## ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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#### Welcome - Bienvenido

Anyone who welcomes you, welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me. (Mt 10:40)

St. John the Baptist Church wishes to welcome everyone to our community as Jesus would. For information on joining St. John's, please call the parish office.

Parish Directory - 630-668-0918

Pastor/Párroco: Fr. Christopher Lankford

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Jim Olofson

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......Aaron Simpson.....Ext 603

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Coordinator: Ruben Chavez......Ext. 611

Website: www.stjohnwinfield.org

Please keep in your prayers our Seminarian who is preparing for the Priesthood:

#### Joseph Solomon

Please pray for the Seminarians working at CDH this Summer: Greg Alberts, Brian Geary, Aaron Minix, Tom Logue

#### Mass Schedule

**Public Sunday Masses have** begun, as well as public daily Mass at 7am and Saturday at 8:30am. We will have a limited amount of available seats for Mass because of the policy of keeping households six feet apart; you must sign up through our parish website to reserve a seat for Sunday Masses, including the 5p on Saturday evening, at www.stjohnwinfield.org. You do not need to sign up for Daily Masses, including the 8:30am Mass on Saturday morning, except for The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday, August 15, 2020 (not a holyday of obligation this year); we are asking for attendees to sign-up for this Mass. See page 7 or the parish website for more information..

The bishop's dispensation from the Sunday obligation is still in effect.

Masses and devotions will continue to be online on YouTube, Facebook, and the website.

### Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation has resumed

Confession has resumed on Saturdays from 3:30p-4:30p in the Church (see page 4 for more information). Or, you may call the parish office (630-668-0918, ext 0) to make an appointment.



Please pray for those who defend our nation, those who serve in Active Duty

Pvt James Luigi Akin **SRA Francis Beifuss** Major John Berg Sat. Tyler Bowling, US Army Sat Melissa Brooker Pvt Timothy Conley Lt. Jr. Gr. Nicholas Daly Major Daniel Durbin SA Dakota Enders LCPI Ciro Esquivel, Jr. Sqt. Nicholas Gedvilas Pv2 Nicholas Gorman Sgt Pamela Gray A1C Seth Kelley Airman Nicholas Kostecka Sat. David Lawless SrA Robert Lawless Navy Marco Angelo Lomibao Commander Matthew Luff CMDCM (SW/SS/AW) Timothy A. Newell

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Captain Colleen Rezabek
Captain Kevin Rezabek
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PFC Riley Santoyo
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AN Michael Schieve
Major Jim Smolucha
Major Mike Smolucha
SPC Thomas Stanhope
SrA Zachary Ushman

### THE PRIESTS' PAGE/LA PÁGINA DE LOS PADRES

On August 4, we celebrate the feast day of St. John Vianney, the patron saint of parish priests. St. John Vianney served in the small town of Ars, France and lived a life that was totally guided by the grace of God. He grew up in the era of the French Revolution that tried to eliminate religion from all public life. He struggled to pass seminary because all of his coursework was in Latin. He was assigned to Ars as a punishment because it was small, out of the way, and notoriously full of indifferent people. But by the grace of God, the town of Ars was totally transformed by Vianney's deep devotion to Christ in the Eucharist and his love for offering the Lord's mercy in confession.

Offering Mass every day, St. John Vianney truly saw Jesus present in the Eucharist. It isn't just bread and wine or a nice remembrance of the past. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, the bread and wine are transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ. St. John Vianney famously said: "Without the Holy Eucharist there would be no happiness in this world; life would be insupportable. When we receive Holy Communion, we receive our joy and our happiness." Jesus, our happiness, comes to us every time we are at Mass. Let us continually thank God for the opportunity to attend Mass and receive Him in the Eucharist.

Thinking about confession, St. John Vianney was an incredible model for confessors. He would often spend 12 (TWELVE!) hours a day hearing confessions. He knew that people needed God's mercy, and he delighted in bringing them back into the communion that they lost through sin. St. John Vianney says: "When you have made a good confession, you have chained up the devil." So if you haven't been to confession in a while, do not hesitate to return to this sacrament of mercy. While it may be scary, ask St. John Vianney to pray for you! He wants to help you through his heavenly intercession. And please pray for your priests, that they might be good and holy priests like St. John Vianney!

