

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

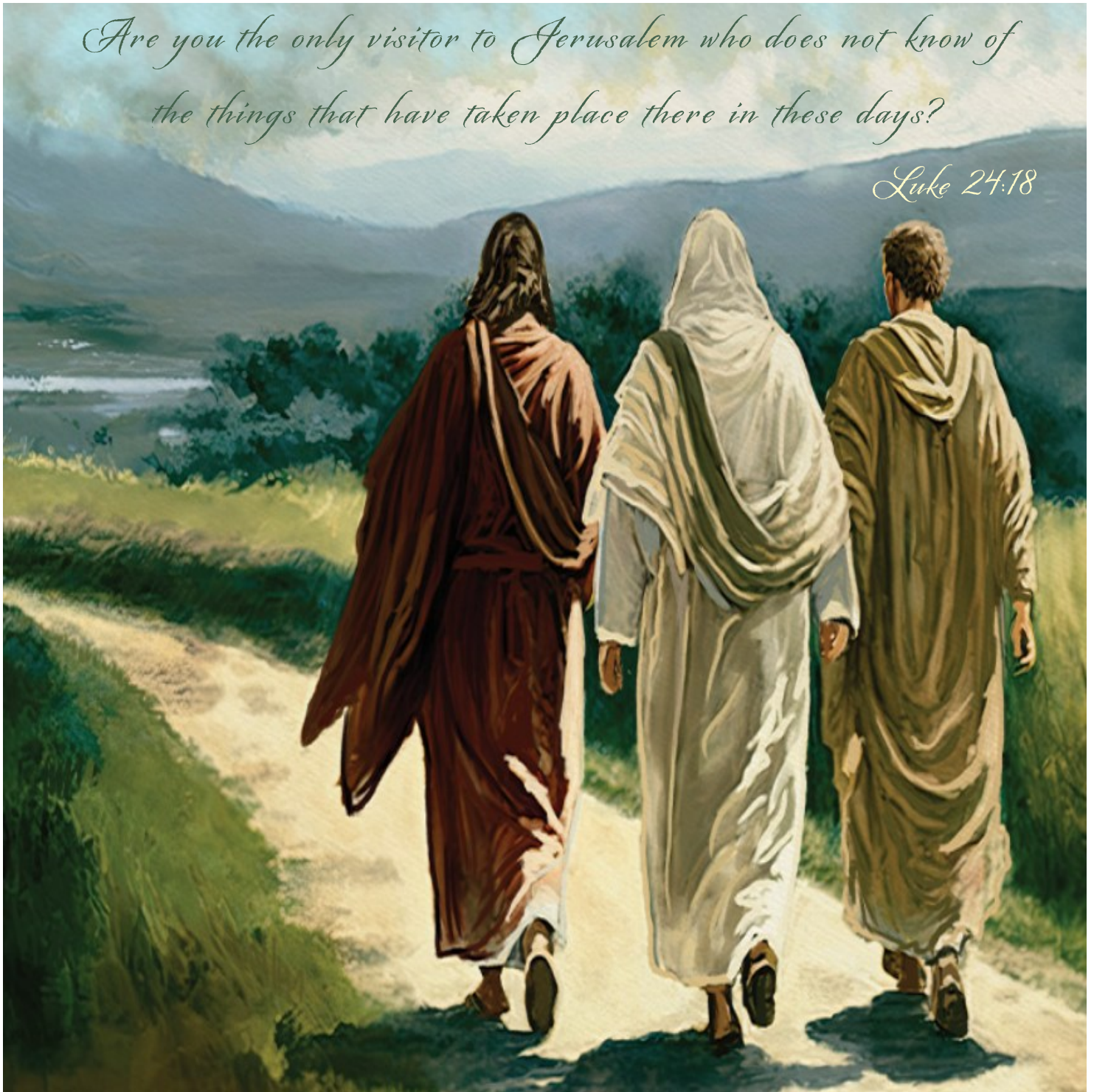
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Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026

*Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of
the things that have taken place there in these days?*

Luke 24:18



“Enough of the idolatry of self and money! Enough of the display of power! Enough of war! True strength is shown in serving life. “

“Those who pray are aware of their own limitations; they do not kill or threaten with death. Instead, death enslaves those who have turned their backs on the living God, turning themselves and their own power into a mute, blind and deaf idol, to which they sacrifice every value, demanding that the whole world bend its knee.”

