

SAINT ISAAC JOGUES PARISH

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

Administrator: Rev. Carlos Pereira, S.F.X.

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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: Saturday, 5PM

Sunday, 8AM & 10AM

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

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847-966-3266 or sjschool.org

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays, 11AM - 12:30PM, BY RESERVATION

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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Reflections from Fr. Carlos

Today we celebrate Easter Sunday or Resurrection Sunday. We celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ who died, but has been raised and continues to live among us for all eternity. We celebrate this event that is so central and basic for our faith that St. Paul writing to the Corinthian could say that "If Christ had not been raised, our faith is in vain." The Gospel account of the Resurrection tells us that it was difficult even for the close follower of Jesus to believe. They doubted at first but the power of God's Grace and the gift of the Holy Spirit of the Risen Lord changed their doubts and fears into conviction and more committed and dedicated disciples.

Today we also celebrate the living presence of Jesus among us and in our world today amidst all the struggles of our daily lives especially during this pandemic. Jesus is very much present among us, walking beside us. The living Jesus is with us as our companion in all the joyful moments and perhaps especially in our suffering moments.

Jesus who was sent by the father to show God's love for our world still lives and experiences the problems and difficulties of the world, especially during this pandemic and other disasters. The Risen Lord, still living among us, is still the light of hope and the great challenge for all to live our faith in the Risen Lord.

Let us go and share with others our good news, Jesus is Risen, death has been defeated, light and goodness have triumphed. Jesus is Risen. Alleluia is our song.

Happy Easter.

Alleluia He
Is Risen!



HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Holy Thursday, April 1st

8:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer
7:30 p.m. - Mass of the Lord's Supper
End of Mass. - 10:00 p.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Good Friday, April 2nd

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 3rd

8:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer
1:00 p.m. - Blessing of Easter Foods
8:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 4th

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

St. Isaac Jogues Upcoming Events

***Wednesday:** Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena after 8 a.m. Mass; Bible Study at 9:30 a.m.

***Friday:** Holy Hour and Benediction at the end of the 8 a.m. Mass.

***Saturday:** Please note that the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held in the Holy Family Room today if you have a reservation due to preparations for an early afternoon wedding.

***Divine Mercy Sunday:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from end of 10 a.m. Mass until Noon; At Noon we will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy followed by Benediction. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will not be offered on Sunday.

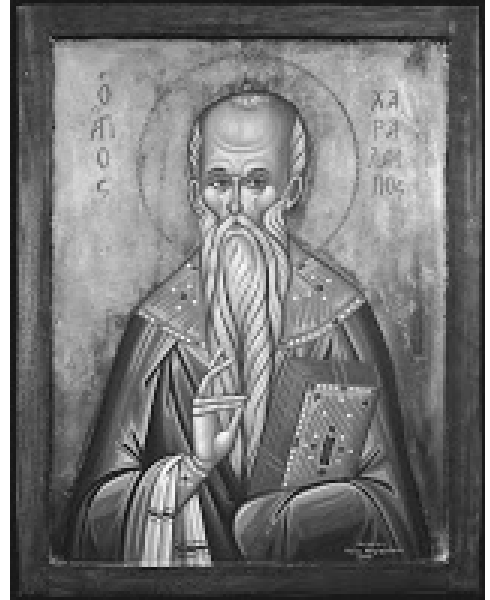
THE RECTORY OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER MONDAY. ANY/ALL CALLS WILL BE RETURNED ON TUESDAY, APRIL 6TH.

EASTER REFLECTION:

From an Easter homily by Melito of Sardis, bishop

"We should understand, beloved, that the paschal mystery is at once old and new, transitory and eternal, corruptible and incorruptible, mortal and immortal. In terms of the Law it is old, in terms of the Word it is new. In its figure it is passing, in its grace it is eternal. It is corruptible in the sacrifice of the lamb, incorruptible in the eternal life of the Lord. It is mortal in his burial in the earth, immortal in his resurrection from the dead.

