

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pentecost Sunday

May 24, 2026



On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.” John 20:19-23

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE! - MAY 30

You are invited to a **NEW, FUN, SPIRITUAL MUSIC ADVENTURE**

Learn to make joyful music to praise the Lord. Now that rings a bell! Did you learn to play an instrument as a child? Play in your high school band? Our Beginning Handbell Session is the perfect opportunity for you to return to your musical roots. You will learn basic ringing techniques, how to read handbell music, and how to play a song. Some music reading experience is helpful.



Beginning Handbell Sessions will be held in the church on Thursdays from 7 - 8:00 pm. You will be able to register for as few or as many as you would like. Dates to be determined based on your availability.

Come and stop by our table in the entryway to church either before or after Mass the weekend of May 30-31. You may also email Handbell Coordinator, Joyce Schram at joyceschram5@gmail.com with your availability in the months of August and/or September.

Register Today!

RE REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

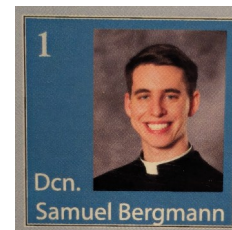
Early Bird **Discounted** Registration Fees **END ON MAY 31**

Registration for the 2025-2026 Religious Education programs is now open. Classes for Kindergarten through Confirmation 2 are on Tuesdays. Forms available on the St. John the Baptist website under the Faith Formation tab.

DO YOU REMEMBER SEMINARIAN SAM?

He shares a special invitation to you

Celebrating soon to be Fr. Sam Bergmann who interned here February - June of 2024. All are invited to his First Mass as a priest! Known as a Mass of Thanksgiving, it will be celebrated Sunday, June 7 at the main campus of Queen of Apostles Parish in Joliet. Priests are able to bestow a special blessing following their First Mass. Please continue to pray for All Vocations. The Catholic laity must, must, *must* pray for priests every single day. And on this day in particular, come and celebrate!!



LOST AND FOUND

We are all about happy reunions!

Are you aware that the parish office has a number of items missing their owners? Recently, a very sturdy wooden cane was left behind after Mass. If you might be the owner, stop in the parish office, or phone Rosa at 630.668.0918 x 601 to inquire. Nothing would make us happier than to reunite you with a lost item.



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP - JUNE 4

The SJB Grief Support Group meets on the first Thursdays of the month and offers emotional support for those grieving a loss whether by death, divorce, or other significant event in their lives. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, June 4 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Office Dining Room. There will not be a meeting during the month of July. Contact the parish office for more information.



MEMORIAL DAY CEMETERY MASS

MAY 25

Honoring those who sacrificed for our freedom

Join us at St. John the Baptist cemetery located at Summit Drive and Garys Mill Road for a 9 am Mass. Bring your own folding chair to the cemetery for this annual Mass, weather permitting, otherwise join us at the church. We pray this day for the souls of the faithful departed, honoring the belief in the communion of saints. We remember their sacrifice as a reflection of Christ's love. You are also encouraged to pray the chaplet of Divine Mercy at your home at 3pm, the national moment of silence.



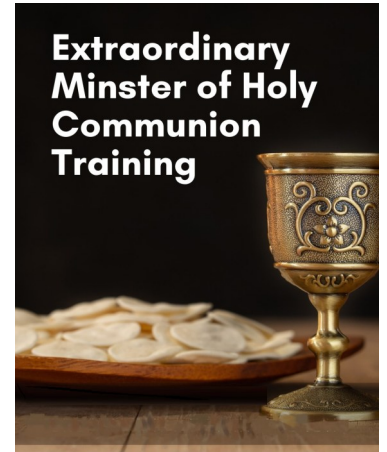
BECOME AN EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION (EMHC)

DATE CHANGE! NEW DATE JUNE 6

“Extraordinary” means ‘not ordained’. This distinguishes a person such as yourself, from the ordinary ministers of Holy Communion, namely a bishop, priest or deacon. Being an EMHC means participating in the administration of Holy Communion during Mass, bringing the sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ to the People of God. It is also the ministry of witnessing faithfully to the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. The EMHC ministry should, therefore, be treated with utmost dignity and reverence.

There will be a training session for **new** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (Eucharistic Ministers) on **Saturday, June 6th** at 10:00 am in Church.

