

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
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Masses: Cancelled until further notice

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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:

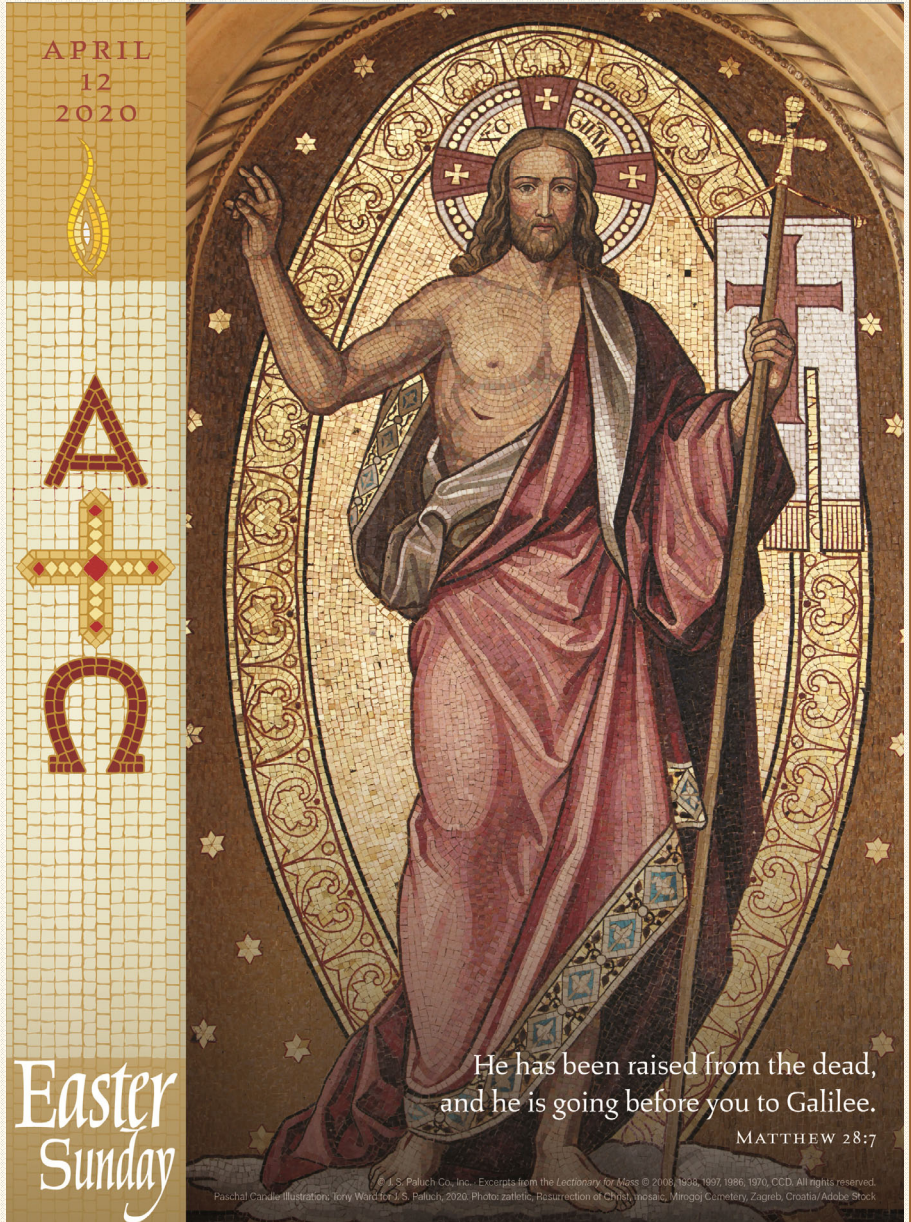
Friday at 5:00 p.m.

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.



Easter Sunday

He has been raised from the dead,
and he is going before you to Galilee.

MATTHEW 28:7

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Parish Pastoral Council			Finance Committee Advisors	
Ted Lenart, Chairperson	Kathy Denning	Gerry Zeller	Kathy Denning	Barbara Watson
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Debbie Dexter	Fernando Bonto	Maria Swidzinski	Lori Ronczka	Concy Mesquita
John Kadiri	Irene Baron			
Women's Club Chairperson – Louella Preston				
Men's Club Chairperson – Chuck Napravnik				
Fil-Am Chairperson – Jelly Carandang (Interim)				



FROM THE
Pastor's Desk

Do not be afraid, for you have found favor with God.

