

# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Leading Souls to Heaven*

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(No 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, 12/25)

**Sunday, December 26, 2021**

*The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*

7:30 am

9:30 am

11:30 am

## NEW YEAR'S MASS TIMES

**Friday, December 31, 2021**

12:00 pm Daily Mass

5:00 pm,

*Vigil for Solemnity of Mary*

**Saturday, January 1, 2022**

*Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (not a holyday of obligation this year)*

10:00 am

5:00 pm -Vigil Mass for Sunday,  
Epiphany of the Lord

**Sunday, January 2, 2022**

*Epiphany of the Lord*

7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

## MASS TIMES

Mondays through Thursdays

7:00 am

Fridays

12:00 pm

Saturdays

5:00 pm (*Sunday Vigil*)

Sundays

7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

Confessions-Saturdays,

3:30-4:30 pm

*Please note: No confessions will be heard on Saturday, Christmas Day or on Saturday, New Year's Day, the Solemnity of Mary.*



*The Holy Family of  
Jesus, Mary, and Joseph*

*December 26, 2021*

## Please pray for our sick

James Adduci  
Alisa Allen  
Sandy Anderson  
Jack Aylward  
Dave Balsegiz  
Ada Bantola  
Michael Barone  
Ella Bitterman  
Jennifer Bitterman  
Floyd Bosch  
Brian Burke  
Allison Lamberts Burns  
Jim Cabrera, Sr.  
Maria Elena Castro  
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  
Krystyna Derecki  
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  
Baby Luke Hougán  
Edy Jacobs  
Pat Jakubiec  
Monique Jakubielski  
Jason Jensen  
Margarita Jimenez  
Andrew Jin  
Shawn Jurgensen  
Mary Kallas  
Kathy Kamphaus  
Brandon Karimi  
Ken Kasnicka  
Carter Kettner  
Donna Kevil  
Gerry Krug  
Margaret Kuhn

Korin 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  
Mayette Monales  
Joseph Jr. & Maggie Morgan  
Thomas Morris  
Megan Mueller  
Mary Lu Mulcahy  
Lauren Mungo  
Joan Murdock  
Tim Murnane  
Becky Neal  
Johnny Neal  
Maura Neuens  
Clare North  
Alex Novak  
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  
Mary Rauch  
Sam Reyes  
Alicia Ricciardi  
Paul & Katherine Ricciardi  
Cooper Rojas  
Gertie Romero  
Monica Romero  
Kelli Rooney  
Katherine Rose  
John Rossi  
Sister Audrey Rothwell  
Marvin Rothwell  
Susan Rothwell  
Bob Salat  
Dwayne Sarver  
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 Szwed  
Mary Tarchala  
Deborah Terry  
Virg Tobin  
Jim Toman  
Michael Torri  
Erin Anderson Tugman  
Benjamin Vargas  
Maria Vargas  
Martha Vescio  
Virginia Underwood  
Dolores Vasquez  
Genevieve Welch  
Emily Wilson  
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

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 Finance, Facilities & Operations:**  
.....Jim Nolan.....Ext 604

**Consultant, Facilities:**  
.....Aaron Simpson.....Ext 603

**Music Ministry:** Adrienne Rose...630-653-1489

**Religious Education:**.....Office: Ext 613

**Director:** Maureen Brennan.....Ext 612

**RCIA (Convert Preparation):**.....Ext 600

**Grade School:**.....Office: Ext 618

**Principal:** Joanne Policht.....Ext 618

Phone 630-668-0918, Press 2, Fax: 630-668-1074

**St Vincent de Paul Society:**.....Ext 692

**Website:** [www.stjohnwinfield.org](http://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 & Seminarian who are prepar-  
ing for the Priesthood :

**Rev. Mr. Brian Geary**  
**Seminarian Alex Lorang**

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

## COVID-19 PROTOCOLS- UPDATE

As of August 30, 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. In accordance with Illinois state mandates, masks are required for anyone age 2 and up regardless of vaccination status. 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. We will continue to refrain from offering blood of Christ in a chalice at Communion for the time being. If you would like to receive Communion on the tongue, please wait until the end and please receive from the priest celebrant of the Mass in compliance with the Diocese of Joliet. The bishop's dispensation to attend Sunday Mass remains in place for the time being.



