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Confirmation

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Rex George Joseph Hancock John Hidalgo

Jeno James Stephanie Jimenez Jeffin Joseph

Jennifer Joseph Tiffany Joseph Macie Kowalkowski

Reshma Kurian Samantha Lopez Natalia Lulek

Albey Mathew Chrystal Mattappillil Bernard Misiak

Natalia Patyk Karolina Rabczak Paul Raczka

Adam Ratner Audrey Sanders David Scarbrough

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Edrienne Yap Bozenka Zielinski Phillip Zielinski

Sixth Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2008

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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"SEALED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT"

This Sunday, thirty-nine young people will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation is essentially the **gift** of the Spirit— a personal Pentecost! As the final step in Christian Initiation, it enables those anointed to "share more completely the mission of Jesus Christ and the fullness of the Holy Spirit..." In the Western Church, the bishop (or a priest officially delegated) prays over those presented for Confirmation:

All powerful God, Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ, by water and the Holy Spirit you freed your sons and daughters from sin and gave them new life. Send your Holy Spirit upon them to be their helper and guide.

Give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence. Fill them with the spirit of wonder and awe in your presence. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

The ritual of Confirmation consists in an anointing with Sacred Chrism on the forehead, a laying on of the hand, and the formula: **"BE SEALED WITH THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT."** What powerful imagery! In the Bible and other ancient cultures, oil is a sign of abundance and joy. It cleanses, heals, strengthens and "beautifies" the body. In Confirmation, anointing becomes a sign of consecration and commitment. Through the ritual of anointing, the Confirmand is "marked" or "sealed." Even in ordinary life, the sealing of a letter symbolizes completeness. A notary or church seal makes a document official and legally binding. Wearing the symbol or "seal" of a nation places one in the service of that nation. In the ancient world, soldiers and slaves were marked or tattooed with the seal of the one they served. The history and symbolism of the sacrament ought to lead our young people and us to recognize how powerful Confirmation really is.

As we remember the Holy Father's visit to Washington, D.C. and New York, we recognize what a "gift" it was! Pope Benedict XVI became for countless thousands a phenomenal sign of hope and encouragement. I was especially moved by his "message" to youth. It seemed to resonate with the gifts of the Spirit. I would like to believe that those who are confirmed this Sunday by Bishop Rassas may have also been touched by the Holy Father's appeal to live their faith and be open to God's call, whether it is a vocation to family life, the priesthood or consecrated religious state. I pray that they will consider vocation as a God-inspired gift.

Only time and a readiness to respond to God will show how our thirty-nine young people will impact the future of the Church and the world. **LET US CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR OUR CONFIRMANDS.**

MARIAN SHRINE FOR MAY

Continuing a tradition begun last year, during the month of May, the space near the baptismal font will be set apart as a Marian Shrine. Each week, a special image of Our Lady will be honored:

- May 4 **Our Lady of Antipolo**
(Filipino Prayer Group)
- May 11 **Our Lady of Grace**
(The Women's Club)
- May 18 **Our Lady of Czestochowa**
(The Ignacy Paderewski School Families)
- May 25 **Our Lady of Vailankanni**
(The Indian Community)

- Fr. Luczak

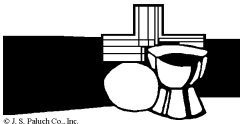


StewardshipSunday Collection

Weekly (this year) 4/20/08—\$9,932.35

(last year) 4/29/07- \$10,684.88

Those who obey the commandments, Jesus says in today's Gospel, are the ones who really love Him. Does my stewardship reveal my love for Jesus?



SPIRITUAL LIFE

PENTECOST WEEKEND

We are seeking individuals who are willing to translate and offer a petition in languages other than English at the Pentecost Masses the weekend of May 10-11. If you can assist, please sign up in the Holy Family Room next weekend or call the RE Office this week, 847/966-1180. We will be able to do this only at the Masses that have willing voices. Thank you!

