

# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Leading Souls to Heaven*

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## MASS TIMES

**Mondays - Thursdays**

7:00 am

**Fridays**

12:00 pm

**Saturdays**

5:00 pm

(Sunday Vigil)

**Sundays**

7:30 am

9:30 am

11:30 am

## CONFESSIONS

**Saturdays**

3:30-4:30 pm



*Fourth Sunday of Easter - May 8, 2022*

## CONTACT INFORMATION:

Parish Directory: \_\_\_\_\_ 630-668-0918

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Rev. Mr. Alex Lorang

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

Please keep in your prayers our Deacons who are preparing for the Priesthood:

Rev. Mr. Brian Geary

Rev. Mr. Alex Lorang

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

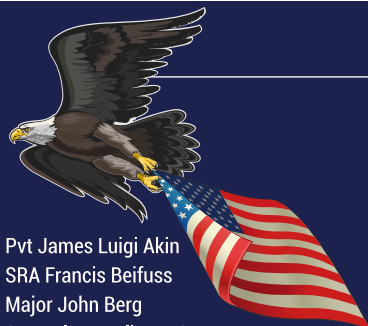
## COME ENCOUNTER JESUS AT ST. JOHN!

Eucharistic Adoration is held every Thursday from 7:30 am, following the 7:00 am Mass, to 8:00 pm in the Chapel.

## WHAT IS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION?

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

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



Pvt James Luigi Akin  
SRA Francis Beifuss  
Major John Berg  
Sgt. Tyler Bowling, US Army  
Sgt Melissa Brooker  
Pvt Timothy Conley  
Lt. Jr. Gr. Nicholas Dalz  
Major Daniel Durbin

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

LCPI Ciro Esquivel, Jr.	ABH2 Sean Phillips
Sgt. Nicholas Gedvilas	Captain Colleen Rezabek
Colonel Erica Haas, USAF	Captain Kevin Rezabek
ATC Seth Kelley	ATC Alejandro Luis Sanchez
Airman Nicholas Kostecka	Cpl Riley Santoyo
Lt. Crystal Kotvan	Sgt Ian Sarlitto
Sgt Major Carrie Kwiatkowski	AN Michael Schieve
Sgt. David Lawless	PFC Keegan Serbick
SrA Robert Lawless	Major Jim Smolucha
Navy Marco Angelo Lomibao	Major Mike Smolucha
Commander Matthew Luff	SFC Thomas Stanhope
WO1 Jake Miller	AFSSgt Zachary Ushman
CMDCM (SW/SS/AW) Timothy A. Newell	Lt. Keith Wolfe

