



Sts. Martha & Isaac Jogues Parish

St. Isaac Jogues Church

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Saturday, 5PM

Sunday, 8AM & 10AM

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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.

March 13, 2022



Second Sunday

of

Lent

The Lord God said to Abram,
“Look up at the sky and
count the stars, if you can.
Just so shall your descendants be.”

Genesis 15:5

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LENT SERIES

Our 2022 Lent Series, *The Gift and Transformative Power of Ordinary Holiness*, will feature speakers who will share the lives of a couple of Saintly, and one hope-to-be-Saintly, people with ties to Chicago and Indiana.

While we will not have the soup suppers this year, we invite you, your families, friends and neighbors for one, two or all three Thursday evenings to hear, learn, and be inspired by the stories of two religious women and one priest, ordinary people who made a difference in the life of the local, as well as the universal Catholic Church. It is our hope and prayer that their lives will impact your Lent and your discipleship. Each session will be held at St. Martha in the big Church at 7 p.m. and go for an hour to an hour and a half. Free will offerings will be taken up each night. The dates, speakers and holy people are:

- +Mar. 24** – “Augustus Tolton: The Church is the True Liberator” with Joyce Duriga
- +Mar. 31** – Sr. Susan Paweski, S.P. will “The Life of Saint Mother Theodore Guerin: a one-woman show” complete with full habit of that time and Breton accent.
- +Apr. 7** -- Together with Nancy Golen we will reflect on the life of the “Saint Among the SkyScrapers, St. Mother Frances Xavier Cabrini.”



SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM: Month Five

“Your spiritually adopted baby weighs over one pound now. His/her mother can feel his/her movement now. Before he/she was too small for her to feel. Although he/she swam with ease in his watery world, he/she needed to be big and strong enough to kick hard against the outside wall and dent it – the inside wall of the uterus has no feeling. We are mid-way through the pregnancy now. Your prayers have helped your baby’s mother continue with her pregnancy and seek the help she needs.”

The Spiritual Adoption Program saves the lives of unborn children at risk of abortion. This is accomplished through intercessory prayer. Individuals pledge to pray daily for nine months for the life of an unborn baby to be spared from abortion. Although the child is unknown to the person praying, God knows the identity of the child and protects the unborn child from abortion. You may never meet the baby you spiritually adopted while you are on earth, but you surely will in Heaven!

Spiritual Adoption Prayer “Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg of you to spare the life of (give the baby a name), the unborn baby I have spiritually adopted, who is in danger of abortion. Amen.”
Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

PRAY: *Eternal God, the refuge of all your children, in our weakness, you are our strength, in our darkness, you are our light, in our sorrow, you are our comfort. May we always live in your presence, and serve you in our daily lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (St. Boniface)*

REFLECT: Reread the Scriptures for today (Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 9:28b-36) What do I allow to chip away at my trust in the God’s promise of new and eternal life? What grace do I ask of the Lord in order to stand firm in the Lord? Recall and give thanks when you had a glimpse of Jesus’ glory.

Act: Pray for peace in the Ukraine and in other parts of the world where there is crisis, violence, or war. Make or buy some Easter cards, sign them from our church and bring them to Mass during Lent (they will be brought to local nursing facilities during Holy Week). Volunteer to help at the Mar. 23 food distribution held in the SIJ parking lot. Speak a word of hope or comfort (in person, by letter or call or another way you think of) to someone who needs it due to life circumstances.

Quote: “Let us have clean hearts ready inside us for the Lord Jesus, so that he will be glad to come in, gratefully accepting the hospitality of those worlds, our hearts.” (Clement of Alexandria, 3rd century)



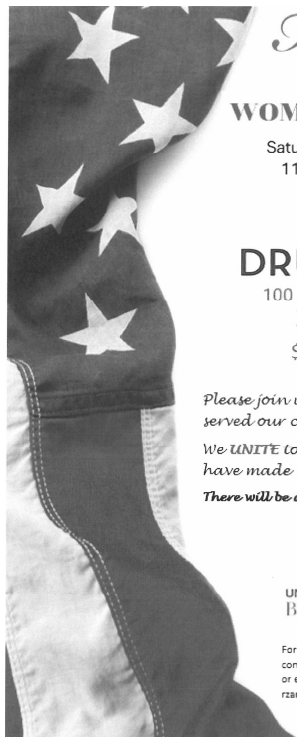
FOOD DISTRIBUTION VOLUNTEERS

This month's distribution will be on Wednesday, March 23rd, 4 – 6 p.m., here in the SIJ parking lot. Please share this information with people who would benefit from additional food support right now. If they have a Greater Chicago Food Depository pantry card, please ask them to bring it with as it will move the check in process along. We are in need of about 30 volunteers for the first time frame of 2:45 – 4:15 p.m. and about 20 for the second time frame, 4:00 - 6:30 p.m. **which includes clean up.** Volunteers need to be in good health with no underlying conditions. Check in takes place inside and distribution is outside. Even though we are outside, we do wear masks and gloves (which are provided). Please remember to dress for the weather! To volunteer please contact the Religious Education Office by Wednesday, March 16th, 847-966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com. or respond via Flocknote. Your almsgiving of time to assist our neighbors will be a support to many!



