

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 8, 2020

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. Christopher Lankford

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Jim Olofson

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Coordinator: Ruben Chavez.....Ext. 615

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**St. John's Website:
www.stjohnwinfield.org**



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*O God, you are my God whom I seek; for you
my flesh pines and my soul thirsts like the
earth, parched, lifeless and without water.*

Psalm 63:2

Please pray for our sick

Erin Ackermann Alisa Allen Sandy Anderson Jack Aylward Dave Balseqiz Ada Bantola Jennifer Bitterman Brian Burke Allison Lamberts Burns Jean Bustamante *Jim Cabrera, Sr.* Karen Cervenka Lisa Cicero Patricia Clifford Kathy Connor Georgene Cook Carol Connors Julio Correa Rita Cross Mary Elaine Cruz Linda Dameron Anetta Derango Nick DuBay Ralph Eckhoff Joann Eggebrecht 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 Daniel Guzman Jim Hale Jennifer Hammerschmidt Deborah Lynn Harris Betty Hass Jeremy Heintz John Heitzler, Jr. Joseph & Joy Henczel Paul Isherwood Edy Jacobs Jason Jensen Margarita Jimenez Andrew Jin Charles Kadolph David C. Kadolph Lynn Kadolph Mary Kallas Kathy Kamphaus Brandon Karimi Ken Kasnicka Carter Kettner Donna Kevil Joe Konopka Margaret Krisch Gerry Krug Korrin Kupris Ivanna Lamb Ken Larson	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 Patricia Meschler Bessy Miller Colette Miller Mayette Monales Thomas Morris Rosa Mostek Megan Mueller Mary Lu Mulcahy Lauren Mungo Tim Murnane John Naill Becky Neal Johnny Neal Maura Neuens Clare North Alex Novak Lesley (Tobin)	Nygaard Joseph O'Brien Larry Orni Joan Pacer Lori Pacer Bill Parker Josie Pasciak Jim Paulissen Owen Payton Molly Peters Bane Petrov Joseph Pirofalo Brittney Prehn Ian Prosser Jeanne Ptak Tim Ptak Theresa Ratterman Mary Rauch Sam Reyes Alicia Ricciardi Cooper Rojas Gertie Romero *Monica Romero* Kelli Rooney Katherine Rose John Rossi Sister Audrey Rothweil Marvin Rothweil Susan Rothweil Bob Salat Scott Schwartz Sven Segerlund John Shannon	Desiree Sheppard Evelyn Skriba Dan Smyth Dolores Snyder Olivia Soto Diane Strachta Doug Stephan Hugh Stott Michael John Stralko Rosemary Sumang Ewa Sarnacka Mary Tarchala Virg Tobin Jim Toman Erin Anderson Tugman Benjamin Vargas Maria Vargas Keith Venard Martha Vescio Virginia Underwood Genevieve Welch Kylie Wells-Long *A.J. Winterhalter* *Paula Winterhalter* Elizabeth Wood Susan Woodbury Lexie Youngberg Larry Zengri *New this week*
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Sunday Masses:

Saturday 5:00 pm & Sunday 7:30, 9:30 11:30 am

Misa En Español: Domingo 1:30 pm

Weekday Masses:

Mon.-Fri. 7:00 am; Sat. 8:30 am

Reconciliation (Confesión):

Sat. 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Adoration:

Thursday Evenings, 6:00 pm -9:00 pm

Public Sunday Masses have begun, as well as public daily Mass at 7am and Saturday at 8:30am. We will have a limited amount of available seats for Mass because of the policy of keeping households six feet apart; you must sign up through our parish website to reserve a seat for Sunday Masses, including the 5p on Saturday evening, at www.stjohnwinfield.org. You do not need to sign up for Daily Masses, including the 8:30am Mass on Saturday morning.

The bishop's dispensation from the Sunday obligation is still in effect. Masses and devotions will continue to be online on YouTube which can be accessed through our website, www.stjohnwinfield.org, scroll down to Social Media.

