

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

May 26, 2019 | Sixth Sunday of Easter



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Memorial Day Poem

The finest tribute we can pay
Unto our hero dead to-day,
Is not a rose wreath, white and red,
In memory of the blood they shed,
It is to stand beside each mound,
Each couch of consecrated ground,
And pledge ourselves as warriors true
Unto the work they died to do.

Into God's valleys where they lie
At rest, beneath the open sky,
Triumphant now o'er every foe,
As living tributes let us go.
No wreath of rose or immortelles
Or spoken word or tolling bells
Will do to-day, unless we give
Our pledge that liberty shall live.

Our hearts must be the roses red
We place above our hero dead,
To-day beside their graves we must
Renew allegiance to their trust,
Must bare our heads and humbly say
We hold the Flag as dear as they,
And stand, as once they stood, to die
To keep the Stars and Stripes on high.

The finest tribute we can pay
Unto our hero dead to-day
Is not of speech or roses red,
But living, Throbbing hearts instead,
That shall renew the pledge they sealed
With death upon the battlefield:
That freedom's flag shall bear no stain
And free men wear no tyrant's chain.

~Edgar A. Guest

Memorial Day Mass-St. John's Cemetery

On **Monday, May 27**, Mass for St. John the Baptist Church will be celebrated at the St. John's Cemetery at 8:30 a.m., weather permitting. (There will be **no** 7a nor 7:50a Mass that day, nor confessions.) The cemetery is located at the corner of Summit and Garys Mill Road in Winfield. Please bring a folding chair/lawn type chair for each person attending.

In the event of rain, Mass will be held in the Chapel at St. John's Church on Church Street.

Also on Memorial Day, May 27, there will be a Mass at **The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Joliet** at 9:00 a.m., Assumption Cemetery, 1S.510 Winfield Road, Wheaton, Illinois. There will be a bagpiper and dove release after Mass.

All parish offices will be closed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27th.

Please pray for our sick

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

Gregory Garlt
Darlene Gedvilas
Danny Gonzalez
Judy Gonzalez
Dawn Grant
Destin Green
Jim Hale
Jennifer Hammerschmidt
Deborah Lynn Harris
Betty Hass
Jeremy Heintz
John Heitzler, Jr.
Joseph & Joy Henczel
Edy Jacobs
Jason Jensen
Margarita Jimenez
Andrew Jin
Lynn Kadolph
Mary Kallas
Brandon Karimi
Ken Kasnicka
Carter Kettner
Donna Kevil
Joe Konopka
Sharleen Kosusnik
Margaret Krisch
Gerry Krug
Teri Kubacki

Korrin Kupris
Ivanna Lamb
Rick LeBreux
Dolores Lewandowski
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
Goldena McGee
Bessy Miller
Colette Miller
Mayette Monales
Thomas Morris
Megan Mueller
Mary Lu Mulcahy
Bob Mungo
Tim Murnane
John Naill

Becky Neal
Johnny Neal
Maura Neuens
Clare North
Alex Novak
Lesley (Tobin)
Nygaard
Joseph O'Brien
Joan Pacer
Josie Pasciak
Jim Paulissen
Owen Payton
Molly Peters
Bane Petrov
Joseph Pirofalo
Brittney Prehn
Terry Propst
Ian Prosser
Tim Ptak
Theresa Ratterman
Mary Rauch
Sam Reyes
Alicia Ricciardi
Cooper Rojas
Gertie Romero
Kelli Rooney
Katherine Rose
John Rossi

Marvin Rothweil
Susan Rothweil
Helen Russ
Bob Salat
John "Bud" Schramer
Scott Schwartz
Sven Segerlund
John Shannon
Desiree Sheppard
Evelyn Skriba
Dolores Snyder
Olivia Soto
Michael John Stralko
Rosemary Sumang
Mary Tarchala
Virg Tobin
Jim Toman
Erin Anderson Tugman
Sheila Tomaszewski
Benjamin Vargas
Maria Vargas
Keith Venard
Martha Vescio
Genevieve Welch
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. Keith Wolfe/Padre Keith

Deacon: Dcn. Dave Ritter

Secretaries: Jennifer Kurtyka, Rosa Benavides
.....Ext 0 or 600.....

Secretaria Hispana:Ext 601

Business Manager:

.....Dcn. Dave Ritter.....Ext 616

Facilities Manager:

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

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

Música Español: María Marquez.630-562-6894

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

Director: Maureen Brennan.....Ext 612

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

Youth Ministry:

Coordinator: Ruben Chavez.....Ext. 611

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

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) 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., 7:50 a.m.;

Saturday: 8:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30 p.m.-4:30

p.m.-Church Confessional

Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-7:45

a.m.-Chapel Confessional

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
Kyle Langan**



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

Pvt James Luigi Akin
SRA Francis Beifuss
Major John Berg
SPC Tyler Bowling, US Army
Sgt Melissa Brooker
Pvt Timothy Conley
Lt. Jr. Gr. Nicholas Daly
Captain Daniel Durbin
SA Dakota Enders
LCPI Ciro Esquivel, Jr.
Pvt Nicholas Gedvilas
Pv2 Nicholas Gorman
Sgt Pamela Gray
A1C Seth Kelley
Sgt. David Lawless
SrA Robert Lawless
Navy Marco Angelo Lomibao
Commander Matthew Luff
CMDM (SW/SS/AW) Timothy A. Newell
ABH2 Sean Phillips
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
Captain 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 past Thursday, we celebrated the graduation ceremony for our parish grade school, and the next day, we had the end of the year pre-school celebration. This is the season of graduations; so let us remember in prayer all of our graduates. May they remain close to our Lord, the source of life, happiness, and virtue, and may He fill them with wisdom and grace.

