ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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THERE WAS A LANDOWNER WHO PLANTED A VINEYARD, PUT A HEDGE AROUND IT, DUG A WINE PRESS IN IT, AND BUILT A TOWER. THEN HE LEASED IT TO TENANTS AND WENT ON A JOURNEY.

MATTHEW 21:33



Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks

Installed as the Sixth Bishop of the Diocese of Joliet Tuesday, September 29, 2020

"What a vibrant diocese—so many wonderful things going on in the name of the Lord—and to be a part of this and to be assigned here, what a beautiful call and gift."

-Bishop Ronald A. Hicks

The people of the Diocese of Joliet welcome Bishop Hicks and join him in prayer with all the faithful as they work together united in faith, hope, and charity.

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 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 Jennifer Engeldahl Aaron Erickson William Ferdinand Patrocinia Fernandez Fr. Hilary Fischer Marie Flores Kvle Freed **Dolores Gabriel**

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

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 Bessy Miller Colette Miller Mavette 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 Brittnev Prehn Ian Prosser Jeanne Ptak Tim Ptak Theresa Ratterman Mary Rauch Sam Reyes Alicia Ricciardi Cooper Rojas Gertie Romero Kelli Rooney Katherine Rose John Rossi Sister Audrey Rothweil Marvin Rothweil Susan Rothweil **Bob Salat** Scott Schwartz

Sven Segerlund John Shannon Desireé Sheppard Evelyn Skriba Dan Smyth Dolores Snyder Diane Srachta Doug Stephan Hugh Stott Michael John Stralko Rosemary Sumano Ewa Sarnacka Mary Tarchala Virg Tobin Jim Toman Erin Anderson Tugman Benjamin Vargas Maria Vargas Keith Venard Martha Vescio Virginia Underwood Genevieve Welch Kvlie Wells-Long Élizabeth Wood Susan Woodbury Lexie Youngberg Larry Zengri *New this week*

Welcome - Bienvenido

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

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

Parish Directory - 630-668-0918

Pastor/Párroco: Fr. Christopher Lankford

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Jim Olofson

Deacon: Dcn. Dave Ritter

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

Secretaria Hispana:Ext 601
Business Manager:

......Mike Vallaro....Ext 616

Facilities Manager:
.....Aaron Simpson....Ext 603

Music Ministry: Adrienne Rose...630-653-1489 Música Español: María Marquez.630-562-6894

Religious Education:Office: Ext 613

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

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

Youth Ministry:

Phone 630-668-0918, Press 2, Fax: 630-668-1074 **St Vincent de Paul Society....** Ext 692

Website: www.stjohnwinfield.org

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.

Mass Schedule

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.

Sunday Masses:

Sat. 5:00 pm & Sun. 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



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

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

This weekend, we find ourselves in the month of October, the month dedicated to the Rosary. On October 7, we will celebrate the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. This feast commemorates one of the most important days in European History, the Battle of Lepanto in 1571. In this battle, the Christians from Europe defeated the invading Turkish navy in a great battle at sea, even though the Turks had a massive advantage in terms of size and power. Knowing that the fate of Christianity in Europe was in the balance, Pope St. Pius V ordered that all of the churches in Rome would be open day and night so that the faithful could come to pray the rosary for a victory in this battle. Due to a miraculous change in weather the day of the battle, the Christians were able to defeat the Turks and preserve the faith in Europe. When Pope St. Pius V heard the great news of the victory, he instituted this feast as an annual celebration to thank Our Lady of the Rosary for her powerful intercession.

