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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)

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus looked at him and said,
"You are Simon the son of John;
you will be called Cephas"
—which is translated Peter.

Jn 1:42



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 14, 2024

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends in Christ,

As the Christmas trees and the manger are put away, and the majority of the Christmas flowers are now gone, as a Church we celebrate the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.

**St. John the
Baptist Catholic**
Church & School



Even though it is called “Ordinary Time”, there is nothing ordinary about it! It is a chance for us to look at the three years of Our Lord’s public ministry. As we make our way through the Ordinary Time Gospels, I encourage all of us to take note of the different miracles and events that will be proclaimed in the following weeks before we enter into our next liturgical season of Lent.

Like all of Sacred Scripture, let us allow these moments from the Gospel to transform our hearts. Even though they are almost 2,000 years old, they are still very relatable to us in the present day, and just as miracles happened then, they can still happen for us today too!

I also hope and pray everyone’s New Year’s Resolutions are going well! As of writing this article, I would give my self a 90-95% on keeping mine. Remember, we don’t do them alone. The Lord desires to help us along with them, and our Blessed Mother too.

O Mary, wrap your mantle of love, care, and protection around each of us, and lead us ever closer to the Sacred Heart of your Son. Amen.

In Christ,
Fr. Chris

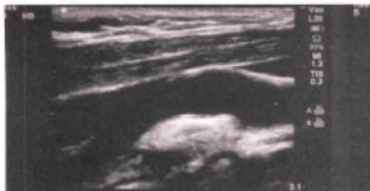
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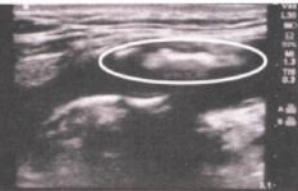
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When: Wednesday, January 24, 2024

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Everyone needs a Will or Trust.

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Who will take care of the children?
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Who will be the Trustee of your Estate?
Who will be your Power of Attorney?

**Join us for our free Pizza and
Planning Presentation on Thursday,**

Feb 1st at

6pm in Sebahar Hall.

Please RSVP to 630-709-6825.

*Tom McGrath & Siobhan Sheehan,
Attorneys at Law*



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.



Winfield Woods - Ahva Care Service Project

CCW is collecting items to give the residents of Winfield Woods - Ahva Care of Winfield, for Valentines Day. Our collection will take place at the masses the weekend of January 20-21. Items needed:

Crayons, - 8 crayons in a box size
Notepads - about 5" x 7" size - not too small and not the full-page size
Pens and erasable pens
Greeting cards and Blank Note Cards
Socks & slipper socks with non-slip pads
Chocolate SNACK size candy bars *without* nuts. We need Sugar Free also
Kleenex Pocket Packs
Gum or mints

Monetary donations also accepted. Make check payable to St. John's CCW

Join us Sat., Feb. 3rd at 10:30am in Sebahar Hall. Enjoy a light breakfast, General Meeting and we will assemble the Goodie Bags for the residents of Winfield Woods.

Sacrificial Giving

Offertory collections for the weekend of **December 24, 2023** were **\$36,234**. We thank you for your support and prayers in helping us meet our weekly goal of \$24,600.



Join Us!

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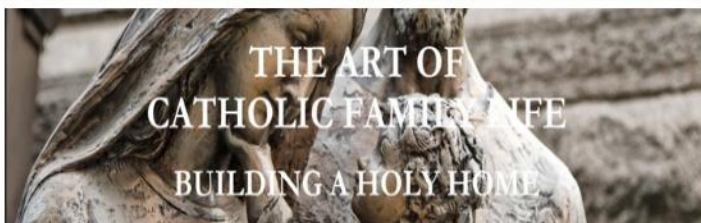
If you've never donated online before, signing up is easy!
Visit our church website at www.stjohnwinfield.org and click

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Questions?
Contact the Parish Office, 630-668-0918.



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**MISSIONARIES
TO THE FAMILY**

AN INITIATIVE TO REVITALIZE THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

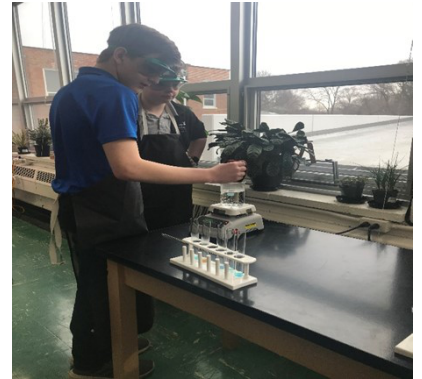


You are cordially invited:

Prospective families are welcome to come to an open house to launch registration for the 2024-2025 school year at St. John the Baptist School in Winfield on **Sunday, January 28, 2024 from 11:00 AM -1:00 PM by appointment.**

You are invited to meet our teachers, principal, and student tour guides. Tour our warm and inviting school on a winter afternoon. Come learn how your child (ren) and family will benefit from the faith formation, outstanding academics and welcoming school community at St. John the Baptist. To schedule an appointment, please click here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4DA9AF23A5F4C07-inperson1>

For more information, please contact principal, Joanne Policht at jpolicht@stjohnwinfield.org or call 630-668-2625, extension 617.



