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MASS TIMES

Mondays

5:30 pm

Tuesdays

8:15 am

Wednesday

Vigil, Immaculate Conception, 5:30 pm

Thursday

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 8:15 am, 5:30 pm

Fridays

12:00 pm

Saturdays

5:00 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sundays

7:30 am 9:30 am 11:30 am

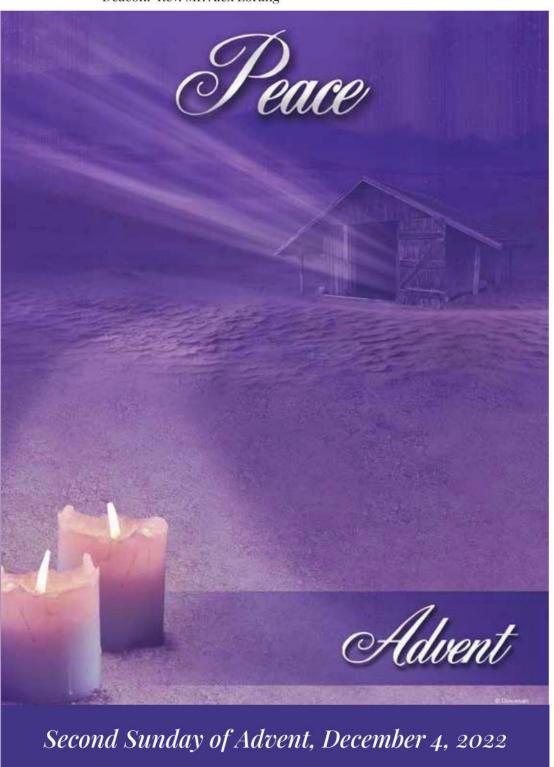
CONFESSIONS

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,

As I mentioned briefly in my article last week, we are in the midst of the Advent season. The Advent season is so beautiful in the Church as it is a season of great preparation as we get ready for the celebration of the Birth of Christ.

I would like to suggest the best thing you and I can do spiritually to prepare ourselves for Christ's birth is to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This tremendous Sacrament is an opportunity to bring our souls back to the purity of our Baptism day and truly prepares ours souls to be a worthy dwelling for the Savior.

I encourage everyone to celebrate this great Sacrament during the Advent season in preparation for Christmas. If it's been a while, even years or decades, come receive this amazing gift Christ wants to give you. How amazing we have a God of such love and mercy that no matter what sin we could have committed in our frail humanity, He is willing to wipe it away in Reconciliation if we approach the Sacrament with a contrite heart...truly amazing!

Please continue to check the bulletin, website, and listen to Mass announcements about extended Reconciliation times this Advent season beyond our regularly scheduled Saturday 3:30pm - 4:30pm times.

In Christ, Fr. Chris

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offertory collections for the parish were \$19,005 for the weekend of November 20, 2022. Thank you for your continued support, sacrifice and prayers in helping us meet our weekly obligations of \$23,450 during these difficult economic times.



ATTENTION USHERS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE & CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

If you would like to serve as an usher at any of the Christmas Eve or Christmas Masses, please sign up on the sheet located on the usher's room door.

KNIGHTS & MEN OF ST. JOHN:

Come pray the Rosary & stay for a get-together, St. John's Fire Pit, 7:00 pm Wednesday, December 7, 2022 Questions? Sean Conley, 630-835-8225

At Home with the Word books will be available after all Masses until supplies last. The suggested donation is \$10.00 which will include a Little Blue Book for Advent. The Advent booklets can be purchased separately for \$2.00 each.



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
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Select the collection or event of your choice. Set up your donation or payment. That's it!

Once you've added your account information, donations will automatically deduct from your account.

It's that easy!

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

ST. VINCENT de PAUL CHRISTMAS GIFT CARDS

As we did last year, St. Vincent de Paul Society will be distributing Food Gift Cards to the needy in Winfield, West Chicago and Wheaton areas. Approximately 70 families are helped through our SVdP each Christmas.

If you would like to contribute to a needy family for Christmas, please call the parish office, 630-668-0918, ext. 606, and leave the following information on the voicemail:

- Your name, address, telephone number, and email address;
- If you want to donate a Christmas \$60
 minimum Food Gift card for a family of three
 or less, or an \$80 minimum Food Gift Card
 for a family of 4 or more;
- If you want to donate a \$30 Children's Christmas Gift Card.

You will then be contacted by a SVdP volunteer by email which will let you know when and where to drop off the Christmas Gift Food card and perhaps money towards Children's Christmas Gift Cards.