As we are in this month of the rosary, I encourage all of you to take time to pray the rosary regularly. It gives us the opportunity to meditate on the saving mysteries of Christ's life, and all of the saints point to the rosary as a source of great holiness. Pope St. Pius X said: "The Rosary is the most beautiful and the richest in graces of all prayers; it is the prayer that touches most the Heart of the Mother of God, and if you wish peace to reign in your homes, recite the family Rosary." Padre Pio said: "Love the Madonna and pray the Rosary, for her Rosary is the weapon against the evils of the world today." And Saint Therese of Lisieux said: "The Rosary is a long chain that links Heaven and Earth. One end of it is in our hands and the other is in the hands of the holy Virgin. Mary responds at once like a beneficial dew, bringing new life to human hearts."

In Christ, Fr Jim

Este fin de semana nos encontramos en el mes de octubre, el mes dedicado al Santo Rosario. El 7 de octubre celebraremos la fiesta de Nuestra Señora del Rosario. Esta fiesta conmemora uno de los días más importantes de la historia europea, la batalla de Lepanto en 1571. En esta batalla, los cristianos de Europa vencieron a la armada turca en una gran batalla en el mar, a pesar de que los turcos tenían una enorme ventaja de tamaño y poder. Sabiendo que el destino del cristianismo en Europa estaba en peligro, el Papa San Pío V ordenó que todas las iglesias de Roma estuvieran abiertas día y noche para que los fieles pudieran rezar el rosario por la victoria en esta batalla. Debido a un cambio milagroso en el clima el día de la batalla, los cristianos pudieron vencer a los turcos y preservar la fe en Europa. Cuando el Papa San Pío V escuchó la gran noticia de la victoria, instituyó esta fiesta como una celebración anual para agradecer a Nuestra Señora del Rosario por su poderosa intercesión.

Como estamos en este mes del rosario, los animo a todos a que se tomen un tiempo para rezar el rosario con frecuencia. Nos da la oportunidad de meditar sobre los misterios salvadores de la vida de Cristo, y todos los santos dijeron que el rosario es una fuente de gran santidad. El Papa San Pío X dijo: "El Rosario es la más bella y la más rica en gracias de todas las oraciones; es la oración que más toca el Corazón de la Madre de Dios, y si desean que la paz reine en sus hogares, recen el Rosario en familia." El Padre Pío dijo: "Ama a la Virgen y reza el Rosario, porque su Rosario es el arma contra los males del mundo de hoy". Y Santa Teresita dijo: "El Rosario es una larga cadena que une el Cielo y la Tierra. Un lado está en nuestras manos y el otro en manos de la Santísima Virgen. María responde de inmediato como un rocío benéfico, trayendo nueva vida a los corazones humanos."

En Cristo, Padre Jim

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 4, 2020

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.

— Philippians 4:6

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.)

Saturday, October 3

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

Vigil Mass of The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. † Bonnie Hansen (The Maryann Dusza Family)

† Shirley Stachniak

† Ellen A. Starkovich (The Burke Family)

† Cosgrove & Miller Families (Colette Miller)

† Catherine Hall (Karen Hall)

▼ Leonard Hanlock, Health & Intentions (The Hanlock Family)

Sunday, October 4, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. † Shirley Stachniak 9:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish

11:30 a.m. † Jerry Enzweiler (Nancy Enzweiler)

1:30 p.m. (Spanish) ♥† Knights of Columbus, Living & Deceased (Knights of Columbus)

Monday, October 5

7:00 a.m. † Shirley Stachniak

Tuesday, October 6

7:00 a.m. † Shirley Stachniak

Wednesday, October 7

7:00 a.m. † Joseph & Timothy Lambert (Rose Marie Lambert)

Thursday, October 8

7:00 a.m. † Alan Stuart (Dennis & Karen Calay)

Friday, October 9

7:00 a.m. † Parish's All Souls' Intentions

Saturday, October 10

8:30 a.m. † John Kosusnik (Sharleen, Robert & Roger Kosusnik)
Vigil Mass of The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. † Bonnie Hansen (Marianne & Jim Russell)

† Cursillo Movement

† The Stutzke Family (The Hanlock Family)

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

† Eugene Olszanowski (Patrick & Barbara Carlson)

† Charles & Helen Guidi (Allan & Norene Oleksiak)

Sunday, October 11, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. † Don Roberts (Harriett Kunesh)

9:30 a.m. † William F. Coon (Florian & Diana Szmurlo)

11:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish

1:30 p.m. (Spanish) † Georgia Peterson (The Maier Family)

Our Sanctuary Lamps

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



Chapel ♥ For Expectant Mothers 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. <u>Sign-up is still required for Sunday Mass, including Saturday at 5p.</u> 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.



