucharistic Minister: Joanne Berens

Offertory Gifts: Tim and Sara Lemmer Family

Ushers: Richard Daul and Johnathon Daul

Holy Family News

CHRISTMAS DECORATING:

Volunteers are needed to decorate the church after the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, December 17th.

Your help is greatly appreciated. A light lunch will be provided.



CHRISTMAS CHOIR PRACTICE:

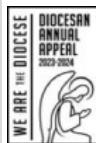
Monday, December 18th at 7:30 pm

New members are welcome.

TOYS FOR TOTS—The CCD students are now collecting NEW UNWRAPPED toys for the Salvation Army of Marathon County. Please drop the toys off at either entrance of the church by DECEMBER 13TH.

Cash/check donations are also accepted, made payable to Toys for Tots of Marathon County and put in the collection basket.

HOLY FAMILY DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: (12/4/23)



Goal: \$22,250.00

Total Received: \$ 7,275.00

Over/(Under) Goal: (\$14,975.00)

Thank you for your donation to the parish's appeal.

There will be a second collection at the weekend Masses on December 9/10th for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday, December 11, 8:00 AM: †Helen Strasser
by The Johnson Family

Wednesday, December 13, 8:00 AM: †Joanne Schaetzl
Kreig by Sandy Durr

Thursday, December 14, 8:00 AM: Communion Service

Friday, December 15, 8:00 AM: †Frank Feltz
by Family

SATURDAY, December 16, 4:00 PM: For the health of
Chintara Chemak Richard by Ralph Lemmer

SUNDAY, December 17, 9:00 AM: †Clarence and †Vangie
Wilichowski by The Wilichowski Family

Adoration and Confession
Mondays from 4:30 –5:30 PM



Ministry Schedule

SATURDAY, December 16, 4:00 PM

Cross-Bearer: Libby Woller

Candle-Bearers: Alex Woller

Minister Of The Word: Grace Wirkus

Minister Of Song: Sally Bargender and Judy Trawicki

Minister Of The Eucharist: Brenda Werner and Juan Martinez

Offertory Gifts: Volunteers

Ushers: Ken Schara, Chuck Mroczenski, Jerry Mroczenski

SUNDAY, December 17, 9:00 AM

Cross-Bearer: Parker Albrecht

Candle-Bearers: Marshall and Evie Albrecht

Minister Of The Word: Andrew Lukasko

Minister Of Song: Marisa Doll and Rose Leffel

Minister Of The Eucharist: Randy Myszka and Joe Burke

Offertory Gifts: Eric and Lexie Gajewski Family

Ushers: Richard and Lisa Nowak and volunteers

Candle Offerings

SANCTUARY: for Dec. 9—Dec. 15, 2023

1) In memory of Stacie Gurski by Randall and Patty Myszka

2) In memory of Theresa Burish by Children and Families

BLESSED MOTHER:

In memory of Theresa Burish by Children and Families

ST. JOSEPH:

In memory of Theresa Burish by Children and Families

Grateful Giving

Deposits: November 21—27, 2023

Adult	\$2,262.76
Offertory	733.75
Online Sunday envelopes	720.00
Christmas envelopes	25.00
Christmas flowers	120.00
Candles	119.50
Total	\$3,981.01

Deposits: November 28—December 3, 2023

Adult	\$4,002.00
Offertory	671.85
Online Sunday envelopes	860.00
Christmas Flower donations	395.00
Parish Memorial for Charles Lang Sr.	1,000.00
School Support	400.00
Online School Support	100.00
Candles	60.00
Total	\$7,488.85

Weekly Need for envelope giving: \$8,500.00

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Building God's Kingdom!

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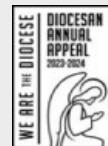
SUPPORT A LIFETIME OF SERVICE.

Women and men religious have spent their lives serving others in prayer, ministry, education and care for those in need—usually for little or no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. As they age, they require essential care and medications. Please support them by giving to the Retirement Fund for Religious. Your donation makes a difference for nearly 25,000 senior men and women religious.



