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**Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church
915 Ivory Street
Seymour, Wisconsin 54165**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I praise and thank our heavenly Father for the wonderful gifts that you all bring to our community. You, in yourself, are a gift to our community and I am so grateful. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the source and summit of our faith. In the Eucharist we are united with our God, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. Your willingness to share your time and talents by assisting in the Mass is a great gift to our community.

Through your participation in the Grace that God offers us, we are able to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for our brothers and sisters in Christ. The importance and necessity of your role cannot be overstated. We are a family journeying to our homeland. We are bonded together through the sacrifice offered once and for all by Jesus, and represented to us every day through the Mass.

We are the body of Christ, without you we are incomplete. So, again, I thank you for your participation in the mass in this special way. Whether it be as an Altar Server, Lector, Cantor, Usher, Extraordinary Minister, or as an Active participant, you are necessary and you are appreciated.

As our patron, St. John the Baptist, proclaimed the coming of Christ to the masses so do we. Through our participation in the Mass we stand with St. John the Baptist and proclaim, ‘Behold the Lamb of God!’ May John the Baptist intercede for us in our endeavor to help the community of Seymour, Wisconsin encounter God through the Mass.

In Christ,

Father Sengole Arockia Dass, O.Praem,

“One merits more by devoutly assisting at a Holy Mass than by distributing all of his goods to the poor and traveling all over the world on pilgrimage.” -St. Bernard