

# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Leading Souls to Heaven*

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Parochial Vicar: Rev. John Abulag

## MASS TIMES

### *CHAPEL*

**Mondays, Wednesdays**

5:30 pm

**Tuesday, Thursday**

8:15 am

**Fridays**

12:00 pm

**Sundays**

7:30 am

### *CHURCH*

**Saturdays**

5:00 pm

**Sundays**

9:30 am

11:30 am

## CONFESSIONS

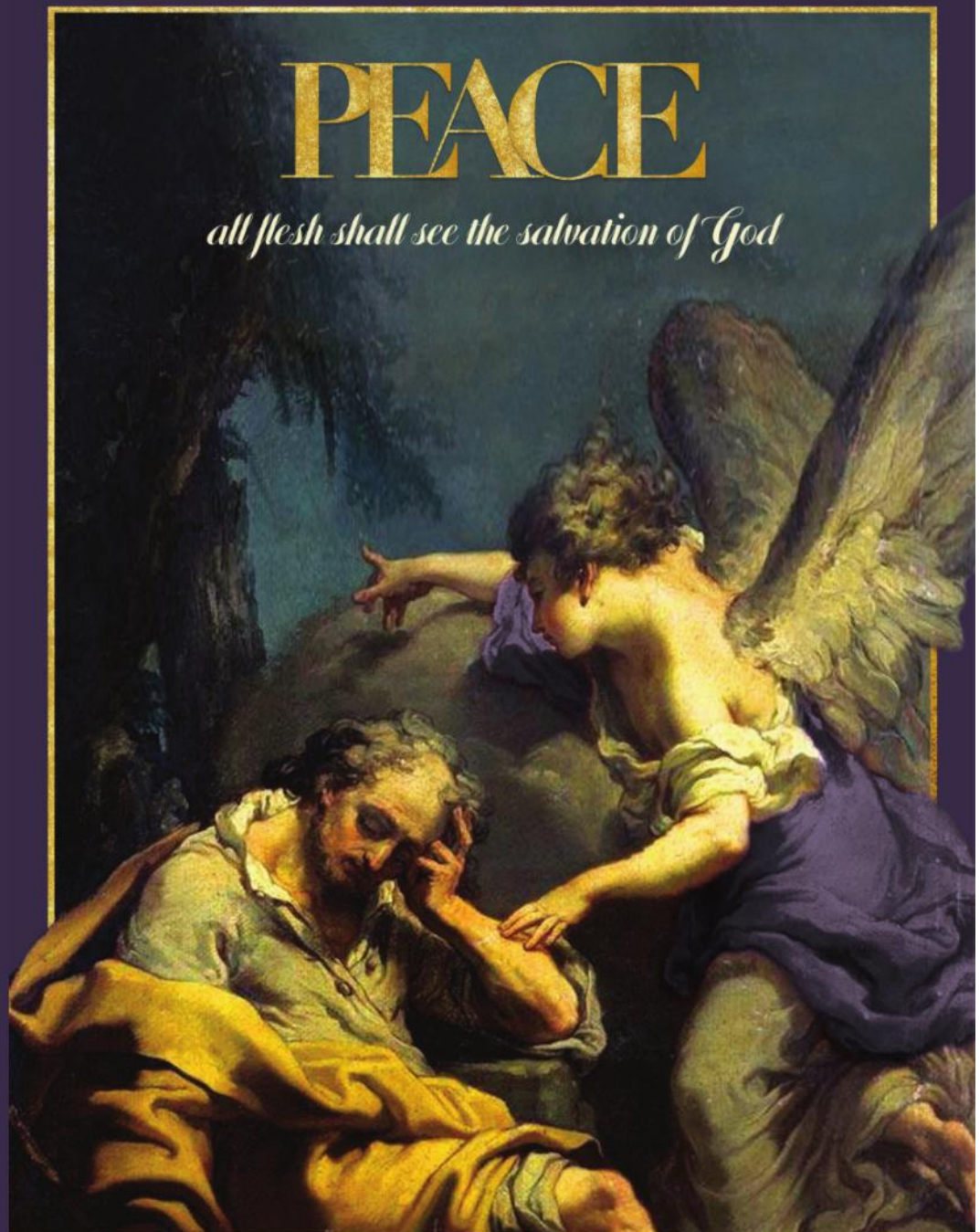
**Saturdays**

3:30-4:30 pm (Church)

## ADORATION

**Thursdays**

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



*Second Sunday of Advent, December 10, 2023*

# A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today we're publishing the financial report for our fiscal year that ended June 30, 2023. Your continuing generosity helped us to achieve a modest surplus of \$35,355. The generous heart of this Parish especially supports the formation of our children in our School and Religious Education ministries. School enrollment increased last year, so the additional tuition helped reduce the subsidy to the School from 26% to 14%. This is a huge improvement!