Food Gift Cards should be from a local grocery store such as Aldi's, Jewel, Target, Mariano's, etc. Children's Christmas Gift cards should be from local stores such as Target, Walmart, etc.

Thank you as always for your generous hearts. May God bless you and your families during Christmas and always.

~St. Vincent de Paul Society

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY FOR CHRISTMAS!

JOIN US IN DECORATING OUR ST. JOHN'S CHURCH HOME FOR CHRISTMAS!

Sunday, December 18, after the 11:30 am Mass.

We will be meeting in the Chapel.

All are welcome.

Questions? Contact Noel Luchinski at 630-338-2559 or Noel.Luchinski@yahoo.com

KC Fish Fry...Fridays during Advent



"Dine In or Drive By"

5 pm to 7 pm Fridays... December 2, 9, & 16

Besides the Fish Dinners, menu will also include the following: Shrimp Dinners, Fish and Shrimp Combo, Fish Tacos, Spaghetti Dinners, Pizza, Enchiladas and Salads Includes all the sides, packaged, hot and ready for YOU!

Kids \$5

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- ORDER BY PHONE-CALL SEBAHAR HALL, 630-668-0918, EXT 651, from 3 PM to 6:45 PM
- CALL SEAN P CONLEY DIRECTLY, 630-835-8225 WALK-UP or DINE IN ORDERS welcomed



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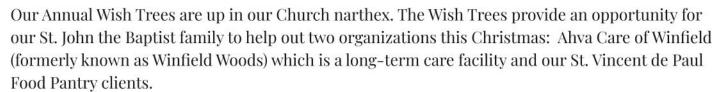












Ahva Care of Winfield tags are red. They are requesting \$25 gift cards for their residents from Walmart, McDonald's or KFC. St. Vincent de Paul tags are mint green. They are requesting \$30 gift cards from Target, Walmart, Amazon, etc. The cards will be given to the children of the St. Vincent de Paul clients.

The gift cards need to be returned anytime through December 14 to the parish office. Please place the gift card in an envelope and tape the tag to the outside of the envelope. Put through the mail slot in the parish office inner door or bring to Mass and hand to an usher.

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Revenue:		4 405 500						1 105 500		4 000 076
Sunday Collections	\$	1,165,566	\$	-	\$		\$	1,165,566	\$	1,220,875
Other Collections	\$	99,335		-			\$	99,335	-	100,725
Fundraisers		-			-	89,324	\$	89,324	-	151,950
Tuition and Fees				49,101		955,579	\$	1,004,680	-	881,000
Unrestricted Donations		49,707		-		40.000	\$	49,707	-	50,225
Unrestricted Revenue	-	25,777		120		16,982	\$	42,879	-	42,975
Restricted Donations		43,475				-	\$	43,475	-	127,500
Restricted Revenue					-		\$		+	40.00
Interest Income		10,586		-		608	\$	11,194	-	10,825
Other Revenue	-	22,696	_	-	_	4,000	\$	26,696	-	800
Total Revenue	\$	1,417,142	\$	49,221	\$	1,066,493	\$	2,532,856	\$	2,586,875
Expenses:	+++								+	
Salaries	S	321,626	\$	94,853	S	758,412	S	1,174,891	\$	1,202,549
Fringe Benefits		114,683		27,686		271,775	1	414,144	1	466,030
Repairs & Maintenance		57,177				27,669		84,846	1	76,550
Services		140,124		4,266		134,515		278,905		249,366
Materials & Supplies		50,948		9,115		48,416		108,479		114,900
Rental Expense		9,080		3,699		6,660		19,439		20,350
Insurance		26,324		-,		24,910		51,234		51,200
Utilities		56,420		2,522		34,881		93,823		112,600
Curriculum		-		5,798		33,017		38,815		35,125
Diocesan Assessment		75,278				-		75,278		73,175
Ministry & Outreach		20,363		485		740		21,588		20,050
Other Operating Expense		740				14,021		14,761		8,930
SJB School Scholarships		29,294				,		29,294		40,000
Capital Expenditures**		1,881				78,655		80,536		107,000
Cafeteria/Athletic Program	+	.,,,,				13,102		13,102		9,050
Total Expenses	\$	903,938	\$	148,424	\$	1,446,773	\$	2,499,135	\$	2,586,875
Parish Subsidies	\$	(479,483)	\$	99,203	\$	380,280	\$	-	\$	
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	\$	33,721	\$		\$		\$	33,721	\$	
Additional Information										
Savings & Cash On Hand										
Checking	\$	151,096								
Diocese Savings										,
Operating	\$	1,177,547					Dioces	san Collections	3	ž
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		Education Endowment Fund						Missions		
		FMV at 6/30/21 \$ 332,899 Change In Valuation (27,447)					Catholic Relief Services Holy Land Diocese Retired Priests			
		Balance at: 6/30/22 \$ 305,452								
		Capital Expenditures (Major Items)						Eastern Europe Peter's Pence		
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CURSILLO CORNER - MAKE A FRIEND, BE A FRIEND, BRING A FRIEND TO CHRIST!

