

SAINT ISAAC JOGUES PARISH

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Mission: "A Catholic Parish sharing experiences of the Kingdom of God"

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Pastoral Staff:

Deacon Paul M. Stanton (Dolores)
 Lori Herbert, Business Manager
 Dolores Stanton, Director of Religious Education
 Lisa Hall, Director of Music

Weekend Mass Celebrant:

Rev. Bernard Kennedy, O.F.M.

Eucharistic Masses:

Monday - Saturday: 8:00 AM
 Saturday: - 5:00 PM
 Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 PM

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 Sat. 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday - Closed

Religious Education: 847-966-1180

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Parish School: St. John Brebeuf School
 847-966-3266 or sjschool.org

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 11:00 - 12:00 Noon or anytime by request.

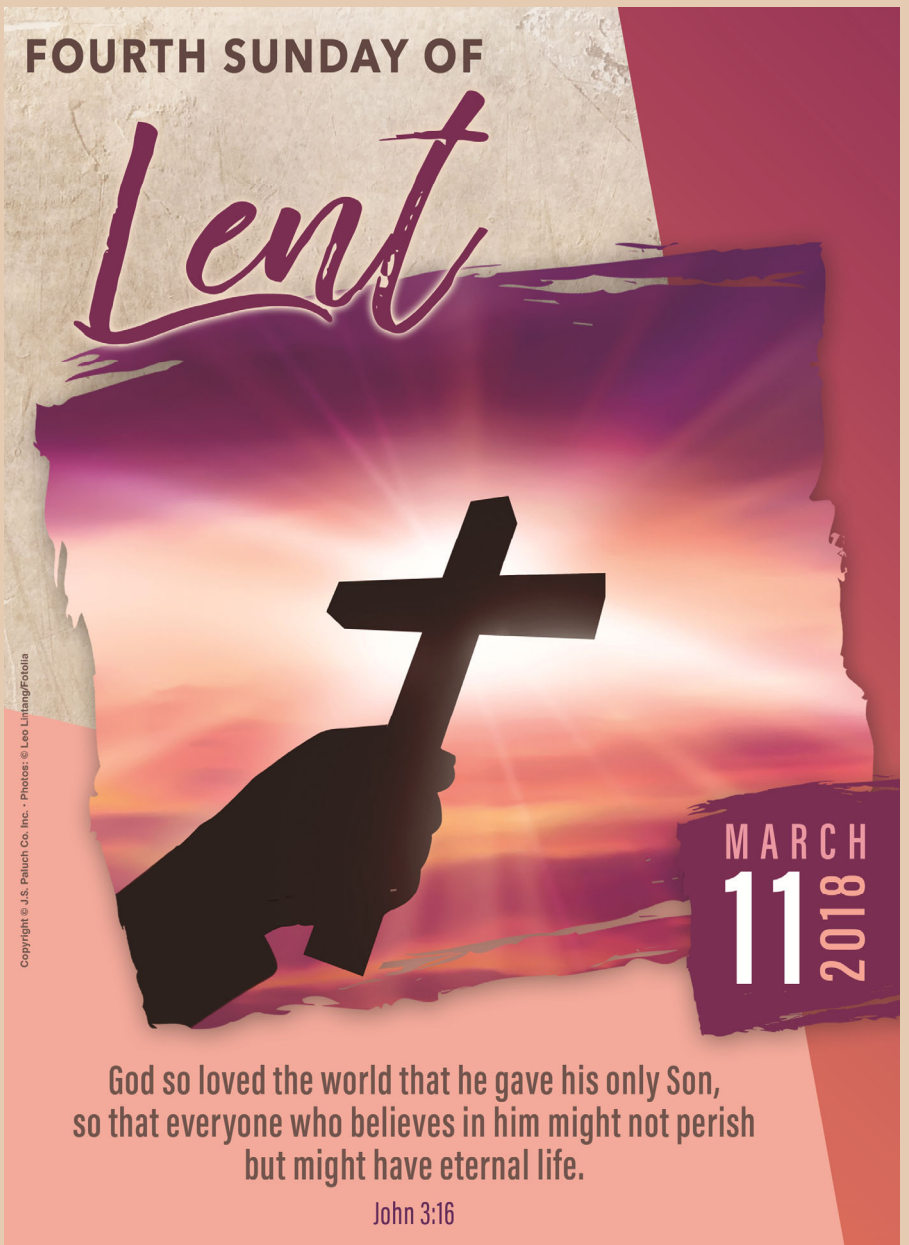
Sacrament of Matrimony: Must be registered for six months prior to setting the wedding date with an additional six months for necessary preparation.

