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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

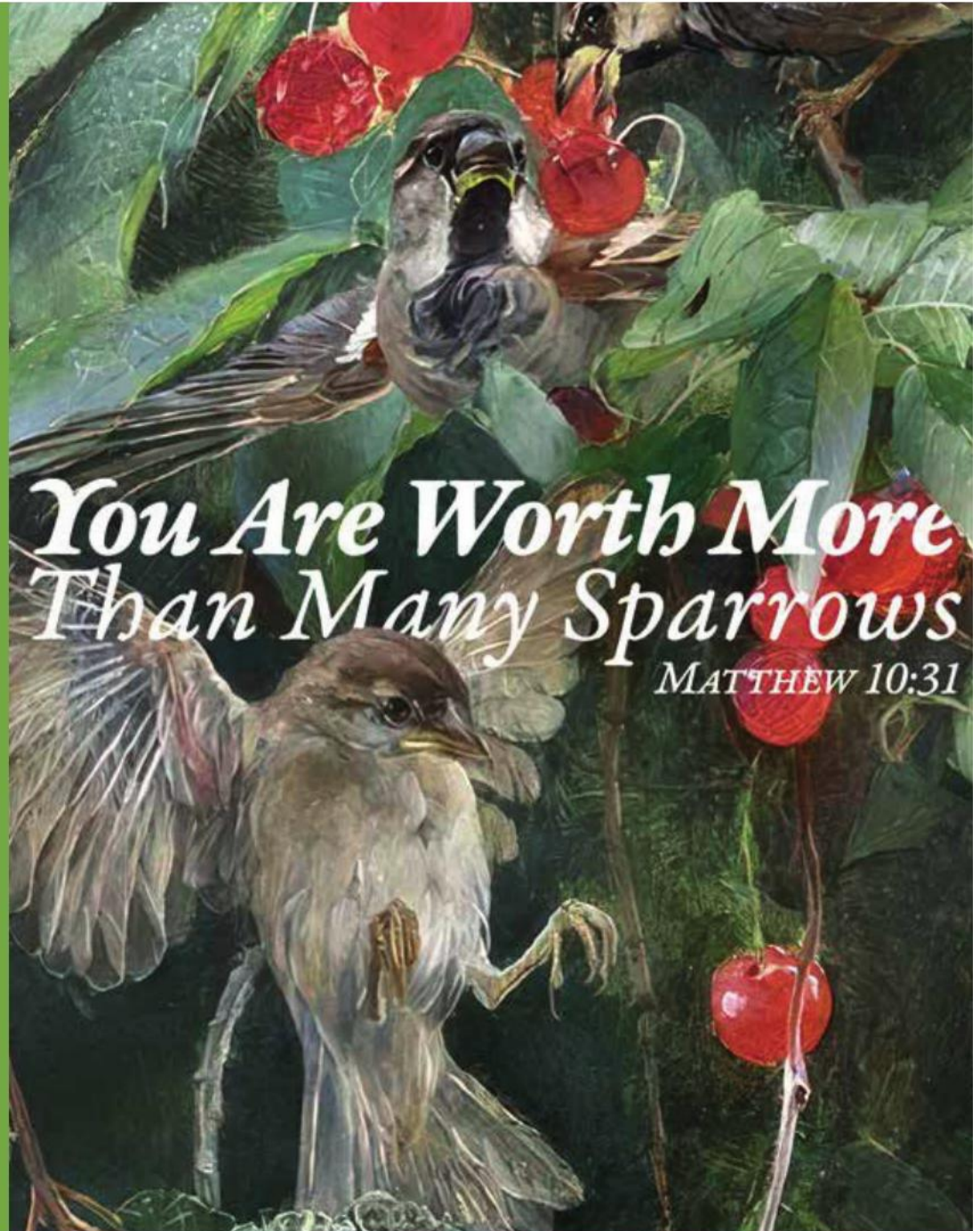
Sundays
7:30 am
9:30 am
11:30 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays
3:30-4:30 pm (Church)

ADORATION

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



Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time, June 25, 2023

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends in Christ,

While the weather warmed up a bit this week, thus far it has been a very pleasant end to spring. So enjoyable, in fact, that I've found myself doing a bit more reflection than maybe I otherwise would be doing.

