

OUR 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.



~ THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD ~

Jesus' ascension into heaven, witnessed by his apostles, was an amazing event. Even more amazing is this: **because Jesus has triumphed over death, so will we!** Ever grateful, we continue our life's journey accompanied by the Holy Spirit, who strengthens, encourages, and enables us to more perfectly follow Jesus.

- Am I praying daily to live in the light and love of Jesus?
- I will consciously live each day as if it were my last day on earth.
- I will praise the Lord as I think about heaven's glory which awaits me.

The **Holy Spirit Novena**, which was inserted in last week's bulletin, is to be prayed during the 9 days leading up to Pentecost ~ the Birthday of The Church. As we invite our Lord into our daily lives, the fruits and gifts of his Holy Spirit transform us from within. The ripple effect transforms our world!

M.S.

Sing praise to God, sing praise!

Psalm 47:7

**Pope's monthly intention
for June.**

"Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus"



That the world might grow in compassion. Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025

Whiting / Robertsdale

Faith Community

St. John the Baptist & St. Adalbert

1849 Lincoln Ave. Whiting, IN 46394

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and Saturdays 3:00–3:30 p.m.
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WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY

IN LOVING MEMORY

June 1: THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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

10:30 a.m. †Ray Kaminsky by Dave & Lucille Dickerson

June 2: Monday:

7:00a.m. †Edward Baran Sr., by Dave & Joe Baran

June 3: Tuesday:

7:00 a.m. †Fr. Alphonse Spilly CPPS by John Saliga

June 4: Wednesday:

7:00 a.m. †James & Dorothy Rossi by Therese Rossi

June 5: Thursday :

7:00 a.m. †Larry Boreman by M. Tonkovich

June 6: Friday:

7:00 a.m. †Michael & Anna Girman by Pat Summers

June 7: Saturday:

SA 4:30 p.m. †Ann Matusik by St. Adalbert Parishioners

June 8: Sunday: PENTECOST SUNDAY

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

10:30 a.m. †James Danielewski by Sylvia Danielewski

Wear **RED** on Pentecost Sunday**~ SACRIFICIAL GIVING ~ May 25, 2025**

St. John: \$5,267.85

St. Adalbert: \$1,252

Online Giving: \$818.51

REST IN PEACE

†Henry J. Bugajski

†Sylvia G. Mata



For Online Giving:

stjohnbap.organd follow
directions**Saturday, June 7th. ~ St. Adalbert: 4:30 p.m.**

Altar Servers: Valentina, Reagan Lector: J. Ballman

Eucharistic M: C. Mareta, R. Ciesla, G. Cusson

Sunday, June 1st., 2025 ~ St. John: 8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Sofia, Julian, Adriana Lector: A. Bucher

Eucharistic M: J. Venegas, M. Jakubielski, M. Tonkovich,
M. Hassen, G. Mosoriak**10:30 a.m.**

Altar Servers: Kaylee, Jose, Mili

Lector: M. Cornejo

Eucharistic M: J. Kaminsky, A. Alcala, B. Jerzyk, L. Morandi,
L. Chocholek, G. Kulas, D. UrbanikCATHOLIC
SERVICES
APPEAL
Partners in Christ's MissionCSA 2025 Impacts our local Catholic
Community! Please give generously.**CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL CAMPAIGN FOR 2025**

	GOAL	PLEDGE	PAID	BAL DUE
SA	\$9,872.30	\$3,277	\$2,277	\$7,095.30
SJB	\$44,488.47	\$11,797	\$10,437	\$34,066.00

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**Come join us **on Friday, June 6th from 2:00-6:00 p.m.** for First Friday Adoration. We look forward to seeing you there. Be refreshed in this time of solitude. Consider it a date with Jesus, as you savor the quiet and reflect on God's merciful love.

PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

TRUE SACRIFICE

Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever.

John 6: 53-58

When I was a child, I can remember stopping by my parish or another local Catholic church to just spend some time in prayer before the Holy Eucharist. We didn't have exposition and adoration much in those days, but we were keenly aware of the presence of Jesus in the tabernacle. I would sometimes stare at the lighted candle near it and know that Jesus was alive.

I had never heard someone speak about a stewardship way of life back then. If I am honest, the primary message I heard in those days was along the lines of "We need to be as good as we are able." Sacrifice was only at Lent, disciples were people in the Bible, and generosity mostly had to do with the collection basket and the poor box at the church entrance. I even went to Catholic schools!

Maybe the message of stewardship was there somewhere packaged differently, and I just missed it. It wasn't until I was an adult, and after acquiring two theology degrees, that I understood both with my head and my heart what a stewardship way of life really meant. But I look back at those days and I realize that the groundwork was laid for me to understand these things. It was those times before the Holy Eucharist that I began to understand true sacrifice. It was at those times that I began to understand how actions and realities that seem so simple to the human eye can be so profound. And it was at those times that I began to see that true love knows no bounds.