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.



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ST ISAAC JOGUES - Parish Leaders

Parish Pastoral Council			Finance Committee Advisors	
Ted Lenart, Chairperson	Kathy Denning	Gerry Zeller	Kathy Denning	Barbara Watson
Kathy Lord, Vice Chairperson	Jerry Menezes	Dolores Stanton	Gerry Zeller	Al Leksander
Lorna Alba, Secretary	Debbie Dexter	Rose Santos	Lori Herbert	
Lori Herbert	Barbara Napravnik	Maria Swidzinski		
Women's Club Chairperson – Kathy Denning				
Men's Club Chairperson – John Affatati				
Fil-Am Chairperson – Lorna Alba				



FROM THE
Pastor's Desk

Everyone who believes in him might not perish

How quick are we to understand this; that everyone who believes in him might not perish. Birth is the beginning of life; to be born again, is to begin to live anew. We must have a new nature, new principles, and new aims. We must be entirely different from what we were before. Our coming into existence has been contaminated by sin; therefore we must be made new creatures. That is where we have been invited by God that his only begotten Son came to give us the fullness of life if we believe in him.

What actually happens in our life is that we believe in faith. If you are going to work and see a sign board saying the road is closed ahead and you should take a detour, you will very probably not go check. You will simply drive around the said obstacle without verifying if it is actually there. Sometimes the basis for belief is a person we have learned to trust, sometimes it is a set of assumptions. Needless to say, it has its downside as well. When one becomes too attached to one belief, he or she resists change, often in the face of overpowering evidence to the contrary.

In most cases we believe in faith and carry out the signs that outline our day to day life. What we need to pay more attention too is that there is a superpower - **God** who shapes our lives. Those who have placed their faith or belief in God have attained eternal truth. So when Jesus talks about that believing in him secures eternal life, it should have been much easier for us to follow. What is the belief that we need to have in God/Jesus? Simply this, having our trust in him will draw us completely and wholeheartedly to the person of Jesus.

Beliefs are the core of who we are, what we do, and the success that we acquire. Your beliefs will dictate your action. Isn't that true? If you believe in a cause, you fight for it. If you believe in your religion, you live it. If you believe in others, you support and uplift them. Beliefs drive us. They are at the root of all purpose and all action. If you truly believe in Jesus you will work for his cause. Be motivated by this belief to drive home his message of love that living for others as Jesus did brings life in you. Kindly avail yourself to the joint Lenten Soup supper presentation in the weeks to come at St. Martha's of Bethany Church in Morton Grove to deepen your belief in him.

-Fr. Mario

LENT AND HOLY WEEK ASSISTANCE

Looking to share some time these next few busy weeks of Lent/Holy Week? We are looking for help in the following ways:

- +2 - 3 people willing to **make soup** for the Soup Supper at St. Martha this **Thursday, Mar. 15**.
- +A few people who know how to **make decorative palm weavings** for Palm Sunday.
- +**Help decorate** Holy Family Room on Holy Thursday morning for that night.
- +**Help decorate** Church & Holy Family Room on Holy Saturday morning for Easter
- +**Help serve and/or clean up** at the Agape Celebration after the Easter Vigil.

Please contact the RE Office for more information and/or to sign up, 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com

St. Isaac Jogues Men's Club

The Lenten meeting will be Wednesday, March 21st at 7PM. We begin with the Lenten Mass celebrated by Fr. Mario. After Mass the members will gather downstairs in the church hall to for our meeting and to celebrate with a St. Patrick's day feast of Corned Beef and Cabbage, hosted by our president, John Affatati.

