

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
Confessions-
3:30-4:30 pm

5:00 pm
(*Sunday
Vigil*)

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

NOVEMBER 28, 2021



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FIRST Sunday OF *Advent*

There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars.
... When these signs begin to happen,
stand erect and raise your heads
because your redemption is at hand.

Luke 21:25, 28

Please pray for our sick

James Adduci
Alisa Allen
Sandy Anderson
Jack Aylward
Dave Balsegiz
Ada Bantola
Michael Barone
Ella Bitterman
Jennifer Bitterman
Floyd Bosch
Brian Burke
Allison Lamberts Burns
Jim Cabrera, Sr.
Karen Cervinka
Lisa Cicero
Al Cieslik
Patricia Clifford
Kathy Connor
Georgene Cook
Carol Connors
Julio Correa
Rita Cross
Mary Elaine Cruz
Linda Dameron
Anetta Derango
Krystyna Derecki
Kathe Doremus
Nick DuBay
Karen Durbin
Ralph Eckhoff
Concepcion Edaño
Joan Enders
Aaron Erickson
William Ferdinand
Patrocinia Fernandez

Marie Flores
Valerie Fraser
Kyle Freed
Ada Fritz
Dolores Gabriel
Monica Garcia
Gregory Garlt
Darlene Gedvilas
Danny Gonzalez
Judy Gonzalez
Dawn Grant
Destin Green
Daniel Guzman
Jennifer Hammerschmidt
Deborah Lynn Harris
Betty Hass
Jeremy Heintz
John Heitzler, Jr.
Joseph & Joy Henczel
Baby Luke Hougán
Edy Jacobs
Pat Jakubiec
Monique Jakubielski
Jason Jensen
Margarita Jimenez
Andrew Jin
Shawn Jurgensen
Mary Kallas
Kathy Kamphaus
Brandon Karimi
Ken Kasnicka
Carter Kettner
Donna Kevil
Gerry Krug
Margaret Kuhn

Korin Kupris
Ivanna Lamb
Rose Marie Lambert
Ken Larson
Nancy Liden
Haley Lipnisky
Marilyn Loechl
Sam Mahre
Beth Majerczyk
Gianna Malorny
John Maltese
Linda Marczewski
Jan Masters
Al Mathieu
Diane Maher
Alex McCall
Michael McCall
Perri McCall
Patricia Meschler
Bessy Miller
Mayette Monales
Joseph Jr. & Maggie Morgan
Thomas Morris
Megan Mueller
Mary Lu Mulcahy
Lauren Mungo
Joan Murock
Tim Murnane
Becky Neal
Johnny Neal
Maura Neuens
Clare North
Alex Novak
Andy Nowak
Lesley (Tobin) Nygaard

Joseph O'Brien
Larry Orni
Joan Pacer
Lori Pacer
Charlie Parisi
Bill Parker
Josie Pasciak
Jim Paulissen
Owen Payton
Molly Peters
Bane Petrov
Joseph Pirofalo
Brittney Prehn
Ian Prosser
Tim Ptak
Mary Rauch
Sam Reyes
Alicia Ricciardi
Paul & Katherine Ricciardi
Cooper Rojas
Gertie Romero
Monica Romero
Kelli Rooney
Katherine Rose
John Rossi
Sister Audrey Rothwell
Marvin Rothwell
Susan Rothwell
Bob Salat
Scott Schwartz
Sven Segerlund
John Shannon
Desiree Sheppard
Evelyn Skriba
Dan Smyth

Dolores Snyder
Diane Srachta
Cynde Barone Stavros
Doug Stephan
Hugh Stott
Michael John Stralko
Rosemary Sumang
Ewa Sarnacka
Lucy Szwed
Mary Tarchala
Deborah Terry
Virg Tobin
Jim Toman
Michael Torri
Erin Anderson Tugman
Benjamin Vargas
Maria Vargas
Martha Vescio
Virginia Underwood
Dolores Vasquez
Genevieve Welch
Emily Wilson
Kylie Wells-Long
Paula Winterhalder
Elizabeth Wood
Susan Woodbury
Lexie Youngberg
Larry Zengri
New this week

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
0S233 Church St.
Winfield, IL 60190

