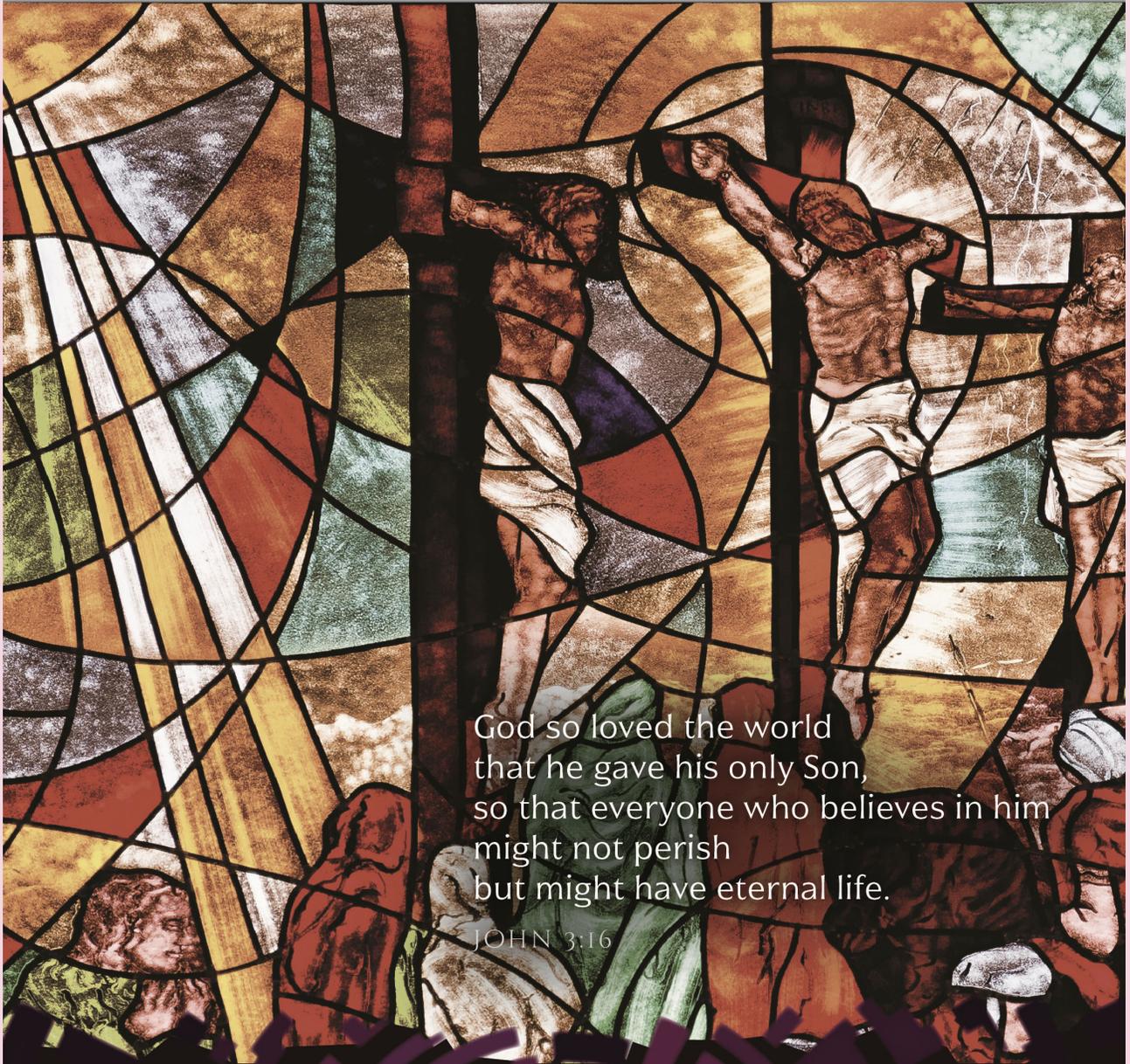


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God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him
might not perish
but might have eternal life.

