

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 6, 2026



On September 8 we commemorate the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the gift of the life of Mary. Her first recorded words are the words of her Magnificat, a prayer filled with gratitude for what God had done for her and for the whole world.

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord. My spirit rejoices in God my Savior for He has looked with favor on His lowly servant."

Sing Joyfully to the Lord

Music Ministry Opportunities at St. John the Baptist

Adult Choir: First rehearsal is **September 9th**. We are excited to invite all parishioners, ages high school to “seasoned” adult, to sing in our choir.

We rehearse Wednesdays in the Church, from 6:15-7:30 pm. The Adult Choir sings at the 10 AM Mass 1-2 times per month. If you are interested in joining, please email our Director of Sacred Music, Carrie Marcotte, at cmarcotte@stjohnwinfield.org so that she can prepare music for your first rehearsal.

Contemporary Ensemble: Comprised of singers and instrumentalists, our Contemporary Ensemble is open to parishioners aged high school through “seasoned” adult. We rehearse Saturdays at 4 pm in the Church and provide music at the 5 pm Mass. Please email address above to join.

Handbell Choir: First rehearsal for the season will be September 10th. Do you enjoy listening to handbells? Great! You might also enjoy ringing handbells. We are excited to invite all parishioners, high school age and up to ring in our bell choir. We rehearse Thursdays in the Church from 7-8 pm and will ring for one Mass each month. If you are interested in giving this music ministry a try, please email Joyce Schram our Handbell Director your intention to attend. Additional instructions to follow. joyceschram5@gmail.com.

Youth Choir: We invite children, 3rd grade-12th grade, to sing in our Parish Youth Choir. This is a low commitment choir that sings 3-4 times per year. Our Parish Youth Choir does not meet weekly.

WHAT: A three Sunday commitment to practice and sing at Mass.

WHEN: We will rehearse 11:15-11:45 AM (between the 10 AM and 12 PM Masses) on:

September 20 September 27 October 4

On October 4th, we still stay after our rehearsal and provide the music at the 12 PM Mass. To register your 3rd-12th grader for this choir, please complete the google form found at this link:

<https://forms.gle/8E244hscNKgvvdLq7>

or with this QR code



Winfield Good Old Days



KOC SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISING DINNER

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

5:00 to 9:00 pm

John's Buffett Jazz Band

5:00 to 8:00 pm

Dinner 5:30-7:30 pm

Family Tent at Beecher & Church Street

Wood Smoked Slow Roasted

BBQ Beef or Chicken

Salads, Corn on the Cob,

Dessert and Beverages

Individual Dinner: \$45

Dinner for 2: \$80

Table of 10: \$400

FOR TICKET PURCHASES

PLEASE CONTACT: Patti Weber

630-205-1405 or pweber@cartoncraftinc.com



Join us Next Week

Donuts, Juice and Coffee

Join us in Sebahar Hall after the 8 and 10:00 am Mass.

The fellowship served up along with the sweets is not to be missed. See you on the 13th!

Respect Life

40 Days for Life 2026 Fall Campaign

Wed. Sept. 23 through Sun. Nov. 1

SJB members cover the 10:30 to 11:30 am slot

Mondays

9/28, 10/5, 10/12

10/19 10/26

Wednesdays

9/23, 9/30, 10/7

10/14, 10/21, 10/28

We stand at 3055 E New York St. Aurora, across the street from Aurora's Planned Parenthood Clinic and **peacefully** pray focusing on changing hearts and minds to end abortion. Come join us to save babies' lives.

Sign up next Sunday, 9/13, at our information and sign up table in Sebahar Hall. Grab a donut and sign up. For more information or to sign up go to :

<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/aurorail>

SJB Life contact: Liz Tarmichael

liz.tarmichael@comcast.net or text 630-653-3853

This year's school theme: "Lord, Make Us Instruments of Your Peace"

The Wildcat Classic is quickly approaching! Don't miss out on this community event that directly supports our students and staff. Not a golfer? No problem! There is a dinner only option providing an opportunity for everyone.

For those who do golf, get your foursomes in by **September 11** and help us reach our goal for this event, we are so close!!

If you cannot help support our school in person, there is still time to sponsor or donate. Click the link below for registration, sponsorships, and donations.

sjwinfield.ejoinme.org

Join in the fun at:
Klein Creek Golf Club
1N333Pleasant Hill Rd,
Winfield

We are excited to bring together parishioners, school families, alumni, friends and community supporters for a day of golf, fellowship, and fun in support of our school.



