

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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March 28, 2021

Palm Sunday

OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

When the centurion
who stood facing him
saw how he breathed
his last he said,

"Truly this man was the Son of God!"

Please pray for our sick

Alisa Allen
Sandy Anderson
Jack Aylward
Dave Balseqiz
Ada Bantola
Ella Bitterman
Jennifer Bitterman
Floyd Bosch
Brian Burke
Allison Lamberts Burns
Jim Cabrera, Sr.
Karen Cervenka
Lisa Cicero
Al Cieslik
Patricia Clifford
Kathy Connor
Georgene Cook
Carol Connors
Julio Correa
Rita Cross
Mary Elaine Cruz
Linda Dameron
Anetta Derango
Kathe Doremus
Nick DuBay
Ralph Eckhoff
Concepcion Edaño
Joann Eggebrecht
Joan Enders
Aaron Erickson
William Ferdinand
Patrocinia Fernandez
Marie Flores
Kyle Freed
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
Edy Jacobs
Jason Jensen
Margarita Jimenez
Andrew Jin
Shawn Jurgensen
Charles Kadolph
David C. Kadolph
Lynn Kadolph
Mary Kallas
Kathy Kamphaus
Brandon Karimi
Ken Kasnicka
Carter Kettner
Donna Kevil
Joe Konopka
Gerry Krug
Margaret Kuhn
Korinn Kupris
Ivanna Lamb
Rose Marie Lambert

Ken Larson
Rick LeBreux
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
Andy Nowak

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 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 Swed
Mary Tarchala
Virg Tobin
Jim Toman
Erin Anderson Tugman
Benjamin Vargas
Maria Vargas
Keith Venard
Martha Vescio
Virginia Underwood
Dolores Vasquez
Genevieve Welch
Kylie Wells-Long
Paula Winterhalter
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/Párroco: Fr. Christopher Lankford

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

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

Brian Geary

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

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

(Except no confess Holy Sat., 4/3)

Reconciliation also on Tuesday,

March 30, 12 pm-1 pm

Adoration:

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

(Except Holy Thursday, when Adoration
will begin after the 7pm Mass of the Lord's
Supper until Midnight))

Public Sunday Masses are continuing, as well as public daily Mass at 7am & 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 & devotions will continue to be online on YouTube which can be accessed through our website, www.stjohnwinfield.org, scroll down to Social Media.



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
AFSSgt Zachary Ushman

THE PRIESTS' PAGE/LA PÁGINA DE LOS PADRES

Today, as we celebrate Palm Sunday, we begin the holiest week of the year. We are so grateful that we are in a better place with the pandemic so that we can celebrate these liturgies together. We all remember the empty churches. The livestreamed Masses. No real celebrations of the Lord's death and Resurrection. I even remember a parishioner who went on Amazon, bought his own palms, had them blessed, and passed them out to friends and family. Who knew you could buy palms on Amazon! Obviously, things are not totally "back to normal," but given the choice, I know that I would rather do what we are able to do now, with limitations, rather than having to go through what we went through last year. So we thank God for the progress that has been made and pray that things might continue to improve as we fight against this virus.

As I reflect on the days ahead, I want to offer you a simple invitation this week: Don't just show up to the empty tomb! I think it is easy to go from Sunday to Sunday, and forget all of the drama and beauty of what happens in the next few days. If you just show up to the empty tomb, you miss Christ's act of humility, as He loves His apostles to the end by washing their feet. You miss the Institution of the Eucharist, Christ's self-gift as he nourishes us with His Body and Blood. You miss the loving faithfulness with which He carried His cross. You miss the witness of the Blessed Mother, who never leaves Christ's side in the midst of His suffering. And you miss the greatest act of love the universe has ever seen: Christ's death on the Cross. The Creator, subjecting Himself to the wicked hands of His creation, so that He might redeem us and live in communion with us forever. All of this, and more, is celebrated throughout this week. I encourage you to pray all throughout Holy Week and the Paschal Triduum, allowing these days of holiness and grace to prepare your hearts for the joy of the Empty Tomb.