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  
Airman Nicholas Kostecka  
Sgt Major Carrie Kwiatkowski  
Sgt. David Lawless  
SrA Robert Lawless  
Navy Marco Angelo Lomibao  
Commander Matthew Luff  
WO1 Jake Miller  
CMDM (SW/SS/AW) Timothy A. Newell  
ABH2 Sean Phillips  
Captain Colleen Rezabek  
Captain Kevin Rezabek  
A1C Alejandro Luis Sanchez  
Cpl Riley Santoyo  
Sgt Ian Sarlito  
AN Michael Schieve  
PFC Keegan Serbick  
Major Jim Smolucha  
Major Mike Smolucha  
SPC Thomas Stanhope  
AFSSgt Zachary Ushman  
Lt. Keith Wolfe

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends in Christ,

Merry Christmas and Happy Feast of the Holy Family!

Kids grow up so fast! Especially Jesus in the Gospel this weekend. Just 24 hours ago he was born, and today we hear about how he was 12 years old and found in the temple.

Today we remember in a special way the family that Jesus was part of, the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. They serve for us as a model of what family life is meant to be.

When using my imagination, I wonder what growing up in the holy family would've been like. Would they have evening talks together? Would they play games together? What were their meals together like?

Family is such an important part of our lives, and not only our biological families, but our church family as well. We, as the church of Saint John the Baptist, are all united as a family, especially around the Eucharist, the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus.

This gift of the Eucharist that Jesus gives us is the most important gift we have on this Earth! The Eucharist is where we come together as a church family to be nourished by the Savior and receive those graces and blessings we need to make it to Heaven, our mission and our goal!

With that in mind, it is appropriate that Jesus has the best dwelling place possible to reside in within our Church. You may have noticed there's a brand new tabernacle in our church! This is such a beautiful tabernacle that has been donated 100% by a few specific parishioners' generosity! In a future bulletin article I will talk about the detail of the tabernacle and the imagery on it, but what a beautiful Christmas gift to give to Jesus, a brand new home that he can dwell in, a brand new home that we can come to and say with certainty due to the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, God dwells here! Jesus is here in Winfield!

In Christ,  
Fr. Chris



## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Saturday, December 25-The Nativity of the Lord-Christmas

12:00 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish

7:30 a.m. † Joseph Grabowski

9:30 a.m. † James, Rose & Elizabeth Marecek (*The Lambert Family*)

11:30 a.m. † Maria Garza

(no 5:00 pm Mass on Christmas Day)

### Sunday, December 26, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

7:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish

9:30 a.m. † Bill Rose (*The Rose Family*)

11:30 a.m. † Dorothy Miller (*The Herbert Family*)

### Monday, December 27

7:00 a.m. † Bud Morey (*The Dusza Family*)

### Tuesday, December 28

7:00 a.m. † Stark & Russell Families (*Marianne & Jim Russell*)

### Wednesday, December 29

7:00 a.m. † Dorothy Aylward (*Jack Aylward*)

### Thursday, December 30

7:00 a.m. † John Hornyak

### Friday, December 31

12:00 p.m. Denise Babcock (*Larry & Cecily Langellier*)

**Vigil of the Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God** (*not a holyday of obligation this year*)

5:00 p.m. ♥† Intention of the Priest

**Saturday, January 1-The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God** (*not a holyday of obligation this year*)

10:00 a.m. ♥† The People of the Parish

**Vigil for the Epiphany of the Lord**

5:00 p.m. † Deacon Don Mathieu

♥† Knights of Columbus, Living & Deceased (*Knights of Columbus*)

† Jeanne Ptak (*Al Ptak*)

### Sunday, January 2-Epiphany of the Lord

7:30 a.m. ♥† The People of the Parish

9:30 a.m. † Barbara Connors (*Carol Connors*)

11:30 a.m. † John Pohodich (*Maureen & Denny Brennan*)

*All Parish Offices will be closed from Christmas Eve, December 24th through New Year's weekend. We will re-open at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, January 3rd.*

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**

**December 26, 2021**

Beloved, we are God's children now;  
what we shall be  
has not yet been revealed.

— 1 John 3:2a

## Our Sanctuary Lamps

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

Chapel † *Jeanne Ptak*

Church † *Jeanne Ptak*



\*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.

## COME ENCOUNTER JESUS AT ST. JOHN!

**Eucharistic Adoration** is held every Thursday from 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. in the Chapel. There is no sign-up required.