READINGS FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (white)

Acts 1:1-11
 Psalm 47:2-3, 6-9
 Ephesians 1:17-23
 Matthew 28:16-20

ABOUT NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

ACTS: "Today's passage takes us back to the beginning verses of the Acts of the Apostles and sets forth the themes that Luke is going to develop throughout this, the longest book of the New Testament. His major theme is the role of the Holy Spirit, who enables the apostles to be effective witnesses to Jesus. The Holy Spirit is mentioned 57 times in the Acts of the Apostles."

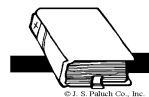
EPHESIANS: "Ephesus is located on the western coast of what is today Turkey, and Paul visited there several times. Today's passage, which is near the beginning of the letter to the Ephesians, is a prayer asking God's blessing upon that community. Many thoughts in this prayer are connected to today's feast of the Ascension."

MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER SALE

Flowers are a Mother's favorite! On Mother's Day Weekend, May 10-11 beautiful bouquets of Fresh flowers will be sold in the Holy Family Room after all the Masses. You'll find the perfect bouquet from an array of roses, carnations, mixed floral arrangements, and new this year, a garden hydrangea bouquet. Each is wrapped in tissue and ready to present to your Mother or special lady in your life.



The proceeds from your purchase will be used to help teen girls and young women who are in a crisis pregnancy situation and need assistance. Last year The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland provided compassionate counseling, social services, referrals and material goods assistance to over 5,000 women who are facing crisis pregnancies. Since its founding in 1984 the Women's Centers have helped save more than 31,000 babies—and their mothers—from the tragedy of abortion. For more information, please visit their website at www.womens-center.org. Thank you for your generous support.



EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

*The Faith Community of St. Isaac Jogues Parish congratulates the young women and men who will complete their Catholic initiation during a 3:00 p.m. Mass this afternoon when Bishop George Rassas confers the Sacrament of Confirmation upon them. May God bless them and the Holy Spirit guide them to live as Christ each day!

We also congratulate Agnes Zawadzki who was confirmed earlier this month and Abraham Varughese who will receive a blessing as he is already confirmed.

*First Communion Practice for those participating in the May 3 group celebration will be this Thursday, May 1st, 6:30-8:00 p.m. in Church. At least one adult family member is to attend the entire practice with their child. The First Communion Mass will be on Saturday, May 3rd, at 11:00 a.m. in church. First Communion Candidates are to be in the Holy Family Room by 10:40 a.m.



*Confirmation Year I Candidates are to turn in their log of ten service points on Monday, May 5, or an explanation of what their service will be over the summer.

*Upcoming Year-End Evaluation and Planning Meetings (Please bring your completed evaluations or please send them ahead of time to the RE Office if you are unable to attend the meeting. Thanks!) -- With Room Parents: Monday, May 5, 6:45 p.m., HFR --With RE Catechists and Assistants: Monday, May 5, after class, HFR

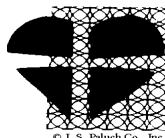
*Letters and registration forms for the 2008-2009 RE Program have been mailed out to families currently in the RE Program. Registration for returning and new families to the RE Program will be held on Monday, May 12th, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Holy Family Room.

Returning families need to fill out appropriate form, provide a copy of each new child's baptismal certificate and give a partial tuition payment. Returning families are to return their completed registration materials by June 15th as a late fee of \$25 is assessed after that and a late fee of \$35 is assessed after August 1. If you think you might be moving but are unsure, it is better to register now and withdraw later!

New families will need to fill out appropriate forms, provide a copy of each child's baptismal certificate, give a partial tuition payment and provide a letter/report card/evaluation from the parish or school your child previously attended for religious education (if applicable).

Kindergarten classes meet on Sunday mornings, 10:30-11:30 a.m. and Grs. 1-8 (Confirmation Year II) meet on Monday evenings, 6:45-8:00 p.m. Students

must participate in religious education classes for at least two years prior to receiving a sacrament. Families are strongly encouraged to have their children attend religious education every year to assist them in their faith development and formation. Families who have children with special needs or older children who have not yet celebrated First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, etc., are encouraged to talk with us to see what options are available for your children's participation. For more information or to have questions answered, please call the Religious Education (RE) Office at 847/966-1180.