Pope Leo XIV, Evening Prayer Vigil, April 11, 2026

PSSST! MOTHER'S DAY IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER!



IT HAS NEVER BEEN EASIER, OR MORE DELICIOUS TO PUT YOUR MONEY WHERE YOUR MOUTH IS -

AND....help the school fundraiser.

NOW through April 30.

Vouchers will be delivered by May 15

You may purchase vouchers for one 9" frozen DEEP DISH Pizza (choice of cheese, sausage, pepperoni or spinach) AND/ OR one Bundtlet cake, flavor of your choosing!

Pizza vouchers are honored for 6 months at any Lou's location, including Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin and Arizona

Cake vouchers are can be redeemed at all local Chicagoland locations listed on back of voucher.

Pay by **Cash** or **Checks** made payable to St. John the Baptist. Complete the order form below and kindly submit orders to the school office or drop in collection basket **next** weekend.

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

GRADE _____ or PARISHIONER (circle one)

_____ X \$7.00 for each individual cake voucher
Sub total: _____

_____ X \$18.00 for each 9" pizza voucher
Sub total: _____

GRAND TOTAL OF PURCHASE: \$ _____

Phone the school office with any questions at 630.668.2625

DONUT SUNDAY THIS WEEKEND - MARCH 19

Join us in Sebahar Hall after the 8 & 10 am Mass

The fellowship served up along with the sweets is not to be missed!



ART AND ENVIRONMENT NEEDS YOU
Even a little help would go a long way

We are looking for some volunteers to assist with the watering and other ongoing maintenance of the plants and flowers in the Church and Chapel. Suggested days for watering are Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Currently, volunteers are set up for one week each month. If you are interested, please get in touch with Joe Kadolph at: jakadolph@gmail.com or get in touch with Fr. Dan at contactus@stjohnwinfield.org

40 DAYS FOR LIFE / 365 PRAYER

Thank you to all parishioners who came and prayed at Waterleaf during the Spring Vigil. 40 days for life/365 does not end. Help make a continual prayer presence on Waterleaf hill across from Planned Parenthood throughout the year. Go to 40daysforlife/aurorail to sign up on the Aurora 365 calendar.



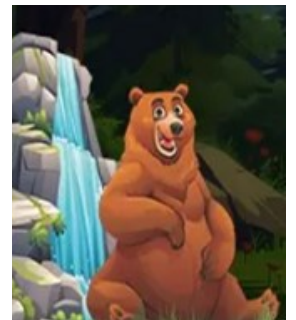
Additionally, join Deacon Joe on Mondays at 2pm to pray. Perhaps once a month at Waterleaf praying for babies, moms and dads could be worked into your schedule.

Let us together save babies lives.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL At SJB

See page 5 for the opportunity to register children in grades K through 5 to attend this year's camp on June 22-26.

In grades 6 - 8? Sign up to be a team leader!



Join Us - these events take place this week!

ALL PARISH YOUTH GRADES 3 - 8 JOIN THE CHOIR!

Commit to only three weeks and then belt it out at Mass!

We are gathering once again for our “pop up” Parish Youth Choir. We will have three rehearsals and then we’ll sing at Mass. This choir is just a 3-week commitment!

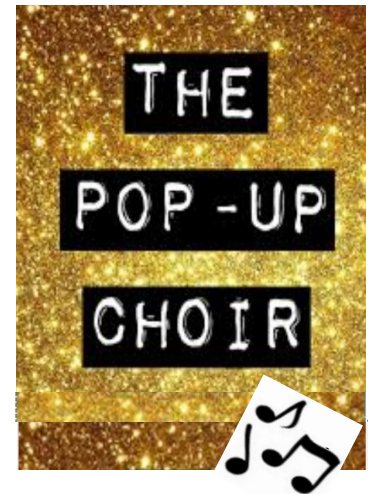
The choir will practice in the Church:

Sunday, April 19, 11:15 - 11:45 am

Sunday, April 26, 11:15 - 11:45 am

Sunday, May 3, 11:15 - 11:45 am **We will stay after this practice and sing at the 12 noon Mass on this date.

