

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 Ronczka, Business Manager
 Dolores Stanton, Director of Religious Education
 Lisa Hall, Director of Music

Weekend Mass Celebrant:

Rev. Bernard Kennedy, O.F.M.

Masses:

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

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 Sunday - Closed

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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.

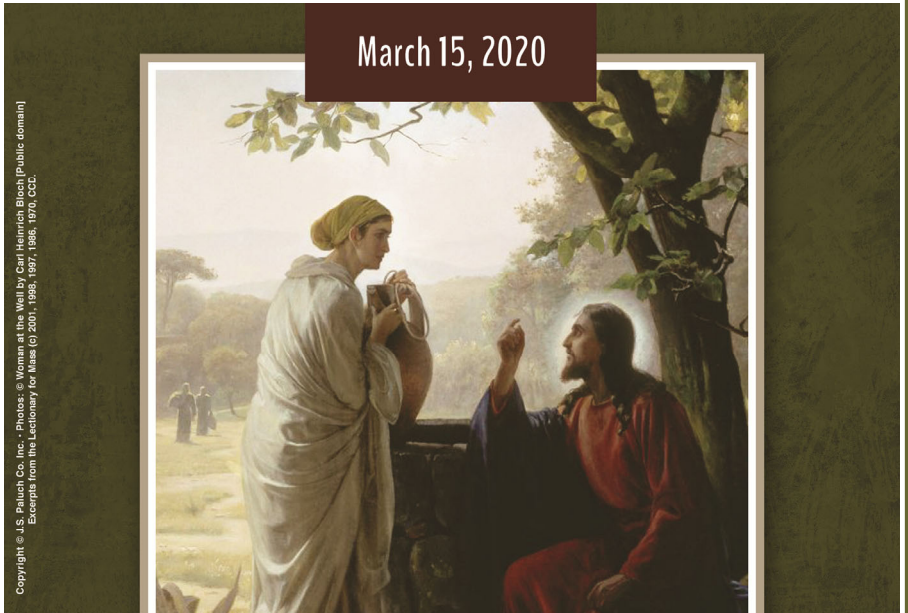
Sacrament of Matrimony: Must be registered for six months prior to setting the wedding date with an additional six months for necessary preparation.

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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Third

Sunday of Lent

A woman of Samaria came to draw water.
 Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."

John 4:7



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	Lori Ronczka	Dolores Stanton	Gerry Zeller	Irene Baron
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FROM THE
Pastor's Desk

Water to quench Thirst

When a person is thirsty, a drink of water can be very satisfying, but after the thirst has been quenched, drinking more can be unpleasant. Thirst is your body's way of telling you that it's running low on water, which it needs to work well. It's normal to feel thirsty when it's hot or after you've powered through an intense workout. Thirst ensures that creatures maintain a balance of hydration and nutrients, such as sodium, that are vital to the healthy functioning of cells. Drinking water is typically healthy.

It's a good thing for the brain knows when to tell the body that it has had enough to drink. Drinking too much water can lead to dangerously low sodium levels, a condition known as hyponatremia, or cerebral edema (excess fluid in the brain). When we are thirsty we think of satisfying our physical thirst and see the convenience of it.

Throughout history men have always been looking for easy ways to satisfy their thirst, but physical thirst is not the only thirst that we have. We have a spiritual thirst as well. There have been many people still seeking truth, peace and happiness. The fulfillment of such a search can be accomplished when we sincerely seek the Lord Jesus who satisfies all our thirst

Like Jesus did with the Samaritan woman at the well, (Jn 4:5-42) she came to draw water at her own convenient time in order to avoid the attention of villagers; least expecting that she would encounter Jesus at the well. It is a strange time for anyone to draw water from the well at noon. Normally people would come either in the early hours of the morning or late evenings when it is cool. What surprised her was the request of Jesus asking for water to drink and how gradually Jesus gets into a conversation with her and involves her in a discussion. She realizes that Jesus is the one sent by God.