Please keep in your prayers our Seminarian who is preparing for the Priesthood:

Brian Geary

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



**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. David Lawless
SrA Robert Lawless
Navy Marco Angelo Lomibao
Commander Matthew Luff
CMDM (SW/SS/AW) Timothy A. Newell
ABH2 Sean Phillips
Captain Colleen Rezabek
Captain Kevin Rezabek
A1C Alejandro Luis Sanchez
PFC Riley Santoyo
Sgt Ian Sarlitto
AN Michael Schieve
Major Jim Smolucha
Major Mike Smolucha
SPC Thomas Stanhope
SrA Zachary Ushman

THE PRIESTS' PAGE/LA PÁGINA DE LOS PADRES

Well, as I write this, it is Tuesday morning, about 11:15. You'll be reading this at the earliest on Friday afternoon. Has anything happened in the last few days? What's changed? What's stayed the same? Do we even have final results yet? As I have been walking and driving around Winfield the last few months, I see so many political signs in yards. I have seen countless ads telling me to vote and make my voice heard. I see long lines at the fairgrounds as people fulfill their civic duty. But in theory, all of this should be over by the time you're reading this, right? The thought of this week has consumed the minds of so many people for so long and yet here we are. It's over, and whatever happened has happened. But I want to pose an important question for all of us: Where do we go from here? Because no matter what has happened this past week, holiness is still possible. As a priest, I know that I can, and will, still pray, offer Mass, and serve the people of the parish to the best of my ability. Parents will still love and provide for their children, teaching them the ways of the Lord. Spouses will still love, serve, and forgive each other with the grace that comes from the sacrament of marriage. To put it simply, life will go on. As followers of Christ, we know that no matter what is happening in this world, it is always temporary. We fix our eyes on what is eternal, and that is the life of Heaven. And how we live and love each day in this life is a preparation for the next. So no matter if we are happy or sad, excited or disappointed with what has happened this week, holiness is still possible and Heaven is the goal. To quote St. Paul: *"For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord"* (Romans 8:38-39).

In Christ,
Father Jim

Bueno, mientras escribo esto, es martes por la mañana, alrededor de las 11:15. Leerá esto en el fin de semana. ¿Ha pasado algo en los últimos días? ¿Qué ha cambiado? ¿Qué ha permanecido igual? ¿Tenemos aún los resultados finales? Mientras caminaba y conducía por Winfield durante los últimos meses, veo muchos carteles políticos en los patios. He visto innumerables anuncios que me dicen que vote y que use mi voz. Veo largas filas en el recinto ferial mientras la gente cumple con su deber cívico. Pero, en teoría, todo esto debería haber terminado para cuando leas esto, ¿verdad? El pensamiento de esta semana ha consumido la mente de tantas personas por mucho tiempo y, sin embargo, aquí estamos. Se acabó, y lo que pasó, pasó. Pero quiero preguntar algo importante para todos nosotros: ¿dónde vamos desde aquí? Porque no importa lo que haya sucedido la semana pasada, la santidad todavía es posible. Como sacerdote, sé que puedo, y seguiré, orando, ofreciendo misa y sirviendo a la gente de la parroquia lo mejor que pueda. Los padres aún amarán y alimentarán a sus hijos, enseñándoles los caminos del Señor. Los esposos todavía se amarán, se servirán y se perdonarán mutuamente con la gracia que proviene del sacramento del matrimonio. En pocas palabras, la vida seguirá. Como discípulos de Cristo, sabemos que no importa lo que esté sucediendo en este mundo, siempre es temporal. Fijamos nuestros ojos en lo que es eterno, y esa es la vida del Cielo. Y cómo vivimos y amamos cada día en esta vida es una preparación para la próxima. Entonces, no importa si estamos felices o tristes, emocionados o decepcionados con lo que ha sucedido esta semana, la santidad todavía es posible y el cielo es la meta. Citando a San Pablo: *"Porque estoy convencido de que ni la muerte, ni la vida, ni los ángeles, ni los principados, ni lo presente, ni lo futuro, ni los poderes, ni lo alto, ni lo profundo, ni ninguna otra criatura podrá separar nosotros por el amor de Dios en Cristo Jesús Señor nuestro"* (Romanos 8: 38-39).

En Cristo,
Padre Jim



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 your church website and click Give Online.**
- 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 our business manager, Mike Vallaro 630-668-0918, ext. 616.

Please remember St. John's by dropping off or mailing envelopes or by giving electronically through WeShare, which can be accessed on our website.

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.**

October 4.....\$25,822

October 11.....\$25,501

October 18.....\$18,685

October 25.....\$16,726

Thank you for your generosity and support!