(Taken from: *Everyday Stewardship – Living an Extraordinary Life* by: Tracy E. Welliver, MTS)

AN IDEA FOR RESPONSE –

This coming Friday, June 6th., (and every First Friday) between the hours of 2:00pm and 6:00pm, our Parish gives us the opportunity to spend time before Jesus in Eucharist Adoration. Why not set aside 15 to 30 minutes to be with our Lord and Savior?



WITH GRATITUDE

Our Catholic Community, extends a huge **"THANK YOU" to The Baran Funeral Home** who, at the news of Pope Francis' death, so promptly adorned our churches with black bunting and generously provided parishioners with beautiful Pope Francis memorial cards.

Within a week, our mourning was turned to joy as gold and white bunting replaced the black, and honorary prayer cards celebrating our newly elected Pope Leo XIV have been provided for everyone at the church entrances. In both sad and happy times Baran's offers compassion and loving support. We thank Baran's and we offer grateful prayers to God on their behalf.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

O Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul,
I adore You. Enlighten me, guide me,
strengthen me, console me. Tell me what I
should do; give me Your orders. I promise to
submit myself to all that You desire of me
and to accept all that You permit to happen
to me. Let me only know Your Will.

(Cardinal Mercier)



SUMMER SUNDAYS BEGIN TODAY

Our SJB Parish invites you and your family and friends to **Sunday Mass at 8:00 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.** followed by **coffee, cake, and conversation at St. John Church garage.** **All are welcome. Questions, call the parish office 219-659-0023.**



WALK WITH THE SAINTS THIS SUMMER.

Faith-filled stories for the whole family on
Formed.org/summer-with-the-saints

This summer, by exploring the lives of saints from the past, adults and children will understand that God generously gives us the grace to become saints today.

Two options: Adults and Kids

- A weekly video (June through Aug. 31) featuring the week's spotlighted saint.
- Adult or Children content about the saints for 11 summer weeks.
- Suggestions on how to help your children celebrate and learn about each saint.

NOTE: Not on Formed yet? Head to Formed.org to sign up with your St. John the Baptist Whiting, IN parish account.

CONGRATULATIONS ROSE BEAULIEU

At its May meeting, St. John Rosary Society awarded its 99yr old member, Rose Beaulieu, a plaque of gratitude. Rose has been a faithful member since 1938 and has held various positions on the board as a long time Promoter. Rose is pictured with Rosary President, Joyce Wagner; Rose's son, David; Rose; and daughter Demetria.

**COME TO THE GROTTO**

The warm weather combined with the outdoor beauty of the **Immaculate Conception Grotto on White Oak Ave.** beckons us to gather and pray the rosary, **Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m.** Bring a chair if you'd like and your rosary. Everyone is welcome to this peaceful place as friends gather for prayer. Questions, call Lucille 219-659-2949.

**THE EFFECTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN OUR LIVES.**

Based on 1 Corinthians 12,
early Church Father, St. Cyril of Jerusalem tells us:

"The Spirit makes one man a teacher of divine truth, inspires another to prophesy, gives another the power of casting our devils, enables another to interpret holy Scripture.

"The Spirit strengthens one man's self-control, shows another how to help the poor, teaches another to fast and lead a life of asceticism, makes another oblivious to the needs of the body, trains another for martyrdom.

"His action is different in different people, but the Spirit himself is always the same. In each person Scripture says, the Spirit reveals his presence in a particular way for the common good."



FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION is open for the next program year, which will begin on **September 14th.** Visit the parish website to register your child!

Save the date— **Vacation Bible School will be held June 17-20!**
More information to follow.

Open for children in Pre-K to 5th grade, older children are encouraged to participate as junior helpers with the little ones. If interested in helping with this event, please contact Mrs. Sandona at the rectory.



INSPIRATION from
St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

"The heart of Jesus, pierced for love, reminds us of the great opportunity we have to receive the Body of Christ and his precious blood each day in the Eucharist. The heart of Jesus has been wounded by uncharitable acts. The heart of Jesus has been pierced by our failures.

"Our Lord told St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, who fostered devotion to the Sacred Heart, that what hurt Jesus most was to be neglected by those whom he has chosen as his own. We are the ones who neglect him when we fail to love."

(Thirsting for God, Mother Teresa's Daily Meditations)

We all Have a Story

We all have a story
a tale to be told
of the joys we've experienced
and the hardships we've known.

Sometimes we wear them
on our sleeves for all to see
but often they're hidden
as deep as they can be.

So, let us be kind
for we never truly know
the struggles and the battles
that others undergo.

May empathy and compassion
be the guiding lights we share
and may we always remember
that each story deserves care.

For in our human journey
we all need love and grace
so, let us be kind to one another
and create a better place.