In Christ, Fr. Jim El 4 de agosto, celebramos la fiesta de San Juan Vianney, el patrón de los sacerdotes. San Juan Vianney sirvió en el pequeño pueblo de Ars, Francia, y vivió una vida totalmente guiada por la gracia de Dios. Creció en la era de la Revolución Francesa que trató de eliminar religión de la vida pública. Luchó para aprobar el seminario porque todos sus cursos estaban en latín. Fue asignado a Ars como castigo porque era pequeño, fuera del camino y notoriamente lleno de personas indiferentes. Pero por la gracia de Dios, el pueblo de Ars fue totalmente transformado por su profunda devoción a Cristo en el Santísimo y su amor cuando ofreció la misericordia de Dios en confesión.

Al ofrecer misa todos los días, San Juan Vianney realmente vio a Jesús presente en la Eucaristía. No solo es pan y vino o un buen recuerdo del pasado. A través del poder del Espíritu Santo, el pan y el vino se transforman en el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo. San Juan Vianney dijo: "Sin la Sagrada Eucaristía no habría felicidad en este mundo; La vida sería insoportable. Cuando recibimos la Sagrada Comunión, recibimos nuestra alegría y nuestra felicidad." Jesús, nuestra felicidad, viene a nosotros cada vez que estamos en la Misa. Agradezcamos a Dios por la oportunidad de asistir a Misa y recibirlo en la Eucaristía.

Pensando en la confesión, St. John Vianney fue un modelo increíble para confesores. Frecuentemente pasaba 12 horas (¡DOCE!) al día escuchando confesiones. Sabía que la gente necesitaba la misericordia de Dios, y se deleitaba en restaurarlos a la comunión que perdieron por el pecado. San Juan Vianney dice: "Cuando has hecho una buena confesión, has encadenado al diablo." Entonces, si no ha confesado en mucho tiempo, no dude en volver a este sacramento de la misericordia. Si tiene miedo, ¡pide a San Juan Vianney que ore por ti! Él quiere ayudarle a través de su intercesión celestial. ¡Y oren por sus sacerdotes, para que sean buenos y santos sacerdotes como San Juan Vianney!

En Cristo, Padre Jim

#### Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 2, 2020

All you who are thirsty, come to the water!

— Isaiah 55:1a

#### **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**



(The 7:50a Masses are offered privately for the intentions that have been promised; there are no public 7:50a Masses)

#### Saturday, August 1

8:30 a.m. ♥† CCW Living, Deceased & For Peace (CCW)

#### Vigil Mass of The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. † Calogero Schipani (Lonks Family)

♥ Serritella Anniversary (The Serritella Family)

† Karen Scimeca (Jayme & Jennifer Kurtyka)

† The Stutzke Family (The Hanlock Family)

† The Eder Family (The Hanlock Family)

† Phyllis Snyder (The Carlson & Olszanowski Families)

† Eugene Olszanowski (Snyder, Carlson & Olszanowski Families)

#### Sunday, August 2, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish

9:30 a.m. ♥† Knights of Columbus, Living & Deceased (K of C)

11:30 a.m. † Rose Marie, Robert & Sam DiGangi, Deceased (Larry Zengri)

1:30 p.m. (*Spanish*) † Antonio Vasquez, Birthday Anniversary † Dario Navarrete (*Arnie & Joanne Skibinski*)

#### Monday, August 3

7:00 a.m. † Bill Rose (The Rose Family)

#### Tuesday, August 4

7:00 a.m. † Patricia Kristofek Quinn (Monica Rundell)

#### Wednesday, August 5

7:00 a.m. † Joseph & Timothy Lambert (Rose Marie Lambert)

#### **Thursday, August 6**

7:00 a.m. † Steve Flaherty (The Rundell Family)

7:50 a.m. † Charles Kirk (Lois & Chuck Kirk)

#### Friday, August 7

7:00 a.m. † Marilyn Allison (Dan Conley)

7:50 a.m. † Parish's All Souls Intentions

#### Saturday, August 8

8:30 a.m. † Michael Clawson (Mary & Lauren Clawson)

#### Vigil Mass of The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. ♥ Leonard Hanlock, Health & Intentions (Hanlock Family)

† Marilyn Bohac (Tom & Mary Porubcansky)

