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

### **MASS TIMES**

**Mondays** 5:30 pm

**Tuesdays** 8:15 am

Wednesdays 5:30 pm

**Thursdays** 8:15 am

**Fridays** 12:00 pm

Saturdays 5:00 pm

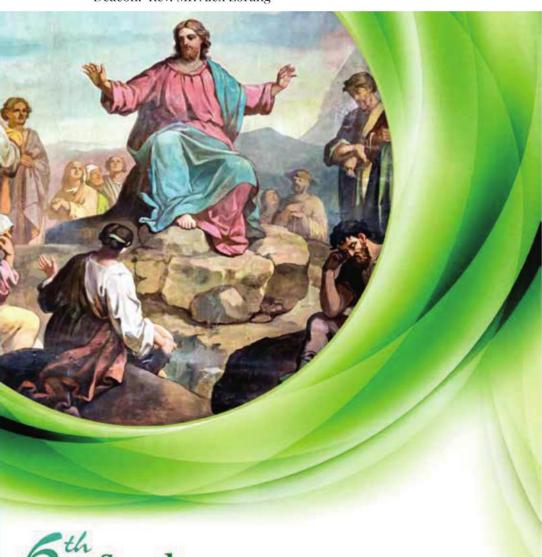
Sundays 7:30 am 9:30 am 11:30 am

### CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 3:30-4:30 pm Church

### **ADORATION**

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



# 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors,

'Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all that you vow." Matthew 5:33

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 12, 2023

# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK









We're grateful that Bishop Hicks came to say our Catholic School Mass during Catholic Schools Week this past Thursday! He was also given a tour of our Catholic school.



























# **BLESSED PALMS**

# Please bring to Church

This year we will be burning blessed palms to create the ashes for Ash Wednesday which is on February 22nd this year. Burning the blessed palms is the proper way to dispose of them.

Between now and Sunday, Feb. 19th, can you please bring back to Church your blessed palms and place them in the designated baskets outside the east and west Church doorways or outside the parish office? We will burn the Ashes on February 21st after the grade school Mass. Thank you so much!

### **SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

Offertory collections for the weekend of January 29, 2023 were \$9,907. This brought fiscal year to date collections to \$712,500 compared to our budget of \$770,500 needed to meet our expected operating expenses, or a shortfall of \$58,000. We thank you for your support and your prayerful consideration when you make your gifts.

### **ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**

February 22, 2023 8:15 am Mass, with Ashes 12:00 pm-1:00 pm - Continual Ashes Given. Not a Mass, nor a service 5:30 pm Mass, with Ashes

### THE 2023 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL IS NOW UNDERWAY

As the Diocese of Joliet launches the 2023 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we are asking all parishioners to pledge their support to this important effort for our community of faith.

This year's CMAA theme is We Belong to God. Through our support, we ensure that the mission and ministries of Christ's Church are available to everyone. Together, we help the poor and vulnerable, increase vocations and educate people of all ages, ethnicities, and abilities in the faith.

Our parish should accomplish all of this on its own.

Our parish's goal for the 2023 CMAA is \$108,500 and 70% of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us. Please review the materials you receive in the mail from the Diocese of Joliet this month and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office.





Our seven-week journey runs through March 23rd, 2023, 7:00-8:45pm.

Info and Registration at stjohnwinfield.org/following-christ or use the QR code to the right.

In person and Zoom sessions will be offered! Questions? ChristLife@stjohnwinfield.org

### OUR ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Our Annual Appeal, The Children's Fund, was mailed to all parishioners in December. You should have received it by now. You can also make a donation through We Share Online Giving on the parish website or using this link:

https://stjohnwinfield.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/ChildrensAnnualAppeal

Additionally, there is a blue envelope in your contribution packet. This appeal is one of our most important fundraising tools to help offset our operating expenses. Thank you to those who have already responded! Please prayerfully consider making your donation today. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.







"Today you can sign-up for the 40 Days for Life Spring Vigil which will take place at Waterleaf Women's Clinic in Aurora from Ash Wednesday 2/28 through 4/02 between 7am and 7pm every day except Sundays. The Catholics for Life chapter of St. John the Baptist's vigil hours at Waterleaf are every Wednesday between 10am and 12pm. Depending on the weather, we may pray 30 minutes inside and 30 minutes outside. Please join me and sign-up during those hours, or anytime you can come, to pray and witness for life. To sign-up for the Aurora Vigil, please go to: 40daysforlife.com/aurora/il. It would be a great way to start Lent, by praying for God's innocent and their mothers.