We are in a time of uncertainty due to the spread of coronavirus. Fear and anxiety looms large and one wonders how the current scenario would shape humanity now. It is always hard to see clearly when challenges appear. We get lost inside the emotions we feel. We should not despair or lose hope when adversity strikes us down but look up and reach out.

"Do not be afraid" said the angel to Mary *"for you have found favor with God."* I think the same is with us. We should not be afraid for He is with us. He will save us and especially when the going gets tough. Let us remember that we are not alone as He stands beside us to lead us along. We need to sincerely repent for our sins and turn to the Lord in prayer and the Lord will have mercy on all those who cry to him for help.

Our normal life has been on hold constraining us to quarantine. It is a moment of time for us to reflect deeply on the many events that have taken place in the past and how we fared. How blessed we have been to have public masses and other celebration of the sacraments. Now is the time to interiorize and value the many things that God bestowed on us and due to our own selfishness, we have to forego those very things that were meaningful, productive and recreational.

As we are going to have our Easter celebrations without a public mass which is unusual for us and hard to believe; yet our spirits are alive to praise the "Risen Lord" who has risen from the dead to give us life. Death has no more power over him. We are indeed resurrected people and "Alleluia" is our song. Let's intensify our life of prayer, scripture reading, our family rosary, showing solidarity with the members of the family, neighbors and reaching out to those in need. The Lord died for our sake and rose to life then we in turn are called to be his disciples. And a disciple is the one who is prepared to walk the path of righteousness as shown by the master.

Each day when we read his word, it gives us strength to endure. We are in our time of struggle trying to cope with the unusual situation but with God's help and assistance, we can pull together whatever may be the crises as it is said "The family that prays together stays together." Let us jointly put our right foot forward to support each other the best way we can and convey the good news of Easter that the Lord is risen. "He is risen Indeed"

Happy Easter! The Lord is in command. To him belongs the whole world. Have no fear; be not afraid as this too will pass away.

-Fr. Mario

BIBLE VERSES ABOUT HOPE

Jeremiah 29:11 – “For I know well the plans I have in mind for you – plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope.”

Zephaniah 3:17 – “The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior, who will rejoice over you with gladness, and renew you in his love, who will sing joyfully because of you, as on festival days.”

Proverbs 24:14 – “Such, you must know, is wisdom to your soul. If you find it, you will have a future, and your hope will not be cut off.”

Romans 12:12 – “Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer.”

Romans 15:13 – “May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the holy Spirit.”

Titus 3:7 – “That we might be justified by his grace & become heirs in hope of eternal life.”

Hebrews 11:1 – “Faith is the realization of what is hoped for & evidence of things not seen.”

I Corinthians 16:13 – “Be on your guard, stand firm in the faith, be courageous, be strong.”

John 10:10: “I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.”



St. Isaac Jogues News

AHEAD THIS WEEK

- +The parish staff, ministries and organizations wish you a **Blessed Easter**. May the Easter Season overflow with the joy of the Resurrection and the peace only Jesus can give. He is Risen, Alleluia!
- +If you have not yet signed up for FlockNote, please do so. It will assist us in communicating with you.
- +When we made check-in calls to all registered parishioners last month, several telephone numbers we had on file were disconnected or not in service. If any of your information has changed, please contact the Rectory so we can update your file, 847/967-1060 or lori@sij-parish.com.
- +The Spiritual Life Commission will correspond via email and phone Tuesday to evaluate Lent Mission and make decisions about upcoming gatherings.
- +Deacon Paul’s 22nd Anniversary of Ordination is Saturday. Please remember him and his ministry in your prayers.
- +Pray for our First Communion Candidates, who will be doing retreat activities at home Saturday in preparation for the sacrament. May the Lord fill them strength and joy, as they await their First Communion Day. The April date has been postponed. We look forward to celebrating with them as soon as it is safe to do so.
- +If social distancing practices have changed, parish organizations will inform their members if there is a meeting this week.