† Cynthia Jean Cordell (Monica Rundell)

† Abe Rundell (Monica Rundell)

† Alan Stuart (Harold "Bing" Besch)

#### Sunday, August 9, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. † Bill Brach (John, Sue & Conor Heybach)

9:30 a.m. † Picca Family, Deceased Members (Lonks Family)

11:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish

1:30 p.m. (Spanish) † Cesar Peralta Ramirez (Garcia & Gaspar Families)

† Ignacio Diaz Lopez (Garcia & Gaspar Families)

† Maria de la Salud (Garcia & Gaspar Families)

† Yolanda Carrera (Garcia & Gaspar Families)

† Gabriel Mejia Muñoz (Garica & Gaspar Families)

### **Our Sanctuary Lamps**

This week, our Sanctuary Lamps\* burn in Memory of/Honor of:



#### Chapel † Calogero Schipani, Deceased Church † Michael Clawson

\*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.

#### SIGNING UP FOR MASSES-UPDATE

Parishioners do not have to sign up in advance for daily Mass, including Saturday morning 8:30a Mass\*. *Sign-up is still required for Sunday Mass, including Saturday at 5p.* To register for Sunday Mass, including the vigil Mass on Saturday at 5p, go to www.stjohnwinfield.org, or phone the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0.

\*Exception: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saturday, August 15, is not a holyday this year so there will not be special Masses, but we ask if you are attending the 8:30a Mass on August 15th, please sign-up as indicated above. More information about the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is on page 7.

#### DAILY MASS CLARIFICATION-TIME & MASS INTENTIONS

Currently, there is one daily <u>public</u> Mass Monday through Friday at St. John's, which is celebrated at 7:00 a.m. The second Mass at 7:50a is not a public Mass due to time restrictions in-between Masses for COVID-19 sanitizing.

Any Mass Intentions that are already scheduled for the 7:50a Mass will be prayed for privately by our priests. The Intention will appear in the bulletin.

Until further notice, we will not be scheduling new Mass Intentions for the 7:50a Mass. As stated above, if there is already an Intention scheduled for a 7:50a, it will be prayed for privately by our priests.

If you have any questions about this, please call the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0. Thank you for your patience.

#### **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & CONFESSION**

The Sacrament of Penance and Confession has resumed on Saturdays from 3:30p until 4:30p in the Church. Please wear a mask. Confessions are heard inside the church on the most outer aisle, not in the confessionals, either with a screen in-between the confessor and the priest, or face-to-face, maintaining a six-foot distance. To maintain confidentiality and privacy, everyone will be asked to remain in the Narthex until it is their turn, and asked to socially distance while waiting.

#### **Confession Schedule/Horario de Confesiones**

- Saturday, August 1, 3:30p-Church-Fr Chris/Fr Jim
- Saturday, August 8, 3:30p-Church-Fr Chris

#### Diocese of Joliet

Office of the Bishop



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Diocese of Joliet
School Re-Opening
July 22, 2020

Update from our school principal, Joanne Policht: "I am excited and proud to share that the St. John the Baptist Catholic School Reopening Plan has been approved and certified. Many thanks go to our reopening team - Donna Gudanick, Angela Murray, Lori Seay, Aaron Simpson, and Board Member, Gretchen LeMay, for their contributions and work on the plan. Please know that we are working very hard to implement our plan for the safety and well-being of all, and we can't wait for school to start with in person learning on Wednesday, August 19, 2020." ~Joanne Policht, St. John's School Principal

Dear Pastors and Principals (Presidents) of our Catholic Schools:

I am very pleased to advise you that our plans are moving forward with full speed to open our Catholic Schools next month.

Our efforts are based on <u>SAFETY</u> and <u>ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE</u> in the context of <u>CATHOLIC IDENTITY</u>.

I. <u>SAFETY:</u> In keeping with our responsibility in opening our schools in the context of Coronavirus, the following will be required without compromise. As with our Churches, WE CANNOT fulfill our charge without providing the safest environment possible for our teachers, students, administrative personnel or other employees.

Thus, it will be required:

- 1) To utilize masks throughout the school
- 2) Maintaining six-foot social distancing
- 3) Regular hand washing and sanitizing the school daily
- 4) Temperature check each morning

It is recognized that some may have different opinions about these measures. Nonetheless, they are universally advocated by recognized experts and medical scientists. We want to protect all to the very best of our ability.

