# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

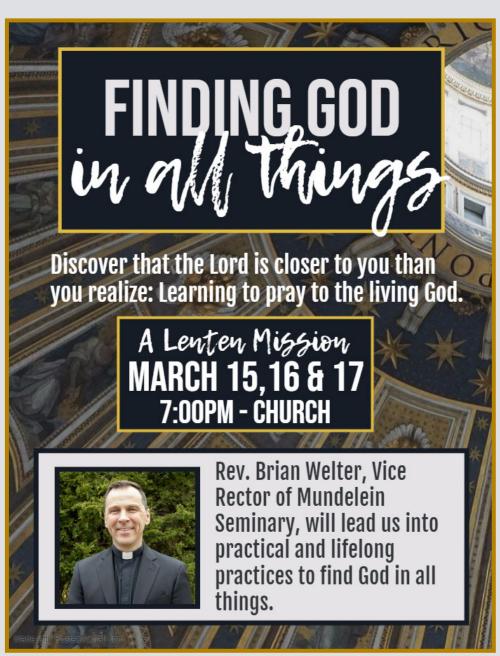
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Third Gunday of Lent

March 15, 2020

A woman of Samaria came to draw water esus said to her, "Give me a drink.'



### Please pray for our sick

Erin Ackermann Alisa Allen Sandy Anderson Jack Aylward Dave Balseqiz Ada Bantola Jennifer Bitterman Nancy Bockelmann Brian Burke Allison Lamberts Burns Jean Bustamante Karen Cervenka Lisa Cicero Kathy Connor Georgene Cook Julio Correa Rita Cross Mary Elaine Cruz Linda Dameron Debra DePauw Anetta Derango Nick DuBay Ralph Eckhoff Joann Eggebrecht Joan Enders Aaron Erickson William Ferdinand Patrocinia Fernandez Fr. Hilary Fischer Marie Flores Kvle Freed Dolores Gabriel

**Gregory Garlt** Darlene Gedvilas Danny Gonzalez Judy Gonzalez Dawn Grant Destin Green Daniel Guzman Jim Hale Jennifer Hammerschmidt Deborah Lynn Harris Betty Hass Jeremv Heintz John Heitzler, Jr. Joseph & Joy Henczel Paul Isherwood Edy Jacobs Jason Jensen Margarita Jimenez Andrew Jin Charles Kadolph Lynn Kadolph Mary Kallas Kathy Kamphaus Brandon Karimi Ken Kasnicka Carter Kettner Donna Kevil Joe Konopka Margaret Krisch Gerry Krug Korrin Kupris

Ken Larson Rick LeBreux Dolores Lewandowski Nancy Liden Haley Lipnisky Marilyn Loech Sam Mahre Beth Majerczyk Gianna Malorny John Maltese Linda Marczewski Jan Masters Al Mathieu Diane Maher Alex McCall Michael McCall Perri McCall Goldena McGee 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 Lesley (Tobin) Nygaard Joseph O'Brien Larry Orni Joan Pacer 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 Kelli Rooney Katherine Rose John Rossi \*Sister Audrey Rothweil\* Marvin Rothweil Susan Rothweil **Bob Salat** Scott Schwartz Sven Segerlund John Shannon

Desireé Sheppard Evelyn Skriba Dan Smyth Dolores Snyder Olivia Soto Diane Srachta Doug Stephan Hugh Stott Michael John Stralko Rosemary Sumang Ewa Sarnacka Mary Tarchala Jongrang Tenjum Virg Tobin Jim Toman Erin Anderson Tugman Benjamin Vargas Maria Vargas Keith Venard Martha Vescio Virginia Underwood Genevieve Welch Kylie Wells-Long Elizabeth Wood Susan Woodbury Lexie Youngberg Larry Zengri \*New this week\*

### Welcome - Bienvenido

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

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

Parish Directory - 630-668-0918

Pastor/Párroco: Fr. Matt Pratscher/Padre Mateo

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Tom Dunn Deacon: Dcn. Dave Ritter

**Secretaries:** Jennifer Kurtyka, Rosa Benavides

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

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

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 Grade School:
 Office: Ext 618

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

 Phone:
 630-668-2625, Fax: 630-668-7176

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

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Mass Schedule

Weekend......Saturday (Vigil Mass) 5:00 pm; Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 am Misa en Español......Domingo 1:30 pm Weekday M-F 7:00 am & 7:50 am & Sat. 8:30 am

**Confessions** M-F 7:30-7:45am/Chapel Confessional Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30 pm/Church Confessional

Website: www.stjohnwinfield.org

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: (Vigil Mass) 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m.-Spanish

### **WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday through Friday: 7:00 a.m.; Saturday: 8:30 a.m.

### **RECONCILIATION**

- Saturdays: 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.\*-Church Confessional \*except Holy Saturday
- Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-7:45 a.m.-Chapel Confessional

# Additional Confessions/Confesiones During Lent

- Fridays during Lent, at 7p (except Good Friday)
- Sundays during Lent at 8:30a & 10:30a

