

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 15, 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

Deacon: Dcn. Dave Ritter

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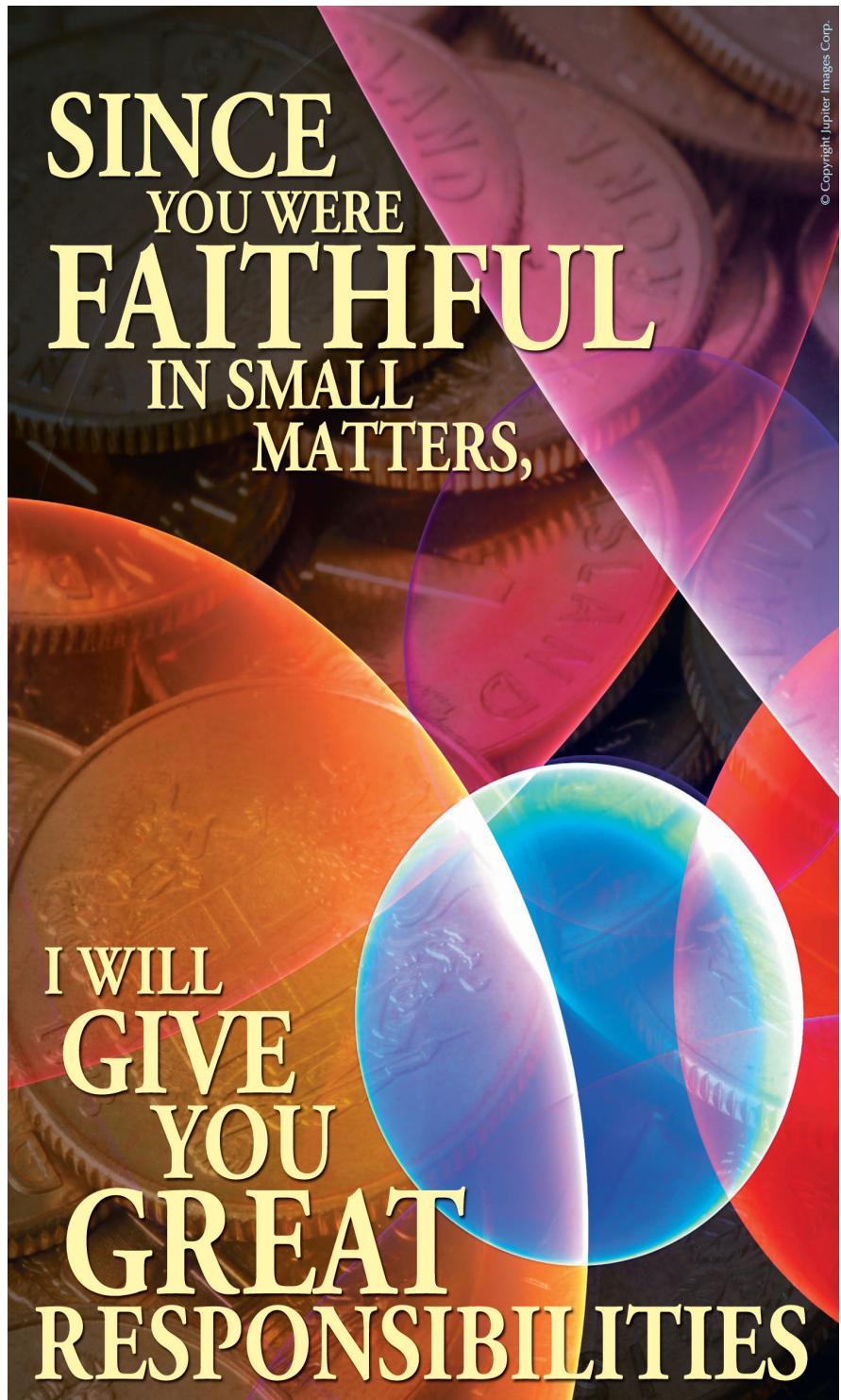
Director: Maureen Brennan.....Ext 612
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Youth Ministry:
Coordinator: Ruben Chavez.....Ext. 615

