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MASS TIMES

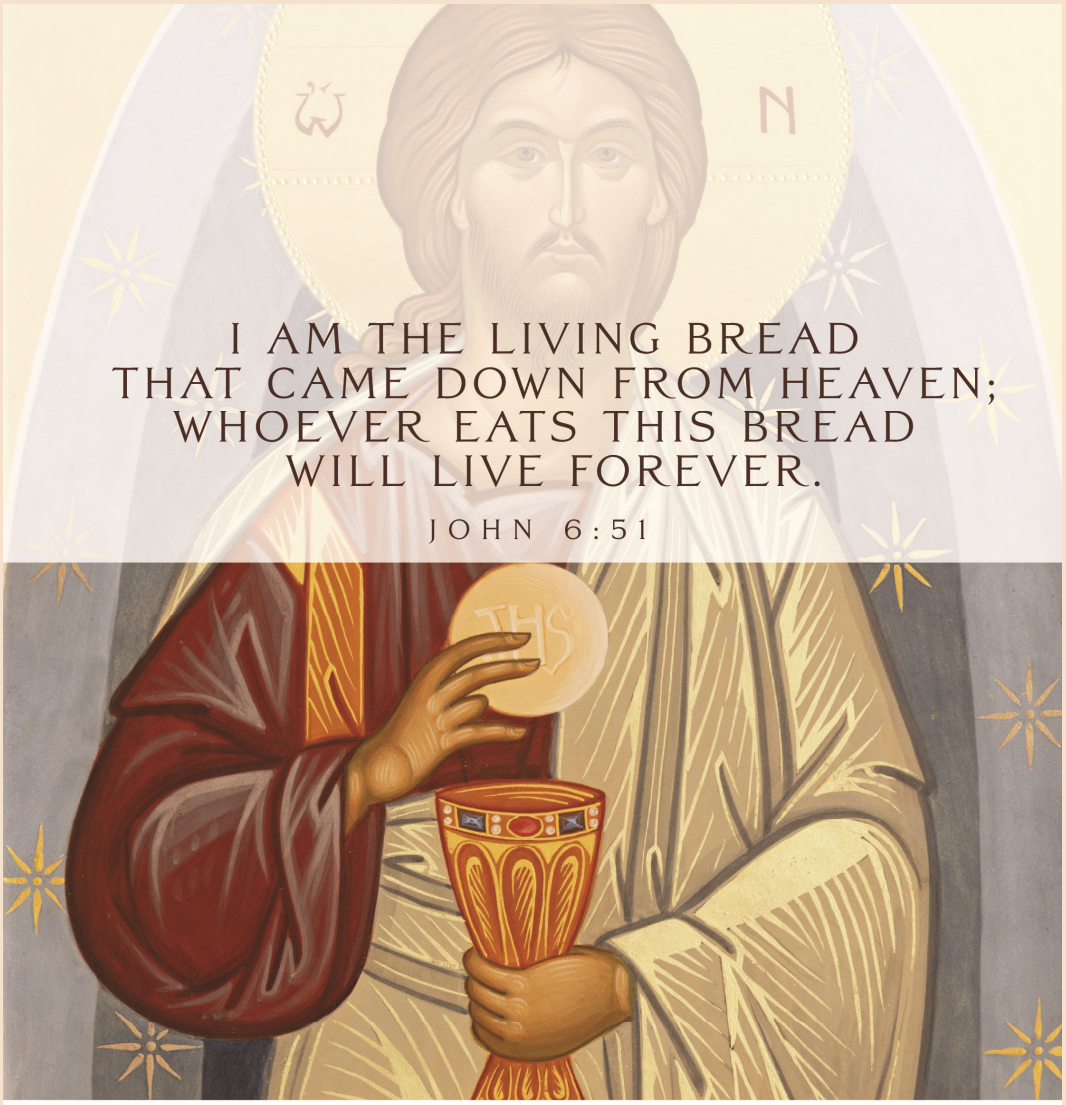
Mondays - Thursdays
7:00 am

Fridays
12:00 pm

Saturdays
Confessions-
3:30-4:30 pm

5:00 pm
(Sunday Vigil)

