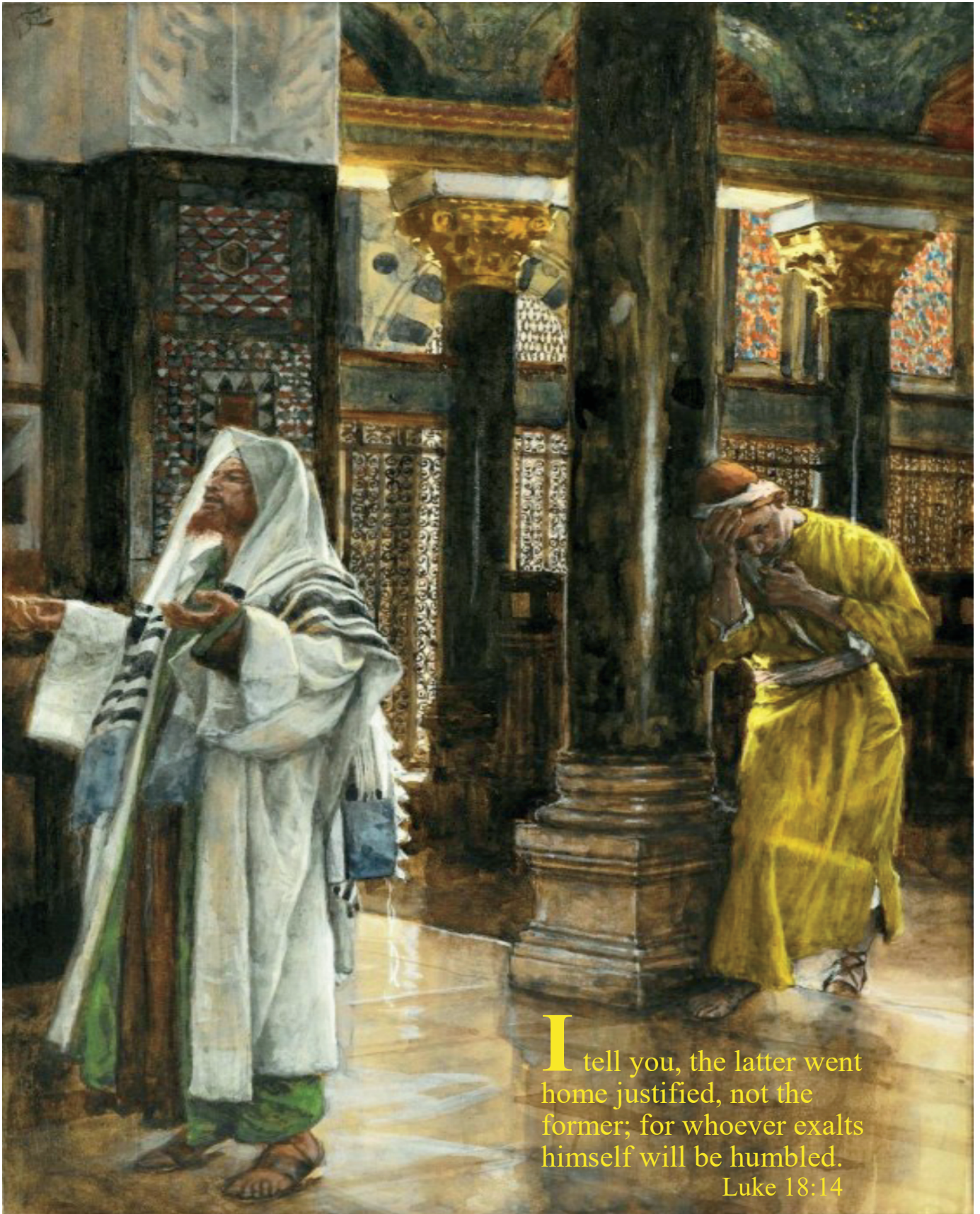


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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 26, 2025



I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled.

Luke 18:14

FALL TRAINING FOLLOWING 8 AM MASS - NOVEMBER 8

We will hold a refresher course for Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Ushers after Mass on Saturday, **November 8**. At the conclusion of Mass, head to Sebahar Hall for some light refreshments. We will return to the church for the training. If you are interested in joining the team of Lectors for weekend Masses at St. John the Baptist, you are welcome. Any parishioner who has been confirmed, including 8th graders and high school students, is eligible. Please contact Karen Bondy if you would like to participate in this ministry. bondykj@aol.com or 630-436-0621

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME AN EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION?

There will be a training session for **new** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (Eucharistic Ministers) in the near future.

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 is encouraged to attend. For questions, contact Shirley Axelson, 1axelson@comcast.net, or 630-988-3100.



FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN OPPORTUNITY - NOVEMBER 14

The whole parish is invited to participate! A headcount must be given by Oct 30th

Last chance to join the effort! Our parish has 30 spots reserved for the pack night on Friday, Nov. 14th. The event takes place from 5 to 6:30 pm. Children can participate as long as those under 18 years of age are accompanied by an adult. Families are welcome! Contact Kathie Brewer in the RE Office by phone at 630-682-4400 ext. 613 or by email at kathieb@stjohnwinfield.org. The packing center is located at 555 Exchange Ct. in Aurora.



GRIEF MINISTRY - NOVEMBER 6

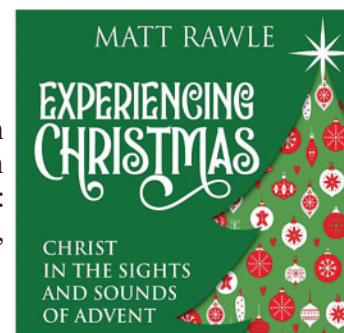
Please join us on the first Thursday of the month in the parish office dining room. Each month we meet at 7:00 pm. If we can be of help as you walk your grief journey, we are here for you.



SAVE THE DATES FOR OUR ADVENT STUDY

Experiencing Christmas: Christ in the Sights and Sounds of Advent

The mystery, known as the Incarnation, celebrates that God can be experienced with our senses: he can be seen, heard, touched, and even tasted, and Christmas is an introduction to all of that. Join us for our **FOUR-WEEK** Advent book study of: *Experiencing Christmas*. Participants will need to purchase the book from Amazon, and when you register, you will get the link to do that.



The group will meet four times, on **Tuesday evenings** at 7 pm beginning Dec. 2 in person, in Sebahar Hall, - OR - if you're homebound or otherwise not available on Tuesday evenings, join us on **Wednesday mornings** at 10:30 am via Google Meets, beginning Dec. 3.

Meetings will be led by Fr. Pat Mulcahy / frpat@stjohnwinfield.org



Register now and get the book link by scanning this QR code:
or via this link at: <https://forms.gle/aQYjg9oyqzhaXYhk7>



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All Saints Day

Mass and Event Schedule

Vigil Mass, Friday, October 31, 7:00 pm

RE student Saint presentation, **Saturday, November 1**
8:30 - 9:00 am

All Saints Day Mass, **Saturday, November 1**
***new time* 9:00 am**

Confessions will be heard following the 9 am Mass on Saturday. There will be no First Saturday observance on November 1.

The Solemnity of All Saints is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

Recently the RE Kindergarten class and Ms. Jeanne learned about Mary and prayed together in the Mary garden. Our faith is on fire for our Mother Mary! God Bless our catechists!



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Calling all Veterans!

Our school cordially invites veterans to our school Mass at 8:45 am on, Tuesday, November 11 th.

A flag ceremony and small reception will be held. Phone or email Principal Joanne Policht at 630-668-2625 ext 617 or by email at jpolicht@stjohnwinfield.org.

EMBRACE THE FAITH WITH FR. PAT



Are you:

- ♦ An unbaptized person interested in joining the Catholic Church?
- ♦ A person baptized in another Christian denomination who would like to become Catholic?
- ♦ A Catholic who was baptized but has not yet received other sacraments of initiation (First Eucharist and/or Confirmation) or made first reconciliation (confession)?

If any of these are true, and you would like to become Catholic or deepen your Catholic faith, please **contact Fr. Pat**. He's here to answer questions or, if you're ready, to get you signed up to join the OCIA process.

The new group is forming now and classes will begin soon. To add your name to the inquiry list, please email: frpat@stjohnwinfield.org -OR- phone the parish office at (630) 668-0918.



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

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JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR THIS COUPLE AS THEY
PREPARE FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

NOVEMBER 1 SAMANTHA ELIZABETH TOWNE
AND YAKIN SALVADOR MASSO

KNIGHTS AND MEN OF SJB - OCTOBER 29

All are welcome to join us and pray a rosary together. Stay for some fellowship and enjoy the flames of new friendships. Meet us at St. John's Fire Pit at 7:00 pm.

If there are any questions, please contact Sean Conley at 630-835-8225



KOFC PANCAKE BREAKFAST - NOVEMBER 5

Are you hungry?

Treat yourself and your family to a freshly prepared menu of Hot Buttermilk Pancakes, Sausage Links, Bacon, Golden Hashbrowns, Apple or Orange Juice and Fresh Roasted Coffee.

A **free-will offering is appreciated**. Invite some friends, bring a group and support the parish.

You'll find us in **Sebahar Hall from 8:00 am to noon**.

Thank you for supporting the parish and for all of the compliments on our first fall breakfast last month.



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POPE LEO XIV'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

For collaboration between different religious traditions:

Let us pray that, believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.