Jesus made her aware that he can give her the true living water which would not make her feel thirsty again. Indeed it was; as Jesus made her realize that in God alone our thirst is satisfied. Great was her stride as she went to invite people from her town to meet the Messiah, as she said "He told me everything I have done. Could he be the Christ?" The living water that the Samaritan women received is not an ordinary human life, but God's own life, that quenches the deepest thirst of humanity. A life that purified her soul and cleansed her of the sinful life, she lived. God promises us that by living up to the values of the gospel, we develop within ourselves a living spring that will quench eternally our thirst for happiness, peace and everlasting life.

How do we get the living water? We can get the living water which is offered to everyone when we faithfully obey the commandment of God and walk in his ways. It will be like a well-spring of living water springing up unto everlasting life.

Fr. Mario

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS AND PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERNS

The Archdiocese of Chicago continues to monitor with concern the questions that are arising about the spread of Coronavirus/COVID-19. As a matter of prudence the following guidelines, based on guidance from the US Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee on Divine Worship, are to be implemented in all parishes within the Archdiocese of Chicago effective immediately and until further notice.

- +All Priests, Deacons, Altar Servers and EMs must wash their hands before Mass begins and use an alcohol based anti-bacterial solution before and after distributing Holy Communion.
- +Refrain from physical contact during the Sign of Peace, but people can turn and wish peace, bow.
- +Refrain from distribution of Holy Communion to the faithful via chalice (cup).
- +Low gluten hosts are available for those who cannot have regular wheat hosts and usually receive from the cup. Please talk to Fr. Mario, Fr. Carlos, Deacon Paul, or Dee Stanton before Mass if you need that option.
- +Refrain from holding hands during the Lord's Prayer.
- +Refrain from using Holy Water fonts. They are now empty.
- +Given the frequency of direct contact with saliva in the distribution of Holy Communion on the tongue, every consideration should be given by each individual to receive Holy Communion reverently in open hands for the time being.
- +Please know that if you are sick or are experiencing symptoms of sickness, you are not obliged to attend Mass, and even that out of charity you ought not to attend. Paragraph 2181 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church states: "For this reason the faithful are obliged to participate in the Eucharist on days of obligation (*which includes Sunday*), unless excused for a serious reason (for example, illness, the care of infants)..."

Other individual preventative actions encouraged per Center for Disease Control:

- *Stay home when you are sick and if you have a fever stay home for at least 24 hours after fever is gone.
- *Wash your hands often with soap and water or use alcohol-based hand Sanitizer
- *Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands
- *Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- *Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash immediately and not on any hard surface, or cough or sneeze into your sleeve
- *Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- *If you or a member of your household have traveled to any Level 2+ countries (per the CDC -- China, Iran, Italy, South Korea, Japan -- as of Mar. 2, 2020) between Feb. 10, 2020 and today, alert your direct supervisor or school principal so your workplace or school may take appropriate precautions.



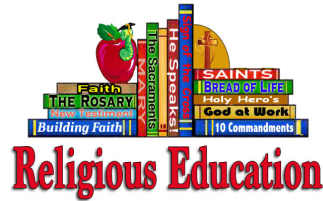
It will be a grand evening and your presence will make it more so! Today is the last day to purchase your tickets for our St. Patrick Dinner fundraiser, which will be **Saturday, March 21st, 6 - 10 p.m., in the Holy Family Room.** There's a cash bar, Harrington's corn beef dinner served family style (w/water, coffee, and tea included), entertainment by the Sheila Tully Academy of Irish Dance and singer Kathy Cowen, basket raffles – a Waterford biscuit jar; Waterford glasses and Irish Whiskey; a scone pan, scone mix, Irish soda bread and butter, and kitchen towel; Split the Pot o' Gold (with 3 winners), and an evening of fun and friendship! Tickets are \$40 per person and **must be purchased today** as we need to give the caterer a final count. **No tickets will be sold the night of the event.**

If you are unable to come to the dinner but would like to contribute to its success, monetary donations will be gratefully accepted. Please bring your donation to the ticket table in the HFR or drop it off or mail it to the Rectory during the week. Thank you!