## WHAT IS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION?

Eucharistic adoration is the act of worshipping God as He is present in the consecrated Eucharist. Since the Last Supper, when Jesus broke the bread and distributed the wine, saying, "This is my Body" and "This is my Blood", Catholics have believed that the bread and wine are no longer merely baked wheat and fermented grape juice, but the actual living presence of the Second Person of the Trinity. Spending time before the Blessed Sacrament, in prayer and devotion, is exactly the same as spending time before the living God. Adoration occurs whenever someone kneels in front of a tabernacle that contains the Blessed Sacrament, genuflects towards a tabernacle, bows before receiving the Blessed Sacrament at Mass, or, in a more focused way, when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration. For an interesting article about Adoration, go to:

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

## MEN OF ST. JOHN-ROSARY GET-TOGETHER

7p, Fire Pit, -East Side of Church Grounds

Wed., December 29; Wed., January 12

Gentlemen: We will pray 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, December 29th. Please join us for this beautiful devotion.

## AFTER CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

No Confessions on Christmas

**No 5:00 p.m. Mass on 12/25**

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5:00 p.m.

**Saturday, January 1, 2022**

**Solemnity of Mary,**

**Mother of God** (*not a holyday of obligation this year*)

**10:00 a.m.**

No confessions heard on New Year's Day

5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass for Sunday,  
Epiphany of the Lord

**Sunday, January 2, 2022**

7:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

## FAMILY LIFE

Christmas celebrates the Incarnation, the "en-fleshment" of God as a human person. In Jesus, God is bodily present in the human story. Today we honor the Holy Family, helping us to see that God is active in daily family life. God is near at hand, amidst the tensions, joys, and uncertainties of family life. As our Gospel passage describes, even with family miscommunications and with limited understanding of Jesus' mission, the Holy Family persevered in their life together. Like many family conflicts, there was no immediate or clear resolution of the issues raised by Jesus and by Mary. God's intentions for the family, and for Jesus, were still unfolding. They continued to stay connected with each other and with God. Within the turbulence of family life, they trusted God to actively sustain and guide them into an uncertain future. We are invited to follow their example.

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## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & CONFESSION

*Please note: No confessions will be heard on Saturday, Christmas Day or on Saturday, New Year's Day, the Solemnity of Mary.*

**Our regular confession schedule will begin again on Saturday, January 8, from 3:30 pm until 4:30 pm.** Masks are required for anyone over 2 and up regardless of vaccination status.

All Confessions are in the Church. To maintain confidentiality & privacy, everyone will be asked to remain in the Narthex until it is their turn.



*On day 1 God created day and night. And it was good.*

*On day 2 God created the sky. And it was good.*

*On day 3 God created the land and vegetation. And it was good.*

*On day 4 God created the light with the sun, the moon, and the stars. And it was good.*

*On day 5 God created every living creature in the seas and sky. And it was good.*

*On day 6 God created all the animals and Adam and Eve. And it was good.*

*On day 7 God rested and it was good.*

*But man was not good, so God gave us his greatest gift, the baby Jesus, his Son and our Savior.*

*And it was very, very, Good.*

*Wishing everyone a very  
Blessed and Merry Christmas.*



# 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](http://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 Jim Nolan, Director of Finance, Facilities, & Operations, 630-668-0918, ext. 604

## 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!

Nov. 21.....\$18,266	December 5.....\$27,128
Nov. 28.....\$21,527	December 12...\$24,594

## End of Year Contributions

As a reminder to our parishioners, all contributions to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church must be received at the parish office or be postmarked by December 31 in order for those contributions to be credited to you on your 2021 parish contribution statement.

Contributions received after January 1st will be posted to your 2022 statement. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 630-668-0918, x604.

Thank you for your understanding and support of St. John's.

*~Jim Nolan, Director of Finance, Operations & Facilities*

**2022 CALENDARS** arrived!  
Pick one up after Mass in the Church Narthex.





**CHRISTLIFE**™  
CATHOLIC MINISTRY FOR EVANGELIZATION



COME,  
FOLLOW  
ME

LUKE 18:22

# following Christ

a seven-week journey

Begins Tuesday, February 8, 2022, 7-8:45 pm.

Info and Registration at [stjohnwinfield.org/following-christ](https://stjohnwinfield.org/following-christ)  
or fill out form below and return to Welcome Desk or  
Parish Office. Questions? [ChristLife@stjohnwinfield.org](mailto:ChristLife@stjohnwinfield.org)



-----Registration Form -----

***Following Christ*** – 2/8/22 – 3/22/22, 7-8:45 pm.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you prefer to stay in the same group as Discovering Christ? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you prefer the Livestream/Zoom option? \_\_\_\_\_

## SVDP Grocery Needs

While you are out doing holiday shopping this year, would you consider picking up any of the items listed to the right on the St. Vincent de Paul Grocery list? You can bring the item to Mass and place it in the barrel at each Church entrance inside the doors or drop off at the parish office vestibule which is open 24/7. Questions? 630-668-0918, ext 692. Thank you!