#### II. ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN THE CONTEXT OF CATHOLIC IDENTITY

As has been their practice, the schools will do all possible to retain the standards of Academic rigor, to enable the students to grow and achieve their intellectual capacity. Catholic culture and formation will continue to be the context in which the education is imparted.

I am very grateful to Dr. Michael Boyle, Superintendent of Schools, his team and the dedicated Principals, teachers, and volunteers who are spending enormous time in achieving this possibility of re-opening our schools. They enjoy my unwavering support.

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With appropriate confidence, I am optimistic that our schools will obtain certification for re-opening. This certification will be issued by Dr. Boyle and our Catholic Schools Office. No school will be able to open without certification. Going to this extent and the considerable effort involved are representative of how greatly we value Catholic Education.

Please join me in fervent prayer that the Good Lord will guide us on this journey.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Richard E. Pates

Apostolic Administrator

Diocese of Joliet

cc: Most Reverend Ronald Hicks

### Picture your

# Kindergartner through 8th grade child at St. John the Baptist Catholic School this fall!



Come for the excellent faith formation and academics,
leave with great friendships, and as
loving, caring, and compassionate individuals.

Openings remain in

Kindergarten through eighth grade.



Even though school is out for the summer, we are busy preparing for the 2020-21 school year, and welcome you for a tour,

Virtual Informational meeting on <u>August 4 at 6:30 PM</u>, or call Joanne Policht for more information at 630-668-2625, extension 617.



St. John the Baptist Catholic School
Formed in Faith, Educated in Excellence,
Embraced by Community

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR 2020/2021 NEWS

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED!

Registrations are being taken for Religious Education Sessions 2020-2021 **ONLINE**. Please see our website for all necessary forms at www.stjohnwinfield.org, then click on Religious Education Parent Information.

However, if you prefer, print out the forms and drop off at the RE Office Monday through Thursday 8:30-3PM, Door 11.

Or, stop in at Door 11 and we will give you the necessary paperwork. Please wear a mask.

Please note, due to COVID-19, we have changed some of the RE class times and days we meet. And seating is limited, so do not wait!

<u>TUESDAY SESSIONS</u>: 4-5:15PM and 5:45-7PM English Only 1<sup>st</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> grade (4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades will meet on campus one week and eLearn the opposite week.)

**WEDNESDAY SESSIONS:** 5:45-7PM – Spanish Sessions (Second year)

6:00-8:00PM -6<sup>th</sup> grade alternates with Confirmation I and Confirmation II

Session Dates can be found on the last page of the Family Handbook 2020-2021 on the St. John's website, www.stjohnwinfield.org.

## The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Not A Holy Day of Obligation This Year

This year The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin



Mary falls on a Saturday, August 15, 2020. It is not a holyday of obligation this year. Therefore, there will not be a special Mass schedule. However, since it is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, please join us on Saturday, August 15th at the regular Mass at 8:30a in the

Church if you are able. <u>Please register online for this Mass, at stjohnwinfield.org or by calling the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0</u>. Also, we will livestream this Mass; you may watch the 8:30a Mass on our YouTube Channel; search for St. John the Baptist Winfield and click on the St. John's Church logo.

#### NEWS FROM RELIGIOUS EDUCATION-SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION

We all know COVID has really turned our lives upside down, but not all for the worse, either! We are exercising more; just try to find a bike in the stores! We know the names of all the birds in our back yard! Our relationships are held closer to our hearts! (Unless we were ready to throttle one another after being locked up in our homes!) Some of us know more about technology now, than we did before!

Now the flip side...our stoves need to be cleaned because we are actually using them! We forgot how to shop in person! And yes, don't forget the COVID 15 lbs! Another negative is mail was delivered and TONS unopened until too late, such as Catholic Charities asking for donations for School Supplies! We missed their dead line, but I am sure any donation at any time will be welcomed!

So, if you see a sale, and you want to help a family in need, please purchase any school supplies you can and drop them off in the glass room outside the Parish Office. Religious Education will deliver them when we have our normal truck load to Catholic Charities!

Again, thank you, St. John's Parishioners! Your generosity always goes above and beyond the call of duty!

