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MASS TIMES

Mondays -
Thursdays
7:00 am

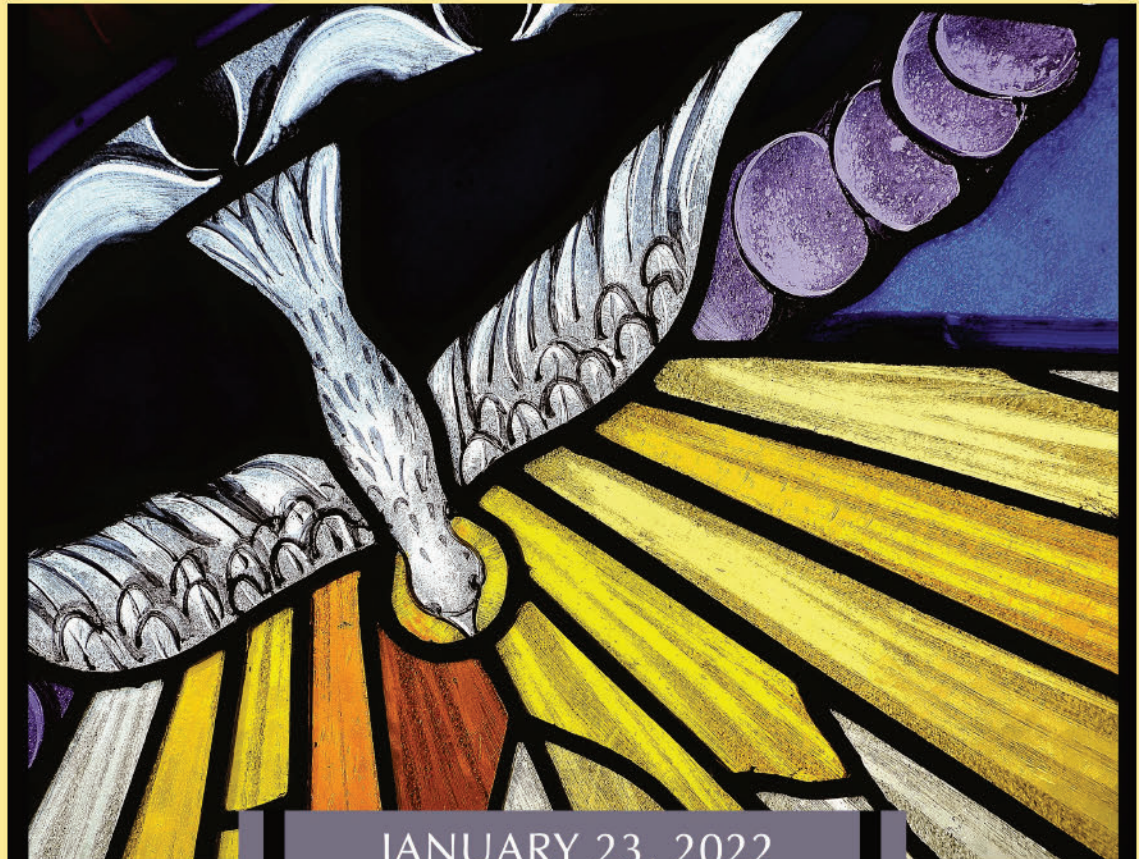
Fridays
12:00 pm

Saturdays
5:00 pm
(*Sunday
Vigil*)

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

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays
3:30-4:30 pm



JANUARY 23, 2022

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME,
BECAUSE HE HAS ANOINTED ME
TO BRING GLAD TIDINGS TO THE POOR.

~ LUKE 4:18

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
Marcia Grisanzio
Daniel Guzman
Jennifer Hammerschmidt
Deborah Lynn Harris
Betty Hass
Jeremy Heintz
John Heitzler, Jr.
Joseph & Joy Henczel
Baby Luke Hougan
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
Perry 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
Gerie Romero
Monica Romero
Kelli Rooney
Katherine Rose
John Rossi
Sister Audrey Rothweil
Marvin Rothweil
Susan Rothweil
Bob Salat
Dwayne Sarver
Scott Schwartz
Sven Segerlund
John Shannon
Desiree Sheppard
Evelyn Skriba

Dan Smyth
Dolores Snyder
Diane Strachta
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
Pat Waltz
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

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

Director: Maureen Brennan.....Ext 612

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

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.

