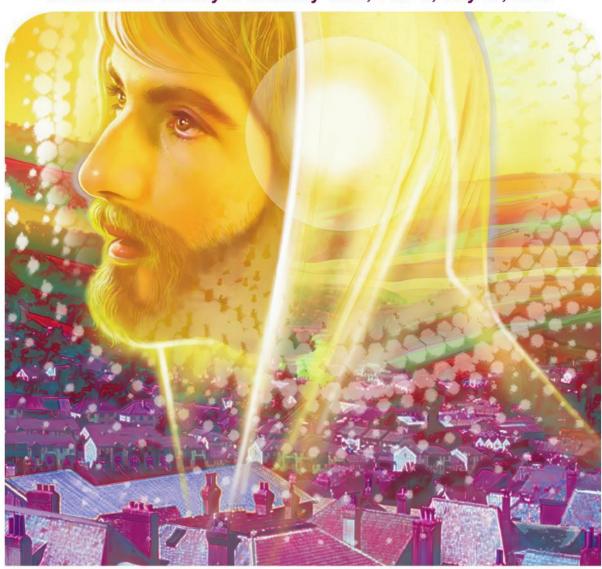
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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C, July 27, 2025



WHEN YOU PRAY, SAY:



BE YOUR NAME





Bishop Hicks' Column July 2025 A Revival on the Road



"Please don't let this be a one and done!" That was the heartfelt plea voiced by many who attended the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis last summer. For five days, more than 60,000 Catholics from across the country gathered to adore Jesus in the Eucharist, to receive His Word, to be nourished by His grace, and to be sent out on mission. It was not simply a conference; it was a mountaintop moment—a deeply spiritual encounter that ignited hearts with a renewed love for Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament.

Since that unforgettable gathering, we have already begun to see fruits. Across the nation, more people are returning to the sacraments, seeking reconciliation, and encountering the Lord in new ways. Here in the Diocese of Joliet, we saw the number of individuals preparing to enter the Church more than double at this year's Rite of Election, and I believe it is a direct fruit of this National Eucharistic Revival.

To ensure the momentum continues, the organizers of the Congress initiated a profound follow-up, including a Eucharistic pilgrimage across the country. Our diocese had the great honor of being the first to welcome the procession on its journey from Indianapolis toward Los Angeles.

I had the privilege of receiving the Eucharistic Lord in the monstrance, along with many faithful of all ages, at St. Mary Parish in Paxton, Illinois. After a beautiful Holy Hour, I accompanied the Blessed Sacrament to Immaculate Conception in Gilman, where more faithful were waiting in adoration. From there, the journey continued to St. John Paul II Parish in Kankakee for overnight adoration.

The next day, <u>Bishop McNamara High School</u>, with <u>Bishop Spies</u>, hosted a devout celebration with students, teachers, and community members gathered for Eucharistic adoration and praise. Bishop Spies then accompanied the Lord from Kankakee to <u>Immaculate Conception</u> in Morris, Illinois, where we processed and concluded with a beautiful Holy Hour.

I was so proud of our people—not only for organizing these processions and liturgies, but also for the outpouring of thousands of participants of every age and language.

One of the most touching moments for me was driving in the van that carried the Eucharistic Lord and 12 young adult pilgrims from Indianapolis to Los Angeles. As we traveled from Morris to Seneca, the pilgrims prayed a "Eucharistic Rosary of Gratitude." On each of the 50 beads, they took turns expressing a unique prayer of thanksgiving to God for the gifts and blessings they experienced while in the Diocese of Joliet. Among their heartfelt prayers, one of them expressed gratitude for the simple joy of a delicious homemade breakfast burrito received earlier in Kankakee. That small moment was a powerful reminder: the Eucharist draws us into deep reverence while also opening our eyes to the sacred in the ordinary. Gratitude, born from the Eucharist, transforms how we see the world.

As we made our way west, I handed the monstrance to Bishop Lou Tylka in Seneca, Illinois, and the pilgrimage continued its sacred path across the country. Eventually, the procession reached Los Angeles on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. This massive, coast-to-coast movement is more than a symbolic gesture; it is a literal and spiritual journey of our Lord passing through cities, towns, farmland, and neighborhoods, blessing the land and sanctifying His people.