Tomorrow, Monday, May 27th, is Memorial Day. Mass will be at 8:30 a.m. at the outdoor altar in St. John's Cemetery in Winfield on Gary's Mill Road and Summit Drive. In the case of inclement weather, Mass will be in our chapel. I will also be celebrating Mass tomorrow morning at 9 a.m. in the chapel at Assumption Cemetery, and the scouts are hosting a pancake breakfast tomorrow morning here at St. John the Baptist in School Hall. Let us take time tomorrow to remember in a special way our fallen soldiers.

Next Saturday, June 1st, I am blessed to be confirming many young men and women from our parish. It is a powerful moment: when we call down the Holy Spirit upon them and ask God to confirm and strengthen them. The same Holy Spirit that descended upon the Apostles and gives life to the Church is given to each person. What a remarkable gift: the Holy Spirit! God gives Himself to us. He is close to us. He gives us His Holy Spirit in Baptism and Confirmation. It is the Holy Spirit that gives life to the Church and is at work within our Church, making the mercy and grace of God present through the sacraments. In the Holy Eucharist, the Holy Spirit brings us the Body and Blood of Jesus, who gives Himself to us during Holy Communion. God desires for us to live in union with Him. We can be one with Him, because He has become one with us and gives Himself to us.

Let us stay close to our Lord, and let us continue to keep one another in prayer.

In Christ,
Fr. Matt



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

El jueves pasado, celebramos la ceremonia de graduación de nuestra escuela parroquial y el día siguiente fue la celebración preescolar. Es la temporada de graduaciones; entonces recordemos en oración a todos nuestros graduados.

Que permanezcan cerca de nuestro Señor, la fuente de la vida, la felicidad y la virtud, y que Él los llene con sabiduría y gracia.

Mañana, lunes 27 de mayo, es el Día de los Caídos, cuando recordamos nuestros soldados caídos. La misa será a las 8:30 a.m. en el altar en el cementerio de San Juan Bautista en Winfield en Gary's Mill Road y Summit Drive. En caso de mal tiempo, la misa será en nuestra capilla. También celebraré misa por la mañana a las 9 en la capilla en el Cementerio de la Asunción, y los Scouts ofrecerán un desayuno de panqueques por la mañana aquí en San Juan Bautista en School Hall.

El próximo sábado 1 de junio, tengo la bendición de confirmar a muchos hombres y mujeres jóvenes de nuestra parroquia. Es un momento poderoso: cuando invocamos al Espíritu Santo sobre ellos y le pedimos a Dios que los confirme y los fortalezca. El mismo Espíritu Santo que descendió sobre los apóstoles y da vida a la Iglesia se le da a cada persona. ¡Qué regalo tan notable: el Espíritu Santo! Dios se entrega a nosotros. Él está cerca de nosotros. Él nos da su Espíritu Santo en el Bautismo y la Confirmación. Es el Espíritu Santo que da vida a la Iglesia y está trabajando dentro de nuestra Iglesia, haciendo que la misericordia y la gracia de Dios estén presentes a través de los sacramentos. En la Sagrada Eucaristía, el Espíritu Santo nos trae el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Jesús, que se entrega a nosotros mismos durante la Sagrada Comunión. Dios desea que vivamos en unión con él. Podemos ser uno con Él, porque Él se ha vuelto uno con nosotros y se entrega a nosotros.

Permanezcamos cerca de nuestro Señor y sigamos recordar unos a los otros en oración.

En Cristo,
Padre Mateo

Mass Intentions for the Week



Saturday, May 25

8:30 a.m. † Fritz Karwoski (*The Enzweiler Family*)

Vigil for the Sixth Sunday of Easter

5:00 p.m. † Cosgrove & Miller Families (*Colette Miller*)
 † Nick Larson & Kevin Grieco (*Anne & Dave Larson*)
 † William A. Starkovich, Sr. (*John Burke Family*)
 † Holy Souls in Purgatory (*Anonymous*)
 † Arthur J. Hansen (*The McGlynn Family*)
 † Aladar Vallec & Alison Ebert (*Dolores Lewandowski*)

Sunday, May 26, Sixth Sunday of Easter

7:30 a.m. † Lisa Newhouse
 9:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish
 11:30 a.m. † Joseph, Timothy & Randy Lambert (*Rose Marie Lambert*)
 1:30 p.m. (*Spanish*) † La intención del sacerdote