Please pray for

Jeanette "Nettie" Bachman
who passed away on
September 27, 2020.

Our sympathies are extended to her husband, Jack, and to all of her family & friends.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & CONFESSION

The Sacrament of Penance and 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 and privacy, everyone will be asked to remain in the Narthex until it is their turn, and asked to socially distance while waiting.

Confession Schedule/Horario de Confesiones

- Saturday, October 3, 3:30p-Church-Fr Chris/Fr Jim
- Saturday, October 10, 3:30p-Church-Fr Chris/Fr Jim

The parish office will not be open on Monday, October 12, for Columbus Day. The parish office will re-open on Tuesday, October 13, at 8:00 a.m.



We are in need of someone to take over leadership for Adoration

The Worship Commission is looking for someone to take charge of Adoration. We currently have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday from 6:00 PM-9:00 PM. We would love to continue this wonderful tradition, especially during the pandemic. However, there has to be someone to oversee it.

Duties are as follows:

- Open the church and set up a table for sign-in and place sanitizer and cleaning solution on the table at 5:45 PM.
- Print new sign-up sheet each week and set on table.
- Make sure there is one volunteer greeter and two volunteer "sanitizers" for each hour.
- After benediction, take down the tables and sanitizers and lock up the church.
- The sign-in sheet should be taken to the parish office and put through the mail slot.

The leader should also be available to attend the worship commission meetings on the second Monday of each month for status reports.

Please contact Shirley Axelson, Worship Commission, if interested: 630-293-1355.

New Meal Ministry:

Would you like to prepare a meal for our Priests/
Seminarians? Please go to this website for more infor-



mation and to sign up for a specific date:

https://takethemameal.com/meals.php?t=PGYY7083



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.

Two ways to find the Live Streamed Masses:

1. St. John the Baptist Website now has di-

rect links to our YouTube Channel, Instagram, and Facebook. Go to



www.stjohnwinfield.org,

scroll down to Social Media, and click on YouTube; or,

- 1. Go to YouTube:
- 2. Search for St. John the Baptist Winfield
- 3. Click on our St. John's Church logo:



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST YOUTH MINISTRY 'S 3RD ANNUAL MIDDLE SCHOOL (6TH, 7TH, AND 8TH)

ALL HALLOW EVE'S

WITH GHOST STORIES, CONTESTS, AND MORE

SATURDAY OCTOBER 24TH

6:00PM- 8:00PM

OUTSIDE ON CHURCH LAWN BY MARY GARDEN/FIRE PIT DUE TO COVID REGULATIONS MASKS ARE REQUIRED BUT BE CREATIVE WITH THEM!

> CONTACT: RUBEN CHAVEZ RCHAVEZ@STJOHNWINFIELD.ORG 630-668-0918 EXT. 615



WHY GIVE ONLINE?

- You can share your gifts... Any way you want to. When you want to. Where you want to.
- Leave your checkbook at home. Set up your recurring gift using a credit card, checking or savings account.
- 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.
- **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!

- Visit your church website and click Give Online.
- Select the collection or event of your choice.
- 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.

August 30......\$17,898 September 6......\$22,955 September 13....\$17,412 September 20.....\$16,611

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Help a child receive a Catholic education at St. John the Baptist, and you can receive a 75% tax credit on your state income taxes.

WHY IS A TAX CREDIT BETTER THAN A DEDUCTION?