This Week's Lent/Special Events

- Sunday** – Alms recipient is The Well of Mercy.
- Tuesday** – Women's Club Lent Mass, 11 a.m., church. All are welcome.
- Wednesday** – Bible Study, 9:30 a.m., HFR; Men's Club Lent Mass, 1:30 p.m., church, all are welcome; SPRED Session via Zoom, 3 p.m.; Bible Study 7 p.m., HFR
- Thursday** – Happy St. Patrick's Day! Prayer Shawl Ministry, 10 a.m., HFR.
- Friday** – Stations of the Cross – 3 p.m. at SM Church (small) and 7 p.m., SIJ Church.
- Saturday** – Blessed St. Joseph's Day! Sacrament of Reconciliation, 11 a.m. – 12 Noon, church
- Weekend of Mar. 19 – 20:** Third Sunday of Lent; alms recipient is again The Well of Mercy; Lent Reconciliation Service at St. Martha Church, Noon.



Honoring

WOMEN IN THE MILITARY

Saturday, March 26th, 2022
11:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.



DRURY LANE

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This event is sponsored by the ACCW of which the SIJ Women's Club is a member. The SIJ Women's Club is inviting current or retired Women in the Military who are parishioners of Sts. Martha & Isaac Jogues to be our guests. Guests should contact the rectory with their interest no later than Friday, March 18, 2022 and they will be contacted to confirm their reservation.

If you need any additional information, please call Louella at 312 401-1418.



Altar Flowers

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.

Altar flowers are a lovely way to remember a loved one or a special occasion.



The following items would be helpful at the current time: chili, crackers, shampoo, and deodorant. **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!

Process for Naming the New Parish

Next week the Naming Sub-Committee will begin the process of soliciting eligible names for our new united parish from the parishioners and staff of each legacy parish. It is vital to get this process underway as soon as possible to facilitate receiving a permanent parish name which will enable us to update bank accounts, acquire new signage, etc. The names of our respective legacy churches of St. Martha and St. Isaac Jogues will remain the same. What we are selecting is the new Unified Parish Name.

The committee will ask for name submissions for the next few weeks. Names must be submitted with a reason for why it would be appropriate for our unified parish. The committee will then tally the name and review the reasons given and submit the top six or seven suggestions to Fr. Jason Malave, Cardinal Cupich's Liaison to Renew My Church who will verify that submitted names meet the guidelines and that there are not multiple parishes interested in the same name. This process should take about 48 hours.

After this, the committee will submit the short list back to the parishioners to ask for their preferences from among these names over a few weeks. A final tally is made and three to five names and their rationale are again submitted to Fr. Malave for review. He will in turn forward the list to the Cardinal and Bishops who will discuss the names and the rationale for each. The recommendation from the Cardinal and the Episcopal Vicar will be brought to the Presbyteral Council who will make the final decision. The Council meets every two months with their next meeting to be held this May.

A word about naming guidelines:

"The name of the new parish should be a title of Christ under a title already accepted in the liturgy or that speaks to a mystery in His life; the Blessed Virgin Mary under a title already accepted in the liturgy; the Trinity; the Holy Spirit; one of the angels; or a canonized saint. Parishes may choose a name based on a special devotion to a particular saint or because the saint represents a certain cultural or ethnic perspective. The Cardinal asks that parishes do not consider a name already in use for a parish, school, mission, agency or shrine in the archdiocese. The name for the new parish should have a feast day for the new parish to celebrate." Lists of names that are already in use will be posted in both churches for reference.

A list of saints and a short description of each can be found at www.catholic.org/saints/. Recent saints can be found by searching "saints canonized by Pope Francis", for example. An updated Parish Directory of the Chicago Archdiocese can be found at <https://www.archchicago.org/documents/70111/70558/Parish+Directory.pdf/b302c7ae-7039-4647-a9d4-0ac9fe5448d7>

To this end, we are all asked to prayerfully consider what would be an appropriate name that embraces the future of our New Unified Parish and participate in this process. Name Submission Forms will be included in the both church bulletins March 20 and March 27 and MUST be returned by March 28. Committee members will be available both weekends to answer any questions.

