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Deacon: Rev. Mr. Alex Lorang

MASS TIMES

Mondays
5:30 pm

Tuesdays
8:15 am

Wednesdays
5:30 pm

Thursdays
Thanksgiving Day
8:30 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)

NO ADORATION ON
THANKSGIVING DAY

Parish Offices Closed
Thursday & Friday
for Thanksgiving



Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, November 20, 2022

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends in Christ,

This week, we celebrate one of the biggest holidays we have on our American calendar, Thanksgiving!

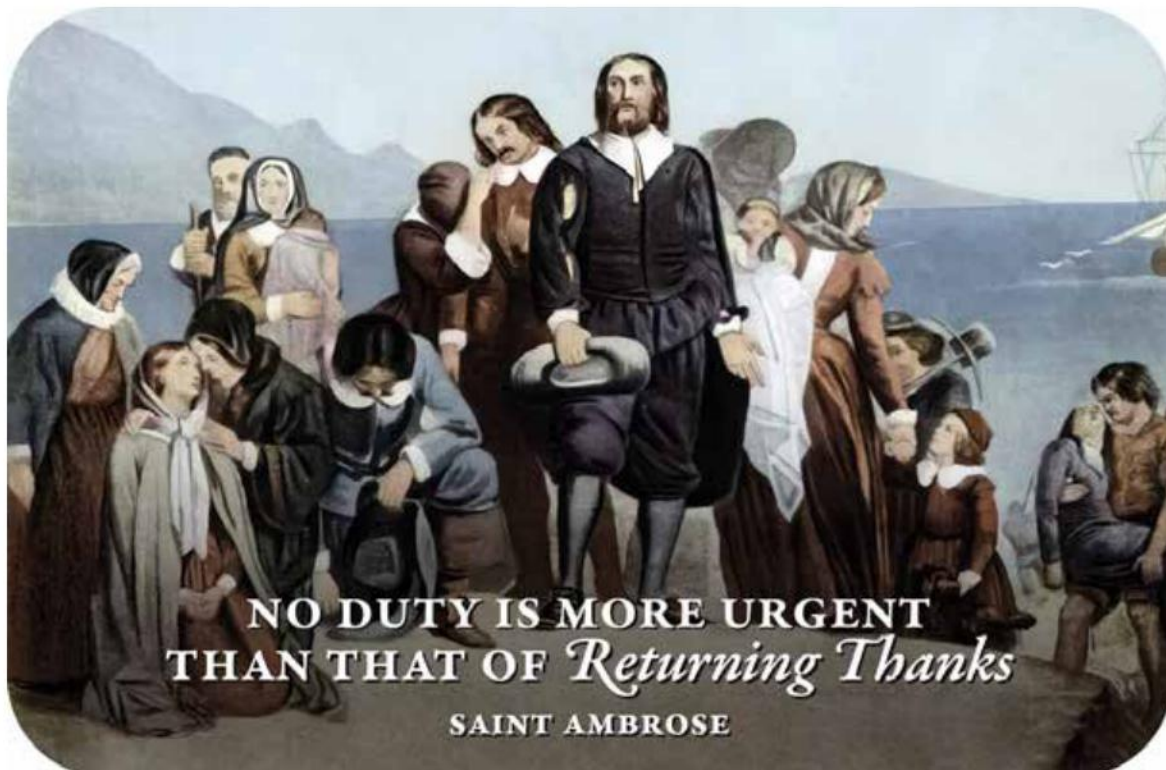
Thanksgiving is truly a time for us to give thanks to God for all the blessings we have received from Him.

Please join me in a moment of gratitude in taking time this week to give thanks to God. For me personally I'm truly grateful for being the pastor of St. John the Baptist! I'm so thankful and blessed to be part of such an amazing and generous community. I thank God for each of you and thank you for all your love and support of me as your pastor.

May all of us, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, continue to have our Souls led to Heaven, our mission and our goal!

Happy Thanksgiving!

In Christ,
Fr. Chris



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SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offertory collections for the parish were \$32,220 for the weekend of November 6, 2022. Thank you for your continued support, sacrifice, and prayers in helping us meet our weekly obligations of \$23,450 during these difficult times.

KNIGHTS SEMINARIAN VOCATION RAFFLE

The Knights of Columbus are selling raffle tickets after all Masses this weekend, Nov. 19-20, and at Donut Sunday, Nov. 20th, to help support the seminarians throughout their education. The money raised by the Knights goes directly to the seminarians.