We're in the Mood to Celebrate!

Blessed Mother's Birthday at school Mass: Sept. 8 at 8:45 am

School Grandparents, we are getting ready to celebrate YOU! More information to follow. Mark your calendars to celebrate Grandparent/special adult day on Friday 9/18

The roller rink is closed to the public on this date and is only open to be enjoyed by **BOTH** our **SCHOOL** students and **PARISH** families.

Join the fun in this special event - just for you!



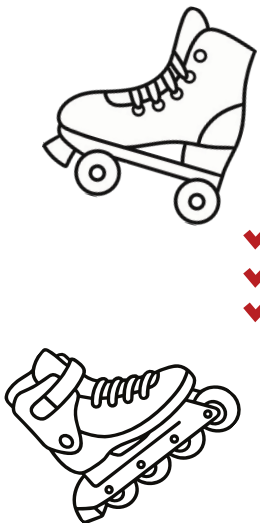
WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 16 5:30PM-7:30PM

Doors open 15 minutes prior to session
\$8.00 Per Person Online

- ✓ Admission
- ✓ Inline or Roller Skate Rental
- ✓ Personal skates are allowed

Scan the QR Code to PrePay!

Price Increases to \$11at the door.
Additional funds will go to
St.John the Baptist Catholic School.





Waivers Required

www.funway.com

630-879-8717

1335 S. River St . Batavia, IL 60510



Our School is

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

We have a lot to offer!

Full and half day
3 and 4-year old
Preschool

Full day
Kindergarten

Academic excellence in
Grades 1 through 8

Discover the difference at St. John's where we participate in Mass, celebrate our differences, and thrive in smaller student/teacher ratios.

To find out more, contact Principal Joanne Policht at 630 . 668 . 2625 x 618

COME RING A BELL IN THE HANDBELL CHOIR

September 10

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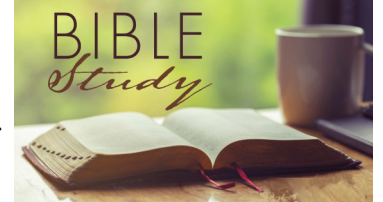


SJB Friday Morning Bible Study

Join us and grow your bible knowledge

Morning Bible Study will resume on Friday, September 11th. We meet every Friday in Sebahar Hall from 9:30 to 11AM until the middle of May. This year we will start with a 7-week study on the Book of Revelation, followed by a 10-week study on Parousia - The Bible and the Mass. We will continue viewing The Chosen, season 6 during Lent. After Easter, we will conclude with a 6-week study on the Book of Romans.

Please consider joining us and expanding your knowledge of the bible!

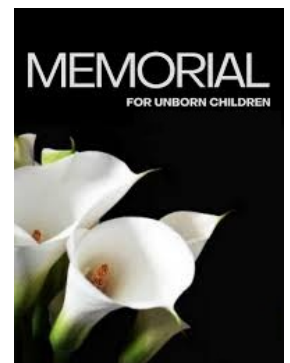


NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR UNBORN CHILDREN

Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Naperville

This annual prayer service gives us the opportunity to remember and pray for all the babies that have been aborted, their parents and those moms who lost their lives during abortions. This year, the remembrance will take place on September 12th and begins at 12:30 pm with a rosary led by young people of Sts. Peter and Paul parish. Prayers, scripture readings, and sacred hymns are part of the day as well.

Bring a lawn chair, bring some friends, and join us in remembering those who have lost their lives to the tragedy of abortion in a powerful and prayerful presentation.

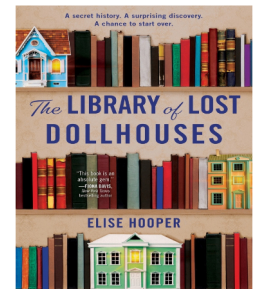


BOOK CLUB'S NEXT GREAT READ

Join us

The St. John Book Club invites you to their next monthly meeting, Wednesday, September 16th at the home of Patti Loehl. Join us for fellowship and lively discussion of the book, The Library of Lost Dollhouses by Elise Hooper. Please RSVP with Jean at tjdaniell@att.net and inquire for directions or with questions.

September 16



YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON

It is Fiesta Time!

