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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF

Lent

APRIL 2, 2017

*Jesus cried out
in a loud voice,
"Lazarus,
come out!"*

John 11:43



FROM THE
Pastor's Desk

I am the Resurrection and the Life

When Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life," He was claiming to be the source of both. There is no resurrection and there is no eternal life apart from Christ. Where there is resurrection there is life. When Jesus stated, "I am the life," He meant that He has the power to bestow eternal life (John 6:33; 10:28; Revelation 1:18). The one who believes in Christ has eternal life that transcends physical death. To believe in Jesus means to accept everything He says as true and obey His words (John 12:44-48; 14:15).

What he did then and what he will do someday -- he does today by raising people from a life of sin and death -- to a life of faith and joy in the Lord. Jesus is the resurrection and the life for today. Martha said, "Lord, don't bother, he has been dead four days already; it is too late." Don't we do the same with people who have wandered away from the Lord already years ago? Don't we put a fence around them and say, "Oh well, what's the use?" He or she has been like this for so long, there won't be any change. If there was going to be we would have seen it by now.

How do we go about with our present scenario, when we see the Demographic shift taking place in our own parishes, we don't see the younger people come to Church anymore and we tend to think of them differently, as people not interested in God and His place of worship but given into doing things for themselves rather than God. It is like the case of the dead man, Lazarus, who died on account of illness. If we don't put our hands together and go in search of our lost brothers and sisters who need our care & attention and more so of our love that God cares for them, we're giving up on them too. We can give them some sort of reassurance that they are loved and needed and God awaits their return. We need to present them to Jesus so that He can say to them as he said to Lazarus "Come Out." The dead man Lazarus came to life again. We would be bringing life into their lives.

We believe that Jesus can raise the dead: even when they have turned to dust. Yet, knowing all that, sometimes we still put a fence around the power of Jesus: can He raise my son from a life of sin and unbelief? Can He raise him to a life of faith? Can He do it after all those years? Jesus shows that neither Death nor time is an obstacle to Him.

Well, if he can do it to Paul who hated him, and if he can raise a man who was decaying in the grave then he can raise your son or daughter, or your brother or sister, to a life of faith and obedience. He can do it to the people in your community as well. Let's not put a fence around the power of Jesus: He can raise the dead because he is the resurrection and the life: "Just believe!"

-Fr. Mario

LETS GET TO \$100,000 FOR THE ROOF!



*Help us sell the
2017 Raffle booklets.*

*Booklets are available at Masses, in the Rectory or
from any of the Captains listed below.*

*We're making progress towards
accumulating enough funds to begin
the roof. Lets get these booklets sold so
we can begin in 2017!*

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Hilde Koziol	John & Mary Affatati
Barb Watson	Dean & Geri Johansen

PARISH LENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE...

Will be this Saturday, April 8th, at 11 a.m. in the church. A Liturgy of the Word will be followed by individual confession and absolution. Confessions will be heard in English & Polish. All are encouraged to celebrate the Lord's great mercy and love as we near the celebration of the deepest mysteries of our faith!

**Please note there are no confessions
scheduled for Holy Saturday, April 15th.**

St. Isaac Jogues News

THIS WEEK'S LENT SCHEDULE

Sunday:

Fifth Sunday of Lent; Bible Talk, 9 a.m., HFR

Wednesday:

Bible Study, 9:30 p.m.; Small faith sharing group,
10:30 a.m., HFR

First Friday:

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament from end of 8 a.m.
Mass to 3 p.m. followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet,
Benediction and Stations of the Cross; Divine Mercy
Chaplet & Stations, 7 p.m.

Saturday:

Parish Lent Reconciliation Service, 11 a.m. (English &
Polish confession), Church.
Holy Week begins w/5 p.m. Mass.

Sunday:

Palm/Passion Sunday; Alms Recipient – Catholic Relief
Services' Rice Bowl Project.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

Spiritual Life Commission,
Tuesday, 7 p.m., RE Office

St. Joseph Table Planning Committee, Thursday,
6:30 p.m. (meeting only)

Practice for Easter Vigil, Saturday, 2 p.m., Church
(Presider, Deacon, Altar Servers, Lectors)

Practice for Good Friday, Sunday, April 9, 1:30 p.m.,
Church (All ministers, both services)

Practice for Holy Thursday, Monday, April 10, 8 p.m.,
Church (All ministers & those having feet washed)

Religious Education

+Many thanks to the Confirmation Year I & II Candidates who spent their Saturday morning yesterday cleaning up around the church property. We appreciate your efforts! Thank you to Mr. Lenart for spearheading the project!

+Confirmation Year II Candidates are reminded that Confirmation Retreat permission slips are due Monday night.

+Gr. 6 – Confirmation Year II classes will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation during class on Monday.

+The Day of the Spirit Retreat for all Confirmation Year II Candidates will be this Saturday, April 8, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. down in the Parish Hall. Lunch will be provided. Candidates are reminded that they will write their letters to Bishop Perry during the retreat. Please be thinking about what you will write as you will only have a short time to write the letter.