JOHN 3:16

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 14, 2021

Please pray for our sick

Alisa Allen
Sandy Anderson
Jack Aylward
Dave Balseqiz
Ada Bantola
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
Ralph Eckhoff
Concepcion Edaño
Joann Eggebrecht
Joan Enders
Aaron Erickson
William Ferdinand
Patrocinia Fernandez
Marie Flores
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
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
Joe Konopka
Gerry Krug
Margaret Kuhn
Korrin Kupris
Ivanna Lamb
Rose Marie Lambert

Ken Larson
Rick LeBreux
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
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
Bill Parker
Josie Pasciak
Jim Paulissen
Owen Payton
Molly Peters
Bane Petrov
Joseph Pirofalo
Brittney Prehn
Ian Prosser
Jeanne Ptak
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

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

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

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Deacon: Dcn. Dave Ritter

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Secretaria Hispana:Ext 601

Director of Operations:

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

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Principal: Joanne Policht.....Ext 618

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

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

Brian Geary

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

Sunday Masses:
Saturday 5:00 pm & Sunday
7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am

Misa En Español:

Domingo 1:30 pm

Weekday Masses:

Mon.-Fri. 7:00 am; Sat. 8:30 am

Reconciliation (Confesión):

Sat. 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

*During Lent, Reconciliation also on
Tuesdays, 12 pm-1 pm; Thursdays
during Adoration, 6 pm-8 pm*

Adoration:

Thursday Evenings, 6:00 pm -9:00 pm

Public Sunday Masses are continuing, 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. The bishop's dispensation from the Sunday obligation is still in effect. Masses and devotions will continue to be online on YouTube which can be accessed through our website, www.stjohnwinfield.org, scroll down to Social Media.



**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
LCPI Ciro Esquivel, Jr.
Sgt. Nicholas Gedvilas
Pv2 Nicholas Gorman
Sgt Pamela Gray
A1C Seth Kelley
PFC Gerard Kostecka
Airman Nicholas Kostecka
Sgt. David Lawless
SrA Robert Lawless
Navy Marco Angelo Lomibao
Commander Matthew Luff
CMDM (SW/SS/AW) Timothy A.
Newell
ABH2 Sean Phillips
Captain Colleen Rezabek
Captain Kevin Rezabek
A1C Alejandro Luis Sanchez
PFC Riley Santoyo
Sgt Ian Sarlitto
AN Michael Schieve
Major Jim Smolucha
Major Mike Smolucha
SPC Thomas Stanhope
AFSSgt Zachary Ushman

We have a number of important celebrations this week. This Sunday is Laetare Sunday. The word “Laetare” comes from the entrance antiphon of the Mass, which the Church invites us to chant during the entrance procession. We tend to sing hymns instead of the antiphons here, but this is the biblical text Holy Mother Church offers us as a foretaste of what we celebrate in this weekend’s liturgy. *Lætare Jerusalem: et conventum facite omnes qui diligitis eam: gaudete cum lætitia, qui in tristitia fuistis: ut exsultetis, et satiemini ab uberibus consolationis vestræ.* “Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.” This rejoicing happens in the midst of our Lenten fast as a way to encourage us to persevere throughout these 40 days. There is a light at the end of the tunnel, and we eagerly await the celebration of the mysteries of our salvation.

On Friday, March 19, we celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph, patron of the universal Church. Especially in the the Year of St. Joseph called by Pope Francis, we should celebrate this day with great love and devotion. Just as he protected the Holy Family, always keeping them faithful to the Lord, Joseph wants to protect us from evil and draw us into deeper relationship with the Lord. His intercession is especially powerful in work or chastity related struggles. And because this day is a Solemnity, we can, and should, celebrate by relaxing our Lenten penances for the day! This means that you can meat on a Friday in Lent and have whatever you gave up for the season. But you should only do so if you take the time to honor St. Joseph on his feast day! Maybe you can come to 7 AM Mass or pray the Litany of St. Joseph with your families.

Lastly, today is Selection Sunday, and the March Madness bracket is released this afternoon. If you’re struggling to pick a winner, the Fighting Illini are looking very good this year! If you hear any loud noises coming from the rectory in the coming weeks, that will probably be me! I-L-L!