Let's start this season off with a fiesta! Join us Wednesday, September 16, at 11:30 am in Sebahar Hall for a fun lunch of tacos with all the trimmings, refried black beans, Spanish rice and of course, yummy desserts. Stay after lunch for some games of Bingo! Young at Hearts is open to anyone at least 55 years young. If you have never come before, please plan to come and join the fun. We are a welcoming group! There are no reservations required, no set fee, but Free Will offerings are always appreciated. We hope to see you on the 16th! Phone Gwen Hopkins at 630.222.6777 with any questions.

September 16



Scripture Readings

Monday

September 7

Weekday

1 Cor 5:1-8

Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday

September 8

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 5:1-4a or

Rom 8:28-30

Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

or 1:18-23

Wednesday

September 9

St. Peter Claver, Priest

1 Cor 7:25-31

Lk 6:20-26

Thursday

September 10

Weekday

1 Cor 8:1b-7,

11-13

Lk 6:27-38

Friday

September 11

Weekday

1 Cor 9:16-19,

22b-27

Lk 6:39-42

Saturday

September 12

Weekday

1 Cor 10:14-22

Lk 6:43-49

Sunday

September 13

Twenty-fourth

Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Sir 27:30-28:7

Rom 14:7-9

Mt 18:21-35

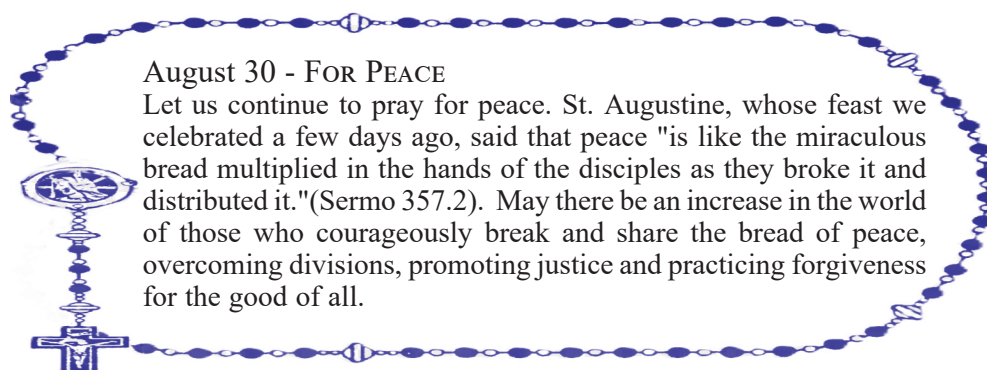
POPE LEO XIV'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

For the Care of Water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.



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



August 30 - FOR PEACE

Let us continue to pray for peace. St. Augustine, whose feast we celebrated a few days ago, said that peace "is like the miraculous bread multiplied in the hands of the disciples as they broke it and distributed it." (Sermo 357.2). May there be an increase in the world of those who courageously break and share the bread of peace, overcoming divisions, promoting justice and practicing forgiveness for the good of all.



PRESENTS TO YOU

Adult CHOIR REHEARSALS

09 SEPTEMBER 2026

6:15 - 7:30 PM WEDNESDAYS

INTERESTED? EMAIL CARRIE MARCOTTE, DIRECTOR OF SACRED MUSIC AT: cmarcotte@stjohnwinfield.org

Registered?

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BEGINS

16 SEPTEMBER 2026

FOR GRADES KINDERGARDEN THROUGH CONFIRMATION --- CLASSES ON TUESDAYS

REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE ON LINE AT WWW.STJOHNWINFIELD.ORG UNDER THE FAITH FORMATION TAB OR PHONE THE RE OFFICE AT 630.682.4400 X 613

NEW LITURGICAL MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY:

Mass Coordinator/Sacristan

The Ministry of Mass Coordinator/Sacristan is a new one for our parish. The Mass Coordinator will set up for Mass, be sure the Priest has what he needs for Mass, check to assure there are adequate Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Altar Servers for Mass, and then clean up after Mass. It helps if you already have experience in one or more of these ministries, but it is not necessary. Training will be offered in church at 10:30am:

September 12

September 19

September 26

If you already serve in another liturgical ministry, please note that you will not be scheduled for this ministry at the same Mass.

We are hoping to have several people interested in this new ministry so that everyone could be scheduled a couple of times a month at most. We will be training volunteers in September and scheduling this ministry beginning in October. If you feel called to this new ministry, please register by filling out our quick interest form at: <https://parishlink.org/MassCoordinator>.

