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In Residence: Rev. Alex Lorang
In Residence: Rev. Jeremy Leganski

MASS TIMES

Mondays, Wednesdays
5:30 pm

Tuesdays , 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)

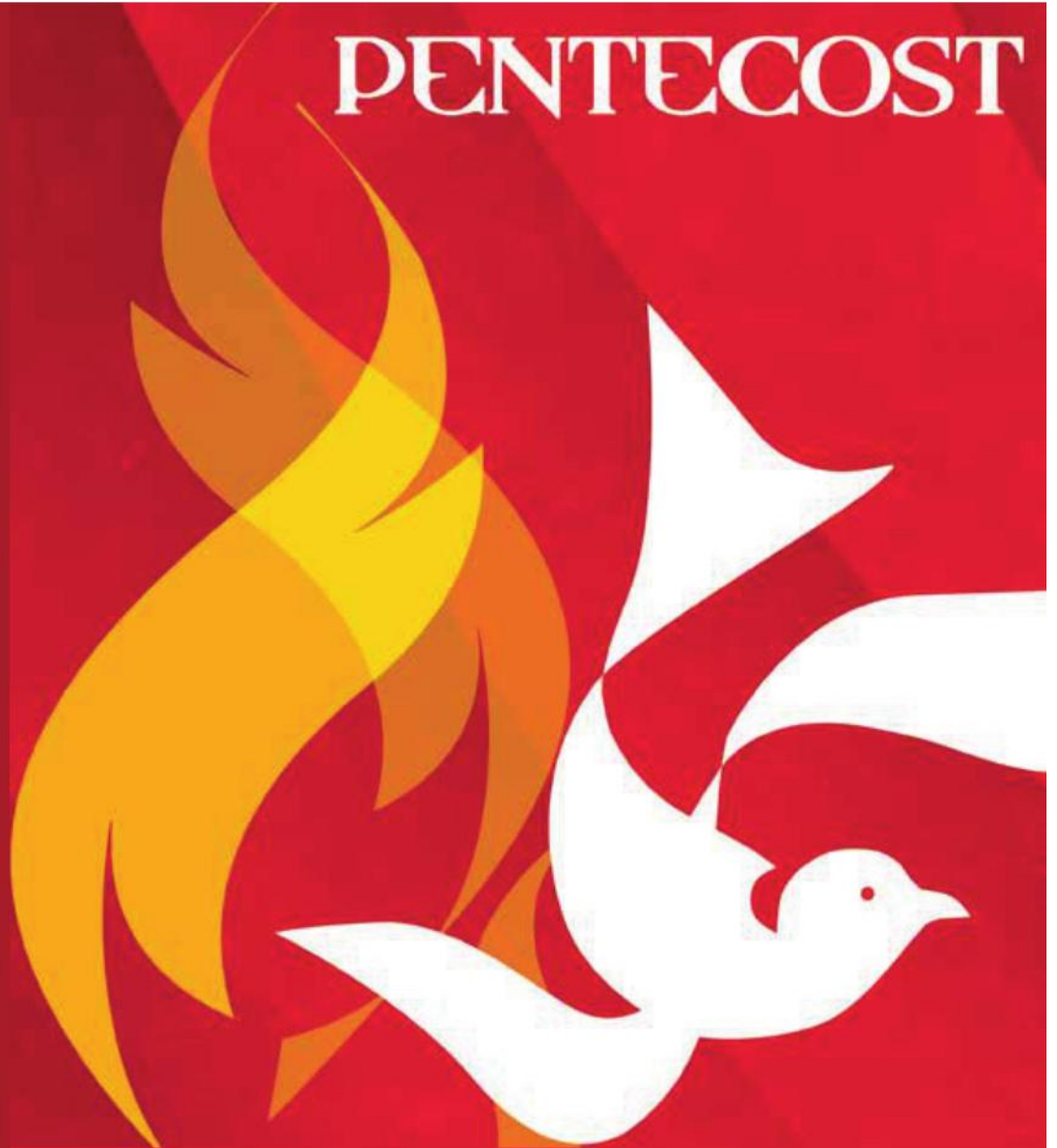
ADORATION

Thursdays
9:00 am to 8:00 pm
(Chapel)

OFFICE

Memorial Day - Closed

PENTECOST



MEMORIAL DAY MASS-ST. JOHN'S CEMETERY, 9:00 am

Cemetery is located at the corner of Summit and Garys Mill Road, Winfield.
Please bring a lawn/folding chair for each person attending.
Inclement weather, Mass held in St. John's Chapel.