## *Please pray for our sick*

James Adduci	Joseph Jr. & Maggie Morgan
Alisa Allen	Thomas Morris
Sandy Anderson	Megan Mueller
Jack Aylward	Mary Lu Mulcahy
Dave Balseqiz	Lauren Mungo
Ada Bantola	Joan Murdock
Maryann Barone	Tim Murnane
Michael Barone	Becky Neal
Hanns Bell	Johnny Neal
Ella Bitterman	Maura Neuens
Jennifer Bitterman	Clare North
Brian Burke	Alex Novak
Allison Lamberts Burns	Lesley (Tobin) Nygaard
Jim Cabrera, Sr.	Joseph O'Brien
Lawrence Campbell	Larry Orni
Maria Elena Castro	Joan Pacer
Karen Cervenka	Lori Pacer
Lisa Cicero	Charlie Parisi
Al Cieslik	Bill Parker
Patricia Clifford	Bill Paschke
Kathy Connor	Josie Pasciak
Georgene Cook	Jim Paulissen
Julio Correa	Owen Payton
Rita Cross	Bane Petrov
Mary Elaine Cruz	Joseph Pirofalo
Linda Dameron	Brittney Prehn
Anetta Derango	Ian Prosser
Krystyna Derecki	Al Ptak
Kathe Doremus	Tim Ptak
Nick DuBay	Mary Rauch
Karen Durbin	Sam Reyes
Ralph Eckhoff	Alicia Ricciardi
Concepcion Edaño	Paul & Katherine Ricciardi
Joan Enders	Cooper Rojas
Aaron Erickson	Gertie Romero
William Ferdinand	Monica Romero
Patrocinia Fernandez	Kelli Rooney
Marie Flores	Katherine Rose
Valerie Fraser	John Rossi
Kyle Freed	Sister Audrey Rothweil
Dolores Gabriel	Marvin Rothweil
Monica Garcia	Susan Rothweil
Gregory Garlt	Bob Salat
Darlene Gedvilas	Dwayne Sarver
Danny Gonzalez	Scott Schwartz
Judy Gonzalez	Sven Segerlund
Dawn Grant	John Shannon
Destin Green	Desiree Sheppard
Marcia Grisanzio	Evelyn Skriba
Daniel Guzman	Dan Smyth
Jennifer Hammerschmidt	Dolores Snyder
Deborah Lynn Harris	Diane Srachta
Betty Hass	Cynde Barone Stavros
Jeremy Heintz	Doug Stephan
John Heitzler, Jr.	Hugh Stott
Joseph & Joy Henczel	Michael John Stralko
Baby Luke Hougan	Rosemary Sumang
Edy Jacobs	Ewa Samacka
Pat Jakubiec	Lucy Szwed
Monique Jakubielski	Mary Tarchala
Jason Jensen	Deborah Terry
Margarita Jimenez	Virg Tobin
Andrew Jin	Jim Toman
Shawn Jurgensen	Michael Torri
Mary Kallas	Erin Anderson Tugman
Kathy Kamphaus	Christina Belcher-Ugolini
Brandon Karimi	Benjamin Vargas
Ken Kasnicka	Maria Vargas
Carter Kettner	Martha Vescio
Donna Kevil	Virginia Underwood
Gerry Krug	Dolores Vasquez
Margaret Kuhn	Genevieve Welch
Korin Kupris	Emily Wilson
Ivanna Lamb	Kylie Wells-Long
Rose Marie Lambert	Pat Waltz
Ken Larson	Paula Winterhalder
Nancy Liden	Elizabeth Wood
Haley Lipnisky	Susan Woodbury
Marilyn Loechl	Lexie Youngberg
Donna Maday	Larry Zengri
Sam Mahre	
Beth Majerczyk	
Gianna Malorny	
John Maltese	
Linda Marczewski	
Jan Masters	
Al Mathieu	
Diane Maher	
Alex McCall	
Michael McCall	
Perri McCall	
Patricia Meschler	
Bessy Miller	
Mayette Monales	

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends in Christ,

This day we honor our mothers. Moms are great! I am blessed to have mine still. Some may have their moms watching from Heaven. But in a special way we honor all women and all who have been mother figures to us. They teach us and love us. The greatest model is Mary. She loves us and wants to take all our prayers to her son.

**Happy Mother's Day!**

In Christ,  
Fr Chris



*Here is Fr Chris with his mom, Theresa Lankford.  
Christmas, 2021.*



Happy  
Mother's Day!



### Our Sanctuary Lamps



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

**Chapel † Giuliana Capigatti**  
**Church † Jeanne Ptak**

\*If you would like to request a sanctuary lamp to burn in memory of/in honor of a loved one, please contact the parish office. The cost is five dollars per week.

### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Fourth Sunday of Easter

*Almighty ever-living God,  
lead us to a share in the joys of heaven,  
so that the humble flock may reach  
where the brave Shepherd has gone before.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.*

### REFLECTION QUESTION:

How can I listen more closely to the voice of  
the Good Shepherd?

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### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & CONFESSION

Confessions are on Saturdays from 3:30 pm until 4:30 pm.  
All Confessions are in the Church.



**William Borowiak**

*who passed away on April 26, 2022*  
Our sympathies are extended to his wife,  
Dolores, and to all of his family & friends.

Because the dispensation from the obligation to attend  
Sunday Mass has been lifted, we will no longer be  
live-streaming Mass at St. John's after April 24th.

### Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2022

*"I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an  
instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth."*

**Acts 13:47b**

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday, May 7-Vigil, 4th Sunday of Easter

5:00 p.m. ♥ † Claudia Lukes (Dee & Florian)  
♥ † CCW Living, Deceased & for Peace (CCW)  
♥ † Knights of Columbus, Living & Deceased (K of C)  
† Mother's Day Intentions  
† Anna Trojanowski (Walter & Therese Martineau)  
† Suzanne Andracki (Joe & Lynn Kadolph)

### Sunday, May 8, Fourth Sunday of Easter-Mother's Day

7:30 a.m. ♥ † The People of the Parish  
9:30 a.m. ♥ † Mother's Day Intentions  
11:30 a.m. ♥ † Mother's Day Intentions

### Monday, May 9

7:00 a.m. † Rose Marecek (The Lambert Family)

### Tuesday, May 10

7:00 a.m. † Fr Tony Stockinger, Anniversary of Death

### Wednesday, May 11

7:00 a.m. † Cory Enders (The Conley Family)

### Thursday, May 12

7:00 a.m. † Elizabeth Marecek, Birthday Anniversary  
(The Lambert Family)

### Friday, May 13

12:00 p.m. † Cullen Connors (Carol Connors)  
† Fr Arno Dennerlein  
† Mike & Nancy Noonan (Maureen Garro)  
† Gloria & Stan Fortman (Patricia & Werner Welz)  
† Marlene Klink (Sean Conley)  
† Lauren Schaeffel (Adrienne Rose)

### Saturday, May 14, Vigil, Fifth Sunday of Easter

5:00 p.m. † Jeanne Ptak (Al Ptak & Family)  
† Peter Dunne (Cathy & Barry McGlynn & Family)  
† Charles Kadolph (St. John's Counters)  
♥ Bernie & Chris Bartelli, 47th Wedding Anniversary  
† Bud Morey (The Dusza Family)  
† Giuliana Capigatti (Andrew Capigatti)

### Sunday, May 15, Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:30 a.m. † Louise Florian (The Florian Family)  
9:30 a.m. ♥ † The People of the Parish  
11:30 a.m. † Patti Bentley (Mike Bentley)



# 2022 First Communicants

Jennifer Alcantar

Max Allen

Areli Avila

David Avila

Nicholas Barrett

Stephanie Blitvich

Kaiser Buchmann

Anna Sofia Bulyk

William Bulyk

Monserrat Carmona-Garcia

Ava Casarrubias

Carter Cheehy

Mason Daguro

Rose DeMola

Adalynn Devine

Nathaniel Dewees

David Escobar

Michael Fernandez

Alejandro Garcia-Quijano

Gabriel Genuardi

Ahtziry Gonzalez

Ellison Hoppe

Victoria Jaeger

Annabella King

\*Vihaan Kukkala

Mateo Leal

Benjamin LeMay

\*Cassandra Macellaio

Cole Maffeo

Olivia Moreci

\*Samantha Munoz

Branna O'Donnell

Alexa Ortiz

Cesar Pena

Josen Perez

Noe Perez

Andres Perez-Cholula

Daisy Perez-Cholula

Levi Renzulli

Nora Rooney

Mauro Rosales

Sahialy Rosas Coss

Aleksander Rynkiewicz

Benjamin Sabados

Louis Sanfilippo

Harper Schumacher

Sofia Soriano

Ellia Stith

Isabella Tapia

Allison Tyer

Sarahi Valladolid

Montserrat Vera

Chloe Vermillion

Elena Woodbury

Liam Zbierski

\* Receiving at a different time



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Once you've added your account information, donations will automatically deduct from your account. It's that easy!

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**QUESTIONS?** Contact our parish office to speak with Jim Nolan, Director of Finance, Facilities, & Operations 630-668-0918, ext. 604

## VOCATIONS

*Come Away with Me*

FOR SINGLE, CATHOLIC WOMEN AGE 18-35  
JULY 2 - 8, 2022 | JUSTICE, ILLINOIS

Join us for a week-long discernment retreat to rest with the Father, to draw nearer to Jesus, and to be rejuvenated by the Holy Spirit. Echo with Samuel the prayer: "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening." What does God have in store for you? Come and see!