## ATTENTION PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE EUCHARISTIC ADORERS-YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

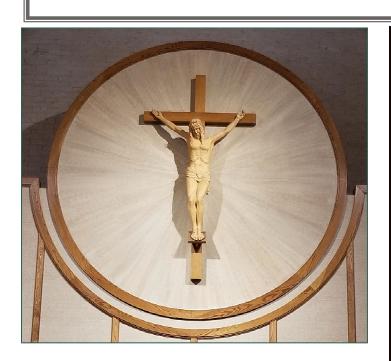
One of our most beautiful ministries at St. John's, Eucharistic Adoration, has begun again, in a shortened form, on Thursday evenings, from 6p-9p. Your help is needed to make this happen. If you are not familiar with what Eucharistic Adoration is, it is the worship of the Eucharist outside of Mass. The Eucharistic Host is displayed in a monstrance on the altar so that all can see and pray in the presence of Christ.

We are offering adorers Thursday evenings from 6p-9p for one (1) hour slots.

To accomplish this, we need volunteers to greet, sign-in and usher the adorers to a pew, then following the COVID-19 guidelines, sanitize after the adorer has left.

If you believe God is calling you to this ministry and you would like to spend some quiet time with our Lord, will you consider **volunteering?** Please call Arlene Reichert at 630-890-2857, or the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0, to get more information on this beautiful opportunity to deepen your relationship with God.

Thank you.



#### Online prayers, reflections, &devotions

https://mycatholic.life

https://dynamiccatholic.com https://www.catholic.org/lent

Breviary (Liturgy of the Hours) on IBreviary App &

Website

Apps & Websites for Relevant Radio, Word on Fire,

& Formed

## ST. JOHN'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL

St. John's has set up a YouTube channel where Masses and devotions are posted.

Currently, two weekend Masses will be live streamed, the 9:30a and the 1:30p in Spanish. You can watch them live or you can go on YouTube anytime and watch the saved Masses.

To find the St. John's channel:

- 1. Go to YouTube;
- 2. Search for

St. John the Baptist Winfield

1. Click on our St. John's Church logo:



#### TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — All you who thirst, come to the water! You without money, come to the feast! (Isaiah 55:1-3).

**Psalm** — The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

**Second Reading** — Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ (Romans 8:35, 37-39).

**Gospel** — All ate until satisfied; they collected twelve baskets of what was left over (Matthew 14:13-21).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* @ 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102;

Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29,

22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13;

Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9;

2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab,

39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14;

Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

#### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: St. John Vianney

Wednesday: Dedication of the Basilica of

St. Mary Major

Thursday: The Transfiguration of the Lord;

Hiroshima Memorial Day

Friday: St. Sixtus II and Companions; St. Cajetan;

First Friday

Saturday: St. Dominic



# Sacraments at St. John's



## Welcome to Our Newly Baptized!

July 24, 2020

#### Brian Guy

Child of

Brenda Eurioles & Brandon Guy

July 25, 2020

#### Alicia Verla Casarrubias

Child of

Sheila Carlson & Juan Casarrubias

### Adrian Lopez

Child of

Berenice Villafuerte Garcia & Matias Lopez

#### Pedro Montoya

Child of

Alicia Alvarez & Horacio Montoya

#### PRAYER AND HUMILITY

Arm yourself with prayer rather than a sword; wear humility rather than fine clothes.

-St. Dominic



### Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Alphonsus Liguori was the founder of the Redemptorists (Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer) and one of the greatest moral theologians in the history of the Church. Born into a Neapolitan noble family in 1696, he studied and practiced law successfully until, after losing an important

case through his own fault and seeing it as a sign of God's will, he decided to enter the priesthood. He studied theology and was ordained in 1726. Soon thereafter he established a reputation as an effective preacher and understanding confessor in and near Naples.

Alphonsus organized parish missions and urged his priests to be simple in the pulpit and compassionate in the confessional.

In 1732, Alphonsus founded the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer for priests dedicated to preaching the Gospel, especially to the rural poor in the kingdom of Naples. Alphonsus continued to preach and hear confessions with great success throughout the kingdom, especially in villages and hamlets, until 1752 when his health failed. He was especially gentle with the scrupulous, those with an unhealthy sense of anxiety and guilt, because he himself suffered from scrupulosity.