In Christ,
Fr Jim

Tenemos muchas celebraciones importantes esta semana. Este domingo es el domingo de Laetare. La palabra “Laetare” proviene de la antífona de entrada de la Misa, que la Iglesia nos invita a cantar durante la procesión de entrada. Aquí tendemos a cantar himnos en lugar de antífonas, pero este es el texto bíblico que la Santa Iglesia nos ofrece como anticipo de lo que celebramos en la liturgia de este fin de semana. *Lætare Jerusalem: et conventum facite omnes qui diligitis eam: gaudete cum lætitia, qui in tristitia fuistis: ut exsultetis, et satiemini ab uberibus consolationis vestræ.* “Alégrate, Jerusalén y todos los que la aman. Alégrese todos los que estaban de luto; regocíjate y siéntete satisfecho de su consolador pecho.” Este regocijo ocurre en medio de nuestro ayuno de Cuaresma como una forma de animarnos a perseverar durante estos 40 días. Hay una luz al final del túnel y esperamos ansiosos la celebración de los misterios de nuestra salvación.

El viernes 19 de marzo celebramos la Solemnidad de San José, patrón de la Iglesia universal. Especialmente en el Año de San José convocado por el Papa Francisco, debemos celebrar este día con gran amor y devoción. Así como protegió a la Sagrada Familia, manteniéndola siempre fiel al Señor, José quiere protegernos del mal y llevarnos a una relación más profunda con el Señor. Su intercesión es especialmente poderosa en el trabajo o en las luchas por la castidad. Y debido a que este día es una solemnidad, ¡podemos y debemos celebrar relajando nuestras penitencias de Cuaresma por el día! Esto significa que puede comer carne en un viernes de Cuaresma y tener lo que sea que haya dejado para la temporada. ¡Pero solo debe hacerlo si se toma el tiempo para honrar a San José en su día! Tal vez puedan asistir a la misa de las 7 AM o rezar las letanías de San José con sus familias.

Por último, hoy es el Selection Sunday y pronto tendremos el campeonato de March Madness. Si estás buscando un ganador, ¡los Fighting Illini se ven muy bien este año! Si escuchas gritos fuertes de la rectoría en las próximas semanas, ¡probablemente sea yo! I-L-L!

En Cristo,
Padre Jim

**Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 14, 2021**

God did not send his Son into the world
to condemn the world,
but that the world might be saved through him.
— *John 3:17*

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



*(The 7:50 am Masses are offered privately 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. If a 7:50 am Mass Intention has been previously scheduled, it will be included below and offered privately by our priests.)*

Saturday, March 13

8:30 a.m. † Amelia Alcazar (*Rita Grabowski*)

Vigil Mass of the Fourth Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. † Cosgrove & Miller Families (*Colette Miller*)
† Brian James Madden (*Tom & Mary Porubcansky*)
† Patricia Connolly (*St. John's Parish Staff*)
♥ Joe Pirofalo
♥ Carol Connors (*CCW*)
† Abe Rundell (*Monica Rundell*)

Sunday, March 14, Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. † Larry Dieters (*Dan Conley*)
9:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish
11:30 a.m. † Florence D'Angelo (*Karen Hall*)
1:30 p.m. (*Spanish*) † La intención del sacerdote

Monday, March 15

7:00 a.m. † Rose Boylan (*Dan Conley*)

Tuesday, March 16

7:00 a.m. † Giuliana Capigatti (*Andrew Capigatti*)

Wednesday, March 17

7:00 a.m. † Tom Masterson (*The Fabianski Family*)

Thursday, March 18

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

Friday, March 19

7:00 a.m. ♥ The Strzyzynski & Hendrian Families

Saturday, March 20

8:30 a.m. † Shirley Stachniak (*The Stachniak Family*)

Vigil Mass of the Fifth Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. † Shirley Stachniak (*The Stachniak Family*)
† Amelia Alcazar (*Larry & Cecily Langellier*)
† Abe Rundell (*Monica Rundell*)
† John Hornyak (*Council of Catholic Women-CCW*)

Sunday, March 21, Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. † Bill Rose (*The Rose Family*)
9:30 a.m. † Patti Bentley (*Mike Bentley*)
11:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish
1:30 p.m. (*Spanish*) † Alecxis Martinez (*Yolanda & Roberto Martinez*)

Our Sanctuary Lamps

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

Chapel † Shirley Stachniak

Church ♥† The Conley Family



*If you would like to request a sanctuary lamp to burn in memory of/in honor of a loved one, please contact the parish office. The cost is 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. **The capacity at Masses is 130 parishioners.**

ST. JOHN'S MASSES-LIVE STREAMED

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.

