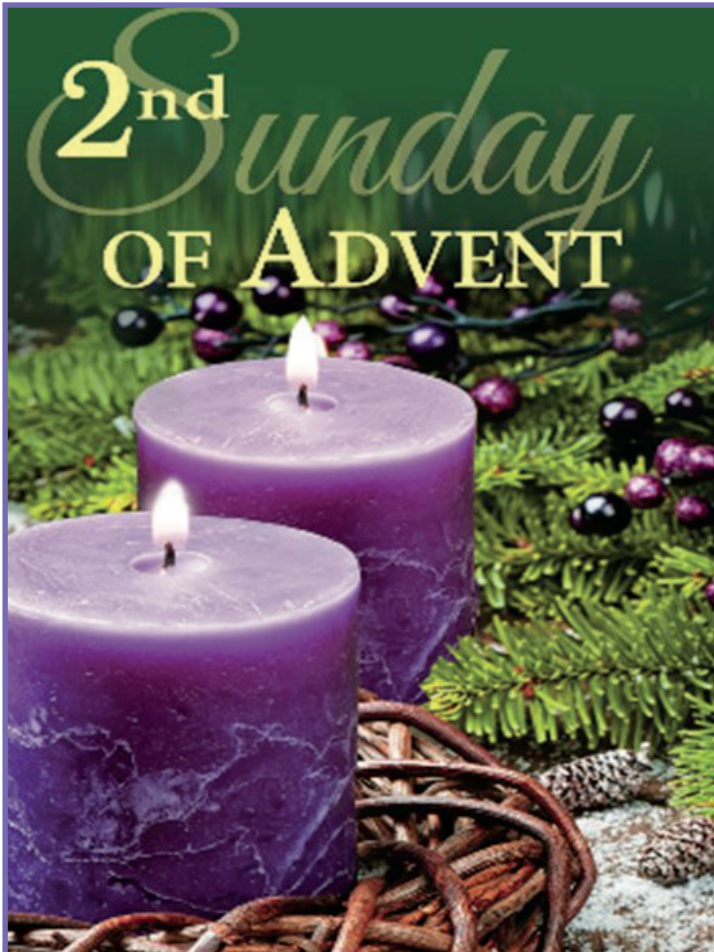


MISSION STATEMENT

We The people of the Whiting/Robertsdale Cluster, are a Catholic Faith Community, ethnically rich, culturally diverse, and one in Faith. Inspired by the unity of The Holy Trinity, we endeavor to share our Faith as disciples of Jesus.



IMPORTANT

St. Adalbert's church doors will be unlocked at 3:45p.m. for Saturday's Mass.

There are no confessions at St. Adalbert's.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2023

*Whiting / Robertsdale Faith Community
St. Adalbert & St. John the Baptist
1849 Lincoln Ave. Whiting, IN 46394*

Weekday Confessions after 7:00 a.m. Mass
Saturdays 3:00–3:30 p.m. in the SJB Centennial Room,
Also by appointment.

Sacraments: Please Call: St. John Church
Office: 219-659-0023

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Often, we become so immersed in the trappings of our Christmas preparations, that we lose sight of the real meaning of Christmas, meant to bring God's light into our lives.

As we respond to John the Baptist's plea, ***"prepare the way of the Lord"***, may we repent of anything leading us away from Jesus.

Throughout Advent, we ask the Holy Spirit to guide us toward life-giving actions that will direct us to the heart of Jesus.

- ◆ Refrain from negative remarks, instead: give a compliment; offer a word of encouragement; share positive actions that to bring harmony into your home.
- ◆ Do three things to simplify your Christmas preparations: stay Christ-centered; phone someone who is homebound; reach out to someone in need.
- ◆ Begin each day with prayer, as you ask the Holy Spirit to show you ways of bringing Jesus' light into each ordinary situation.
- ◆ Prepare to receive Jesus' loving mercy & forgiveness in the sacrament of Reconciliation Before Christmas. M.S

***A voice crying out the desert:
"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths."
(Mark 1:2-3)***



INSPIRATION FROM ST. MOTHER TERESA OF CALCUTTA

"We are called to *live* the love of God, not to *feel* the love of God. We live this love through prayer and action. Our work is the fruit of our prayer, so that if our work is not going well, we must examine our prayer life. If we neglect our work or are harsh, proud, moody, and angry, then we should examine our prayer life. We will see that something has gone wrong there."