Monday, May 27-Memorial Day

8:30 a.m. (*St. John's Cemetery, weather permitting*) † For All Deceased Members of the Military, Police & Firefighters

Tuesday, May 28

7:00 a.m. † Rose Marecek, Birthday Remembrance (*The Lambert Family*)
 7:50 a.m. † Intention of the Presider

Wednesday, May 29

7:00 a.m. † Jerry Enzweiler (*The Enzweiler Family*)
 7:50 a.m. † Intention of the Presider

Thursday, May 30

7:00 a.m. † Virginia Hamlin (*Ron & Donna Konen*)
 7:50 p.m. † Matthew Boes (*Stephen & Helen Boes*)

Friday, May 31

7:00 a.m. † Giuliana Capigatti (*Andy Capigatti & Daughter*)
 7:50 a.m. † Bernadine Russell (*John & Helen Klages*)

Saturday, June 1

8:30 a.m. ♥† CCW Living, Deceased & for Peace (CCW)

Vigil for the Ascension of the Lord

5:00 p.m. (Church) † Matthew Boes (*Stephen & Helen Boes*)
 † Eleanor F. McCaslin (*Rita Wilke*)
 † Dorothy Aylward
 † Mae Mohr (*The Aylward Family*)
 † Holy Souls in Purgatory (*Anonymous*)
 † Ramona Clavel (*The Clavel Family*)
 5:00 p.m. (Chapel) † Intention of the Presider

Sunday, June 2, The Ascension of the Lord

7:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish
 9:30 a.m. † Abe Rundell (*Micheline D. Silveti*)
 11:30 a.m. † Fr. Tony Stockinger
 1:30 p.m. (*Spanish*) † Eliseo Vargas (*Vargas Family*)
 ♥ Living, Marbella Ramirez (*The Ramirez Family*)

Mass Celebrants for:

Saturday, June 1: 5p (Church)-Fr Matt/Fr Keith;
 5p(Chapel)-Visiting Priest;

Sunday, June 2: 7:30 am-Fr Keith; 9:30 am-Fr Keith;
 11:30 am-Fr Matt; 1:30 pm/Spanish-Fr Matt

Our Sanctuary Lamps

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

Chapel † **Kevin Grieco**
 Church † **Nick Larson**



*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.

Please join us for Solemn Sunday Vespers
 in the Chapel at 6:30 pm, Sunday evenings
 through Pentecost Sunday,
 Sunday, June 9, 2019



Please pray for

Donna Williams

who passed away on February 8, 2019.

Our sympathies are extended to
 all of her family & friends.



Please pray for

Lottie Jakubiec

who passed away on May 15, 2019.

Our sympathies are extended to her
 daughter, Marie Jakubiec, and to
 all of her family & friends.

Council of Catholic Women-Collecting Rosaries in Any Condition-Ongoing-CCW will be continuing making & refurbishing rosaries to send to the Missions. Could you please help us by donating rosaries in any condition? We can use new, old, broken, pieces, crosses, medals & rosary cases. Any monetary donations will be used to buy additional supplies. Please drop off your donations marked "CCW Mission Rosaries" in the parish office vestibule. We have a box marked for them. Thank you.



Please Note: 5p Mass-June 1st

Confirmation at St. John's will be held on Saturday, June 1st, during the 5p Mass in the Church. To accommodate any parishioners who do not want to attend the Mass with Confirmation, there will be Mass in the Chapel without confirmation, also at 5p.

Confession Schedule/Horario de Confesiones

- Monday thru Friday, 7:30a-7:45a-Chapel;
- Saturday, June 1, 3:30p-Fr Keith



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Boy Scout Troop 575 is sponsoring:

A Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast

***For & In Honor of
Our Own Parishioner,
Alex Novak***

Following the Boy Scout Memorial Day Flag
Ceremony at Creekside Park-8a

**St. John's School Hall
Monday, May 27
9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.**

**Pancake
Breakfast
Time**



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*If you have any worn-out flags in need
of retirement, Troop 575 will
collect them at the event.*



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THE GIFT OF PEACE “There arose no little dissension and debate.” Did that happen at work this week? Most of us can recall run-ins with coworkers, even with the boss. Did it happen while socializing with friends? Go easy on politics, religion . . . even sports. At home? Even the most peaceful household experiences a little “give and take” now and then. So where was it that “there arose no little dissension and debate”? That tumultuous conflict occurred among our first Christian ancestors, disrupting the community life of the early church. But today’s Acts of the Apostles shows how beautifully the Holy Spirit, promised by Jesus in today’s Gospel, helped the church achieve a grace-filled resolution. What evolved was that “reconciled diversity,” often encouraged by Pope Francis and even envisioned in today’s Revelation passage; and a wondrous experience of Jesus’ promised Gospel gift: “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.”