This week I don't have a pressing theme on my mind. Instead, I find myself thinking again about all of those who help make St. John's the wonderful community that it is, and how blessed I am to have them share their time, energy and wisdom with us.

Top on the list this week is Father Alex. We all know that he was an amazing deacon, and I know that he is going to make a wonderful priest. I, we, will miss him, but it should be comforting to us that St. Thomas the Apostle will undoubtedly welcome him with open arms, and in short order, find him as amazing as we do. I hope everybody gets an opportunity to stop by at our celebration of his ordination after 11:30 Mass, and maybe take a blessing in from Father Alex as well. And, let's continue to keep him in our future prayers.

While his presence on campus wasn't as great, just the same, I believe Father Jeremy is going to make a fantastic priest. You may see him step in for a Mass or two as well, so if you see him, please wish him well, and keep him in your prayers too.

This week I would also like to give a big shout out to our volunteer catechists. This is a team of hard-working people dedicated to teaching children about our Lord. What an important undertaking, and they do it almost week in and week out all year long under the direction of our very own Maureen Brennan. I truly cannot thank them enough for all of the tireless hours they put in trying to lead our children and their families to heaven.

This last item is not a thank you, but rather a condolence. Yes, unusual that you will find me singling out a single person or family on Page 2, but this is a special circumstance. Rick Zagotta's funeral was held this past week. As many of you know, Rick was a beloved member of the community for many years, a testament as to why there was such a large crowd attending his funeral Mass. Furthermore, his lovely wife Patt was an employee at St. John's for many years, and one of his sons, Tony, is an employee here now. Please join me in keeping them in our prayers.

In Christ,
Fr. Chris

St. John's Celebrates the Ordination of Rev. Alex Lorang



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



Sacrificial Giving

Offertory collections for the weekend of June 11, 2023 were \$17,470. 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**

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

**St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
is happy to announce:**

STORYTIME WITH LISA.



**Open to 4 - 6 year olds
on Mondays 9-10:15am
June 26 & July 10 & 17
\$5 per session**

Listen to a story; pray or reflect on the story;
make a craft.

Space is limited so call (630-682-4400 ext 613)

or email (kathieb@stjohnwinfield.org)

to reserve your child's spot.

Open House - New Preschool Parents

Will your child be in Preschool in 2023-24?

Open House for Preschool

When

Tuesday, July 11th, 6-7:30pm

Where

OS259 Church Street Winfield, IL

More Information

Please enter Door 1, our main door, and you will be led to our Preschool classrooms.

Please come to St. John the Baptist Catholic School's Open House for Parents of New Preschool Children on Tuesday, July 11 from 6:00 - 7:30 pm in Winfield to learn more about our school.

Do you have a child who will be attending preschool during the 2023 - 2024 school year? Which school will you choose? Please come to our Open House to find out why St. John the Baptist is the place for your child(ren).

For more information, please contact Joanne Policht at jpolicht@stjohnwinfield.org



THANK YOU SO MUCH!

The beginning of March, I started my 34th year here as the Director of Religious Education at St. John's. The pastor at the time was Fr. John Sebahar! He knew my family for many years, but was taken aback when I said I thought God was calling me to this ministry. Actually, my friends and my family were also surprised at this decision, but not as surprised as I was! What was God thinking? You want me to do what, this is a joke, right? I started in March so I could have a solid footing when Sr. Suzanne left for greener pastures! I relied on Marie Ferraro, the RE secretary, to keep me up to date on what was to be done and when. Here we are, many years later, remembering all the secretaries, Catechists and Aides that made me look like I know what I was doing!