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

Example: Tax Credit vs. Tax Deduction

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

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

Donate through Empower Illinois (empowerillinois.org), designating St. John the Baptist Catholic School as the recipient of the scholarship. Contact the school office or the parish business manager for more information.

oin St. John's Book Club at our next monthly meeting, Wednesday, October 21st at 6:00 pm at the home of Karen Tsaparis. We will discuss the book, *Circe* by Madeline Miller. Please inquire for directions or



with any questions & RSVP Karen at karen.tsaparis@gmail.com

Upcoming Book Club:

Wednesday, November 18th *The Indigo Girl* by Natasha Boyd

THE GIFT OF THE REIGN OF GOD

Matthew's Gospel today expands on Isaiah's ballad considerably. A comparison with the same story in Mark's Gospel clearly shows us that here the author is busy teaching this community of Jewish Christians: "This is a story about Israel a long time ago; this is also a story about Jesus and the skeptical leaders."

Jesus as much as told these Jewish leaders that they were the tenants who first stoned their own prophets. And he told the leaders they were the tenants who would soon even dispose of him—Jesus—and, in doing so, would forfeit their privileged place of presenting to the world the promised Messiah.

"And this," says Matthew's Gospel, "is a story about you, the inheritors of what was first offered to Israel." The reign of God was first opened to Israel and is now given to the whole world, but it must be received as a gift. The first Christians are the new tenants in the vineyard. The deeper reality of the reign or kingdom of God is that it is available to everyone on the face of the earth—Israel included.

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT OUR SCHOOL (see above to the right), DIOCESE OF JOLIET & SURROUNDING PARISHES

Our Diocese of Joliet and surrounding parishes have job opportunities, as well. To view full job descriptions and other opportunities, visit: http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/hr/sectioncontent.php?

Online prayers, reflections, &devotions

https://mycatholic.life https://dynamiccatholic.com https://www.catholic.org/lent

Breviary (Liturgy of the Hours) on IBreviary App & Website Apps & Websites for Relevant Radio, Word on Fire, & Formed

PART-TIME HELP WANTED AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Two part-time positions are available at St. John the Baptist Catholic School:

Instructional Assistant – Preschool 3 year olds – works M-F, 7:15 – 1:00 PM

Technology Teacher – works two days, 7:00 – 3:15 PM – Monday and Tuesday

For more information, please contact Principal, Joanne Policht at 630-668-2625, extension 617 or Jpolicht@stjohnwinfield.org.

Needed ... Devout Catholic Substitute Teachers

Each Catholic school in the Diocese of Joliet is successfully implementing face-to-face instruction that honors the safety measures outlined in within its School Reopening Plan. As a result, several Catholic educators are needed to serve as substitute teachers at the Pre-School – Grade 12 levels. The substitute teacher candidate must love children and hold either a current Illinois Professional Educator License (PEL) or an Illinois Substitute License. Please complete an online application by clicking on the link below.

https://www.applitrack.com/dioceseofjoliet/onlineapp/

No degree in education? No problem!

If you are called to this ministry, a degree in education is not a prerequisite for becoming a licensed substitute teacher. An individual who holds a BA in any discipline is eligible to apply for an Illinois Substitute License through the seamless process of transcript evaluation. For further information about obtaining a teaching license in this manner, contact Karen Udell, CSO Assistant Superintendent of Leadership and Personnel, at 815-221-6123.

ASK FOR HELP

Ask Our Lady to help you. Ask her to entreat her Son to let you know what you should do.