GENEROUS GIFT TO ASSIST OUR SJB SCHOOL FAMILIES

TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP
MATCHING GIFT OPPORTUNITY

The Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) recently received a generous anonymous matching gift pledge to be used to assist Catholic school families who remain on the Tax Credit Scholarship waitlist for the 2020-21 school year at our school.

This matching gift is a tremendous opportunity to double or even triple the impact of your gift to our school.

MATCHING GIFT DETAILS

- Donations designated to our school by NEW donors October 1-November 13 will be matched 2:1. For example, for every \$1,000 gift made by a new donor, it will be matched by \$2,000 resulting in \$3,000 in Tax Credit Scholarship funds available for our school.
- Returning donors making donations designated to our school October 1–November 13 will be matched 1:1. For example, for every \$1,000 gift made by an existing donor, it will be matched by \$1,000 resulting in \$2,000 in Tax Credit Scholarship funds available for our school.
- Schools may have a maximum of \$25,000 matched.
- This match expires when funds are exhausted or November 13, whichever comes first.

Start the donation process today at <https://empowerillinois.org/donate/>

Questions? Contact the CEF at 815-221-6131 or 815-221-6124.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



*(The 7:50 am Masses are offered privately for the intentions that have been promised; there are no public 7:50 am Masses. * Until further notice no new 7:50 am Mass Intentions will be taken. If a 7:50 am Mass Intention has been previously scheduled, it will be included below and offered privately by our priests.)*

Saturday, November 7

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

Vigil Mass of Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. ♥† Knights of Columbus, Living & Deceased (K of C)

† Ed Zelasko *(The Bartelli Family)*

† Cursillo Movement

† The Stutzke Family *(The Hanlock Family)*

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

† Eugene Olszanowski *(Patrick & Barbara Carlson)*

Sunday, November 8, Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. † For the Parish All Souls' Intentions

9:30 a.m. ♥† The People of the Parish

11:30 a.m. † Fr. Frank Vitus *(Larry Zengri)*

1:30 p.m. *(Spanish)* † La intención del Sacerdote

Monday, November 9

7:00 a.m. † Nick Larson *(Anne & Dave Larson)*

Tuesday, November 10

7:00 a.m. † Joseph Ballek *(Dolores Lewandowski)*

*7:50 a.m. † Jerry Enzweiler *(Nancy Enzweiler)*

Wednesday, November 11

7:00 a.m. † John Johnson *(Diana & Florian Szmurlo & VFW Post 6791)*

*7:50 a.m. † Ken Moreen, Sr. *(The Moreen Family)*

Thursday, November 12

7:00 a.m. † All Souls of the Faithfully Departed

*7:50 a.m. † Elaine Michaeliek *(Lois & Chuck Kirk)*

Friday, November 13

7:00 a.m. † Giuliana Capigatti *(Andrew Capigatti)*

*7:50 a.m. † Edward Kalat *(Walter & Therese Martineau)*

Saturday, November 14

8:30 a.m. † All Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary *(Our Lady of Fatima, English)*

Vigil Mass of Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. † Alfred & ♥ Doris Borter *(Steve & Libby Borter)*

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

† John Wojdula *(Alice LaCroix & Family)*

† Don Earley *(Maryann Dusza)*

† Alan Stuart *(St. John the Baptist Religious Education Staff)*

♥ Lori Pacer, Health & Intentions *(Your CCW Sisters in Christ)*

Sunday, November 15, Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:30 a.m. † For the Parish All Souls' Intentions

11:30 a.m. ♥† The People of the Parish

1:30 p.m. *(Spanish)* † Daniel Hartigan *(The Maier Family)*

Our Sanctuary Lamps

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

Chapel † **Giuliana Capigatti**
Church † **Angela Marino**



*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.

SIGNING UP FOR MASSES-UPDATE

Parishioners do not have to sign up in advance for daily Mass, including Saturday morning 8:30a Mass. **Sign-up is still required for Sunday Mass, including Saturday at 5p.** To register for Sunday Mass, including the vigil Mass on Saturday at 5p, go to www.stjohnwinfield.org, or phone the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0. **The capacity at Masses has been increased to 100 parishioners.**

EXPECTING THE UNEXPECTED

If it ever crossed your mind that Jesus was somewhat lacking in a sense of humor, today's Gospel should belie any such notion. Jesus' story of the five wise and five foolish bridesmaids is downright hilarious. The circumstances of the story were surely familiar to Jesus' listeners, just as they are—if we think about it—to us. Weddings never, ever start on time. There's always a delay. Buttons pop off at the last minute. Flowers wilt. Cars full of wedding guests get caught in traffic. Soloists contract laryngitis. Brides or grooms or priests show up late! So the only reasonable way to approach a wedding is with a sense of humor, to realize that something probably will go awry, and, when that happens, to smile about it.