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

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.



Bishop Hicks' Column

January 2022 | A New Year's resolution: Re-educating ourselves on the Eucharist



In the days following Thanksgiving this year, I was with a group of friends who are my age (mid-50s). Most of them have children who recently graduated from or are still in either high school or college. Our conversation turned to the Eucharist. I was shocked that even though they are Catholic, a few of my friends and many of their children believe that the bread and wine we receive at Mass are symbols of Christ's presence. Immediately I went into my teaching mode and emphasized that the Eucharist was instituted by Jesus. With the words of consecration, under the appearance of bread and wine, the whole of Christ is truly present: body, blood, soul and divinity. Now, this was not a theological debate, and I actually did not receive much pushback from my exhortation. However, one of the college students simply responded to me without any contention or guile, "Hmmm. Is that what we really believe? I did not know that."

This encounter reflects the data and studies that show many Catholics do not believe in or fully understand the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. As we begin 2022, many of us have made a New Year's resolution. I would like to invite you to join me in a New Year's resolution to re-educate ourselves about the Eucharist. For no matter how educated or faithful we are, we are constantly being invited by our Lord to go deeper in our faith and understanding of the Eucharist.

The document "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church" was developed by the Committee on Doctrine of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). It was approved by the full body of the USCCB at its November 2021 general meeting. The document highlights the importance, centrality, and gifts of the Eucharist. If you have not had the chance to read the document, I invite you to learn more about it by going to the following link on the USCCB website: www.usccb.org/resources/mystery-eucharist-life-church. You will notice that you can not only read the document, but also click on a comprehensive online course to learn more about it.

We should continuously strive to grow in our knowledge of the Eucharist and our faith in our Lord, Jesus Christ. However, as we learn more, our hearts

will hopefully grow with a deep love for God and the Eucharist. Once this love becomes strong, the love of God through the Eucharist will become the central focus and priority of our lives. As St. Ignatius of Antioch said, "I have no taste for the food that perishes nor for the pleasures of this life. I want the bread of God, which is the flesh of Christ, which is love that cannot be destroyed."

Along with the document on the Eucharist, the USCCB also announced a National Eucharistic Congress that will take place in Indianapolis in 2024. Eucharistic congresses are gatherings of clergy, religious and the laity to celebrate and glorify the Holy Eucharist while seeking to spread its knowledge and love throughout the world. The National Eucharistic Congress is the culmination of a three-year eucharistic revival in the Catholic Church, which begins on the feast of Corpus Christi on June 16, 2022. For more details about this revival, I invite you to go to the following site: www.eucharisticrevival.org

Hopefully, this eucharistic revival will serve as a spark for Catholics across the United States to help reignite their faith by being healed, converted, formed and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist and to be sent out in mission "for the life of the world." For as we receive Christ in the Eucharist, our desire is to be strengthened to go out into the world and to put our faith into action through the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. In other words, the Eucharist nourishes us to be the face of Jesus for those who need him most. This echoes St. Teresa of Kolkata's words, "We cannot say that we love Jesus only in the Eucharist – naturally, we want to put that love into action. We cannot separate the Eucharist and the poor."