While we were calling all parishioner homes to check in, we discovered over 150 disconnected phone numbers! In addition, we continue to prepare for a 2020 Guidebook for delivery in late summer or early fall and ask everyone to update their registration information if required. Please provide the following:

Name _____ Home/Cell phone _____

Street Address _____ City & Zip _____

Email address _____

Do you want your information listed in the Guidebook? Y/N
Name? Y/N Address? Y/N Phone? Y/N Email? Y/N

Please complete the form and drop your changes off in the rectory mailbox, or send them in the mail as soon as you can. You can also email your changes to lori@sij-parish.com THANKS!



PRAYER FOR “RENEW MY CHURCH”

*Lord Jesus, you speak to us today,
as you spoke to holy men and women
who have gone before us.*

*In every age and in our own time,
you call to us and say: Renew My Church.*

*Pour out the gift of your Holy Spirit upon us,
and so enable us to hear you clearly*

to listen to each other attentively

to imagine our future boldly

to discern your direction wisely

to persevere in your holy will courageously

to stay together in charity

to surrender our own plans readily

to embrace the greater good

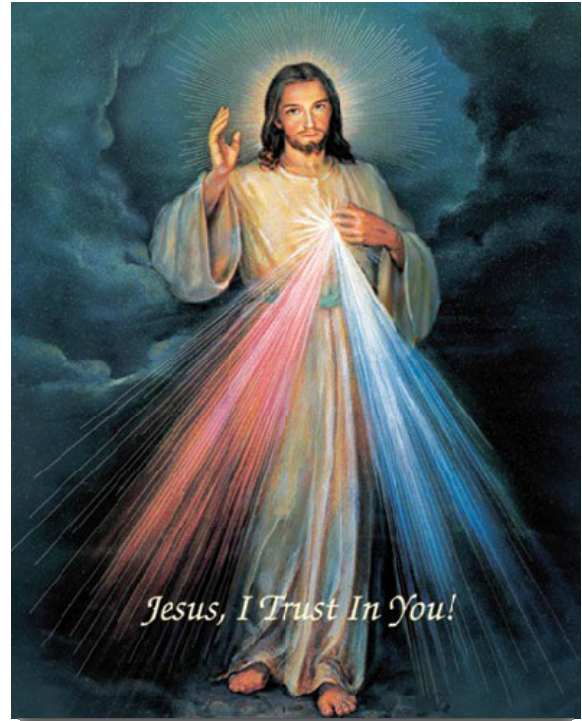
to hand on your gifts to future generations.

*May we remain in the holy company of
the Blessed Virgin Mary, the apostles,
and all the saints.*

*May their example and presence
inspire us with patient confidence
in the work of your grace.*

*We ask this of you who live and reign
with the Father*

*in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,
forever and ever. Amen*



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY AT HOME

+Sing the Easter Alleluia! (See Easter music, next page of the bulletin).

+Prepare for Mass by reading Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; I Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31.

+Watch **Sunday Mass** at Mercy Home, 9:30 a.m. on WGN Channel 9 or from Holy Name Cathedral, 9:30 a.m. on WLS Channel 7. Offer the Spiritual Communion Prayer.

+Share with others: How does Jesus' mercy and peace help you to follow him? How do you share His mercy and peace with others? What might be other ways to share those gifts with others?

+Reflect on your need for God's mercy; make an Examination of Conscience; if you are truly sorry for your sins make a good Act of Contrition.

+Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 p.m., sung version will be online. See above.


CHRIST THE LORD
IS RISEN TODAY!



EASTER MUSIC

In an effort to provide you with music for Easter and Divine Mercy Sunday, Lisa Hall has made/will make recordings of songs to assist your prayer. Go to www.YouTube.com Type in the Search bar Lisa Hall S.I.J.

It will bring you to her page and then click on the purple circle with an L. Now you can click on the songs of the day you are observing and either listen or sing along.