Michelle Harverson

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR
NEWLY BAPTIZED**

May 18, 2025

Elsie Rose Staley

May 25, 2025

Luka Jordan Villanueva

Ziggy Blue Villanueva

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

A: Mary Jane Adam, Marie Anderson, Frank Angotti, Saul Arambula, Nancy Artim

B: Steve B., Matt Baccar, Susan Bancroft, Wendy Bannerman, Rita Bais, Mary Lou Barcevac, Ron Benko, Donna Bewley, Carol Bibat, Sue Bobalik, Bob Bonchik, Thomas Brooks, Ruth Bzibziak, John Boyle, Marsha Banik, Josie Bolek

C: Michael C., Ben Cassoday, Jim Campbell, Maximiliano Chavez, Fr. Dennis Chriszt, C.P.P.S. Abigail Coates, Rebecca Coates, Marlene Cooney, Geraldine Cox, Olivia Crinion, Gloria Cruz, Bernadine Cusson, Larry Culp, Jeannine Cusson, Richard Cusson, Sharon Cusson, Sr. Ann Marie Caporale, Brian C. **D:** Dave M., Jeff Delinck, Mary Ann Delinck, Ernie Demeter, Peggy Demeter, Kevin Dexter, Norb Dudzik, Lenore Duray **E:** Jeanine Faulkner, Thomas Federenko, John M. Fedor, Bernice Fesko, Malia Fortunak, Dianna Fritz, Dave Furtak **G:** Andrea Gaynor, Jacqueline Gonzalez

H: H. Haas, Shery & Jim H., Mariah Hayes, Debra Henderson, Kingston M. Hensley, Lorraine Homco, Betty Hunt, Sheila Huizzie, Bruce Hunt, Nellie Hunt, Dennis and Peggy Hyde, Judy Harkenrider

J: Mark J., Sheila J., Justus Jones **K:** Danny K., Linda K, Gerry Kasarda, Diane Kaspar, Alex Kaleta, Ryan Keelan, Mark Kobli, Bernadine Kontrik, Barbara J. Korba, Patti Koopmans, Nancy Koselke, Marcia Krull, Corky Kuipers, Joan Kurczek, Kathy Kustka

L: Nancy Legg, Carol Lukasik, Donna Lewandoski

M: Maria M, Mary Madejewski, Howard Marshall, Kristi Matalik, Sebastian, Jerry Matlon, Mendoza, Delaney McGinnis, Richard Mikola, Jerilyn Miller, Larry & Toni Milkowski, Andy Muellar

N: Ann Novotney, Linda N., Chloe N.

O: Bob Oliver, Selma O'Drob-nak, Joan Orosz

P: Anna E. Palomo, Pat, Donna Patton, Mike Pena, Eric Pieters Jr., Virginia Piljac, Julie P., Pammela Puhek, Mary Puplava **Q:** Christina Quiroz, Leonardo Quiroz

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

S: Arthur Salinas Jr., Robert & Phyllis Samano, Armando Sanchez, Linda Secviar, Lori Shaffer, K. Smith, R. Smith, M. Stimac, Judy Strisko, Deanna Stolarz, Renee Suma, Suzanne M. Swentko, Ann Swiatkowski, Theresa Zvonar

T: Frank Tarajack, Nancy Teles, Cindy Tokarz, Marilyn Tomko, Geraldine Tumidalsky

V: Pauline V.

W: Walter Watchel, Gina W., Evelyn White

Terry W., Tucker W., Sadie Watson, Captoria Weems, Phil Wetnight

Z: Margaret Zehner, Janet Z., Janel Zubeck, Ray Zubeck

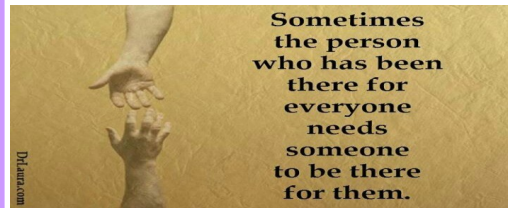
PLEASE
PRAY
FOR OUR
TROOPS

B: Matt Barbetta, **C:** Christina Campra, **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, **R:** Robert Rodriguez, **S:** Eric Schaufele, Elliott Schultz, Natalie Serna, John Starzyk Jr, Alex Supergan, Jason Sutton, Szweczyk, **T:** Stephen Taylor, Jeffrey Thormeyer, **V:** Samuel Valdyke, **W:** Ray Walsh.



SJB CIRCLE 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 SJB rectory to add your name to the circle so that you too can pray for those who are in need of spiritual support.



Sometimes we just need someone to say:

- "I'm here"
- "That sounds really hard"
- "What do you really need right now"
- "I hear you"
- "Is there anything I can do to help"
- "You matter"
- "Your feelings make sense"
- "I really care about you"
- "Your words are safe with me"
- "I'm not here to judge"
- "It's ok to not feel ok right now"
- "You are not alone in this, I'm here"

*All you peoples, clap your hands,
shout to God with cries of gladness.*

*For the Lord, the Most High, the awesome,
is the great king over all the earth.*

(Psalm 47:2-3)

ATTENTION RAFFLE WINNERS!

We still have (2) raffle winners who have not claimed their prize. Please call the rectory at 219-659-0023 and speak to Mrs. Flores. Winners are **Sandra Vega** and **Theresa Zanadski**



Please recycle this bulletin