The church dedicates February to the Holy Family, the model of virtue for all Christian households."

Did you know?

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Monday, February 13 ~ 7:00pm
Resurrection Parish
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Join us as we welcome spiritual director and retreat leader:
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Be drenched in the overflowing fountain of Divine Love!

"The love of God has been powred out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit
that has been given to us." (Rom 5:5)

\* Experience the depth of God's love and desire for you by
entering into four familiar Gospel stories.

\* Hear God's tender voice, touch the garment of Jesus, feel
his embrace, knowing through the grace of the Holy Spirit
who is always with us, that you have been set apart for the
purpose to love. "...All the works of perfect Christian virtue
spring from love and have no other objective that to arrive at
love." (CCC 25)

\* Prepare yourself to walk the Lenten journey toward the
greatest love story ever told with a new heart, hearing the
call of the Beloved to intimate love.

# KC Fish Fry...Fridays during Lent



"Dine In or Drive By"

5 pm to 7 pm Fridays... Feb. 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

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

Prices: Adults \$12 Kids \$7 Seniors \$11

Dinners \$14

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Fish & Shrimp

Spag. Tacos, Enchilada

Meets Wednesdays at 9:15-10:15AM, Sodonna Hall, lower level of the Parish Office Week #1 Man: The Image of God & Our Vocation to Beatitude #2 Man's Freedom #3 Morality of Human Acts #4 Morality of the Passions **#5 Moral Conscience** #6 Prudence #7 Fortitude #8 Justice #9 Temperance #10 Faith #11 Hope # 12 Charity and the Gifts and the Fruits of the Holy Spirit #13 Sin Please call Maureen to register:

630-682-4400 X 612

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### LENTEN GUIDELINES

Fast and Abstinence Regulations

- Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
- Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast and to abstain on Ash 2. Wednesday and Good Friday.
- On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
- To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful. 4.
- Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year; all, in addition to following the Lenten regulations, are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial, serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.

\*From the Office of Divine Worship, Diocese of Joliet website, https://www.dioceseofjoliet.org"

Saturday, February 11, Vigil, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. † Gloria & Stan Fortman (Patricia & Werner Welz)

† Fred Dusza (Maryann Dusza) † Scott Weber (Kathy & Dave Weber) † Eileen G. Kissane (Her Sister) † Mitchell Abbas (Jack Bannister) † Virginia O'Sullivan (Rose Flores)

Sunday, February 12, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. The People of St. John's

9:30 a.m. † Joann Busch

11:30 a.m. † Patti Bentley (Mike Bentley)

Monday, February 13

5:30 p.m. † Rosalie Poorten (Kathy Kregul)

Tuesday, February 14

8:15 a.m. † Giulilana Capigatti (Andrew Capigatti)

Wednesday, February 15

5:30 p.m. † Arely O. Bejarno Conley (Dan Conley)

Thursday, February 16

8:15 a.m. † Ursula Makowijczuk (Rose Flores)

Friday, February 17

12:00 p.m. † Souls in Purgatory

† Karen Durbin

Saturday, February 18, Vigil, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. † Lucille & Albert Vogt (Ronald & Sharon Kammes Family)

† Carmela Hark (Sue Simek)

† Betty Bump (The Clement Milder Family) † Remedios Meren (The Clement Milder Family)

† Peter Gatto (Jill Martorano) † Carol Connors (Barb Zeiler)

Sunday, February 19, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. † James Bartelli (Bernie & Chris Bartelli)

11:30 a.m. † Carol Connors (Fran Hartigan)

**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 ♥ Health & Intentions, Susan Weber

\*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 Albert John Choate

who passed away on January 27th, 2023. Our sympathies are extended to his wife, Filomena, and to all his family and 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 young person:

Declan Sisson (toddler)

The entire prayer 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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PFC Keegan Serbick
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### KNIGHTS & MEN OF ST. JOHN:

Come pray the Rosary & stay for a get-together, St. John's Fire Pit, 7:00 pm Wednesday, February 15, 2023 Questions? Sean Conley, 630-835-8225

# 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, March 2, 2023.

### **Bulletin Articles**

Interested in submitting a bulletin article? Email asheaffer@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.

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