Raffle tickets are \$15 for a book of 15 tickets. Each raffle ticket has a chance to win one of 20 prizes. First prize is \$10,000! So if you are able, please consider purchasing a raffle ticket to help support our seminarians!

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

St. John the Baptist Church and School in Winfield, IL is seeking to hire a Director of Communications. This is a part-time position with an estimated work week of 25-29 hours. This position will oversee both the parish and school websites, social media accounts, brochures, flyers, banners, print advertisements and mailings, promotional items for events, oversee the production of the weekly bulletin, and assume responsibilities for tasks and projects as assigned. The person must be fluent with Microsoft Office programs, email marketing services, Google Drive and Adobe Creative Suite. This person must also support the mission, philosophy, objectives and policies of the Catholic Church and the Diocese of Joliet. To view a full job description, visit: The Roman Catholic Diocese of Joliet in Illinois. If you are interested in this opportunity, please send a cover letter and resume to jnolan@stjohnwinfield.org.

At Home with the Word books for Year A 2023 will be available after all Masses Nov. 26 & 27. The suggested donation is \$10.00 which will include a Little Blue Book for Advent.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE SJB WILDCAT RAFFLE

for a chance to win \$5,000, \$2,500, or \$1,250. Tickets are \$20 each and can be purchased at the parish or school office. Proceeds go directly to support our SJB School. The drawing will take place on Saturday, November 26, at 5:00 PM in St. Cecilia Hall.

Thank you for your consideration!



Join Us!

WESHARE ONLINE GIVING

Sign Up to Give Online!

If you've never donated online before, signing up is easy! Visit our church website at www.stjohnwinfield.org and click **Give Online**

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

MASS OF HEALING ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH AT THE 5PM MASS

There will be a Mass of Healing on Saturday, November 26th at 5:00 pm. After Mass, Fr. Chris will offer the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick to all who wish to receive it.

Anyone who is sick or in need of healing is invited to attend and receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. This sacrament confers special grace on Christians experiencing the difficulties that accompany serious sickness, old age or a variety of afflictions.

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BE FORMED GROUP, RE & SJB SCHOOL-FOOD PANTRY/VETS HOME DRIVE

One of the commitments we make as part of the BE FORMED program is to reach out to others through the Works of Mercy. Our group has decided to sponsor a drive to collect items needed for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry which serves our community neighbors and for the Vets living in Larson House. For those who may not know, the Larson House is a residence for homeless veterans located in downtown Wheaton and is named in honor of Nick Larson, a St. John's parishioner who was killed in action in Fallujah. Our St. John's Religious Education and SJB students will also participate. There will be boxes in the narthex the weekend of Nov. 12 through Nov. 27 to collect these items: laundry detergent, fabric softener, baby wipes, diapers, cleaning supplies, toothpaste, soap, deodorant, and dishwashing soap.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE BEGIN THIS HOLY ADVENT SEASON:

A Family Nativity Exhibit
Saturday, Nov. 19 & Sunday, Nov. 20

After ALL Masses

in St. John's Sebahar Hall
All parishioners are invited to
Sebahar Hall to see Nativity scenes.

**Families are invited to bring their
Nativity sets to display.**

Set-up is Saturday, Nov. 19
from 8:30 am-10:30 am
And pick-up will be Sunday, Nov. 20 at 2:00 pm
The Nativity sets will be blessed by Fr. Chris.

***Nativity Display Form if you want to bring your set
for viewing by other parishioners:***

Name: _____
Contact Info: _____

Please drop this form at the Welcome Desk
in the Church Narthex, the parish office, or
email sfuechsl@aol.com

Questions, please contact Linda Fuechsl at
630-290-9649 or sfuechsl@aol.com

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Knights' Advent Fish Fries
Friday, December 2, 9 & 16,
5-7:00 pm, Sebahar Hall



PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE Thurs., Dec. 1, 6-7:30 pm

Please come to St. John the Baptist Catholic School's Open House for Parents of New Preschool Children on Thursday, December 1 to learn more about our school, and find out why St. John the Baptist is the place for your child(ren). For more information, please contact Joanne Policht, jplicht@stjohnwinfield.org

Please note: the Open House is for adults only as wine and light snacks will be served.