Please give to those who have given a lifetime.
Retirement Fund for Religious

Please give generously at the Masses on December 9/10th.



St. John's Diocesan Annual Appeal: (11/20/23)

Goal: \$36,615.00

Total Pledged/Received: \$18,885.00

Over/(Under) Goal: (\$17,730.00)

Thank you for your donation to the parish's appeal.

Thank You To
Our Advertiser
of the Week



St. John the Baptist News



Saint John the Baptist Parish is a growing Catholic faith community whose members seek to live and share a Eucharistic love of Jesus Christ that is centered in prayer, Adoration, Reconciliation, education and community service.

There will be a second collection at the weekend Masses on December 9/10th for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

BIRTHDAYS

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS to Those 65+:

December 10 —Dianne Schilling
December 12—Richard Schroeder
December 13—Carol Griesmer
December 14—Deacon Gregory Kaiser
December 15—Paul Berg and Sharon Ross
December 16—Marcia Finke and Laurie Zietlow

Wedding Anniversary Correction:

Richard and Irene Guenther will celebrate 62 years of marriage on December 30th

PCCW Christmas Benefit and Fish Fry

A BIG shoutout to all those who worked to make our PCCW Christmas Benefit and Fish/Shrimp Fry a huge success! We served 655 meals and 163 desserts. Thank you also to those who came and supported our efforts and enjoyed a good meal. We hope to see all of you in 2024 for our Lenten Fish Fries!!

PCCW NEWS:

CHURCH CHRISTMAS DECORATING will be December 13th from 8:45 am - noon. We will need help getting all the Christmas trees, crèche, and decorations moved from the rectory basement to the church on December 12 at 9-10:30 am. Everyone is welcome to help with the decorating. Please contact Linda Mroczenski (715-370-2183) or Patty Myszka (715-897-8810) with any questions.

PRAYER CORNER

Let us pray for healing and comfort at this time for our parishioners:



ST. JOHN'S:

Baby Easton Hafferman, Sally Bargender, Ben Hack, Dennis Kaiser, Elaine Petrowski, Marilyn Sonnentag, Lorraine Springer, Pam Stencil, Tim Werner

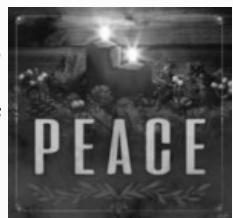
HOLY FAMILY:

Gordon and Carol Baeseman, Mary Brodziski, Judy Brewster, Gertie Gurski, Jim and Lucille Kleparski, Lorraine Myszka, Marvin Reuter

General Information

Prepare the way! Luke 3:1-4

The second Sunday of Advent gives us the opportunity to prepare our hearts in faithful waiting, celebrate the birth of Jesus, and ready ourselves for his second coming.



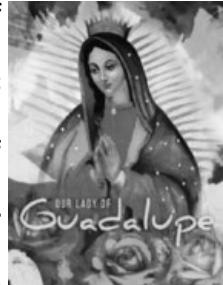
This week, we pause to remember who God is and what He has done for us. When our lives are hurried, we only have the chance to focus on our to-do lists. Making space in our schedules for prayer and meditation helps us to better see God at work in our lives and in our world.

As we prepare our hearts for the celebration of Jesus' arrival as a gift to all humanity, let's stir up in our hearts and homes a sense of anticipation. May God's spirit transform the days leading up to Christmas into a time of holy anticipation; preparing our hearts, as we faithfully await the chance to celebrate the arrival of our king.



Upcoming Events

All are welcome to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Tuesday, December 12th at St. Bronislava Catholic Church, 3200 Plover Road, Plover, WI, and venerate the sacred relic image of Our Lady of Guadalupe! The day will begin with 6:00 AM Las Mañanitas, later followed by 4:00 PM Confessions offered in both English and Spanish, and a 5:30 PM Spanish Mass. The celebration will continue with a potluck meal and entertainment provided by Mariachi musicians. For more information: 715-424-6279 or email mariancenterforpeace.org ; find us on Facebook.