Parish Directory - 630-668-0918

Pastor: Fr. Christopher Lankford

Deacon: Rev. Mr. Brian Geary

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

Secretaria Hispana:.....Ext 601

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Principal: Joanne Policht.....Ext 618

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

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS- UPDATE

As of August 30, in accordance with the Diocese of Joliet, parishioners do not have to sign up for Mass. Full capacity inside our Church and Chapel is allowed. In accordance with Illinois state mandates, masks are required for anyone age 2 and up regardless of vaccination status. There will be a section in Church (if you are facing the altar, the section is to the extreme right, along north wall) to sit if you feel more comfortable social distancing. We will continue to refrain from offering blood of Christ in a chalice at Communion for the time being. If you would like to receive Communion on the tongue, please wait until the end and please receive from the priest celebrant of the Mass in compliance with the Diocese of Joliet. The bishop's dispensation to attend Sunday Mass remains in place for the time being.



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

Pvt James Luigi Akin
SRA Francis Beifuss
Major John Berg
Sgt. Tyler Bowling, US Army
Sgt Melissa Brooker
Pvt Timothy Conley
Lt. Jr. Gr. Nicholas Daly
Major Daniel Durbin
LCPI Ciro Esquivel, Jr.
Sgt. Nicholas Gedvilas
Pv2 Nicholas Gorman
Sgt Pamela Gray
A1C Seth Kelley
PFC Gerard Kostecka
Airman Nicholas Kostecka
Sgt Major Carrie Kwiatkowski
Sgt. David Lawless
SrA Robert Lawless
Navy Marco Angelo Lomibao
Commander Matthew Luff
WO1 Jake Miller
CMDM (SW/SS/AW) Timothy A. Newell
ABH2 Sean Phillips
Captain Colleen Rezabek
Captain Kevin Rezabek
A1C Alejandro Luis Sanchez
Cpl Riley Santoyo
Sgt Ian Sarlitto
AN Michael Schieve
PFC Keegan Serbick
Major Jim Smolucha
Major Mike Smolucha
SPC Thomas Stanhope
AFSSgt Zachary Ushman
Lt. Keith Wolfe

Please keep in your prayers our
Deacon & Seminarian who are prepar-
ing for the Priesthood :

Rev. Mr. Brian Geary
Seminarian Alex Lorang

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



Bishop Hicks' Column

November 2021 | The Synod on
Synodality: A worldwide listening tour



There is a difference between hearing and listening. Hearing is basically a physical function that involves the ears. On the other hand, listening is more of an internal process that uses the ears, but also involves the mind and heart. A couple of years ago, I was at a luncheon with a group of retired priests. For more than twenty minutes, the priests at my table discussed which hearing aid was the best. I sat there quietly as they discussed which ones felt more comfortable in the ear and which ones canceled out background noise. I thought to myself, "One day, I too will be addressing these same issues in my life." Towards the end of their discussion, one priest wisely added, "No matter how good these hearing aids are, they do very little to help us listen better ... that part is up to us!"

His point was well-taken. We can have the best hearing in the world, but it takes real attention and effort to be a good listener, too. Some people seem to have a natural gift to listen well. Nevertheless, you have probably encountered some people in our society who prefer to monologue instead of dialogue. To dialogue, one must embrace the humble position of not only speaking but listening, too.

Our Holy Father has asked that the Church begin a process of "listening." It is called the Synod on Synodality. "In creating the opportunity for listening and dialogue on the local level through this Synod, Pope Francis is calling the Church to rediscover its deeply synodal nature. This rediscovery of the synodal roots of the Church will involve a process of humbly learning together how God is calling us to be as the Church in the third millennium." (*Vademecum* for the Synod on Synodality, section 1.1)

In other words, the entire people of God, not just the Diocese of Joliet, will enter into a process of "listening" to what the Holy Spirit is saying to the Church. Obviously, we need to listen to the Word of God in Scripture and to the living tradition of the Church, and we also need to listen to each other as we discern the signs of the time.

Specifically, to foster a Church that is synodal, the Holy Father has asked us to focus on communion, participation and mission. Recently, Pope Francis wrote, "The Holy Spirit needs you. Listen to Him by listening to yourselves."