To be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, you must be a registered parishioner, and have received the sacraments of Baptism, Communion and Confirmation. For those who have received Confirmation this fall, this is an excellent way to enhance your faith! Anyone interested in learning more and being trained for this ministry is encouraged to attend. Contact the Parish Office about this ministry at 630-668-0918.



YOUNG AT HEART LUNCH - MAY 27 (NEW DATE DUE TO GRADUATION)

Join us on Wednesday, May 27 at 11:30 am in Sebahar Hall for our last luncheon of the summer. Luncheons will resume in September. Come and enjoy a delicious picnic style lunch of fried chicken, potato salad, broccoli salad and yummy desserts. Stay after lunch to enjoy Bingo! No pre-registration required, and no set fee to participate. Free will offerings appreciated. Young at Hearts is open to all who are at least 55 years young! So proud of our graduates, sending prayers for their best high school years! Phone Gwen Hopkins with questions at 630.222.6777.



SEASONS OF HOPE

Season 4 to begin soon

The first ‘season’ of the Bereavement Support Group began in August, and the fourth season will begin on Thursday, June 4 at 6:30 pm. Seasons of Hope is a Catholic Christ centered bereavement ministry that focuses on our Catholic faith and the many ways our faith helps us through grief with the loss of a loved one. We meet every other week on Thursday evenings. Pre-registration is required. For more information, or to register contact Deacon Joe at 630-668-0918 x 610. You can also make contact via email at: deaconjoe@stjohnwinfield.org.



Seasons of Hope

Bereavement Support Group

GONE FISHIN': LEARNING TO BE FISHERS OF MEN

"Now as Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee... 'Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men.'" ~ Matthew 4:18-19

Students in grades 4-8 recently completed a three-week fishing unit, culminating in a field trip to Blackwell Forest Preserve. There, they put their new skills into action: casting, baiting, identifying fish, and safely releasing their catch all while enjoying God's beautiful creation.

Together, students caught and released 452 fish, with fourth grade leading the way with 123 fish. Highlights included a 17 inch bass caught by fifth grade student, Jacob L, and an impressive 19 fish caught by seventh grade student, Theresa T.

We are grateful for the wonderful weather, MANY supportive chaperones including several grandfathers, and the opportunity for students to grow in both skill and appreciation of God's wondrous world.

May the Lord continue to guide our students as they grow in faith, patience, and purpose, learning to follow Him and become "fishers of men."



Our School is

- ≡ Formed in Faith
- ≡ Educated in Excellence
- ≡ 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

For more outdoor fun - ALL PARISHIONERS are encouraged to save the date of the annual parish picnic. Join us on Sunday, June 28 after the noon Mass.

Scripture Readings

MONDAY

May 25
The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
 Gn 3:9-15, 20 or
 Acts 1:12-14
 Jn 19:25-34

TUESDAY

May 26
St. Philip Neri, Priest
 1 Pt 1:10-16
 Mk 10:28-31

WEDNESDAY

May 27
Weekday
 1 Pt 1:18-25
 Mk 10:32-45

THURSDAY

May 28
Weekday
 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12
 Mk 10:46-52

FRIDAY

May 29
Weekday
 1 Pt 4:7-13
 Mk 11:11-26

SATURDAY

May 30
Weekday
 Jude 17, 20b-25
 Mk 11:27-33

SUNDAY

May 31
The Most Holy Trinity
 Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9
 2 Cor 13:11-13
 Jn 3:16-18



POPE LEO XIV'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY

That everyone might have food.

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.



NEEDING HELP HERE AT HOME:

Our own SVDP Food Pantry at SJB is in current immediate need of the following items:

toilet paper,	kleenex,
paper towels,	medium size boxed cereal,
coffee,	crackers,
cooking oil,	medium size laundry soap,
pasta sauce,	canned corn,
sweet snacks	salty snacks,
ramen.	

Perishable items **must not** have past expiration dates. Your generosity answers the Pope's plea and not only provides food, but also dignity to your local community. Thank you!