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



NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 8, 2021

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Please pray for our sick

James Adduci
Alisa Allen
Sandy Anderson
Jack Aylward
Dave Balseqiz
Ada Bantola
Michael Barone
Ella Bitterman
Jennifer Bitterman
Floyd Bosch
Brian Burke
Allison Lamberts Burns
Jim Cabrera, Sr.
Karen Cervenka
Lisa Cicero
Al Cieslik
Patricia Clifford
Kathy Connor
Georgene Cook
Carol Connors
Julio Correa
Rita Cross
Mary Elaine Cruz
Linda Dameron
Anetta Derango
Kathe Doremus
Nick DuBay
Karen Durbin
Ralph Eckhoff
Concepcion Edaño
Joan Enders
Aaron Erickson
William Ferdinand
Patrocinia Fernandez
Marie Flores

Valerie Fraser
Kyle Freed
Dolores Gabriel
Monica Garcia
Gregory Garlt
Darlene Gedvilas
Danny Gonzalez
Judy Gonzalez
Dawn Grant
Destin Green
Daniel Guzman
Jennifer Hammerschmidt
Deborah Lynn Harris
Betty Hass
Jeremy Heintz
John Heitzler, Jr.
Joseph & Joy Henczel
Edy Jacobs
Pat Jakubiec
Jason Jensen
Margarita Jimenez
Andrew Jin
Shawn Jurgensen
Charles Kadolph
David C. Kadolph
Lynn Kadolph
Mary Kallas
Kathy Kamphaus
Brandon Karimi
Ken Kasnicka
Carter Kettner
Donna Kevil
Gerry Krug
Margaret Kuhn
Korrin Kupris

Ivanna Lamb
Rose Marie Lambert
Ken Larson
Nancy Liden
Haley Lipnisky
Marilyn Loechl
Sam Mahre
Beth Majerczyk
Gianna Malorny
John Maltese
Linda Marczewski
Jan Masters
Al Mathieu
Diane Maher
Alex McCall
Michael McCall
Perri McCall
Patricia Meschler
Bessy Miller
Colette Miller
Mayette Monales
Thomas Morris
Rosa Mostek
Megan Mueller
Mary Lu Mulcahy
Lauren Mungo
Joan Murdock
Tim Murnane
John Naill
Becky Neal
Johnny Neal
Maura Neuens
Clare North

Alex Novak
Andy Nowak
Lesley (Tobin) Nygaard
Joseph O'Brien
Larry Orni
Joan Pacer
Lori Pacer
Charlie Parisi
Bill Parker
Josie Pasciak
Jim Paulissen
Owen Payton
Molly Peters
Bane Petrov
Joseph Pirofalo
Brittney Prehn
Ian Prosser
Tim Ptak
Theresa Ratterman
Mary Rauch
Sam Reyes
Alicia Ricciardi
Cooper Rojas
Gertie Romero
Monica Romero
Kelli Rooney
Katherine Rose
John Rossi
Sister Audrey Rothweil
Marvin Rothweil
Susan Rothweil
Bob Salat
Scott Schwartz

Sven Segerlund
John Shannon
Desireé Sheppard
Evelyn Skriba
Dan Smyth
Dolores Snyder
Diane Srachta
Cynde Barone Stavros
Doug Stephan
Hugh Stott
Michael John Stralko
Rosemary Sumang
Ewa Sarnacka
Lucy Szwed
Mary Tarchala
Deborah Terry
Virg Tobin
Jim Toman
Erin Anderson Tugman
Benjamin Vargas
Maria Vargas
Keith Venard
Martha Vescio
Virginia Underwood
Dolores Vasquez
Genevieve Welch
Emily Wilson
Kylie Wells-Long
Paula Winterhalder
Elizabeth Wood
Susan Woodbury
Lexie Youngberg
Larry Zengri

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
0S233 Church St.
Winfield, IL 60190

Parish Directory - 630-668-0918

Pastor: Fr. Christopher Lankford
Deacon: Rev. Mr. Brian Geary
Secretaries: Jennifer Kurtyka, Rosa Benavides
…….Ext 0 or 600……
Secretaria Hispana:……...Ext 601
Director of Operations:
……...Mike Vallaro……...Ext 616
Facilities Manager:
……...Aaron Simpson..…….....Ext 603
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Religious Education:……...Office: Ext 613
Director: Maureen Brennan..…...Ext 612
RCIA (Convert Preparation)……Ext 600

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Principal: Joanne Policht……...Ext 618
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Website:
www.stjohnwinfield.org

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

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

Rev. Mr. Brian Geary

Please pray for all the Seminarians who are studying in the Diocese of Joliet.