Next week: Name Submission forms and return information!!



*Ms. Bello's First Communion Class are to have Chs. 4 – 6 completed in their Gift of Eucharist book and bring it to class Monday night to review to review together.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS AND MINISTERS OF CARE

If you were a Eucharistic Minister, Lector or Usher prior to the pandemic and feel ready to return to your ministry (strongly encouraged to be fully vaccinated), please contact the RE Office this week. If you were a Minister of Care and feel ready to return to ministry, please note that per Archdiocesan guidelines you must be fully vaccinated in order to return. Please call the RE Office to discuss your questions or concerns. If you would like to discuss the possibility of becoming a Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Usher or Minister of Care, please contact Dee Stanton via the Rectory or RE Office phone numbers.



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.

Ordination Banns - III

Leke Brisku, a parishioner of Ss. Martha & Isaac Jogues Parish, is scheduled to be ordained to the Order of Deacon for the Archdiocese of Chicago on May 14, 2022. This is a public announcement of the upcoming ordination and fulfills the canonical requirement. Catholics are obliged to reveal any concerns, impediments or circumstances that could prevent Leke Brisku from receiving Sacred Orders and should contact Fr. Dennis B. O'Neill, Administrator or Associate Pastor, Fr. Carlos Pereira or the Cardinal with such information as soon as possible if there is a serious question about the candidate's suitability for ordained ministry.





Pray for

KERMIT TURNER	TONY LIVORSI
MICHAEL NOBLE	JOHN ROMANO
JULIE HIGGINS	AUDREY JANS
CARL AFFATATI	DAVID FORST
EMILY SITKOWSKI	KIMBERLY KNOX
CYNTHIA MELNICK	NONA YOAKUM
MICHAEL FOLISI	ROBERT STEPHENSON
DOROTHY BEZDON	HENRIETTA SAGARIO
LORNA ALBA	MATTHEW PONDER
CINDY NOLAN	MARY SUNSHINE PONDER
MARTHA DEMKO	BRAD BOWER
REMEDIOS MAGPANTAY	LAURA & DANNY MORA
TIM DENDOR	SHARON KILIKEVICE
CAROLYN BEIL	PELAGIA SAJULGA
FRANK BEIL	PATTY ZEMAN
NELSON PETINES	ALEXANDRA LAQUAGWA
TERRY GAZDZIAK	NORBERT FLOREK
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CURT NAPRAVNIK	CATHY FORST
JOHN FOLISI	BERNITA DEL ROSARIO
DAVID NUCCIO	ROSE SIMPSON
ALISON TOLSON LORD	KATHY EGLOFF
GARZA	JOSEPH WHITE
VICENTE F. CASTILLO	CORNELIO NATIFIDAD II
	BRENDA WHITEHEAD
	CHERYL HEYDENBURG
	FR BERNARD KENNEDY

LET NOTHING DISTURB YOU

Let nothing disturb you,
 Nothing frighten you.
 All things are passing.
 God never changes.
 Patient endurance attains all things.
 Whoever possesses God lacks nothing,
 God alone is sufficient.

—St. Teresa of Ávila

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
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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Lord made a covenant with his faithful servant, Abram, saying, “To your descendants I give this land” (Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18).

Psalm — The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

Second Reading — We await the Lord Jesus, who will change us to conform with his glorified body (Philippians 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]).

Gospel — Peter, James, and John witness the transfiguration of Jesus on the mountain (Luke 9:28b-36).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13;
 Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21,
 23; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16;
 Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-
 21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27,
 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21,
 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11;
 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

Alternate readings (Year A):
 Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;
 Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

Mass Intentions

Sunday - March 13, 2022	
8:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Susan Arendt
10:00 a.m.	Laura Hall-Schordje
Monday - March 14, 2022	
8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society Joseph Putherickal
Tuesday - March 15, 2022	
8:00 a.m.	Franzie Bleiziffer
Wednesday - March 16, 2022	
8:00 a.m.	Edith & Joseph Lukas
Thursday - March 17, 2022	
8:00 a.m.	Salud Corral
Friday - March 18, 2022	
8:00 a.m.	Clyde Podraza
Saturday - March 19, 2022	
5:00 p.m.	George & Jean Kraus
Sunday - March 20, 2022	
8:00 a.m.	Maggie Kiesler Tony Martocci Laura Hall-Schordje
10:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Alice Mc Nally

Next Week Liturgy Schedule March 19th & 20th

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

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PRAYER OF THE WEEK Second Sunday of Lent

O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly by your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory. 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 be more attentive to God's word?



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