In Our Heart and Prayers

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 5

5:00 pm ✠ Michael Hussey
✠ Evelyn Essling
Sp. Int. of Robertina B

Sunday, September 6

8:00 am ✠ Jose Lino Bejarano
10:00 am ✠ Joyce and Clem Milder
12 Noon ✠ People of the Parish

Monday, September 7

9:00 am ✠ Hodie Conley

Tuesday, September 8

8:00 am ✠ Benedict Sikorski

Wednesday, September 9

8:00 am ✠ Anthony Jones

Thursday, September 10

8:00 am ✠ Helen Payne

Friday, September 11

8:00 ✠ Mary Kalat
✠ Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, September 12

8:00 am Sp. Int. Camille Buchanan
5:00 pm ✠ Lawrence Szmurlo
✠ Arnold Pins

Sunday, September 13

8:00 am ✠ Arely Bejarano Conley
10:00 am People of the Parish
12 Noon ✠ Regalado Carlos

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, Mildred Hoffman, Luke Hougan, Bernie Madden, Michael McGrath, **Sebastian Osslund**, Britney Prehn, Fr. Gerald Riva, Genevieve Rohr, Rick Rohr, Bobby Schreiber, Fr. John Sebahar, Desiree Sheppard, Jeffrey Skrobitt, Charles Stilin, Loretta Stilin, **Emily Tennison**, Jack Van De North, Anita Venard, Marino Verdico, Julie Zuhn

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 Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

The Sanctuary lamp in the chapel burns in honor of all first responders on Sept. 11, 2001.

The Sanctuary lamp in church burns in memory for all who lost their lives in the attacks of September 11.



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

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

Vocation Prayer Calendar

September 6	Msgr Michael Pawlowicz, Fr. Michael Pennock
September 7	Srs. Sandra Duma, M. Dominic Dybel, OSF
September 8	Dcns. Rigoberto Padilla, Lindsey Parsons, Len Penkala, Michael Perkins
September 9	Srs. Mary Therese Forst, M. Debrah Funfsinn, OSF
September 10	Srs. Mary Elizabeth Imler, Norma Janssen, OSF
September 11	Sr. Karen Marie Lanigan, OSF
September 12	Fr. Gregorz Podwysocki

Labor Day Celebrations

In the Catholic tradition, work is more than a way to make a living; it is a form of continued participation in God's creative action. As we mark Labor Day we reflect that "work" is not just a way to make money; it is a way humans partner with God in caring for the earth and shaping the world. Ordinary daily tasks, whether professional or domestic—hold spiritual value when done with love and a good intention.

Join us for Mass on Labor Day at 9:00 am

Parish offices will be closed on Monday, September 7 for Labor Day.

September 7



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and School

Parish office: (630) 668 - 0918 Ext. 1
School office: (630) 668 - 2625 Ext. 618

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

Clergy

(630) 668-0918

Rev. Dan Bachner, Pastor

Ext. 601

Rev. Benzes Thomas, O. Praem Parochial Vicar

frbenzes@stjohnwinfield.org Ext. 604

Deacon Rev. Mr. Joe Verdico

deaconJoe@stjohnwinfield.org Ext. 610

Parish Staff

(630) 668-0918 x 1

Administration

Marian Johnston, Business Manager

mjohnston@stjohnwinfield.org Ext. 602

Aaron Simpson, Facilities Manager

aarons@stjohnwinfield.org Ext. 603

Rosa Benavides, Admin. Assistant /

Secretaria Hispana

rosab@stjohnwinfield.org Ext. 601

Dianne Scheiblein, Accountant

diannes@stjohnwinfield.org Ext. 614

Adult Faith Formation

Fr. Pat Mulcahy, Director of Adult Faith Formation, OCIA and Liturgy

frpat@stjohnwinfield.org
(630) 580-8828

Religious Education Office

Kathie Brewer, K-5 grade Coordinator

kathieb@stjohnwinfield.org Ext. 613

Sofia Lech, Dir. of Youth Ministry,

Confirmation Coordinator

slech@stjohnwinfield.org Ext. 612

Music

Carrie Marcotte, Dir. of Sacred Music

cmarcotte@stjohnwinfield.org Ext. 608

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



Contact Us via email at:

contactus@stjohnwinfield.org

School Office

(630) 668-2625 x 618

Joanne Policht, Principal

jpolicht@stjohnwinfield.org Ext. 617

Teri Hardesty, Admin. Assistant

terih@stjohnwinfield.org Ext. 618

St. Vincent de Paul Society

(630) 580-8870

Communication

Bulletin submissions:

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

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church & School



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 consist of a formal engagement preparation period of at least six months before the date of the wedding and attendance in a program of marriage preparation. 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.