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS-UPDATE

As of June 11, in accordance with the Diocese of Joliet, parishioners do not have to sign up for Mass. Full capacity inside our Church and Chapel is allowed. Fully vaccinated individuals do not need to wear a mask. There will be a section in Church (if you are facing the altar, the section is to the extreme right, along north wall) to sit if you feel more comfortable social distancing and with people who are wearing masks. We will continue to refrain from offering blood of Christ in a chalice at Communion for the time being. Singing is allowed. The bishop's dispensation to attend Sunday Mass remains in place for the time being, with the intention of providing our parishes and our parishioners the opportunity to navigate and adjust to these new guidelines and protocols.

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

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

FROM THE DEACON'S DESK/DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DEL DIÁCONO

Hello St. John's,

I've had a lot of fun writing these articles over the last few weeks! I'm glad to know so many of you liked them. Unfortunately, as my summer at St. John's draws to a close, I will be taking a step back from writing these on a regular basis. As you're reading this, I will be on a retreat with my fellow seminarians in preparation for the Fall semester. For a large portion of the year, we're spread out at different seminaries and different assignments. It's not often we're all in the same place at the same time. These retreats are great opportunities for us to spend some time together before we all head back off to school.

Additionally, my Mundelein classmates and I will be making a pilgrimage to the Holy Land! We will be leaving around the middle of this month, and will return at the beginning of September. The Holy Land is often called the "Fifth Gospel," because the places in the Bible come to life, and we get to encounter Jesus in a new and real way. I'm thrilled to have this opportunity, and I pray that this will be a time to grow closer to Our Lord. I hope to be able to provide some updates for all of you, so pray for some good internet access, and stay tuned!

What's after that? Well, it's back to school. Seminary follows a normal academic year, so I'll be back up at Mundelein hitting the books. It promises to be a busy semester, but I'm very excited for the classes I'll be taking. Among them? Learning how to hear confessions and celebrate the Mass!

Not to worry, though! While I won't be living at St. John's full time, I will still be around on weekends and breaks. I look forward to another great year serving alongside Fr. Chris and all of you.

While this will be my last article for now, there will be more! I have some ideas I hope to share soon. In the meantime, please pray for me, and know that I will be praying for you.

God bless!
Dcn. Brian

Hola San Juan,

¡Me he divertido mucho escribiendo estos artículos en las últimas semanas! Me alegra saber que a muchos de ustedes les gustaron. Desafortunadamente, a medida que mi verano en San Juans llega a su fin, daré un paso atrás de escribirlos regularmente. Cuando usted está leyendo esto, voy a estar en un retiro con mis compañeros de seminario en preparación para el semestre de otoño. Durante una gran parte del año, estamos repartidos en diferentes seminarios y diferentes asignaciones. No es frecuente que todos estemos en el mismo lugar al mismo tiempo. Estos retiros son grandes oportunidades para que pasemos algún tiempo juntos antes de que todos regresemos a la escuela.

¡Además, mis compañeros de Mundelein y yo haremos una peregrinación a la Tierra Santa! Saldremos a mediados de este mes y regresaremos a principios de septiembre. La Tierra Santa a menudo se llama el "Quinto Evangelio", porque los lugares en la Biblia vienen a la vida y podemos encontrarnos con Jesús de una manera nueva y real. Estoy emocionado de tener esta oportunidad y oro para que este sea el momento de acercarnos más a Nuestro Señor. Espero poder brindarles algunas actualizaciones a todos ustedes, así que oren por un buen acceso a Internet y estén atentos.

¿Qué hay después de eso? Bueno, es regreso a la escuela. Seminario sigue un año académico normal, así que volveré a Mundelein a leer los libros. Promete ser un semestre ocupado, pero estoy muy emocionado con las clases que tomaré. ¿Entre ellos? ¡Aprendiendo a escuchar confesiones y celebrar la Misa!

¡Pero no te preocupes! Aunque no voy a vivir en San Juan el tiempo completo, seguiré estando aqui los fines de semana y los descansos. Espero tener otro gran año sirviendo junto al Padre Chris y todos ustedes.

Mientras que este será mi último artículo por ahora, habrá más! Tengo algunas ideas que espero compartir pronto. Por Mientras, por favor oren por mí, y sepan que voy a orar por ustedes.