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR:**

- PRAYING THE SILENCE OF THE HOURS WITH THE SISTERS • PERSONAL PRAYER TIME
- DAILY MASS • DAILY ADORATION • SILENCE • REFLECTION • CONFERENCES • FUN WITH THE SISTERS! • RECREATION • AND MUCH MORE!

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**QUESTIONS?**  
Email: Sr. Charbel Joseph, OP:  
[vocations@sistersop.com](mailto:vocations@sistersop.com)

## SACRIFICIAL GIVING

We are ever grateful for your loving generosity & sharing in the Ministries of serving the Lord at St. John the Baptist Parish.

## PARISH COLLECTIONS

Abram tithed (giving at least 10%) as a symbol that he depended totally on God. Moses said tithing was holy and an act of worship. Yes, even Jesus talked about money because money is a necessary part of our lives and it is also a necessary part of the viability of the church. Our tithe is merely a way to recognize that. Each family should prayerfully discern their own situation and understand that tithing is God's plan for supporting the church and the poor. We are ever grateful for your generosity and sharing in the Ministries of Serving the Lord here at St. John the Baptist. **Please help us meet our weekly needs of \$22,941.** Thank you for your generosity and support!

April 10...\$20,727

April 17.....\$15,350

Easter.....\$36,523

April 24.....\$17,288

## VOCATIONS


### Quarterly Gatherings May 20, 2022

4:30 PM-7:30PM


Quo Vadis Quarterly gathering of H.S. Freshmen through Senior young men will gather at The Forge in Lemont for a laser tag adventure then off to Our Lady of the Angels Retreat House in Lemont for prayer and supper with our Seminarians. Registration required and for more information, go to: [www.vocations.com](http://www.vocations.com)

*Please join us in person or Livestream*


## ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD



**Deacon Gregory Alberts**



**Deacon Brian Geary**



**Deacon Thomas Logue**

**SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2022 - 11:00 A.M.**

**CATHEDRAL OF ST. RAYMOND NONNATUS, JOLIET**

The Office of Adult Formation invites you to join us for

# BE FORMED

- WEEKLY VIDEOS
- SMALL GROUPS
- PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP
- MONTHLY NIGHTS OF REFLECTION

LED BY  
FATHER BURKE  
MASTERS



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## SEASON 5

### THE SACRAMENTS AND THE CHURCH FATHERS

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SEPTEMBER 10 THROUGH DECEMBER 8, 2022

## KNIGHTS & MEN OF ST. JOHN

*"Go to the Madonna. Love her! Always say the Rosary. Say it well. Say it as often as you can! Be souls of prayer. Never tire of praying, it is what is essential. Prayer shakes the Heart of God, it obtains necessary graces!"*

-St. Padre Pio

We, the Knights of Columbus and the Men of St. John, get together to pray the Holy Rosary, every other Wednesday evening. We will convene again at St. John's Fire Pit (or, in the event of inclement weather, in the Pavilion) on Wednesday, May 18, at 7:00 p.m., to offer our thanks for our many gifts and blessings and to pray, as well, for our many individual needs and intentions:

- for deliverance from the scourge of abortion,
- for the end of the pandemic and its effects,
- for the suffering and the sick,
- for the strayed and neglectful of faith,
- for the Holy Souls in Purgatory, and
- in special thanks for our great Pastor, Fr. Chris Lankford

Afterwards, we'll get together for good conversation, supplemented by tasty snacks and "libations." Hope you can join us.

-Sean Conley and Mike McGrath

## REGISTRATION FOR THE 2022-2023 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

**Registration Dates:** Any day, Monday through Thursday 9-2PM (or call and make an appointment for special time)

**Current email address**, as all correspondences are made using email (no registration without an email) **Baptismal certificates for new students.** Payments may be made by cash, check, or credit card. There is a \$5 processing fee if paying by credit card. If billing is required when paying by cash, a \$25 fee will be added after September 15th.