24-Hours of ADORATION

Tuesdays from 7:30 a.m. through Wednesdays at 7:00 a.m.-Chapel

### ROSARY RECITATION

- Sundays, after the 7:30a Mass-Chapel
- Weekdays, after the 7a Mass-Chapel
- Saturdays, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass-Chapel

Please keep in your prayers our Seminarians who are studying for the Priesthood:

Rev. Mr. Andrew Buchanan Joseph Solomon



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

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

Newell
ABH2 Sean Phillips
1st Lt. Colleen Rezabek
1st Lt. Kevin Rezabek
A1C Alejandro Luis Sanchez
PFC Riley Santoyo
Sgt Ian Sarlitto
AN Michael Schieve
SSG Curtis Sigourney, US Army
Major Jim Smolucha
Major Mike Smolucha
SPC Thomas Stanhope

SrA Zachary Ushman

### A letter from our pastor, Father Matt/Una carta de nuestro párroco, Padre Mateo

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This week is full of opportunities to grow closer to God. Our parish mission is this week. Fr. Brian Welter will give an hour long presentation, starting at 7 p.m., this Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, on "Finding God in All Things." Fr. Welter is from the Archdiocese of Chicago and has many years of experience at Mundelein Seminary and is working for the Institute for Priestly Formation. He is very practical and down to earth, and I am excited to hear about the many practical suggestions he will give regarding prayer and our relationship with God.



Also this week is the Taizé prayer service. It is this Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the chapel. Using song, chant, and candles, it is a peaceful way to pray.

This Friday is our annual St. Joseph's Table from 5 to 7 p.m. This very popular Italian tradition invites us to honor St. Joseph, whose feast day is March 19, with a meal. There are still donations needed, and I invite you to come and enjoy the pasta, fish, salads, and pastries.

During Lent, we pray Vespers every day except for Saturday at 6:30 p.m. in the chapel. Vespers, or Evening Prayer, takes about fifteen minutes and consists of reciting three psalms, praying with a brief reading and responsory, reciting the Canticle of Mary, the *Magnificat*, and then praying petitions and the Our Father. It is a great way to pray with Scripture and in community.

Lent is the time to meditate on the cross of Christ and our salvation. On Fridays during Lent, the Stations of the Cross are prayed after the 7:50 a.m. Mass, at 2 p.m. with the school students when school is in session (March 20 and 27), and at 7 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. (in Spanish).

Don't forget that Mass is celebrated on weekdays at 7 a.m. and 7:50 a.m. and on Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. We also have Eucharistic Adoration every week from 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday to 7 a.m. on Wednesdays. Adoration is a great way to spend some quiet time in friendship with Jesus, who is present in the Holy Eucharist.

There are confessions during the week from 7:30 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. and on Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. This Sunday, as well as the next two Sundays, there will be a priest hearing confessions for the half hour after the 7:30 and 9:30 Masses. The parish Penance Service will be on Tuesday, March 31, at 7 p.m.

I hope that you are finding the Magnificat Lenten devotional booklet and the CRS rice bowls helpful during this Lent as well.

Know of my continued prayers for you during this Lent. I pray that it be a time to be renewed in faith, hope, and charity, growing closer to our Lord and one another.

In Christ, Fr. Matt

### Third Sunday of Lent March 15, 2020

While we were still sinners Christ died for us.

— Romans 5:8

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



### Saturday, March 14

8:30 a.m. † Henry, Marge & Adel Lenertz (The Lenertz Family) Vigil Mass of The Third Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. † Cosgrove & Miller Families (Colette Miller)

† Alfred & ♥Doris Borter (Steve & Libby Borter)

† Angela Marino (The Marino Family)

▼ The Hanlock Family (The Hanlock Family)

### Sunday, March 15, The Third Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. † John, Kathleen & Patrick Dooley (Mary L'Hotta)

9:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish

11:30 a.m. † Patti Bentley (Mike Bentley)

1:30 p.m. (Spanish) † Reina Caballero (The Caballero Family)

### Monday, March 16

7:00 a.m. † Sheila Tomaszewski

7:50 a.m. † Dr. John Solak (Dolores Lewandowski)

### Tuesday, March 17

7:00 a.m. † For the Poor Souls in Purgatory (Anonymous)

7:50 a.m. † Lou LaBuda (The Duffy Family)

### Wednesday, March 18

7:00 a.m. † Edgardo Castro (Mat & Lou Vallejo)

7:50 a.m. ♥ Larry Castle (The Tyznik Family)

### Thursday, March 19

7:00 a.m. † The Strzyzynski & Hendrian Families (Rita Grabowski)

7:50 a.m. † Chris & Mary Ellen Clavel (Bob Clavel)

### Friday, March 20

7:00 a.m. † Shirley Stachniak (The Stachniak Family)

7:50 a.m. ♥ 50th Wedding Anniversary of Ralph & Linda Grieco

### Saturday, March 21

8:30 a.m. † Charlene Lucken (Rose Marie Lambert)

### **Vigil Mass of The Fourth Sunday of Lent**

5:00 p.m. † Charlotte Stravalle (Lonks Family)