The cost to join the club for the last three meetings is \$15.00. The cost for this meeting is only \$10.00.

We will be choosing new officers for 2018-2019 and the MAN OF THE YEAR.
WE NEED ALL MEMBERS TO ATTEND!

In addition, we will be taking a donation for our favorite charity SIJ Outreach Ministry.

TEEN SERVICE PROJECT

Attention all Teens! We are packing **200** lunches for the homeless next **Saturday, March 17, at 2 p.m. downstairs in the Parish Hall.** They will be distributed by Uncle Pete's Ministry the next day. Bless 200 people on St. Patrick's Day with your time, prayer, and help! Contact the RE Office and let us know you are coming, 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com



THIS WEEK'S LENT SCHEDULE

+Sunday: RE Family Event beginning w/Noon Mass, Alms recipient: Zacchaeus House
+Monday: RE Lent Reconciliation
+Thursday: Prayer Shawl Ministry, 10 a.m., Rm. 6; Joint Parish Soup Supper at St. Martha, 6 – 7 p.m. followed by talk
+Friday: Day of abstinence; Holy Hour & Benediction, 8:30 a.m.; Divine Mercy Chaplet & Stations of the Cross, 7 p.m., church
+Saturday: Happy St. Patrick's Day; Sacrament of Reconciliation, 11 a.m. – Noon, Reconciliation Room; Teen Service Project, 2 p.m., Hall
+Weekend of Mar. 18: Third RCIA Scrutiny prayed over our Elect, Kevin (please keep praying for him and his family), Cycle A Readings at Noon Mass only; Presentation of Song of Mark by SIJ Music Ministry, 3 p.m., church; Alms and concert free will offerings recipient – SIJ Outreach Ministry

SIJ Outreach Ministry is a long established parish ministry (in past known as St. Vincent DePaul Ministry) which continues to affirm the dignity of those who come to our doors. The members serve their immediate needs for food or assistance. They are currently getting ready for the Easter Food Baskets distribution. Food donations may be placed in the basket in foyer near Holy Family Room and monetary donations in one of the alms boxes at the doors of the Church. Thank you!

PARISH TRANSFORMATION MEETING

The Parish Transformation Steering Committee invites **all who attended any of the PT Meetings last year, and other interested parishioners**, to a meeting on Friday, April 6th, 7:00 p.m. in the Holy Family Room. They will review survey results, update some actions taken and invite input regarding next steps. If you have questions, please contact Ted Lenart, Kathy Lord, Gabrielle Carsello, Nancy Kadiri, Fr. Mario or Dee Stanton.

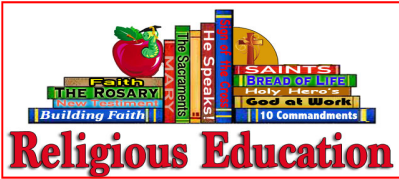
All parishioners and Friends are invited to join the members of the St. Isaac Jogues Men's Club on a trip to the Horseshoe Casino in Hammond Indiana. The trip is set for March 13th and the cost is \$10.

The bus will pick us up in the St. Isaac Jogues parking lot at 10:15 a.m. and return approximately 4:30 p.m.

For tickets, call Don Baron 1 - 847 967-6149 Or John Affatati 1 - 847 966-9676



Come and enjoy a relaxing day with new and old friends!



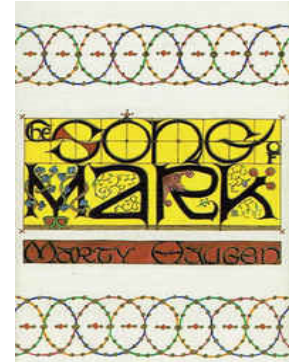
Religious Education

*Confirmation Year I Candidates are to turn in their autobiographies on Monday, Mar. 12th. Please see the Confirmation overview that was distributed at the Family meeting in January.