As you read this column, perhaps it will motivate you to embrace a New Year's resolution to re-educate yourself on the Eucharist. For if the Eucharist is truly the source and summit of the Christian life, then we will be eager to fully embrace the words of Jesus, who said, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (John 6:51)



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 22—Vigil for Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. † Margaret Enright (*The Marasco Family*)
† Gene Gaede (*Maryann Dusza*)
† Eleanor Salwierak (*Therese Martineau*)
† Patti Bentley (*Mike Bentley*)
† John Pohodich (*John Pelican*)
† Jon Passini (*Mary Passini*)

Sunday, January 23—The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. ♥† The People of the Parish
9:30 a.m. † Don Essling (*Donna & Max Daniels*)
11:30 a.m. † John Pohodich (*Larry & Cecily Langellier*)

Monday, January 24

7:00 a.m. † Corliss Enders (*The Bruce Enders Family*)

Tuesday, January 25

7:00 a.m. † Debbie Sexton (*Dan Conley*)

Wednesday, January 26

7:00 a.m. † Tom Stark, Anniversary (*Marianne & Jim Russell*)

Thursday, January 27

7:00 a.m. † Lima Higgins (*Margaret Pieczynski & Family*)

Friday, January 28

12:00 p.m. † Sr. Cornelia, Anniv. of Deah (*The Lambert Family*)
† Fr. Arno Dennerlein
† Paul Kristofek (*St. John the Baptist Catholic Church*)
† Brian Clement (*Ralph & Linda Grieco*)
† John Noonan (*Maureen & Joe Garro*)

Saturday, January 29—Vigil for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. † Marguerite Quinn (*David & Patti Hill*)
† Alexander "Sandy" Hopkins (*Maryann Dusza*)
† Lori M. Goszczyski (*Joe & Lynn Kadelph*)
♥ The SJB Evangelization Committee (JR)
† Dorothy DiMaria (*Knights of Columbus*)
† Jane Bigelow (C.M.)

Sunday, January 30—The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. † Albert Peterson (*Dan Conley*)
9:30 a.m. ♥† The People of the Parish
11:30 a.m. † Cy Stark, Anniversary (*Marianne & Jim Russell*)

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 23, 2022

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.
— Luke 4:18a*

Our Sanctuary Lamps

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

Chapel ♥ Karen Durbin

Church † Amelia Alcazar



*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.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & CONFESSION

Confessions are on Saturdays 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.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Almighty ever-living God,
direct our actions according to your good pleasure,
that in the name of your beloved Son
we may abound in good works.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How can I allow God to direct my actions this week?

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Please pray for
Amparo Hernandez
who passed away on
January 16, 2022.

Our sympathies are extended to
her daughter & son-in-law,
Ysel & Peter Mancini, and to
all of her family & friends.



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/>



Adoration at St. John's

ART & ENVIRONMENT THANKS YOU!

A special THANK YOU to all who helped decorate and "un-decorate" the Church and Chapel for Christmas. Your time and talents are greatly appreciated by all who found a beautiful place this Christmas season to celebrate the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ.



~The Art & Environment Committee

MEN OF ST. JOHN-ROSARY GET-TOGETHER

Fire Pit, -East Side of Church Grounds

Wed., January 26, 7:00 pm

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, January 26th.** Please join us for this beautiful devotion.

ST. JOHN'S MASSES-LIVE STREAMED

Our 9:30 am Sunday Mass is live-streamed.

There are two ways to watch the Mass:

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



*Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

JANUARY 23, 2022

Go, eat rich foods
and drink sweet drinks,
and allot portions to those
who have nothing prepared;
for today is holy to our Lord.

Nehemiah 8:10

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 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!

December 19...\$20,129	January 2.....\$25,439
December 26...\$16,525	January 9.....\$23,469



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Special Collection This Weekend-Church in Latin America

This weekend we take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean do not have access to church programs and ministries because of a rising secular culture, rugged rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity enables our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ. To learn more, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america

There is an envelope in your packet of envelopes, or you can go to our website at www.stjohnwinfield.org to contribute. Thank you.

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St. John the Baptist Catholic School Open House News

You are cordially invited:



Prospective families are welcome to come to an open house to launch registration for the 2022-2023 school year at St. John the Baptist School in Winfield on **Sunday, January 30, 2022 from 11:00 AM -1:00 PM by appointment only.**

You are invited to meet our teachers, principal, student tour guides, and school board members. Tour our warm and inviting school on a winter afternoon. Come learn how your child (ren) and family will benefit from the outstanding academics, faith formation, and welcoming school community at St. John the Baptist. St. John the Baptist is located at 0S259 Church Street, Winfield.