Alphonsus published the first of three dozen theological and devotional works in 1745, the most important of which was his Moral Theology, revised and reprinted nine times during his life. In this work he created new moral principles, and his pastoral approach was always one of simplicity and kindness. He also published devotional writings, especially about the Blessed Virgin Mary. His Glories of Mary (1750) influenced Marian piety well into the nineteenth century.

After at first refusing the appointment, in 1762 Alphonsus was ordained bishop of Sant'Agatha dei Goti, a diocese located between Benevento and Capua, Italy. He organized parish missions and urged his priests to be simple in the pulpit and compassionate in the confessional. He was especially critical of priests who celebrated Mass too quickly. When a famine broke out in the winter of 1763, he sold everything he had, including his carriage and mules and his episcopal ring, to buy food for the starving. The Holy See gave him permission to dip into the assets of the diocese for relief work.

Alphonsus suffered an attack of rheumatic fever in 1767 that almost killed him and left him with an incurably bent neck. He eventually resigned his position in 1775 because of poor health. He lived another twelve years in poor mental and physical health. He died during the night of July 31/August 1, 1787, within two months of his ninety-first birthday. Alphonsus Liguori was beatified in 1816, and made patron saint of confessors and moral theologians in 1950. His feast day is August 1.

Good and gracious God,

Even in the midst of these troubling times, you continue to reveal your loving presence in the communal life of our parish.

Help us to see your active presence in our parish family, a community where peace, love and fellowship will prevail. May it be truly prayerful, intensely Eucharistic, and deeply joyful.

Teach us how to be good stewards of our parish family even during these times of stress and anxiety, distance and isolation.

By the power of the Holy Spirit make our hearts humble and compassionate so that we may carry out our responsibilities to our parish family in a just and holy manner.

And through your Spirit, may we love one another as you love each of us, as sisters and brothers who gather around the Eucharistic table, an authentically holy, Catholic community, working together to hasten our Kingdom.

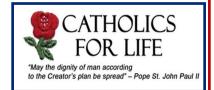
In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

Excerpted from Interrnational Catholic Stewardship Council Catholic Stewardship, August 2020

#### **CATHOLICS FOR LIFE**

During the 40 Days for Life vigils at Planned Parenthood in Aurora, IL many people inquired about having a year-round daily vigil. In answer to that request the Aurora 40 Days for Life leadership team has introduced **40 DAYS FOR LIFE-365** in Aurora. **It is** a year-round peaceful prayer presence at the



Aurora Planned Parenthood abortion clinic - the largest in the Midwest. It's simple to get involved...just sign -up for one hour/week (more if you'd like) or sign-up for one hour/month. The goal is to have a minimum of two people praying every hour Planned Parenthood is open, Monday - Saturday 8:00am-6:00pm. Let's expand our army with more prayer warriors on the ground! Visit 40daysforlife.com/aurora to sign up for whatever hour you like.

Please pray for the success of this new movement to end abortion at Planned Parenthood in Aurora. So far, since the start of 40 Days for Life, 107 Abortion clinics in the U.S. have closed through the efforts, prayers, and sacrifices of Pro-Life prayer warriors.

For additional information – Contact Catherine Walker at (224) 999-3701, 40days4lifeaurora@gmail.com The next 40 days for Life fall vigil starts September 23 to October 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Prayer for Our New Bishop

God, eternal shepherd, you tend your Church in many ways and rule us with love.

You have chosen your servant, Bishop Hicks, to be a shepherd of your flock.

Give him a spirit of courage and right judgment, a spirit of knowledge and love.

By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care,

may he build your Church as a sign of salvation for the world.

Amen

#### **BOOK CLUB NEWS**

Join St John's Book Club at our next monthly meet-



ing, Wednesday August 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. We will meet outside at the pavilion near the Mary Garden at St John's. Bring a face covering and a chair. We will discuss the

book, *The Great Alone* by Kristin Hannah. Please RSVP or contact Jean with any questions at tidaniell@att.net.

Upcoming book club dates: Sept 16 and Oct 21.