¡Dios lo bendiga!
Diácono Brian

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 8, 2021
I am the living bread that came down from heaven.
— John 6:51

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

(The 7:50 am Masses are offered privately by our priests for the intentions that have been promised; there are no public 7:50 am Masses. Until further notice no new 7:50 am Mass Intentions will be taken.)*

Saturday, August 7

***No** 8:30am Mass*

Vigil Mass of The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. ♥† CCW Living, Deceased & for Peace *(CCW)*
† Michelle Szymczak *(Linda McKee & Ron Szymczak)*
† Mary Green, Birthday Anniversary *(Marianne & Jim Russell)*
† Abe Rundell *(Monica Rundell)*
† John Hornyak *(Larry & Cecily Langellier)*
♥ Dan Sledz *(Rubi Garfias)*
♥ Terrance Andrew Denniger & Amy Jean Martenson, Birthday Blessings *(Terry Denniger)*

Sunday, August 8, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish
9:30 a.m. † Patti Bentley *(Mike Bentley)*
11:30 a.m. † RoseMarie, Robert & Sam DiGangi *(Larry Zengri)*
***No** 1:30 p.m. Mass*

Monday, August 9

7:00 a.m. ♥ Nathaniel Garro, Health & Intentions

Tuesday, August 10

7:00 a.m. † Bev Wells *(Jeanne Hess)*

Wednesday, August 11

7:00 a.m. † James Harper *(Tom McGrath)*

Thursday, August 12

7:00 a.m. † Fr Frank Vitus

Friday, August 13

12:00 p.m. † Giuliana Capigatti *(Andrew Capigatti)*

Saturday, August 14

***No** 8:30am Mass*

Vigil Mass of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00 p.m. † Richard Aylward *(Jack Aylward)*
† Fred Dusza *(The Dusza Family)*
† Cosgrove & Miller Families *(Colette Miller)*
† John Hornyak *(SJB Adult Choir)*
† John Oldershaw *(Michael & Pat Hussey)*
† Marguerite Quinn *(The Conley Family)*
† Mrs. Cathy Chambers *(Pat & Breda Herward)*

Sunday, August 15, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30 a.m. † Bill Rose *(The Rose Family)*
9:30 a.m. † Antoinette Fabianski *(The Fabianski Family)*
11:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish
***No** 1:30 p.m. Mass*

Our Sanctuary Lamps

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

Chapel † Lety Chavez
Church † Michael Joseph 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.

The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Sunday, August 15, 2021, Not A Holyday of Obligation This Year

Because The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary falls on a Sunday this year, it is not a Holyday of obligation; therefore, there will not be a special Mass schedule. However, since it is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, please join us at any of our weekend Masses. If you are unable to attend Mass due to COVID-19 issues, please know the dispensation from the Sunday obligation, including Holydays, is still in effect. Our 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass is live-streamed. See our website for the YouTube link.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & CONFESSION

The Sacrament of Penance & Confession is on Saturdays from 3:30p until 4:30p in the Church. Vaccinated individuals do not need to 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 & privacy, everyone will be asked to remain in the Narthex until it is their turn, & asked to socially distance while waiting.

Confession Schedule/Horario de Confesiones

- Saturday, August 7, 3:30 pm-Fr Chris
- Saturday, August 14, 3:30 pm-Fr Chris

Pardon Our Dust

OUR NEW ALTAR CANDLESTICKS AND ALTAR CLOTHS

Pictured above are our new church altar candlesticks and altar cloths that were recently added to enhance our church altar. You will see the green altar cloth during Ordinary Time which runs between the end of Easter until Advent. Liturgical colors for each day correspond to that day's main liturgical celebration. The embroidery on the front of the cloth is of the Lamb of God which matches the carving on the altar wood and echoes our church logo.

Improvements and enhancements such as these that are happening to our church and chapel home and to our school are due to the generosity of our St. John's parishioners and through fundraising efforts such as Father Chris's beard "shearing" appeal held this past spring.

If you would like to help with projects like the above-mentioned and in our school, please consider donating at Mass or on our website at www.stjohnwinfield.org, click on "Give Online with WeShare," then see the "Pardon Our Dust" logo.

Attention Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

We will be bringing back Holy Communion Ministers in the near future. Therefore, there will be a meeting for all **current** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on

Tuesday, Aug 10th at 7:00 pm in the Church.

We will be going over some changes to past procedures.

Please plan on attending even if you are a substitute.

There will be a training session for new ministers in the fall.

~Worship Commission

NEXT ROSARY GET-TOGETHER FOR MEN OF ST. JOHN-Wed., 8/11, 7p, Fire Pit

Gentlemen: Continuing with our every-other-week schedule, we will again be praying the Rosary at the Mary Garden/KC Fire-Pit, with the same intentions in our hearts and minds: for the well-being of our Families, our Church, our Nation, and Ourselves. Afterwards, we will gather for fellowship and good conversation, enriched by snacks and liquid refreshments. Hope you can join us on:

Wednesday, August 11, at 7:00 p.m.

