

**TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
September 22, 2024**

**IN APPRECIATION**

Thank you to all who have contributed and continue to contribute to the St. John the Baptist Capital Improvement Fund. Your gifts will help to ease the costly burden placed upon the parish.

I wish to keep you informed of the progress of this campaign. As of this week, we are \$37,820.00 from reaching our goal.

The Fund will remain open indefinitely and contributions can be dropped in the collection basket, dropped off at, or mailed to St. John the Baptist office at 25 Benton Avenue, Walton, NY 13856. Kindly write "Capital Improvement" in the memo space if you make your offering with a check.

Father Edward J. Golding

**COFFEE HOUR**

The next Coffee hour at St. John the Baptist is in Father Willis Hall on Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup> after the 11:15 am Mass. ***Bakers are needed!!*** Please join us for a cup of coffee or tea, and a bite to eat. All are welcome.

**ROSARY CORNER**

When praying the Rosary, put yourself in the presence of God and imagine that God and his Blessed Mother are watching you.

**USCCB WORD OF LIFE**

"The truth of the Gospel of life is at the foundation of who we are as followers of Christ. In his earthly life, Jesus provided the perfect model for how we are to love our neighbor and live out the Gospel call: "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me" (Mt. 25:40)." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Live the Gospel of Life" [respectlife.org/live-the-gospel-of-life](https://respectlife.org/live-the-gospel-of-life)

**THIS WEEK'S DAILY SCRIPTURES**

Monday: Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18  
*St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Priest*  
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 9:1-6  
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9; Lk 7:31-35  
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9  
*Sts. Cosmas & Damián, Martyrs*  
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22  
*St. Vincent de Paul, Priest*  
Saturday: Eccl 11:9-12:8; Lk 9:43b-45  
*St. Wenceslaus, Martyr*  
Sunday: Nm 11:25-29; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**ST. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL**

Angels are pure spirits created and employed by God as ministers of His will. Messengers from God, angels appear frequently in scripture, but only Michael, Gabriel and Raphael are named. Each of these archangels are presented in Sacred Scripture with a distinct mission. Michael comes to protect, Gabriel to announce, and Raphael to guide. Michael, known as the Prince of the Heavenly Host, appears in Daniel's vision as "The great prince" protecting Israel against its adversaries. In the book of Revelation, he leads God's armies to the final victory over the forces of evil. Gabriel also appears in Daniel's visions, proclaiming Michael's work in God's plan. He is most commonly known for his announcement of the Incarnation, when Mary agrees to bear God's son. In the Book of Tobit, the angel Raphael guides Tobit's son, Tobiah, through a chain of adventures that lead to a threefold happy ending. The archangels are reminders to us of God's protection, communication, and guidance in our lives. Their feast day is September 29.

**GRIEF MINISTRY**

Mission Statement: To provide a listening ear, compassion and possible recommendations and/or direction for a positive life journey moving forward with the help of our Faith! For more information contact Kathy Scribani at 607-376-1633

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Every Thursday, from 6:00 am until 6:00 pm, Our Lord is exposed for Adoration in the Eucharistic Chapel at St. John's in Walton. All parishes are welcome to come adore during any of these hours, alongside our regularly scheduled adorers.

**PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SOULS ON THE  
ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR PASSING**

Sept 23 - Thomas Merriman, Mary Keeley,  
Thomas Morley, Albert Stiene  
Sept 24 - Barbara Miller, Maria Veniva,  
Katherine Guild  
Sept 25 - Winifred Krzyston, Helen Czemeski,  
Gerry Breen  
Sept 26 - Deacon George Sheehan, Rose  
Atkens, Mary Maritato  
Sept 27 - Edward Hanrahan, Margaret  
Tippmann  
Sept 28 - Joan McClenon, Kathleen Moore  
Sept 29 - Mildred Iorio, Alycia Manerowski,  
Austin Davis

**FAITH FORMATION**

***CALLING ALL FAMILIES*** from St Peter's in Delhi, Holy Family in Downsville, and St John's in Walton! The first Faith Formation class will be held at St. John's after the 11:15 am Mass on Sunday, October 6. For more information, call Katherine at 607-746-2503.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK**

Dale Hart, Teri Macchio, Barbara Cocks, Rick Kean, Roberta Lacey, Will, John Meinke, Al Furrer, Alyson Bruse, Mia Morris, Barbara, Lainey, Peter Michael Sehen, Helen Pratti, Marilyn Olson, Anthony Contello, Ralph, Brian Conway, Jeff Fritz

**DONATION ENVELOPES**

If you have been receiving donation envelopes in the mail and are not using them, please contact the parish office and we will remove your name from the mailing list. On the other hand, if you have not been receiving envelopes in the mail and would like to, kindly contact the parish office and we will add your name to the mailing list. Thank you.

**MARRIAGE MOMENTS** by Susan Vogt

Listening is not the same as being quiet. After the quiet, an effort to show your beloved you understand should follow. It may not require words, but it takes paying attention.

**YEAR LONG BIBLE READING JOURNEY**

**When:** next meeting is **Tuesday September 24<sup>th</sup>**

We will meet every other Tuesday, 6:00 – 7:30 pm

**Where:** Father Willis Hall, St. John the Baptist, Walton

**Presented** and Facilitated by Deacon Mike Freeman

For more information, see the gold colored flyer on the bulletin board in the vestibule or call/text Deacon Freeman at 607-353-0095.

***Bible Journey Readings can be found on the parish website***

**KNOWING YOUR FAITH  
GOD REVEALS SAVING TRUTHS  
TO US**

**Why is the Bible considered as  
divinely inspired?**

**The Bible is a collection of 73 sacred books. Which were composed under the positive influence of the Holy Spirit by men chosen by God and which have been accepted by the Church as divinely inspired.**

The Bible is the most authorized, the most admirable, and the most important book in the world because it is the only "divine" book, the word of God in the language of man.

The Bible is composed of 73 inspired books (it is really a library of holy books) written over the course of 1,000 years, from about 950 B.C. to 100 A.D.

Other names for the Bible are: Holy or Sacred Scripture(s), Holy Writ, the Sacred Writings, the Good Book and the Word of God.

The two main parts of the Bible are the Old Testament and the New Testament.

*Knowing Your Faith, Rev. Raymond B. Fullam, S.J*

**MONEY MATTERS**

The general collections for September 14<sup>th</sup> & September 15<sup>th</sup>: Holy Family \$276.00, St. John's \$2,323.00, St. Peter's \$1,540.00.