EASTER SUNDAY AT HOME

- +Sing the Easter Alleluia! (See above Easter music).
- +Prepare for Easter Mass by reading Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Psalm 118:102, 16-17, 22-23; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9.
- +Watch **Sunday Mass at Mercy Home, 9:30-10:30 a.m. on WGN Channel 9 with Cardinal Cupich** presiding. Offer the Spiritual Communion Prayer at Communion time.
- +Share with others: What new life has Jesus given you during the last few weeks? What new life have you given to others?
- +Give a blessing to each other and offer, in words or a bow, the Sign of Peace.
- +Easter Meal Grace: *Light your designated "Easter Candle". Sing a favorite Alleluia.* L: This is the day the Lord has made, alleluia. **Let us rejoice and be glad, alleluia.** We joyfully sing your praises, Lord Jesus Christ, who on the day of your resurrection were recognized by your disciples in the breaking of the bread. Remain here with us as we gratefully partake of these gifts, and at the banquet table in heaven welcome us, who have welcomed you in our brothers and sisters, for you live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**



Religious Education

- +The RE Students, Catechists and Assistants wish you a **Holy and Happy Easter**. Rejoice for Jesus is alive!
- +**Confirmation Year II Candidates** are to mail in any late work by Monday, April 20th. This includes autobiographies, service logs, service summaries, Spirit journals, Saint name papers, etc. Please note that Test II will be mailed to you this week and it is to be sent back completed by April 27 along with your letter to Fr. Mario.
- +**Confirmation Year I Candidates** are to email or mail your autobiographies by April 20th.
- +A mailing has been sent to **First Communion families** with activities to do at home for your own "mini retreat".
- +Religious Education families are asked **to end/drop off their Rice Bowl donations in an envelope marked RE Rice Bowl** in the mail slot of the Rectory/Parish Office (check payable to St. Isaac Jogues Parish or cash for the total amount). **Please do not bring rice bowls full of coins.** We will then write one check to Catholic Relief Services. Thank you for your Lenten sacrifices and prayers. .



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
	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
sijre2004@yahoo.com.



TODAY'S READINGS

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

Psalm — 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*
Matthew 28:1-10 (*or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35*).

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, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;
1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

THE EASTER OCTAVE

Sunday, April 5 - Sunday, April 12, 2020

Eastertime lasts fifty days: seven weeks of seven days (seven equals Biblical perfection) plus one day: perfection plus! Like an eight-day Jewish wedding, or a child who can't bear to let go of Christmas, birthdays, and school vacation, the Church celebrates the Easter Octave: "the marriage of heaven and earth," as the Vigil calls Jesus' resurrection; our new members' baptismal rebirth; our renewal of baptismal vows; our hearts' "divine vacation" (Latin *vacare*, "to be empty"), newfound time and space for love of God and neighbor. Make home an Easter garden! Adorn the dining table with a pillar candle (your "paschal candle"), a bowl full of water (ideally, from the parish's baptismal font), a vase of flowers or bowl of sprouting grain with Easter eggs. Even non-singers can handle the three-fold Gospel Alleluia! Let that be your grace before meals, perhaps with a prayer recalling Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35): "Be known to us, Risen Lord Jesus, as you were to the first disciples, in your word, in the breaking of bread, and in everyone we meet."

Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 12, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Helene Kowalik
10:00 a.m.	Rosina and Pellegrino Pighetti
10:15 a.m.	Mark Duval
12:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Gerard Dreyfuss

Monday - April 13, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society Fran Zimmerman
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Tuesday - April 14, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Raphael Chirayath
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Wednesday - April 15, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Joseph Putherickal
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Thursday - April 16, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Raphel and Daniel Chirayath Don Angelaccio
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Friday - April 17, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Joe and Fran Zimmerman
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Saturday - April 18, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Joseph Thuruthikara
5:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ John Arenò

Sunday, April 19, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Chrzaszcz Family
10:00 a.m.	Domenica Galassini
12:00 p.m.	Genowefa Ostropolska Purificacion Rodriguez Eduardo Rodriguez



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VIA EMAIL AND TEXT MESSAGE

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TO 84576

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sij2.flocknote.com

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CHRIST HAS RISEN

Where is your sting, O death? Where is your victory, O hell? Christ has risen, and you are overthrown. Christ has risen, and the demons have fallen. Christ has risen, and the angels rejoice. Christ has risen, and life reigns. Christ has risen, and not one dead rests in the grave. For Christ having risen from the dead became the first-fruits of them that slept. To him be glory and majesty to ages of ages. Amen.

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