However, we will likely face a big challenge for the 2024-2025 year. As you may be aware, the Invest In Kids program, also known as Empower Illinois, was allowed to expire by the Illinois government. Our Nov. 26 bulletin told how this program provided more than 9,500 scholarships to qualifying low-income families in Illinois this year. In our Parish School 73 students, about one-third of our enrollment, benefit from these scholarships, so losing this program could really hurt us. I will be working with our staff and Finance Council to identify ways to fund our school so students in need can continue to receive our high-quality Catholic education and formation.

You can help. I understand that the current economy is tough on most of us. Please pray about whether you can afford a modest increase in your donation to St. John the Baptist Parish. I hope you see that we are acting responsibly as stewards of our financial resources, with our goal of leading souls to Heaven always in our intentions.

Finally, please accept my personal thanks for all you do to support our Parish! Your prayers, your time and energy, and your donations are what help us to thrive. I am blessed, humbled, and gratified to be your Pastor, be assured that you are always in my prayers.

Father Chris



## ST JOHN THE BAPTIST ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

2022 - 2023 Financial Report, year ended June 30, 2023

	ACTUAL				2023-2024 Budget
	Church	Religious Education	School	TOTAL	
<b>Revenue:</b>					
Sunday Collections	\$ 1,172,144	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,172,144	\$ 1,220,875
Other Collections	\$ 76,696	-	-	\$ 76,696	100,725
Fundraisers	-	-	126,088	\$ 126,088	151,950
Tuition and Fees	-	48,444	1,101,001	\$ 1,149,445	881,000
Unrestricted Donations	76,344	-	-	\$ 76,344	50,225
Unrestricted Revenue	26,668	1,384	27,280	\$ 55,332	42,975
Restricted Donations	134,091	-	244	\$ 134,335	127,500
Interest Income	14,167	-	726	\$ 14,893	10,825
Other Revenue	4,750	-	2,500	\$ 7,250	800
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 1,504,860</b>	<b>\$ 49,828</b>	<b>\$ 1,257,839</b>	<b>\$ 2,812,527</b>	<b>\$ 2,586,875</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>					
Salaries	\$ 327,060	\$ 102,620	\$ 771,481	\$ 1,201,161	\$ 1,202,549
Fringe Benefits	126,289	28,447	289,178	443,914	466,030
Repairs & Maintenance	23,729	-	16,494	40,223	76,550
Services	170,593	10,423	165,645	346,661	249,366
Materials & Supplies	94,121	6,621	87,279	188,021	114,900
Rental Expense	9,270	3,937	7,740	20,947	20,350
Insurance	25,705	-	24,910	50,615	51,200
Utilities	55,051	2,843	35,606	93,500	112,600
Curriculum	-	8,343	35,954	44,297	35,125
Diocesan Assessment	72,144	-	-	72,144	73,175
Ministry & Outreach	19,643	448	1,138	21,229	20,050
Other Operating Expense	413	-	18,013	18,426	8,930
SJB School Scholarships	-	-	-	-	40,000
Capital Expenditures*	221,538	-	-	221,538	107,000
Cafeteria/Athletic Program	-	-	14,496	14,496	9,050
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,145,556</b>	<b>\$ 163,682</b>	<b>\$ 1,467,934</b>	<b>\$ 2,777,172</b>	<b>\$ 2,586,875</b>
Parish Subsidies	\$ (323,949)	\$ 113,854	\$ 210,095	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Operating Surplus</b>	<b>\$ 35,355</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 35,355</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

### Additional Information

<b>Cash On Hand &amp; Savings</b>	
Checking	\$ 231,638
Savings at the Diocese:	
Operating	1,208,997
Buildings & Grounds	150,118
School	61,963
<b>Total Cash on Hand &amp; Savings</b>	<b>\$ 1,652,716</b>

### Christmas & Easter Collections

Christmas	\$ 37,479
Easter	\$ 26,392

### Diocesan Collections

World Missions	\$ 3,197
Campaign for Human Dev.	1,921
Religious Retirement	5,050
Latin America	350
Home Missions	2,053
Catholic Relief Services	2,761
Holy Land	1,865
Diocese Retired Priests	3,285
Eastern Europe	850
Peter's Pence	166
DOJ Special - Military	10,256
St Vincent de Paul	9,785