Grade School:.....Office: Ext 618
Principal: Joanne Policht.....Ext 618
Phone 630-668-0918, Press 2, Fax: 630-668-1074

St Vincent de Paul Society.....Ext 692

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



Please pray for our sick

Erin Ackermann	Dolores Gabriel	Korrin Kupris	Clare North	Scott Schwartz
Alisa Allen	Gregory Garit	Ivana Lamb	Alex Novak	Sven Segerlund
Sandy Anderson	Darlene Gedvilas	Ken Larson	Lesley (Tobin) Nygaard	John Shannon
Jack Aylward	Danny Gonzalez	Rick LeBreux	Joseph O'Brien	Desireé Sheppard
Dave Balseqiz	Judy Gonzalez	Dolores Lewandowski	Larry Orni	Evelyn Skriba
Ada Bantola	Dawn Grant	Nancy Liden	Joan Pacer	Dan Smyth
Jennifer Bitterman	Destin Green	Haley Lipnisky	Lori Pacer	Dolores Snyder
Brian Burke	Daniel Guzman	Marilyn Loechl	Bill Parker	Olivia Soto
Allison Lamberts Burns	Jim Hale	Sam Mahre	Josie Paschak	Diane Srachta
Jean Bustamante	Jennifer Hammerschmidt	Beth Majerczyk	Jim Paulissen	Doug Stephan
Jim Cabrera, Sr.	Deborah Lynn Harris	Gianna Malorny	Owen Payton	Hugh Stott
Karen Cervenka	Betty Hass	John Maltese	Molly Peters	Michael John Stralko
Lisa Cicero	Jeremy Heintz	Linda Marczewski	Bane Petrov	Rosemary Sumang
Patricia Clifford	John Heitzler, Jr.	Jan Masters	Joseph Pirolfa	Ewa Sarnacka
Kathy Connor	Joseph & Joy Henczel	Al Mathieu	Brittney Prehn	Mary Tarchala
Georgene Cook	Paul Isherwood	Diane Maher	Ian Prosser	Virg Tobin
Carol Connors	Edy Jacobs	Alex McCall	Jeanne Ptak	Jim Toman
Julio Correa	Jason Jensen	Michael McCall	Tim Ptak	Erin Anderson Tugman
Rita Cross	Margarita Jimenez	Perri McCall	Theresa Ratterman	Benjamin Vargas
Mary Elaine Cruz	Andrew Jin	Patricia Meschler	Mary Rauch	Maria Vargas
Linda Dameron	*Shawn Jurgensen*	Bessy Miller	Sam Reyes	Keith Venard
Anetta Derango	Charles Kadolph	Colette Miller	Alicia Ricciardi	Martha Vescio
Nick DuBay	David C. Kadolph	Mayette Monales	Cooper Rojas	Virginia Underwood
Ralph Eckhoff	Lynn Kadolph	Thomas Morris	Gertie Romero	Genevieve Welch
Concepcion Edaño	Mary Kallas	Rosa Mostek	Monica Romero	Kylie Wells-Long
Joann Eggebrecht	Kathy Kamphaus	Megan Mueller	Kelli Rooney	A.J. Winterhalder
Aaron Erickson	Brandon Karimi	Mary Lu Mulcahy	Katherine Rose	Paula Winterhalder
William Ferdinand	Ken Kasnicka	Lauren Mungo	John Rossi	Elizabeth Wood
Patrocinia Fernandez	Carter Kettner	Tim Murnane	Sister Audrey Rothweil	Susan Woodbury
Fr. Hilary Fischer	Donna Kevil	John Naill	Marvin Rothweil	Lexie Youngberg
Marie Flores	Joe Konopka	Becky Neal	Susan Rothweil	Larry Zengri
Kyle Freed	Margaret Krisch	Johnny Neal	Bob Salat	*New this week*
John Fuechs	Gerry Krug	Maura Neuens		

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
LCPl 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
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