There are two ways to find the Live Streamed Masses:

1. Go to www.stjohnwinfield.org,



scroll down to Social Media, and click on YouTube; or,

2. Go to YouTube; Search for St. John the Baptist Winfield; Click on our St. John's Church logo.



SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & CONFESSION

The Sacrament of Penance & Confession is 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 & privacy, everyone will be asked to remain in the Narthex until it is their turn, & asked to socially distance while waiting.

*Please see page 6 for more confession times during Lent.

Confession Schedule/Horario de Confesiones

- Saturday, March 13, 3:30 pm-Fr Chris/Fr Jim
- Saturday, March 20, 3:30 pm-Fr Chris/Fr Jim

53rd Sunday

It is not too late to give to our 53rd Sunday collection! You may be asking, what is a 53rd Sunday collection? A 53rd Sunday collection is asking you to consider doubling your weekly gift for one week as if there was an additional 53rd Sunday in the calendar year. We are asking our St. John the Baptist parish family to consider making a donation towards this collection to help offset unexpected expenses we've experienced during the fiscal year, especially due to COVID-19. Thank you to everyone who has already participated! 53rd Sunday donations can be placed in the regular Sunday offertory basket, or brought to the parish office. If you prefer to donate online, please go to the SJB Parish website, www.stjohnwinfield.org. Next, click on the image that says "Give online with We Share" found on the homepage. After clicking the image you will find a "53rd Sunday" link you can click and give your gift online.

Thank you for your continued support of St. John the Baptist!



Domingo 53

¡No es muy tarde para dar a nuestra colección del domingo 53! Usted puede estar preguntando, ¿qué es una colección del domingo 53? Una colección del domingo 53 le pide que considere duplicar su regalo semanal durante una semana como si hubiera un domingo 53 adicional en el año calendario. Estamos pidiendo a nuestra familia parroquial de San Juan Bautista que considere hacer una donación para esta colección para ayudar a compensar los gastos inesperados que hemos experimentado durante el año fiscal, especialmente debido al COVID-19. Gracias a todos los que ya han participado! Las donaciones del domingo 53 se pueden colocar en la cesta habitual de la ofrenda dominical, o pueden llevar lo a la oficina parroquial. Si prefiere donar en línea, visite el sitio web de San Juan Bautista, www.stjohnwinfield.org. A continuación, haga clic en la imagen que dice "Dar en línea con WeShare" que se encuentra en la página de inicio. Después de hacer clic en la imagen encontrará un enlace "53rd Sunday" puede hacer clic y dar su regalo en línea.

¡Gracias por su continuo apoyo a San Juan Bautista!

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading—The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of the chosen people (2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23) or 1 Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm — Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Psalm 137) or Psalm 23.

Second Reading — By grace you have been saved (Ephesians 2:4-10) or Ephesians 5:8-14.

Gospel — The Son was sent by God so that the world might be saved through him (John 3:14-21) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
Friday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rm 4:13:16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53
Sunday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33
Alternate readings (Year A):
Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;
Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

From the Chancellor, Diocese of Joliet **LENENT REGULATIONS**

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. All from the age of 18 years up to the beginning of their 60th year are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday.
3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
4. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.
5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Church year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.
6. Those who are sick, pregnant, nursing, or whose health would adversely be affected by fasting or abstinence, should not consider themselves bound by these norms.

Stations of the Cross

- Fridays, 7:00 p.m.-Church-English
- En Español, Viernes, 7:00 p.m.-Capilla

Please wear a mask and social distance. No booklets will be provided.

Our Lenten Reconciliation Schedule

During Lent, our Reconciliation schedule is:

- Tuesdays, 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.
(English only)
- Thursdays, during Adoration, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. (English & Spanish)
- Saturdays, 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. (English & Spanish)

Please wear a mask. Confessions are heard inside the Church on the most outer aisles, 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.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday

We will follow the regular Sunday Mass schedule, including the 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday

No Tenebrae service during the week

Holy Thursday

No Morning Mass; 8am Morning Prayer
7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Adoration after Mass until Midnight
Night Prayer at 11:50pm
No Thursday Lent confessions from 6-8pm

Good Friday

No Morning Mass; 8am Morning Prayer
3pm Passion in English
5pm Passion in Spanish
7pm Stations of the Cross (not living stations, just regular stations)