Jesus tells this funny story to encourage us to be watchful, yes; to be ready, yes. But he doesn't tell it to make us dour and somber. The heavy-hearted tremble, waver, lose sight of their place and purpose, and fall asleep. The lighthearted know that the unexpected will happen—is bound to happen—so they are awake in their place and ready in their purpose when it comes.

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SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & CONFESSION

The Sacrament of Penance & Confession is on Saturdays from 3:30p until 4:30p in the Church. Please wear a mask. Confessions are heard inside the church on the most outer aisle, not in the confessionals, either with a screen in-between the confessor and the priest, or face-to-face, maintaining a six-foot distance. To maintain confidentiality & privacy, everyone will be asked to remain in the Narthex until it is their turn, & asked to socially distance while waiting.

Confession Schedule/Horario de Confesiones

- Saturday, November 7, 3:30p-Church-Fr Chris/Fr Jim
- Saturday, November 14, 3:30p-Church-Fr Chris/Fr Jim

ST. JOHN'S MASSES-LIVE STREAMED

St. John's has set up a YouTube channel where Masses and devotions are posted. Currently, two weekend Masses will be live streamed, the 9:30a and the 1:30p in Spanish. You can watch them live or you can go on YouTube anytime and watch the saved Masses.

There are two ways to find the Live Streamed Masses:

1. Go to www.stjohnwinfield.org, scroll down to Social Media, and click on YouTube;



or,

2. Go to YouTube; Search for St. John the Baptist Winfield; Click on our St. John's Church logo.



WHEN YOU HAVE A CAR TO DONATE, YOU "AUTO THINK"... SVDP!

When you hear those radio ads encouraging the donation of your used car, please keep in



mind that your car will most likely NOT be given to someone who can use it. Such cars are usually sold at auction or dismantled for the resale of their parts. That may serve the profit-purposes of a charitable organization. Yet it's not very practical for people who have serious transportation needs, but can't afford to buy a car.

On the other hand, when you donate your car to St. Vincent de Paul, once we have determined that it is safe and functional, we put it directly into the hands of a needy person or family, so it can be used...to drive to work, to go on family errands, or to meet the many other practical needs for getting around. We have no paper-work complications. And we have no large management salaries or administrative costs to pay. We simply serve the needy. So when you're ready to surrender your car, keep St. Vincent de Paul first on your list of options. Call **630-293-9755**. We'll pick up the car and get it into the hands of someone who can really use it.

AT HOME WITH THE WORD BOOKS

At Home with the Word books will be available in the entryway to the Church after all Masses on Nov 7th and 8th, and for the next two weekends if supplies last. The suggested donation is \$5.00.

~Worship Commission

#GIVING TUESDAY

This year, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church will be participating in #Giving Tuesday on December 2, 2020. #Giving Tuesday is a powerful national day of giving.



Your gift, no matter the size, allows us to care for our parish. If you would like to make a gift, please put your donation made payable to St. John's in the Sunday Collection basket, or see our website at stjohnwinfield.org, scroll to WeShare.

SAVE THE DATE! Knights of Columbus FISH FRY ADVENT 2020



Fridays During Advent-
December 4, 11, 18

Sebahar Hall-
Entrance on Liberty St.

- Pick up, Curbside, & New This Advent-**Online Ordering**
- Menu will include fried fish, shrimp, spaghetti, & pizza



**Invitation to All
Knights of Columbus Families-
A Memorial Mass in
Memory of our Knights who have
passed away in the last year**



Dear All Knights' Families:

On **Monday, November 9, 2020, at 6:30 p.m.**, there will be a Memorial Mass in the Chapel to remember and pray for our Knights of Columbus members who passed away over this last year.

All Knights' families are invited to this special Mass.

Tentatively it is scheduled for the Chapel, but may be moved to the Church.