I have heard officials in the Church refer to this Synod on Synodality as a worldwide "listening tour" that begins at the local Church to discern what the Holy Spirit is saying to us as to what the Church should be. In the Diocese of Joliet, our "listening tour" began with an inaugural Mass at our Cathedral on October 17. People from all over the diocese gathered as we launched this desire to listen to one another. We will continue to offer listening sessions that include our many councils and boards — such as the presbyteral council, pastoral council, women's council, etc. — as well as leaders of Hispanic ministry, religious orders, Catholic schools and religious education. Their comments will be collected, and a report will be sent to the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. After that, there are timelines in which further discussions, drafts and findings will be collected at continental/regional assemblies. This synod process will then conclude with bishops and lay Catholics gathering in Rome in 2023 to discuss the themes and findings from this worldwide listening tour.

There are many people who are already wondering if this Synod on Synodality will lead to any changes in the Church. That is yet to be seen. However, as our society continues to become more polarized with often a preference of monologue over dialogue, this process of listening with open minds and hearts will hopefully give us the opportunity to not only hear one another but also to learn from, empathize with and love one another more deeply. *Veni, Sancte Spiritus!* †

Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it
We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right
All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever. Amen

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, November 27

Vigil Mass of The First Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. ♥ Nichole Shipman, Health & Intentions

† Maria Garza

† Anita Wilke (Rita Wilke)

† Sarah Oakes (Rick & Mary Carlson)

† Frank & Claranne Zielinski (Denny & Maureen Brennan)

♥† For Living & Deceased Knights of Columbus (K of C)

† Aloha Baginski (Florian & Diana Szmurlo)

Sunday, November 28, The First Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. † The Faithful Departed of Our Parish

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

11:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish

Monday, November 29

7:00 a.m. † Alecxis Martinez (Yolanda & Roberto Martinez)

Tuesday, November 30

7:00 a.m. † Anastasia O'Gallagher (Ellen & Michael McGrath)

Wednesday, December 1

7:00 a.m. † Doyle Family (Jack Aylward)

(offered privately) † Bill Rose (The Rose Family)

Thursday, December 2

7:00 a.m. † Msgr. Vincent Cloos

Friday, December 3

12:00 p.m. † John & Sophie Kohut (Joe & Dee Bryja)

(offered privately) † Our Parish All Souls' Intentions

Saturday, December 4

Vigil Mass of The Second Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. ♥† CCW Living, Deceased & for Peace (CCW)

† John Hornyak (SJB Adult Choir)

† Fern Wilson (Rhonda & Family)

† Joe Konopka (Rick & Mary Carlson)

† Marlene Hanks (Barry & Catherine McGlynn)

† Rosemary Bucaro (The Markelz Family)

† John Wojdula (Alice LaCroix & Family)

Sunday, December 5, The Second Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish

9:30 a.m. ♥† Knights of Columbus, Living & Deceased (K of C)

11:30 a.m. † John Hornyak (Aimee Scala)

Our Sanctuary Lamps

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

Chapel † Jeanne Ptak

Church ♥ Terrence Denniger, Living



First Sunday of Advent

November 28, 2021

I will raise up for David a just shoot;
he shall do what is right and just in the land.

— Jeremiah 33:15



MASS SCHEDULE FOR IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,

A Holyday of obligation

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2021

Vigil, Tuesday, December 7, 2021,
7:00 p.m.-Church

Wednesday, December 8, 2021

7:00 a.m.-Church

7:00 p.m.-Church

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

First Sunday of Advent

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God,
the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ
with righteous deeds at his coming,
so that, gathered at his right hand,
they may be worthy to possess the heavenly Kingdom.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

What righteous deeds would I be able to bring with me if
Christ returned this week?

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GREATNESS

The measure of greatness is not the number of
servants you have, but the number of people you
serve.

—Anonymous

COME ENCOUNTER JESUS AT ST. JOHN!

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

WHAT IS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION?

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



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

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & CONFESSION

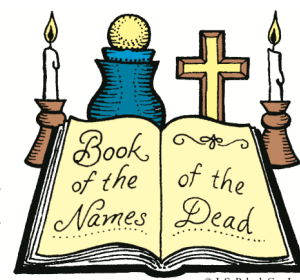
The Sacrament of Penance & Confession is on Saturdays from 3:30p until 4:30p in the Church. Masks are required for anyone over 2 and up regardless of vaccination status. To maintain confidentiality & privacy, everyone will be asked to remain in the Narthex until it is their turn.