### Education Endowment Fund

FMV at 6/30/22	\$ 305,452
Change In Valuation	24,122
Balance at: 6/30/23	\$ 329,574

### \* Capital Expenditures (Major Items)

Abatement Project	\$ 116,435
Renovations	94,128
	\$ 210,563



## Advent & Christmas Calendar

### Advent Confessions

Saturday, December 16

10:00 am - 1:00 pm

### Weekend Masses

Saturday, December 23rd

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 24th

Masses 7:30 am & 9:30 am

(There will not be a 11:30 am Mass Dec. 24th)

### Christmas Eve Masses:

Sunday, December 24th

Masses 3:00 pm, 5:00 pm

and Midnight(12:00 am)

### Christmas Day Masses:

Monday, December 25th

Masses 7:30 am, 9:30 am & 11:30 am

### Weekend Masses

Saturday, December 30th

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 31st

Masses 7:30 am, 9:30 am & 11:30 am

### Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God

Holy day of Obligation

Monday, January 1, 2024

Mass 9:00 am and 11:00 am

## Sacrificial Giving

Offertory collections for the weekend of **November 26, 2023**, were **\$19,388**. We thank you for your support and prayers in helping us meet our weekly goal of \$24,600.

## ST. VINCENT de PAUL CHRISTMAS GROCERY 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 your generosity each Christmas.

If you would like to contribute to a family for Christmas, please call the parish office, 630-668-0918, ext. 606. Please provide:

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**, please let us know.

If you want to donate a **\$20 children's Christmas Gift Card**, please let us know.

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

## PLEASE JOIN US AS WE BEGIN THIS HOLY ADVENT SEASON:

A Family Nativity Exhibit  
Friday thru Sunday Dec. 8, 9, & 10

### After ALL Masses

In St. John's Sebahar Hall

All parishioners are invited to Sebahar Hall to see Nativity scenes.

St. John the  
Baptist Catholic  
Church & School



## Advent Confessions

Saturday, December 16th 2023

10:00am - 1:00pm

## WISH TREES

Our Wish Trees will be up in our Church narthex again this year. The Wish Trees provide an opportunity for our St. John the Baptist family to help two organizations this Christmas: Ahva Care of Winfield (formerly known as Winfield Woods) which is a long-term care facility and our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry clients.

Ahva Care of Winfield tags are red. They are requesting \$25 gift cards for their residents from Walmart or McDonald's. St. Vincent de Paul tags are mint green. They are requesting \$40 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 13 to the parish office. Please place the gift cards in an envelope and tape the tag to the outside of the envelope. Put them through the mail slot in the parish office inner door or bring to Mass and hand to an usher.



## Retirement Fund for Religious

**Please give to those who have given a lifetime.**



### December 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our diocese will soon take up the national collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Your support for this collection December 9/10 provides financial assistance for retirement needs for 297 U.S. religious communities.

Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests—collectively known as women and men religious—have selflessly served for decades without significant financial compensation. However, due to escalating health-care costs, numerous U.S. religious communities face a substantial gap between their elderly members' needs and the financial resources available for their care. Many religious orders currently experience insufficient retirement savings.

**The 2022 appeal demonstrated Catholics' tremendous generosity by raising \$27.6 million. Diocese of Joliet parishioners contributed \$286,788.25 to the collection.**

The senior religious in our diocese never retire from their vows, and they play a crucial role in conveying the faith from one generation to the next. In their younger years, they laid the foundation for Catholic schools, hospitals, and works of mercy. Today, many serve in volunteer ministry as ongoing witnesses to the Gospel. Others are frail and need assistance, yet all remain wholly committed to their vocations by embracing the opportunity to spend more time praying for our Church and world.

Please support the retirement needs of our senior religious. And please join me in praying for God's continued blessing on our nation's elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests.

As I remain –

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*+ Ronald A. Hicks*

Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks  
Bishop of Joliet

### The Need is Great

- Religious communities are financially responsible for the support and care of all members.
- There are 24,005 religious past age 70 living in the United States. In 2022, the average annual cost for their care was roughly \$55,500 per person; skilled nursing care averaged \$82,700 per person.
- Since 2009, the annual cost to support senior women and men religious has exceeded \$1 billion.
- In 2022, 71 percent of the religious communities providing data to the National Religious Retirement Office had a median age of 70 or higher.
- The average annual Social Security benefit for a religious is \$7,679, whereas the average lay US beneficiary receives \$21,902.