Sincerely,

Winfield Knights of Columbus, Council #8002

**ATTENTION HOMEBOUND MINISTERS:
COMMUNION TO THE SICK OR
HOMEBOUND CAN BEGIN AGAIN**

Dear Homebound Ministers at St. John's:

The Diocese of Joliet has approved homebound visits by Ministers during this time. If you are a Homebound Minister and would like to resume taking communion to the Homebound, please contact the parish office to receive the diocesan guidelines and to sign a parish volunteer [guideline agreement](#).

Parish Office Contact Information: 630-668-0918, ext. 0; jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org; or please stop by the parish between 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday; please wear a mask.



**Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 8, 2020**

Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.
— *Matthew 25:13*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Wisdom is easily discerned by those who love her (Wisdom 6:12-16).

Psalm — My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God (Psalm 63).

Second Reading — Since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 [13-14]).

Gospel — Stay awake! You know neither the day nor the hour (Matthew 25:1-13).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-6; Lk 17:11-19

Thursday: Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25

Friday: 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Tuesday: St. Leo the Great

Wednesday: St. Martin of Tours; Veterans Day

Thursday: St. Josaphat

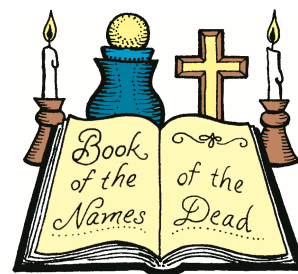
Friday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

**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.



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CANCELLED-Boy Scout Food Drive for
St. Vincent de Paul,
Sunday, November 8, 2020



Unfortunately, the Boy Scout Food Drive is **cancelled** for Winfield residents this fall. Due to COVID-19, the Boy Scouts are unable to participate. Therefore, please do not put your donations out on Sunday, November 8th. The Scouts will not be picking up food from your home. **Please see below for an alternative donation plan.**

Thank you for your understanding.

SVDP FOOD PANTRY-ITEMS NEEDED

If you would like to donate items to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry at St. John's, the Pantry is in need of:

Helping Those In Need



St. Vincent de Paul Society Conference
of St. John Baptist Catholic Church
65233 Church Street Winfield, Illinois

- **Fruit-canned or plastic containers**
- **Tuna**
- **Canned Meats**
- **Soups with Beef in it**
- **Chicken Soup**
- **Personal Care Products, Men & Women**
- **Boxed Potatoes**

This would be a big help to our SVDP clients!

The items can be dropped off at St. John's in the parish office vestibule which is open 24/7.

NEXT ROSARY GET-TOGETHER FOR
MEN OF ST. JOHN-Wednesday,
November 11th, 7:00 p.m.,
Mary Garden/KC Fire Pit

Gentlemen:

Continuing with our every-other-week schedule, 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, November 11, at 7:00 p.m.

Please join us for this beautiful devotion.

CALLING ALL VETERANS

Our St. John the Baptist Catholic School is looking to have a **guest speaker via Zoom** to talk to our students on Veteran's Day, on **Wednesday, November 11th**. The time is flexible at this point. If you are a veteran and are interested in talking about your service to our country, please contact our principal, Mrs. Policht, at 630-668-0918, ext. 617.



St. Vincent DePaul



SVDP Thanksgiving
Grocery Gifts Cards
to Needy Families This Year.
Please Adopt a Family
Today!

Helping Those In Need



St. Vincent de Paul Society Conference
of St. John Baptist Catholic Church
65233 Church Street Winfield, Illinois

This year because of COVID-19 circumstances, St. Vincent DePaul Society will be distributing **gift cards** in place of Thanksgiving food baskets to the needy in the Winfield, West Chicago, and Wheaton area. Approximately 60 families are helped through our SVDP each year. If you would like to adopt a family for Thanksgiving, please **call the parish office, 630-668-0918, ext. 692**, with your name, address, telephone number, and email address.

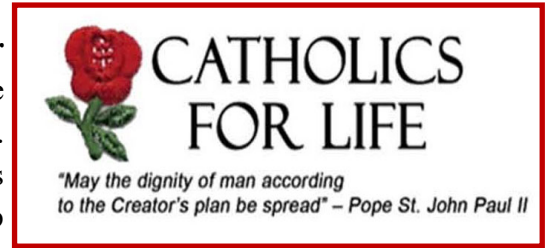
You will be contacted by a SVDP volunteer by email who will ask if you want to donate a **\$60 minimum gift card for a family of 3 or less, or an \$80 minimum gift card for a family of 4 or more**, and you will be directed as to where & when to drop off the gift card.