"The Law indeed is old, but the Word is new. The type is transitory, but grace is eternal. The lamb was corruptible, but the Lord is incorruptible. He was slain as a lamb; he rose again as God. *He was led like a sheep to the slaughter*, yet he was not a sheep. He was silent as a lamb, yet he was not a lamb. The type has passed away; the reality has come. The lamb gives place to God, the sheep gives place to a man, and the man is Christ, who fills the whole of creation. The sacrifice of the lamb, the celebration of Passover, and the prescriptions of the Law have been fulfilled in Jesus Christ. Under the old Law, and still more under the new dispensation, everything pointed toward him. Both the Law and the Word came forth from Zion and Jerusalem, but now the Law has given place to the Word, the old to the new. The commandment has become grace, the type a reality. The lamb has become a Son, the sheep a man, and man, God.



"The Lord, though he was God, became man. He suffered for the sake of those who suffer, he was bound for those in bonds, condemned for the guilty, buried for those who lie in the grave; but he rose from the dead, and cried aloud: *Who will contend with me? Let him confront me.* I have freed the condemned, brought the dead back to life, raised men from their graves. Who has anything to say against me? I, he said, am the Christ; I have destroyed death, triumphed over the enemy, trampled hell underfoot, bound the strong one, and taken men up to the heights of heaven: I am the Christ.

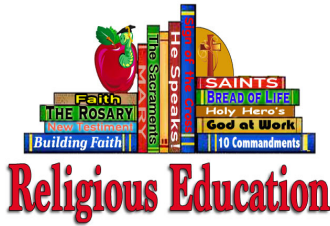
"Come, then, all you nations of men, receive forgiveness for the sins that defile you. I am your forgiveness. I am the Passover that brings salvation. I am the lamb who was immolated for you. I am your ransom, your life, your resurrection, your light, I am your salvation and your king. I will bring you to the heights of heaven. With my own right hand I will raise you up, and I will show you the eternal Father."

ALMSGIVING DONATIONS

If you would still like to contribute your alms for The Well of Mercy, Sunday Mass at Mercy Home, Knights of Columbus North American Council 4338 or SIJ Outreach ministry, please mail your check to, or place in, the Rectory mail slot by this Friday, April 9th. On the envelope or in the memo line please indicate to which ministry(ies)/organization(s) the alms are to be given. Checks will be sent out the following week.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY RESERVATIONS

Please note that the Easter Octave (eight days) begins today and ends with Divine Mercy Sunday next weekend, April 10 - 11. This is the highpoint of our liturgical year and is so important to our Salvation History and our life as the Church that it repeats the solemnness of Easter each of the eight days. Therefore, **if you came for Easter Vigil or Easter Sunday Mass, please do not sign up for a Mass for next weekend until this Friday, April 9th, after 1 p.m.**, so that those who could not attend Easter Vigil or Easter Sunday have the chance to celebrate Easter within the Octave at a Mass that weekend.



Religious Education

- +The RE Catechists, Staff and Families wish you a Blessed & Happy Easter!
- +Religious Education **classes will not meet on Easter Monday** (tomorrow). Links will be sent out later in the week for class on April 12th.
- +Rice bowl donations need to be turned in by Monday, Apr. 12th. You can drop them off from 5:30-6:30 p.m. that night at the RE Office. Please make a check out to SIJ Parish and write Rice Bowl in memo line (remember we cannot take all the coins). We can also take cash but not the coins.
- +First Communion Retreat will be on Saturday, April 17th, beginning at 1:30 p.m.
- +Confirmation Year II Sponsor letters have been sent out. Please remind your Sponsor that the completed response form is to be returned to the RE Office by April 19th.
- +The second test for Confirmation Year II Candidates will be sent via Remind this Thursday.

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Easter 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

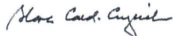
Once again this year we celebrate Easter in the midst of a pandemic, in a time of social unrest, and in a period of natural disasters that seem to be consequences of climate change. So, our mood may be somber or even sad. Still, there are reasons for hope and optimism. The vaccines are addressing the pandemic. Our commitment to justice for all people can reshape our life together. And each of us can do our part in making a difference to forestall climate change. But there are even stronger foundations of hope for us as people of faith and followers of Jesus.

In the Resurrection of Jesus, we begin to share in the victory of life over death, grace over sin, and hope over despair. In faith, we know the direction of our future. Although we cannot and ought not to deny our struggles, we move forward through them with a resilient confidence rooted in the power of the Risen Lord Jesus.

At the Easter Vigil during the lighting of the Paschal candle from the new fire, I pray in your name: "May the light of Christ rising in glory dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds." And I will continue to raise that prayer to God for all of us in this holy season. Join me in that same prayer and lift up your petition with a confident and trusting heart.