In Christ,
Fr Jim

Hoy, al celebrar el Domingo de Ramos, comenzamos la semana más santa del año. Estamos muy agradecidos de estar en un mejor lugar con la pandemia para que podamos celebrar estas liturgias juntas. Todos recordamos las iglesias vacías. Las misas transmitidas en línea. No había celebraciones reales de la muerte y resurrección del Señor. Incluso recuerdo a un feligrés que fue a Amazon, compró sus propias palmas, las bendijo y se las pasó a amigos y familiares. ¡Yo no sabía que puedes comprar palmas en Amazon! Obviamente, las cosas no han "vuelto a normal" del todo, pero si tengo la opción, sé que preferiría hacer lo que podemos hacer ahora, con limitaciones, en lugar de tener que pasar por lo que pasamos el año pasado. Por eso le damos gracias a Dios por el progreso que se ha logrado y oramos para que las cosas sigan mejorando mientras luchamos contra este virus.

Mientras reflexiono sobre los días venideros, quiero ofrecerles una invitación simple esta semana: ¡No se presenten a la tumba vacía! Creo que es fácil pasar de domingo a domingo y olvidar todo el drama y la belleza de lo que sucede en los próximos días. Si simplemente vas a la tumba vacía, extrañas el acto de humildad de Cristo, ya que ama a sus apóstoles hasta el fin cuando lavó sus pies. Extrañas la Institución de la Eucaristía, el don de Cristo mismo cuando nos alimenta con Su Cuerpo y Su Sangre. Extrañas la fidelidad amorosa con la que llevó Su Santa Cruz. Extrañas el testimonio de la Santísima Virgen María, que nunca se aparta del lado de Cristo en medio de su sufrimiento. Y extrañas el mayor acto de amor que el universo ha visto: la muerte de Cristo en la Cruz. El Creador, sometiéndose a las manos malvadas de su creación, para redimirnos y vivir en comunión con nosotros para siempre. Todo esto y más se celebra durante de esta semana. Les animo a rezar durante toda la Semana Santa y el Triduo Pascual, permitiendo que estos días de santidad y gracia preparen sus corazones para la alegría de la Tumba Vacía.

En Cristo,
Padre Jim

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 28, 2021**

[Christ Jesus] humbled himself,
becoming obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross.
— *Philippians 2:8*

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



*(The 7:50 am Masses are offered privately by our priests 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.)*

Saturday, March 27

8:30 a.m. † Shirley Stachniak (*The Stachniak Family*)

Vigil Mass of Palm Sunday

5:00 p.m. † Shirley Stachniak (*Stachniak Grandkids*)

† Richard Vikander (*Joe & Theresa Lafontaine*)

† A.J. Winterhalter (*Larry & Cecily Langellier*)

† Abe Rundell (*Monica Rundell*)

† Amelia Alcazar (*Fred & Joan Pacer*)

Sunday, March 28, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:30 a.m. ♥† People of the Parish

9:30 a.m. † Richard Hanlock (*Ellen & Michael McGrath*)

11:30 a.m. † Robert Srachta (*Diane Srachta*)

1:30 p.m. (*Spanish*) † Jim Gergits

† Marilyn Nichols

Monday, March 29

7:00 a.m. † A.J. Winterhalter (*Tom McGrath*)

Tuesday, March 30

7:00 a.m. † Amelia Alcazar (*John Toboja*)

Wednesday, March 31

7:00 a.m. † Stanley Zawislak (*Lois & Chuck Kirk*)

Holy Thursday, April 1

No 7:00 a.m. Mass; 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper † Intention of the Priest

Good Friday, April 2

No 7:00 a.m. Mass; 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

3:00 p.m. Passion (*English*)

5:00 p.m. Passion (*Spanish*)

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (*English*) (*not Living Stations, just regular Stations*)

Holy Saturday, April 3

No 8:30 a.m. Mass; Morning Prayer at 8:00 a.m.