## Protect The Legacy You Are Building

Now is the time to make a plan to take care of the people and causes that matter most to you and your future.

Create Your Will For FREE



[freewill.com/diocesefjoliet](https://freewill.com/diocesefjoliet)

The Diocese of Joliet recognizes the importance of leaving a lasting legacy that resonates with your faith and values.

As a service to our parishioners, the Diocese has partnered with FreeWill to make planning your will easier than ever. It's **100% free to you**, legally binding, and can be completed online in 20 minutes or less.

To begin, visit [freewill.com/diocesefjoliet](https://freewill.com/diocesefjoliet) or scan the QR code on the front of this card.

*How will your legacy continue to bless your family, your parish, and the causes that matter to you for years to come?*

For more information, contact Jane Lager, Chief Development Officer, Diocese of Joliet at (815) 2221-6190 or [jlager@diocesefjoliet.org](mailto:jlager@diocesefjoliet.org)

## TAKE A BREAK

### Come Pray With Us

For loved ones and friends who have left the Church.

**Sunday, Dec. 17th, 2-3pm**  
**St. John's Chapel**

Please join us after the  
**11:30 Mass**

**Sunday, December 17**  
to decorate our church and chapel  
for Christmas.  
We will be meeting in Sebahar Hall.  
**Bring the family!**



## KC Fish Fry...Fridays during Advent

"Dine In or Drive By"



**Last chance!**  
**5 pm to 7 pm**  
**Friday**  
**Dec. 15**

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!

Fish & Shrimp  
Prices:  
Adults \$12  
Kids \$9  
Seniors \$11  
Spag., Tacos,  
Enchilada  
Dinners \$14

### YOU CAN ORDER ONLINE!

PLACE ONLINE ORDERS BY 6:30 PM ON THE DAY OF THE FRY!  
[WWW.STJOHNWINFIELD.ORG](http://WWW.STJOHNWINFIELD.ORG)

Fish Fry Orders>SJB Bulletin>Parish Life>KC  
**Make sure to check I am not a Robot!**

- 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
- PICK-UP LOCATION: COME INSIDE SEBAHAR HALL OR WE'LL DELIVER YOUR ORDER TO YOUR CAR



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](http://www.stjohnwinfield.org) and click

**Give Online**

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

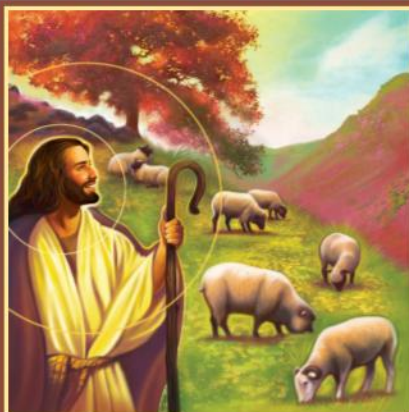
Once you've added your account information, donations will automatically deduct from your account. *It's that easy!*

Questions?

Contact the Parish Office, 630-668-0918.

## Donate Tax Free From Your IRA

Did you know you can give from your IRA to St. John the Baptist without having to pay income taxes on the money? This is called an IRA charitable rollover or qualified charitable distribution (QCD), which you can begin to make when you turn 70 ½ years old. And, you can use your gift to satisfy all or part of your required minimum distribution (RMD) if you turn 73 in 2023. (In 2019, this trigger was set at the age of 72). Gifts of any value of \$100,000 or less are eligible for this benefit. For married couples, each spouse can donate up to \$100,000. And, you can feel good knowing that you are making a difference in your parish. Contact your retirement provider to get started. Please call the parish office, (630)668-0918 to schedule an appointment to discuss any questions you may have.



## An Introduction to Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - Part 1

Our new Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program for children 3-6 years old has been underway for just over one month and I wanted to take a moment to share with you a little more about it!

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a hands-on approach for children to come to know and love God. It is rooted in Sacred Scripture and the Liturgy and based on the educational principles of Dr. Maria Montessori, focusing on the child's developmental needs and the unique relationship between God and the child. The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd originated in Rome, Italy in 1954 through the work of Sofia Cavalletti, a Catholic laywoman and Hebrew, biblical scholar and Gianna Gobbi, a Montessori educator. Cavalletti wrote of their work and what they observed about the spirituality of children in the book, *The Religious Potential of the Child*.