Confession Schedule/Horario de Confesiones

- Saturday, November 27, 3:30 pm
- Saturday, December 3, 3:30 pm

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

In the month of November, the Book of Remembrance is on a stand in the Church near the Holy Family statue. You may write down the names of the deceased for whom you would like in our prayers throughout this month.



At Home with the Word Books

At Home with the Word books will be available in the Narthex of the Church after all Masses until supplies last.

The suggested donation is \$10. The donation helps cover costs of these materials and other St. John the Baptist Catholic Parish liturgical needs.

~Worship Commission

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass The Liturgy of the Eucharist Led by Fr Burke Masters

January 18-April 17, 2022

BE
FORMED

- Monthly online large group nights of reflection
- Weekly small group gatherings
- Zoom or in-person options
- Weekly videos emailed directly to your inbox
- Prayer Partners
- No previous participation necessary
- Groups for men, women, and couples

Register by
December 12th!



Sponsored by the
Diocese of Joliet
Office of Adult
Formation

For more information visit:
www.dioceseofjoliet.org/beformed

PLEASE COME AND PRAY

Wednesday, December 1, after 7:00 am Mass until 10:00 am-Chapel

The Mississippi Attorney General and other officials filed a Supreme Court Brief on Oct. 13. Oral arguments in the case of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* are scheduled for Dec. 1. This could mean the Supreme Court may re-examine its rulings on legalized nationwide abortion, which could lead to the repeal of *Doe v Wade*.

Catholics around the world are praying for a positive pro-life decision on this landmark case. **On Wednesday, December 1st, beginning after the 7a.m. Mass in the Chapel we will have Eucharistic Adoration until 10a.m. Please join us there to pray for the end of abortion!**

You are also invited to pray on Tuesday, November 30th and Wednesday, December 1st from 7a.m. to 7p.m. at Planned Parenthood in Aurora for the success of this case. You can come at any time or join other St. John's parishioners between 1p.m. and 2p.m. on both days.

NEXT ROSARY GET-TOGETHER FOR MEN OF ST. JOHN- Wed., December 1, 7p, Fire Pit

Gentlemen: We will again be praying the Rosary at the Mary Garden/KC Fire-Pit, with the same intentions in our hearts and minds: for the well-being of our Families, our Church, our Nation, and Ourselves. Afterwards, we will gather for fellowship and good conversation, enriched by snacks and liquid refreshments. Hope you can join us on:

Wednesday, December 1st!

Please join us for this beautiful devotion.

ATTN: SJB SENIORS

All seniors are invited to join us the third Monday of every month for breakfast at the Hummingbird Restaurant in Winfield. We meet at 8:00 a.m., as many go to 7:00 a.m. Mass first. Please telephone Urban Oen at 630-293-0845 if interested or have questions.



WISH TREE UPDATE

Our Wish Trees are scheduled to be up in the Church Narthex doorways the weekend of December 4/5. More details forthcoming...



FREE CATHOLIC BOOKS IN CHAPEL NARTHEX

Until Friday, December 3rd, there will be free Catholic books in the Chapel Narthex (southeast door), available after 7:00 am Mass.

St. Michael's Holy Name Bowling League is looking for new bowlers. If you know someone that might be interested in bowling Monday nights for roughly 32 weeks (or possibly just a substitute bowler) from September to the beginning of May, invite them to join our league. It is Monday nights starting at 7:30 pm with a 10-minute warm-up. Cost of bowling is \$20/evening which covers cost of bowling and year-end prize money. There are some weekly pots to enhance the evening, but primarily it is a great way to break up the doldrums of the long Chicago winter months. Bowling is at Glendale Heights Bowlero Lanes on North Ave., If you are interested, please contact Perry Bump at 847-334-3082.

St. John's Catholic for Life presents...



It's back! A Family Tradition at St. John's
Please join us to share the joy of Advent...

A Family Nativity Exhibit

Saturday, November 27, 4:30 pm-5:00 pm &
Sunday, November 28 after All Masses
St. John's Sebahar Hall

All parishioners are invited to stroll Sebahar Hall and view fellow parishioners' nativity scenes.

Set-up will take place Saturday morning, November 27th from 8:30 am-12:00 pm.