HUMAN CONCERNS

Smoking Cessation Forum: Tools to Help You Quit

Northwest Community Hospital and the Palatine Board of Health will sponsor this smoke ending forum on Wed., May 7, 2008 from 6-8PM at the Village of Palatine, 200 E. Wood in Palatine. From 6-7PM, Glaxo Smith Klein will provide free health screenings consisting of spirometry and age progression. Participants will learn how smoking or secondhand smoke has affected their lungs and see how they'll look at age 72 if they don't stop. From 7-8PM, smoking Cessation Specialists will conduct a round table discussion. Topics include "Deciding to Quit," "Nicotine Replacement Options," "Teen Smoking," "Weight Gain and Exercise," and "Secondhand Smoke." Registration for the health screenings is required. Please call 1.847.618.4YOU (4968).

Motherless Daughters Workshop

Loyola Hospice and Rainbow Hospice Bereavement Support will sponsor *Motherless Daughters* – a workshop for women of all ages whose mothers have died, on Saturday, May 10, 2008 from 9AM to 1PM at Loyola University Center Stritch School of Medicine 2160 S. First Ave., Maywood. Barbe Creagh, Ph.D. will facilitate the presentation and discussion. Lunch will follow. The program and meal are offered free of charge, but donations are welcome. For additional information or to register, please call Nancy Kiel at 708-216-1646 or Rainbow Hospice Bereavement Support at 847-692-8884.

Gastro-Intestinal Health
Part 3 – Food & Drink Tips for Calming Nighttime Heartburn
(From <http://heartburn.about.com/od/preventingheartburn/a/tipsnighthrtrbrn.htm>, 2007)

Last week's article contained information on behaviors which heartburn and GERD sufferers might follow in their pursuit of a good night's sleep. Today's offering speaks to dietary adjustments which may help as well.

When it comes to eating – how much/ how often – it's recommended:

- Six small meals a day can reduce stomach acid production and ensure a less-than-full stomach. Eating slowly helps as does "eating your big meal at lunch instead of supper."
- "Avoid late-night snacking" and "wait two to three hours after eating before going to bed." These will lower stomach acid levels.

Certain foods can trigger heartburn symptoms, so it's best to limit or avoid:

- citrus fruits like oranges and grapefruit
- acidic foods like tomatoes and oranges
- fried foods, especially the greasy varieties like French Fries
- "tomato-based products, such as ketchup, tomato sauce and paste, and spaghetti sauce"
- chocolate
- spicy foods (and seasonings) so "cut back on chili and pepper"

There are beverages to avoid as well:

- alcohol because it "increases the production of stomach acid, and relaxes the lower esophageal sphincter (LES)"
- caffeinated liquids like colas and coffee as "caffeine relaxes the LES, increasing the risk of acid reflux."

It's recommended that sufferers instead drink warm liquids. Drinking a lukewarm beverage like water or herbal tea after a meal can dilute and flush out stomach acid." Plenty of water throughout the day is suggested as well, but limit how much you swallow at once. Large amounts "increase the stomach contents and actually worsen heartburn symptoms." Just remember to drink less but more often!

Peace!

Pat Kellen, RN, Parish Nurse
Advocate Health Care/ St. Isaac Jogues

Pre-Parish Council meeting on Tuesday, April 29, at 7 PM in the Holy Family Room. It is part of a discernment process that will help to re-form St. Isaac

hopeline

Uneasy or unsure about being pregnant? Let us help. We are confidential
Call HOPELINE (847) 823-HOPE



PARISH LIFE

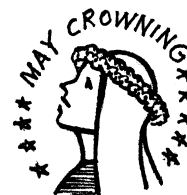
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ST. ISAAC JOGUES WOMEN'S CLUB

SPECIAL INVITATION



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SIJ FILIPINO PARISHIONERS

Invite you to:

"An Afternoon of Music with Ester Hana"

on Sunday, May 4, 2008

at 3:00PM

in the Holy Family Room

at St. Isaac Jogues Church

Donation: \$15.00

Ester is a multi-talented singer, songwriter and pianist who has trained internationally.