And the journey isn't over. Indeed, the National Eucharistic Revival is blossoming into a long-term spiritual renewal. In addition to the pilgrimages, organizers have laid out a bold and inspiring vision for what comes next, including the formation of Eucharistic Missionaries—lay leaders who commit to daily prayer, frequent reception of the Eucharist, and intentional accompaniment of others on the journey of faith. Parish and diocesan initiatives are taking root all over the country, fostering ongoing prayer, Eucharistic formation, and local missionary outreach. And the 2029 National Eucharistic Congress is already on the horizon!

But for this revival to bear lasting fruit, it must reach into the very fabric of our daily lives. We are each called to respond with renewed fervor: to make the Eucharist the source and summit of our lives, to witness to the Real Presence of Jesus with joy and confidence, and to put our faith into action by carrying His love to the peripheries—wherever people are hurting, lonely, or searching.

So, thankfully, this <u>Eucharistic Renewal</u> is not a one and done! May this movement continue in our diocesan parishes, in our schools, in Eucharistic adoration chapels, whenever the priest elevates the Host at Mass, and every time we receive this extraordinary gift of Christ's true Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity.

To learn more about how to keep the fires of the Eucharistic Revival burning at your parish, visit www.dioceseofjoliet.org/national-eucharistic-revival or email us at dojcatevang@dioceseofjoliet.org.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 26, Vigil, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm † Dcn. Andrew Nielo, Anniversary of death 2010

† Don Essling (Donna Daniels)

† Ignacio & Consuelo Madera (Carlito & Amor Gabas)

† Eileen Stancukas (Pearl Rhea)

Sunday, July 27, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am † Sheila Wagner (Dan Conley)

9:30am † Clem Milder (The Milder Family)

11:30am♥†The People of the Parish

Monday, July 28

5:30pm † Joseph Grabowski (Rita Grabowski)

Tuesday, July 29

8:15am ♥ John & Cathy Novotny, 58th Anniversary

Wednesday, July 30

5:30pm † Eileen Stancukas (Kathy Albin)

Thursday, July 31

8:15am † Hollie Wicker, Jr. (Leslie Wicker)

Friday, August 1 - First Friday

8:00am † Our Parish All Souls' Intention

- ♥† Living & deceased members of the CCW and for peace (SJB CCW)
- ♥ Bill Leahy, intentions (Maureen & Joe Garro)
- † Deceased members of the Suski Family (Karen & Tom Borow)

Mass Intentions: The donation for an individual Mass intention Monday-Thursday daily Mass and the Sunday Masses at, 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 is \$10. The Friday at 12:00 pm Mass and Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00 pm are free will donations.

Scripture Readings For the Week of For the Week of July 27, 2025

Sunday Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

Monday

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13;

Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday

Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9; Mt 13:44-46

Thursday Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola

Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11; Mt 13:47-53

Friday Memorial of Saint Alphonsus Liguori

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab;

Mt 13:54-58

Saturday

Lv 25: 1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12

Sunday Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17; Col 3:1-5,

9-11; Lk 12:13-21

Prayer Requests

We understand how important it is to lift our loved ones up in prayer. If you have someone who needs prayers, is sick, or has passed away, please contact us at 630-668-0918 x 0, or contactusestjohnwinfield.org.

Lawrence Campbell
David Henderson
Luke Hougan
Lynn Kadolph
Dave Kadolph
Helen Payne
Britney Prehn
Desiree Sheppard
Anita Venard
Marino Verdico

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contactus@stjohnwinfield.org

Our Sanctuary Lamps

This week, our Sanctuary Lamps* burn in Memory of (†) /Honor of (♥):

CHAPEL † Joe Grabowski, 10 year

anniversary of death
CHURCH ♥ The People of the Parish



*If you would like to request a sanctuary lamp to burn in memory of/in honor of a loved one, please contact the parish office. A \$10.00 donation per week is requested.

Around the Parish

Effective August 1st Mass times

Monday through Friday: 8:00 AM (Chapel) Saturday: 8:00 AM (Ch) and 5:00 PM (Vigil Mass Church)

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, and 12:00 PM (Church)

Additionally, Confessions will be offered at 3:00PM on Friday in the Church and after the 8:00 AM mass on Saturday, also in the Church.

Adoration

Thursdays in the Chapel after 8:15 am Mass closing in prayer at 7:50 pm

For more information, please Text or Call: Leslie Wicker at 630-390-7258.

Please leave a message with your name and phone number.



Join St John's Book Club at our next monthly meeting, Wednesday Aug 20th at 7 pm at the home of Jean Daniell. We will discuss the book, The First Ladies by Heather Terrell and Victoria Christopher Murray. Please inquire for directions or with any questions and RSVP Jean at tjdaniell@att.net.