† Armella Vechart (Holly Wisner)

† Scott Weber (The Weber Family)

† Thomas Hanlock (The Hanlock Family)

† Marie & Gayle Black (The Hanlock Family)

♥ Dick Hanlock, Health & Intentions (The Hanlock Family)

### Sunday, March 22, The Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. † Alice Higgins (John & Mary Karwoski)

9:30 a.m. † Deceased Members of the Lonks Family (Lonks Family)

11:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish

1:30 p.m. (Spanish) † Lupe Muñoz

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent

Tuesday: St. Patrick

Wednesday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem Thursday: St. Joseph; Spring begins

Friday: Abstinence

### **Our Sanctuary Lamps**

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

### Chapel † Charlotte Stravalle Church † Shirley Stachniak



\*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.

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

- Monday thru Friday, 7:30a-7:45a-Chapel
- Saturday, March 14, 3:30p-4:30p-Fr Tom
- Saturday, March 21, 3:30p-4:30p-Fr Tom

### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — When the people grumbled to Moses for water in the desert, the Lord heard and brought forth water from the rock for all to drink (Exodus 17:3-7).

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**Psalm** — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

**Second Reading** — God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:1-2, 5-8).

**Gospel** — Ask, and you will be given living water so that you will never thirst again (John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]).

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4;

Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-51b, 6, 7bc, 8-9;

Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20;

Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;

Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or

Lk 2:41-51a

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;

Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

### **Mass Celebrants for:**

Saturday, March 21: 5p-Fr Tom

Sunday, March 22: 7:30 am-Fr Matt; 9:30 am-Fr Matt;

11:30 am-Fr Tom; 1:30 pm/Spanish-Fr Matt

Saturday, March 28: 5p-Fr Matt

Sunday, March 29: 7:30 am-Fr Tom; 9:30 am-Fr Tom;

11:30 am-Fr Matt; 1:30 pm/Spanish-Fr Matt

# SECOND COLLECTION CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION (CRSC)

Next week, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC). Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. There is an envelope in your packet for your convenience. Next week, please give generously to the CRSC and **help Jesus in disguise**. Learn more about the collection at <a href="https://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief">www.usccb.org/catholic-relief</a>.

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Seek answers at Discovering Christ.



A great (free) dinner



An engaging Bible-inspired message



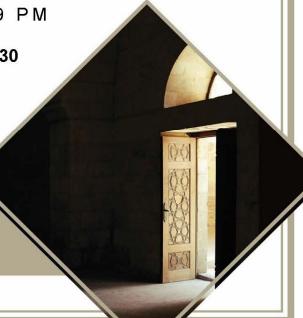
Discussion and conversation about the message

Seven Monday Nights April 20th - June 8 6:30-9 PM (no session on 5/25) Special retreat day Saturday, May 30



Space is limited -Register at www.stjohnwinfield.org

See also www.christlife.org. No cost to participate! Childcare available.





The March Young at Heart luncheon will take place in Sebahar Hall on

### Wednesday, March 18, at 11:30 am.

Our luncheon will feature a traditional St. Patrick's Day corned beef and cabbage



menu. If you would like to bring a dish to share, please bring an appetizer. We do not need any extra desserts since we will top off our meal

with a delicious dessert assortment.

Let's get together to enjoy a wonderful St. Paddy's Day lunch with old and new friends. If you have never attended before, please join us for a great afternoon. Young at Heart welcomes anyone 55 and better and you won't have to Kiss the Blarney stone to prove it 🤻 !

If you have questions, please call Dee at 630-665-0437. We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, March 18.



## Already have a FORMED Account?

- 1. Visit FORMED.org
- 2. Click Sign In
- Enter your email
- Click the link in your email
- You're in! No more passwords

### Want to create a new FORMED account with your parish or group?

- 1. Visit FORMED.org
- Click Sign Up
   Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization"
- Find St John the Baptist Winfield Illinois
- 5. Enter your email and you're in!

Visit FORMED.org or search for "Formed" on your favorite app store

### All are invited . . .



### Taizé Service

Thursday, March 19, 2020 7:30p-Chapel

A service comprised of song, scripture reading and contemplation which can help you delve more deeply into the Lenten experience. You will be enriched and inspired.

### NEWS FROM RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Dear Parishioners.

Once again, we are collecting wrapped Easter egg-sized candy to stuff our plastic Easter eggs. The Bunny needs about 1,000 eggs, at least! Please drop off your donation at the parish office, marked "RE Candy-Attn: MaryAnn" (our Easter Bunny's assistant). Thank you for your generosity!



~Maureen Brennan, Director of Religious Education

### WISDOM

A wise old owl lived in an oak. The more he saw the less he spoke. The less he spoke the more he heard. Why can't we all be like that wise old bird?