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET (SUNDAY DECEMBER 4)

Our Cursillo Community prays the Divine Mercy Chaplet the first Sunday of each month. The Zoom Meeting ID is 812-1236-0469.

ULTREYA (SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 9:00 AM)

Rosary will be in the Chapel. Immediately following will be our Ultreya, including a continental breakfast in Sebahar Hall.

Fr. Stu Movie-Check out Netflix for the true story of a priest who happens to be a Cursillista!

The providence of God does work in mysterious ways. Attend a Cursillo weekend, and discover the mysteries ways God will work through you! For more information contact our Parish Coordinator, Amy Serritella at amythe1@att.net or visit our website at jolietcursillo.org.

Young at Hearts

PLEASE JOIN US for our Christmas Celebration on Wednesday, December 21st @ 11:30 a.m. in Sebahar Hall

Join us this month to celebrate the blessings of the Season! Feast on delicious Chinese food and enjoy the beautiful Christmas music and conversation.

> Free will donations accepted. All those 55 and better are welcome 😊

Please call Harriett @ 630-682-1218 with any questions

CONTACT INFORMATION: Parish Directory: _ 630-668-0918 Religious Education Office: . 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 _ Grade School Office: Principal, Joanne Policht Phone 630-668-0918 Press 2 Fax: 630-668-1074 St Vincent de Paul Society: 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.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

† John & Sophie Kohut (Joe & Dee Bryja)

† Joe Konopka (Kay Konopka)

† Lucille Vogt (Ronald & Sharon Kammes) † Scott Bromann (Edward "Skip" Meyer) † Miriam DiBella (Marianne & Jim Russell)

Sunday, December 4, Second Sunday of Advent 7:30 a.m. † Fern Wilson (Peter & Rhonda Russo)

9:30 a.m. The People of the Parish

11:30 a.m.

† Knights of Columbus, Living & Deceased (K of C)

Monday, December 5

5:30 p.m. † Fr. Martin Kirk (Lois & Chuck Kirk)

Tuesday, December 6

8:15 a.m. † Nick Larson (Dave & Ann Larson)

Wednesday, December 7,

Vigil, The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary,

A Holyday of Obligation

5:30 p.m. † Rose Marecek, Anniv. of Death (The Lambert Family)

Thursday, December 8-The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, A Holyday of Obligation

8:15 a.m. The People of the Parish 5:30 p.m. Intention of the Priest

Friday, December 9

12:00 p.m. † Jeanne Ptak (Al Ptak & Family)

† Fr. Arno Dennerlein

† Gloria & Stan Fortman (Patricia & Werner Welz)

† Lauren Schaeffel (Adrienne Rose) † Gregoria Gomez (Margarita Jimenez) † Dr. Michael Hussey (Jack Aylward)

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.

Retirement Fund for Religious Second Collection

Help the aging religious. Senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have devoted their lives to prayer, service, and works of mercy. Most ministered for little or no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. Your gift to today's Retirement Fund for Religious collection helps to furnish medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please give generously, if possible, by using the envelope in your packet or you can give online at

www.stiohnwinfield.org.

Our Sanctuary Lamps

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

CHAPEL †

Patricia A. Rios

CHURCH †

Rudy & Virginia DiDomenico

*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.



please pray for

Constance "Connie" D. Flower

who passed away on November 9, 2022. Our sympathies are extended to all of her family & friends.

Norine T. Keeley

who passed away on November 6, 2022.

Our sympathies are extended to all of her family & friends.

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 whose intentions were recently added:

Will Janowick Chris Mara Tom Payton

The entire sick list is on our website, at 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.

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

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

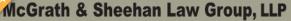
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Cpl Riley Santoyo
Sgt Ian Sarlitto
AN Michael Schieve
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A1C Seth Kelley
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SPC Thomas Stanhope
AFSSgt Zachary Ushman
Lt. Keith Wolfe
W01 Jake Miller

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