***(Thirsting for God, Daily
Meditations of Mother Teresa)***

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SACRIFICIAL GIVING ~December 3, 2023

St. John: \$10,409.65 St. Adalbert: \$1,478.00

Online Giving: \$1,205.00 Online Giving: \$10.00

St. Adalbert Roof Fund: \$ 74,480.00



"I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." - John 10:10

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL CAMPAIGN FOR 2023

	GOAL	PLEDGES	PAID	Balance Due
SA	\$ 8,805.000	\$6,166.00	\$6,166.00	\$2,639.00
SJB	\$47,537.00	\$28,007.00	\$25,847.00	\$21,690.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday Dec. 16th ~ St. Adalbert: 4:30 p.m.

Altar Servers: Victoria & Lorelei Lector: Jim Ballman

Eucharistic M: J. Brezene, C. Mareta, R. Ciesla

Sunday, Dec. 17th ~ St. John: 8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Andrew & Lauren Lector: Margaret Saliga

Eucharistic M: C. Davis, K. Behrens, M. Tonkovich, S. Adam,
G. Mosoriak, M. Jakubielski

10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Kosta, Sofia, Giuliana Lector: Tom Chocholek

Eucharistic M: J. Kaminsky, B. Jerzyk, E. Igras, L. Chocholek,
L. Elizalde, S. Tabernacki

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY

IN LOVING MEMORY

Dec. 10: **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

8:00 a.m. WHITING/ROBERTSDALE FAITH COMMUNITY

10:30 a.m. † Raymond Kaminsky by wife Susan

Dec. 11: **Monday in ~ St. Damasus I, Pope**

7:00 a.m. † Frances Vanek by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Vanek

Dec. 12: **Advent Tuesday ~ Our Lady of Guadalupe, Feast Day**

7:00 a.m. † Mary Therese Dybel

8:30 a.m. † Georgette Blackwell by Mike & Becky Flores

Dec.13: **Wednesday ~ St. Lucy, Virgin & Matyr**

7:00 a.m. † Norbert Duray, Sr. by Mary & Bob Poppen family

Dec.14: **Thursday ~ St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church**

7:00 a.m. † Ginny McHale by Children

Dec. 15: **Second Friday of Advent**

7:00 a.m. † Victoria Derybowski by Anne Nastav

Dec. 16: **Second Saturday of Advent**

SA: 4:30 p.m. † Emily Conway by Laurie & Joe Minor

Dec. 17: **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

8:00 a.m. WHITING/ROBERTSDALE FAITH COMMUNITY

10:30 a.m. † Rose Gacsko by Pam & Kevin Puhek

REST IN PEACE

Dennis J. Jurek
Robert W. O'Drobinak
Richard Huss

"If we have died with Christ, we believe that
we shall also live with him."
(Romans 6:8)

CONGRATULATIONS

Estevan Becerra
&
Katherine Spanier

*May your December 9th Marriage be richly blest, and may
your married life be filled
with God's abundant love.*



THANK YOU!

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

THANK YOU to St. John the Baptist students, staff, and all of our parish families for making this holiday brighter for 25 families in our area.

The reminder of donated items and turkeys went to the Whiting Food Pantry. God Bless of You!

~ ATTENTION ~

If you receive an email from
Fr. Mark Peres, asking for help,
please ignore.



**LESSONS AND CAROLS CONCERT
TODAY Sun., Dec. 10, 4:00 p.m.
St. John Church
119th St & Lincoln Ave.**

You are invited to a free musical treat with **The Whiting Park Festival Orchestra**, under the direction of **Maestro Robert Vodney**. Bring family and friends to enjoy seasonal orchestral music, sacred scripture, and communal participation as we share in the hope, joy, and love of this holy season.

With ample parking and a free will offering, you are assured a brief respite in the midst of this busy season.

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

December 13th our Angel Baby Outreach will end. All donations will be collected and delivered that afternoon. **Help is needed from 2:00-3:30** to sort the items and bag them up for delivery. Please contact the Rectory to sign up for this service. If you have not chosen your Angel from the tree, there is still plenty of time. Trees are located in the church as well as in the school near the Cafeteria/Panel Room Doors. There is an information sheet near both trees to help you with the directions.

December 14th is our annual Family Cookie Baking event that will take place in the Cafeteria/Panel Room from 3:00-6:00pm. Adults are encouraged to attend with their children younger than 10. Older children can attend on their own with parents approval.