Cantata 2023 at the Nativity of the BVM Parish, Marathon will be holding their annual cantata on Sunday, December 17 at 11:30am, following the 10:00 am Mass. This year's theme is The Road to Bethlehem, A Journey to the Newborn King. Concert is free and held in the church at 712 Market Street, Marathon.

Sunday, December 10th at 1:00 pm, come see Santa and his reindeer glide down Main Street in Edgar and turn on the Christmas Tree lights by the log cabin at Oak Street Park. Come meet Mr. and Mrs. Claus as they light the tree at the Edgar Oak Park Shelter. Volunteers needed, please call Karen at Stark's Floral 715-352-2577

Faith and Family

A MINUTE WITH JESUS

Does Jesus understand everything about me?

Jesus knows exactly what you are feeling and understands. Where you are, Jesus has been; He shares every joy and every pain with you.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: If you have something painful in your heart, speak with Jesus about it and give it to Him. This week, read from Scripture how the angel appears to Joseph and guides him to take his wife Mary into his home in [Matthew 1: 18-25](#).

Parents, do your children like to draw or would like to learn,



join Ms. Kim this Advent on [formed.org](#) and each week of Advent Ms. Kim will show how to make drawings and "draw" them closer to God this Advent.



Families, the parish is once again offering a Family Consecration to St. Joseph. The group will meet four Sundays beginning January 7th, 2024. The cost is \$20.00/family.

This unique family consecration brings in movies and books enjoyed by young and old and ties it all into St. Joseph. Call the parish office to register at 715-352-3011.

Advent Communal Reconciliation is Sunday, December 10th:

St. Anthony's in Athens at 1 pm

St. Mary's in Marathon at 6:30 pm

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 10, 2023

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

MONDAY: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9AB & 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 5:17-2

TUESDAY: Zec 2:14-17 OR Rv 11:19A; 12:1-6A, 10AB/Jdt

13:18BCDE, 19/Lk 1:26-38 OR Lk 1:39-47

WEDNESDAY: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 & 10/Mt 11:28-30

THURSDAY: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 & 9, 10-11, 12-13AB/Mt 11:11-1

FRIDAY: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6/Mt 11:16-1

SATURDAY: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2AC & 3B, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9A, 10-1

Next SUNDAY: Is 61:1-2A, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54
(Is 61:10B)/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

School News

The mission of Saint John the Baptist Catholic School is to educate God's children and promote Catholic values through academic excellence and service to others.

<https://edgarcatholic.org/stj/school/>

HUGE Thank You to the families who donated to the new playground! The students are enjoying it! Thank you to families for donating the funds in memory of Frank and Jolanta Jagodzinski, Sue Ballerstein, Lawrence & Winifred Brzezinski, and Kurt Brzezinski to purchase the playground equipment, Justin Kunze Family for donating the excavation services, Gary and Kathy Schueller for donating the timbers, and Gordy Steiber at Morgan Sand and Gravel for donating the pea rock. We greatly appreciate it and wouldn't have been able to complete this project without you!



Reminder to Save The Date
Sunday, December 17th: School Christmas Pageant at 1pm in the church.



Monday, December 11, 5:30—7:00 pm: Youth Night for all in Gr 5—12. Meet at St. John's Youth Room.

ST. JOHN'S CCD CALENDAR

Wed, Dec. 13: Class for grades 2, 7, 8, 9 and 10. Grades K-1, 3-6 encouraged to come.

Wed, Dec. 20: Caroling for the M.S. and H.S. youth, card making for the younger grades.

HOLY FAMILY CCD CALENDAR

Wed, Dec. 13: Practice for Christmas performance.

Wed, Dec. 20: Christmas performance and Christmas party.



Thank you to all who joined us on Saturday, December 2nd for Christmas Caroling and bringing smiles to the residents' faces at The Athenian in Athens and The Waterford in Colby. A fun time was had by all. A special thank you to Holy Family PCCW for providing lunch for everyone and Fishers Bus Service for providing transportation.