# From the Chancellor, Diocese of Joliet LENTEN 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 60<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **FEEDING THE SOUL**

Our parish has a kiosk sponsored by the St. Augustine Institute located in the back of the church, stocked with books, booklets and CDs, including some Spanish Materials, all for a reasonably priced suggested donation. Please take a moment to stop by and see what's available. These are perfect spiritual guides to slip in a purse or pocket, spending a few minutes to help start your day, to read during your lunch break, listen to on the train or in your car, or as an evening reflection, currently with many materials that may help make your Lenten journey truly something special.

### March feature: Mercy and Hope

Flowing forth from the Heart of Jesus is a torrent of mercy that is the source of much needed hope for our world. Discover how in God's mercy we find a reason for joy here on earth and a reasonable expectation for eternal joy in Heaven. Hope is not merely a feeling, but also an action through which our lives are transformed. Practical suggestions are provided on how we can live more joyful lives through being merciful to others and receiving mercy ourselves.

AND

HOPE

### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

### COME TO THE quiet...

Spend some spiritual time with Our Lord who is truly present on the altar in St. John's Chapel during our 24-hour Adoration from Tuesday morning at 7:00 a.m. through Wednesday morning at 7:00 a.m. All are welcome.

# We need a permanent Adorer for the Tuesday 8a-9a hour of Adoration.

Please call the parish office, or Arlene Reichert at 630-890-2857.

### **LENT & HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2020**

**Vespers**- 6:30p every evening during Lent until Palm Sunday, except Saturdays-Chapel

### Stations of the Cross-Fridays,

Feb 28, March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3 after 7:50a Mass & 7p, 7:30p-(Spanish)

### Children's Stations of the Cross

2p Fridays, March 6, 13, 20, 27

Parish Mission on Prayer-Sunday through Tuesday,

March 15, 16, 17 at 7p-Church

### Confessions/Confesiones

Mon-Fri 7:30a-7:45a\*; Saturdays, 3:30p-4:30p,\*\*
Fridays during Lent, at 7p\*
Sundays during Lent at 8:30a & 10:30a
\*except Good Friday; \*\*except Holy Saturday

Taize Service-Thursday, March 19, 7:30p-Chapel

### Lenten Penance Service

Tuesday, March 31, 7p-Church

### Palm Sunday, April 5

5p (Sat), 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30a,1:30p Español **Tenebrae**, Wednesday, April 8, 7p-Chapel

### Holy Thursday, April 9

No morning Masses 7:30a-Morning Prayer

7p-Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper-Bilingual-Church\*
\*Followed by Adoration until Midnight

### Good Friday, April 10

No morning Masses, No Confessions
7:30a-Morning Prayer
3p-Celebration of the Lord's Passion
7p-Español-La Pasión de Cristo-Capilla
7:30p-Living Stations of the Cross-Church

### Holy Saturday, April 11

No 8:30a or 5p Mass & No Confessions 8:30a-Morning Prayer

12p Noon-Blessing of the Easter Baskets/12:15p-Easter Egg Hunt 8:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil Mass

### Easter Sunday, April 12

7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m.-Church, 9:30 a.m.-Chapel, 11:30 a.m., & 1:30 p.m. Español

### The Traveling Madonna of St. John's

The Traveling Madonna is a ministry which seeks to promote the Holy Rosary. We are looking for families to accept the Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary into their home for one week. A Knight will bring the statue to your home and if desired, pray the Rosary with your family. A Knight will return the following Saturday to pick up the statue. If you are interested in becoming a host of the Traveling Madonna please contact: Sean Conley, 630-835-8225, or Tony Reyes, 630-669-0501.

# Cursillo Corner-

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

### Ultreya- May 9

Saint John the Baptist will host an Ultreya in **Sebahar Hall** on Saturday, May 9 following 8:30 a.m. Mass in the chapel.

Please note in observance of Holy week there will be no Ultreya at St. John's in April.

### **Opportunities for Piety, Study or Action**

Why We Need the Church St. Jude, 241 W. 2nd Ave., New Lenox Monday, March 16, 7pm.

"Re-Igniting Catholicism" presentation by Fr. Burke Masters, who will help us understand the role of the church in our moral and spiritual lives.

# Chicago Lenten Luncheon; Mary at the Crossroads of History

Wednesday, March 25

Reception 11 a.m. to Noon - Luncheon Noon to 1:30 p.m.

### **Drury Lane Theatre and Conference Center**

Featuring Fr. Rocky, Executive Director and Patrick Madrid, Host of Relevant Radio. Special guests include Fr. Richard Simon, (Fr. Simon Says<sup>™</sup>), Shelia Liaugminas, (A Closer Look<sup>™</sup>) and Michael O'Neil (Miracle Hunters<sup>™</sup>) Tickets are \$75.00 and can be purchased by visiting relevant radio.com. Click on Events and select Illinois.

### Why Cursillo?

Make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ, is one of the foundations of Cursillo. Have you invited a friend to attend a Cursillo weekend? The Cursillo movement promotes not only personal spiritual growth, but recognizes that we are called by our baptism to be active apostolic members of the Body of Christ. The goal of the movement is not about "preaching the good news" but to **become** the good news and in a natural way; our actions will become evangelical in our daily lives.

"Why Cursillo" pamphlets can be a helpful aid in discussing Cursillo with your friends. Copies can be found in the narthex of the church.