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An Invitation from Maureen Brennan:

“Please mark your calendars for Fr. Keith’s

*Mass of Farewell on the
Vigil of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity,
on Saturday, June 15 at 5pm,
with a reception and cook-out to follow
in Sebahar Hall.*



*Often people may wonder what type of gift is appropriate for such an occasion;
in lieu of an individual gift, please contact me in the Religious Education
Office, 630-668-0918, ext. 612, or maureenb@stjohnwinfield.org,
to contribute toward a parish-wide gift. Thank you.”*

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 26, 2019

May the peoples praise you, O God;
may all the peoples praise you!
— *Psalm 67:6*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The question of whether circumcision is necessary for salvation (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29).

Psalm — O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67)

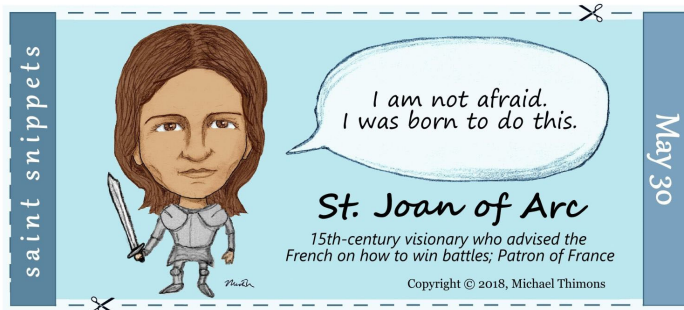
Second Reading — John envisions the holy city, the new Jerusalem (Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23) or *Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20*.

Gospel — Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you (John 14:23-29) or *John 17:20-26*.

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SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Sixth Sunday of Easter
Monday:	St. Augustine of Canterbury; Memorial Day
Wednesday:	St. Paul VI
Thursday:	The Ascension of the Lord (unless transferred to Sunday)
Friday:	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday:	St. Justin; First Saturday



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
Tuesday:	Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday:	Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday:	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53 (for Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
Friday:	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56
Saturday:	Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday:	Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9; Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26; or, for Ascension, Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

Corpus Christi Sunday, June 23

This year Corpus Christi Sunday, the celebration of the Body and Blood of Christ, falls on **June 23rd**. There will be a 1:30p bilingual Mass, followed by a procession from the Church to two altars where the Blessed Sacrament will be venerated. The procession will then return to the Chapel for Benediction.

All 1st Communicants in their First Communion attire are invited to be part of the procession.

Would you like to become an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion?

There will be a training session for **new** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (Eucharistic Ministers) on **Thursday, June 13th at 7PM in the Church**.

In order to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, you must have received the sacraments of Baptism, Communion and Confirmation. So, for those who received the sacrament of Confirmation this spring, this is an excellent way to enhance your faith!

Anyone interested is encouraged to attend. If you have any questions, please contact Shirley Axelson, laxelson@comcast.net, 630-293-1355.

~Worship Commission

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.



Come and spend some time with Our Lord in prayer. He awaits you in the Blessed Sacrament. Open up a dialogue with Him and discuss with Him your life and desires. Let him give you His graces and blessings. Allow yourself to be guided by His love.

According to Matthew 26:40 in the Garden of Gethsamane "When he returned to his disciples, he found them asleep. He said to Peter, "So you could not keep watch with me for one hour?"

Please call me if you are able to commit to one hour per week.
Arlene Reichert 630-890-2857.

**St. John's School Celebrates Field Day, Thursday, May 30th-
New this Year – A Service Site!**

Because we are a Catholic School and “service to those in need” is a key part of our life, our physical education teacher, Mrs. Norton, is changing up the normal Field Day to add a “service” twist! This year we are going to be making up “Essentials Bags” for the homeless we house through PADS during the summer months in Sebahar Hall. We are looking for **nylon backpack drawstring bags**. Our hope is to put items necessary for personal hygiene for our traveling friends, such as: **washcloths, hand towels, small bars of soap, hand lotion, comb/brush, small deodorant, tooth brush/tooth paste, body wipes-possibly plastic water bottles!**

Anything that helps our friends out during the hot summer months.

(Yes, I promise the sun will come out and dry up all the rain!)

If you can help us with any of the above items, we would love it! If you have items to donate, please leave them in the parish office vestibule marked “Field Day.”

Thank you, generous and thoughtful parishioners of St. John's!

~Maureen Brennan, Director of Religious Education, 630-682-4400 X 612

**Homeless Ministry-
Volunteers Needed for
PADS**

Please contact Rick Loechl if you can help with PADS in Sebahar Hall any block of time beginning Tuesday evenings through Wednesdays this summer. We are always looking for a few more friendly faces to help with this very worthwhile & necessary ministry. Service hours can be earned.

Please contact:

**Rick Loechl at 630-222-5455, or
rloechl@prodigy.net**

**Homeless Ministry Needs
Hand Towels & Washcloths**

Our Homeless Ministry is in need of hand towels and washcloths. If you are able to donate these items, you can drop them off in the parish office vestibule, marked Homeless Ministry, please.

Thank you for your generosity!



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**ONE FOR
THE TEAM**



Show your team spirit by joining us for a fundraiser to support St John The Baptist. Come in to the Chipotle at **2119 West Roosevelt Road** in Wheaton on **Tuesday, May 28th** between **4:00pm** and **8:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to St John The Baptist.