Pentecost Sunday, May 28, 2023

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends In Christ,

On this seventh Sunday after Easter Sunday we celebrate Pentecost. Pentecost, Greek for “fiftieth”, commemorates the time at which the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles 50 days after the Ascension of our Lord. The Holy Spirit – we are eternally grateful to God for such a wonderful gift!

It is during this religious holiday that I often reflect on the gift of the Holy Spirit from God, as well as other gifts we have been blessed with. This year is no exception. First, I am thankful and blessed to have had the gift of Deacon, now Father, Alex Lorang. It has been a blessing and an inspiration to watch him on his journey, and the impact he has had on the parishioners of St. John's. As our pun master Seminarian Sam might say during this weekend, Father Alex is “filled with spirit”. We will miss him on our campus come the end of June, but we will continue to keep him in our prayers and wish him the best at nearby St. Thomas the Apostle.

Speaking of Seminarian Sam, he is another gift that will be spending most of his time with the diocese of Joliet this summer. Remember to keep him in your prayers as well, as he continues on his vocational journey.

I also want to thank the staff at St. John's. They are a dedicated and hard-working group and I really rely on them heavily. I would also like to thank those who work with our ministries, and others who volunteer their time and wisdom to help make St. John's such a successful community.

I would also like to thank the gift I have in all of you. I am blessed to call you my flock. You have provided support to me in so many aspects of my life – prayer, emotional support, kindness and yes, your financial generosity to St. John's.

Finally, Memorial Day is tomorrow, so I would like to give a special thanks to the men and women of our nation who gave the ultimate sacrifice so that we might enjoy the pursuit of life, liberty and happiness.

In Christ,
Fr. Chris





MEMORIAL DAY

★ IN MEMORY OF OUR HEROES ★

Please pray for those who valiantly gave their lives for our nation. We also would like to pray for all active service personnel, including our own:

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




INVITATION FROM OUR NEIGHBORING PARISH

Corpus Christi Catholic Church
1415 W. Lies Road
Carol Stream, IL

Sunday, June 11, 2023, Corpus Christi Sunday

Following their 11:00 am Mass,
Join Corpus Christi parishioners for
a Eucharistic Procession.

All are invited & welcome.

Sacrificial Giving

Offertory collections for the weekend of May 14, 2023 were \$21,132. We thank you for your support and prayers in helping us meet our weekly goal of \$23,450.



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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**

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.



QUO VADIS DAYS

Sunday, July 30 – Wednesday, August 2, 2023
Mundelein Seminary, Mundelein, IL

Please spread the word of the dynamic Quo Vadis Days 2023 (July 30-Aug. 2) run by the Vocation Offices of the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Diocese of Joliet. During this 4-day/3-night camp at the Mundelein Seminary, young men ages 13 to 18 will participate in powerful discussions, outdoor activities, sports, daily Mass and Liturgy of the Hours.

The forms and payment are due in the Vocation Office no later than Wednesday, July 26, 2023.

Please use the links below to register and pay early. Spots fill up quickly!

<https://files.constantcontact.com/92b4c919701/8cde039e-3052-4760-bde4-883599c00877.pdf>

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/quo-vadis-2023-tickets-602809448287>

If you have any questions contact dcamp@dioceseofjoliet.org.

Please consider giving your son or grandson this wonderful opportunity to grown in his faith.



Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

The Illinois tax credit scholarship program has proven to be a beacon of hope and a guiding force toward a better life for thousands of Illinois students and their families. However, that light may be snuffed out unless the Illinois General Assembly acts to continue the law that provides for this program. Therefore, we are writing to ask you to contact your Illinois state representative and state senator to express your desire to retain the tax credit scholarship program.

Since its inception six years ago, the tax credit scholarship program has generated overwhelmingly positive results. Nearly 40,000 scholarships have been awarded to students attending private schools in the state. These scholarships are funded through contributions from donors who receive a 75% tax credit for their donation on their Illinois state income tax. All of the scholarships are need-based. Without this program, Illinois families may be unable to send their loved ones to the school of their choice. Demand for scholarships is high - for every scholarship granted, three students were turned down due to lack of funds.

Allowing the tax credit scholarship program to sunset would not only be a life altering disservice to the families it is designed to help, but would also create long-term consequences by weakening the state's educational choices and placing additional roadblocks in front of thousands of Illinois students on the path to a brighter future.

Please contact your state representative and state senator to let them know you support extending the tax credit scholarship program in Illinois law. We also encourage you to urge your fellow parishioners to do so also. Our collective voice is needed. To assist in this endeavor, please visit the Catholic Conference of Illinois website at www.ilcatholic.org or call the Springfield office at (217) 528-9200 for further information on how to locate your elected officials, request sample wording for a possible message to send, or for information about how to donate.