December 17th the young people will go out into the Community to share Christmas Joy with our Homebound parishioners. We will be in the community from 12:00-3:00. If you have a loved one who might enjoy a visit from our Carolers, please call the rectory so we can add the to the list. This is an opportunity to share Christmas blessings with one another, donations are not accepted, this is our gift to you.

FAITH FORMATION UPDATE

Classes will be held on **December 10 and 17th**. Then **resume again on January 7, 14, 21, and 28**. Faith Formation Families, billing statements were sent out, Please send back at your earliest convenience.

Safe Environment- Virtus Protecting God's Children. All employees and volunteers who work with or are at any time around children are required by the Diocese of Gary to be Virtus Compliant. Virtus Compliant is indicated when the person has attended a Training Session, Completed and Cleared a Background Check and has completed the required monthly ongoing training bulletins.

The next training sessions will be held in January. Please log in to Virtusonline.org to sign up for a session and complete the background check.

Winterfest is right around the corner, all volunteers at the event are required to be compliant.

Our Parish Fish Fry's will begin on February 16th. If interested in helping with this renewed endeavor, please reach out to the rectory to add your name to the list! An official sign-up form and a link will be included in an upcoming bulletin as well as on the parish website.



**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH
INVITES ALL FAMILIES
OF OUR CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR
LADY OF GUADALUPE MASS OF THE ROSES.**

**Tuesday, December 12th, 5:30 p.m.
Light dinner after Mass
in the School Panel Room Cafeteria**

All are welcome!

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PRAY FOR US.



**COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION SERVICE
Tuesday, Dec. 19, 7:00 p.m.
at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church.**

Sacred scripture, hymns, and a prayerful examination of conscience help penitents to prepare for Christmas by receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation. Participants have the option of receiving the sacrament face to face or behind a screen. A Spanish speaking priest is available for those who prefer to confess in Spanish. Please mark your personal calendars and make plans to attend.



ALPHA 2024 offers a comfortable space to explore and discuss your questions about LIFE, FAITH, GOD with friends.

Registration for **Alpha** series begins January 7.
Questions: call Margaret 219-659-4138

ST. ADALBERT CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

"THANK YOU" to everyone who attended the St. Adalbert HNS Christmas Brunch. A good time was had by all, and we look forward to seeing you next year.

A big "Thank You" to everyone (All the Elves) who helped make the Christmas brunch a huge success.

May God Bless you for all your hard work and to those that made donations a special thank you.

Gil Cusson, St. Adalbert HNS, President



OPLATKI SALE

St. Adalbert Church, after 4:30 p.m. Mass
St. John Church, after 8:00 & 10:30 Masses.

\$3.00 for each package. Also available at rectory

We await a new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you await these things, be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at peace.

(2 Peter 3:14)

St. John the Baptist HSA Annual
BREAKFAST
Santa with
....and Vendor Fair

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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- PHOTOS WITH SANTA
- BASKET RAFFLES
- KID GAMES
- SANTA'S SECRET WORKSHOP

Vendors

**ADVENT BEGINS**

We have retired the green vestments of Ordinary Time and have draped our church with Advent purple. In our northern hemisphere the climate has become cloudy, dark, and cold; interestingly the new church year begins in "darkness" as we await the second coming of **JESUS OUR LIGHT**.

The name "advent" has a Latin root, "adventus" (coming), and refers to Christ's coming into the world:

- ♦ **Christ came** in history with his historical birth;
- ♦ **He comes daily** in the various events of our lives; and
- ♦ **He will come again** in the *Parousia* at the end of time.

ADVENT HELPMATES

Reflection booklets, *Waiting with Joyful Hope*, are a parish gift given to assist your spiritual growth throughout the Advent and Christmas seasons. The booklets and violet Advent prayer pamphlets are available at the church doors for use when preparing your family's Advent wreath and blessing your Christmas tree and nativity set.

Now is the time to reflect as we prepare a place within our hearts for our savior, Jesus. Setting a time for personal prayer, for the thoughtful recollection of our life events and for reconciliation and reception of the Sacrament of Reconciliation can help each of us to *prepare the way of the Lord, as we welcome Jesus into our lives anew*.