To schedule an appointment, please go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040E4FACAA2AA3F49-inperson>. For more information, please contact our principal, Joanne Policht at Jpolicht@stjohnwinfield.org or call 630-668-2625, extension 617.

OUR ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Our Annual Appeal, The Children's Fund, was mailed to all parishioners in December. Hopefully, you have received it by now. This appeal is one of our most important fundraising tools to help reduce our parish subsidy. Thank you to those who have already responded! Your generosity is invaluable. We are over 1/3 the way to our goal of \$38,000. Please prayerfully consider making your donation today. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

You can also make a donation through We Share Online Giving on the parish website at the following link:

<https://stjohnwinfield.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/ChildrensAnnualAppeal>



Cursillo Corner

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

February Ultreya

St. John the Baptist is once again hosting Ultreya's on the second Saturday of each month. Our next Ultreya is scheduled for **Saturday, February 12**. Join us in the Chapel at 9:00 a.m. to pray the Rosary. Immediately following, we will have our Ultreya (location at St. John's TBD). The Ultreya will begin at 9:30 and run for approximately 1 hour. Coffee/Tea and snacks will be provided. Please bring a friend and introduce them to the Cursillo Movement!

Cursillo Weekends

We are excited to announce the return of Cursillo weekends this spring at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien, Illinois. The schedule is as follows. Please pray about who you are called to invite to this life changing weekend.

Men's Weekend March 3-6

Women's Weekend April 21-24

New to Cursillo?

Are you interested in undergoing an exhilarating and unforgettable religious and life-changing experience? Do you want the opportunity to experience peace, serenity and joy which often eludes many of us? Would you like to grow in your relationship with Christ? Do you want to be a better role model and leader within your family and environments? If you answered yes to any of these, then this is a weekend you won't want to miss!

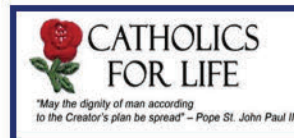
Your experience will include being in the company of other faith-filled Catholics that will support you on your spiritual journey, both during the weekend and beyond. Cursillo will help you to become a better person and Christian in your daily life.

You will have time to think, pray and learn away from the hectic pace of everyday life. The weekend includes a series of awesome and thought-provoking talks given by laity and clergy followed by small group discussion.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation as well as personal Spiritual Direction with a clergy member will be made available for those interested.

Bring your appetite, as there will be plenty of food, fun and fellowship! Transportation to and from the weekend will be provided.

If you are interested in being sponsored for a Cursillo Weekend, please contact our Parish Coordinator, Amy Seritella at amythe1@att.net You will also find additional information in the narthex or on our website www.jolietcursillo.org



This weekend we again remember the sad day 49 years ago when the majority of the Supreme Court decided they knew when it was okay to end the life of an innocent baby. So as we did from the beginning we will continue to pray, witness, sacrifice, and educate against this wrong until God in his mercy enlightens our leaders and law makers to end this evil law.

DEANERY WALK FOR LIFE

Saturday, January 29th, following the 8am Mass at St Petronille Church in Glen Ellyn

Our journey will begin with 8am Mass at St. Petronille (420 Glenwood Ave., Glen Ellyn) followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. We will then walk, led by our Eucharistic Lord, the Source of Life, a 2.4 mile journey to St. James the Apostle Church (480 S. Park Blvd., Glen Ellyn). The walk will take at least one hour. We will end at St. James with Benediction.

Please dress warmly and wear shoes appropriate for snow and or ice. If you have any physical infirmities, that may make this journey difficult for you, please consider joining us in prayer from home. The Mass will be live streamed at <http://stpetschurch.org>. Or consider attending 8am Mass in person, followed by Adoration at St Petronille and then driving to St James, waiting for the walkers to arrive, and joining in the Benediction prayers at St James

There is a recommended donation of **\$20.00**. This includes **\$8.00** for a pro-life scarf and a **\$12.00** donation for **Waterleaf Women's Center**. Or if you don't want the scarf, the whole donation could go to **Waterleaf**.

