

## 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.**



### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025** **THE EXALTATION OF** **THE HOLY CROSS**

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

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

**Rectory new Hours**  
Monday 8am-3:30pm  
Tues-Fri 8am-4:00pm  
Lunch hours 12pm-1pm

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



### **THE 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

We are doubly blest that the **September 14th Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross** is celebrated on a Sunday this year. In the first reading from the Book of Numbers God's people complain of their desert hardships, so with Moses' intercession they are helped.

The second reading from St. Paul's letter to the Philippians reminds us that Jesus, the perfect son of God, humbly gave himself up to a horrible death for all of us. Thus, God exalted him above all and gave him the name above all names, that at the name of Jesus ***"every knee shall bend and every tongue must confess that Jesus the Christ is Lord of all"***.

Today's Gospel celebrates the fact that ***"God so loved the world that he gave his only son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."***

#### **~ OUR RESPONSE ~**

- Today reflect on the cross/crosses you are facing.
- How can you "take up your cross" this week?
- What will change in your attitude towards these trials?
- Place a cross where you will see it throughout the day, helping you to remember it is Jesus you are following and how you will follow him.

A blest way that we can give suffering its meaning is to offer up our pain for someone we know who is suffering greatly. We can ask Jesus to take the graces and merit from our suffering and use it to encourage or help someone else whom we love. This action not only unites us closer to Christ, but it also allows us to be united in the Body of Christ.

***Heavenly Father,  
you sent people along Christ's path  
to assist and encourage him  
as he journeyed with his cross.  
I ask you, today,  
for the courage, strength, and humility  
to follow Christ with the crosses  
you have allowed me to bear in this life.  
I trust you to be at my side  
as I make this journey. Please remind me  
that Resurrection glory will come at the end. Amen.***

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**~ SACRIFICIAL GIVING ~ August 31, 2025**

St. John: \$10, 377.87      St. Adalbert: \$1,375  
Online Giving: \$1,503.99

**ST. ADALBERT CHURCH ROOF FUND**

Cost is \$157,144.50  
 Collected as of June 23, 2025 is \$98,640.11

**CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL CAMPAIGN FOR 2024**

	GOAL	PLEDGES	PAID	Balance Due
SA	\$ 9,872.30	\$4,852.00	\$4,352.00	\$5,520.00
SJB	\$44,488.47	\$24,721.00	\$23,786.00	\$20,702.47

**Saturday, September 20th ~ St. Adalbert: 4:30 p.m.**

Altar Servers: Kasen      Lector: J. Ballman  
 Eucharistic M: C. Mareta, G. Cusson, J. Ballman

**Sunday, September 21st ~ St. John: 8:00 a.m.**

Altar Servers: Andrew, Rebecca      Lector: J. LeWan  
 Eucharistic M: G. Mosoriak, M. Tonkovich, M. Jakubielski,  
 T. Rossi, D. Huizenga, L. Elizalde

**10:30 a.m.**

Altar Servers: Paul, Nelly, Ben      Lector: P. Rodriguez  
 Eucharistic M: J. Kaminsky, G. Kulas, B. Jerzyk, L. Morandi,  
 L. Chocholek, O. Matushek, D. Urbanik

**WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY****IN LOVING MEMORY**

**September 14: Sunday: THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**

8:00 a.m. WHITING/ROBERTSDALE FAITH COMMUNITY  
 10:30 a.m. †James Duha by Whitefoot family

**September 15: Monday: OUR LADY OF SORROWS, TWENTY-FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:00a.m. †Ben Likens by mom

**September 16: Tuesday: STS. CORNELIUS, POPE, AND CYPRIAN, BISHOP, MARYRS**

7:00a.m. †Gerald Zimmerman by family

**September 17: Wednesday: ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH, ST. HILDEGARD OF BINGEN, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH**

7:00a.m. †Anthony Dominiak by St. John Rosary Society

**September 18: Thursday:**

7:00 a.m. †Felipe Jr. & Eddie Ramirez by parents

**September 19: Friday: St. JANUARIUS, BISHOP AND MARTYR**

7:00 a.m. †Edward "Butch" Vanek by daughters

8:30 a.m. †Norbert Duray Family by daughters

**September 20: Saturday: STS. ANDREW KIM TAE-GON, PRIEST, AND PAUL CHONG HA-SANG, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS**