Vigil Mass of Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 p.m. ♥† People of the Parish

Sunday, April 4, Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

7:30 a.m. † Bill Rose (*The Rose Family*)

9:30 a.m. (Church) † Intention of the Priest

9:30 a.m. (Chapel) † Intention of the Priest

11:30 a.m. (Church) † Frank Perri (*Irma & Rick McCall*)

11:30 a.m. (Chapel) † Intention of the Priest

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

Our Sanctuary Lamps

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



Chapel ♥† For the Parishioners of
St. John the Baptist Catholic Parish
Church † Mary Kashnowski

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 is 130 parishioners.**

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.



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. No confessions on Holy Saturday.

*Please see page 6 for more confession times during Lent.

Confession Schedule/Horario de Confesiones

- Saturday, March 27, 3:30 pm-Fr Chris/Fr Jim
- No Confessions on Holy Saturday, April 3
- Saturday, April 10, 3:30 pm-Fr Jim

From the Chancellor, Diocese of Joliet

LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. All from the age of 18 years up to the beginning of their 60th year are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday.
3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
4. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.
5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Church year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.
6. Those who are sick, pregnant, nursing, or whose health would adversely be affected by fasting or abstinence, should not consider themselves bound by these norms.

Stations of the Cross

- Fridays (including Good Friday), 7:00 p.m.-Church-English
- En Español, Viernes 25 de marzo, 7:00 p.m.-Capilla (no el Viernes santo)

Our Lenten Reconciliation Schedule

During Lent, our Reconciliation schedule is:

- Tuesday, March 30th, 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. (English only)
- Saturdays, 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. (English & Spanish) (no Confessions heard on Holy Saturday)

Please wear a mask. Confessions are heard inside the Church on the most outer aisles, 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.

SUFFERING

Jesus did not come to do away with suffering or remove it. He came to fill it with his presence.

—Paul Claudel

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday

We will follow the regular Sunday Mass schedule, including the 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday

No Tenebrae service during the week

Holy Thursday

No Morning Mass; 8am Morning Prayer
7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Adoration after Mass until Midnight
Night Prayer at 11:50pm
No Thursday Lent confessions from 6-8pm

Good Friday

No Morning Mass; 8am Morning Prayer
3pm Passion in English
5pm Passion in Spanish
7pm Stations of the Cross (not living stations, just regular stations, English)

Holy Saturday

No Morning Mass; 8am Morning Prayer
12pm Easter Basket Blessing
No Easter Egg hunt due to Covid
No Saturday 3:30-4:30pm confessions
8pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday

7:30am
9:30am-Church
9:30am-Chapel
11:30am-Church
11:30am-Chapel
1:30pm (Spanish)

All Masses and Liturgies to take place in the Church with the exception of the second 9:30am, 11:30am Easter Sunday Masses which will be in the Chapel

Sign-up for Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper, 3pm & 5pm Passion on Good Friday, 8pm Easter Vigil & Easter Sunday Masses will be available on our website, www.stjohnwinfield.org, on

Monday, March 22, 2021.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION- FIRST EUCHARIST WORKSHOP DURING COVID-19

COVID has really put a crimp into all the normal activities we do here at SJB! The best day of preparation for 1st Eucharist is the First Eucharist Workshop, which normally is held on the first Saturday in March. Since we were unable to do so in person, we sent home all the activities to be done at home. My helpers and I really missed being with everyone! However, when parents present their child for Baptism, they promise to raise their child Catholic, so this year, that is exactly what they did! The family, as a Home Church, at home:

- Viewed the Church Tour; thank you Seminarian Brian for providing the tour on YouTube.
- Watched a version of the Last Supper. In normal times, Norb Herbert and his band of volunteers are the Apostles and re-enact the Lord's Supper.
- Decorated a paper mache box to house their prayer intentions.
- Make a bread, similar to the unleavened bread used by Jesus at the last Supper. (Okay, so maybe we tweaked the recipe adding a wee bit of honey and baking soda) Normally, we bake it here and they are to take it home to share with their family at a meal! (That never happens, for I am sure it is eaten in the car on the way home.) This year, the family baked it, asked God to bless it and shared it with one another, just like Jesus did so many years ago.