Our Catechists and aides are very diversified! Some are young and some not so young; some are women and some are men; some come to me with professional backgrounds and some are just finding their way in life. The one thing they all have is a desire to "Spread the Joy of the Message of Jesus" and to help our children and teens Find Their Way to Heaven! These men and women come every week. They spend their own money on things they want their kiddos to have for each session. They study and prepare for each session, because they respect their students and want them to find their time together fulfilling and enjoyable! If one cannot make the session, they fill in for one another! They are the BEST VOLUNTEERS in the Diocese of Joliet. St. John the Baptist is blessed to have them as parishioners, and I am proud to call them my friends! If you see any of the following, please tell them THANKS FOR YOUR DEDICATION!

Delia Ahuatzi, Esperanza Alanis, Linda Anderson, Teresita Barrera, Paul Bennema, Marty Boi, Roseann Boi, Nancy Cirelli, Dan Conley, Robert Granzio, Renee Groetzel, Therese Harrold, Liliana Hernandez, Victoria Hernandez, Jeanne Hess, Terry Howe, Linnell Laschobar, George Malsam, Susana Ortiz, Kathy Patton, Kristen Patton, Nathat Pleitt, Beth Reedy, Dulce Reyes-Rodriguez, Jairo Reyes, Sal Reyes, Rosie Rodriguez, Bless Romero, Lynne Ross, Naila Saucedo, Marge Sverino, Gayle Shee, Vicky Staden, Guadalupe Terrazas MaryAnn Trevino, Leslie Wicker and Laura Zayner. Special thanks to Mike Reedy - Traffic Control and Laura Bothwell and Danielle Rooney - Substitutes!

And the other person to receive recognition today is Kathie Brewer. Without Kathie as my "partner in crime" the office would certainly be up for grabs and a lot less fun! If you think God is calling you to ministry, be sure to talk to me. We love to have new volunteers join our RE Team! - *Maureen Brennan*

ALTAR SERVERS & LECTORS

In any activity, it is more interesting to participate rather than be an observer. This is true even in our celebration of Mass.

All students entering grades 4-8 are invited to become more active participants in our liturgies by becoming altar servers and lectors (proclaimers of The Word). **The four training sessions will take place during the day over the summer months.**

Come and see how much more you receive and understand about the Mass by actively serving.

Please print fill out the form below if you are interested and return it to the RE office. If you cannot print the form, please send the information contained in the form to us at kathieb@stjohnwinfield.org. Any questions you may have, please call Kathie at 630-682-4400 ext. 613

Name _____


Email _____

Phone _____

Grade in September _____ I prefer morning sessions _____ or afternoon sessions _____

I am interested in training as:

Altar Server _____ Lector (Proclaimer of The Word) _____



THEATER CAMP


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Session 1
explore acting and musical theater through fun and engaging games and exercises.

Session 1a
Acting & Improv for 3rd - 8th grade 2:30 - 4:30
for the advanced actor looking to enhance their skills for lead roles.

Session 2
Performance Theater 3rd-8th grade 9am - 12:00pm
A musical or play with several lead roles. Performance on 7/29 - 7pm with some scenes performed at Good Old Days in September. (Would require some additional practices in August).

Session 2b
Technical Theater for 6th -9th grade 5:15 - 6:45pm
Students will learn the technical aspects of a production, including stage management, sets, sound, and light design. This is a 2 session program and their designs will be implemented in a show on 7/29 at the end of session 2.

	Session 1 & 1a \$ 65 July 10-14	Session 2 & 2b \$125 July 10 - 15, 19-21, 27-29	
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email mbucaro@sjbwinfield.org to sign up

St. John the Baptist Theater St. Cecilia Hall - Drop off and Pick up through door 14

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, June 24, Vigil, Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 5:00 p.m. † Sophie Talentowski (Walter & Therese Martineau)
 † Jon Passini (Mary Passini)
 † Dora Sudd (Joe Tiritilli)
 † Casey Primrose (John Dusza & Family)
 ♥ Health & Intentions, The Shepherd Family (The Garcia Family)
 † Frank & Maria Minniti (Rita Wilke)