Catechesis takes place in the "atrium", a specially prepared environment, a place for prayer, where the child and the adult listen and learn from the one Teacher, Jesus Christ. Every object in the environment of the atrium is a help to knowing God and is intended to be appropriate to the ages and sizes of the children who gather there. For example, all the furniture is child-sized, even the artwork is arranged at a level for the child's viewing. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd sessions are 2 hours which allow time to slow down, listen, pray, work, sing, wonder, ponder, and to just "be" with God.

Our St. John the Baptist atrium is located in the Parish Office Building in High Hall and is specially prepared for children from 3-6 years old. Catechesis takes place on Friday and Saturday mornings. We have 27 children ages 3-6 years participating. The plan is to continue to grow and expand to be able to offer Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for children up through age 12.

If you would like to learn more about the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd or get involved with this ministry to the children, please contact Miss Sarah Reznicek, Director of Faith Formation [sreznicek@stjohnwinfield.org](mailto:sreznicek@stjohnwinfield.org).

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 9, Vigil, Second Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. † Pitor Walkowicz (*Walter & Therese Martineau*)  
 † Jeanne Ptak (*Al Ptak*)  
 † Stanley Dusza (*Maryann Dusza*)  
 † Ambrosio Madera, Sr. (*Amor & Carlito Gabas*)  
 † Rick Zagotta (*Jack Aylward*)  
 † Sue Harley (*Meg & Paul Studer*)

Sunday, December 10, Second Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. † Fern Wilson (*Pete & Rhonda Russo*)  
 9:30 a.m. ♥† The People of the Parish  
 11:30 a.m. † Patti Bentley (*Mike Bentley*)

Monday, December 11

5:30 p.m. † Corliss Enders (*Bruce Enders*)

Tuesday, December 12

8:15 a.m. † Rene Pinto (*Dan Conley*)

Wednesday, December 13

5:30 p.m. † Bill Lutzenkirchen (*Phyllis & Howard Skolak*)

Thursday, December 14

8:15 a.m. ♥ Giuliana Capigatti (*Andrew Capigatti*)

Friday, December 15

12:00 p.m. † Gloria & Stan Fortman (*Patricia & Werner Welz*)  
 † Elaine Michalek (*Lois & Chuck Kirk*)  
 † AJ & Paula Winterhalder (*Tom McGrath*)  
 † Ramona Aviles  
 † Karyn Mrotek (*Colleen McDonald*)  
 † Joan Pacer

**Mass Intentions:** The donation for a Mass Intention is \$10.00; the 5:00 pm Saturday Vigil Mass and 12:00 pm Friday Mass are free-will donations. Please note: the 2024 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:

Baby Luke Hougan

The entire prayer list is on our website, at [www.stjohnwinfield.org](http://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 pray for all first responders and for those in Active Duty, including our own:



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

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

## THE KNIGHTS & MEN OF SJB:

Come pray the rosary  
 & stay for a get-together.

St. John's Fire Pit,  
 7:00 pm Wednesday,  
**December 20, 2023**

Questions?  
 Sean Conley, 630-835-8225



Our prayers and sympathy are extended to the family & friends of

**William Talz**

who passed away November 8, 2023

**James Flynn**

who passed away December 1, 2023

**Ray Stachniak, Sr.**

who passed away December 2, 2023



## Our Sanctuary Lamps

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

CHAPEL † *Giuliana Capigatti*  
 CHURCH ♥ *The Rohr Family*

\*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 \$10.00 per week.





## CATHOLICS FOR LIFE

"May the dignity of man according  
to the Creator's plan be spread" – Pope St. John Paul II

Advent will be short this year, so in the rush of the season hopefully we'll remember our gift for Jesus. Maybe praying outside at Waterleaf, or in their lovely chapel for the mothers and their babies.

If you have been praying for a baby and its mother, that you spiritually adopted on March 25<sup>th</sup>, you can pray for a safe delivery as Christmas draws near.

Good news: a new national analysis finds abortion bans have saved the lives of over 32K babies from abortions so far, and the figure is likely higher. Births have gone up in every state with an abortion ban. What joy this brings to God who gave them life.

A great way to help the young and the elderly this Christmas—the Wish Trees are up in our Church narthex, and St. Vincent de Paul cards will be given to the children of the St. Vincent de Paul clients. Red tickets are for residents at Ahva Care in Winfield.

On the Weekend of 12/8, 12/9 and 12/10, the annual Family Nativity Exhibit will be in Sebahar Hall for you to visit after all the Masses. Consider bringing your own Nativity set for all to enjoy and have it blessed by Fr. Chris.