Come and enjoy her:

- rendition of popular Broadway songs
- piano playing versatility
- sing songs in various languages
- play and sing some of her original compositions

For tickets please contact Teresita Sitjar at:
847-965-3889.

The parishioners of St. Isaac Jogues are invited to the May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Tuesday evening May 6 in our church at 7 P.M.

There will be a Living Rosary and Crowning of Mary. All are encouraged to participate by representing one of the beads and reciting the appropriate prayer and then placing a flower by the statue of Mary.

This is a great opportunity to display your love for Mary by praying the rosary. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will follow.

All parishioners are invited to the holy family room immediately following the ceremony for hospitality and camaraderie.

St. Isaac Jogues women's club

Blessing of Easter Food

Men's Club
Outing



Tuesday, July 21, 2008

Sox vs. Texas

7:00 p.m.

Cost \$35.00

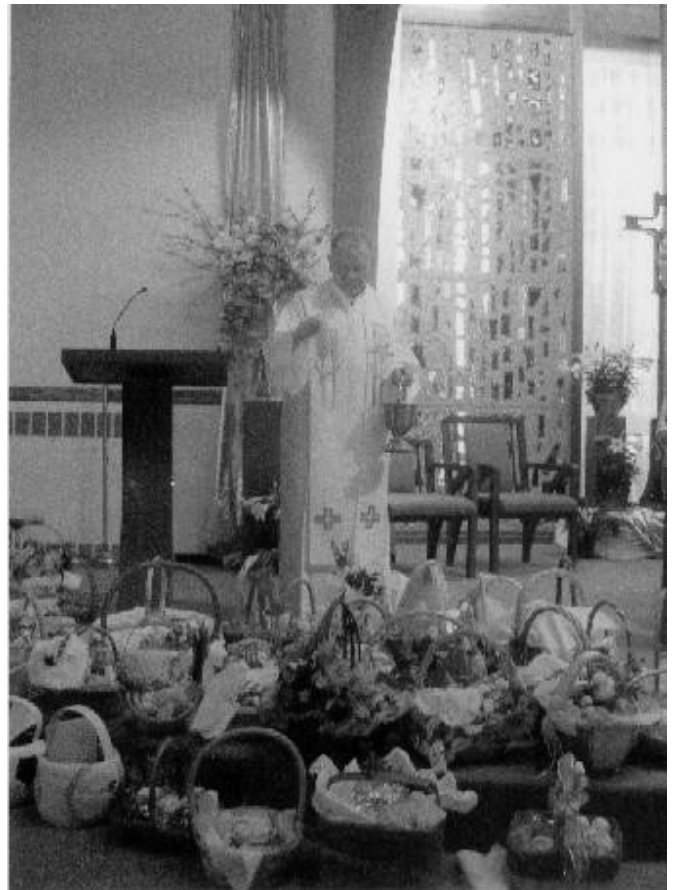
(only a few ticket still available)

Includes food, drinks & transportation

For reservations

call Ed Mikeska (847) 729-9561

or George Flentge (847) 970-9976



April 15, 2008

Dear Father Luczak and St. Isaac Jogues Parishioners,

A very sincere and heartfelt thank you for the recent Sharing Check of \$2,410.00. As always you can be assured that it will be well used for the benefit of all of our ministries here at Maternity B.V.M. Parish.

As we look forward to the great feast of Pentecost, let us pray much for each other, that the Spirit may fill each heart and life with love and peace. May you experience the joy of spring and of Easter today and everyday!

Sincerely yours,

Father Tom Pelton

REBUILD LIVES.**RESTORE DIGNITY IN FAMILIES.**

Families in crisis come to Catholic Charities to rebuild their lives. In 2007, more than 178,000 families in Cook and Lake counties found new strength. They learned job skills, gained control of their finances, developed healthier ways of communicating during counseling sessions, joined recovery programs, and found answers to some of life's most pressing problems.