### Women's 131st Weekend Carmelite Spiritual Center, Darien Illinois April 16-19, 2020 - Rectora: Annmarie Murphy

Please pray about sponsoring a friend. Visit our Pre-Cursillo page on the Joliet Cursillo website page for an application and resources for sponsors.

"We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us."

2 Corinthians 5:20

For those interested in learning more about the Cursillo movement or attending a Cursillo Weekend, please visit www.jolietcursillo.org or contact our Parish Coordinator, Amy Serritella at: amserritella@gmail.com.



<u>Vote with a Formed Conscience</u> - The primary election is Tuesday, March 17. For some offices there is more than one candidate running for the spot on the November ballot. Be sure to get out and vote. Catholic citizens are encouraged to vote with a formed conscience. The USCCB has several resources for forming consciences on its website: <a href="http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/index.cfm">http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/index.cfm</a>

### 40 Days for Life Spring Vigil - Feb 26 - April 5

Join Fr. Tom and fellow parishioners outside Planned Parenthood Aurora on Saturday, March 21 at 9:30am for the Rosary. We will carpool to the clinic following the 8:30 mass in the chapel.

Your prayers help. Possibly 75% of clients turn away from their appointment when people are peacefully praying outside the clinic. If you can, please sign up to pray at the clinic to help save a child's life. **40daysforlife.com/aurora** If you're not able to attend the vigil, please pray at home.

March 25 - Life Advocacy Days - The Catholic Conference of Illinois is partnering with the six dioceses of the state to offer Life Advocacy Days, allowing pro-life pilgrims to travel to the Illinois Capitol to lobby their law-makers on the benefits of the parental notice of abortion law, which is expected to be challenged following the primary on March 17. Call the Diocese Life Office (815-221-6100) for information on signing up for the trip.

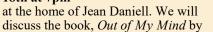
March 25 - Feast of the Annunciation begin praying for the spiritual adoption of an unborn baby. Every day over 4,000 babies are killed by abortion. Prayer is the most effective way to help these innocent ones. Pray the following prayer everyday for nine months (Christmas) to save a baby's life.

# PRAYER TO SPIRITUALLY ADOPT AN UNBORN BABY

"Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion, whom I've named (\_\_\_\_\_).

Please help the parents, family, and friends of this baby protect his/her life and draw them all close to the Sacred and Eucharistic Heart of Jesus."

oin St. John's Book Club at our next monthly meeting, Wednesday, March 18th at 7pm



Sharon Draper. Please inquire for directions or with any questions & RSVP Jean at tjdaniell@att.net

Upcoming dates and titles:

April 15: Mrs Lincoln's Dressmaker by Jennifer Chiaverini May 15: TBD



### You are invited to...



# OUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LENTEN FISH FRYS!

5p-7p on each of the following Fridays:

- March 13
- March 27
- April 3

Adults \$10, Kids \$5, Seniors \$9

Please join our Knights of Columbus fundraiser for their charities while relaxing with your friends & family. The fish is beer-breaded cod & we have deep-fried shrimp. For the kids, we have pizza & children-sized fish & spaghetti. For adults, we also have a spaghetti dinner with garlic bread, and a salad option for the vegetarians! The meal includes bread, coleslaw, potato, dessert & a drink. Free-will donations for beer & wine gladly accepted.



OPEN TO ALL PRESCHOOLERS THROUGH 3RD GRADERS

Date: Saturday, April 11, 2020

Time: 12:15 pm (after Blessing of Easter Baskets@12 Noon)

Place: Gather at the church pavilion (East side of church off Liberty St.)

Ages: Pre-school - 3rd grade

RSVP: Kathie Brewer at 630-682-4400 x613 or

kathieb@stjohnwinfield.org

Bring a non-perishable food item or cleaning supplies for the Food Pantry.
Don't forget a basket to collect eggs!
Please dress children appropriately.
Hunt will be held in the gym if it rains!
Come meet the Easter Bunny!





### ST. JOSEPH'S DAY TABLE

The St. Joseph's Day Table is celebrated every year in honor of Italy's favorite Saint! Sicilians prayed to St Joseph during a famine and were blessed with an abundance of food. Please come share this banquet and Friday Fish Fry food with your fellow parishioners and members of the community!

### FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2020 SEBAHAR HALL

# LOOKING FOR A VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY?

Consider helping out at St. Joseph's Day Table – many hands make light work! Come and help serve, then stay and enjoy the music and the camaraderie of your fellow parishioners! Volunteers could also come and dine, then stay to help with clean up.

Call, text or email Karen Tsaparis if you are interested in making this year's St. Joseph's Table the best ever:

Karen/630-917-0565 or karen.tsaparis@gmail.com.