Pictured here is RE student Brody's work of art:



TODAY'S READINGS

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel — The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday:	Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday:	Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday:	<u>Chrism Mass</u> : Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21 <u>Lord's Supper</u> : Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday:	Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
Saturday:	a) Gn 1:1-2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7
Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord; Passover begins at sunset
Monday:	Monday of Holy Week
Tuesday:	Tuesday of Holy Week
Wednesday:	Wednesday of Holy Week
Thursday:	Holy Thursday; Paschal Triduum begins
Friday:	Good Friday of the Lord's Passion; Fast and Abstinence
Saturday:	Holy Saturday; Vigil of Easter

All Parish Offices will be closed
Good Friday, April 2nd; and,
Easter Monday, April 5th, 2021.

The Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday - Easter Sunday

The Triduum is a three-day special period that commemorates the final three days of Christ's life. It begins in the evening of Holy Thursday with the Mass of the Lord's Supper, continues with the celebration of the Passion of our Lord on Holy Friday, culminates with the Mass of the Easter Vigil after sundown on Holy Saturday, and ends the evening of Easter Sunday.

The days of the Triduum are central to our faith because they lead us into the heart of our identity as Catholics. Jesus' life, death, and Resurrection are the foundation of our Christian life. The Triduum is more than just an historical reenactment. It is important to keep our minds and hearts focused on our own dying and rising in Jesus Christ. We are challenged, with the catechumens, as they are baptized into the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, to re-enter Christ's paschal mystery every year, renew our baptismal promises, and to die to ourselves so that we may experience new life in Christ. Our sharing in the paschal mystery characterizes what it means to be a Christian and a life-giving member of the Catholic community.

We hope you are able to attend at least part of this beautiful liturgy.

~Worship Commission

Palm Sunday



Due to the pandemic, there will not be a procession on Palm Sunday. Palms will be blessed in the narthex at the beginning of Mass, but not distributed to the congregation until after Mass as they are leaving.

~Worship Commission



Our Art & Environment Committee needs your help!

**Please join us on
Saturday, April 3rd at
8:30am**

as we join together to decorate the Church & Chapel for Easter. We will meet in Sebahar Hall. Lots of hands are needed to help! Bring the family! We will social distance, and please wear a mask.

Explanation of Holy Oils

Every year on Monday during Holy Week, there is a Chrism Mass at the Cathedral in Joliet and in dioceses all over the world. The oils we use in our faith community are consecrated by the Bishop during this Chrism Mass and are placed in the ambry before the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday.

These oils are:

The Oil of the Sick, which is used to anoint the sick.

The Oil of Catechumens, which is used to anoint those preparing for Baptism.

The Chrism Oil, which is used to anoint infants in baptism, those being confirmed, priests and bishops during their ordination and also altars and churches at the time of their dedication.



HOLY WEEK

For the Palm Sunday Gospel, we return to the Gospel according to Mark. The account of the Passion takes up nearly one-third of Mark's entire Gospel and, of all the evangelists, he is the one who presents the details most graphically. He depicts the humanity of Jesus most intensely, describing his sufferings thoroughly. Mark portrays Jesus as a complete fulfillment of the "Suffering Servant" of Isaiah, the obedient, humble slave dying on a cross of whom Paul speaks in Philippians. But it is important to remember that we call this "Holy Week" and not "sad week" or "suffering week," for each of the readings today, even the lamentations of the psalm, end in the promise of the strength and hope that is granted by God to those who faithfully give of themselves in love. As we enter into this week through these readings, we must reflect deeply on the sufferings of Jesus, but still be confident in the joy of risen, eternal life that awaits all of us who faithfully walk with him through these days.