*Grs. 2 – 5 will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation Monday during class. Please have children here on time, 6:45 p.m.

*Confirmation Yr. I & II Candidates are reminded to sign up in class this Monday night to help pack lunches for the homeless on Saturday, Mar. 17th.

*Mar. 19 Session: Ms. Bello's class is to have Chs. 4-6 completed in their Gift of Eucharist Book and Confirmation Yr. II Candidates are to turn in their completed service logs & service summary.



Come and Listen
To This Story!

The musical *Song of Mark* was written by Marty Haugen to bring the Gospel of Mark to life. The music ministry will present a performance of this entertaining and prayerful musical on Sunday, March 18 at 3:00pm in the church. Our youth choir, Praise Singers, adult choir, and guest musicians are working together to bring the gift of music to you, while bringing the gift of compassion to the less fortunate. A free will offering will be taken after the performance to benefit the SJJ Outreach Ministry. Come to laugh, to cry and to share the wonderful experience which is the *Song of Mark*.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Our parish community congratulates our five teens who received the Youth Leadership Award from Bishop Kane and our Dean, Fr. Ron Kalas, last Sunday. They have served as Altar Servers and/or in the Music Ministry with the Praise Singers. We thank them for their service to assist our prayer at Mass and we thank their families for their encouragement and support of them! God bless you as you continue to live and share your faith – Trisha Bonto, Karl Hidalgo, Mirella Rivera, T.J. Striblen, and Ged Vallo!

FY 2018 SUNDAY & HOLY DAY COLLECTION SUMMARY

February, 2018

	Actual	Budget	Difference	Actual	Last Yr.	Difference
1st Sunday	\$9,381	\$11,000	(\$1,619)	\$9,381	\$10,343	(\$962)
2nd Sunday	\$7,204	\$10,000	(\$2,796)	\$7,204	\$9,261	(\$2,057)
3rd Sunday	\$7,730	\$9,000	(\$1,270)	\$7,730	\$7,303	\$427
Last Sunday	\$8,077	\$8,000	\$77	\$8,077	\$7,078	\$999
Year to Date	\$319,153	\$333,300	(\$14,147)	\$319,153	\$329,625	(\$10,472)

JOINT PARISH SOUP SUPPERS AND LENT SERIES

St. Isaac Jogues and St. Martha of Bethany Parishes invite you to join us for Lent Soup Suppers followed by the Lent series, *Inspired by the Relics in the Shrine of All Saints: From My Own Background*. The **suppers and series continue this Thursday, March 15, with soup from 6 – 7 p.m. and the talk beginning at 7 p.m. It will be held at St. Martha's big church on Georgiana in Morton Grove.**



This week **Fr. Joseph Mastardi, OSA**, will talk about Why is the Common Good So Uncommon – A Look Through the Eyes of Augustine on Faith and Good Works.



The last session is Mar. 22 w/Fr. Richard Fragomeni.

An RSVP is helpful for planning but not necessary. If possible please sign up today in the Holy Family Room or contact the RE Office, 847/966-1180 or [sijre2004@yahoo.com.](mailto:sijre2004@yahoo.com), but all are welcome Thursday!

Parish Reconciliation Service

Saturday, March 24 at 11:00 a.m.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Palm/Passion Sunday, March 24-25

Sat. 5:00 p.m. &

Sun. 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Holy Thursday, March 29

8:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer

7:30 p.m. - Liturgy of the Lord's Supper

9:00 p.m. - Pilgrimage to nearby parishes

9:00 p.m. – Midnight

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Good Friday, March 30

8:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer

3:00 p.m. - Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

7:30 p.m. - Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

Holy Saturday, March 31

8:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer

1:00 p.m. - Blessing of Easter Foods

8:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil followed by Agape

Easter Sunday, April 1

Church - 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., & 12:00 p.m.