Whenever I work with teenagers, I have some ice-breaker questions that I use to get the kids talking and to learn a bit more about them. For example: "If you could have the singing voice of anybody in the world, whose would it be?" "If you were going to die tomorrow, what would your last meal be?" One of my favorites is "If you could be a contestant on a game show, what show would you want to be on?" My answer: Jeopardy! And because of that, I have been quite sad this week as we heard of the passing of longtime Jeopardy host Alex Trebek. *Fr. Jim, are you seriously writing a bulletin article about Alex Trebek?* You better believe it! I have spent countless hours with Alex Trebek, sitting on my couch yelling questions at the TV. I have received a daily Jeopardy calendar, with a different question for each day of the calendar year, for the last 9 Christmases. So even though I have never met the man, his passing is very sad, and it is strange to imagine him not being on my TV each afternoon.

So what can we learn from Alex Trebek? First, learning is a good thing. Any pursuit of knowledge is a pursuit of the Truth. And Jesus Christ tells us that He Himself is the Truth (John 14:6), so any pursuit of the Truth is a pursuit of Christ. By using our God given gift of human reason, we glorify God and grow in relationship with Christ who is Truth. And that is a good thing! We should always be learning, whether it is about our faith or about the world, because we know that it will ultimately lead us back to God. It is also important to be well-rounded in our learning. In the spirit of St. John Henry Newman, too much specialized knowledge prevents one from grasping the Truth as it is encountered in various disciplines. Being well-read across a variety of subjects is essential and something that can be lost in our world of hyper-specialization. So I encourage you to study well as you pursue Jesus Christ who is the Truth!

In Christ,
Fr Jim

Cuando trabajo con adolescentes, tengo algunas preguntas para romper el hielo que uso para que los niños hablen y aprendan un poco más sobre ellos. Por ejemplo: "Si pudieras tener la voz cantante de cualquier persona en el mundo, ¿de quién sería?" "Si fueras a morir mañana, ¿cuál sería tu última comida?" Uno de mis favoritos es "Si pudieras participar en un programa de concursos, ¿en qué programa te gustaría estar?". Mi respuesta: Jeopardy! Y debido a eso, he estado triste esta semana cuando aprendí del fallecimiento del anfitrión de Jeopardy, Alex Trebek. *Padre Jim, ¿estás escribiendo en serio un artículo para el boletín sobre Alex Trebek?* ¡Sí! He pasado incontables horas con Alex Trebek, sentada en mi sofá gritando preguntas en la televisión. He recibido un calendario Jeopardy diario, con una pregunta diferente para cada día del año calendario, durante las últimas 9 Navidades. Entonces, aunque nunca he conocido al hombre, su fallecimiento es muy triste y es extraño imaginarlo sin estar en mi televisor todas las tardes.

Entonces, ¿qué podemos aprender de Alex Trebek? Primero, aprender es algo bueno. Cualquier búsqueda de conocimiento es una búsqueda de la Verdad. Y Jesucristo nos dice que Él mismo es la Verdad (Juan 14: 6), por lo que cualquier búsqueda de la Verdad es una búsqueda de Cristo. Al usar nuestro don de la razón humana dado por Dios, glorificamos a Dios y crecemos en relación con Cristo, quien es la Verdad. ¡Y eso es bueno! Siempre deberíamos estar aprendiendo, ya sea sobre nuestra fe o sobre el mundo, porque sabemos que finalmente nos llevará de regreso a Dios. También es importante estar completo en nuestro aprendizaje. En el espíritu de St. John Henry Newman, demasiado conocimiento especializado impide captar la Verdad tal como se encuentra en varias disciplinas. Ser un buen lector en una variedad de temas es esencial y algo que se puede perder en nuestro mundo de hiperespecialización. ¡Así que te animo a que estudies bien mientras persigues a Jesucristo, quien es la Verdad!

En Cristo,
Padre Jim



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WHY GIVE ONLINE?

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

SIGN UP TO GIVE ONLINE

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

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

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

QUESTIONS? Contact our parish office to speak with 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.