+ *Blase J. Cupic*

His Eminence Cardinal Blase J. Cupic
Archbishop of Chicago

+ *Thomas John Paprocki*

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
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+ *Michael M. McGovern*

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+ *Louis Tylka*

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DIocese of Joliet Catholic Schools

Tax Credit Scholarship



The Illinois' Invest In Kids Tax Credit Scholarship Program (ITCSP) is an amazing opportunity to support catholic education, where every dollar you contribute is quadrupled in scholarship funds to SJB. That is 4x!!! to the benefit of SJB. For example, your \$1,000 purchase of Illinois tax credits results in \$4,000 of scholarship funds to SJB. A contribution this year will come back as a tax credit on your 2023 Illinois state income taxes. There is no better way to support a catholic education in the state! In 2022, we supported 63 scholarships and we are aiming to fund 75 this year. You are going to pay 2023 taxes, so why not have them support Catholic scholarships this year at SJB? Help us make a difference in 2023!

In addition, SJB has a generous contributor who is willing to match donations to SJB dollar for dollar, up to \$30,000, when a new donor contributes to the state's program on behalf of SJB. Help us to maximize this opportunity! Make your contribution today!

If you want assistance in how the program works, Fr. Jeff from the diocese helps donors with the donation process for our families. He is available to assist you with making a donation. He has helped so many donors. Fr. Jeff can be reached by email at jputthoff@dioceseofjoliet.org, or you can call him at 347-788-8463.



Congratulations to our St. John's Catholic Grade School Eighth Graders who on Thursday, May 18th celebrated their graduation with a beautiful Mass, awards ceremony and graduation ceremony.





Father Chris Invites you to a Celebration!

Congratulations to Father Alex Lorang

Please come to receive a blessing from
Father Alex and to celebrate his ordination,
Sunday, June 25, 2023
After the 11:30 am Mass

Our Knights & CCW are providing
food and beverages!

All are invited!

Good weather-the Pavilion
Inclement weather-Sebahar Hall

SVDP GROCERY NEEDS

While you are out shopping, consider picking up any of the items listed on the St. Vincent de Paul grocery list included here. You can bring items to Mass and place them in the barrel at each Church entrance inside the doors or drop off at the parish office vestibule.

Questions?
630-668-0918, ext. 692.

Thank you!

• *The items they need currently are:*

• Canned Fruit	• Sugar
• Deodorant	• Cereal
• Shampoo	• Laundry & Dish
• Peanut Butter	• Soap
• Jelly	• Toilet Paper
• Pasta Sauce	• Cooking Oil
• Cookies	
• Rice	
• Pasta	
• Flour	



Let's Be Healthy Together!

SAVE THE DATE!

Life Line Screening is coming to St. John's,
Sebahar Hall, Wednesday, June 7, 2023.

Available screenings include:

- Carotid Artery
- Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm
- Peripheral Arterial Disease
- Atrial Fibrillation

Complimentary and discounted screenings are available. See flyers in the church narthex for more information.

If you wish to register for the screening online go to <https://lisa.social/HSC>, enter zip code 60190.



You are Cordially Invited!

Diocese of Joliet Grandparents Mass

at the Cathedral of St. Raymond

Celebrated by Bishop Ronald Hicks

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Date: July 23, 2023, Time: 2:00pm

Please RSVP below - QR Code or

Contact Jessica Kreiter 815-221-6192



"His mercy is From Age to Age" Luke 1:50

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, May 27, Vigil, Pentecost Sunday

- 5:00 p.m. † Kevin Grieco & Nick Larson (Anne & Dave Larson)
 † Steve Kalat (Walter & Therese Martineau)
 † Florence Hrynko (Anita Schaat)
 ♥ Health & Intentions, Laura Leahy (Maureen & Joe Garro)
 † Colette Miller (Marianne & Jim Russell)
 † Bill Fitzgibbons (Tom & Patty Fallon)

Sunday, May 28, Pentecost Sunday

- 7:30 a.m. ♥† The People of St. John's
 9:30 a.m. † Fay Rieser (Rita Grabowski)
 11:30 a.m. † Fr. Tony Stockinger, Birthday Anniversary (Dr. & Mrs. James Paul)

Monday, May 29, Memorial Day

- 9:00 a.m. † For All the Deceased Members of the Military, Police & Firefighters

Tuesday, May 30

- 8:15 a.m. † Matthew Boes (His Parents)

Wednesday, May 31

- 5:30 p.m. † Kirk Stevenson (Tom & Karen Borow)

Thursday, June 1

- 8:15 a.m. † Dr. Michael I. Hussey (The Hussey Family)

Friday, June 2

- 12:00 p.m. † Our Parish All Souls' Intentions
 ♥† CCW Living, Deceased & for Peace (CCW)
 † Florence Hrynko (Irene Sonevitsky)
 † Garnett Skopal (The Skopal Family)
 † Patricia Ann Carroll (Cathy Johnston)
 † Joann Busch (CCW)

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 † *Nick Larson*
 CHURCH † *Kevin Grieco*

*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 Jan Rebmann

who passed away on May 15, 2023.
 Our sympathies are extended to her
 husband, Sean, and to all family and friends.