SA 4:30 p.m. †Joann A. Banvich by I.C. Grotto Society

**September 21: Sunday:**

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

10:30a.m. †Louis Kovach Jr. & Cousin Denise (Pauca) Hruskoc by Kulas family

## ✠ REST IN PEACE

Deceased members of our Catholic Community  
 Whiting-Robertsdale

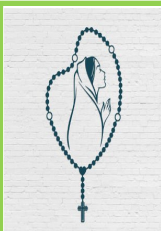
**YOU ARE INVITED**

COME, on **Tuesday, September 16th**, join the conversation as we consider the many ways in which the gospel impacts our lives with the **2025 Tuesday Evening Bible Study Group, 6:30-8:00 p.m.** at the **St. John Founders Room** (lower level of the school, enter 119th St). Using the **Formed** platform, **Matthew** series, we will discuss all 28 chapters. Thus, we are preparing ourselves to **better appreciate the featured Gospel of the 2025 -2026 Year A.**

All are welcome to join the group at any time and attend as able. Please bring your Bible and an open heart, ready to listen to God's Holy Word and receive its message into your life.

Questions or to order a Bible, phone Margaret Saliga, facilitator, 219-659-4138.

**MASS INTENTION BOOK FOR 2026 OPENS OCTOBER 1, 2025.**



## ROSARY SOCIETY UPCOMING EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

**September 15 (Monday) St. John Rosary Society will meet at 11:00 am.** Hosted by Group 5, Susan Dybel Promoter. Group members should plan to be at the Senior Center at Pulaski Park by 9:30 am to help with the room set up.

Father Mark Peres, C.P.P.S. will install the Officers/Publicity Chairperson:

President—Joyce Wagner

Vice President—Susan Dybel

Recording Secretary—Marion Vargo

Corresponding Secretary—Denyse Buck

Treasurer—Carol Vargo

Publicity Chairperson—Deborah Kolodziej

**September 28 (Sunday) St. John Rosary Society will have a joint Rosary with St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church** (weather permitting) at the Marian Prayer Garden next to St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church - 2011 Clark Street in Whiting. It will be at 1:00 pm. Members and their relatives/friends are invited/encouraged to attend. An informal reception will follow. If it rains the rosary will be prayed in Church. Please invite family/friends to attend this special service. All are welcome!

Diocese of Gary  
Offices of Worship and Intercultural Ministry

# CONFERENCE '25

*Heaven Wed To Earth: Celebrating Hope*  
*Se Une El Cielo Con La Tierra: Celebrando La Esperanza*

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JULIE 2025  
PILGRIMS OF HOPE

**SAVE THE DATE**  
RESERVEN LA FECHA

**SPREAD THE WORD**  
CORRAN LA VOZ

November 14-15  
St. Michael the Archangel  
Schererville, IN

Bishop Robert J. McClory  
Friday  
Night Prayer with Our Eucharistic Lord

## The Pope's intention for September:

For our relationship with all of creation. Let us pray that, inspired by St. Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

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**Catechetical Sunday is September 21st.** This year's theme, "Always be ready to give an explanation...for a reason for your hope" (1Peter 3:15), is linked to the broader theme of the 2025 Jubilee year "Pilgrims of hope".

The theme emphasizes the duty of individuals to be witnesses of their faith and their hope in Christ. Catechetical Sunday is a day dedicated to recognizing and celebrating the role of catechists, those who teach the faith in the Church. **It's a time when catechists are commissioned for their ministry and when the entire community is called to reflect on their baptismal call to share the faith.** The day also provides an opportunity for all Catholics to rededicate themselves to the mission of passing on the faith.

At our SJB/SA parishes it is also a day to commission all who serve in liturgical ministry within our Catholic Community: lectors, ministers of Holy Communion, musicians, servers, greeters, ushers, sacristans, those who prepare the sacred environment, and the liturgy committee members.

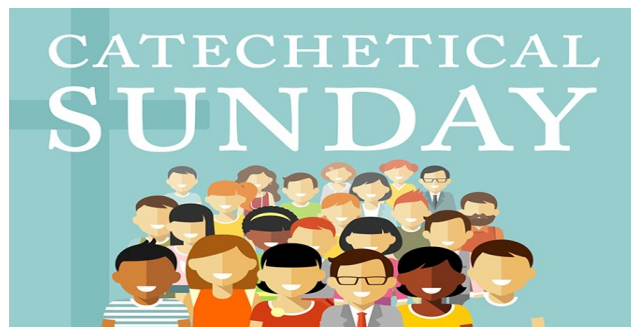
## PRAYER

*Loving Father, please bless our catechists and liturgical ministers.*

*We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church.*

*Grant them your wisdom, that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word.*

*Grant them also your love, that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love you.*





**PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE****SCHOOL SHOOTINGS**

As bishops, we support measures that control the sale and use of firearms and make them safer – especially efforts that prevent their unsupervised use by children or anyone other than the owner – and we reiterate our call for sensible regulation of handguns and believe that in the long run and with few exceptions – i.e. police officers, military use – handguns should eventually be eliminated from our society. -U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

**\*\* Guns are the leading cause of death among children and adolescents in the United States.** From: Centers for Disease Control

**\*\* As of late July 2025, there have been 33 reported school shootings in the U.S. – with 14 in K-12 schools and 19 on college campuses – resulting in 15 deaths and at least 41 injuries.**  
From: Gun Violence Archive

**\*\* Of the 15 worst mass shootings (by fatalities) in the U.S. over the past 60 years, 5 were at schools: Virginia Tech ('07) – 32 people killed, Sandy hook Elementary ('12) – 27 people killed, Robb Elementary ('22) – 21 people killed, Marjory Stoneman Douglas H.S. ('18) – 17 people killed, University of Texas ('66) – 16 people killed, Columbine H.S. ('99) – 13 people killed.** From: Wikipedia

**\*\* Being exposed to a school shooting reduces the likelihood of students graduating from high school by 3% or obtaining a bachelor's degree by 14%.** From: The White House

**\*\* Exposure to school shootings leads to persistent increases in youth antidepressant use. High-fatality shootings substantially elevate the rates of suicide and overdose deaths among survivors.**  
From: The White House

**\*\* More than 60% of teachers say they worry about a mass shooting in their schools.** From: National Education Association

**\*\* 40% of Americans view gun violence as a “big concern” for K-12 education.** From: Ipsos

**\*\* To reduce the number of school shootings, 48% of Americans say the U.S. should make schools safer 49% say the U.S. should make guns harder to get.** From: Ipsos

**\*\* Over a 10 year period, there were a combined total of 5 recorded school shootings in Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, and the United Kingdom. During the same period, the U.S. averaged 6 school shootings every 2.5 months.** From: The White House.

**MULTI CELEBRATIONS**

Last week on Sept. 8th we celebrated our **Blessed Mother's Birth**. This week on Tuesday, Sept. 12 we celebrate the **Most Holy Name of Mary**, and on Friday, Sept. 15 we celebrate **Our Lady of Sorrows**.

- **I will pray the rosary this week to show my gratitude for my Heavenly Mother's love, while seeking her help.**

**OUR LADY OF SORROWS****September 15**

Mary is venerated under this title to commemorate the seven sorrows that she suffered: The prophecy of Simeon, the flight into Egypt, the loss of the child Jesus in the temple, meeting Jesus carrying his cross, the Crucifixion, receiving the body of Jesus from the cross, and the burial of Jesus. A devotional image of her shows her heart pierced with seven swords to represent these sorrows.

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN EVENTS:**

We are so excited to announce the dates of our Fundraising Events this year.

September 14<sup>th</sup> - **Parish Picnic**- 11:30-4:00 pm on Lincoln Ave.

October 19<sup>th</sup> – **Our first Slovak Dinner**- 11:30-2:00. **Featuring Frank Rossi** as our entertainment. Advance ticket sales will begin at the Parish Picnic.

November 14<sup>th</sup> – **ALL You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner**- 3:30-7:30

January 16<sup>th</sup> - **Mexican Dinner**- 3:30-7:30

February 20<sup>th</sup>- March 27<sup>th</sup> on Fridays - **Fish Fry Dinners**- 3:30-7:30

Watch the bulletin for sign-up opportunities.

**FCSLA MEMBERS**

BRANCH 81 is sponsoring the Pierogi booth at the parish **picnic on Sept 14<sup>th</sup>**. It is a matching funds event!

We need volunteers to help us. If you are able to cook or serve pierogi... please call Becky Coleman at 219-801-6665 or Mary Beth Markovich 219-713-0991



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Members of the Whiting Knights of Columbus will be conducting a membership drive on the weekend of September 20-21 after all masses. The invitation to join is open to all Catholic men 18 or older, in good standing with the Catholic Church. Our order was founded on the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism by Fr. Michael J. McGivney in 18823.

For additional information got to [www.kofc.org/](http://www.kofc.org/)



### CALLING ALL YARD WORKERS, GARDENERS, AND GROUNDSKEEPERS

We're in need of a few more people to help us whack weeds, clean up litter, trim shrubs, and tidy up the grounds around the church, school, and rectory on Saturday mornings.

There's a core group of 4 to 5 of us who meet **Saturday mornings from 9:30 to around noon near the garage.**

Please stop by if you're able to help. You don't have to commit to working every Saturday, of course, and you don't need to do any kneeling, bending, or heavy lifting. Any time you can spare will be a big help. Coffee, donuts, and ginger chews will be available. ;-) Questions?