*Please note beginning May 16, tuition is \$100 per family higher than the early bird rate!*

### Early Bird April 20 - May 15

\$200 for one child

\$300 for two children

\$400 for three or more children

### Tuition May 16 - June 30

\$300 for one child

\$400 for two children

\$500 for 3 or more children

### OTHER FEES:

Sacrament Fee for Gr. 2, Yr. 2, Conf. 1 & 2: + \$75

6th grade activity fee: + \$30

Any class changes: + \$10

**Registrations on or after July 1 are put on a waiting list and will be notified if a class becomes available.** Tuition and fees are to be paid at the time of enrollment. If you are unable to do so, payment plans are available, but a minimum of \$100 deposit (non-refundable) is asked to hold your registration for your specified class time.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

It's May! It's May! The crazy month of May! This is the month of May crownings, May baskets, first Holy Communions, Mother's Day, school plays, graduations and last but certainly not least, Memorial Day! A day when we have the opportunity to remember those in our military and especially those who have died in active duty.

This month we will be collecting items for our vets in the Midwest Shelter of Homeless Vets! A goodie bag will be delivered to the Midwest Shelter on May 30th. If you would like to help, we would love to have gift cards, personal hygiene products, sweet and salty treats, paperback books, anything to brighten their day! Thank you to Sharon for all the bath and body products! The men and women will certainly enjoy these gifts!

Any of the above items can be dropped off in the glass room off the parish office! Just mark your donation, "Vets"! Thank you again for always helping those in need!

~Maureen Brennan, Director of Religious Education



## 2022 WOMAN OF THE YEAR-TWO WOMEN ARE BEING HONORED THIS YEAR!

Joan Pacer graduated summa cum laude from Mundelein University with a degree in English Journalism. While working on her Masters and at the Dental Journal as an editor, she met and started dating a professor in the dental school at Loyola. They married and started a family and had four children. One of her daughters reminisced about growing up with Joan as her mother. She never watched television without mending. Her hands were always busy with mending her family's clothing because money was tight on a teacher's salary. Joan values education. She held her own summer school each summer for her children, and encouraged them to read; all her children are life-long readers because of this woman. They lived in a house full of books. Joan would only allow quality television in their home, provided music lessons for all her children, and passed along her life-long love of art, even purchasing a lifetime membership to the Art Institute in her early 20s after college. She is always thinking of others and likes to help. Lately, it has been behind the scenes. She supports charitable organizations throughout the country. And, within our own community, she purchases magazine subscriptions for Winfield Woods, for both women and men, providing a shopping bag full of magazines every month to Winfield Woods. She also purchases and donates needed supplies for Winfield Woods.



*Joan Pacer is featured here.*

Joan has the God-given gift of focusing on details and, along with her artistic eye, this is where CCW has really benefitted from this woman. Joan turned our craft-oriented jewelry into a professional looking jewelry store. Her gift of arranging jewelry in beautiful displays, along with that big backboard for necklaces that can attract attention across Sebahar Hall; taking the time to put the earrings on punched cards, and putting the date on all the jewelry. Curating our jewelry, has directly increased all of our bazaar and garage sale profits, which CCW, in turn, can help our community.

Here are some of the things our members said about Joan when they nominated her:

- "She has done the jewelry for years, and now, while quietly at home, she still helps curate and sort the jewelry for our bazaars, year-round."
- "When younger, she attended meetings, and even now, when she can no longer attend, she still supports our activities any way she can"
- "She is in her 90s and still is part of CCW!"
- "20 plus years in CCW as a board member, treasurer, this honor is long over due"
- "Years of dedicated service to the Church and CCW. Even today, with her many physical problems, she continues to help us"

**CONGRATULATIONS JOAN PACER!**



*Sheila Hornyak is featured here.*

Our Woman of the Year 2022 has always been a very busy person...busy with the activities of being mom to 4 children as Girl Scout leader, attending high school sports events, and church activities, that included her active membership in the CCW at St. Mark's, Wheaton. She enjoyed cooking for her family, decorating her home and traveling with her husband and kids. (They were active tent campers when the children were young.)