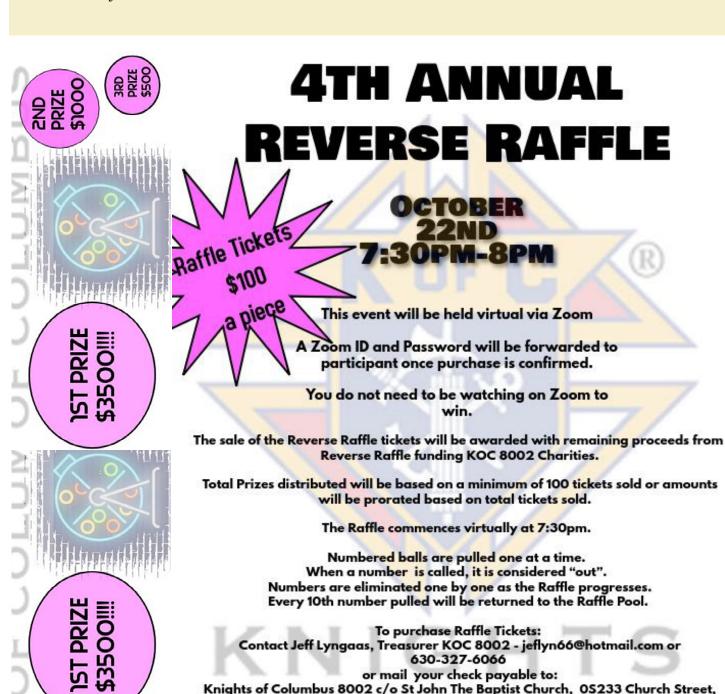
—BI. Marie Rose Durocher

NEXT ROSARY GET-TOGETHER FOR MEN OF ST. JOHN-Wednesday, October 14th, 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, October 14, at 7:00 p.m.

Note: We will be adjusting our bi-weekly gatherings to pray the Rosary on Wednesday evenings, rather than Thursdays, so as not to overlap the established Thursday-night schedule for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Please join us for this beautiful devotion.



Winfield, Il 60190. Please indicate Rev Raffle in memo area of you check.

Catholic For Life

October, is the month of the Rosary, as well as, Respect Life Month, and Breast Cancer Awareness month. Many rosaries have been said for a cure of this life threating disease.

Thursday, October 1 through Sunday, October 15, Waterleaf Baby Bottle Fundraiser

Waterleaf's Virtual Baby Bottle Fundraiser started on October 1st. Their biggest fundraiser is the Baby Bottle campaign that most churches (ours included) hold for them during the year.



Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 virus, churches cannot distribute baby bottles. Yet the need to help women choose Life and not abortion for their baby is greater than ever since abortion clinics are open and Illinois encourages and supports abortion. St. John the Baptist Parish will take part in the **virtual** fundraiser this year. Next week's bulletin will contain complete information on the fundraiser and how you can contribute as part of St. John the Baptist Parish. So, please help if you can, and please pray for the success of the campaign. If you have any questions, please contact Waterleaf at 630-701-6270 or visit them on the web at www.onechoiceonelife.org.

Sunday, October 4, Respect Life Sunday

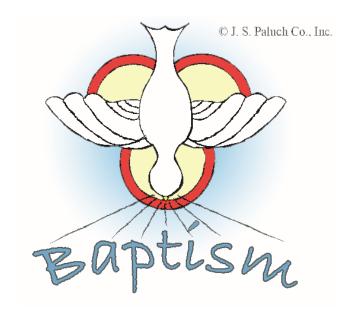
- The **Aanchor Abortion Clinic** is closed after 17 and a half years (PTL!). Regardless, we will still observe our annual **Life Chain** along Roosevelt Road at **1186 Roosevelt Road from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.** on **Sunday, October 4, Respect Life Sunday**. The power of prayer! We stand twenty feet apart so we will be social distancing, as well wearing masks. www.LifeChain.org
- Patriotic Rosary All are invited to join our parish and four other area parishes in praying the Patriotic Rosary for our nation and respect for life. The event will be held at 7pm in the parking lot of Corpus Christi Church in Carol Stream, 1415 W. Lies Rd (inside if bad weather.) We will form an outline of the United States with candles. St. John's will be leading a decade of the rosary. We will be practicing social distance and wearing masks. You may bring a lawn chair. Reservations are appreciated (but not necessary) and can be made at www.corpuschristicarolstream.org or let Linda know at rvlindal@comcast.net.