Displays will be open for viewing Saturday afternoon before Mass and after Masses on Sunday.

What we need:

- Families to bring in their nativities to display
- Greeters for each time that the exhibit is open

Nativity Display Form

Name: _____ Contact Info.: _____

_____ We would like to display our family nativity set

_____ We would like to volunteer as greeters (please let us know which time works best for you):

(Please circle)

Sat, Nov. 27th 8:30 am-12:00 pm set-up

Sat, November 27th 4:30 pm-5:00 pm

Sun, Nov. 28th 8:30 am-9:30 am

Sun, Nov. 28th 10:30 am-11:30 am

Sun, Nov. 28th 12:30pm-1:30 pm

Sunday, Nov. 28th breakdown at 2:00 p.m.

~We have stanchions for roping off displays~



Drop off this form at the Welcome Desk in the Church Narthex, the parish office, or email valmward@gmail.com

Questions? Please contact Val Ward at 630-456-0902 or valmward@gmail.com



Join Us! WESHARE ONLINE GIVING

WHY GIVE ONLINE?

- 1 **You can share your gifts...** Any way you want to. When you want to. Where you want to.
- 2 **Leave your checkbook at home.** Set up your recurring gift using a credit card, checking or savings account.
- 3 **Your funds are protected.** Your donations are automatically transferred to our parish so it's safer and more secure.
- 4 **Support our parish consistently,** even if you are unable to attend Mass.
- 5 **Give on-the-go!** Access the site from your mobile phone or tablet.

SIGN UP TO GIVE ONLINE

If you've never donated online before, signing up is easy!

- 1 **Visit our church website and click Give Online.** www.stjohnwinfield.org
- 2 **Select the collection or event of your choice.**
- 3 **Set up your donation or payment. That's it!**

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

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

Sacrificial Giving

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

Parish Collections

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

Oct. 24.....\$20,252	Nov. 7.....\$34,158
Oct. 31.....\$13,832	Nov. 14.....\$20,140



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

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

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

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

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



*Will your child be in Preschool
in 2022-2023?
Please come to our
Open House on
Monday, November 29, 6:00 pm-
7:30 pm to learn more about
our school.*

Do you have a child who will be attending pre-school during the 2022 - 2023 school year? Which school will you choose? Please come to our Open House to find out why St. John the Baptist is the place for your child(ren).



**ST. FRANCIS
HIGH SCHOOL**
COLLEGE PREPARATORY

STRENGTH FOR TODAY. PREPARED FOR TOMORROW.

ENTRANCE EXAM
12/4/2021 8:00 a.m.

Register at [SFHSCOLLEGEPREP.ORG/APPLY](https://sfhscollegeprep.org/apply) by November 30, 2021

Scholarship eligibility and priority admission consideration given to those who test at SFHS.

Questions? Contact Mrs. Maureen Isphording, Director of Admissions
at (630)668-5800 ext. 1120

www.sfhscollegeprep.org

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Now Hiring-St. John the Baptist Catholic School

St. John the Baptist Catholic School is seeking a full-time Grade 1 Teacher. Applicants must be devout Catholics who uphold the Mission and Catholic Identity of our schools and who deeply value our tradition of academic excellence. Candidates must hold appropriate state licensure and be committed to upholding and supporting the values of the Roman Catholic Church. Please complete an online application at <https://www.applitrack.com/diocesefjoliet/onlineapp/> and email a current resume to the principal at jplicht@stjohnwinfield.org. Should you have questions, email the principal or call Karen Udell, Diocese of Joliet, Assistant Superintendent of Leadership & Personnel, at 815-221-6123.



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CATHOLICS FOR LIFE

Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, CA, held a fundraiser on Nov. 5th for Planned Parenthood by the student group, Women in Politics. Before it took place a group called RenewLMU (*a movement of alumni, students, donors, and allies to strengthen LMU's Catholic identity*) started a petition which garnered approximately 1,800 signatures that called on University President Timothy Law Snyder to cancel the event. He did not cancel it but stated that the event was neither sponsored nor endorsed by LMU. The University officials also received a call from Archbishop José Gomez of Los Angeles stating his deep disappointment of the event. The archbishop's statement was published in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles newspaper. And before the event took place the University put out a statement including the following "Moving forward, LMU is reexamining and revising its policies and practices regarding student-organized activities to ensure stronger alignment with our mission." Seeing that the event was going to take place and wanting to show that many others did not agree with it, Megan Glaudini, along with her friend, Andrew DiCrisi, a junior theology major, resurrected the long time, inactive prolife group VITA, and planned and held a rosary rally before the Planned Parenthood fundraiser. They are now planning on going to the Los Angeles March for Life on January 22, 2022. They are also considering holding more rosaries rallies in the future and possibly have a fundraiser for emergency pregnancy centers and adoption centers. Full articles in Catholic News Agency, organization of EWTN