Please join us for this beautiful devotion.

CONNECT WITH US ONLINE AT:

stjohnwinfield.flocknote.com

(The following is excerpted from *Bulletin Shorts for Year B, 2021* forwarded from Sister Sharon Stola OSB, Diocese of Joliet)

Sunday Prayer Shaping Life and Belief

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 08 August 2021
1 Kings 19:4-8. Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9. Ephesians 4:30–5:2. John 6:41-51.

"Stop Murmuring." Elijah is running for his life from King Ahab and Jezebel because he told the truth. He was fed by an angel of the LORD for his forty-day flight. This story is context for the third-Sunday-in-a-row conversation between Jesus and the crowd on bread of life. Perhaps, with a sigh, Jesus says: "Stop murmuring." Though what I say may be hard to believe, it is true, it is real. I Am living bread. Eat me and live for ever.

What do I believe concerning what looks like bread is more than bread?

How does eating this living bread affect my life?

After sharing in Communion, how can I affect the lives of others?

IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for

Barbara Mueller

who passed away on August 1, 2021.

Our sympathies are extended to her husband, Bill Mueller, and to all of her family & friends.

COME ENCOUNTER JESUS AT ST. JOHN!

Eucharistic Adoration is held every Thursday from 6-9pm in the Chapel. There is no signup required. Spending time before the Blessed Sacrament, in prayer and devotion, is exactly the same as spending time before the living God. For an interesting Adoration article, go to:

https://prayers4reparation.wordpress.com/2012/04/21/things-to-do-during-eucharistic-adoration/

ST. JOHN'S MASS LIVE-STREAMED

St. John's has set up a YouTube channel where Masses and devotions are posted. Currently, our 9:30 am Sunday Mass will be live-streamed. You can watch it live or you can go on YouTube anytime and watch the saved Masses.

There are two ways to find the Live Streamed Masses:

1. **Go to www.stjohnwinfield.org, click on YouTube; or,**
2. **Go to YouTube; Search for St. John the Baptist Winfield; Click on our St. John's Church logo:**

St. John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church

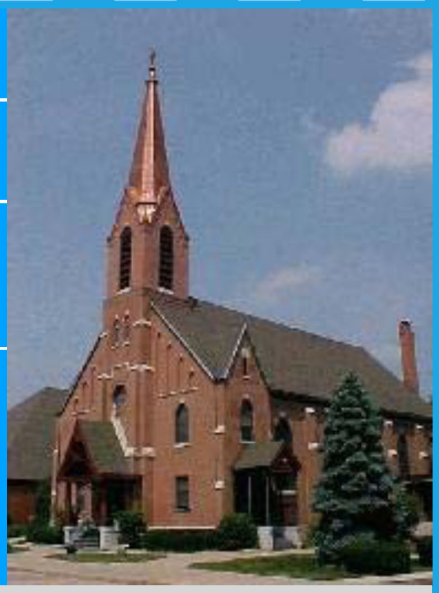
Welcome Back!

St. John the Baptist

Parish Picnic Sunday, August 22nd

Immediately following the 11:30 am Mass in the Grass

(For additional seating please bring a lawn chair)



Fun Events:

Food - Knights of Columbus will serve BBQ, Sweet Corn & Sides

Beverages - Beer, Wine, Pop and Water

Music - Live music by SJB Contemporary Ensemble

Yard Games - Bingo - Inflatable Games

Ways to Volunteer:

We need pop/water donations and several volunteers sign up:
Online: https://signup.com/go/PYYtGLe
Or on the poster in the Narthex

CURIOUS ABOUT THE MEANING OF YOUR LIFE?

Seek answers at Discovering Christ.

A great (free) dinner

An engaging Bible-inspired message

Discussion and conversation about the message

Seven Tuesday Nights
September 21 – November 2, 2021
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Also, mark your calendars for a special retreat day on Saturday, October 23, 2021

Space is limited –
Details and Registration at
stjohnwinfield.org/discovering-christ

Livestream/Zoom option available!
So be sure to invite friends and family who are not able to attend in person.

Join Us!
WESHARE ONLINE GIVING

WHY GIVE ONLINE?

1. **You can share your gifts...** Any way you want to. When you want to. Where you want to.
2. **Leave your checkbook at home.** Set up your recurring gift using a credit card, checking or savings account.
3. **Your funds are protected.** Your donations are automatically transferred to our parish so it's safer and more secure.
4. **Support our parish consistently,** even if you are unable to attend Mass.
5. **Give on-the-go!** Access the site from your mobile phone or tablet.