## Cursillo Corner

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

### Women's 135th Rectora Announced

**Amy Serritella** has been discerned and accepted the role of Rectora of the Women's 135th Cursillo Weekend. The Weekend will be held Thursday evening through Sunday evening, **April 4 - April 7th, 2024**, at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien. Please pray about who you are being called to sponsor this weekend.

Team Formation will be held on **Wednesday's January 24 through March 20**. January and February meetings will be held at **St. John the Baptist** in Sebahar Hall. The **March meetings, (6th, 13th and 20th)** will be held at **St. Michaels** Parish Center in Wheaton. Look for additional details in the Joliet Cursillo email communications.

Are you interested in being sponsored for a Cursillo Weekend? Are you looking for more information on what is entailed in making a Cursillo Weekend? As a start you can pick up a copy of "**Why Cursillo**" located on the wall of brochures in the narthex of the church. You can email our Parish Coordinator, Amy Serritella at amythe1@att.net. Finally, please visit the Joliet Cursillo website at: [www.jolietcursillo.org](http://www.jolietcursillo.org).

### 60th Anniversary - Joliet Cursillo

Happy 60th Anniversary! Back in 1963, the first Cursillo was held in the Joliet Diocese. While Cursillo originated in Spain in 1944, the lay movement has spread to millions of people in 60 countries. There are approximately 3,650 Cursillistas in our Diocese representing men and women of all ages and ethnicities.

**Fr. Burke**, reflects on his weekend in his recent book **A Grand Slam for God**. "After the Cursillo, there was a fire in me to become a better disciple of Christ and to spend more time with him." It is evident that the seeds planted in that Cursillo weekend started his journey toward the priesthood. What a blessing this movement has been for our parishes, our diocese, and our Catholic faith!

Join St John's Book Club at our next monthly meeting, **Wednesday Dec 13th at 7 pm** at the home of Jean Daniell. We will discuss the book, **Christmas Cupcake Murder** by Joanne Fluke.



Please bring a book swap book that you have read which our club has not discussed yet. If you wish to participate in the white elephant gift exchange, bring a wrapped white elephant gift.

Please inquire for directions or with any questions and RSVP Jean at [tjdaniell@att.net](mailto:tjdaniell@att.net).

## 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 HIPPA laws, the hospital does not notify churches when parishioners are there. Please notify the St. John's parish office when a loved one is 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 these 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 **January 4, 2023, 7:00 pm**.

### Bulletin Articles

Interested in submitting a bulletin article? Email [SJBBulletin@stjohnwinfield.org](mailto:SJBBulletin@stjohnwinfield.org)

### SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

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

### Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting:

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

## CONTACT INFORMATION:

Parish Main \_\_\_\_\_ 630-668-0918 Ext 0

Parish Administrative Assistants:

Tammy Miller \_\_\_\_\_ Ext 600

Rosa Benavides \_\_\_\_\_ Ext 601

Secretaria Hispana \_\_\_\_\_ Ext 601

Religious Education office \_\_\_\_\_ Ext 613

Director of Faith Formation & RCIA: Sarah Reznicek \_\_\_\_\_ Ext 612

Interim Director of Facilities: Aaron Simpson \_\_\_\_\_ Ext 603

Interim Director of Finance: Ed Rylko \_\_\_\_\_ Ext 604

Director of Liturgical Life: Michael Berger \_\_\_\_\_ Ext 607

Grade School Office:

Principal: Joanne Policht \_\_\_\_\_ 630-668-0918 Press 2

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ 630-668-1074

St. Vincent de Paul Society \_\_\_\_\_ Ext 692

*For information on joining St. John's, please see our website or call the parish office.*

Office Hours:

Mon., Tues., and Thurs.: 9 am - 3 pm; Wed.: 12 pm - 3 pm; Friday: Closed



**McGrath & Sheehan Law Group, LLP**

**Estate Planning**  
(Wills, Trusts, Power of Attorney)

**Real Estate Transactions**

**Personal Injury & Workman's Comp** (Co-Counsel)

ASK ABOUT PARISHIONER DISCOUNT  
**630-632-4457 SJB Alum**  
[info@mcgrathsheehanlawgroup.com](mailto:info@mcgrathsheehanlawgroup.com)




**GRACIE'S PETALS**

27W221 Geneva Rd.  
(corner of County Farm & Geneva)

- Fresh Flowers • Plants
- Fresh Bouquets
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