If you were unable to join the choir the first two times singing at Mass, we hope this third group of dates will fit your schedules. To register, fill out the google form at this link: <https://forms.gle/q17ATRRCaTMWBCpg8> - OR - email our Director of Sacred Music, Carrie Marcotte at: cmarcotte@stjohnwinfield.org



JOIN OUR MARIAN CONSECRATION RETREAT - TUESDAYS or WEDNESDAYS

33 Days to Morning Glory Parish Retreat

Four giants of Marian spirituality: **St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Theresa of Calcutta and St. John Paul II.**

Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC skillfully summarizes their teaching, making it easy to grasp, and simple enough to put into practice. He weaves their thoughts into a retreat will bless even the busiest of people!



If you’ve been thinking about entrusting yourself to Mary for the first time or if you’re looking to deepen and renew your devotion - this is the perfect retreat to make.

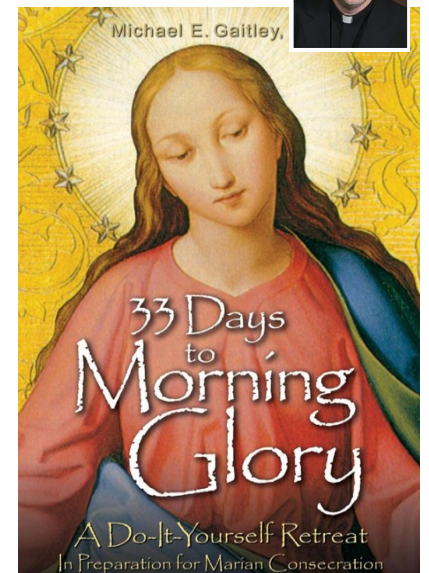
Fr. Pat Mulcahy will lead our parish retreat in both an in-person or online option to supplement the daily reading required in the book. The videos and discussions will further enhance the retreat experience. There will be a parish celebration of the Consecration to Mary at the end of the retreat.

The 33 days runs on **Tuesday, April 21** through May 30. In person will meet at 7:00 pm in Sebahar Hall.

Remote online option will be via Google Meets on Wednesdays at 10:30 am beginning **April 22**.

Register at <https://piou.us/morningglory>. There is no cost for the retreat, but the book must be purchased. Cost of the book is around \$13.

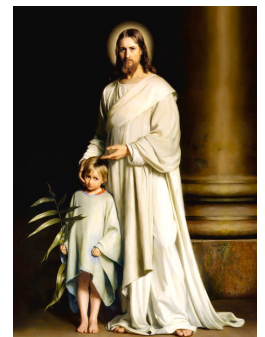
Give yourself the gift of this retreat and then give yourself to Mary! Contact Fr. Pat with any questions at frpat@stjohnwinfield.org or at 630.668.0918 x 638



COME PRAY WITH US - APRIL 19

Join us, the Fallen Away prayer ministry at 2:00 pm in the chapel to pray for family members, friends or others who have left the church.

If you are unable to join us but would like to add a name to our prayer list, contact Patti Loechl at pattivanloechl@hotmail.com or 630.730.4801. Please leave only the first name of the person you would like this ministry to pray for.





PRE-SALE TICKETS: SUNDAY, APRIL 19

GET TICKETS: CUR8.com/24720/project/138549

Children 3 and under FREE as lap child

St Cecilia Hall · OS259 Church St, Winfield, IL 60190



Buy your tickets now and treat the family to a cultural event that you don't have to pay for parking to enjoy! Join us on May 15 or 16. Scan QR code at left to purchase your tickets.

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST - THEATER DEPT



Our School may be just what you're looking for!



YOU'RE INVITED TO VISIT OUR PRE-8TH GRADE SCHOOL

We are busy preparing for the 2026-27 school year and would like you to see if we can fit the educational needs of your child.



We are a vibrant school community where children are formed in faith, educated in excellence and embraced by community.

A Tuition Transfer Grant is available to students in Grades 1-7 making this a great time for new families from the public school system to join our school.

Phone the school Principal, Mrs. Joanne Policht at 630.668.2625 or look us up at www.sjbwinfield.org

SEE YOU AT THE CLUB!

- Chess Club
- STEM Club
- Drama Club
- Battle of the Books
- Student Council
- No Cut Sports

Our School is

- Formed in Faith
- Educated in Excellence
- Embraced by Community



Come shadow for a day to see about life as a Wildcat!

Scripture Readings



POPE LEO XIV'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL

For priests in crisis.

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.



Join your prayers with the Holy Father and spread your love and rosary devotions around the world!