SIGN UP TO GIVE ONLINE

If you've never donated online before, signing up is easy!

1. **Visit our church website and click Give Online. www.stjohnwinfield.org**
2. **Select the collection or event of your choice.**
3. **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 our parish office to speak with our business manager, Mike Vallaro 630-668-0918, ext. 616.

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

Parish Collections-Abram tithed (giving at least 10%) as a symbol that he depended totally on God. Moses said tithing was holy and an act of worship. Yes, even Jesus talked about money because money is a necessary part of our lives and it is also a necessary part of the viability of the church. Our tithe is merely a way to recognize that. Each family should prayerfully discern their own situation and understand that tithing is God's plan for supporting the church and the poor. We are ever grateful for your generosity and sharing in the Ministries of Serving the Lord here at St. John the Baptist. **Please help us meet our weekly needs of $22,941.** Thank you for your generosity and support!

July 11.....$19,580	July 25.....$14,846
July 18....$17,782	August 1...$28,055

WHEN YOU HAVE A CAR TO DONATE, YOU "AUTO THINK"...SVDP!

When you donate your car to St. Vincent de Paul, once we have determined that it is safe and functional, we put it directly into the hands of a needy person or family, so it can be used to drive to work, to go on family errands, or to meet the many other practical needs for getting around. When you're ready to surrender your car, keep St. Vincent de Paul first on your list of options. Call **630-293-9755**. We'll pick up the car and get it into the hands of someone who can really use it.

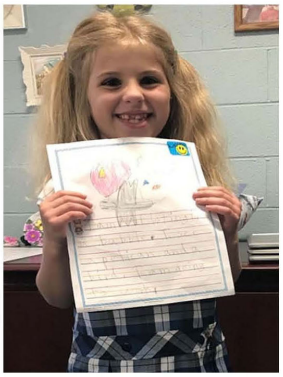
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL UPDATE-
Tax Credit Scholarship

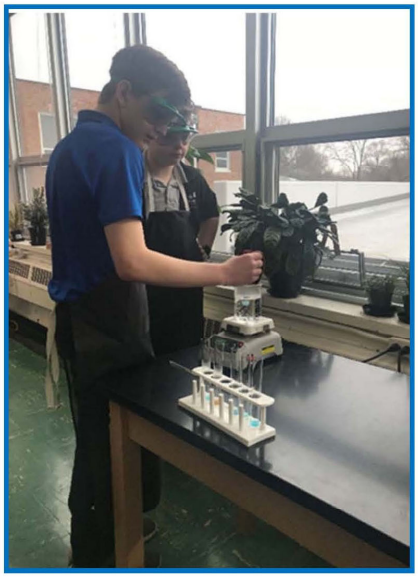
Families helping families-a message from Joanne Policht, Principal of our School

Every parent, grandparent, and guardian wants the best for their children – and works unbelievably hard every single day to make it possible. The Diocese of Joliet and St. John the Baptist Catholic School have partnered with Empower Illinois to offer eligible families a chance to receive a tax credit scholarship towards their tuition. Empower Illinois is proud to help hard-working, passionate, and loving parents provide their children with the education that they desire for them.

The Illinois Invest in Kids Program has already been a tremendous benefit to St. John the Baptist students. During the 2020-21 school year, 25 of our students were granted full or partial scholarships totaling just under $100,000. We have set a goal of awarding 35 scholarships for the 2021-22 academic year which would require at least $125,000 in donations. To date, 22 scholarships have been awarded for the coming school year and 26 eligible students remain on a wait list pending additional funding. We're working diligently to increase donations to the program to provide additional tuition assistance to more families to receive an education from St. John's. No donation is too small and would be greatly appreciated as it directly benefits students at St. John the Baptist. Not only does the donation benefit students at SJB, but a tax credit amounting to 75% of your donation is earned on your Illinois 2021 state taxes. To learn more about the donation process, contact Joanne Policht, principal, at St. John the Baptist Catholic School at jpolicht@stjohnwinfield.org or Fr. Jeff Putthoff at jputthoff@dioceseofjoliet.org

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 2021-22 school year, and welcome you for a tour. Call Joanne Policht for more information at 630-668-2625, ext. 617. You can also visit our website at sjbwinfield.org

St. John the Baptist Catholic School

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

St. John the Baptist Catholic School

Enroll now at St. John the Baptist Catholic School!
Grades Kindergarten thru Eighth, 2021-2022 School Year
¡Inscríban sus hijos en la Escuela Católica de San Juan Bautista!
Grados Kindergarten a Ocho, Año Académico 2021-2022

Tuition Transfer Grant-Did you know that St. John the Baptist Catholic School offers a Tuition Transfer Grant to families who transfer their child into grades 1-7 from any non-Catholic school for the 2021-2022 school year? With this two-year grant, families will receive $1,000 per student in year one, and $500 per student in year two, to offset tuition. For more information, please contact the school office.

