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Leading Souls to Heaven

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Pastor: Rev. Christopher Lankford, KHS Deacon: Rev. Mr. Alex Lorang

MASS TIMES

Monday

Columbus Day 8:30 am only All parish offices closed

Tuesdays

8:15 am

Wednesdays

5:30 pm

Thursdays

8:15 am

Fridays

12:00 pm

Saturdays

5:00 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sundays

7:30 am 9:30 am

11:30 am

CONFESSIONS

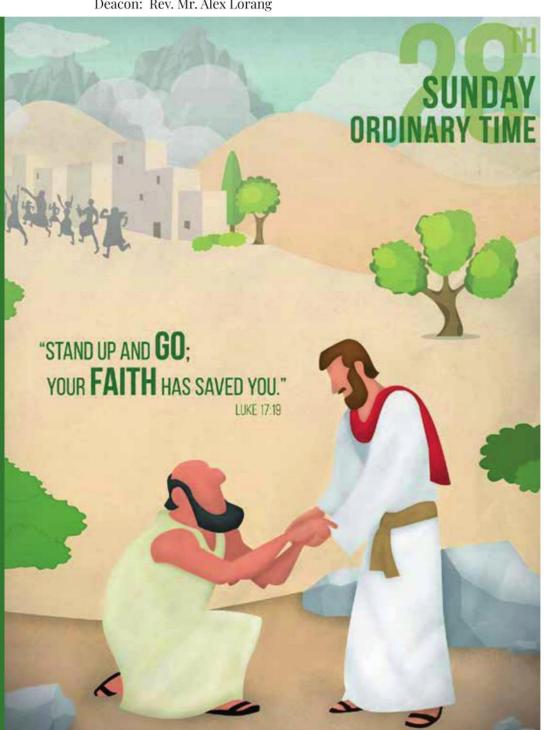
Saturdays

3:30-4:30 pm (Church)

ADORATION

Thursdays

following 8:15 am Mass & Rosary, to 8:00 pm (Chapel)



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends in Christ,

The second greatest day of my life was March 27, 2015, only second to May 21, 2016. May 21st was my priestly ordination. March 27th was my ordination to the diaconate. At my diaconate ordination I made a number of promises to God and the Church as well as being charged with proclaiming the Gospel of Christ whose herald I had become.

I loved being a deacon. In fact, I still am one. We never lose that as priests. I became a deacon after almost seven years of seminary formation and I finally could baptize, witness marriage vows, and most importantly, proclaim the Gospel and preach at Mass while assisting the priest at the altar.

I reflect fondly on my diaconal ministry as today is Deacon Sunday, a day where we encourage vocations to the permanent diaconate.

I was a transitional deacon, meaning I was on the journey to priesthood. Some people don't know you need to be a deacon first before becoming a priest. But the permanent diaconate is typically made up of married men (not always the case), who have regular full time jobs and families, yet have felt a call from the Lord to serve.

You may recall the last permanent deacon we had at St. John's was Deacon Dave Ritter. Deacon Dave is a good friend and served our community so faithfully and well. He truly models what a permanent deacon is and should be. As you know, he retired and we currently have no full time diaconate help. We have Deacon Alex, who is a blessing, and we look forward to his priestly ordination, but he is only for a time. And so I'm going to cast the net...

If any of our men here have ever felt a call to serve God as a deacon or feel God may be calling them to serve his Church in this way, please reach out to me! I'm happy to discuss with you what the steps would be. It would be a major commitment, require dedication to formation, and for those who are married, your spouse would need to be on board too. But, I'm happy to talk with anyone on what it would look like.

May we pray for more vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and permanent diaconate. May more souls graciously lay down their lives in service of Christ and to his Church!