<u>Saturday, November 7</u> - There will be a Rosary Rally at noon, Nov 7 at Five Corners in Glen Ellyn, (Main St. & St. Charles Rd). Mark your calendar and come out and pray publicly for our nation, for peace on the streets, for the end of the virus, and for the end of violence. Masks and social distancing.

<u>National Catholic Register</u> - The Aug. 30 - Sept 12 issue of National Catholic Register has a large ad for the movie POWER IN MY HANDS, a major Rosary film produced by the Rosary Evangelization Apostolate. It is an 81- minute feature film with an All-Star cast and is now available for purchase on DVD or Blu-ray. You can go to www.PowerInMyHandsTheMovie.com for further information and a look at the trailer.

Also, look to the National Catholic Register to be informed of the views of the political candidates and their party's platform.

So, let us pray. Hail Mary full of grace the Lord is with thee...



Welcome to Our Newly Baptized!

September 25, 2020

Alesandro Sanchez

Child of Estefani Maranjo & Osvaldo Sánchez

September 26, 2020

Scarlett Victoria Allen

Child of Victoria Carroccio & Noel Allen

Madelyn Lilly Niemann

Child of Gretchen Goetz & James Niemann

SUNDAY MORNING PRESCHOOL NEWS

Some Things Never Change

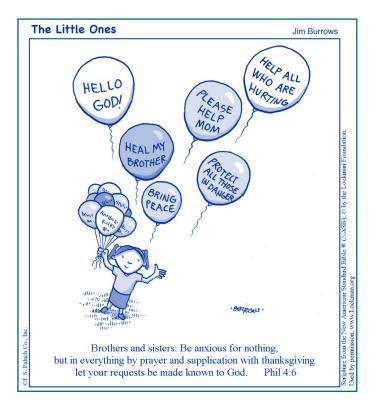
For 29 years St. John the Baptist Parish in Winfield has taught religious education to preschoolers (children 3-5 years of age) through its Sunday Morning Preschool. So, even a global pandemic will not stop us.

Sunday Morning Preschool sessions begin this Sunday, October 4th. Lessons will be delivered via ZOOM. Yes, a 3-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.





Undy Sunday: October 2020

Did you know that new underwear and socks are the most-requested, but least-donated items at Catholic Charities? These basic items (new underwear, warm socks, a fresh diaper) are truly treasures to those who are living in poverty.



St. John the Baptist Religious Education is supporting Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet and the individuals and families they serve by providing new underwear, undershirts, socks, diapers, and other basic need items for children and adults living in low-income households throughout the month of October. This year, due to COVID-19, Catholic Charities is requesting donations in either of the two following ways:

Undy Sunday Amazon Wish List – Choose from a list of most-needed items and your donation will be sent directly to Catholic Charities to help those in need.

Monetary Donations to support Undy Sunday – Donations made to Undy Sunday will be used to purchase the items needed by Catholic Charities' clients.

Please visit https://catholiccharitiesjoliet.org/undy-sunday/ to make a donation or view the Amazon Wish List.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The vineyard of the LORD is the house of Israel (Isaiah 5:1-7).

Psalm — The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel (Psalm 80).

Second Reading — God's peace will guard your hearts and minds (Philippians 4:6-9).

Gospel — The kingdom of God will be given to those who will produce its fruit (Matthew 21:33-43).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c;

Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15;

Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13 Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26 Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28 Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-

20; Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordi

nary Time;

Respect Life Sunday

Monday: Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos

Tuesday: St. Bruno; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher

Wednesday: Our Lady of the Rosary

Friday: St. Denis and Companions;

St. John Leonardi

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

If you are 18 years of age or older, and would like to become Catholic, now is the perfect time to inquire about Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, or RCIA.