About 25 years ago, she and her husband, John, became members at St. John the Baptist, and we're so glad they did! In the 1990s Sheila was hired to teach 2nd grade at SJB School and was soon "promoted" to teaching 4th grade, where she remained for many years. Her teaching abilities, not to mention her sparkling reputation at St. John's School, brought her the respect and admiration of parents, teachers and administrators alike.

- She was Teacher Liaison to the School Board.
- She served, by the pastor's invitation, on Principal search committees.
- After her retirement, she was a Diocese of Joliet substitute teacher and she volunteered to teach in St. John's RE Department.
- Our WOY has musical talent too and she is a long time member of the church choir and a cantor.
- Sheila attends Friday Morning Bible Study.
- And for a few years, when SJB had an active Vocations Commission, she was a member of that Commission.

And finally, as Sheila had planned to do all along, and harkening back to her service at St. Mark's, she joined our St. John the Baptist Council of Catholic Women in 2011 and has been actively involved with us ever since. Sheila:

- Served as CCW president or as Co-President for 4 - 5 years.
- Served as CCW Vice President/Co-vice president for 2 years.
- Attends our events, always helping with the details in a "hands on" style.
- She does what needs to be done!
- Volunteers at Young at Hearts, often contributing a dish to serve and helps decorate.
- She's friendly and welcoming to all. (She's a real drawing card for CCW.)
- Sheila has done all this with outstanding effort and love for the Lord and the Church.

In nominating her, one of our members said: "This honor is long overdue!"

**Both Sheila Hornyak and Joan Pacer were honored at the annual Woman of the Year Mass at the Cathedral of St. Raymond held on April 23, 2022**

**CONGRATULATIONS SHEILA HORNYAK!**



## CURSILLO CORNER - MAKE A FRIEND, BE A FRIEND, BRING A FRIEND TO CHRIST!

### Ultreya

Join us for the next Ultreya on Saturday, May 14. Rosary will begin in the Chapel at 9:00 a.m. Immediately following, we will head downstairs to Sebahar Hall. The Ultreya will begin at 9:30 and run for approximately 1 hour. Coffee/Tea and snacks will be provided.

### Divine Mercy Chaplet

Our Cursillo Community will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet the first Sunday of each month on-line. The next Chaplet will be held via Zoom on May 1 at 8:00 pm. Friends and family are welcome. The Zoom Meeting ID is 812-1236-0469.

### Welcome to the Fourth Day

Congratulations to the 38 Women who recently attended the 131st Cursillo Weekend! Our support and prayers are with all of them as they begin their "Fourth Day" journey. De Colores!

A special welcome to the newest Cursillistas in our parish, Val Ward, Jill Rithmiller, Rosie Rodriguez, and Linda Fuechsl. We look forward to personally welcoming you at our next Ultreya.

### Fall Weekends

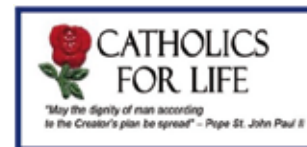
The Rector and Rectora for the fall weekends have been announced! Please pray for these teams as they begin their formation. We ask you also take time to discern if God is calling you to work one of these weekends. More information about team formation will be available in the coming weeks.

- Rick Hoffman (Corpus Christi)  
Rector Men's Weekend-September 15-19
- Marybeth Filipowski (St. Elizabeth Seaton)  
Women's Weekend-October 6-9

### New to Cursillo?

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

You will need a sponsor to attend a Cursillo because there is a discipleship model in place. If you are interested in being sponsored for a Cursillo Weekend, please contact our Parish Coordinator, Amy Serritella at amythe1@att.net. For additional information, please pick up a copy of the "Why Cursillo?" pamphlet which can be found in the narthex of our church, or visit the Joliet Cursillo website at [www.jolietcursillo.org](http://www.jolietcursillo.org)



Happy Mother's Day to all mothers, stepmothers, grandmothers, expectant mothers, and those women in our lives who have assumed the role of mother. While we honor mothers today, we should recognize that not all women who desire it are able to physically be mothers. There is however, a type of motherhood beyond the physical one – spiritual motherhood, which St. John Paul II wrote about in his apostolic letter *Mulieris dignitatem*.