The gift card should be to a local grocery store, such as Aldi's, Jewel, Trader Joe's or Mariano's.

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

~John Otto, St. Vincent DePaul Society

We are entering the last week of the “**Be a Hero for Life**”, Waterleaf’s Virtual Baby Bottle Campaign. The Baby Bottle campaign is one of their main fundraisers. Unfortunately, due to Covid-19 restrictions, we were unable to pass out baby bottles for you to take home and fill with money to help save the babies and protect their mothers. But the need to support Waterleaf Women’s Center is just as great. If possible, please make a donation of any amount. Go to www.fundeasy.com/m/5011032/ or St. John’s website and scroll to bottom of the page and look for the **Be a Hero for Life** ad.



40 Days for Life fall campaign ended November 1st. It was another record-breaking campaign with 588 cities worldwide taking part. Even Covid-19 could not stop the faithful Pro-Life prayer warriors from coming out to pray, witness, and offer help to those mothers and fathers to save their babies lives. Thank you to all who came out to pray. Remember Planned Parenthood in Aurora is open six days a week, and prayer warriors are encouraged to come whenever possible. Seeing someone outside praying can be the sign mothers are looking for to change their minds and keep their baby.

Plenary Indulgences - In the month of November, the Church has two traditional means of obtaining a plenary indulgence for the souls in Purgatory.

The first is to visit a cemetery and pray for the dead during the Octave of All Saints’ Day, which is Nov. 1-8. This year, the Vatican decreed that this plenary indulgence can be obtained on any day in November.

The second plenary indulgence is connected to the Feast of All Souls’ Day, Nov. 2 and can be received by those who piously visit a church or oratory on that day and recite the Our Father and the Creed. As a means of reducing crowds, the Vatican has said this plenary indulgence has also been extended and is available to Catholics throughout the month of November.

Plenary indulgences, which remit all temporal punishment due to sin, whose guilt has already been forgiven must be accompanied by full detachment from sin, even venial. Both indulgences must include the three ordinary conditions and full detachment from sin: 1) sacramental confession, 2) Eucharistic Communion, and 3) prayer for the intention of the Pope.

The Vatican has also said that, because of the health emergency, the elderly, the sick, and others who cannot leave the house for serious reasons can participate in the indulgence from home by reciting prayers for the deceased before an image of Jesus or the Virgin Mary. They must also spiritually unite themselves to other Catholics, be completely detached from sin, and have the intention of fulfilling the ordinary conditions as soon as possible.

May the Holy Spirit watch over all of us and guide us.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth. Let us pray. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

SUNDAY MORNING PRESCHOOL NEWS

Some Things Never Change

For twenty-nine years St. John the Baptist Parish in Winfield has taught religious education to preschoolers (children 3-5 years of age) through its Sunday Morning Preschool. So, even a global pandemic will not stop us.

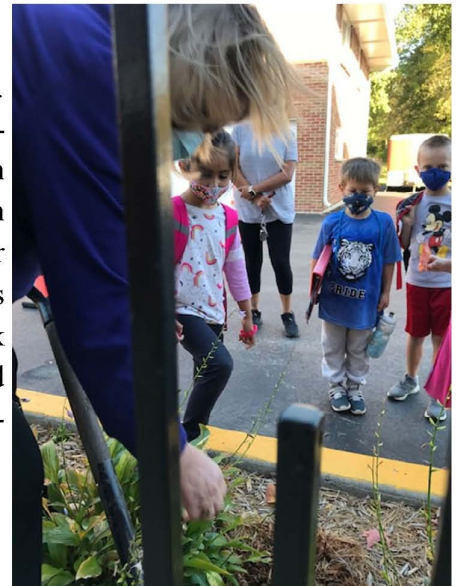
Sunday Morning Preschool sessions have begun. Lessons are delivered via ZOOM. Yes, a three-year-old can learn about God online. The lessons are recorded and can be viewed at any time during the week. I send an invite out each week to all families who are participating.

In addition, lesson enhancement materials are sent via email to families immediately after the session. There is no fee or charge for materials.