### **DONATIONS NEEDED:**

- DESSERTS
- SMALL BOWLS-200
- TAKE HOME CON-TAINERS-100
- SHRIMP/TUNA CAS-SEROLES
- LEMONADE-3 LARGE CANS
- BUTTER/COUNTRY CROCK LARGE TUB (1)
- PARMESAN CHEESE
   2 LARGE CANS
- SARAN WRAP 2 ROLLS
- PURELL HAND SANI-TIZER LARGE BOT-TLES (4)

- COCKTAIL NAPKINS-100
- HOT CUPS W/LIDS-200
- DISPOSABLE GLOVES-1 BOX
- VEGETARIAN CHILI/ SIDE DISHES
- EXTENDED REACH LIGHTERS-4
- SALAD DRESSING: ITALIAN-3 BOTTLES; RANCH-3 BOTTLES;
- HALF & HALF-1 PINT
- POP: COKE, DIET COKE, SPRITE - 8 CASES (24 CANS)
- WATER-8 CASES

### DIOCESE OF JOLIET CATHOLIC SCHOOLS-Tax Credit Scholarship Donor FAQ

### WHY IS A TAX CREDIT BETTER THAN A DEDUCTION?

A tax credit is always better than a tax deduction because a credit lovers your tax bill directly. A deduction lowers your adjusted gross income on your IRS Form 1040, so the amount you get reduced off your tax bill is directly tied to your tax bracket.

Example: Tax Credit vs. Tax Deduction

For example, if you make a \$1,000 Tax Credit Scholarship donation you receive a \$750 tax credit which lowers your tax owed to Illinois by \$750. Simple as that. If your tax bill was going to be \$3,000, you just reduced it to \$2,250.



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

### HOW DOES A TAX CREDIT WORK WITH A TAX REFUND?

As discussed above, a tax credit reduces your liability dollar for dollar. So per the example above, the tax credit would increase the refund the taxpayer is receiving by \$750. If the taxpayer had a balance due on their return, the amount owed would be reduced by \$750.

### IF I AM NOT OWED A REFUND WHEN I FILE MY ILLINOIS RETURN, HOW CAN I USE MY TAX CREDIT?

As stated above, if the taxpayer has a balance due on their tax return, the amount due will be reduced by the amount of the credit. For example, if the taxpayer had an \$800 balance owed before applying for the tax credit, the \$750 credit will reduce the balance owed to \$50.

### CAN I REPORT MY TAX CREDIT USING TURBO TAX SOFTWARE?

When Turbo Tax 2018 was released, the program was not originally calculating the invest in Kids tax credit correctly. The problem was fixed and the credit is now properly computed.

# DIOCESE OF JOLIET CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

# Tax Credit Scholarship Donation Guide

TAX CREDIT Scholarship Donation	Illinois Tax Credit <sup>1</sup>	NET COST TO DONOR (DONATION LESS CREDIT)
This amount goes toward scholarships at your school of choice. <sup>2</sup>	This is the amount by which you may reduce your Illinois tax. If your credit is more than your liability for the year, you may roll over the excess for up to five years.	After you receive the credit on your Illinois taxes, this amount is your out-of-pocket cost.
\$100	\$75	\$25
\$200	\$150	\$50
\$300	\$225	\$75
\$400	\$300	\$100
\$500	\$375	\$125
\$1,000	\$750	\$250
\$1,500	\$1,125	\$375
\$2,000	\$1,500	\$500
\$2,500	\$1,875	\$625
\$3,000	\$2,250	\$750
\$3,500	\$2,625	\$875
\$4,000	\$3,000	\$1,000
\$4,500	\$3,375	\$1,125
\$5,000	\$3,750	\$1,250

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This is not intended to be tax advice. Speak with your personal tax advisor or preparer about your individual situation.

**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 2....\$27,964 February 9....\$20,819 February 16..\$18,931 February 23..\$17,738 March 1.......\$25,086 March 8.......\$36,149

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> By statute, up to 5% of donations received by Scholarship Granting Organizations (SGOs), like Empower Illinois, may be used for costs of administering the program.

Attention All Moms: You are invited!

Please join us on the 1st &

3rd Fridays at 9:30am. At MOPS, women come together to be encour-

January 3 & 17 February 7 & 21 March 6 & 20 April 3 & 17

May 1 & 15

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other moms who are in the same season of life. For more information please contact

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\$6 Children 10 and Under

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Salads, Dessert, Beverages 50/50 Raffle, Raffle Baskets Raffles Close @ 12:30pm Drawing shortly after 12:30pm