April 12 - HOPE OF PEACE

Today, many Eastern Churches celebrate Easter according to the Julian calendar. In communion of faith in the Risen Lord. I extend my heartfelt wishes for peace to all these communities. I accompany these wishes with my fervent prayer for all those suffering due to war, particularly for the dear people of Ukraine. May the light of Christ bring comfort to afflicted hearts and strengthen the hope for peace. May the international community's attention to the tragedy of this war not waver!



ADULT VBS - YES, YOU READ THAT RIGHT!

Come study the "I Am" statements of Jesus found in the Gospel of John ("I Am the Light of the World," "I Am the Bread of Life,") etc. We will dig in through video, Bible Study, crafts, movie night, snacks, and celebrate a closing Mass. All the stuff of Vacation Bible School, but for adults! Cost includes crafts and snacks, but if you would like to buy the book to follow along, you can get that on Amazon at below link.

Led by Fr. Pat Mulcahy and friends!

Location: Sebahar Hall

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Cost: \$30 Register at:

<https://piou.us/adultvbs26>

Purchase the book (if desired) at:

<https://a.co/d/04UZ3Y2U>



MONDAY
April 20
Easter Weekday
Acts 6:8-15
Jn 6:22-29

TUESDAY
April 21
Easter Weekday
Acts 7:51-8:1a
Jn 6:30-35

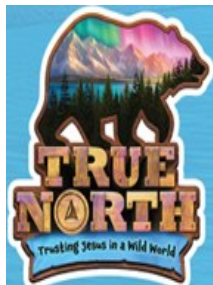
WEDNESDAY
April 22
Easter Weekday
Acts 8:1b-8
Jn 6:35-40

THURSDAY
April 23
Easter Weekday
Acts 8:26-40
Jn 6:44-51

FRIDAY
April 24
Easter Weekday
Acts 9:1-20
Jn 6:52-59

SATURDAY
April 25
St. Mark,
Evangelist
1 Pt 5:5b-14
Mk 16:15-20

SUNDAY
April 26
Fourth Sunday
of Easter
Acts 2:14a, 36-41
1 Pt 2:20b-25
Jn 10:1-10



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - REGISTRATION OPEN

Plan now for summer fun - spaces fill fast!

Come and learn how to trust Jesus in a Wild World! Open to all children entering grades K through 5 as of Fall 2026. 'Camp' will take place here on June 22 through June 26 between 9 am and 12 noon. Click to register:

Camper link for students entering Gr K-5: <https://forms.gle/6CmADRhZ4CaM3SFe8>

Jr. High Crew Leader link for students entering Gr 6-8:

<https://www.canva.com/design/DAHDb2tUAAy/2LeTEtO2cGLnTXzFNK3hOO/edit>

2026 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL

If you have already pledged to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we sincerely thank you! Let join together to meet our parish goal of \$99,400. Every gift makes a difference.

Amount Pledged: \$ 87,853 Amount Paid: \$ 73,911

Remaining Balance: \$ 13,942 Current Rebate Amount \$ 0



In Our Heart and Prayers

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 18

8:00 am † Charles Parisi
5:00 pm † Breda Dowd
† Millie Sperando

Sunday, April 19

8:00 am † Breda Dowd
10:00 am People of the Parish
12 Noon Sp. Int. of Linda LeBreux

Monday, April 20

8:00 am Sp. Int. for James and
Rose Marecek

Tuesday, April 21

8:00 am † Philip Hitchner

Wednesday, April 22

8:00 am † David Ripley

Thursday, April 23

8:00 am † Michelle Szymczak

Friday, April 24

8:00 am † Noonan and Murray
Family members
† Jackie and Bob Henry

Saturday, April 25

8:00 am Sp. Int. of Greg and
Jenny Garro
5:00 pm † Michael Brennan
† Fr. Richard Prodehl

Sunday, April 26

8:00 am † Charles Lo Giudice
10:00 am † Clem and Joyce Milder
12 Noon People of the Parish

The Mass is considered the highest form of prayer in the Church, and certainly the most powerful prayer that is said on behalf of those who are deceased.

For the Sick

Janet Bartelli, Joan Buckingham, Wally Buckingham, Lawrence Campbell, Regalado Carlos, Mildred Hoffman, Luke Hougan, Michael McGrath, Britney Prehn, Fr. Gerald Riva, Genevieve Rohr, Rick Rohr, Bobby Schreiber, Fr. John Sebahar, Desiree Sheppard, Jeffrey Skrobutt, Fr. Gerald Tivy, Anita Venard, Marino Verdico

To place a name on the prayer lists, contact Rosa Benavides, at rosab@stjohnwinfield.org or by phone at 630.668.0918 x 601. Names will remain on the sick list for six weeks. In a long term illness situation, simply identify such to Rosa at the time of your call.