~ADVENT 2023~**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH**

- ♦ Advent/Christmas devotional booklets available at church doors
- ♦ Daily Mass ~ Nourished by Jesus' body and blood
- ♦ Daily Reconciliation after 7:00am Mass
- ♦ Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet prayed before & after 7:00am Mass
- ♦ Dec. 1st Eucharistic Adoration, 2-6:00pm
- ♦ Dec. 2nd Morning of Reflection (Mural Rm)
- ♦ Dec. 3rd -12th Our Lady of Guadalupe novena and final feast day celebration
- ♦ Dec. 8th Immaculate Conception Holy Day Mass
- ♦ Dec. 10th Blessing & Caroling at outdoor Creche 11:30am
- ♦ Dec. 10th, 4:00pm Lessons & Carols Advent Concert
- ♦ Dec. 19, 7:00pm Communal Sacrament of Reconciliation

**PARTICIPATING IN SOME OR ALL OF THE ABOVE
READIES US FOR CHRISTMAS.**

- ♦ **JESUS CAME 2000 YEARS AGO in History.** He gave his total gift of self to save each of us from sin and condemnation. His example of selfless living shows us how we are to live lives of love, mercy and forgiveness.
- ♦ **JESUS COMES DAILY** as we receive the sacraments of Eucharist & Reconciliation, and He comes in our daily encounters with co-workers, family members, neighbors and friends. He comes to us in the silence of our hearts.
- ♦ **JESUS WILL COME AGAIN**, at the end of time. Of this we are assured through the testimony of his followers recorded in the Gospels, The Acts, and New Testament letters. However, for most of us Jesus will come sooner than later, for he will come for each of us at our own personal death to this life: our birth into eternity.

MARANATHA ~ COME LORD JESUS**Am I ready?**

"Live in the Light of Christ"



Advent Communal
Sacrament of Reconciliation
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH
TUESDAY
DECEMBER 19, 2023
7:00 P.M.
~ COME ~
Receive God's love
and
forgiveness

PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

THE 2023 NOBEL PEACE PRIZE

The Norwegian Nobel Committee has decided to award the Nobel Peace Prize for 2023 to **Narges Mohammadi** for her fight against the oppression of women in Iran and her fight to promote human rights and freedom for all. Her brave struggle has come with tremendous personal costs. Altogether, the regime has arrested her 13 times, convicted her 5 times, and sentenced her to a total of 31 years in prison and 154 lashes. Ms. Mohammadi is still in prison to this day.

In September 2022 a young Kurdish woman, Mahsa Jina Amini, was killed while in the custody of the Iranian morality police. Her killing triggered the largest political demonstrations against Iran's theocratic regime since it came to power in 1979. Under the slogan "**Woman – Life – Freedom**", hundreds of thousands of Iranians took part in peaceful protests against the authorities' brutality and oppression of women. The regime cracked down hard on the protests: more than 500 demonstrators were killed. Thousands were injured, including many who were blinded by rubber bullets fired by the police. At least 20,000 people were arrested and held in regime custody.

The motto adopted by the demonstrators, "**Woman – Life – Freedom**" suitably expresses the dedication and work of Narges Mohammadi. **Woman** – She fights for women against systematic discrimination and oppression. **Life** – She supports women's struggle for the right to live full and dignified lives. This struggle across Iran has been met with persecution, imprisonment, torture and even death. **Freedom** – She fights for freedom of expression and the right of independence, and against rules requiring women to remain out of sight and to cover their bodies. The freedom demands, expressed by demonstrators apply not only to women, but to the entire population.

In the 1990s, as a young physics student, Narges Mohammadi was already distinguishing herself as an advocate for equality and women's rights. After concluding her studies, she worked as an engineer as well as a columnist in various reform-minded newspapers. In 2003 she became involved with the Defenders of Human Rights Center in Tehran. In 2011 Ms. Mohammadi was arrested for the first time and sentenced for her efforts to assist incarcerated activists and their families.

Two years later, after her release on bail, she immersed herself in a campaign against use of the death penalty. Her activism against the death penalty led to her re-arrest in 2015 and a sentence of additional years in prison. Upon her return to prison, she began opposing the regime's use of torture and sexualized violence against political prisoners, especially women.

Narges Mohammadi is a woman, a human rights advocate, and a freedom fighter. In receiving the 2023 Nobel Peace Prize she is honored for her courageous fight for human rights, freedom and democracy in Iran.

(Taken in part from a Press release by
the Norwegian Nobel Committee)

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST SCHOOL NEWS

January 26-28—2024

WINTER FESTIVAL

Wizard of Oz Winter Fest "There's no place like home"

The Winter Festival started in 1976 to celebrate the bi-centennial of our county. The festival is a time for parents to meet other parents, for students to have fun with their classmates, and for the parish to come together and visit. Our hope is that the community know there is 'no place like home' at St. John!