## SJB Picnic & School Fundraiser!

family fun, raffles, kids' games, music, bounce houses, fab food

1844 Lincoln Ave.

in front of church and school

Sun.  
14  
Sept.  
2025

11:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Questions: 219-659-0023



*Bless the Lord O my soul, and forget  
not all his benefits.  
(Psalm 103:1-2)*

### ANNUAL ST. THERESE NOVENA

You are invited to set aside nine days of prayer, **beginning Tuesday, September 23 through Wednesday, October 1st**, as **St. John the Baptist Catholic Church** hosts a public **novena to St. Therese of Lisieux**. The novena will be held in St. John Church **each evening at 6:30 p.m.** A social will follow in the church lot/garage on the final evening, Wednesday, October 1st .

This special devotion to St. Therese, the Little Flower began at St. John's in the late 1920's. Plans for a new St. John church building had been calculated, and construction had begun when the great depression struck. Our country was struggling and families were going through difficult times, but the parish didn't waiver in the face of the depression as they continued with their plans to build a church in spite of the obstacles.

Beginning in 1927, Fr. Kostik recommended that the entire parish pray through the intercession of the newly canonized St. Therese so that the proposed church would be built. With many personal sacrifices and countless prayers asking that St. Therese intercede for us, the present church building was completed. With gratitude a yearly novena was continued as a way of thanking St. Therese, who promised to spend her eternity praying on behalf of our world. Her personal writings reveal that through her intercession God's blessings would descend like a shower of roses!

St. John the Baptist Church and our Whiting/Robertsedale Community of Faith have been blessed. However, church attendance, which formerly filled our church each Sunday, has sadly dropped. At the recommendation of our pastor, Fr. Mark, we once again ask St. Therese to intercede for us. Through her intercession, we pray that God will guide our parish in a new evangelization; that God will show us how to bring back those who have lapsed from church attendance. With renewed hope we pray, knowing that God blest the physical building project in 1929, and now, in our time we pray that God will bless us with a spiritual renewal, as we endeavor to rebuild our parish community.

### In October, we celebrate many feasts and special devotions.

We ask our **October saints** to pray for us:

- \* that those who have ceased coming to church realize that they are missed and return
- \* that through our prayers and example outsiders may find a home at St. John
- \* that they and all of us may be renewed and sacramentally nourished

### October is the Month of the Rosary

**St. Therese of Lisieux (Oct. 1)**

**The Feast of the Guardian Angels (Oct. 2)**

**St. Mother Theodora Guerin (Oct. 3)**, founder of The Sisters of Providence, who served St. John and Sacred Heart schools for many years;

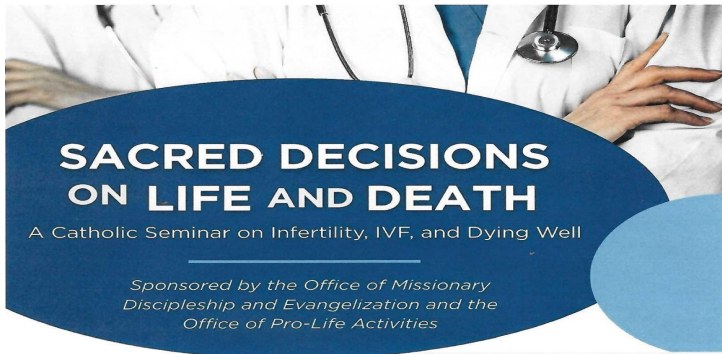
**St. Francis of Assisi (Oct. 4),  
Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7);**

**St. Gaspar del Bufalo, (October 21)**, Missionaries of the Precious Blood founder, whose priests have served St. John the Baptist Catholic Church since 1924.

**These feast days present us with many opportunities for prayer.**

**Pet Blessing, Saturday, Oct. 4th at 12:00 noon** in front of the garage  
**Outdoor Rosary for Life at the Immaculate Conception Grotto on Sunday, Oct. 5th at 2:00 p.m.**





**Saturday,  
November 8, 2025**

**at Our Lady of Consolation**  
8303 Taft Street Merrillville,  
IN 46410

**Presented by:**

Fr. Tad  
Pacholczyk  
Catholic Priest,  
Neuroscientist & Ethicist



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admission  
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9:15 to 10:45 a.m.