+Families are reminded to keep using the Rice Bowl materials sent home to learn about those being helped by this year's sacrifices and prayers! Rice bowls w/donations are due back Monday of Holy Week.

HOLY THURSDAY PILGRIMAGE

Why on this night do we travel from church to church to adore the Lord? It was at the Last Supper Jesus gave us the Eucharist, His Eternal Presence in our lives. He gave us the Eucharist to remind us that He is always with us to help strengthen us as we go about living our lives as his disciples. The Eucharist also points to Christ's command that we be one in love for Him and each other. So, on this night we travel about to share our celebration of the Holy Eucharist with one another.

Our tradition of making a pilgrimage to other churches on Holy Thursday will take place again this year. The Mass of the Lord's Supper is at 7:30 p.m. We leave promptly at 9 p.m. and will hopefully return to St. Isaac Jogues to spend some time in adoration here in our own parish. We do not have a list of churches yet as many parishes say they have not yet determined how long they will be open that night.

It is necessary to reserve a seat on the bus. It is important to make a reservation early as we will have just one bus. **Please call the Rectory at 847/967-1060 to reserve your place. A donation of \$5 per person is requested to offset the cost of the bus. It will be collected that evening.** Please remember we get on and off the bus several times and some of the churches have stairs or are a bit of a walk from the parking lot to the building.



2017 Replace the Roof Raffle "Winners Corner"

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR WINNERS!

Monday, March 27	\$50	346	Elizabeth Stanton	Morton Grove, Il
Tuesday, March 28	\$50	562	Maddie Grant-Mary O'Hara	Arlington Hts., Il
Wednesday, March 29	\$50	1226	Frankie Baron	South Elgin, Il
Thursday, March 30	\$50	1532	Jim & Sue Burke	Palatine, Il
Friday, March 31	\$50	1555	Cathy Forst	Arlington Hts., Il
Saturday, April 1	\$100	1196	Mercy Joseph	Glenview, Il
Sunday, April 2	\$100	944	Teresita Donor	Morton Grove, Il

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EGG SANDWICHES**

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St. Vincent de Paul

Our St. Isaac Jogues Outreach Ministry works to follow the teachings of St. Vincent de Paul. He tells us:

*“Go to the poor: you will find God.”
“The poor have much to teach you.
You have much to learn from them.”*

“Lord, help me to make time today to serve you in those who are most in need of encouragement or assistance.”

Serving others is our way of serving God. If the ministry interests you, please contact Fr. Mario or Fr. Carlos. All are welcome and we need your help. You can give as much or as little of your time as your life circumstances permit. Please, pray for our ability to help and those who need our help.

Parish Reconciliation Service

Saturday, April 8 at 11:00 a.m.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Palm/Passion Sunday, April 8 & 9

Sat. 5:00 p.m. &
Sun. 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Holy Thursday, April 13

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, April 14

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, April 15

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 16

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



We are again preparing for our Easter Basket program for needy individuals and families.

We are in need of the following:



Food Pantry
Donations Needed

pasta sauce, peanut butter, can
fruit, rice, coffee
can protein, chicken, spam,
ham, etc.

Your prayers, blessings and
support keep us going!
St. Isaac Jogues Outreach Ministry

RICE BOWL PROJECT

Join the RE students, catechists and assistants in supporting Catholic Relief Services' Rice Bowl Project, which for 40 years has helped transform the lives of those most in need. Countries for this year's focus include India, Zambia, El Salvador, Mexico, Ethiopia and in the United States the Diocese of Honolulu. Please place your monetary donations in the alms boxes at the doors of the church. They also invite you to pray the Rice Bowl Project Prayer during this week:

God of all people, You walk with us on our life's journey. You know our joys and struggles. You know us better than we know ourselves. This Lenten season, may we too learn to walk with others. Through prayer, fasting and almsgiving, may we encounter you in our neighbors in need and live your call to serve our human family. Amen.



ALTAR FLOWERS CAN BE A BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTE

Parishioners are invited to decorate the altar with flowers in honor or memory of a loved one.

There can be two arrangements each week. Your name and intention is listed in the Bulletin.

The cost of a flower arrangement is \$50. Altar flowers are available each weekend from May 14th to the weekend of November 19th.

Dates fill up quickly, so please book in advance by calling the rectory at 847-967-1060.

A LENTEN THOUGHT

"To each one of us Christ is saying: If you want your life and mission to be fruitful like mine, do as I. Be converted into a seed that lets itself be buried. Let yourself be killed. Do not be afraid. Those who shun suffering will remain alone. No one is more alone than the selfish. But if you give your life out of love for others, as I give mine for all, you will reap a great harvest."

Oscar Romero

CAN YOU HELP ?