[This Photo](#) by Unknown

Each week, a specialty booth of the annual Winter Festival will be highlighted.

These articles are to inform the parish community of what goes into putting the booth together, the supplies needed, and the specific donations needed to make each booth a success.

Feel free to reach out with questions to the festival committee reps.

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PARISH RAFFLE

Watch your mailbox for the annual parish raffle tickets that will be delivered in the next couple of weeks. All parishioners and students will receive their tickets to sell to friends & family.

1st Place = \$5,000!

The grand prize drawing on Sunday, January 28, 2024!

Tickets can be purchased by calling the school office, 659-3042.

SILENT AUCTION

A **HIGHLIGHT** of the Festival. The silent auction brings in +\$10,000. This year, we'd like to exceed this amount.

St. John's traditional items include classroom themed art projects, Day with the Principal, sporting event tickets, hotel stays, and artwork, to name a few.

As always, the silent auction is looking for those experiences to auction off. Do you have a condo in Florida that you'd like to donate a week vacation rental? Do you have season Cub's/Sox's/Bear's tickets that you'd like to donate a game for?

If you are interested in helping or would like additional information on how to donate, please reach out to Karly Tabernacki ktabernacki@stjohnbap.org

WISHLIST

By now, you may have noticed the QR code & link for our online Wishlist through Amazon.

This was developed to help streamline the donation process. As always, we will accept any donation that is not listed online. We know the parish helps provide so many items to make this event a success.

Cases of water and soda are always appreciated at any time and can be left at the rectory or at school from 7:30a-3:00pm.

<https://tinyurl.com/2p98cdtf>



!!!CHILDREN'S PICK-a-PRIZE!!!

The Children's Pick-a-Prize is the **HIGHLIGHT** of the children's game! Children pick a number, which corresponds to a prize. This booth is **VERY** popular with the children, as they are guaranteed a win every time! This is where we need **YOUR** help. The Children's Pick-a-Prize is in need of 100 Girl Items & 100 Boy items. These can be toys, electronics, (gaming systems), games, bicycles, etc.

A highlight of the Pick-a-Prize booth is the Gift Card Tree. This tree has an assortment of gift cards to restaurants, stores, and online games. Apple iTunes gift cards & Amazon are very popular. Any amount is gratefully appreciated!

Winter Fest Raffle

Tickets are still available for the Grand Prize drawing on Sunday, January 28. Grand Prize - \$5,000. Tickets can be purchased by calling the school office: 659-3042.

TIP BOOTH/GAMES OF CHANCE

The Tip Booth is an adult favorite! Take your chance at winning one of the 100 fantastic prizes we have to offer. Throughout the three days of the festival, large items are tipped out, such as patio chairs, grills, coolers, electronics, etc. If you would like to donate an item or support an item, please reach out **TLDR: Donations are needed: Alcoholic beverages, gift cards, scratch off tickets, household items.**

Festival Donations

Donations of all kinds are needed for a successful festival fundraiser. We will gladly accept any kind of donation. Soda, water, paper products, produce, meat, etc. Reach out to the school office if you're interested in donating, 659-3042. The main goal of the Winter Festival is to help raise funds for the children of St. John School. Proceeds collected during the three-day event go directly to the school.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

A: Mary Jane Adams, Marie Anderson, Frank Angotti, Saul Arambula

B: Arlene B., Rita Bais, Mary Lou Barcevac, Donna Bewley, Carol Bibat, Eleanor Biel, Jennifer Bitterman, Steve B., Bob Bonchik, Lisa Vrabel Breitweiser, Thomas Brooks, Ruth Bzibziak, Wendy Bannerman

C: Michael C., Ben Cassoday, Jim Campbell, Maximiliano Chavez, Abigail Coates, Rebecca Coates, Marlene Cooney, Geraldine Cox, Olivia Crinion, Gloria Cruz, Bernadine Cusson, Larry Culp, Jeannine Cusson, Richard Cusson, Sharon Cusson

D: Dave M., Jeff Delinck, Mary Ann Delinck, Ernie Demeter, Peggy Demeter, Kevin Dexter, Norb Dudzik

E: Jeanine Faulkner, Thomas Federenko, Bernice Fesko, Ma-lia Fortunak, Dianna Fritz,

G: Andrea Gaynor,

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M: Maria M, Mary Madejewski, Kristi Matalik, Sebastian Mendoza, Ann Matusik, Steve Mihalso, Jerilyn Miller, Larry & Toni Milkowski

N: Ann Novotney, Linda N., Chloe N. Fr. Bill Nordenbrock, C.P.P.S.