Online orders will not be included in the fundraiser total. To ensure your purchase is counted in the fundraiser, be sure to order and pay in-restaurant. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.

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 \$23,539.**

April 14.....\$23,808

April 21.....\$21,278

April 28.....\$27,818

May 5.....\$29,845

May 12.....\$23,443

Put your Sunday Offering on "AUTOMATIC" and leave the rest to us!!!

Automatic Offering is an easy and convenient way to maintain your stewardship to St. John the Baptist. By signing the Automatic Offering, you will:

- Free yourself of monthly check writing
- Have a record of payment on your bank statement
- Save the cost of checks
- Easy, timely contributions even when you are out-of-town or on vacation

To enroll in the Automatic Offering Program, just fill out the information below and return your form with your St. John's weekly envelope at Mass in the offertory basket or to the parish office.

YES, please put my Sunday Offering on *AUTOMATIC!!!**

Name _____ Env. No. _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Daytime Phone # _____

_____ Please DEBIT my account on the Monday of each WEEK in the amount of \$ _____.

_____ Please DEBIT my account on the 1, 2, 3, or 4 (circle one) MONDAY of each MONTH
in the amount of \$ _____

Financial Institution Routing No. _____ Acct. No. _____

Checking _____ or Savings _____ Name of Bank _____

Please start AUTOMATIC OFFERING on _____ (1st day of week or month).

I (We), authorize St. John the Baptist to initiate weekly or monthly debits in the above-listed amount, beginning on the indicated start date and continuing thereafter, for my Church Offering until I so designate from the above financial institution specified by me. I understand the funds will be withdrawn each week/month as I have specified, and that it is my responsibility to ensure sufficient funds are in my account at that time. This authorization will remain in effect until revoked by me in writing at least 30 days prior to the next effective withdrawal date. I acknowledge that the origination of **ACH transactions to my account must comply with the provisions of U.S. Law.**

Signature _____ Date _____
Signature _____ Date _____

***Please call Dianne @ the parish office for information on credit/debit card at 630-668-0918, ext 614. NOTE: One month notice required for any changes.**

Cursillo Corner

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

Ultreya- June 8, 2019

Saint John the Baptist will host an Ultreya in Sebahar Hall on Saturday, **June 8 following 8:30 am Mass** in the chapel. The witness speaker will be **Shannon Ryerson** from St. Irene's in Warrenville.

Please bring a friend! This is a great way to introduce others to the movement and help in their discernment process for attending a future weekend.

Opportunities for Piety, Study or Action

Broken Mary

A Journey of Hope

St. Joseph, 416 N. Chicago St., Joliet

Wednesday, May 29, 7pm, doors open 6:30pm. Kevin Matthews, Chicago comedian and radio personality, releases his witty and reflective memoir, "Broken Mary, A Journey of Hope." All are welcome, www.stjosephjoliet.org.

Cursillo Fall Weekend Schedule

Weekends are held at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien Illinois

Men's 138th: **Oct 24-27, 2019**

Women's 130th: **November 7-10, 2019**

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? Men and women's weekends will be held in the fall at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien.

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.

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: amythel1@att.net.

CATHOLICS FOR LIFE

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

Prayer for Those Hoping to Conceive or Adopt a Child

PSALM 145:13-21

The Lord is faithful in all his words and holy in all his works.

The Lord lifts up all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

The eyes of all look hopefully to you, and you give them their food in due season;

You open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

The Lord is just in all his ways and holy in all his works.

The Lord is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.

He fulfills the desire of those who fear him, he hears their cry and saves them.

The Lord keeps all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.

May my mouth speak the praise of the Lord,

and may all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

PRAYER

God our Creator, by your love the world is filled with life, through your generosity one generation gives life to another, and so are your wonders told and your praises sung.

We look to you in our love and in our need:

may it be your will that we bear (adopt) a child to share our home and faith.

Loving God, be close to us as we pray to love and do your will.

You are our God, nourishing us forever and ever.

R/. Amen

~from [Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers](#)

"Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility" (www.usccb.org/navigating-infertility) seeks to provide compassionate guidance that is both practical and informative for married couples who are walking on this road. Although geared to these couples, the article is also helpful for anyone to read, offering insight into the experience of infertility and giving awareness of the need for sensitivity in our relationships with those who may be affected.

Spiritual Adoption

Our parish Respect Life Committee invites you to continue the nine month commemoration of the gestation of the Child Jesus in Mary's womb, which began March 25, and to spiritually adopt a baby that is in danger of abortion, if you haven't already done so. Around the 25th of each month a bulletin article will explain the growth of the babies. Choose a name for your baby and pray for him/her and their parents using Archbishop Fulton Sheen's prayer found on prayer cards on the tables in the narthex of the Church and Chapel and by the baby poster in the Church. pray for them daily. Jesus and your adopted baby are counting on you. *"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."*

THE THIRD MONTH

Faith-filled Joseph, believing the revelation that he is to be the protector of the Messiah, bravely stands by Mary's side, offering his strength and sense of mission as her body begins to accommodate her child. How many fathers have abandoned the mothers of their children: Indeed, how many fathers who may have treasured a child never know of its existence or of its terrible end: Babies are denied life who can at this stage hear, open and close their lips, hiccup and suck their thumbs. At three inches, the baby now begins to kick, curl and fan toes, make a fist, and practice breathing. Pray for all fathers that they may use the awesome power of life-giving to be a true protector.