"Catholic Charities is helping me do all the things I've wanted to do for so long. They are focused on making women like me move forward. I won't be content until I get out on my own."

**. Homeless mother living in
Catholic Charities' New Hope Apartments**

*Please give generously to
Catholic Charities' Mother's Day Appeal.*
www.catholiccharities.net



All about help and just about everywhere.

**CLOTHES, CLOTHES, CLOTHES**

On Thursday, May 1st, come to Maryville and have fun! Fill our shopping bag with clothes for only \$8!! Men-Ladies-Children-Coats-Suits-Sweaters-Shoes-Jeans-Fancy Dresses-Baby Clothes-etc. Maryville is located at 1150 N. River Road in Des Plaines (Central and River Roads. Enter at River Road Entrance to the Resale Shop).

**The Thomas More Law Center
based in Ann Arbor, MI****Please Save the Date for our April 30th Event in
Chicago!**

The Thomas More Law Center (TMLC) is a not for profit public interest law firm dedicated to the defense and promotion of religious freedom of Christians, time honored family values, and the sanctity of human life.

The TMLC Club of Chicago will be featuring nationally syndicated talk show host Hugh Hewitt on Wednesday, April 30th. In the Chicago area, Hugh Hewitt can be heard daily from 9:00pm to 11:00pm on WIND-560AM.

Wednesday, April 30th, 2008

6:30 - 8:30 PM

Northridge Preparatory School
8320 W. Ballard Road
Niles, IL 60714

<http://www.thomasmore.org/qry/page.taf?id=95>

To RSVP, you may email
mhemly@thomasmore.org. or call 734-827-2001.

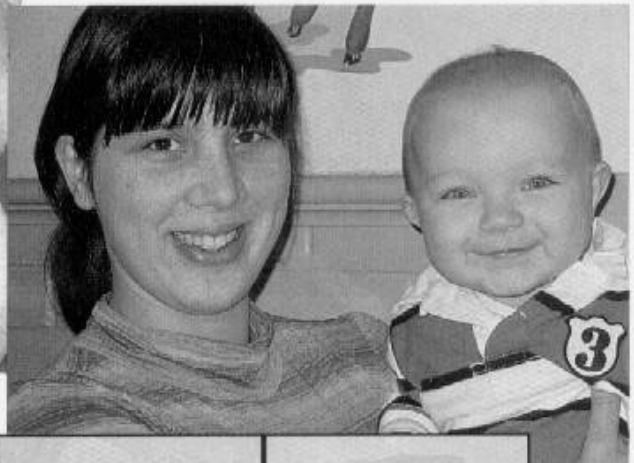
Many Americans are shocked to learn that in the last 50 years, our nation's courts have been the final arbiters on the most Significant moral and social issues of our time. Over the years, and as a result of high-powered organizations such as the ACLU, the courts have disregarded religious freedom, devalued the family unit, and denied the sanctity of human life.

The Thomas More Law Center is committed to restoring these rights and freedoms, recognizing that they are an inherent piece of America's Christian heritage and moral foundation.

Mother's Day



*Flowers will be sold
after all Masses on
Saturday, May 10th
and Sunday, May 11th*



- Grand Garden Hydrangea Bouquet. \$25.00*
- Bouquet of 6 Roses \$12.00*
- Mixed Floral Bouquets..... \$10.00*
- Bouquet of 6 Carnations..... \$7.00*

Proceeds from the sale of flowers help support the life-saving work of
The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland
 773-794-1313 www.womens-center.org

Sunday, April 27

- 7:30 am For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Isaac Jogues & their Families; Charles Falco
- 9:00 am Edward C. O'Keefe
- 10:30 am Caterina & Rosa Cozzoli
- 12:00 pm Philip Selker