A NOTE FROM MAUREEN BRENNAN, RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:
WANTED: SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES:

Pencils, pens, glue, notebooks, folders, scissors, markers, highlighters, rulers, crayons, ruled loose leaf paper...

Please place items in designated bin in parish office vestibule by **August 15th.**
Thank you, St. John's Parishioners!

LOVE KIDS?

WANT TO BLESS MOMS?

WE NEED YOUR HELP AT MOPS

We are seeking loving, responsible individuals to provide childcare for kids ages 0-6 during our meetings. This position pays $10.00 an hour.

9:00am - 12:00pm - First and third Fridays Sept - May

MOPS stands for Mothers of Preschoolers and provides a community for local moms to build relationships, share support and learn from Gods word. We believe better moms make a better world. Will you help us?

Contact SJB MOPS at mops@stjohnwinfield.org or Contact Debbi Vermillion 630-885-2351.

SJB MOPS

WANT TO BLESS MOPS/MOMSNEXT MINISTRY BY VOLUNTEERING TO BE A MENTOR MOM?

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MOPS

9:15 - 11:45 AM first and third Fridays Sept - May

MOPS/MOMSNext is a community for local moms to build relationships, share support and learn from Gods word. We believe better moms make a better world. Mentor moms bring perspective on mothering, womanhood and relationships - based on biblical principles and your own life story. You would be a cheerleader, a comfort and a living testimony that it is going to be ok! Will you help us?

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SJB MOPS

ATTENTION ALL MOMS!

MOPS/MOMSNext Ministry at St. John's is for all moms in all stages of life! If you are pregnant with your first child or a grandma to many, we would love for you to be a part of our group! Have you been longing to find friendship with like-minded women who have a love for Jesus? Then this might be the group for you!

After a year spent hunkering down, living smaller, and experiencing a little more fear and anxiety than usual, we are declaring this is the year of going big. It is a year of fresh starts and turning ordinary experiences into extraordinary ones. Enthusiasm will replace worry. Friendship will replace loneliness. No longer will we wait to "get back to normal"; instead, we will start making space for the new things God has for us. We will become less guarded and more daring because this is our year to live All For Love.

We meet the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month during the school year from 9:30 am - 11:30 am. We also offer **free childcare onsite!**

For more information, go to:

www.stjohnwinfield.org, under Parish Life
select MOPS/MOMSNext or email mops@stjohnwinfield.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
REGISTRATION FOR 2021/2022 NEWS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED!

For all new families, registration forms are available online for Religious Education Sessions 2021-2022- **ONLINE**. Please see our website at www.stjohnwinfield.org, click on Education, Religious Education and then Registration. We need the registration form, medical form and the acknowledgement form along with a $100 deposit to complete the registration.

For returning families we have preprinted forms in the office. If you stop into the RE office, you can just check that we have the correct information. If you prefer, print out the blank forms from the website and drop off at the RE Office Monday through Thursday 8:30-2PM, Door 11.

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!

WEDNESDAY SESSIONS: GRADES K-5 4:30-5:45PM Every week
GRADE 6 5:45-7:15PM Bi-weekly
Confirmation I and Confirmation II 6:00-7:30PM Alternate weeks

SATURDAY SESSIONS: GRADE 2-6 English 8:30-945AM Every week
SPANISH 2 9:00-10:15AM Every week
First Year Communion Preparation 9:00-10:15AM

Session Dates can be found on the St. John's website, www.stjohnwinfield.org.

NEWS FROM RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Another fun week in Mrs. Ward's Summer Art Class!

The students in Mrs. Ward's Art Class continued creating art pieces inspired by stories of Jesus involving water and waves. Their work is pictured above.

LIFE AND DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON

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

The Catholic Church proclaims that human life is sacred and that the dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision for society. This belief is the foundation of all the principles of our social teaching. In our society, human life is under direct attack from abortion and euthanasia. Human life is threatened by cloning, embryonic stem cell research, and the use of the death penalty. The intentional targeting of civilians in war or terrorist attacks is always wrong. Catholic teaching calls on us to work to avoid war.