Sunday, June 25, Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 a.m. † Fay Rieser (Michael & Ellen McGrath)
 9:30 a.m. ♥† The People of St. John's
 11:30 a.m. † Patti Bentley (Mike Bentley)

Monday, June 26

- 5:30 p.m. † Charlene Mangold (Tony & Evelyn Pisciotta)

Tuesday, June 27

- 8:15 a.m. † Chris Petrosius (Mary Most)

Wednesday, June 28

- 5:30 p.m. ♥ Health & Intentions, Katie Noonan (Maureen & Joe Garro)

Thursday, June 29

- 8:15 a.m. † Dennis Conlon (Mary Sharon & Bill Kellens)

Friday, June 30

- 12:00 p.m. ♥ In Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Marriage
 † Florence Hrynko (Irene Sonevitsky)
 † Dr. John Ryan (Patti Loechl)
 † Mary Napoli (The Hussey Family)
 † Leoncia Mendoza Santos (The Santos Family)
 † Gloria Romero (Carlito & Amor Gabas)

Saturday, July 1, Vigil, Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 5:00 p.m. † Albert & Lucille Vogt (Ronald & Sharon Kammes Family)
 † Isabelle Martineau (Walter & Therese Martineau)
 † Stephanie Morey (Maryann Dusza)
 † A.J. Milder (Annie & Jim Milder)
 † Carole Chapin (John Dusza Family)
 † Joe Konopka (Kay Konopka)

Sunday, July 2, Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 a.m. † Joann Busch (Sharleen Kosusnik)
 9:30 a.m. ♥† Knights of Columbus, Living & Deceased (KofC)
 11:30 a.m. ♥† The People of St. John's

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 ♥ *Health & Intentions, Susan Weber*

CHURCH ♥ *Health & Intentions, Rosa María van den Wyngaert*

*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 Richard (Rick) Zagotta

who passed away on June 13, 2023. Our sympathies are extended to his wife, Patt, his sons and daughters-in-law, Tony & Sheila and Nick & Lisa, his daughter and son-in-law, Katie & Dave Polkow, his grandchildren and all 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:

Baby Luke Hougan
Mike Klein

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 Deacons and Seminarians who are studying in the Diocese of Joliet including our own
Seminarian Sam Bergmann

Please pray for all first responders and for those in Active Duty, including our own:

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



THE KNIGHTS & MEN OF SJB:

Come pray the Rosary
& stay for a get-together,
St. John's Fire Pit,
7:00 pm Wednesday, July 5, 2023.
Questions? Sean Conley, 630-835-8225



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SNACK SHACK OPEN!

The Knights of Columbus's popular Snack Shack is back this summer at the corner of Beecher and Church Streets. They will be serving up sandwiches, snacks, ice cream and cold drinks on Saturdays and Sundays from 12:00 pm-3:00 pm through August 28th. Proceeds go to our St. John the Baptist Catholic School via the Monsignor Cloos Fund.



Criterion Information, Sunday, July 23, 2023

The course is the same as last year. The committee is finalizing the food truck area which is separate from the bike races. Winfield Road N/B will be closed at Roosevelt again. SB Winfield will be closed at High Lake but local traffic will be allowed to cross the tracks and make a left onto Chicago Ave to Church Street. Detour signs will be in place. Information for the race by the race organizers is on the website: <https://intelligentsiacup.com/schedule/winfield/>



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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, July 6, 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: _____ 630-668-0918
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
Secretaria Hispana: _____ Ext 601
Director of Finance, Facilities & Operations: Jim Nolan _____ Ext 604
Music Ministry: Adrienne Rose _____ 630-653-1489
Grade School Office: _____
Principal, Joanne Policht _____ 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.
Summer Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am-4:00 pm; Friday: 9:00 am-12:00 pm

COME PRAY WITH US

For our family members, friends and others who have left the Catholic Church
"Where two or three are gathered..."
All Welcome

SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2023
CHAPEL
2:00 PM

Questions? Patti Loechl, 630-730-4801

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