Helping Those In Need



St. Vincent de Paul Society Conference  
of St. John Baptist Catholic Church  
05233 Church Street Winfield, Illinois



### SVDP Grocery List

- \* *Cans of Chicken Noodle Soup*
- \* *Cans of Soup w/Beef*
- \* *Cans of Tuna*
- \* *Cans of Chili*
- \* *Cooking Oil*



Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Saint John the Baptist Catholic Parish on **Wednesday, January 5, 2022.**

A package of five screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered:

- **Carotid Artery Screening (Plaque)**
- **Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening**
- **Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA)**
- **Atrial Fibrillation**
- **Osteoporosis Risk**

These 5 vital screenings are offered for only \$139 and take 60-90 minutes to complete.

Register by calling toll free 1-888-653-6441, text the word "circle" to 797979 or online at <https://llsa.social/HSC>

## THANK YOU from SVDP

Thank you to all who donated a total of 125 Thanksgiving and Christmas food gift cards and 100 gift cards for children at Christmas to St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. John the Baptist Conference. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

May God bless you and your families during these seasonal celebrations.

*~John Otto, St. Vincent de Paul Society*

## Join the diocesan mission trip to the Navajo Nation in June

The Diocese of Joliet will resume its U.S. mission program in June with a two-week trip to the Navajo Nation located near Chinle, Arizona.

The June 4-17 trip will focus on construction projects for residents of the reservation, with volunteers helping with such jobs as framing a house, tearing down dilapidated buildings, repairing fencing, etc.

"It's not just going to work for the people, but to be with them and experience their life and culture," said diocesan missions coordinator Bruce Carlson.

The diocese has organized mission trips to the reservation since 2002, but paused the annual expeditions during the past two years because of the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

Informational meetings on the trip will be held on Jan. 4 and 12 at the Blanchette Catholic Center, 16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, Illinois. For more information, email [bcarlson@dioceseofjoliet.org](mailto:bcarlson@dioceseofjoliet.org) or call 815-221-6256.

### FROM THE DIOCESE OF JOLIET: BE FORMED

To register, go to: [dioceseofjoliet.org/layformation](https://dioceseofjoliet.org/layformation) and click on "Be Formed". Or, for more information, or if you have specific questions regarding Be Formed, please contact: [kchoudhary@dioceseofjoliet.org](mailto:kchoudhary@dioceseofjoliet.org)

**Be Formed**  
Season 4

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass  
Liturgy of the Eucharist  
January 18 - April 17, 2022

Registration  
extended  
through  
January 4th



*Council of Catholic Women*  
*News & upcoming*  
*January–February 2022*



The Annual Christmas Luncheon returned this year at the Courtyard Banquets on Dec 2nd. There were 40 who enjoyed a delicious meal and the delightful presentation by President Abraham Lincoln and his wife Mary Todd, portrayed by Max Daniels and our CCW member Donna.

*President and Mrs. Lincoln told us how Christmas was celebrated during the Victorian era of 1840-1900. Many of the traditions we practice today began during that time period.*



**Sat., Jan. 8, 2022 4:30pm Rosary in the Chapel before 5:00pm Mass**



**Thurs., Jan 27, 2022 7:00pm Board meeting Sebahar Hall**

**Sat., Feb 5th 9:30am General Meeting plus we will be doing a service project to benefit the residents at Winfield Woods.**

***Rosary at 4:30pm in the Chapel before 5:00pm Mass***



**Spring Bazaar will be held the weekend of February 26-27, 2022. If you are interested in being a vendor at the bazaar, please contact Theresa DeStefano at: [destefano1961@gmail.com](mailto:destefano1961@gmail.com) Donna Daniels at: [ABENBABE@aol.com](mailto:ABENBABE@aol.com)**

## 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.

**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.



## MASS INTENTION INFORMATION

**Mass Intentions:** The donation for a Mass Intention is \$10; The 5:00 pm Saturday Vigil Mass and 12:00 pm Friday Mass are free-will donations.

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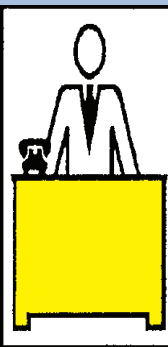
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