Cursillo Corner

Divine Mercy Chaplet - Sunday, August 3

We invite you to pray the Divine Mercy Sunday Chaplet with us on Sunday, August 3 at 8:00pm. Prayer intentions will be taken prior to the start of the Chaplet. Zoom Meeting ID: 984 7599 4038. Friends and family are welcome to join us. Jesus, We Trust in You!

If you would like to be sponsored for a weekend or are looking for additional information on the Cursillo Movement, contact our Parish Coordinator, Amy Serritella at amythe1@att.net or visit the website www.jolietcursillo.org.





Christmas in July



Help support St. John the Baptist Catholic School and the Council of Catholic Women as we participate in the Box of Jov collection this Fall. Box of Joy is an annual Christmas shoebox gift ministry organized by local Catholic schools, parishes and groups across the United States and facilitated by Cross Catholic Outreach. Participants bless children suffering from extreme poverty by filling boxes with toys and other gifts, sharing the joy of Christmas and planting seeds of hope. Leave your check in an envelope addressed to St. John's CCW – Box of Joy and turn in the weekly collection basket. We will put all the donations together to send with the boxes this Fall. Contact Connie Jesukaitis, if you have questions at: 630-251-4108 or email to: cjesukaitis@yahoo.com

July 27, 2025

PREVIEW THE BIBLE SCHOOL IN OUR DIOCESE!

The acclaimed **Biblical Institute in the Diocese of Joliet** is registering students for Years I and 2 this Fall: Attend in person classes at **St. Michael Catholic Church** in Wheaton for Year I on Thursdays 7-9 p.m. Year 2 in person classes will be held at **Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Church** in Oakbrook Terrace on Saturdays 9-I I a.m. If you want to learn the Bible from a Catholic perspective, come and see if this program is for you.

In Person Preview Event in August:

St. John The Baptist Catholic Church(Winfield)

August 7 (Thursday) 7-8:30 p.m.

Meet an instructor, talk to current students, see the books, get a feel for a typical class!



SVDP GROCERY NEEDS

While you are out shopping, consider picking up any of the items listed on the St. Vincent de Paul grocery list included here. You can bring them to Mass and place in the barrel at each Church entrance inside the doors or drop off at the parish office vestibule. Questions? 630-668-0918, ext 692 Thank you!

Items currently needed:

- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Cooking oil
- Flour
- Sugar
- Canned Fruit
- Laundry Detergent



Please pray daily for an end to abortion. Pray for the mothers and fathers, and for the protection of every unborn child. Below are some patron saints of pregnant women whom you can invoke in prayer:

St. Gerard Majella—Safe Delivery and more. Through his intercession he helped protect a pregnant mother whom he had known.

St. Anthony of Padua – Patron of Expectant Mothers, likely due to his deep devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Infant Jesus.

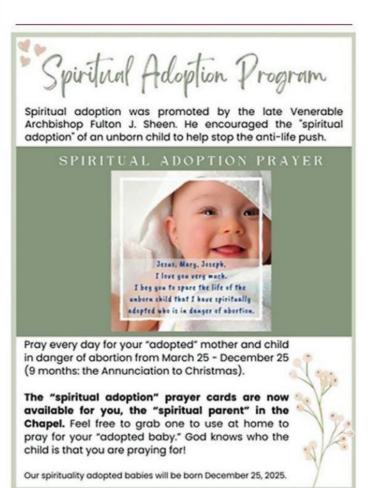
St. Anne—Patron of Women in Labor. The mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

From Human Life International website, hli.org. Visit this site for more information and prayers to these and other patron Saints of mother

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Mass Schedule Effective August 1st

Monday - Friday 8:00am (Chapel) Saturday 8:00am (Church) 5:00pm (Church) Sunday 8:00am (Chapel), 10:00am & Noon (Church)

Holy Day Masses:

Vigil 5:30pm (Church) Holy Day 8:15am & 5:30pm (Church)

Holiday Masses:

9:00am only (subject to change)

Confessions:

Friday 3pm (Church) Saturday after 8am Mass (Church)

Adoration:

Thursdays 9:00am - 8:00pm (Chapel)

Sacramental Information:

For Baptisms, Weddings, Anointing of the Sick, Funeral and Homebound Ministry, please contact the Parish Office or visit stjohnwinfield.org.

Grief Support:

Our grief support ministry offers a supportive environment for those dealing with loss. Meetings will resume in the fall. Please watch the bulletin for updates later in the summer.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting:

Thursdays at 7:00pm in Sodonna Hall (lower level of parish office)

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