Holy Saturday

No Morning Mass; 8am Morning Prayer
12pm Easter Basket Blessing
No Easter Egg hunt due to Covid
No Saturday 3:30-4:30pm confessions
8pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday

7:30am-Church
7:30am-Chapel
9:30am-Church
9:30am-Chapel
11:30am
1:30pm Spanish

All Masses and Liturgies to take place in the Church with the exception of the second 7:30, 9:30am Easter Sunday Masses which will be in the Chapel

COME ENCOUNTER JESUS AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Eucharistic Adoration is held every Thursday from 6pm-9pm in the Chapel. There is no online sign-up required at this time.

Fr Jim will hear confessions during Adoration, from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m., in English and Spanish.



Please Pray for Our Beloved Dead



Please pray for
Jean Borisuk
who passed away on March 5, 2021.
Our sympathies are extended to
her daughter & son-in-law,
Beverly & Michael Savegnago, & to
all of her family & friends.



Please pray for
John M. Hornyak
who passed away on March 6, 2021.
Our sympathies are extended to
his wife, Sheila, & to
all of his family & friends.



Please pray for
Dr. Cesar Co
who passed away on March 7, 2021.
Our sympathies are extended to
his wife, Anna, & to
all of his family & friends.



Please pray for
Neil Stoebing
who passed away on June 26, 2020.
Our sympathies are extended to
his wife, Rose, & to
all of his family & friends.



Please pray for
Stephen A. Finch
who passed away on November 14, 2020.
Our sympathies are extended to
his wife, Mary, & to
all of his family & friends.



Please pray for
Dennis Wicker
who passed away on February 4, 2021.
Our sympathies are extended to
his wife, Leslie, & to
all of his family & friends.



Please pray for
John F. Fuechsl
who passed away on March 7, 2021.
Our sympathies are extended to
all of his family & friends.



Please pray for
Jose Heladio Mendoza
who passed away on February 4, 2021.
Our sympathies are extended to
his daughter, Maria Perizchica, & to
all of his family & friends.

Prayer for the Dead

*In your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.
In this life you embraced them with your tender love; deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest.
The old order has passed away: welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain,
but fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit
forever and ever. Amen.*



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.

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.

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.**

February 7.....\$24,571
 February 14.....\$17,927
 February 21.....\$21,890
 February 28.....\$21,716

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Mar 14, 2021 - Daylight Saving Time Starts- Spring Forward

Don't forget to turn your clocks forward at 2:00 a.m. on **Sunday, March 14th** to 3:00 am.

When local standard time is about to reach Sunday, March 14, 2021, 2:00:00 am clocks are turned **forward** 1 hour to Sunday, March 14, 2020, 3:00:00 am local daylight time instead.



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Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour later on Mar 14, 2020 than the day before. There will be more light in the evening. Also called Spring Forward, Summer Time, and Daylight Savings Time.

2nd Collection this Weekend-Catholic Relief Services

This weekend is a 2nd collection for The Catholic Relief Services Collection to "help Jesus in disguise." This collection helps six Catholic agencies provide relief and support for struggling communities and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. To learn more about the collection, please go to: www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS-SERVICE FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Please find below two different service projects our Religious Education Program invites St. John's Parishioners' participation, if you are able: ~Maureen Brennan, Director of Religious Education, ext. 612

Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans-Help a Veteran

The Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans is a non-profit agency that provides housing, supportive services and community outreach to help homeless and at-risk veterans and their families achieve self-sufficiency.*



The Shelter sent a wish list of some basic products veterans need when they visit the Freedom Commissary at the Shelter to our Director of Religious Education, Maureen Brennan; some of the wish list items are listed below. The Veteran Fulfillment Manager, John Dixon, emailed to Maureen, "We are completely out of paper towels and almost out of toilet tissue."