If you or someone you know would be interested in participating, please let me know. Contact me at sundaymorningpreschool@yahoo.com or my cell (630) 926-7864.

MS. NIKKI BURNITZ BRINGS A SPECIAL PERSON TO CLASS ON OCTOBER 13TH!

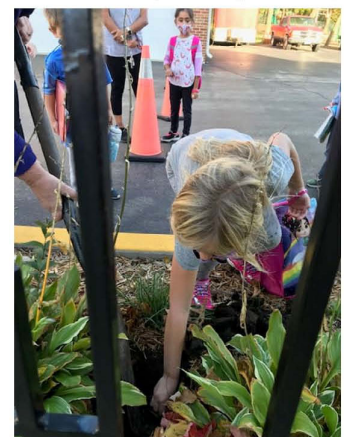
Who was that special person? Her mom, Mrs. Maggie Burnitz! Mrs. Burnitz brought a skinny shovel to show the children how to dig up a small piece of earth and then showed them how to plant tulip bulbs. Why? In the children's Pflaum Gospel Weekly of October 4th, the children learned that God shows God's love by giving us nature. We went out for a walk picking out the things in nature given to us by God and then finding the things wo/man has made, using their gifts given to them by God.



The next week we reviewed the lesson by giving the children a tulip bulb. Then, we planted the bulbs.

Keep your fingers crossed the squirrels were not watching! And look for a row of tulips and daffodils (planted last year by the Saturday RE Confirmands which bloomed in Spring-but no one got to see them-COVID) this upcoming spring, in the small garden by the school door # 10!

~Mrs. Maureen Brennan, Director of Religious Education



Be a HERO for Life!

St. John the Baptist Parish will be participating in a special campaign; the Waterleaf Virtual Baby Bottles for Life Team Challenge to benefit, support and educate pregnant women facing crisis or unintended pregnancies. The funds collected



through the Bottles for Life campaign support the life-affirming programs and services of the Waterleaf Medical Clinic and their Aspire Education and Resource Center location in Aurora. Please log in today and make a donation!

<http://www.fundeasy.com/m/5011032/>

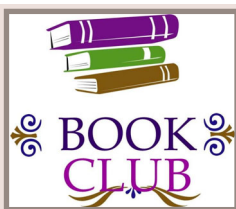
The Virtual Campaign runs from October 1 through November 15, 2020. Join us today and be a hero for life!



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 Waterleaf served 870 patients, performed 580 pregnancy tests, 742 ultrasounds and welcomed over 190 babies. For more information call Waterleaf at 630-701-6270 or visit them on the web at www.onechoiceonelife.org.



Join St. John's Book Club at our next monthly meeting, Wednesday, Nov 18th at 7:00 pm via Zoom. We will discuss the book, *The Indigo Girl* by Natasha Boyd. Please inquire with any questions to Jean Daniell @ tjdaniell@att.net



Upcoming Book Club: Wednesday, Dec. 16th *The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity* by Matthew Kelly.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CHRISTMAS PROJECTS- PARISHIONER PARTICIPATION

Here are two Christmas Projects we can embrace! Young and old alike!

First, a group is looking for letters to send to three different groups: our military who are deployed, to our VA vets, and to our First Responders. If you would like to write a letter or note to those deployed, to our VA vets and to First Responders, please put your written letter in an envelope marked "Deployed" or "VA Vets" or First Responders" and drop it in the basket in the parish office vestibule which is open 24/7. Religious Education will deliver the notes to the designated charity. Deadline for Deployed is November 15th. For the rest, deadline is December 15th.

Secondly, if you are able to pick up some of the items that Support Over Stigma* is requesting (see below Support Over Stigma information), a comprehensive list is on our website at www.stjohnwinfield.org) to help make these dedicated men and women feel a little love at Christmas.

If you recall, we did have a collection PRE COVID that we collected in March; that collection was housed in the REO Closet and went to the first set of deliveries this past Saturday!

As always, St. John the Baptist is the most generous when it comes to taking care of those in need!

Just looked out the window and it is snowing-maybe I should have started a collection for Easter!