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 October 4th 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!

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP:

New Videos from the Diocese of Joliet Released September 25, 2020.

The Diocese of Joliet has asked parishes to share the following information. Under the professional direction and leadership of Dr. David Castronovo, Bethany Duckworth and the services of the Joiet Diocesan Communication Office, three videos are being released. All three videos are described below and can be viewed at the following web address, http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/news or through the link referred to in each explanation below:

Bishop Hicks provided a "taste" of Diocese of Joliet

On the day of the announcement of his appointment as Bishop of Joliet by Pope Francis, Bishop Ronald Hicks enjoyed a "taste" of Pastoral Life in highly personal visits with four programs in the Diocese of Joliet.

SHARE THE TASTE with Bishop Hicks at: http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/bishophicks

Seasons of Creation

The Diocese of Joliet has been celebrating the Season of Creation during the month of September. The Season of Creation is an annual Christian observance of caring for creation. It is a time to celebrate and renew our commitment to the Creator and the stewardship of His creation. This Season of Creation has a particular significance because our Holy Father has named this year Laudato Si' Year, as we continue to celebrate the five-year anniversary of his encyclical Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home. The Season of Creation started on September 1st, the International Day of Prayer for Creation and will end on October 4th, 2020, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

In the Diocese of Joliet, we started the Season of Creation with a prayer service on September 1, 2020 at Lewis University with Bishop Pates and young adults from the diocese. You can find a recording of that service at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PCHz6twfmZE We will complete the Season of Creation the week of September 28-October 4, 2020. The Diocese of Joliet's Laudato Si' Ministries will have a two-part series, in Spanish, about environmental and human health. They will post two informational videos, one on recycling and one on the effects of lead pipes on children's health. Those videos will be available at: http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/seasonsofcreation on October 2, 2020.

African Priest begins education project

Father Benedict Zele, a priest of the Archdiocese of Blantyre, Malawi, is undertaking a project to revolutionize the outcome of second education in his Archdiocese. His project has been titled: **Transformation Through Education.**

The video is available for viewing at: http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/transformationthrougheducation

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.

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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.

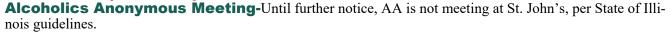
Prayer Line, Pray for the Sick Listed in Bulletin

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, November 5 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.





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.

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Reporting Sexual Abuse

Anyone with reason to believe that a child has been abused or is being abused should report his/her suspicions to civil authorities. Contact the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, 1-800-25ABUSE (1-800 -252-2873) or the local police. The Diocese of Joliet Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help victims/survivors of child sexual abuse by a cleric, employee or volunteer of the Catholic Church. The Victim Assistance Coordinator will report to Bishop Conlon and coordinate efforts of pastoral support and outreach to assist in the healing process. The Victim Assistance Coordinator can also assist in making a report to civil authorities. Contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1-815-263-6467.

Denuncia de abuso sexual

Cualquier persona que tenga motivos de sospecha que un niño ha sido abusado o está siendo abusado debe informar a las autoridades civiles. Contacto: Departamento de Illinois de Servicios para Niños y Familia: 1-800-25ABUSE (1-800-252-2873) o la policía local. El Coordinador de Asistencia a las Víctimas de la Diócesis de Joliet está disponible para ayudar a las víctimas / sobrevivientes de abuso sexual infantil por parte de un ministro, empleado o voluntario de la Iglesia Católica. El Coordinador de Asistencia a Víctimas informará al Obispo Conlon y coordinará los esfuerzos de apoyo y acompañamiento pastoral para ayudar en el proceso de curación. El Coordinador de Asistencia a Víctimas también puede proveer asistencia en hacer un informe a las autoridades civiles. Póngase en contacto con la Diócesis de Joliet Coordinador de Asistencia a las Víctimas en el 1-815-263-6467.





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