**Infertility and IVF**

11:00 a.m. to

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## SUICIDE PREVENTION

Suicide prevention is most effective when communities work together to promote mental health awareness, provide access to resources, reduce stigma, and offer support to those at risk and their families. Early intervention and ongoing support are key

**Franciscan Behavioral Health**

**Date:** Saturday, September 20, 2025

**Time:** 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

**Event:** Live Testimonials • Mental Health Resources • Games • Food

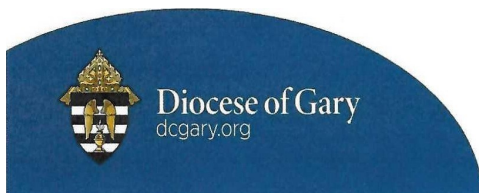
**Closing:** 1:45 p.m. Moment of Silence and Prayer

**Location:** Franciscan Health Dyer, 24 Joliet Street, Dyer, IN 46311

**Follow signs to employee parking lot**

**Questions:** Please contact Hangie Hawkins (224) 730-9779 (call/text)

**Franciscan  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**



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**Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

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- Heaven
- Down
- Moses
- Serpent
- Desert
- Lifted
- World
- Only
- Son
- Saved

**SUNDAYKIDZ**

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**Diocese of Gary**  
*Vocations*  
**BLACK TIE | WHITE COLLAR**  
*gala*

**SEPTEMBER 19, 2025**  
AVALON MANOR BANQUET CENTER | MERRILLVILLE, IN

**EVENT PROGRAM DETAILS**

- 6:00 PM - OPEN BAR & APPETIZERS
- 7:00 PM - DINNER & PROGRAM
- LIVE AND SILENT AUCTION
- MUSIC AND DANCING UNTIL 10:30 PM

Individual Dinner Cost is \$100 per person  
Priests and Religious attend free of charge

**JACK SERLETIC**  
THIS YEAR'S GUARDIAN ANGELS AWARD RECIPIENT  
SERRA CLUB OF NORTHWEST INDIANA

**To Register for the BLACK TIE | WHITE COLLAR GALA**

<https://onecau.se/btwc25>

For more information, please contact JoAnne Rosenow at 219.769.9292 or email [jrosenow@dcgary.org](mailto:jrosenow@dcgary.org)

**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:** 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, Don Domsich

**E:** Oliver Edlin

**F:** 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.,

**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, Joan Kureczek, Kathy Kutcka

**L:** Carol Lukasik, Donna Lewandowski

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

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

**O:** Bob Oliver, Selma O'Drobnak, Joan Orosz

**P:** Anna E. Palomo, Pat, Donna Patton, Mike Pena, Eric Pieters Jr., Virginia Piljac, Julie P., Pamela 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, 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, Morgan Sikora

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

**V:** Pauline V.

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

**Z:** Margaret Zehner, Janel Zubeck, Ray Zubeck, Theresa Zvonar

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS**

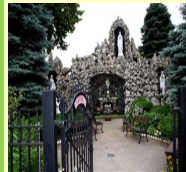
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**SJB CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

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.

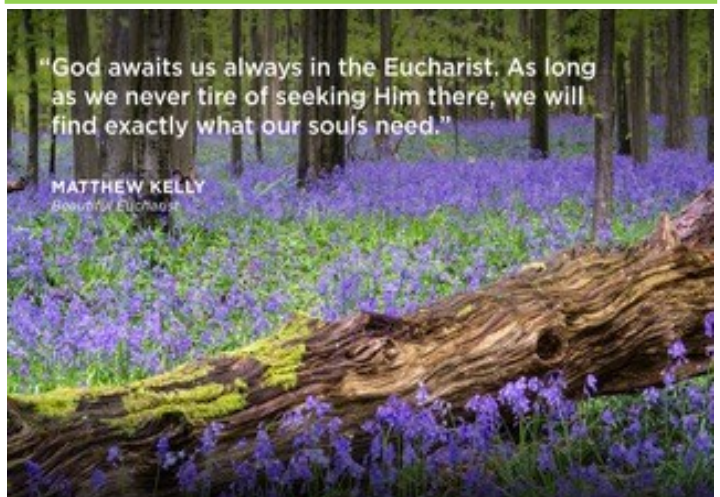
**COME TO THE GROTTO**

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.**

**INSPIRATION from St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta**

"Each one of us is merely a small instrument. All of us, after accomplishing our mission, will disappear. The only question is: Will you collaborate with God so He can use you to do His work here on earth?"

*(Do Something Beautiful for God, The Essential Teachings of Mother Teresa)*



*The Lord is kind and merciful.*

*He pardons all your iniquities & heals all your ills.*

*He redeems your life from destruction*

*and crowns you with kindness & compassion.*

*(Psalm 103:3-4)*



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