Holy Family Room - 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Please pray for our military, reservists and first responders as they serve and protect our nation and our communities:

First Responders

United States Air Force

United States Army

U.S. Army Reserves

United States Marines

United States Navy

U.S. Navy Reserves

Illinois National Guard

Shane Long, Brad Markovich, Greg Zalewski

Joshua Aujero, Mason Janzen

Brian Caplin, Gale Renner

Christopher Dexter

Patrick Edward Echavez, Joseph John Zimmerman III,

Lance Renner, Gian Patrick Reyes

Justin Pascoe, Timothy Kelly, David Perez

William B. Dexter

Nathaniel Janzen



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

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The wrath and the mercy of the LORD are revealed in the exile and liberation of the Chosen People (2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23) or 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm — Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Psalm 137) or Psalm 23.

Second Reading — God, who is rich in mercy, brought us to life with Christ (Ephesians 2:4-10) or Ephesians 5:8-14.

Gospel — The Son of Man must be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life (John 3:14-21) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Alternate readings (Year A):

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent; Second Scrutiny; Daylight Saving Time begins; Girl Scouting Sunday

Friday: Abstinence

Saturday: Saint Patrick



Pray for

SR. JOYCE ROEHL

JIMMY RANCICH

MARCY SANTIAGO

PASTOR LYNNE MORROW

BERNARD KENNEDY, SR

JAMES MAXWELL PASCALE

JULIE HIGGINS

HELMA DRAG

REICHARD DRAG

RODEO MALIWANAG

ROBERT GALLOWAY

JOSEPH AUTH

WILLIAM PARRILLO



Join St. Martha for
St. Joseph Table
Sunday, March 18th
Noon - 3PM
Large church

Free meatless buffet and
auction.
Free-will offerings
appreciated.



Help your Outreach Ministry prepare for the Annual Easter Basket Program for those less fortunate. Please help to restock our *pantry shelves* with the following items:

can soup, fruit & vegetables, can meat & chicken, instant or can potatoes

Thank you for your help!

- SIJ Outreach Ministry

Eucharistic Ministers Wanted!!!!

Presence Resurrection Life Center is looking for Eucharistic Ministers to help at their nursing home at 7370 W. Talcott Avenue Chicago, IL 60631. Almost half of the residents are retired priests, sisters and brothers. Please consider giving back to them for their years of ministry by volunteering with us! We distribute communion after our 9:30 am daily/Sunday masses.

Please contact Lauren Ivory at
773 467-5858 or
lauren.ivory@presencehealth.org

Thank you!!

MASS INTENTIONS

March 11, 2018	
8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Peter De Sario Claire Ziegler Joseph Chacko Ali Chacko Jacob Chacko Marcial Azcuna Alan Kadet Jesus Malabanan
12:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Leonard D. Ramos
March 12, 2018	
8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society Gertrude Powers
March 13, 2018	
8:00 a.m.	Clarence Turek
March 14, 2018	
8:00 a.m.	Joseph Putherickal
March 15, 2018	
8:00 a.m.	Franzie Bleitziffer
March 16, 2018	
8:00 a.m.	Danuta Ostrega - Special Intention
March 17, 2018	
8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Betsy Tiongson Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Rich Doyle
March 18, 2018	
8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Tom Lisowski Edith & Joseph Lukas Gary Morales

Liturgy Next Week March 17th & 18th

Time	Celebrant	Servers
Confessions 11:00 a.m.	Fr. Carlos	
5:00 p.m.	Fr. Carlos	Michael Lucas Mark Lucas Steve Livingston
8:00 a.m.	Fr. Mario	Trisha Bonto Matthew Bonto Thomas Striblen
10:00 a.m.	Fr. Bernard/ Deacon Paul	Julia Jaroslowski Red Reyes Rylee Reyes
12:00 p.m.	Fr. Carlos/ Deacon Paul	Jude Jimmychan Alec Sayson Abby Sayson

Rosary Rally

Saturday, March 17, 2018 at Noon



Join us as we unite in prayer with Rosary Groups across our nation lifting up marriages and family life in prayer to Almighty God through the Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Weather-permitting we will gather in front of the Church at NOON on Saturday, 3/17/2018. If weather is inclement, we will gather in the Church.

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