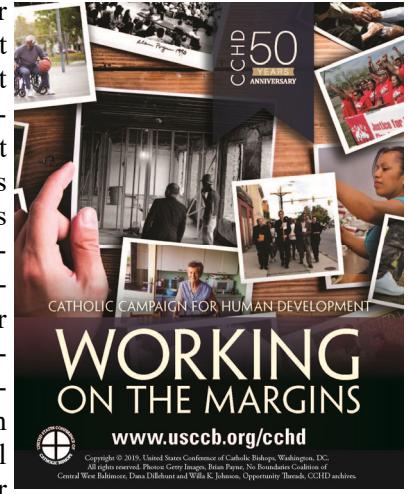
Parish Collections-Abram tithed (giving at least 10%) as a symbol that he depended totally on God. Moses said tithing was holy and an act of worship. Yes, even Jesus talked about money because money is a necessary part of our lives and it is also a necessary part of the viability of the church. Our tithe 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 11.....	\$25,501
October 18.....	\$18,685
October 25.....	\$16,726
November 1.....	\$25,906

Thank you for your generosity and support!

SECOND COLLECTION-CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CCHD)

Our diocese will take up the national collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) which is fast approaching on November 21-22. Your support for this collection brings change to people across the country and empowers those living in poverty to transform their communities into reflections of the Kingdom of God. In addition to making a national impact, we empower those living in poverty in our own diocese. 25% of the funds we collect stay here.



Your support for this collection makes a difference for people living in poverty across the United States. Please prayerfully consider how you can help CCHD this year. For more information about the collection and the people it supports, visit www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

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 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)

Monday, November 16

7:00 a.m. † Cullen Connors (Carol Connors)

Tuesday, November 17

7:00 a.m. † Georgia Peterson (The Maier Family)

*7:50 a.m. † Bill Rose (The Rose Family)

Wednesday, November 18

7:00 a.m. † Tom Mahoney, Jr. (Dan Conley)

*7:50 a.m. † The Aylward Family (Jack Aylward)

Thursday, November 19

7:00 a.m. † Antonio Caguiat (The Moreen Family)

Friday, November 20

7:00 a.m. † Antonio Caguiat (The Moreen Family)

Saturday, November 21

8:30 a.m. † Henry, Marge & Adel Lenertz (The Lenertz Family)

Vigil Mass of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

5:00 p.m. † Patti Bentley (Mike Bentley)

† Joseph Perri (Irma & Rick McCall)

† Alice Barone (The Barone Family)

† Thomas Hanlock (The Hanlock Family)

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

† Frank & Nora Sweeney (Mary Passini)

Sunday, November 22, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

7:30 a.m. ♥† The People of the Parish

9:30 a.m. † Margaret & Thomas Bartelli (The Bartelli Family)

11:30 a.m. † For the Parish All Souls' Intentions

1:30 p.m. (Spanish) † Gilberto Carmona Zarco (St. John's Religious Education Staff)

Our Sanctuary Lamps

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



Chapel † Joseph Mills, Jr.
Church † Michael Clawson

*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.**

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2020, WILL BE AT 9AM IN THE CHURCH.

The blessing of food will take place at the end of Mass.

Please bring
your food in a
basket and keep
it with you in
the pew during
the Mass.



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~Worship Commission

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 confessional, 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 14, 3:30p-Church-Fr Chris/Fr Jim
- Saturday, November 21, 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.

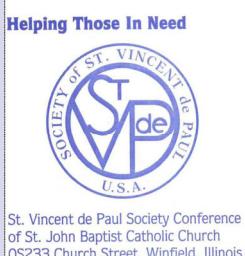


HELPING THOSE IN NEED

During these tough economic times, St. Vincent DePaul Society invites you again to remember the needy persons and families in our parish and in the greater Winfield community by using the monthly St. Vincent de Paul contribution envelope that appears in your regular envelope packet or by making a contribution in the Poor Box in the Narthex of the Church by the back window. Remember, any contributions you make by check are tax-deductible.

Thank you!