## FROM ST. IRENE PARISH HUSTLE UP THE HILL FOR THE HOMELESS COMMITTEE...

## VIRTUAL HUSTLE UP THE HILL FOR THE HOMELESS

Because of social distancing guidelines related to Covid-19, this year's Hustle Up the Hill for the Homeless sponsored by St. Irene Parish will be a virtual race. Our annual race is usually held at Blackwell's Mt. Hoy. **This year's event can be completed anywhere and anytime between Aug 22-31**. Registered participants have the option of hustling up and down Mt. Hoy at Blackwell Forest Preserve in Warrenville or completing a 5K walk/run on the route of their choice. Cost is \$30 per person or \$100 for a team of 4. Those who register by Aug 1<sup>st</sup> will receive a race t-shirt.

Our most vulnerable populations have been hit hard by Covid-19 and high unemployment rates. Please help our fight to end homelessness by participating in this important fundraiser. Gather your friends and family and register at:

www.hustleupthehillforthehomeless.com



## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In today's Gospel we find an equation the disciples of Jesus couldn't solve. Five loaves and two fish divided by 5,000-plus people. They failed to recognize Jesus in the equation, that whatever they had to offer, Jesus could take it and bless it and satisfy the hunger of the crowd with it. Good stewards recognize that the Lord can work miracles with the gifts they offer to a hungry and broken world. How often are we willing to offer our gifts in faith, even during disquieting times, even as insignificant as we think they are, and count on the Lord to do the rest? How often do we count Christ into the equation?



Wedding

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August 23, 2020

2:00 PM

The 42nd Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will be Live-Streamed on Sunday, August 23 at 2 pm from the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet. Couples celebrating anniversaries of 25 years, 50 years, and more than 50 years, are welcome to view the Live-Stream celebration and receive an anniversary certificate sent in the mail. Bishop Richard E. Pates will celebrate the Mass and will lead all couples in a special renewal of wedding promises. To receive your certificate in the mail, please register by August 14 by calling the Office of Family Ministry at 815-838-5334 or register online at <a href="https://bit.ly/3fBY3VN">https://bit.ly/3fBY3VN</a>.

#### **OUR DEEPEST NEEDS**

The word of God serves up a tremendous feast for us today. Isaiah beckons all who hunger and thirst to come to the Lord for satisfaction. The psalmist cries out, "The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs" (Psalm 145:16). Saint Paul tells us that nothing can separate us from the love of God. Finally, in the Gospel, we hear the story of the miraculous feeding of over five thousand people from a mere five loaves and two fish. Most of us have our material needs met on a day-to-day basis. These scriptures, nevertheless, have much to say to the contemporary believer. We must ask ourselves, "Where are my deepest hungers? Where are my thirsts?" After material needs are satisfied and, in some cases, over-satisfied, many people still experience a deep longing for spiritual balance and wellbeing. As the loaves and fish are multiplied in today's Gospel, perhaps our prayer can be a longing for the satisfaction of the deepest needs that only God can fill.

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QUESTIONS? Contact our parish office to speak with our business manager, Mike Vallaro 630-668-0918, ext. 616.

Please remember St. John's by dropping off or mailing envelopes or by giving electronically through WeShare, which can be accessed on our website.

**Sacrificial Giving-**We are ever grateful for your loving generosity & sharing in the Ministries of serving the Lord at St. John the Baptist Parish.

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Example: Tax Credit vs. Tax Deduction

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However, what would happen if that was a deduction on your IRS Form 1040 and not a tax credit? A \$1,000 deduction, if you are in the 22% tax bracket, will lower your adjusted gross income by \$1,000, thereby lowering your tax bill by about \$220. In this scenario, we also assume that the taxpayer is itemizing their deductions. If the taxpayer takes the standard deduction (\$12,400 if filing single or \$24,800 if married filing jointly), then the \$1,000 donation would not provide any tax benefit.

Donate through Empower Illinois (empowerillinois.org), designating St. John the Baptist Catholic School as the recipient of the scholarship. Contact the school office or the parish business manager for more information.

#### SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

#### **Baptisms**

Until further notice, baptisms will be held on Saturdays, practicing social distancing. Parents need to be registered parishioners and parents and godparents will need to attend a Baptism Preparation Class prior to the Baptism. Godparents are to be practicing Catholics! Please contact the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 600.