The "Mane" Event



The best week of the summer!

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Vacation Bible School, 2019

Monday through Friday,

June 24 - June 28

9a-12p

**For more information &
to register:**

- **www.stjohnwinfield.org, or**
- **Call Mrs. Brennan,
630-682-4400, ext. 612**

HELP! I NEED YOUR HELP! CAN YOU SPARE A HOSTA OR TWO?

As you may know, St. John's School is having a FIELD DAY on **Thursday, May 30th**! One of the sites will be SERVICE! And one of the grades will be asked to plant a few plants around the SJB grounds! I know the weather has been lousy-but this week just might be the perfect opportunity to divide your hostas, or any other perennials you may have in your yard! Leave in the **vestibule of the parish office**. And thanks again for always giving to "the cause of the week!"



~Maureen Brennan, Religious Education Director

Religious Education Registration for the 2019-20 Calendar Year



Registrations for Religious Education will be accepted at the Religious Education department, Monday through Thursday, 9a-4p, or by appointment, 630-668-0918, ext. 612. On Fridays, please see Diane in the parish office 9a-4p. Please note: For new students, please

bring a copy of your baptismal certificate. Also, any outstanding Religious Education balances must be paid in full prior to registration. Thank you.

For our Spanish speaking parents that may need help with registration, Esperanza will be available in the parish office on the following Wednesdays:

- May 22, May 29, June 5 from 4-7:30 • June 12 and future Summer Wednesdays, from 1-5 pm

Religiosa Educación Registro para 2019-2020

Si se perdió el registro y todavía necesita inscribirse para la Educación Religiosa para el próximo año (Septiembre 2019 a Mayo 2020), por favor vea Dianne en la oficina parroquial, 9A-4P, de lunes a viernes. Los estudiantes nuevos deben traer el certificado bautismal; no se aceptará el registro sin ella. Además, no hay registro sin una dirección de correo electrónico. Tenga en cuenta: después del 31 de Mayo, la matrícula es \$100 más alta para cubrir los costos de envío adicional de materiales. Para nuestros padres de habla hispana que pueden necesitar ayuda con el registro, Esperanza estará disponible en la oficina parroquial los Miércoles siguientes: • 22 de Mayo, 29 de Mayo, 5 de Junio de 4-7:30 • 12 de Junio y futuros Miércoles de Verano, de 1-5

Volunteering at VBS

If you are interested in helping out by being a guide (5th grade & older) or a site leader (high school & older), please contact Kathie or Maureen in Religious Education for sign up. Site Leaders and Guides are to be here all five mornings, June 24-28th and are required to attend a meeting the week prior for planning.

Kathie & Maureen: 630-668-0918, ext. 613,
or kathieb@stjohnwinfield.org

News from St. John the Baptist School Physical Education

"Now as Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon who was called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And He said to them, 'Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men.'" (Matthew 4:18-19)

Grades 4-8 just completed a three-week fishing unit that



concluded with a fishing field trip to Oakwood Park pond in Winfield to put our freshly learned skills to use. The students spent class time learning how to tie knots, identify fish, set up a fishing line and pole, cast, bait a hook, remove fish and safely release fish.



On each class's field trip day, they spent three hours at Oakwood fishing for bluegill, crappie and bass. The caught fish totals this year reached a record high of 721 fish landed

and released. Eighth grade topped the tally board with a whopping 270 fish, followed by a combined trip of 5th and 7th grade girls catching 201 fish. Fourth grade followed with 151 fish and sixth grade finished up the field trips with 93 fish. The biggest fish caught was by a 5th grade girl; the fish was a beautiful largemouth bass weighing approximately 2.8 lbs.

Mrs. Norton, the PE teacher, likes to teach the students a variety of different, lifelong sports. This year's units also included bowling and roller skating.

More fishing pictures next week!



The Diocese of Joliet will hold its Forty-first Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass on:

Sunday, August 18, 2019 at 2p at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet.

If you are celebrating either your 25th or 50th anniversary this year, please contact the parish office at **630-668-0918, ext 0**, so that we may submit your name to the Diocese for a formal invitation. Those celebrating over 50 year anniversaries do not receive a formal invitation, but will be able to register to attend at a later date.