For the Deceased

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember. Fulfill in them the purpose of your love, and bring us all with them, to your eternal joy.

For those in the Armed Forces for Peace and Safety

Lt. Col. John Berg, SSgt Tyler Bowling, Commander Nicholas Daly, Sgt. Justin Earle, Lt. Col. Anthony Eschliman, Airman Nicholas Kostecka, Cpt. Matthew Luff, 1st Lt. Allyson Serbick, SPC Keegan Serbick, SPC Jack Serbick, Lt. Col. James Smolucha, Lt. Col. Michael Smolucha

For Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

The Sanctuary Church lamp burns this week for all students preparing for 1st Holy Communion.

The Chapel sanctuary lamp burns for the special intentions of Genevieve Rohr.



Vocations are born in prayer and from prayer; and only through prayer can they persevere and bear fruit. - Pope Francis

Vocation Prayer Calendar

April 19 Fr. Albert Heidecke, Fr. Eugene Hemrick
April 20 Fr. Jared Rutnicki, Fr. Jason Nesbit CSV
April 21 Sr. Joan Shields
April 22 Fr. Daniel Belanger, Fr. John Peeters, CSV
April 23 Dcns. Milton Leppert, Francis Lillig, Laurence Lissak
April 24 Dcns. Thomas Goebel, George Goes, Sergio Gonzalez
April 25 Dcn. Candidates Zoltan Baksay, John Brett, Jose Cornelio, Vijay Devadas

YOU'RE INVITED TO A LIFE LINE SCREENING EVENT

Here at SJB on Wednesday, June 3

This screening is offered to anyone age 40 and over. Screenings are simply and painless and can provide Peace of mind with early detection. SJB parishioners are offered a special pricing of \$129. Phone 800.324.9458 use code **HABC001**, OR visit LLSA.SOCIAL/HABC, OR text the word "CIRCLE" to 216.279.1607 OR scan the QR code.



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and School

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School office: (630) 668 - 2625 Ext. 618

Parish Office Hours Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 3:00pm, closed Friday

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Rev. Michal Twaruzek, Parochial Vicar
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Deacon Rev. Mr. Joe Verdico
DeaconJoe@stjohnwinfield.org Ext. 610



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Communication
Bulletin submissions:
Due Wednesday by 3:00 pm, ten
days prior to publication date to
sjbulletin@stjohnwinfield.org
Holiday schedules will vary.

**St. John the
Baptist Catholic
Church & School**



NEW PARISHIONERS

We warmly invite you to join our parish family. To register, stop by the parish office or see the parish website at www.stjohnwinfield.org.

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the first and third Sunday of the month after the 12:00 noon Mass. Special events and holidays may alter the schedule. There is a three month waiting period for new parishioners to schedule a baptism. Contact the parish office for information.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Hospitals do not inform churches when parishioners are patients. Tell hospital staff you want to be added to the Catholic census so that hospital ministers know to visit. Contact the parish office Ext 0 to be added to the prayer list. Ext 610 to receive Eucharist from a Minister of Care.

FUNERALS

Arrangements for a funeral are usually made through the Funeral Director at a funeral home of your choice. Contact the parish office with any questions.

MARRIAGE REQUIREMENTS

Diocese requirements include a formal engagement preparation period of at least six months before the date of the wedding and attendance in a marriage preparation program. St. John the Baptist requires either the bride, groom or parents of either to be registered as parishioners for at least three months before contacting us to set a date. There are a number of additional requirements. To begin the marriage process, either the bride or groom must contact the parish office.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Meetings take place on Thursdays at 7:00pm in the lower level of the parish office in Sodonna Hall.

Mass Schedule

Saturday (Sunday vigil) 5:00 pm - church
Sunday 8:00, 10:00 am, and 12:00 noon - church
Daily Monday through Friday 8:00 am - chapel
Saturday 8:00 am - church

Reconciliation **Friday** 3:00 pm and **Saturday** following morning Mass
- both in church

First Saturday Devotion and Reconciliation

First Saturday of each month following 8:00 am Mass - church

Eucharistic Adoration **Thursdays** 9:00am until 6:00 pm - chapel

Follow us on:

