



Sts. Martha & Isaac Jogues Parish

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Saturday, 5PM
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847-966-3266 or sjbschool.org

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays, 11AM - 12:00PM

Sacrament of Matrimony: Must be registered for six months prior to setting the wedding date with an additional six months for necessary preparation.

Note: The following wedding times can be scheduled:

Friday at 5:00 p.m.

Saturday at 1:00 and 3:00 p.m.

Sunday at 3:00 p.m. (Ceremony only)

Sacrament of Baptism: Second and fourth Sunday of each month at 1:30 PM. Baptism Preparation Session must be completed before Baptism. Contact the Parish Office as soon as possible for details.

“Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch.”

Luke 5:4



Fifth
Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 6, 2022

The Miraculous Draught of Fishes

c. 1520
Attributed to Ugo da Carpi (Italian, c. 1480–after 1525) after Raffaello Sanzio, called Raphael (Italian, 1483–1520)
Art Institute of Chicago

ST ISAAC JOGUES - Leaders

Parish Pastoral Council			Finance Committee Advisors	
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SPIRITUAL READING: *From a short discourse by St. Bonaventure, bishop*

“The source of sacred Scripture was not human research but divine revelation. This revelation comes *from the Father of Light from whom the whole concept of fatherhood in heaven and on earth derives*. From him, through Jesus Christ his Son, the Holy Spirit enters into us. Then, through the Holy Spirit who allots and apports his gifts to each person as he wishes, we receive the gift of faith, and *through faith Christ lives in our hearts*. So we come to know Christ and this knowledge becomes the main source of a firm understanding of the truth of all sacred Scripture. It is impossible, therefore, for anyone to achieve this understanding unless he first receives the gift of faith in Christ. This faith is the foundation of the whole Bible, a lamp and a key to its understanding. As long as our earthly state keeps us from seeing the Lord, this same faith is the firm basis of all supernatural enlightenment, the light guiding us to it, and the doorway through which we enter upon it. What is more, the extent of our faith is the measure of the wisdom which God has given us. Thus, *no one should overestimate his wisdom; instead, he should soberly make his assessment according to the extent of the faith which God has given him*.

The outcome or the fruit of reading holy Scripture is by no means negligible: it is the fullness of eternal happiness. For these are the books which tell us of eternal life, which were written not only that we might believe but also that we might have everlasting life. When we do live that life we shall understand fully, we shall love completely, and our desires will be totally satisfied. Then, with all our needs fulfilled, we shall truly know *the love that surpasses understanding* and so *be filled with the fullness of God*. The purpose of the Scriptures, which come to us from God, is to lead us to this fullness according to the truths contained in those sayings of the apostles to which I have referred. In order to achieve this, we must study holy Scripture carefully, and teach it and listen to it in the same way.

“If we are to attain the ultimate goal of eternal happiness by the path of virtue described in the Scriptures, we have to begin at the very beginning. We must come with a pure faith to the Father of Light and acknowledge him in our hearts. We must ask him to give us, through his Son and in the Holy Spirit, a true knowledge of Jesus Christ, and along with that knowledge a love of him. Knowing and loving him in this way, confirmed in our faith and grounded in our love, we can know *the length and breadth and height and depth* of his sacred Scripture. Through that knowledge we can come at last to know perfectly and love completely the most blessed Trinity, whom the saints desire to know and love and in whom all that is good and true finds its meaning and fulfillment.”

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adult Confirmation preparation sessions for a limited number of participants will take place at Holy Name Cathedral Feb. 17 & 24, March 3, 10, 17, & 24 and April 7. Confirmation will be celebrated on Wednesday, April 27, at 7 p.m. at Holy Name Cathedral. To register go to <https://holyname.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/267/responses/new>.

If you are over 18 and have been baptized and made your First Communion but are not confirmed, you may also contact St. Isaac Jogues RE Office, 847/966-1180, to discuss preparation and be confirmed with our youth in mid-May.

THEOPHANIES

Today's readings recount three theophanies, or particular manifestations of God's presence. The prophet Isaiah is caught up in a dramatic scene of heavenly worship, with a royal throne, burning embers, and seraphim singing, "Holy, holy, holy." Isaiah is overwhelmed. In the responsorial psalm, the assembly adds its own worship to that of the seraphim: "In the sight of the angels, I will sing your praises, Lord" (Psalm 138:1).

Paul reminds the Corinthians of his own experience of a post-Resurrection appearance of the Lord, making him an apostle, but one "born abnormally" (1 Corinthians 15:8), since he had no acquaintance with the earthly Jesus. The first of those who did know the earthly Jesus were surprised by fishing advice from the teacher who had commanded Simon's boat, resulting in an extraordinary catch. Although less colorful than those of Isaiah or Paul, this theophany was just as overwhelming.



MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday morning Bible Study begins Women in the New Testament on Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Holy Family Room. All are welcome and need not have been in a Bible Study before. The cost of materials is \$10. No previous Bible Study experience is necessary. Questions? Please contact the RE Office, 847/966-1180 or sjire2004@yahoo.com.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION



Even if we are unable to physically receive Holy Communion at times we can enter into spiritual Communion with the Lord by praying:

My Jesus, I believe that You are truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to possess You within my soul. I am sorry for ever having offended you.

Since I am unable now to receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as being already there, and unite myself wholly to You.

Never, never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

St. Isaac Jogues Upcoming Events

Monday

Family Event, 6:30 p.m., church

Wednesday

Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.

SPRED Team, 1 p.m.

Bible Study at 7 p.m.

Weekend of Feb. 12 & 13

Blessing of those who are married during Masses.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

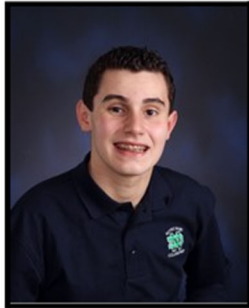
The story of Job seems at first hearing to be an extension of February's gloom into the liturgy. The monumental suffering of a good man is so horrific that the laments of the front page of modern newspapers barely measure up. The whole story is not long to tell, but its resolution is of great comfort. We can trace in its plot the stirrings of a belief in an after-life, and in God's great power to right every wrong and raise human beings from suffering.

In the Gospel, we see the fulfillment of these longings in the hand of Jesus, grasping an ill woman by the hand and raising her up to vibrant life. Peter's mother-in-law becomes her best self, attentive to her guests, providing hospitality, the warmth of her laughter, the delights of her kitchen. Last week, at Candlemas, candles were blessed, including baptismal candles for some not yet born. Today is a day to check the fragile flame of your own baptismal candle. Against February's customary lethargy, its background whines and ailments, the liturgy summons us to life, grasps us by the hand, and sends us to serve in Christ's name.



Outreach Pantry Wish List

Thank you again to all who responded to our plea for help in restocking the pantry. **God bless you** for your generosity and assistance to those struggling during these times. Right now the following would be helpful: shampoo, deodorant, laundry detergent. **We are unable to accept fresh foods, packages that are open and partially used or items that are out of date.** Please bring donations to Mass or call the Rectory to set up a time to drop them off during the week. Thank you!



Jake Chaplin '24



Aaron Linang '25

We acknowledge these 2 Dons for their dedication to St. Isaac's Food distribution in Niles this year. They have volunteered several times - even during the brutal cold weather we have had. Thank you for your dedication!

Making all things new...

God's promise and our responsibility

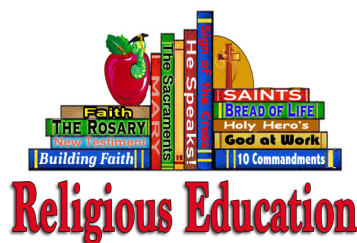


2022 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Many families in our parish have or will be receiving the Annual Catholic Appeal mailing from Cardinal Cupich. On behalf of those served by the ministries, parishes, and schools that receive funding from the Appeal, we thank you for your gifts. Please return your response as soon as possible. For those who might not receive the mailing we will have a **pledge process during Masses the weekend of Feb. 19 – 20.**

The ACA offers a wonderful opportunity to answer the call "Making all things new... God's promise and our responsibility." In addition to providing ministries and service throughout the Archdiocese, the Appeal funds services that are of help here in our parish – programs to support evangelization, religious education for all ages, liturgy and lay formation. The ACA target for our unified parish of Sts. Martha – Isaac Jogues is over \$58,000. Remember that when we have that amount in hand, everything beyond that amount will be returned to Sts. Martha - Isaac Jogues Parish to continue the mission of spiritual formation, religious education, outreach to those in need and more.

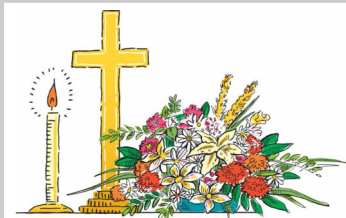
As we contemplate God's many gifts to us, we should also reflect on our gratitude for those many blessings. Your financial support for the work of our parish, our archdiocese and the Church throughout the world is one way to express this gratitude. Please give prayerful consideration as to how you will respond and support the 2022 ACA. Every gift will be a blessing!



Religious Education

*We have a Family Event on Monday, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. in the church. All students are to attend with at least one parent/guardian per family. Prayer, Saint of the Month, service opportunities, and outreach to others through crafts are in the line up. We look forward to being together with the families!

*Ms. Bello's class is to have Chs. 1-3 completed in the Gift of Eucharist book for Monday, Feb. 14th. The children are to bring that book to class to review the material.



Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are a lovely way to remember a loved one or a special occasion. Flower arrangements are \$55 each and two can be purchased each weekend before Lent and again after Pentecost. Your intention and name will be placed in the bulletin each weekend. If you would like to purchase an arrangement, please call the rectory. Available dates go quickly, so you may want to reserve your date soon.

Reflections from Fr. Dennis

Dear Friends and Fellow Parishioners:

Doing the will of God is not easy. It can cost us everything. It did for Jesus. If we have ever found ourselves doubting God or our ability to fulfill his will or vocation for our lives, we are in good company, as we can readily see in today's Scriptures. When Isaiah was told to become a prophet, he said, "I am doomed." St. Paul felt completely unworthy of being a missionary, referring to himself as the LEAST of the apostles, not fit to be called an apostle. When St. Peter doubted Jesus and the great catch of fish they might make, he said, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man."

In each case, whether there was unworthiness, unwillingness, or feelings of incompetency, God made these people successful in their mission, regardless of their human weaknesses and misgivings. God can do the same for us, when we say, "thy will, not mine, be done." For Isaiah, God sent an angel with a burning ember to purge him of his fears. Isaiah would then devote himself to God's service as a prophet for 40 years, saying, "Here I am, send me." St. Paul found strength in his weakness, as God gave him grace upon grace to spread the Gospel further and wider than it ever had been before.

Among other things, Paul reminds the Corinthians that after his Resurrection, Jesus appeared to a number of his disciples and then last to Paul because he was the most unworthy person called to be an apostle. In spite of Paul's sinful past, Christ's grace has enabled him to work harder than those who are more "deserving" of being called apostles. Paul's past did not restrain him from serving the Church. Rather, it filled him with gratitude for God's grace and with zeal to serve God's people. Often we feel we have done so many wrong things in the past that the Lord cannot love us anymore. St. Paul's letter shows us that not only does the Lord love us, but He desires to give us his grace, so that we can labor in his Church, serving those to whom we are sent. We can bear witness to Jesus' Gospel wherever we are.

In the Gospel, God used Peter's boat to make a great catch – so many that the boats could easily have sunk under the weight of them. Jesus eases Peter's guilt for his doubt by telling him, and us, "Do not be afraid."

Jesus is telling all of us to put out into the deep water for a great catch. It is safer by the shore, and that is where we are most comfortable. With greater risks come greater rewards. Like Isaiah, Paul, and Peter, we may have excuses for why we are incapable of fulfilling God's will for us, and plenty of reasons why God should ask someone else. Yet history shows, and our experience has taught us, that God can cover all of our weaknesses with his strength, and can bring forth a great catch when we say yes to his will, listen to his word, and busy ourselves doing his work.

In every way, these men experienced the intensity and immensity of the power of God, and it made them feel small and unworthy. God's mercy helped them to realize that He who is so intense and immense is also very intimately connected with each one of us, and the message is always the same: "Put out into the deep," and "Do not be afraid."

-Fr. Dennis



Pray for

KERMIT TURNER	TONY LIVORSI
MICHAEL NOBLE	JOHN ROMANO
JULIE HIGGINS	AUDREY JANS
CARL AFFATATI	DAVID FORST
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CYNTHIA MELNICK	NONA YOAKUM
MICHAEL FOLISI	ROBERT STEPHENSON
DOROTHY BEZDON	LAURA HALL - SCHORDJE
LORNA ALBA	HENRIETTA SAGARIO
CINDY NOLAN	MATTHEW PONDER
MARTHA DEMKO	MARY SUNSHINE PONDER
REMEDIOS MAGPANTAY	BRAD BOWER
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	CORNELIO NATIFIDAD II
	BRENDA WHITEHEAD
	JACK O'CALLAGHAN
	CHERYL HEYDENBURG

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — In a vision Isaiah is called to be a messenger for the LORD of hosts. Isaiah responds, "Send me!" (Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8)

Psalm — In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord (Psalm 138).

Second Reading — Paul reminds us of the gospel he preached through which we are saved, if we believe it (1 Corinthians 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]).

Gospel — Jesus directs Simon to take his boat into deep water for a miraculous catch of fish. Simon and his partners leave all to follow Jesus (Luke 5:1-11).

Father of grace and mercy, be with our loved ones and friends as they serve and protect our nation and communities. Bless them and fill them with newness of life. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

First Responders - Shane Long, Brad Markovich, Greg Zalewski

United States Air Force - Joshua Aujero
Mason Janzen

United States Army - Brian Caplin, Gale Renner,
Jordan Irving, Violet Ennis

United States Marines - Patrick Edward Echavez
Joseph John Zimmerman III
Lance Renner, Kyle Franklin
Gian Patrick Reyes
Christopher Pruden

United States Navy - David Perez,
Paul Matthew Ledesma

Illinois National Guard - Nathaniel Janzen

To add a name to the prayer list please contact the RE Office at 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday:	1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday:	1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30
Friday:	1 Kgs 11:29-32, 12:19; Ps 81:10-15; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday:	1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday:	Jer 17:5-8; Ps 138: 1-5, 7-8; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 6, 2022

I will give thanks to you, O LORD,
with all my heart,
for you have heard the words
of my mouth.

— *Psalm 138:1*



Mass Intentions

Sunday - February 6, 2022

8:00 a.m.	Helene Kowalik Salud Corral John Areno Martin Cinco
10:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Mark Duval

Monday - February 7, 2022

8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society Salud Remigio
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Tuesday - February 8, 2022

8:00 a.m.	Stanislaw & Emilia Biernacki Bronislaw Protas
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Wednesday - February 9, 2022

8:00 a.m.	Thomas McNally Pilarita Espinosa
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Thursday - February 10, 2022

8:00 a.m.	Willa Drislane
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Friday - February 11, 2022

8:00 a.m.	Egidio Aranas
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Saturday - February 12, 2022

5:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Purificacion Rodriguez Jeffrey Musni
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Sunday - February 13, 2022

8:00 a.m.	Joseph Putherickal
10:00 a.m.	Dean Johansen JoAnn Carlson Richard Chmielewski, Sr.

Next Week Liturgy Schedule February 12th & 13th

Reconciliation 11:00 a.m.	Fr. Carlos
5:00 p.m.	Fr. Carlos
8:00 a.m.	Fr. Carlos/Deacon Paul
10:00 a.m.	Fr. Carlos

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Keep your family safe, O Lord,
with unfailing care,
that, relying solely on the hope of
heavenly grace,
they may be defended always by your
protection.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How can I come to rely more on heavenly
grace?



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