PARISHIONERS OF ST. ISAAC JOGUES ARE INVITED TO JOIN ST MARTHA FOR THEIR ST. JOSEPH TABLE AND AUCTION! COME SHARE A MEATLESS MEAL AND ALL OF THE EXCITEMENT OF A LIVE AUCTION. THE EVENT WILL BE HELD IN THE LARGE CHURCH ON SUNDAY, MARCH 22ND AT NOON AND WILL END WHEN ALL OF THE AUCTION ITEMS ARE GONE. NO RESERVATIONS OR TICKETS NECESSARY. IF YOU MIGHT WANT TO DONATE A DISH, PLEASE EMAIL ANN SIMKINS AT Asimkins4@sbcglobal.net.

ALL ARE WELCOME - COME SHARE THE FUN!



Religious Education

- +Response forms for the March 23 RE Dinner and Class night are due Monday.
- +Confirmation Yr. II Candidates are to turn in service logs and service summaries Monday.
- +Grs. 2 – Confirmation Yr. II will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation during class Monday. It will also be First Reconciliation for the Initiation class. Initiation families are encouraged to come celebrate God's mercy with them!



ALMSGIVING

The Night Ministry is a Chicago-based organization that works to provide housing, health care and human connection to members of our community struggling with poverty or homelessness. The RE students will pack cookies to be used on their health outreach bus. Please bring cookies (homemade or store bought) to the Holy Family Room after Masses next weekend. They will be packed during RE class on Monday, Mar. 23rd. If you want to give a monetary donation, please place it in the alms boxes at the doors of the church.

St. Isaac Jogues News

UPCOMING EVENTS

+TODAY: Last day to purchase your tickets for the St. Patrick Dinner after Masses. Alms recipient is Kolbe House, please bring items to HFR or place monetary donations in boxes at doors.

+Tuesday: Happy St. Patrick's Day! Please pray for the Polish School's Confirmation Candidates who will be confirmed this evening in our church.

+Wednesday: Men and Women's Clubs Lenten Mass, 6:30 p.m., church, all welcome.

+Thursday: Prayer Shawl Ministry, 10 a.m., Rm. 6; Soup Supper at St. Martha Church, 6 – 7 p.m. followed by talk.

+Friday: Divine Mercy Chaplet & Stations of the Cross, 7 p.m., church

+Saturday: St. Patrick Dinner Fundraiser, 6 p.m., HFR, must have tickets already.

+Weekend of Mar. 22: Alms recipient -- The Night Ministry.



"How marvelous the youth group continues to reach out to those in need. I can always 'smell the popcorn' from their endeavors. The sacks were taken to Cornerstone Community Center, serving meals in Uptown to the needy. The recipients are very grateful and appreciate being remembered. God bless, Uncle Pete Ministries"



Save the Dates !!

Soup Suppers are here at
St. Martha's again

March 19th



March 26th



Call or email Ann Barry to volunteer or to bring a soup
(847) 682-1579 or ann.barry11@gmail.com

SOUP SUPPERS AND LENT SERIES

Our joint parish **Soup Supper & Lent Series**, *Encountering Jesus in Me, Others and Our Community*, continues this Thursday at St. Martha Church in Morton Grove. Soup will be served 6 – 7 p.m. and the talk will begin at 7 p.m. Elizabeth White, Director of the Office for Evangelization and Missionary Discipleship is our series speaker. This Thursday Beth will talk about "How Can I Introduce Others to Jesus?" All are welcome. You need not have been at last week's talk in order to come. Free will offerings appreciated. An RSVP is helpful but not necessary. If possible sign up on the sheets in the Holy Family Room.

In support of the food, we are looking for **one soup** and **two desserts** for each of the **two remaining weeks**. If you are willing to help, please contact the Religious Education Office, 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com or sign up on the sheet in the Holy Family Room.