### Activities This Week at St. John's

### Saturday, March 14

After 8:30a Mass-Cursillo Ultreya-Everyone Invited-Sodonna Hall

9a-Religious Education Classes-SJB School Bldg

9a-4p-ChristLife Training Session-Sebahar Hall

9a-10a-Overeaters Anonymous-Youth Ministry Room

11a-Baptisms-Chapel

At All Masses-MOPS selling Butter Braids-Pre-Order-Narthex

6:30p-8:30p-SJB School Student Council Sponsored Movie Night in School Hall

### Sunday, March 15

After 7:30a, 9:30a Masses-Donut Sunday & New Parishioner Registration-Sebahar

At All Masses-MOPS selling Butter Braids-Pre-Order-Narthex

Rosary after 7:30a Mass-Chapel

9:30a-Sunday Morning Preschool-Sebahar Hall

9:30a-12:30p-RCIA Meeting-Parish Office Dining Room Reserved

4p-8:30p-Boy Scout Troop 575 Court of Honor-Sebahar Hall

6:30p-Vespers-Chapel

7p-Parish Mission- "Finding God In All Things"-(March 15, 16 & 17)-Church

### Monday, March 16

Sebahar Hall in Use-Voting Booths Being Delivered-Sebahar Hall

Shadow Day at SJB School

4p-Cursillo Fourth Day Group Meeting-Parish Office Dining Room

6p-8p-1st & 3rd Group-Sodonna Hall

6:30p-Vespers-Chapel

6:45p-Boy Scouts Troop Meeting-School, Mezzanine

7p-Parish Mission- "Finding God In All Things"-(March 15, 16 & 17)-

### Tuesday, March 17-Happy St. Patrick's Day!

All Day-Sebahar Hall in Use for Voting-General Primary

7:30a-24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration begins, through Wednesday at 6:50a-Chapel

6p-9p-Spanish Music Practice-Youth Ministry Room

6:30p-Vespers-Chapel

7p-Living Stations Practice-School Hall-All Middle & High Schoolers are invited!

7p-Parish Mission- "Finding God In All Things"

### Wednesday, March 18

6:50a-24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration ends-Chapel

9:30a-Cantor Practice-Church

11:30a-Young at Hearts Lunch & Social-Sebahar Hall

4p, 5:45p, 6:30p-Religious Education Classes-Whole Campus

6:30p-Vespers-Chapel

8p-Adult Choir Practice-Church

### Thursday, March 19-First Day of Spring!

5:30p-Legion of Mary-English-Trinity Boardroom

5:30p-Legion of Mary-Spanish-Youth Ministry Room

6:30p-Vespers-Chapel

7p-Alcoholics Anonymous-Sodonna Hall

7p-West DuPage Deanery Meeting-Parish Office Dining Room

7p-Handbell practice-Church-contact Joyce Schram

7:30p-Taize Service-Chapel

### Friday, March 20

Stations of the Cross Today: After 7:50a Mass, 2p, 7p, 7:30p (Spanish)

9:30a-Friday Morning Bible Study this morning-Sebahar Hall

9:30a-MOPS-Parish Office Building

5p-7p-St. Joseph's Day Table-Sebahar Hall-All Invited

6:30p-Vespers-Chapel

### Saturday, March 21

9a-Religious Education Classes-SJB School Bldg

9a-10a-Overeaters Anonymous-Youth Ministry Room

11a-Chapel in Use

2p-Chapel in Use

At 5p-1st Graders at Mass

At All Masses-MOPS selling Butter Braids-Pre-Order-Narthex

Sunday, March 22-Rosary after 7:30a Mass-Chapel

At All Masses-MOPS selling Butter Braids-Pre-Order-Narthex

9:30a-Sunday Morning Preschool-Sebahar Hall

9:30a-12:30p-RCIA Meeting-Parish Office Dining Room Reserved

At 1:30p Mass-Baptisms

At 1:30p Mass-1st Graders

6:30p-Vespers-Chapel

7p-Renew Group-In case needed-Parish Office Dining Room



# **Attn: Middle & High Schoolers! Living Stations**

As a Lenten commitment this year, why not help in

# The Living Stations!

Have fun, meet new people, and deepen your faith, too, with this one of a kind experience as a narrator or one of the many characters involved with the Passion of our Lord, but done in the art of shadow! No experience necessary!

Practices will be held in St. John the Baptist School in the School Hall at 7pm on Tuesdays during Lent on the following dates:

- March 24th
- March 31st
- **April 7th**



Please contact Mr. C the youth minister for more info 630-668-0918 ext. 611 rchavez@stiohnwinfield.org



2020 ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ATHLETIC DEPT.

### **TRIVIA NIGHT**

Saturday, April 18, 2020 7pm, Sebahar Hall

### \$25 per person/Maximum of 8 people per table

Drinks are available for purchase (Beer, Wine, Soda) B.Y.O.S (Bring Your Own Snacks) Cash or Checks Accepted; Checks can be made payable to St John the Baptist Parish Please contact Chuck Zydek at czydek@sjbwinfield.org to reserve your space!