OUR ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S ANNUAL CHILDREN'S 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://www.wesharegiving.org/App/Form/aa99ccae-27e1-498b-b66c-c87fa2d3ea8d>

This appeal is one of our most important fundraising tools to help reduce our parish subsidy. This year the needs are especially great in light of the fact that the Illinois Invest in Kids tax credit scholarship is no longer available for our families. 72 scholarships were awarded to SJB students totaling over \$380,000 for the 2023-24 school year. Our desire is that all our students are able to return and we want to be able to award financial assistance to those who qualify to help offset the cost of tuition. Thank you to those who have already responded! Your generosity is invaluable. Please prayerfully consider making your donation today. No contribution is too small! Your continued support is greatly appreciated.



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PRESENTS: BOOTS AND BLING SJB ANNUAL GALA

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 24, 2024
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST GYMNASIUM
6:30PM-11:00PM
DINNER, DRINKS & MUSIC
RAFFLES, LIVE & SILENT AUCTIONS

FOR TICKETS, PLEASE RSVP AT:

<https://stjohnw2024.ggo.bid>

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PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL
FOR QUESTIONS CONTACT GALA@SJBWINFIELD.ORG

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, January 13, Vigil, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. † Theresa Rybicki (*Maryann Dusza*)
 † Lillian Kinnish (*Walter & Therese Martineau*)
 † Kerry Rogan Carroll (*Jean Christoffer*)
 † John Falvey (*John Dusza Family*)
 † Anthony Steven (*Barry & Cathy McGlynn*)
 † Tom Cachor (*Maryann Dusza*)

Sunday, January 14, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. † Ida Pezza (*Dan Conley*)
 9:30 a.m. ♥† The People of the Parish
 11:30 a.m. † Patti Bentley (*Mike Bentley*)

Monday, January 15,

5:30 p.m. † Justice and Dignity for All God's Children

Tuesday, January 16

8:15 a.m. † John Crossman (*Rita Grabowski*)

Wednesday, January 17

5:30 p.m. † Daniel McGrath (*Rita Grabowski*)

Thursday, January 18

8:15 a.m. † Evan Nelsen (*McCall Family*)

Friday, January 19

12:00 p.m. † John Moscinski
 † Evander Lopez (*The Family*)
 ♥ Franz Dimaso (*Marie Dismaso*)
 † Maggie Bennett (*Patti & Rick Loechl*)
 † Roger Scheiblein
 † For the Souls in Purgatory, May they Rest in Peace

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.



Our Sanctuary Lamps

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

CHAPEL † *John Kotvan*
 CHURCH † *Josephine Christian*

**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. A \$10.00 donation per week is requested.*



SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & CONFESSION

Confessions are on Saturdays
from 3:30 pm until 4:30 pm.

All Confessions are in the
Church.

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 Berger

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

THE KNIGHTS & MEN OF SJB:

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

St. John's Fire Pit,
7:00 pm Wednesday,
January 17, 2024

Questions? Sean Conley, 630-835-8225

ALEX'S BLESSING BAGS

As you know, last year we had a very successful drive and supplied over 500 homeless people "care bags" containing hats, gloves, socks, hot hands, snacks, and other personal essentials.

We donated these bags to PADS, a couple of veteran's shelters, Hesed House, the Winfield Police Department, the West Chicago Police Department, West Chicago Food Pantry, Wayne Township, Milton Township, and the DuPage County Sheriff. I am asking for any of the above items as a donation to support the "Alex Project" again this year. I really appreciate all of your support last year.

I would like to beat last year's count of 500 and with everyone's help, we will do it.

Thank you for helping out.

Alex McCall

Please bring your donations to the Religious Education Office. In the past, the children of our parish have put the items together for Alex to deliver to the above people.



Cursillo Corner

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

Ultreya – Saturday, January 13

Join us for the next Ultreya on **Saturday, January 13**, at St. John the Baptist. Rosary will begin in the Chapel at 9:00 a.m. Immediately following, we will convene at Sebahar Hall for the Ultreya. Our witness speaker is **Tom Borow from St. Michael**. Continental breakfast will be available. Guests are always encouraged and welcome!

Trivia Night – Saturday April 27

Save the date for our 2nd Annual Trivia Night Fundraiser. It will be held at St. Isaac Jogues in Hinsdale.

Doors open 5:45, Trivia begins at 7PM. All are invited. More details to follow.

For additional information on the Cursillo Movement, contact our Parish Coordinator, **Amy Seritella** at amythe1@att.net or visit the website www.jolietcursillo.org.

**The Parish
Office will be
CLOSED
Monday
January 15th**

**MARTIN
LUTHER
KING JR.
—DAY—**

Join St John's Book Club at our
next monthly meeting,
Wednesday, January 17th at 7 pm
at the home of Mary Ann
Kratochvil.



We will discuss the swap books that we received at our December meeting or any good book that you have read recently.

Please inquire for directions or with any questions and **RSVP Jean** at 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 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 **February 1, 2024, 7:00 pm**.

Bulletin Articles

Interested in submitting a bulletin article? Email 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

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Director of Faith Formation & RCIA: Sarah Reznicek _____ Ext 612

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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 602

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.: NOON – 3 pm; Friday: Closed

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