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- 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 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.**

February 21.....\$21,890
February 28.....\$21,716
March 7.....\$30,546
March 14.....\$16,188

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Second Collection-Good Friday- For the Holy Land

There is a second collection for the Pontifical Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land. For your convenience, there is an envelope in your contribution packet, or you can donate through our website, www.stjohnwinfield.org, under Online Giving.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS-SERVICE FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Please find below two different service projects our Religious Education Program invites St. John's Parishioners' participation, if you are able: ~Maureen Brennan, Director of Religious Education, ext. 612

Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans-Help a Veteran

The Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans is a non-profit agency that provides housing, supportive services and community outreach to help homeless and at-risk veterans and their families achieve self-sufficiency.*



The Shelter sent a wish list of some basic products veterans need when they visit the Freedom Commissary at the Shelter to our Director of Religious Education, Maureen Brennan; some of the wish list items are listed below. The Veteran Fulfillment Manager, John Dixon, emailed to Maureen, "We are completely out of paper towels and almost out of toilet tissue."

If you are able to donate any of the items on the list below, **please drop the items off at the parish office vestibule, and Maureen Brennan, Director of Religious Education, will take the items to the shelter.**

- **Personal Care Items**-Paper Towels, Toilet Tissue, Hand & Body Lotion
- **Cleaning Supplies**-All Purpose Cleaner, e.g., Mr. Clean, Fabuloso (standard size, please), Bathroom cleaning Spray, e.g., Clorox, Scrubbing Bubbles, Liquid Laundry Soap (standard size, please), Liquid Laundry Soap (standard size, please), Dryer sheets, Ziploc Bags (gallon, quart)

Due to COVID-19, the Shelter is no longer accepting used clothing or other used items. **They do accept winter items, underwear and socks in the original manufacturer packaging. All clothing must be new.**

Other items are listed on their Wish List on Amazon.com: <https://a.co/b3ifTXn>

**Founded in 2007, by Vietnam War veteran Bob Adams and SJB Parishioner and Gulf War veteran Dirk Enger, MSHV operates on a vision of no veteran left behind due to homelessness, joblessness, poverty and/or mental health issues.*

The photo to the right is of Mrs. Gudanick's Tuesday 2/3rd grade Religious Education Session. They wanted to help Alex make the Homeless Bags. First they decorated the brown paper bag and then they filled the bags with items the parishioners of St. John's donate. Thank you, Marilyn, for sewing the hats for both the kids and the adults. Nancy, thank you for the donation of toothpaste, tooth brushes and face masks! **We are running short on individual treats and small hand sanitizers.**

February, 2021

Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to 2021! My name is Alex McCall and I am asking for your help and participation with a service project again this year. Last year we collected toys for the Ronald McDonald House and Central DuPage Hospital. This year, the project is to fill and pass out "Keep Warm" bags to the homeless and less fortunate in our community. Each bag includes a hat, gloves, socks, hand & feet warmers, mask, sanitizer, and snacks.

I have had a great response from family and friends and have been able to distribute 193 "Keep Warm" bags to these organizations: Midwest Veterans Shelter-Wheaton; Veterans Shelter-Elmwood Park; DuPage County Sheriffs; West Chicago Police Department; Milton Township Office; PADS (still need more)

There is still a huge need for more bags. Let's work together to help keep as many men, women, and children warm this winter.

Please bring any of these new items to the parish office vestibule or the Religious Education office:

Socks, gloves, and hats for men, women, children; Individual toothbrushes; Hand & feet warmers; Money to purchase these items.

You were extremely generous and helpful last year, so let's do it again this year. Our goal is to fill 300 of these "Keep Warm" bags. Together, we can help keep a lot of children and adults warm.

Thank you again for your help and prayers.

God bless you,
Alex



NEWS FROM RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Service for the Confirmation II Teens

Lent is always very busy here at St. John's! Prayers are being memorized, Stations of the Cross are being offered, and so, too, Reconciliation services for each grade. When weather permits, we are off to the Mary Garden. Now add to this bustle of activity-SERVICE PROJECTS!



This year Alex's "Homeless" Blessing Bags added to the list of activities. Pictured here, the 8th graders are packing and stacking the bags! Later Alex

will pick up the bags and distribute them all over DuPage County. Some of the police departments have asked for the bags, so when they encounter anyone on the street, the police can give them a bag! Great PR for the police and we fill a need for those less fortunate. It's a WIN-WIN!

Parishioners, thank you for your donations! Not sure how long this distribution is going to last; however, whatever we collect will be stored for the correct season.

The photos display our teens at work!