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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 19, Vigil, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

5:00 p.m. † Stanley Kalat (Walter & Therese Martineau)
 † Lucille Vogt (The Ronald & Sharon Kammes Family)
 † Dolores Wehling (Edward "Skip" Meyer)
 † Rosanne Erdmann (Sharon Carrico)
 † Joe Gayle (John Dusza Family)
 † Dr. Michael Hussey (Ellen & Michael McGrath)

Sunday, November 20, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

7:30 a.m. † Alice Barone (The Barone Family)
 9:30 a.m. † Margaret & Thomas Bartelli (Bernie & Chris Bartelli)
 11:30 a.m. ♥ † The People of the Parish

Monday, November 21

5:30 p.m. † The Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, November 22

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

Wednesday, November 23

5:30 p.m. † The Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, November 24-Thanksgiving Day

8:30 a.m. † Fr Henry Franz, Anniv. of Death

Friday, November 25

12:00 p.m. † Nick Larson (Anne & Dave Larson)
 † Cy Stark, Birthday (Marianne & Jim Russell)
 † John Lowery (Lowery Family)
 † Fr. Arno Dennerlein
 † Gloria & Stan Fortman (Patricia & Werner Welz)
 † Bill Conlin (St. John's Religious Education Catechist Aides)

Saturday, November 26, Vigil, First Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. † Fr. Gemske (Anne & Dave Larson)
 † Roman "Ray" Vanagunas (The Vanagunas Family)
 † Frank & Nora Sweeney (Mary Passini)
 † Doris Morrissey (The Morrissey Family)
 ♥ Health & Intentions, Nichole Shipman (Maureen & Joe Garro)
 ♥ Health & Intentions, Karen Durbin

Sunday, November 27, First Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. ♥ † The People of the Parish
 9:30 a.m. † Walt Wiborg (Family Members)
 11:30 a.m. † Charles Roloff (Arlene Reichert)

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.

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

*Chris Mara	Rose Marie Lambert
Jason Jensen	Ken Larson
Margarita Jimenez	Nancy Liden
Shawn Jurgensen	Haley Lipnisky
Mary Kallas	Donna Maday
Kathy Kamphaus	Sam Mahre
Brandon Karimi	Beth Majerczyk
Ken Kasnicka	Gianna Malorny
Carter Kettner	John Maltese
Donna Kevil	Linda Marczewski
Gerry Krug	Jan Masters
Margaret Kuhn	Al Mathieu
Korrin Kupris	Diane Maher
Ivanna Lamb	Larry Zengri

*New

Please pray for those who defend our nation, those who serve in Active Duty

Pvt James Luigi Akin	ABH2 Sean Phillips
SRA Francis Beifuss	Captain Colleen Rezabek
Major John Berg	Captain Kevin Rezabek
Sgt Melissa Brooker	Cpl Riley Santoyo
Pvt Timothy Conley	Sgt Ian Sarlitto
Lt. Jr. Gr. Nicholas Daly	AN Michael Schieve
Major Daniel Durbin	2LT Allyson Serbick
LCPI Ciro Esquivel, Jr.	PFC Keegan Serbick
Sgt. Nicholas Gedvilas	A1C Seth Kelley
Pv2 Nicholas Gorman	Major Mike Smolucha
Sgt Pamela Gray	SPC Thomas Stanhope
Lt. Crystal Kotvan	AFSSgt Zachary Ushman
Sgt. David Lawless	Lt. Keith Wolfe
SrA Robert Lawless	WO1 Jake Miller
Lt. Colonel James Smoluch	
Sgt. Tyler Bowling, US Army	
Colonel Eric Hass, US Army	
Colonel Erica Haas, USAF	
Airman Nicholas Kostecka	
Sgt Major Carrie Kwiatkowski	
Navy Marco Angelo Lomibao	
Captain Matthew Luff	
CMDCM (SW/SS/AW) Timothy A. Newell	
A1C Alejandro Luis Sanchez	



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

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

In the month of November, the Book of Remembrance is in the Church underneath the Infant of Prague statue. You may write down the names of the deceased whom you would like in our prayers throughout this month.