If you are able to donate any of the items on the list below, **please drop the items off at the parish office vestibule, and Maureen Brennan, Director of Religious Education, will take the items to the shelter.**

- **Personal Care Items**-Paper Towels, Toilet Tissue, Hand & Body Lotion
- **Cleaning Supplies**-All Purpose Cleaner, e.g., Mr. Clean, Fabuloso (standard size, please), Bathroom cleaning Spray, e.g., Clorox, Scrubbing Bubbles, Liquid Laundry Soap (standard size, please), Liquid Laundry Soap (standard size, please), Dryer sheets, Ziploc Bags (gallon, quart)

Due to COVID-19, the Shelter is no longer accepting used clothing or other used items. **They do accept winter items, underwear and socks in the original manufacturer packaging. All clothing must be new.**

Other items are listed on their Wish List on Amazon.com: <https://a.co/b3ifTXn>

**Founded in 2007, by Vietnam War veteran Bob Adams and SJB Parishioner and Gulf War veteran Dirk Enger, MSHV operates on a vision of no veteran left behind due to homelessness, joblessness, poverty and/or mental health issues.*

February, 2021

Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to 2021! My name is Alex McCall and I am asking for your help and participation with a service project again this year. Last year we collected toys for the Ronald McDonald House and Central DuPage Hospital. This year, the project is to fill and pass out "Keep Warm" bags to the homeless and less fortunate in our community. Each bag includes a hat, gloves, socks, hand & feet warmers, mask, sanitizer, and snacks.

I have had a great response from family and friends and have been able to distribute 193 "Keep Warm" bags to these organizations:

- Midwest Veterans Shelter - Wheaton
- Veterans Shelter - Elmwood Park
- DuPage County Sheriff
- West Chicago Police Department
- Milton Township Office
- PADS (still need more)

There is still a huge need for more bags. Let's work together to help keep as many men, women, and children warm this winter.

Please bring any of these new items to the parish office vestibule or the Religious Education office:

- **Socks, gloves, and hats for men, women, children**
- **Individual toothbrushes**
- **Hand & feet warmers**
- **Money to purchase these items**

You were extremely generous and helpful last year, so let's do it again this year. Our goal is to fill 300 of these "Keep Warm" bags. Together, we can help keep a lot of children and adults warm.

Thank you again for your help and prayers.

God bless you,

Alex

Join St. John's Book Club at our next monthly meeting **Wednesday, March 17th at 7pm via Zoom.**



We will discuss the book, *Rediscover the Saints* by Matthew Kelly. Please RSVP or inquire with any questions Jean at tjdaniell@att.net

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
- Scott Hahn, St. Paul Center, Lent 2021, Parousia: The Bible and the Mass, **sign up to watch 10 free episodes: <https://stpaulcenter.com>, click on Parousia the Bible and the Mass**

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST SCHOOL NEWS

GALA NEWS

OUR SCHOOL'S VIRTUAL GALA, FRIDAY, APRIL 16-ALL INVITED!!!

Mark your calendar for Friday, April 16, for our virtual gala. The theme this year is *Quarantine and Chill*. Favorite gala highlights including live music with Steve Mast formerly of the Plain White Ts and now with Prizefighter; dinner options, and auctions will all take place in a virtual format in the comfort of your home. The experience is sure to not disappoint. More information is forthcoming!

The Inter-parish Marriage Enrichment Team presents our 13th Annual Event:

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- Enjoy a relaxing time together reconnecting



LIVE Virtual Presentation by Dr. Jim Healy

Dr. Healy has spoken on marriage in over 90 dioceses worldwide. His marriage materials have been used in every diocese in the U.S. Before retiring in 2019 after over 30 years of service, he was the director of the Office of Family Ministry of the Catholic Diocese of Joliet. He was honored with the 2000 Family Ministry Award by the National Association of Catholic Family Life Ministers. Jim and his wife Madonna have four adult children.

LIVE Virtual Presentation

Saturday, March 20, 2021

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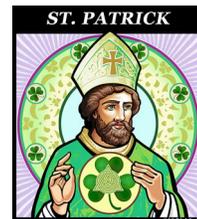
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***Door prizes and opportunities for audience feedback during the LIVE presentation

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent;
Second Scrutiny;
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Wednesday: St. Patrick



Thursday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem

Friday: St. Joseph



Saturday: Spring begins



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2020-2021

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Honors: Jack Kozlowski, Alexa Murray,
Nicolas Olvera, Joseph Zagotta

Grade 7

High Honors: Isabella Garcia, Abigail Goddard,
Elizabeth Zitnik

Honors: Delaney Starmach

Grade 8

High Honors: JT Barrett, Makayla Grantz,
Emily Hanania, Lauren Ludovice,
Christopher Momot, Lisa Soppi,
Elizabeth Weitz, Isabella Zagal,
Alyssa Zagotta

Honors: Luke Murray, Elle Zbierski

Last Fish Frys of Lent-March 12th & March 26!