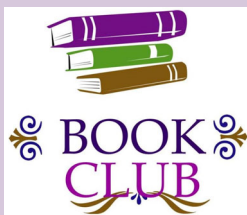
NEXT WEEKEND-JUNE 1ST & 2ND-PLEASE RETURN BABY BOTTLES

St. John the Baptist Parish is conducting its **Baby Bottles for Life** campaign to benefit, support & educate pregnant women facing crisis or unintended pregnancies. The funds collected through the Bottles for Life campaign support the programs & services of the Waterleaf Women's Center. Waterleaf provides practical help; pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, STD testing and treatment as well as continuing education and support for women in our community who would otherwise be at risk for choosing abortion. Last year with the support of churches like St. John Waterleaf provided 1,718 client appointments, performed 504 pregnancy tests, 563 ultrasounds and rescued 101 babies. Baby bottles were distributed to parishioners Saturday, April 27th & Sunday, April 28th to take home & fill. If you missed receiving a bottle, extra Baby Bottles are available in the parish office vestibule which is open 24/7. **Filled bottles can be returned to the parish at any of the Masses through Sunday, June 2nd** or at the parish office. Please pick up a Baby Bottle and fill it with your heartfelt financial donation. Please make checks payable to Waterleaf. Your support is greatly appreciated. For more information call Waterleaf at



630-701-6270 or visit them on the web at www.onechoiceonelifelife.org.

Join St John's Book Club at our next monthly meeting, **Wednesday June 19th at 6:45 pm at the Winfield Public Library, downstairs.** We will discuss the book, *The Muralist* by B.A. Shapiro. New members welcome. To RSVP or make inquiries notify Jean at tjdaniell@att.net



Activities This Week at St. John's

Saturday, May 25

8:30a-10a-Youth Ministry Room in Use
9:30a-St. Vincent de Paul Monthly Meeting-Sodonna Hall
Off-site-11a-Priesthood Ordination-St. Raymond Cathedral, Joliet
11:30a-Wedding-Chapel
2p-Wedding-Chapel

Sunday, May 26-Rosary after 7:30a Mass-Chapel

At 1:30p-Baptisms, w/Presentation
3:30p-Wedding-Chapel
6:30p-Solemn Vespers-Chapel (every Sunday evening thru Pentecost, 6/9)

Monday, May 27-Memorial Day

All Parish Offices Closed; No School
9a-11a-Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast-School Hall
4:15-5:30p-Cursillo Fourth Day Group using Youth Ministry Room
6p-Boy Scout Troop Meeting-School Hall

Tuesday, May 28

7:30a-24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration Begins-Chapel
4p-8p-Chipotle Fundraiser-2119 W. Roosevelt-See flyer insert for details
7p-CCW Board Meeting-Sebahar Hall
7p-Finance Committee Meeting-Parish Office Dining Room

Wednesday, May 29

6:45a-Eucharistic Adoration Ends-Chapel
8p-Adult Choir Practice-Church

Thursday, May 30

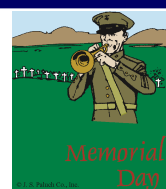
Sebahar Hall reserved for Confirmation Set-Up
5p-Wedding Rehearsal-Chapel
5:15p-Legion of Mary-English-Trinity Boardroom
5:30p-Legion of Mary-Spanish-Youth Ministry Room
6:30p-Confirmation Rehearsal-Church
7p-Alcoholics Anonymous-Sodonna Hall
7p-Hand Bell Practice Tonight-Church

Friday, May 31

Sebahar Hall reserved for Confirmation Set-Up
Last Day of SJB School before summer break
4p-Wedding-Chapel

Saturday, June 1

Sebahar Hall reserved for Confirmation Set-Up
School Hall reserved all day
8:30a-10a-Youth Ministry Room in Use
10a-1p-Spanish Eucharistic Minister Training, Church, Chapel, Narthex
12p-Quinceanera-Chapel
2p-Quinceanera-Chapel
At 5p Mass in Church-Confirmation, followed by reception in Sebahar Hall
At All Masses-Please return the Baby Bottles for Life-Church Narthex
Sunday, June 2-Rosary after 7:30a Mass-Chapel
At All Masses-Please return the Baby Bottles for Life-Church Narthex
At 11:30a Mass-Baptisms
6:30p-Solemn Vespers-Chapel (every Sunday evening thru Pentecost, 6/9)



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- June 22 & 23-St. Julie's, Tinley Park
- July 20 & 21 - Holy Family, Inverness
- Sept 7 & 8 - Mary Queen of Heaven Parish, Elmhurst

For more information contact us at: Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry, 1-708-354-7211; joyfulagain7211@gmail.com or our website: www.joyfulagain.org

St. John the Baptist School News - Our Very Own BP Student Ideas Award Winners!

Excerpt from our school principal's weekly letter, dated May 16, 2019:

On Tuesday, Mr. Valenta and I had the privilege of joining **Lily Gonzalez** and **Sadie Smith** and their families for the **BP Student Ideas Awards Ceremony** at the **Chicago Cultural Center**. Rahm Emanuel spoke about the inception of his idea for the Architecture Biennial which partners with BP and offers the competition as a learning initiative. It asked students to respond to the following question: How would you transform a vacant or underused space in your community? It welcomed submissions that explored