John Otto, President
St. Vincent de Paul Society



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



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





Please pray for

Robert F. Walsh

who passed away on November 5, 2020.

Our sympathies are extended to
his wife, Sharon, and to
all of his family & friends.



Please pray for

Christine Petitti

who passed away on November 8, 2020.

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



Please pray for

Sean Finnegan

who passed away on October 30, 2020.

Our sympathies are extended to
all of his family & friends.

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 15, 2020

Blessed are you who fear the LORD.

— Psalm 128:1a

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The woman who fears the LORD is to be praised (Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31).

Psalm — Blessed are those who fear the Lord (Psalm 128).

Second Reading — Brothers and sisters, you are children of the light (1 Thessalonians 5:1-6).

Gospel — Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities (Matthew 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28, or
(for the memorial of the Dedication)
Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6;
Mt 14:22-33

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111,
131; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10;
Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6;
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude

Tuesday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Wednesday: Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss. Peter
and Paul; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

Saturday: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin
Mary

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

Dear Homebound Ministers at St. John's:

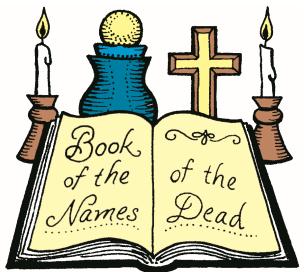
The Diocese of Joliet has approved homebound visits by Ministers during this time. If you are a Homebound Minister and would like to resume taking communion to the Homebound, please contact the parish office to receive the diocesan guidelines and to sign a parish volunteer [guideline agreement](#).

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.

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.

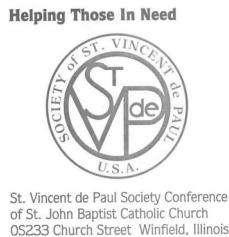


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SVDP FOOD PANTRY-ITEMS NEEDED

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:

- **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.

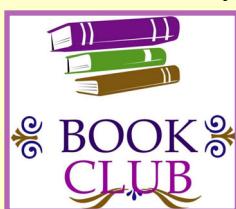
NEXT ROSARY GET-TOGETHER FOR MEN OF ST. JOHN-Wednesday, November 25th, 7:00 p.m., Mary Garden/KC Fire Pit

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 25, at 7:00 p.m.

Please join us for this beautiful devotion.

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.

St. Vincent DePaul



SVDP Thanksgiving Grocery Gifts Cards to Needy Families This Year.

**Please Adopt a Family
Today!**

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.



100 REASONS TO BE THANKFUL

Our very own parishioner, Anne Gardner, is using her talents to raise money for Bridge Communities. On Friday & Saturday, 11/20 & 11/21, there is a **Pillow Fundraiser** benefitting Bridge Communities. Anne sewed 100 designer pillows which are available for purchase, \$40 each, with all proceeds going to Bridge Communities. Details are:



**Fri, 11/20, 6-9 pm
Sat, 11/21, 10-3 p.m
Iron Gate Motor Condos
2220 Ferry Rd, #101
Naperville, Illinois**

St. Francis DeSales: “To assist the souls in Purgatory is to perform the most excellent of the Works of Mercy.” There are still two weeks left in November to gain, daily, a Plenary Indulgence for the souls in Purgatory; by visiting a cemetery and praying for the dead; or piously visiting a church or oratory and reciting the Our Father and the Apostle Creed. The usual conditions for gaining a plenary indulgence apply. Check our article in last week’s bulletin for full details on gaining a plenary indulgence.



O gentle Heart of Jesus, ever present in the Blessed Sacrament, ever consumed with burning love for the poor captive souls in Purgatory, have mercy on them.

November is Adoption Awareness month in Illinois. Last fiscal year, 1,523 Illinois children were adopted into permanent, loving families. “Adoption Is a Loving Option” is a sign often used at the National Chain of Life witness prayer hour held outside on main streets across the country on Respect Life Sunday, and at 40 Days for Life vigils across the world. 475 innocent lives were saved during this Fall’s 40 Days for Life vigil, which concluded November 1st. Thank you again to all who came out to pray in Aurora, and please continue to come, if you’re able. The clinic is open six days a week, ending the lives of innocent children and often causing untold suffering for the mothers, fathers, and others. Pray, pray, pray for them.