# **HOLY THURSDAY** YOUTH PILGIMAGE

Come accompany our Lord as we visit seven churches at night after the Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm @ St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

> All Middle School, High School Students and Parents are invited Registration is required by April 6th

- St. Daniel's in Wheaton
- St. Michael's in Wheaton
- St. Petronille's in Glen Ellyn
- St. Matthew's in Glendale Heights
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- St. Mary's in West Chicago
- St. John the Baptist in Winfield

To register email or call Ruben Chavez rchavez@stjohnwinfield.org 630-668-0918 ext. 615

**BUS TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED** 

### SAVE THE DATE Religious Education Registration for Next Year, 2020-2021

Come to one of the following days during RE to register your child/ren for RE If new to program, must bring:

Wednesday, April 22, anytime between 4pm-8pm, OR

Wednesday, April 29, 4pm-8pm, OR

Saturday, April 25, anytime between 8:30am-10:30am

Door No. 11, Inside School Hall

- Baptismal certificate
- 1st Eucharist certificate, if applicable

Ouestions? Please contact: Kathie Brewer at 630-682-4400 ext 613 or Dianne Scheiblein at ext 614



**Tuition Transfer Grant**-Did you know that St. John the Baptist Catholic School offers a **Tuition Transfer Grant** to families who transfer their child into grades 1-7 from any local private\*, public, charter or home school for the 2019-2020 school year? With this two-year grant, families will receive \$1,000 per student in year one, and \$500 per student in year two, which will be applied to offset school tuition. \*Students transferring from another Catholic school within the Dioceses of Joliet, Peoria, Rockford, Springfield and the Archdiocese of Chicago are not eligible. For more information, please contact the school office.

### SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

### **Baptisms**

Baptisms usually held at two Masses each month, and two Saturdays. Parents need to be registered parishioners and parents and godparents will need to attend a Baptism Preparation Class prior to the Baptism. Godparents are to be practicing Catholics! Please contact the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 600.

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

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

### **Wedding Information**

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



### **Prayers & Support for the Sick & Those in Need**

### **Having Surgery?**

Give one of our priests a call PRIOR to your surgery, so that anointing can be given at a time when you are less stressed. Call the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0, & set a time to come in BEFORE your surgery for anointing.

### **Hospital Visits**

Our priests are available to make hospital visits. Because of HIPAA Laws the Hospital does not notify churches when parishioners are there. Please notify the St. John's Parish Office when a loved one is there giving us the name and room number. We want to do our best to minister to all hospitalized!

### **Homebound**

Parishioners who are homebound and wish to receive communion, please call the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0, and we will pass your name to the coordinator for Homebound Ministry.

### **Prayers of the Faithful**

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

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

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

### **Grief Support Group**

Our Grief Support Group offers emotional support for those grieving a loss - whether by death, divorce, or other significant event in their lives. Support is based on confidentiality, trust, and safety. The group meets the first Wednesday of the month (unless otherwise stated in the bulletin weekly meeting schedule) from 7 to 8:30 PM in the Parish Office Dining Room. You do not need to bring anything to the meeting. For more information, contact the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0.

**24-Hour Adoration:** Twenty-four hour Adoration is available in St. John's Chapel from Tuesday morning after the 7:00a daily Mass until Wednesday morning at 7:00a. All are welcome.



### **Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting**

At St. John's every Thursday evening, Sodonna Hall (basement of the parish offices), 7p.-8p. For more information, please contact the parish office, 630-668-0918, ext. 0



**Overeaters Anonymous Meeting:** At St. John's every Saturday, Youth Ministry Room (above garages of the parish offices), 9a-10a. For more information, please contact the parish office, 630-668-0918, ext. 0

### **MASS INFORMATION**

**Pulpit Announcements:** Submissions are due by 9 a.m. on Tues. prior to the Sunday you would like the announcement made. Please include a contact name and phone number. The parish office has final approval on all bulletin articles and pulpit announcements. Email to: jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org and rosab@stjohnwinfield.org.

**Music Schedule for March:** 5p-Contemporary Ensemble; 7:30a-Classic Ensemble; 9:30a-Adult Choir; 11:30a-Cantor/Organ.

**Mass Intentions:** Visit the parish office to schedule a Mass Intention. Donation is \$10;5p & 1:30p Masses-free-will donation.



### PARISH OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 8 A.M.- 4 P.M.

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

Email to: jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org and rosab@stjohnwinfield.org.

### St. John the Baptist Catholic Church/Iglesia Católica de San Juan Bautista

# St. John the Baptist Knights of Columbus 2020 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, the Narthex of church and on the Winfield Knights website: <a href="www.Winfieldknights.org">www.Winfieldknights.org</a>. 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 15, 2020, and received by April 21, 2020.

Please note: the applicant will complete Parts 1 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.

### Attn 8th to 11th Graders-CCW Scholarship-

Applications for The Joliet Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Bishop Blanchette Scholarship are now available to those students planning on attending a Joliet Diocesan Catholic High School for the 2020-2021 school year. Applicants can obtain a BBSF APPLICATION from St. John's parish office entryway. FACTS must be applied for online at https://



online.factsmgt.com. Request to be added to the Joliet Diocesan Council of Catholic Women-BBS FACTS ID#32463. If the family has already submitted a FACTS application for the upcoming year for another award, they are still eligible for the JDCCW-BBSF scholarship. Only one application need be submitted to FACTS at their online site. If you have any questions regarding FACTS, call 1-866-441-4637. DO NOT SEND the FACTS application to the JDCCW office. There is a \$35.00 fee for the FACTS application that needs to be submitted to FACTS at the time of application, along with a copy of the family's 2019 Income Tax report.



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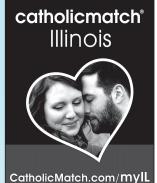


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