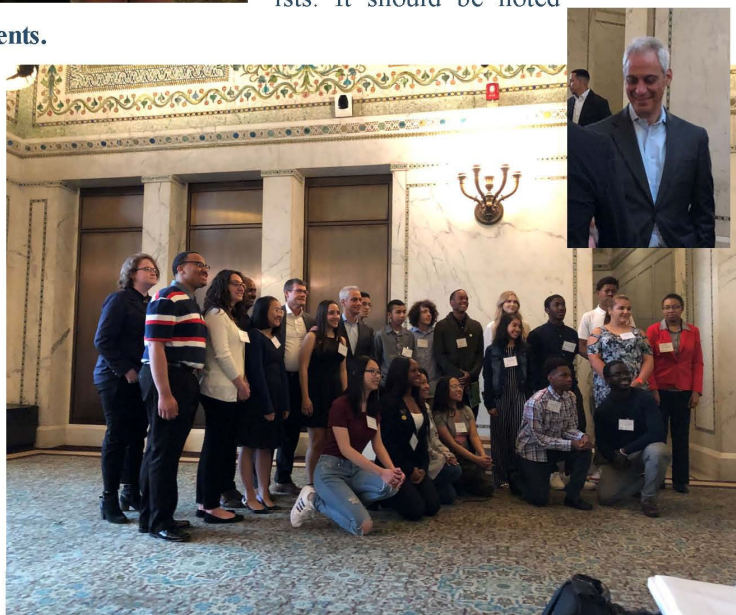


ideas about architecture and the built environment from a wide range of disciplines including design but also the humanities, visual and performing arts, and STEM fields. I am pleased to announce that Sadie and Lily were awarded Honorable Mention and each received a framed certificate, admission tickets to the Chicago Architecture Center, and one hundred dollars. Ninety-nine projects were submitted and thirteen were invited to the Awards Ceremony as the top and finalists. It should be noted

that Sadie and Lily were the youngest recipients.

Congratulations to both of them for their submission of their idea of creating a playground accessible for disabled children. Their poster will be framed and displayed in the school in the near future. They also received a congratulatory letter from Illinois House Representative Amy Grant who was unable to attend the ceremony. Thank you to Mr. Valenta for sponsoring our seventh graders in the project. We are so very proud of them and beyond proud of Sadie and Lily.

~Mrs. Policht, St. John the Baptist Catholic School Principal



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. Spiritual Preparation begins at least SIX MONTHS in advance. 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. 600, and 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.

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



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 the Month of May: At the 5p-Contemporary Ensemble; 7:30a-Classic Ensemble; 9:30a-Adult Choir; 11:30a-Organ/Cantor. **Music Schedule for the Month of June:** At the 5p-Organ/Cantor; 7:30a-Classic Ensemble; 9:30a-Contemporary Ensemble; 11:30a-Adult Choir

Mass Intentions

Visit the parish office to schedule a Mass Intention. Donation is \$10. The 5p & 1:30p Masses are 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 entry way to the vestibule of the parish office.

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

Totus Tuus Summer Camp is a fun 5-day camp hosted in 35 different parishes throughout the Diocese of Joliet. Children grades 1-6 attend the day program Monday-Friday and the teens grades 7-12 attend the evening program Sunday-Thursday. Unlike most summer camps, Totus Tuus is taught by a team of *4 faith-filled young adults* who genuinely bring the joy of Christ to the children in a week-long encounter they won't forget. The younger children love the songs, skits, and learning about Jesus, while the teens appreciate making a real connection with the young adult leaders who teach them how God is relevant in their lives. Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation and praying the rosary are included. Register Online: www.givecentral.org/TTJoliet

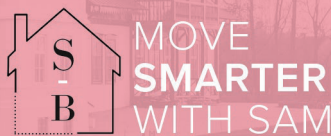
Catholic Sports Camps Catholic Sports Camps are faith-filled experiences where leaders are built, sports are played, and faith is strengthened. Each camp is designed to be a fun, inspiring, and challenging week of sports with the integration of learning the Catholic faith. For the summer of 2019, we have 9 sports and 12 camps throughout the Diocese of Joliet and beyond! Families may go to www.catholicsportscamps.org to register now.



Catholic Soccer Camp: June 16th-19th, 2019 @ IC Catholic Prep High School
Catholic Hockey Camp - Springfield: June 17th-19th, 2019 @ Nelson Ice Arena
Catholic Golf Camp: June 16th-20th, 2019 @ Avondale Golf Club (CA)
Catholic Golf Camp: June 23rd-27th, 2019 @ Avondale Golf Club (CA)
Catholic Football Camp: June 30th-July 3rd @ Benedictine University
Catholic Golf Camp: July 7th-11th, 2019 @ Avondale Golf Club (CA)
Catholic Hockey Camp - Darien: July 14th-17th, 2019 @ Darien Sportsplex
Catholic Basketball Camp: July 21st-24th, 2019 @ Guerin Prep High School
Catholic Baseball Camp: July 28th-31st, 2019 @ Benet Academy
Catholic Wrestling Camp: July 28th-31st, 2019 @ Joliet Junior College
Catholic Volleyball Camp: August 4th-7th, 2019 @ Montini Catholic High School
Catholic Cross Country Camp: August 4th-7th, 2019 @ Mt. Carmel Catholic High School



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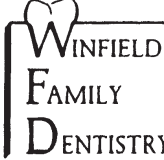
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