Pray for

KERMIT TURNER	GLORIA CABACUNGAN
MICHAEL NOBLE	TONY LIVORSI
JULIE HIGGINS	JOHN ROMANO
CARL AFFATATI	AUDREY JANS
RICHARD VAIL	DAVID FORST
KATIE KIRWAN	CHRISTINA WALD
BETTY LANDON	KIMBERLY KNOX
EMILY SITKOWSKI	DIANE BAUER
CYNTHIA MELNICK	NONA YOAKUM
MACI BAPPLE	KATHY EGLOFF
NANCY LISOWSKI	ROBERT STEPHENSON
	MAREQUINA CARDOZO
	SUE TUREK
	LAURA HALL - SCHORDJE
	HENRIETTA SAGARIO



Almighty and everlasting God, grant our loved ones, troops, reservists, and first responders, the strength to carry out their duties. Give them courage and endurance each day as they use their skills to overcome challenges and obstacles. May they ever place their trust in you, 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

U.S. Army Reserves - Christopher Dexter

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

United States Navy - Timothy Kelly, 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 sjre2004@yahoo.com.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — When the people grumbled to Moses for water in the desert, the Lord heard and brought forth water from the rock for all to drink (Exodus 17:3-7).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:1-2, 5-8).

Gospel — Ask, and you will be given living water so that you will never thirst again (John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4;
Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-51b, 6, 7bc, 8-9;
Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20;
Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 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

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17;
Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;
Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

LENTEN PRAYER, REFLECTION AND ACTION FOR THE WEEK

Pray: Lord, I am yours, and I must belong to no one but you. My soul is yours, and must live only by you. My will is yours, and must love only for you. I must love you more than myself, since I am all yours and all in you."
St. Francis de Sales

Reflect: Read the Gospel of the Samaritan Woman (John 4:5-42) What deep thirst(s) do you ask Jesus to satisfy with His life-giving water? Who is someone in your life who has helped you encounter Jesus in a new or deeper way? Whom have you helped to know Jesus better by your words and/or deeds?

Act: Choose a day and drink only water (no coffee, soda, tea, etc.) and pray for those who do not have water to drink or who travel long distances to find clean water. Work on a relationship that needs some reconciliation and/or peace. Bring cookies for The Night Ministry. Attend this week's Soup Supper and Talk at St. Martha and/or Friday Stations of the Cross.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 15, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Franzie Bleiziffer
10:00 a.m.	Richard Doyle John Affatati Sr. Victoria Parker Gloria Zisman
12:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Deceased Members of the Bello Family
Monday - March 16, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society John Thomas (Special Intention)
Tuesday - March 17, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Patrick Fergus
Wednesday - March 18, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Helene Kowalik
Thursday - March 19, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	John Areno Liolia & Aleksander Rutkowski Mary Ann and Linda Even John Affatati Sr.
Friday - March 20, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Alice McNally
Saturday - March 21, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Maggie Kiesler
5:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Richard Noble
Sunday, March 22, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Lisowski Family
10:00 a.m.	Soura Kadapparamban
12:00 p.m.	Cipriana Ramos-Chua Xavier Pallivathukal

**Liturgy Next Weekend
March 21st & 22nd**

Confessions - 11:00 a.m.	Fr. Mario
5:00 p.m.	Mr. Mario
8:00 a.m.	Fr. Carlos
10:00 a.m.	Fr. Mario/ Deacon Paul
12:00 p.m.	Fr. Carlos/ Deacon Paul
1:30 p.m. - Baptisms	Deacon Paul

5:00 p.m.	Kristine Roque Alaina Linang Aaron Linang
8:00 a.m.	Red Reyes Arylne Tanghal Rylee Reyes
10:00 a.m.	Jalen Moraga Mark Lucas Michael Lucas
12:00 p.m.	A.Aaron Banez Steve Livingston Alessandra Banez



Log in to givecentral.org and register today!



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