#### **RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Our RCIA classes are for any adult wanting to become Catholic. This is the time when questions are answered and formation begins. So, whether you are answering God's call to join the church, seeking to participate fully in the sacraments, or looking to find answers about the Catholic faith, RCIA is for you. RCIA sessions meet weekly from September until Easter. Jim and Rosanne Druckemiller are co-directors and they can be reached by contacting the church office at 630-668-0918. Call soon and get excited about the Catholic faith. We can't wait to meet you!

#### **Wedding Information**

Getting married? Give us a ring! Please contact one of the parish priests as soon as you become engaged and at least six months before the wedding date. Spiritual preparation begins at least SIX MONTHS in advance. Catholics need to be attending church every Sunday. Please do not set your reception date until you meet with a priest.



#### **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. 0, & set a time to come in BEFORE your surgery for anointing.

#### **Hospital Visits**

Our priests are available to make hospital visits. 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 there giving us the name and room number. 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. 0, and we will pass your name to the coordinator for Homebound Ministry. *Please note: due to the coronavirus, no communion taken to homebound; instead, Homebound Ministers praying over the telephone with homebound.* 

#### **Prayers of the Faithful**

If you or someone in your family is sick and would like to be mentioned in the Prayers of the Faithful at Sunday Masses, please call the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0.

#### Prayer Line, Pray for the Sick Listed in Bulletin

If you or someone in your family is sick & would like to be prayed for by our confidential Prayer Line or listed in the Sick of the Church bulletin, please contact the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0.

#### **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. For more information, contact the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0.

**24-Hour Adoration:** Adoration has began on Thursday evenings from 6p-9p. For more information, please call the parish office at 630.668.0918, ext. 600. All are welcome.



**Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting-**Until further notice, AA is not meeting at St. John's, per State of Illinois guidelines.

**Overeaters Anonymous Meeting:** Until further notice, OA is not meeting at St. John's due to COVID-19 restrictions. For more information, please contact the parish office, 630-668-0918, ext. 0.



#### **MASS INFORMATION**

**Mass Intentions:** Please call or email the parish office to schedule a Mass Intention. Donation is \$10; 5p & 1:30p Masses-free-will donation. 630-668-0918, ext 0 or jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org. We can mail the Mass card for you.



**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** The parish office will remain closed. Please call or email the parish office, and we will respond to your inquiry as soon as possible. Please call 630-668-0918, ext 0 for the parish office, or email jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org

**Lost and Found:** When we re-open, please check the Lost and Found box in the Usher's Room in the Church. **Bulletin Articles:** Submissions are due by noon on Thurs., 10 days prior to the Sunday on which you wish the article to appear. Include the name & phone number of the person submitting the article. Please email as an attachment using Microsoft Word or Publisher. Please do not include article in the body of the email. Email to: jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org and rosab@stjohnwinfield.org.

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#### **Reporting Sexual Abuse**

Anyone with reason to believe that a child has been abused or is being abused should report his/her suspicions to civil authorities. Contact the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, 1-800-25ABUSE (1-800 -252-2873) or the local police. The Diocese of Joliet Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help victims/survivors of child sexual abuse by a cleric, employee or volunteer of the Catholic Church. The Victim Assistance Coordinator will report to Bishop Conlon and coordinate efforts of pastoral support and outreach to assist in the healing process. The Victim Assistance Coordinator can also assist in making a report to civil authorities. Contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1-815-263-6467.

#### Denuncia de abuso sexual

Cualquier persona que tenga motivos de sospecha que un niño ha sido abusado o está siendo abusado debe informar a las autoridades civiles. Contacto: Departamento de Illinois de Servicios para Niños y Familia: 1-800-25ABUSE (1-800-252-2873) o la policía local. El Coordinador de Asistencia a las Víctimas de la Diócesis de Joliet está disponible para ayudar a las víctimas / sobrevivientes de abuso sexual infantil por parte de un ministro, empleado o voluntario de la Iglesia Católica. El Coordinador de Asistencia a Víctimas informará al Obispo Conlon y coordinará los esfuerzos de apoyo y acompañamiento pastoral para ayudar en el proceso de curación. El Coordinador de Asistencia a Víctimas también puede proveer asistencia en hacer un informe a las autoridades civiles. Póngase en contacto con la Diócesis de Joliet Coordinador de Asistencia a las Víctimas en el 1-815-263-6467.



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