- +Make decorative palm pieces this Saturday morning to use in our vases for Palm Sunday. RSVP by Tuesday.
- +Decorate in the Holy Family Room Holy Thursday morning for that night's Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament?
- +Decorate the Church and the Holy Family Room on Holy Saturday morning?
- +Provide a small fruit or vegetable tray or cookies for the Reception after Easter Vigil?
- +Serve refreshments in the Holy Family Room after the Easter Vigil and/or assist with clean up after the hospitality?

If you are able to assist in one or more ways listed above, please call the RE Office, 847/966-1180 or email sijre2004@yahoo.com this week. Thank you!

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

+Our Mass schedule for next weekend will be our usual weekend schedule. As there are options for the beginning of Mass on Palm Sunday, we will have the Solemn Entrance at all the Masses (except the 10 a.m. Mass), which includes the blessing of palms, the proclamation of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and a simple procession. At the 10 a.m. Mass we will have the Procession which includes everything as the Solemn Entrance but the procession will be throughout the church. At all the Masses we will hear the proclamation of the Passion and Death of Jesus according to the Gospel of Matthew.

+Altar Servers for Palm Sunday, April 8 – 9, are reminded that there is a practice at 6:15 p.m. this Monday, April 3rd, in church. If you arranged for a substitute for next weekend, please be sure your sub has this information about the practice. We will be finished before RE Classes begin.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Thus says the LORD GOD: I will open your graves, have you rise from them, and settle you on your land. (Ezekiel 37:12-14).

Psalm — With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption (Psalm 130).

Second Reading — If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive even if the body is dead because of sin (Romans 8:8-11).

Gospel — Lazarus, dead for four days, came out of his tomb when Jesus called his name. Many of those who had seen what had happened began to believe in Jesus (John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent
 Tuesday: St. Isidore
 Wednesday: St. Vincent Ferrer
 Friday: St. John Baptist de la Salle; Abstinence;
 First Saturday



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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62];
 Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11
 Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
 Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56;
 Jn 8:31-42
 Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
 Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
 Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56
 Sunday: Mt 21:1-11 (procession);
 Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24;
 Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]

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**LET US PRAY...**

Gracious Lord, hear our prayers for our family members, friends, and all others who serve and protect our country and communities. Watch over them and guide them and help them to remember your faithfulness and love. Amen.

First Responders	Shane Long, Brad Markovich, Greg Zalewski
United States Air Force	Joshua Aujero, Mason Janzen
United States Army	Brian Caplin, Gale Renner
U.S. Army Reserves	Christopher Dexter
United States Marines	Patrick Edward Echavez, Joseph John Zimmerman III, Lance Renner, Gian Patrick Reyes
United States Navy	Justin Pascoe, Timothy Kelly, David Perez
U.S. Navy Reserves	William B. Dexter
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.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 2, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Marian Bragiel Stanislaw & Emilia Biernacki
10:00 a.m.	Hal Yamanaka Mark Duval
12:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Helen Breyak

Monday, April 3, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society Joe De Sario
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Tuesday, April 4, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Ronald Timko
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Wednesday, April 5, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Maria Piontek
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Thursday, April 6, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Krystyna Swidzinska - Special Intention
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Friday, April 7, 2017

8:00 a.m.	MaryJane Polinski
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Saturday, April 8, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Steven Zourkas
5:00 p.m.	Dolores & Richard Chmielewski Jr.

Sunday, April 9, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Richard Arendt
10:00 a.m.	June Carsello
12:00 p.m.	Lodivico Gavino Pellegrino & Rosina Pighetti Teresita Del Rosario Rolando Guinsatao

Liturgy Next Weekend April 8th & 9th

11:00 am Lent Reconciliation Service	Frs. Mario, Carlos, Bernard & Krzysztof
5:00 p.m.	Fr. Carlos/Deacon Paul
8:00 a.m.	Fr. Mario/Deacon Paul
10:00 a.m.	Fr. Mario/Deacon Paul
12:00 p.m.	Frs. Carlos/Deacon Paul



April 8th & 9th

5:00 p.m.	Trisha Bonto Matthew Bonto Angelika Dacpano
8:00 a.m.	Mark Mangurali Lynelle Napata Colleen Oribello
10:00 a.m.	Matthew Magno Mark Magno Maya Gherman
12:00 p.m.	Alena Joseph Angelina Joseph Jonathan Piska

Sacristans

Theresa Noble
Francis Martel
Arlene Turek

Pray for...



JIMMY RANCICH
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PASTORAL STAFF:

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

DEACONS:

Deacon Paul M. Stanton (Dolores)

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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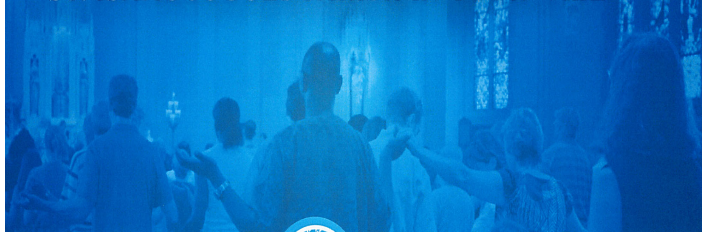
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Rectory office hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Saturday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday - Closed

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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