*"Spiritual motherhood takes on many different forms. In the life of consecrated women, for example, who live according to the charism and the rules of the various apostolic Institutes, it can express itself as concern for people, especially the most needy: the sick, the handicapped, the abandoned, orphans, the elderly, children, young people, the imprisoned and, in general, people on the edges of society..."*

This type of motherhood does not only exist for religious women, but also for those who are single or married. Outside of physical motherhood, a woman can express her motherhood in this concern for "people on the edges of society."

Above all, John Paul II notes, a woman should look to the Virgin Mary for the supreme example of spiritual motherhood."

From Aleteia.org <https://aleteia.org/2020/05/10/the-beauty-of-spiritual-motherhood-according-to-john-paul-ii/>

### A Prayer

*Thank you, Lord, for the gift of life.*

*Through the intercession of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Mother, may we ask for the grace needed to see you in everyone we meet; and the ability to recognize and attend to the needs of your children with love and compassion.*

*We ask this all in Jesus' name. Amen.*



Join St John's Book Club at our next monthly meeting, Wednesday, May 18th at 7 pm at the home of Karen Tsaparis.

We will discuss the book, *The Spool of Blue Thread* by Anne Tyler. Please inquire for directions or with any questions & RSVP, Jean at [tjdaniell@att.net](mailto:tjdaniell@att.net)

Upcoming dates and title:

June 15th: *Back of the Yard* by Meg Lelvis

July 20th: *Lost Lake* by Sarah Addison Allen



# SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

## Baptisms

Baptisms are held on Saturdays. Parents need to be registered parishioners for at least six months and parents will need to attend a Baptism Preparation Class prior to the Baptism. Godparents are to be practicing Catholics! If Godparents are married, their marriage needs to be blessed by the Catholic Church. Please contact the parish office, 630-668-0918, 600.

## RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

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

## Wedding Information

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

# PRAYERS & SUPPORT FOR THE SICK & THOSE IN NEED

## Having Surgery?

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

## Hospital Visits

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, our priests are unable to make a hospital visit unless the situation is dire. To receive communion while in the hospital, please make the request to a hospital Chaplain. Because of HIPAA Laws the Hospital does not notify Churches when parishioners are there. Please notify the St. John's Parish Office when a loved one is in the hospital so prayers can be offered. We want to do our best to minister to all hospitalized.

## Homebound

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

## Prayers of the Faithful

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

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

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

## Grief Support Group

Our Grief Support Group offers emotional support for those grieving a loss - whether by death, divorce, or other significant event in their lives. Support is based on confidentiality, trust, and safety. The next Grief Support meeting is Thurs. evening, May 5, 2022, in the Parish Office Dining Room. For more information, contact the parish office, 630-668-0918, ext. 0.

## Eucharistic Adoration

Beginning March 3rd, Adoration hours are expanded to 12 hours every Thursday, immediately following 7:00 am Mass, until 8:00 pm in the Chapel. For more information, please call the parish office at 630.668.0918, ext. 600. All are welcome.

## Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

AA is meeting on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in Sodonna Hall, the basement of the parish office.

# MISCELLANEOUS

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

**Parish Office Hours:** Our parish office is open 8:00 am-4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. You are always welcome to call or email the parish office, as well, and we will respond to your inquiry as soon as possible. Please call 630-668-0918, ext. 0 for the parish office, or email [jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org](mailto:jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org) or [rosab@stjohnwinfield.org](mailto:rosab@stjohnwinfield.org).

**Lost and Found:** Please check the Lost and Found box in the Parish Office Vestibule.

**Bulletin Articles:** Submissions are due by noon on Tuesday, 12 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](mailto:jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org) and [rosab@stjohnwinfield.org](mailto:rosab@stjohnwinfield.org).

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