World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests

The World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests takes place every year on the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. The next Solemnity is on Friday, June 16, 2023.

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:

Baby Luke Hougan
 Anthony Winters

The entire prayer list is on our website, at www.stjohnwinfield.org. Click on the heading, "Prayer Request," then scroll right underneath Prayer Request banner to: PLEASE CLICK HERE TO SEE OUR CURRENT PRAY FOR OUR SICK LIST

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.

Please keep in your prayers all Seminarians who are studying in the Diocese of Joliet including our own
Seminarian Sam Bergmann



Cursillo Corner

*Make a friend, be a friend,
 bring a friend to Christ!*

Divine Mercy Chaplet - Sunday, June 4

We invite you to pray the Chaplet with the Fourth Day Community on Sunday evening, **June 4 from 8:00-8:15 pm**. What **better way** to wind down your busy week than to pray this beautiful prayer recognizing our merciful Lord. Friends and family are welcome. Prayer intentions are taken prior to the start of the Chaplet. **Zoom Meeting ID is 812-1236-0469.**

Ultreya- Saturday, June 10

Join us for the next Ultreya. **Rosary will begin in the Chapel, 9:00 a.m.** Immediately following, we will convene at Sebahar Hall for the Ultreya. Continental breakfast will be available. Guests are always encouraged and welcome!

Palanca Letters -Women's 133rd Cursillo Weekend - June 8-11

Please pray for the candidates and team for the upcoming Women's weekend. Palanca letters can be placed in the Cursillo mailbox in the Parish Office. Please drop off your letters **no later than noon on June 7th.**

WHY DO I NEED A WILL?

Everyone should have an estate plan to support their future and protect what they love. Creating a will is one of the best ways to:

- Protect the people, pets, and communities you love
- Save your family stress and complications by giving exact instructions on how to handle your estate
- Provide lasting support to the ministries you love

\$7.6B+

Amount of money committed to charities through FreeWill.

20 mins

Average time it takes a user to complete their plan

770K+

Number of people who have created estate plans through FreeWill.

HOW DOES FREEWILL HELP?

FreeWill's self-help solutions for common estate planning needs help you create a legal will completely free of charge, and make it easy to create other important estate planning documents so you are prepared for your future. FreeWill can also be paired with an attorney for more complex needs.

If you choose to create a legacy gift in your plans, you can easily add the necessary language in your will to memorialize your gift intentions.



Scan the QR code or visit FreeWill.com/DioceseOfJoliet to get started.

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PRAYERS & 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.

Hospital Visits

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. We want to do our best to minister to all who are hospitalized.

Homebound

Parishioners who are homebound and wish to receive communion should call the parish office 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. Our next meeting is Thursday, June 1, 2023, 7:00 pm.

Bulletin Articles

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

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

For Baptisms, RCIA and Wedding information, please contact the parish office.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting:

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

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Parish Directory: _____ 630-6866-0918
Religious Education Office: _____ Ext 613
Director: Maureen Brennan _____ Ext 612
RCIA (Convert Preparation) _____ Ext 0
Parish Office and Parish Secretaries: Jennifer Kurtyka, Rosa Benavides _____ Ext 0
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Director of Finance, Facilities & Operations: Jim Nolan _____ Ext 604
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Grade School Office: _____
Principal, Joanne Policht _____ Fax: 630-668-1074
Phone 630-668-0918 Press 2 _____
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.
Summer Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am-4:00 pm; Friday: 9:00 am-12:00 pm

THE KNIGHTS & MEN OF SJB:

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



The number of babies saved during the 40 Days for Life campaign this spring totals 680! An incredible witness of the power of prayer to end abortion in some tough locations:

- Illinois – 69 babies saved statewide.
- Colorado: 28 babies saved, and one abortion facility was temporarily closed for the entire campaign.
- California: 76 babies saved.

Thank you to all who participated in the 40 Days vigil and also continue to pray and fast to end abortion.

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