Good news from the election. Louisiana passed an Amendment saying there is NO Constitutional Right to Abortion.

Prayer After and Election

God, our Father, after all the votes are counted, we ask for your wisdom and love to guide our newly-elected officials, and all public servants. May they lead us to work for one another, especially our most vulnerable brothers and sisters, and for our common home on this planet. Heal our differences and unite us in our search for the common good. Make us faithful citizens of this nation, and, more importantly, of your heavenly kingdom.

LAST DAY! 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.



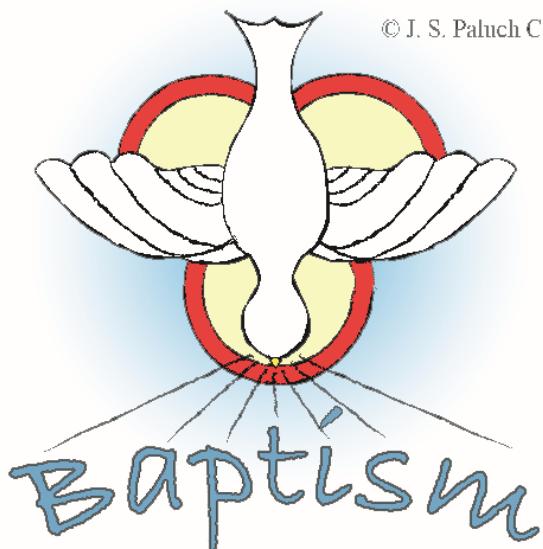
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST SCHOOL NEWS

Excerpt from our St. John the Baptist's Letter from our St. John the Baptist Catholic School's principal, Joanne Policht, dated October 7, 2020: *"After our school Mass today, we prayed the rosary together led by Father Chris and Father Jim. Father Jim celebrated Mass and spoke about the importance and value of the rosary as well as discussed the glorious mysteries that we would be meditating on after Mass together. It really is wonderful to gather as a community to worship and pray with one another. Thanks be to God!"*



SACRAMENTS

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Welcome to Our Newly Baptized!

November 7, 2020

Harper Avery Cummings

*Child of
Lauren (Villasenor) & Christopher Cummings*

Alex Morales Santiago

*Child of
Celia Santiago & Marcos Morales*

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 the Support Over Stigma comprehensive list and 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!

**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.*

St. John the Baptist is once again planning a collection for the Active Duty Military currently Deployed, 1300 stockings to go to Veterans in VA/Nursing homes and Secret Santa Stops to First Responders. Donations should be dropped off in the glass room outside the Parish Office. We will then take them to 115 Adelaide Street, Elmhurst. Here is a list of the most needed items:

Food Items:

Pouched Chicken or Tuna, Individual Hot Drinks (Hot Chocolate, Coffee Singles, Wrapped Tea Bags)
Granola Bars, Instant Oatmeal Packets
Individual Creamer Packets (Powder) / Sugar Packets,
Dehydrated, Baked or Freeze-Dried Fruit
Rice Krispie Bars, Crackers/Cookies (Snack Bag Size)
Gum, Sandwich Crackers
Pop Tarts / Breakfast Bars
Peanut Butter(28oz or less, no glass)
Microwave Popcorn, Fruit Snacks
Pringles, individual Trail Mix, Nuts, Jerky/ Slim Jim
Canned Fruit (16 oz. or less, no glass, no fruit cups), Individual Cold Drink Mix (Gatorade, Propel, Lemonade)

Non-Food Items Cough Drops, Pain Relief Medications (Tylenol and Advil)
Mouthwash (17oz or smaller), Toothbrush/Travel Toothpaste, Dental Flossers
Eye Drops/ Saline Solution **URGENT**, Nasal Spray (no glass)
Anti-Itch Cream, travel size Lotion/Body Wash/ Shampoo
Hand Warmers Foot Powder, White/Black Athletic Socks
Hand Sanitizer (large & small), Handi-Wipes, Baby Wipes, Feminine Products
Deodorant, shaving cream/gel (non-aerosol only)— **URGENT**