To donate electronically, go to <https://forms.donorsnap.com/form?id=a246318e-a665-4f64-948b-c7598f41beb7>. Be sure to put 1/29/22 N.D.Y.M. Walk for Life in the "In Honor / Memory of" box. In addition, donations made by cash or check will be collected at the event.

You can sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040b4ba4a92ca6ff2-north>

And if you have any questions you can contact:

Gina Wiedman
Director of Youth Ministry
Baptism Coordinator
630-469-7540 x208

If you want to leave your car at St. James and get a ride to St. Petronille, so you don't have to walk back, please contact Linda LeBreux at rvlindal@comcast.net or 331-218-9637.



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

Info and Registration at stjohnwinfield.org/following-christ
or fill out form below and return to Welcome Desk or
Parish Office. Questions? 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? _____

NEWS FROM RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

WANT TO BRING **VALENTINE JOY** AND ST. PATRICK'S DAY CHEER TO THE MIDWEST SHELTER FOR HOMELESS VETS?

I have to admit I blew it for Christmas! Normally we give the Vets a home-made Christmas stocking filled with goodies! Because this did not happen, and my "Catholic guilt" kicked in, I thought what else can we do for them?

How about making and giving them a Valentine and St. Paddy's day treat bags! I bought the felt, will make the bags and the Religious Education children/teens can decorate them. We will also make cards and letters for them!



BUT, as always, I do need your help! One of the treats they LOVED getting were gift cards for the various restaurants in Wheaton. Or, maybe you have a better idea? Perhaps all that individually wrapped chocolate candy you know your body is craving and your scale is screaming "NO MORE"?

So let's make the Vets' winter less depressing by making them a homemade felt Valentine and St. Paddy's day Bag filled with goodies!

Please drop off your goody bag donations in the glass room of the parish offices. There is a basket waiting to be filled!

Thank you so much for all your help on these projects. We couldn't do this without you!

Maureen Brennan, Director of Religious Education

Vianney Visit
Saint John Vianney
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Upcoming activities



Spring Bazaar is a Vendor Fair and will be held the weekend of February 26-27, 2022.

We need VENDORS!

If you are interested in being a VENDOR at the bazaar, please contact our co-chairs:

Theresa DeStefano at: destefano1961@gmail.com

or

Donna Daniels at: ABENBABE@aol.com



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

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. The next Grief Support meeting is Thurs. evening, February 3, 2022, in the Parish Office. To verify start time of meeting, or for more information, contact the parish office, 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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Our parish office is open 8:00 am-4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. 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.

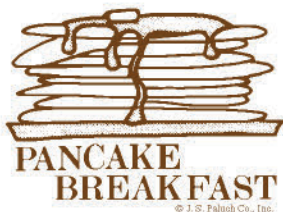
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SAVE THE DATE- KNIGHTS PANCAKE BREAKFAST- SUNDAY, FEB. 6

The Knights Pancake breakfast will be held on Sunday morning, February 6th, in Sebahar Hall. The Knights will be displaying all of the Keep Christ in Christmas beautiful art work that our St. John's school children worked on for a contest. More information next week.



GOD'S LAW

Scripture has always held God's law to be the path to human happiness. In today's first reading, Ezra the priest reads the scroll of the law to the people returned from exile. They weep—then are joyful. Israel's relationship with God had always been defined by how they kept and lived God's law. The author of Psalm 96 likewise praises the law of God as the source of wisdom, joy and enlightenment, purity and justice.

In his advice to the bickering Corinthians, Paul points out that, just as God has made all parts of a human body essential for the health of the whole, living as "Christ's body" requires that each member be recognized as necessary for the good of all. Finally, in Luke's Gospel Jesus claims that the Spirit is sending him to relieve human suffering. Like Ezra, he is reading from a scroll, proclaiming God's "law" of mercy to those in need. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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