No St. Joseph's Day Table this year-

Because of COVID-19, there will not be a St. Joseph's Day table this year; it would have been held March 19th. There is not a Fish Fry on March 19th, either.

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

Several bills are currently going through Congress right now that are of importance to Christians. Some bills have already passed the House but need to be stopped in the Senate. The USCCB and the Diocese of Joliet Respect Life Ministry Office have details about the bills on their websites and are asking all Christians to write and urge our legislators to vote NO on these bills.

EQUALITY ACT - "the bill is well-intentioned but ultimately misguided. The Equality Act discriminates against people of faith, threatens unborn life, and undermines the common good." This bill has passed the House, but as of this writing the Senate has not yet voted on it.

<https://www.usccb.org/equality-act>

TAKE ACTION

COVID 19 RELIEF BILL – "Urgent Action needed to prevent taxpayer funding for abortion in COVID Relief Bill." The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, unlike other COVID relief bills will give billions of dollars to fund abortions, side stepping the Hyde Amendment, which prohibits the use of federal funds to pay for abortions. This bill has passed the House, but as of this writing the Senate has not yet voted on it.

<https://www.votervoice.net/USCCB/Campaigns/81351/Respond>

TAKE ACTION

Repeal Parental Notice of Abortion for Minors - Illinois House Bill 1797 and Illinois Senate Bill 2190
"Minors will be able to get an abortion at any time, for any reason, without their parents' knowledge if Parental Notice is repealed through House Bill 1791 and Senate Bill 2190 in Illinois."

<http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/life/sectioncontent.php?secid=39>

See and share the [fact sheet on House Bill 1797 and Senate Bill 2190](#). Urge Legislators in Illinois to Vote NO on HB 1797 & SB 2190.

TAKE ACTION



The Spring 2021 Campaign Continues thru – March 28th.

The Aurora Planned Parenthood's abortion clinic is the largest in the Midwest. Up to 75% of women will be a "no show" for their appointment when there are people peacefully praying outside an abortion clinic. Bring a friend and come out to Aurora to pray, between 7am – 7pm.

3051 E. New York St., Aurora, IL – Parking in the south parking lot (facing Planned Parenthood) at Waterleaf or behind Autozone. Contact- 40days4lifeaurora@gmail.com Phil Price 252-205-0991

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

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. Please note: **Grief Support will meet on Thursday, April 8th at 7:00 p.m. in Sebahar Hall.** Please register beforehand; call the parish office for information at 630-668-0918, ext. 0

Eucharistic Adoration: Adoration is on Thursday evenings from 6p-9p. You do not need to pre-register. For more information, please call the parish office at 630.668.0918, ext. 600. All are welcome. Confessions will be heard from 6p-8p during Lent, in both English and Spanish.



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. 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 is open, 8:00 am-4:00 p.m. 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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St. John the Baptist Knights of Columbus 2021 Scholarship Applications now available!

The Knights are continuing their Knights of Columbus Scholarship program for **college-bound** students of Winfield and St. John's Parish. The criteria for consideration for these scholarships are: be a resident of Winfield zip code 60190, have a family business in Winfield, have an affiliation with the KOC Council 8002 (member, son, daughter, grandchild, etc.), or be a registered parishioner of St. John the Baptist Church, Winfield, IL.

Applications are available at your local high school, in our parish office vestibule, **and on the Winfield Knights website: www.Winfieldknights.org**. Kindly execute, and return by mailing to: Knights of Columbus, c/o St. John the Baptist, 0S233 Church St., Winfield, IL, 60190. Write the words "Scholarship Application" on the back of the envelope, and it must be postmarked no later than **April 14, 2021**, and received by **April 21, 2021**.

Please note: the applicant will complete Parts I and II of the form. Use additional pages if necessary. Part III is to be completed by school officials, attached to in a sealed envelope or mailed to the Knights at St. John's.

NEXT ROSARY GET-TOGETHER FOR MEN OF ST. JOHN- Wednesday, March 24, 7:00 p.m., Mary Garden/KC 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:

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