O: Bob Oliver, Selma O'Drobinak

P: Patton Donna, Willie Parlor, Eric Pieters Jr., Virginia Piljac, Pammela Puhek, Mary Puplava

Q: Leonardo Quiroz, Richard Kuinn

R: Lucretia R., Kathleen Radloff, David Reyes, Delia M. Reyes, Celeste Richardson, Sylvia Richardson, Joel Rivera, Cris Rzonca, Dannielle Roszkowski, Ed Roszkowski, Eileen Ross, Holly Russell, Randy & Luke Rycerz, Joyce Rybicki

S: Arthur Salinas Jr., Armando Sanchez, S. Scivinsky, Robert & Phyllis Samano, Deanna Stolarz, K. Smith, R. Smith, Sandi Smith, M. Stimac, Sandi Smith, Jack Strisko, Judy Strisko, Renee Suma, Michael J. Swentko, Suzanne M. Swentko, Ann Swiatkowski

T: Nancy Teles, Geraldine Tumidalsky

V: Pauline V.

W: Gina W., Evelyn White Terry W., Tucker W., Sadie Watson, Captoria Weems, Phil Wetnight

Z: Janel Zubeck

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

B: Matt Barbetta, **C:** Christina Campa, **E:** Victoria Franco, **G:** Larry Gazafy, Matthew Geffert, John Gervais, Gerardo Gonzalez, James Grunhard Jr., **H:** Alex Gonzalo Hernandez, Elliot Hlavaty, Matthew Hlavaty, **J:** Justin Jansky, **K:** Thomas M. Kaminsky, Keith Kennedy, Jeff Klobucar, Jason Koscielski, Jeffery Koval, Mark Koval, **M:** Walter Malenki, Randall McAllister, Mike McCay, Hugh A. McNinch, Philip Mlynarski, Derek Monks, **N:** David Novotney, **O:** Zack O'Drobinak, Nicholas Okamura, Justus Oliver, Mark Opachan, **P:** Kenneth Petkunas, Thomas Puplava Jr., **R:** Robert Rodriguez, **S:** Eric Schaufele, Elliott Schultz, Natalie Serna, John Starzyk Jr, Alex Supergan, Jason Sutton, Szweczyk, **T:** Stephen Taylor, Jeffrey Thormeyer, Christopher Trojnar, **V:** Samuel Valdyke, **W:** Ray Walsh.

*Lord, let us see your kindness,
and grant us your salvation.*

(Psalm 85)



INDIANA MARCH FOR LIFE

MON. JAN. 22ND, 2024

Indianapolis

DIocese OF GARY PROLIFE ACTIVITIES AND LAKE COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE

INVITE YOU TO COME WITH US ON THE MARCH FOR LIFE

LEAVE OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION, MERRILLVILLE, AT 7 AM CST, JAN. 22ND

11:30 AM EST MASS AT THE INDIANA CONVENTION CENTER

1:45 PM EST MARCH BEGINS AT GEORGIA & ILLINOIS STREET

2:30 PM EST AFTER MARCH RALLY AT STATEHOUSE

3:30 PM EST LEAVE FOR MERRILLVILLE, BOX LUNCH INCLUDED FOR TRIP HOME

TRANSPORTATION—PREMIUM COACH BUSES

COST: \$30 PER PERSON

JOIN HUNDREDS OF HOOSIERS DOWNTOWN AS
WE MARCH FOR A CULTURE OF LIFE WHERE
ABORTION IS UNTHINKABLE



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Diocese of Gary, IN



SJBCIRCLE OF PRAYER

If you have an immediate need for prayer support, please consider calling Margaret at 219-659-4138. She will pray with you on the phone and then send your request to the volunteers in our circle of faith who will pray specifically for your intentions. Please know that we will maintain your privacy with use of first names only. If you would like to join this steadfast community of prayer, please call the SJBC rectory to add your name to the circle so that you too can pray for those who are in need of spiritual support.

NEW CALENDARS 2024



The new calendars 2024 are available
now at the entrances of
St. Adalbert and St. John Church.

Don't forget to pick up yours!

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