Fall Back
DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS
SET YOUR CLOCK BACK ONE HOUR

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS - NOV 2

Next Sunday, the clocks "Fall back" one hour. While we are always glad to see you, make certain to double check the time before loading up the car with the family. Enjoy the extra hour of sleep!

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

Oct 19—FOR PEACE

Let us entrust to the intercession of the Virgin Mary and the new Saints our constant prayer for peace in the Holy Land, Ukraine and other places affected by war. May God grant all their leaders the wisdom and perseverance to advance in the search for a just and lasting peace.



YOUR SUPPORT MEANS SO MUCH

Participate locally to make a difference globally

This weekend you will get to hear a little about the charity works of the Compassionate Franciscan Sisters of the Poor (CFSOP) from some of the Sisters deeply committed to the people of Kenya.

Benet Academy in Lisle, is the host location for the Gala event to benefit their mission work. The evening consists of Dinner, a Concert and Dancing! A fun way to share and care!

BENET ACADEMY - 2200 MAPLE AVE, LISLE, IL 60532

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CONTRIBUTION: PRESIDENTIAL: \$100 & GALA: \$50

For Tickets Contact:

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Your sacrificial giving for the weekend of Oct. 12 totaled \$ 22,948.

We are grateful, and thank you for your support and prayers in helping the parish meet our weekly goal of \$20,198. May God continue to bless all of us with gratitude!

In Our Heart and Prayers

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 25

5:00 pm ✙ Kevin Grieco
✙ Fred Dusza
✙ Figiel Family - deceased
✙ Raymond Morrison
✙ Angelita Barrios

Sunday, October 26

8:00 am People of the Parish
10:00 am ✙ Joe Perri
12 Noon ✙ Corlis Enders

Monday, October 27

8:00 am ✙ Kevin Grieco

Tuesday, October 28

8:00 am Sp. Int. of Luke Garro

Wednesday, October 29

8:00 am ✙ Dorothy Aylward

Thursday, October 30

8:00 am ✙ Sharon Garro

Friday, October 31

8:00 am ✙ Bob Conley
✙ Manuel Garza Sr.
✙ Anthony Milder

7:00 pm All Saints Day Vigil

Saturday, November 1

8:30 am RE student Saints presentation

9:00 am ✙ Thomas Mader

5:00 pm People of the Parish
✙ Legion of Mary - deceased
✙ Florence Sykta
✙ Dorothy Aylward
✙ Knight of Columbus - deceased
Knight of Columbus - living

Sunday, November 2

8:00 am ✙ Faithful Departed
10:00 am ✙ Faithful Departed
12 Noon ✙ Faithful Departed

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

Lawrence Campbell, David Henderson, Luke Hougan, Britney Prehn, Edward Ranahan, Desiree Sheppard, Anita Venard, Marino Verdico

Our sick list has been updated. To keep a name on the list for prayers, please contact Rosa Benavides, Administrative Assistant at rosab@stjohnwinfield.org or by phone at 630.668.0918 x 601. Names will remain on the prayer list for six weeks. In a long term illness situation, simply identify such to Rosa at the time of your call.

For those in the Armed Forces for Peace and Safety

Lt. Col. John Berg, Commander Nicholas Daly, Lt. Col. Anthony Eschliman, Airman Nicholas Kostecka, Cpt. Matthew Luff, 1st Lt. Allyson Serbick, SPC Keegan Serbick, SPC Jack Serbick, Lt. Col. James Smolucha, Maj. Michael Smolucha

For Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

This week, the Sanctuary Lamp in the Chapel is in memory of Manuel Garza Sr. The Sanctuary Church lamp burns this week for the Special Intention of the Rick Loechl.



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

Vocation Prayer Calendar

October 26 Dcns. Tom Ross, Mike Ruddle, Kevin Ryan, Terry Safko, Tom Sagenbrecht, Luis Saltigerald
October 27 Srs. Verene Girmscheid, Mary Jane Griffin, Mary Ann Hamer, OSF
October 28 Seminarian Samuel Bergmann
October 29 Fr. Gerald Nicholas, Fr. John Ohner, Fr. John Sotak, OSA
October 30 Dcns. Thomas Rachubinski, Donald Randolph, David Raskowski, Thomas Rehak, Philip Rehmer
October 31 Sr. Barbarine Houdek, OSF
November 1

END OF LIFE JOURNEY - NOVEMBER 5

A Catholic Perspective

All are welcome as Fr. Steven Borello leads a discussion clarifying ways we can place hope in the promise of eternal life nearing end of life.



Join us in Sebahar Hall at 7:00 pm. For more information email: venessalopatka@gmail.com or phone 630.336.5414

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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
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Follow us on:



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

Holy Days Vigil 7:00 pm, holy day 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

NEW PARISHIONERS

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

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the third Saturday of the month at 12:00 noon. Special events and holidays may alter the schedule. There is a three month waiting period for new parishioners. 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 1 to be added to the prayer list, or 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.

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