In Christ, Fr. Chris Please pray for those who defend our nation, those who serve in Active Duty

Pvt James Luigi Akin
SRA Francis Beifuss
Major John Berg
Sgt. Tyler Bowling, US Army
Sgt Melissa Brooker
Pvt Timothy Conley
Lt. Jr. Gr. Nicholas Daly
Major Daniel Durbin
LCPI Ciro Esquivel, Jr.
Sgt. Nicholas Gedvilas
Pv2 Nicholas Gorman
Sgt Pamela Gray
Colonel Eric Hass, US Army
Colonel Erica Haas, USAF
A1C Seth Kelley

Airman Nicholas Kostecka

Lt. Crystal Kotvan Sqt Major Carrie Kwiatkowski Sqt. David Lawless SrA Robert Lawless Navy Marco Angelo Lomibao Captain Matthew Luff WO1 Jake Miller CMDCM (SW/SS/AW) Timothy A. Newell ABH2 Sean PhillipsCaptain Colleen Rezabek Captain Kevin Rezabek A1C Alejandro Luis Sanchez **Cpl Riley Santoyo** Sat Ian Sarlitto AN Michael Schieve 2LT Allyson Serbick PFC Keegan Serbick Major Jim Smolucha Major Mike Smolucha SPC Thomas Stanhope

AFSSqt Zachary Ushman

Lt. Keith Wolfe

Pictured here is His Eminence Blasé Cardinal Cupich, Rev. Christopher Lankford, KHS and Sir Philip Barone, KHS, taken two weeks ago when Fr Chris become a Knight of the Holy Sepulcher.

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September 18...\$12,630 September 25...\$15, 519



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It's that easy!

Questions? Contact Jim Nolan, 630-668-0918, ext. 604.

How many of us lost loved ones during the early days of COVID?

How many were unable to celebrate their loved ones lives due to COVID?

Fr. Chris wants to celebrate the lives of these family members and friends who passed in our community.

The celebration will take place at the 5:30PM Mass on Wednesday, October 12th.

We will have a memorial with your loved ones names on it!

Please call 630-668-0918 X 600 or 612 with name and spelling of your loved one.

Refreshments following Mass in Sebahar Hall.

Anyone interested in baking or helping with the reception, please call 630-668-0918, ext. 613

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 8, Vigil, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. † Jackie Morey (Maryann Dusza)

† Lucille Vogt (Charles & Linda Gruber) † Doris Morrissey (The Morrissey Family)

† Abe Rundell (Monica Rundell)

† Jongrang "Jong" Tenjum (Bruce Enders) † Evelyn Lootens (John Dusza & Family)

Sunday, October 9, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. † Bob Paskewic (Mrs. Lucille Rulko) 9:30 a.m. † Carol Connors (The Kosusnik Family)

11:30 a.m. ♥ † The People of the Parish

Monday, October 10-Columbus Day

8:30 a.m. • Health & Intentions of the Bertucci Family

Tuesday, October 11

8:15 a.m. † Intention of the Priest

Wednesday, October 12

5:30 p.m. † All Who Have Died of COVID-19

Thursday, October 13

8:15 a.m. † Ida Perri (Irma & Rick McCall)

Friday, October 14

12:00 p.m. † Giuliana Capigatti (Andrew Capigatti)

† Fr Arno Dennerlein

Health & Intentions of Tom & Sandy Noonan (Maureen Garro)

† Gloria & Stan Fortman (Patricia & Werner Welz) † Gertrude Wagemann (Edward "Skip" Meyer)

† Dr. Michael Hussey (Urban Oen)

Saturday, October 15, Vigil, Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. † Jackie Morey (John Dusza & Family)

† Patti Bentley (Mike Bentley) † Ida Perri (Irma & Rick McCall)

† Lucille Vogt (Ronald & Sharon Kammes Family)

† Tylar Everhart (The Marasco Family) † Dr. Michael Hussey (The Borow Family)

Sunday, October 16, Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. The People of the Parish 19:30 a.m. The People of the Parish 20:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m. † John Pohodich (The Bartko Family)

Mass Intentions: The donation for a Mass Intention is \$10; the 5:00 pm Sat. Vigil Mass and 12:00 pm Friday Mass are free-will donations. Please note: the 2023 Mass book is open.



Our Sanctuary Lamps

This week, our Sanctuary Lamps* burn in Memory of (†) /Honor of (♥):

CHAPEL † Giuliana Capigatti CHURCH † Feanne Ptak & Family

*If you would like to request a sanctuary lamp to burn immemory of/in honor of a loved one, please contact the parish office. The cost is five dollars per week.