Nations must protect the right to life by finding effective ways to prevent conflicts and resolve them by peaceful means. We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person.

From USCCB/ Catholic Current Bulletin Articles

Since this is the month dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary let us pray to her for all our petitions.
O Mary, bright dawn of the new world. Mother of the living to you do we entrust the cause of life. Look down, O mother, upon the vast numbers of babies not allowed to be born, of the poor whose lives are made difficult, of men and women who are victims of brutal violence, of the elderly and the sick killed by indifference or out of misguided mercy. Grant that all who believe in your Son, proclaim the Gospel of life with honesty and love to the people of our time. Obtain for them the grace to accept that Gospel as a gift ever new, the joy of celebrating it with gratitude throughout their lives and the courage to bear witness to it resolutely, in order to build, together with all people of good will, the civilization of truth and love to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life.
"Evangelium Vitae" St. Pope John Paul II

PREVIEW OUR DIOCESAN BIBLE SCHOOL!

The acclaimed **Biblical Institute of the Diocese of Joliet** is registering students for Years 1 and 2 this Fall: Live **On-line** Classes for Year 1 on Thursdays 7-9 p.m. and in person at Our Lady of Mercy Parish (Aurora) for Year 2 classes on Saturdays 9-11 a.m. If you want to learn the Bible from a Catholic perspective, come and see if this program is for you.

Preview Events this Summer:

Live On-Line Preview **August 19,** 7-8:30 p.m.
Register in advance for this meeting: go to www.dioceseofjoliet.org/bidj
OR email Program Director Joan Gorski at dr.jgorski@gmail.com for an invite

Our Lady of Mercy Parish (Aurora) **August 28,** 9-10:30 a.m.

View Recorded Preview at ***www.dioceseofjoliet.org/bidj***

Meet an instructor, talk to current students, see the books, get a feel for a typical class!

For more information, go to: ***www.dioceseofjoliet.org/bidj*** Or call 815-221-6147.

BOOK CLUB

Join St. John's Book Club at our next monthly meeting,
Wednesday August 18th at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Karen Tsaparis. We will discuss *Still Life* by Louise Penny.

Please inquire for directions or with any questions & RSVP Karen at karen.tsaparis@gmail.com.

Upcoming date and title:
Sept 15, *Olive Kitteridge* by Elizabeth Strout
Oct 20, *Little Woman* by Louisa May Alcott

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Baptisms

Baptisms are held on Saturdays. Parents need to be registered parishioners for at least six months and parents will need to attend a Baptism Preparation Class prior to the Baptism. Godparents are to be practicing Catholics! If Godparents are married, their marriage needs to be blessed by the Catholic Church. Please contact the parish office, 630-668-0918, 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

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, our priests are unable to make a hospital visit unless the situation is dire. 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 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.

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 Please Pray for the Sick in 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. Our next meeting will be on Thursday, September 2, 2021, 7:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration: Adoration is on Thursday evenings from 6pm-9pm. You do not need to pre-register. For more information, please call the parish office at 630.668.0918, ext. 600. All are welcome.

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

Overeaters Anonymous Meeting: Until further notice, OA is not meeting at St. John's due to COVID-19.

MASS INFORMATION

Mass Intentions: Please call or email the parish office to schedule a Mass Intention. The donation is $10; The 5:00 pm Mass is a free-will donation. 630-668-0918, ext 0 or jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org. We can mail the Mass card for you.

NEW! SUMMER PARISH OFFICE HOURS: From Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend, our parish office is open, 8:00 am-4:00 pm, Monday through Thursday, & from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm on Fridays. We ask that you wear a mask and refrain from coming into office if you do not feel well. You are always welcome to call or email the parish office, as well, 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 or rosab@stjohnwinfield.org.

Lost and Found: Please check the Lost and Found box in the Parish Office Vestibule.

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. To subscribe to the St. John's weekly church bulletin, go to **https://www.jspaluch.com/BulletinSubscribe.aspx** and follow the prompts. SJB's zip code is 60190. You will automatically receive the church bulletin each week to your email; it usually arrives late Saturday morning in your inbox.

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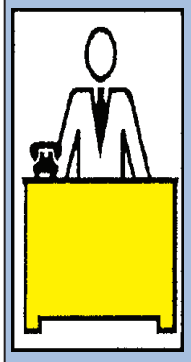

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