Monday, April 28

- 8:00 am Purgatorial Society; Joseph Vanacora

Tuesday, April 29

- 8:00 am Robert Merritt

Wednesday, April 30

- 8:00 am Joseph Vanacora

Thursday, May 1

- 8:00 am Piotr & Maria Teperowicz

Friday, May 2

- 8:00 am Charles Falco

Saturday, May 3

- 8:00 am Communion Service—No Intentions
- 5:00 pm Rev. Francis Cerniglia

Sunday, May 4

- 7:30 am Anthony J. Angello
- 9:00 am For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Isaac Jogues & their Families; Steven Zourkas
- 10:30 am Edward & Edmund Klimowski
- 12:00 pm Mary Splinter

Liturgies next weekend

May 3 — 4

Presiders

- 11:00 am Fr. Luczak/Deacon Paul
- 5:00 pm Fr. McGlynn
- 7:30 am Fr. Luczak/Deacon Bob
- 9:00 am Fr. Kalas
- 10:30 am Fr. Stagaman
- 12:00 pm Fr. Stagaman



Altar Servers

- 5:00 pm Adam Ratner, Sabin Thomas, Mercedes Gallegos
- 7:30 am Alexandria Winans, Olivia Ellsworth, Elizabeth Stanton
- 9:00 am Kathleen DeLeon, Ian DeLeon, David Perez
- 10:30 am Edrienne Yap, Althea Yap, Samantha Lopez
- 12:00 pm Kathleen Vega, Davide Cirrincione, Thomas Malitz

Sacristy Committee

Diane Bauer, Janet Grant

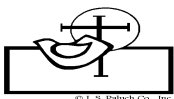
Relatives & Friends

Please remember the sick and hospitalized:

- Bob Arns, Dominick Burdi, Marie DeMeo, Philip Godfrey, Mark Koz, Maria Ladd, Bill Janzen, Megan Lawler, Lillian McCloud, Mary Ellen McNicholas, Bob Meyers, Marilyn Michaels, Pat Olech, Audrey Pampel, Tammy Heffernan Propst, Tony Romito, Linda Bong Sanchez, Paul Sitkowski, Pat Terzakis, Chuck Watson, Mary Zimniewicz, Megan Zimniewicz Upshaw, Berny Zirko, Tony Zourkas.

Reconciliation

Fr. McGlynn



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REST IN PEACE

Gary Andorfer, nephew of Don and Pat Angelaccio

**“I will ask the Father, and he will give you...
the Spirit of truth.”**

- John 14: 16-17

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Mr. & Mrs. Paul M. Stanton

WEEKEND LITURGY PRESIDERS:

Rev. Ron Kalas
Rev. Larry Janowski, O.F.M.
Rev. Bernard Kennedy, O.F.M.
Rev. Philip McGlynn, O.S.M.
Rev. David Stagaman, S.J.

Eucharistic Celebrations:

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30, & 12:00 Noon
Monday - Friday: 8:00 AM
Saturday: 8:00 AM & 5:00 PM

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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ADDING NAMES TO THE PARISH SICK LIST

It has always been the policy of St. Isaac Jogues to offer our parish community an opportunity to pray for those parishioners who are ill and in need of our prayers. We have tried to keep close track of these names for our Bulletin as they are made available to us.

However, now we face an important privacy issue, very much like the issues faced by hospitals, health institutions, and certainly by other parishes.

We cannot (by law) publicly let our parish community know the health status of any of our members without their permission.

We appreciate the fact that often friends, neighbors, and acquaintances wish to do something special for a person who is ill, and ask to place their name on the list to be prayed for. While their intentions are surely good, we simply can no longer accept names in this manner.

We will institute a new process regarding calling in names for the Bulletin list.

Names for the sick list placed in the Bulletin have to be called in by the person who is ill, or by a member of their family. At the time they call in the name, they will be asked whether they are the sick person him/ herself, or a member of their family, and if they give permission for the name to be placed on the list. They will be asked for the **correct spelling** of the sick person’s name. If a **family member**, they will be required to give **their** name for our records.

Thank you for your patience regarding this new process. We wish to do all we can to offer our parish community the opportunity to offer prayers for those who are ill — but we must also be cognizant of the fact that all members of our congregation are entitled to their privacy in this regard.

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