AAA/AA Batteries, Dryer sheets, Disposable Razors—**MALE & FEMALE**

Search a word/Cross Word/Sudoku Books, pens

Items for Service/Working Dogs: Collars, leashes, Dog Food, Dog Beds, Water Bowls, Dog Treats, Brushes/grooming supplies, Toys for larger breeds (Kong is best!)

Can't make it, shop either of our Amazon wish list

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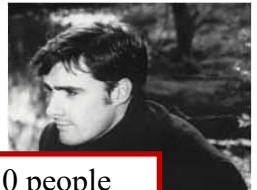
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CCW & MOPS Invite You to...

“A Christmas Concert”

Featuring Irish Tenor,

Gavin Coyle



Re: Gavin Coyle Concert Cancelled because of limit of non-Mass events up to 10 people

As of yesterday around 6:00 p.m., 11/12/2020, the Diocese of Joliet updated their COVID-19 guidelines, thus making it necessary for us to cancel the Gavin Coyle Concert schedule for 12/29 & 12/30 because of #4 below. Please note: the new guidelines are not affecting Mass at St. John's. We are still having Mass at St. John's, in person, up to 100 people, and daily Mass. But we cannot have the concert. If you have any questions about the concert or anything else, please contact the parish office at jenniferk@stjohnwinfield.org.

In-person learning is not restricted at this time. Schools or learning groups such as Religious Education, Youth Ministry and Bible Study continue under the existing plan with masks required and 6 foot clearance edge to edge between individuals. **DO NOT** try to skirt this restriction by saying all meetings are for learning. We are working with the state to keep everyone safe, not trying to bend the rules.

The dioceses in the state are still working under the approved reopening guidelines for Masses using 6 foot social distancing. **Nothing changes for Masses or other certified activities at this time.**

A funeral or wedding mass would use the capacity of a mass; a funeral or wedding service would be restricted to 10.

Baptisms, Adoration, and any other gatherings are capped at 10.

Remember the following critical points to all events.

6ft clear edge to edge Social Distancing for all activities.

Sanitize restrooms after each person uses.

Maintain good ventilation.

Contact information gathering.

Face mask at all times.”

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

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

ATTENTION ALL CCW MEMBERS, WHICH INCLUDES ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH, 18 OR OLDER



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.

Glendale Heights, IL 60139

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.

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church/Iglesia Católica de San Juan Bautista

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. ~Jeanne Hess, Preschool Coordinator & Teacher



Do you have a special person you are struggling to find the perfect Christmas gift for? Look no further, we have the perfect gift idea for you! Standard Provision will deliver Restaurant Quality Meat directly to your family and friends - OR - you can pick up, contact-free at SJB! A portion of all sales will go directly to SJB MOPS!

View the meat selections and place your order at:

StandardProvisionMarket.com

Order Deadline Date: Wednesday, December 9th

Checkout Page Delivery Info:

Email address: Enter your personal email address

Shipping address: For Deliveries enter the name and address of recipient - Free Shipping!

Pick-up at SJB enter your name and St John the Baptist School (or OS259 Church St) Winfield

Phone number: Enter your personal phone number

Delivery instructions (recipient must be home to receive delivery)

Select your County/Delivery Day: Scroll to Bottom and Click on * SJB – MOPS Fundraiser *

SJB – MOPS Fundraiser: Choose your Pick-up OR Delivery Date

Pick-up Order: Thursday, December 17th 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. SJB Parking lot on Liberty and Church Streets

Delivery Dates: Monday, December 14th Cook -South of Route 55 and Will County

Tuesday, December 15th DuPage, Kane and Kendall Counties

Wednesday, December 16th Cook County-North of Route 55

Please contact Standard Provision with any questions at 773-292-8550 or email us at Orders@StandardProvision.com