**The goal of Support Over Stigma is to remove the stigma that comes with seeking help. Second is providing a safe haven of support to active duty military, veterans, first responders and their families, especially those battling PTSD and homelessness. Our third goal is to educate the public about the dilemmas those with PTSD struggle with and get them the help they need before it's too late! See their website at <https://www.supportoverstigma.org/about> to learn more.*

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- At the St. John's Parish Office, Mon.-Fri., 8a-4p, check or cash
- Checks made payable to St. John's CCW

Masks need to be worn throughout concert, please socially-distance

Questions, please call 630-668-0918, ext. 0



Council of Catholic Women

Christmas Luncheon Reservation Form

Thursday, December 10th

11:30am – 12pm - Social time Lunch served at NOON

Glendale Lakes Golf Club

1550 President St.

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From Winfield take County Farm north to North Ave.

Turn right on North Ave going east to President St. Turn

left (north) on President St. Drive approximately 1 ½ miles and the club will be on your left.

Members and guests interested in joining us for our annual Christmas luncheon should complete the reservation form below. ***We are providing transportation for those who need it!***

We will begin at 11:30am to meet, greet and enjoy each other's company. Masks are required in the building with the exception of when you are eating. Glendale Lake's delicious choices for lunch are:

Apricot Glazed Frenched Chicken Breast *Broiled frenched chicken breast glazed with apricot & bourbon preserves*

Roast Sirloin of Beef *Served with natural jus*

Both the chicken and beef entrees include: *Mixed greens salad with strawberries, dried cherries, spiced almonds & gorgonzola cheese with raspberry vinaigrette dressing, grilled asparagus with lemon zest, twice baked potato, and an ice cream sundae for dessert*

Vegetarian –Four Cheese Ravioli – Ravioli stuffed with four cheese blend served with marinara sauce. *Includes mixed greens salad with strawberries, dried cherries, spiced almonds & gorgonzola cheese with raspberry vinaigrette dressing, grilled asparagus with lemon zest, and an ice cream sundae for dessert.*

All entrées include rolls & butter, coffee, tea, iced tea, soft drinks and dessert.

Please indicate your choice below. Cost is \$20. This can be put in the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office by Wednesday, **November 25th**. Contact Jennifer at 630-668-0918, ext 0, or email at jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org for further information.

Name

Phone#

Apricot Glazed Frenched Chicken Breast _____ **Roast Sirloin of Beef** _____

Vegetarian Four Cheese Ravioli _____

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ payable to **St. John's CCW** \$20 per person

ADDRESS for pick up if needed: _____

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Baptisms

Until further notice, baptisms will be held on Saturdays, practicing social distancing. Parents need to be registered parishioners and parents and godparents will need to attend a Baptism Preparation Class prior to the Baptism. Godparents are to be practicing Catholics! Please contact the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 600.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

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



Wedding Information

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



Prayers & Support for the Sick & Those in Need

Having Surgery?

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

Hospital Visits

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

Homebound-Parishioners who are homebound and wish to receive communion, please call the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0, and we will pass your name to the coordinator for Homebound Ministry. *Please note: due to the coronavirus, no communion taken to homebound; instead, Homebound Ministers praying over the telephone with homebound.*

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. For more information, contact the parish office at 630-668-0918, ext. 0. Please note: **Grief Support will meet on Thursday, December 3rd at 7:00 p.m. in Sebahar Hall.** Please register beforehand; call the parish office for information at 630-668-0918, ext. 0

24-Hour Adoration: Adoration has begun on Thursday evenings from 6p-9p. 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.



Overeaters Anonymous Meeting: Until further notice, OA is not meeting at St. John's due to COVID-19.

MASS INFORMATION

Mass Intentions: Please call or email the parish office to schedule a Mass Intention. Donation is \$10; 5p & 1:30p Masses-free-will donation. 630-668-0918, ext 0 or jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org. We can mail the Mass card for you.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: The parish office is open, 8:00 am-4:00 p.m. 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 Usher's Room in the Church.

Bulletin Articles: Submissions are due by noon on Thurs., 10 days prior to the Sunday on which you wish the article to appear. . Include the name & phone number of the person submitting the article. Please email as an attachment using Microsoft Word or Publisher. Please do not include article in the body of the email. Email to: jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org and rosab@stjohnwinfield.org.



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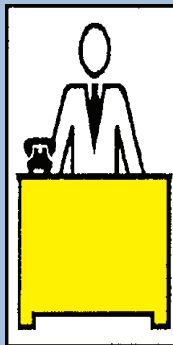


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