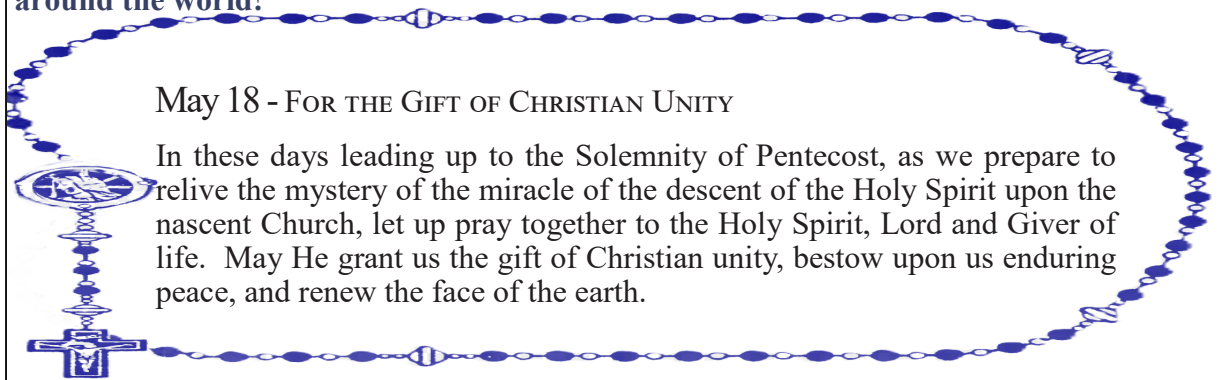
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Honoring those who sacrificed for our freedom

In observance of the holiday, the parish offices will be closed on Monday, May 25. Please join us weather permitting for Mass at St. John the Baptist cemetery (See page 3). Inclement weather will bring Mass back to church here at St. John the Baptist.

Please remember that when the parish office is closed, the church and chapel are not open for private prayer.

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



May 18 - FOR THE GIFT OF CHRISTIAN UNITY

In these days leading up to the Solemnity of Pentecost, as we prepare to relive the mystery of the miracle of the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the nascent Church, let us pray together to the Holy Spirit, Lord and Giver of life. May He grant us the gift of Christian unity, bestow upon us enduring peace, and renew the face of the earth.



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.



In Our Heart and Prayers

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 23
5:00 pm ✠ Joseph and Florence Bryja
✠ Kevin Grieco
✠ Nick Larson

Sunday, May 24
8:00 am ✠ Salvador Castro
10:00 am ✠ Clem and Joyce Milder
12 Noon People of the Parish

Monday, May 25
8:00 am Gertrude Wagemann

Tuesday, May 26
8:00 am ✠ Frank DiMasso

Wednesday, May 27
8:00 am ✠ Rose Marecek

Thursday, May 28
8:00 am ✠ Al Gasteier

Friday, May 29
8:00 am ✠ Neal Kinnish
✠ Pauline Ayala

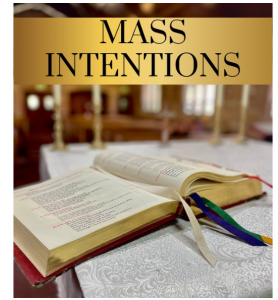
Saturday, May 30
8:00 am Mary and Charles Wehling
5:00 pm ✠ William Buhle
Sp. Int. of Tina VanHeck

Sunday, May 31
8:00 am People of the Parish
10:00 am Sp. Int. of Sandra and George Scheuller
12 Noon Sp. Int. of Kay Konopka

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.

Scheduling a Mass Intention

Book opens the first of each month one year ahead - June 1 Mass book opens through June of 2027. To schedule a Mass for someone, you may stop by or phone the parish office at 630.668.0918 x 601 and speak with Rosa. Masses are offered for the living, deceased, souls in purgatory, for the ill or for special occasions.



For the Sick

Janet Bartelli, Joan Buckingham, Wally Buckingham, Lawrence Campbell, 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, Jack Van De North, Anita Venard, Marino Verdico

To place a name on the prayer lists, contact Rosa, 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

Nancy Quinn

Regalado Carlos - husband of Imelda

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 lamp in chapel this week burns in memory of Nick Larson.

The Sanctuary lamp in church this week burns in memory of Kevin Grieco.



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

Vocation Prayer Calendar

May 24 Fr. Marek Jurzyk, Fr. Jose Menemil Cerna
May 25 Srs. Mary Ann Hettel, Carol M. Karnitsky
May 26 Dcn. Michael Januszewski
May 27 Sr. Mary Stella Schellenberger, SSCM
May 28 Dcns. Ken Jackson, Tom Jagielo
May 29 Fr. Michael Kearney
May 30 Dcns. Joseph Johnson, Paul Jung

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and School

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

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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



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:



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 or email: weddings@stjohnwinfield.org

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

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