KNIGHTS & MEN OF ST. JOHN

Come pray the Rosary & stay for a get-together, St. John's Fire Pit, 7:00 pm, Wednesday, October 19.

Questions? Sean Conley, 630-835-8225

Please pray for our sick

Praying for our sick is one of the most important things we can do as a parish community. Please pray for the following people. The entire sick list will be featured on our website, www.stjohnwinfield.org.

If you or someone in your family is sick & would like to be included in this list or prayed for by our confidential Prayer Line, please contact the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0

*Don Brach

Sam Mahre

Beth Majerczyk

Gianna Malorny

John Maltese

Linda Marczewski

Jan Masters

Al Mathieu

Diane Maher

Alex McCall

Michael McCall

Perri McCall

Patricia Meschler

Bessy Miller

Mayette Monales

Joseph Jr. & Maggie Morgan

Thomas Morris

Megan Mueller

Mary Lu Mulcahy

Lauren Mungo

Joan Murdock

Tim Murnane

Becky Neal

Johnny Neal

Maura Neuens

Clare North

Alex Novak

Lesley (Tobin) Nygaard

Joseph O'Brien Larry Zengri

*New

Please keep in your prayers our Deacon and Seminarian who are preparing for the Priesthood:

Rev. Mr. Alex Lorang Seminarian Sam Bergmann

Please pray for all the Deacons and Seminarians who are studying in the Diocese of Joliet

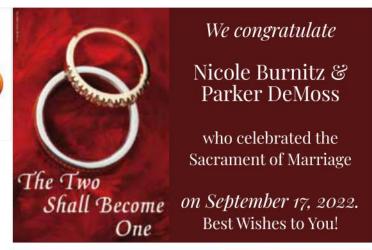
FALL BAZAAR

SEBAHAR HALL
SAT OCT 8TH 9:00 AM-4:00 PM
SUN OCT 9TH 8:00 AM-1:00 PM

Our Bakery is Back, with Homemade Treats!

Also featuring: This & That Shop, Crafts, Jewelry, Religious Items, Christmas Items!

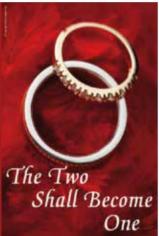
Volunteers are needed at the weekend sale. Baked goods are greatly appreciated! Please drop off mornings of Oct 8-9 in Sebahar Hall. All women of the parish are considered CCW members. This event is a great way to become involved. **Questions?** Please contact Venessa Lopatka, venessalopatka@gmail.com or 630-336-5414



We congratulate

Emily Sara-Jane Wessell & Gilbert Munoz Jr. who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage

on September 23, 2022. Best Wishes to You!



2nd Annual Halloween Party for people with intellectual disabilities and family.

FREE FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

TRUNK OR TREATING, COSTUME CONTESTS (no scary costumes, please), GAMES, KING COBRAS DRUMLINE LESSONS, BBQ WITH THE KNIGHTS





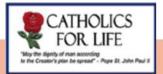


October 23rd, 3 - 5:30 pm
Outside St John's Church
O S 233 Church Street, Winfield
Please call or text Colleen with #of guests or to volunteer.
(630) 212-1565. Sponsored by the Knights and Special Camps.

RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Our RCIA classes are for any adult wanting to become Catholic. Whether you are answering God's call to join the church, seeking to participate fully in the sacraments, or looking to find answers about the Catholic faith, RCIA is for you. RCIA sessions meet weekly from October until Easter. Our first meeting was Sunday, 10/2/2022, at the 9:30 am Mass, but you are still welcome to join RCIA. Jim & Rosanne Druckemiller are co-directors and they can be reached by contacting the church office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0. If you have any questions or if you would like to join RCIA.



October is Respect Life Month and we began it by having our Baby Shower for Birthright in Joliet and participating in the National Life Chain. Thank you so much to all who donated to the Shower and those who participated in the Life Chain. We are now continuing to pray and witness at or for the success of 40 Days for Life Vigil at Planned Parenthood in Aurora. Thank you to all who signed up during our sign-up weekend. We pray at Waterleaf Woman's Center every Monday between 10a.m. and noon. Or if you can pray at a different time please go to 40daysforlife.com/aurora/il to sign up on the vigil calendar.

Our Lady of Guadalupe pray for us. Saint John Paul II prayer for us. Saint Gianna Molla pray for us. St. Anne pray for us. Saint Joseph pray for us. Saint Gerard Majella pray for us. All you Angels and Saints pray for us. Join St. John's Book Club at our next monthly meeting, Wednesday, October 19, 7:00 pm at the home of Carol Vigsnes. We will discuss the book, *Project Hail Mary* by Andy Weir.

Please inquire for directions or with any questions & RSVP Jean at tjdaniell@att.net

Upcoming dates and titles: Nov.16th *A Girl Like You* by Michelle Cox; Dec 21st TBA



Did you know that new underwear and socks are the most requested, but least donated items at Catholic Charities? These basic items (new underwear, warm socks, a fresh diaper) are truly treasures to those who are living in poverty.

St. John the Baptist Parish and School are helping Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet and the individuals and families they serve by collecting the following NEW items for children and adults living in low-income households:

Socks; underwear-girls, boys, adult; tee shirts-all sizes; pajamas; diapers

Bins are in the narthex for your donation and on the stage in the school!

Collection will be delivered Monday, October 24th

If you would prefer to send a monetary donation, please mail it to: Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet/Undy Sunday 16555 Weber Road Crest Hill, IL 60403

Monetary donations can also be made online at catholiccharitiesjoliet.org.

Thank you for always having a generous heart. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of the poor and vulnerable in our community!

CONTACT INFORMATION:	
Parish Directory:	630-668-0918
Religious Education Office:	Ext 613
Director: Maureen Brennan	
RCIA (Convert Preparation)	
Parish Secretaries: Jennifer Kurtyka, Rosa Benavides	Ext o or 600
Secretaria Hispana:	Ext 601
Director of Finance, Facilities & Operations: Jim Nolan	
Music Ministry: Adrienne Rose	630-653-1489
Grade School Office:	Ext 618
Principal, Joanne Policht	
Phone 630-668-0918 Press 2	Fax: 630-668-1074
St Vincent de Paul Society:	Ext 692
Church: www.stjohnwinfield.org School: www.sjbwinfield.org	
For information on joining St. John's, please see our website or call the parish office. Office	ce Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m

PRAYERS & SUPPORT FOR THE SICK & THOSE IN NEED

Having Surgery?

Give one of our priests a call PRIOR to your surgery, so that anointing can be given at a time when you are less stressed. Call the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. o, & set a time to come in BEFORE your surgery for anointing.

Hospital Visits

Our pastor is unable to make a hospital visit unless the situation is dire. To receive communion while in the hospital, please make the request to a hospital chaplain. Because of HIPAA laws, the hospital does not notify churches when parishioners are there. Please notify the St. John's parish office when a loved one is in the hospital so prayers can be offered, at 630–668–0918, ext. o. We want to do our best to minister to all hospitalized.

Homebound

Parishioners who are homebound and wish to receive communion, please call the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. o, and we will pass your name to the coordinator for Homebound Ministry.

Grief Support Group

Our Grief Support Group offers emotional support for those grieving a loss - whether by death, divorce, or other significant event in their lives. Support is based on confidentiality, trust, and safety. The next Grief Support meeting will on Thursday, November 3, 2022. For more information, contact the parish office, 630-668-0918, ext. o.

Bulletin Articles

Interested in submitting a bulletin article? Email jenniferk@stjohnwinnnnnnfield.org and rosab@stjohnwinfield.org

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

For Baptisms, RCIA and Wedding information, please contact the parish office, 630-668-0918, ext. o.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting: AA is meeting on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in Sodonna Hall, the basement of the parish office.

Reporting Sexual Abuse

Anyone with reason to believe that a child has been abused or is being abused should report their suspicions to the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, 1-800-25ABUSE (1-800-252-2873) or the local police. The Diocese of Joliet Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help victims of child sexual abuse by a cleric, employee or volunteer of the Catholic Church.

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I will refresh the weary and satisfy the faint." Jeremiah 31:25



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