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/249499/why-is-a-planned-parenthood-fundraiser-being-held-on-this-catholic-campus>

On December 1, the Supreme Court will hear arguments for *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health*, the case that could overturn *Roe v. Wade*.

Join thousands of Catholic, Orthodox, and Protestant Christians nationwide interceding before the throne of God for the Supreme Court case that could overturn *Roe v. Wade*. This case is our best chance to reverse *Roe* in decades!

So please pray for those presenting the arguments in favor of *Dobbs*, pray for the Court to be led by the Holy Spirit in their deliberations on the case, pray at home, at church, at an abortion clinic. Wherever, whenever you can, PRAY. We will have adoration at St. John's in the chapel on Dec. 1 following the 7am mass until 10:00am.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you, blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary Mother of God pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS FOOD GIFT CARDS

Because of the continuing COVID circumstances, St. Vincent DePaul Society will be distributing **Food Gift Cards** in place of Christmas Food Baskets, just as we did last year, to the needy in Winfield, West Chicago and Wheaton areas. Approximately 65 families are helped through our SVDP each Christmas.



If you would like to adopt a family for Christmas, please call the parish office, **630-668-0918, ext. 0**. You will be asked :

Your name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address.

If you want to donate a Christmas **\$60 minimum Food Gift Card for a family of 3 or less, or an \$80 minimum Food Gift Card for a family of 4 or more.**

If you want to donate a **\$30 Children's Christmas Gift Card**

You will then be contacted by a SVDP volunteer by e-mail who will let you know when and where to drop off the **Christmas Gift Food Card** and perhaps a **Children's Christmas Gift Card**.

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Children's Christmas

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Thank you as always for your generous hearts. May God bless you and your families during the holidays and always.

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following Christ

a seven-week journey

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

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



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

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

Name(s): _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

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SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Baptisms

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

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

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



Wedding Information

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



Prayers & Support for the Sick & Those in Need

Having Surgery?

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

Hospital Visits

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

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

Prayers of the Faithful

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

Prayer Line, Pray for the Sick Listed in Bulletin

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

Grief Support Group

Our Grief Support Group offers emotional support for those grieving a loss - whether by death, divorce, or other significant event in their lives. Support is based on confidentiality, trust, and safety. For more information, contact the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0. Our next meeting will be on Thursday, December 2, 2021, 7:00 pm.

Eucharistic Adoration: Adoration is on Thursday evenings from 6pm-9pm. You do not need to pre-register. For more information, please call the parish office at 630.668.0918, ext. 600. All are welcome.



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



MASS INFORMATION

Mass Intentions: Please call or email the parish office to schedule a Mass Intention. The donation is \$10; The 5:00 pm Mass is a free-will donation. 630-668-0918, ext 0 or jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org. We can mail the Mass card for you.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Our parish office is open 8:00 am-4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. We ask that you wear a mask and refrain from coming into office if you do not feel well. You are always welcome to call or email the parish office, as well, and we will respond to your inquiry as soon as possible. Please call 630-668-0918, ext 0 for the parish office, or email jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org or rosab@stjohnwinfield.org.

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

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. To subscribe to the St. John's weekly church bulletin, go to <https://www.jspaluch.com/BulletinSubscribe.aspx> and follow the prompts. SJB's zip code is 60190. You will automatically receive the church bulletin each week to your email; it usually arrives late Saturday morning in your inbox.



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Helping Those In Need



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



SVDP Grocery List

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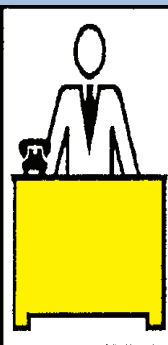
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