A School Service Project-Helping the Knights Who Help Our Parish

The plea for help went out to all the nation! Okay, so maybe nation is a bit too broad, but it was heard at our St. John's Parish School. Mrs. Redar's fifth graders volunteered. What were they up to this time? Making up packets for our Knights of Columbus to use at their Lenten Fish Frys! Due to COVID, we had to spread out the items to be packed throughout the room in the plastic bags, a great way to get in a little exercise-while doing God's work!



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

Today on Palm Sunday we commemorate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, an event mentioned in each of the four canonical Gospels. The people lay palms in Jesus' path and adored and praised him as he went by. Today let us recall some of the reasons we have to praise God, and remember he is

always with us, loves us and wants the best for us.

For our life and saving us from eternal punishment through his triumph over death and the devil.

For our families and friends, near and far, living and deceased.

For all the organizations that fight for life in many ways. Priests for Life, Students for Life, IL Right to Life, Thomas Moore Society, Birthright, Waterleaf, and all Pro-Life Women Centers and many, many others, and all the people who work and volunteer for these organizations.

For Pro-Life Civic Leaders who work for fair laws to protect and improve life for all people, born and unborn.

For care givers, doctors, nurses, fire fighters, police, first responders, caring neighbors, etc. and all who help and put others first.

For our faith, our priests, our sisters, our religious organizations that work, lead, and pray for all.

For all who have helped us, prayed for us, asked for our prayers.

For all the reasons you hold in your heart.

Have a Blessed Palm Sunday.

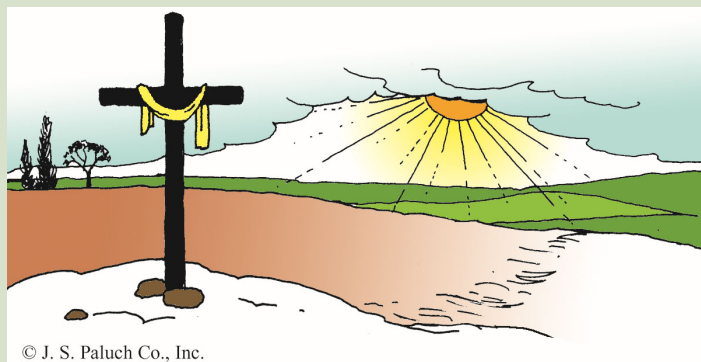
Psalm 34: 1

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth.

Let my soul glory in the Lord: the lowly will hear me and be glad.

Glorify the Lord with me, let us together extol his name.

Glory be to The Father, and to The Son and to The Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen



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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

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. Please note: **Grief Support will meet on Thursday, April 8th at 7:00 p.m. in Sebahar Hall.** Please register beforehand; call the parish office for information at 630-668-0918, ext. 0.

Eucharistic Adoration: Adoration is 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. Confessions will be heard from 6p-8p during Lent, in both English and Spanish.



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 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.



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St. John the Baptist Knights of Columbus 2021 Scholarship Applications now available!

The Knights are continuing their Knights of Columbus Scholarship program for **college-bound** students of Winfield and St. John's Parish. The criteria for consideration for these scholarships are: be a resident of Winfield zip code 60190, have a family business in Winfield, have an affiliation with the KOC Council 8002 (member, son, daughter, grandchild, etc.), or be a registered parishioner of St. John the Baptist Church, Winfield, IL.

Applications are available at your local high school, in our parish office vestibule, **and on the Winfield Knights website: www.Winfieldknights.org**. Kindly execute, and return by mailing to: Knights of Columbus, c/o St. John the Baptist, 0S233 Church St., Winfield, IL, 60190. Write the words "Scholarship Application" on the back of the envelope, and it must be postmarked no later than **April 14, 2021**, and received by **April 21, 2021**.

Please note: the applicant will complete Parts I and II of the form. Use additional pages if necessary. Part III is to be completed by school officials, attached to in a sealed envelope or mailed to the Knights at St. John's.

NEXT ROSARY GET-TOGETHER FOR MEN OF ST. JOHN-

**Wednesday, April 7th
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:

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