May God bless, keep, and protect you and your loved ones.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Archbishop of Chicago

WEDDING BANS III

Congratulations to Jonathan Herrera
& Lorie Jean Pangilinan on their
upcoming marriage

Saturday, April 10, 2021
1:00 PM

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.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

St. Faustina wrote, "While I was saying the chaplet, I heard a voice which said, ***"Oh, what great graces I will grant to souls who say this chaplet; the very depths of My tender mercy are stirred for the sake of those who say the chaplet. Write down these words, My daughter. Speak to the world about My mercy; let all mankind recognize My unfathomable mercy. It is a sign for the end times; after it will come the day of justice. While there is still time, let them have recourse to the fount of My mercy; let them profit from the Blood and Water which gushed forth for them."*** (#848, Diary)

Next Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. The Feast of Mercy Mass will be at 10 a.m. followed by the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Noon. Confessions will not be heard that Sunday, but are available on Saturday, April 10th, 11:00-12:30 in the Holy Family Room by reservation.

The Diving Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at Noon followed by Benediction. All are invited to continue the celebration of Easter by participation in all or some part of this feast day as we conclude the Octave of Easter.



EASTER MEAL PRAYER

Blessed are you, Lord God,
king of the universe:
you raised your beloved son
from the dead,
and made him Lord of all.
We turn to you in prayer
and ask you to bless us
and this food you have given us.
Help us to be generous toward others,
and to work with them so that they
too may eat well.

Loving Father,
may we all celebrate together
around your table in heaven.
We praise you and give you glory
through Christ our Lord.

- *Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops*



Pray for

KERMIT TURNER	TONY LIVORSI
MICHAEL NOBLE	JOHN ROMANO
JULIE HIGGINS	AUDREY JANS
CARL AFFATATI	DAVID FORST
RICHARD VAIL	CHRISTINA WALD
BETTY LANDON	KIMBERLY KNOX
EMILY SITKOWSKI	DIANE BAUER
CYNTHIA MELNICK	NONA YOAKUM
MICHAEL FOLISI	KATHY EGLOFF
DOROTHY BEZDON	ROBERT STEPHENSON
MATTHEW PONDER	LAURA HALL - SCHORDJE
FELICITA BAYANI	HENRIETTA SAGARIO
EMILY CABRERA	MARY SUNSHINE PONDER
LORNA ALBA	JUDY CABRERA
SUSAN ARENDT	YUL VENTURA
CINDY NOLAN	MARY LERPS
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MARTHA DEMKO	PELAGIA SAJULGA
REMEDIOS MAGPANTAY	JOHN OLDERSHAW
LAURA MORA	COLLEEN KING
TIM DENDOR	PATTY ZEMAN
	ALEXANDRA LAQUAGWA
	NORBERT FLOREK
	IRENE LINGAYA

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).

Psalms — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).

(1) Second Reading — All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) *or*

(2) Second Reading — Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).

Gospel — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) *or*

Mark 16:1-7 (*or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35*).

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

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 - 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: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;
Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;
Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a;
Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-21;
Mk 16:9-15

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;
1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

EASTER PEOPLE

**We are Easter people and
Alleluia is our song!**

—St. Augustine

Mass Intentions

Sunday - April 4, 2021 - Easter	
8:00 a.m.	Tony Irmen
10:00 a.m.	Michael Mac Donald Maria & Waldemar Tolpkowski
12:00 p.m.	Mark Duval
Monday - April 5, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society Johana Cardoza
Tuesday - April 6, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	All families
Wednesday - April 7, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	Steve Brisku John Affatati Gregorio Aisporna
Thursday - April 8, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	All travelers
Friday - April 9, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	Stanley Jezior
Saturday - April 10, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	Joseph Thuruthikara
5:00 p.m.	Deceased Members of the Dexter & Minkel Families
Sunday - April 11, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	John Arenò Tony Irmen
10:00 a.m.	Purificacion Rodriguez & Eduardo Rodriguez
12:00 p.m.	Egidio Aranas

Next Week Liturgy Schedule April 10th & 11th

Confession - 11:00 a.m.	Fr. Carlos
5:00 p.m.	Fr. Jose/Deacon Paul
8:00 a.m.	Fr. Carlos/Deacon Paul
10:00 a.m.	Fr. Carlos/Deacon Paul
Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction	Fr. Carlos/Deacon Paul

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