Our Sanctuary Lamps

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

CHAPEL † Maria A. Garza

CHURCH † Patricia Rios

*If you would like to request a sanctuary lamp to burn in memory 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, November 23, 2022
 Questions? Sean Conley, 630-835-8225

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7 PM

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3rd, 2022

Live Music Elegant Surf & Turf Dinner	SEBAHAR HALL St. John the Baptist Church 05233 Church St., Winfield IL	\$75 per person \$130 per couple \$500 table of 8
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6:00 PM - COCKTAILS • 7:00 PM - DINNER

Reserve your ticket or table contact Tony Reyes at 630-699-0501
or Patti Weber at 630-205-1405 / pweber@cartoncraftinc.com




Fundraising benefits KOC Charities including college scholarships for local Catholic students, Ronald McDonald House Charities, and developmentally disabled people.



Council of Catholic Women Christmas Luncheon Reservation Form Thursday, December 1st

11:30am – 12pm - Social time Lunch served at NOON
Courtyard Banquets 3S200 IL 59 (Rt. 59), Warrenville

During lunch, Sharon Crabbe will be playing the Harp to entertain us.

Members and guests interested in joining us for our annual Christmas luncheon should complete the reservation form to the right.

We are providing transportation for those who need it!

Courtyard Banquets delicious choices for lunch are:

- Chicken Florentine—double breast of chicken with spinach, the perfect blend of cheeses & rice
- Roast Loin of Pork— slow roasted pork with mashed potatoes & gravy
- Vegetarian –Vegetable Lasagna

All entrées include a Fresh Tossed Salad, Steamed Vegetables, Baked Breads with Butter, and Sherbert. Coffee and Tea will be served at the end of the meal. Please indicate your choice.

Cost is \$20. This can be put in the collection basket or dropped off at the Parish office through the mail slot in the door by Monday, November 21st.

Contact Sheila at 630-668-2494 or email at hornyak921@gmail.com for further information.

CCW Christmas Luncheon Reservation

Name _____

Phone# _____

Chicken Florentine _____

Roast Loin of Pork _____

Vegetable Lasagna _____

Enclosed is my check for \$_____

payable to St. John's CCW

\$20 per person

ADDRESS for pick up if needed:

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Parish Directory: _____ 630-668-0918
Religious Education Office: _____ Ext 613
Director: Maureen Brennan _____ Ext 612
RCIA (Convert Preparation) _____ Ext 600
Parish Secretaries: Jennifer Kurtyka, Rosa Benavides _____ Ext 600 or 600
Secretaria Hispana: _____ Ext 601
Director of Finance, Facilities & Operations: Jim Nolan _____ Ext 604
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

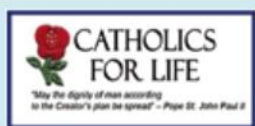
For information on joining St. John's, please see our website or call the parish office. Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

SJB MOPS Annual Wine & Beer Advent Calendar Raffles

Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10

Tickets will be sold after Masses

November 26-27



Pope John Paul II speaks powerfully to the sanctity of human life in his papal encyclical Evangelium Vitae, or Gospel of Life. The Gospel of Life is seen by many to be at the heart of Jesus' message, and we encourage you to read Pope John Paul II's words.

We also would like to remind you of two resources that are available for those seeking support:

Waterleaf Women's Center, located in Aurora, Illinois, provides free and confidential pregnancy resources for women facing unplanned pregnancies. They can be reached by phone at 630-701-6270, by text at 630-360-CALM (2256), or you can visit their website at waterleafwc.org.

Project Rachel Ministry seeks to accompany you on your healing journey. For confidential help you can call 888-456-HOPE (4673).

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting:

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

SJB CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

Send your gently used and complete sets of toys to SJB for new children to enjoy them! Drop off toys outside narthex doors at Mass or at parish office, 8am-4pm, Mon-Fri., through Nov. 30th. SJB School and Religious Education students will help Organize, sanitize & package the toys that will benefit families from the Wayne Food Pantry program. Volunteer drivers requested to deliver the presents by Friday, Dec. 2. Email mariubulyk@gmail.com for additional information.


THANK YOU!



 **Cub Scout Pack 575**

 **Boy Scout Troop 575**

 **THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**
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 **Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

Cub Scout Pack 575, Boy Scout Troop 575, the Knights of Columbus and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank everyone who supported our food drive earlier this month. On Sunday November 6th, the scouts collected nearly 2000 pounds of food for the St Vincent de Paul food pantry thanks to your generous response.

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