

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 Herbert, Business Manager
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Weekend Mass Celebrant:

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

Sunday - Closed

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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.



The Lord is my Shepherd . . .

Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 7, 2017



From the
Pastor's Desk

Who do we follow?

If we were to ask this question of ourselves, who do we follow or who should we follow we would find it's not an easy question to answer. Who you follow depends so much on what you like or what interests you. Many of us would like to think that we follow no one, that we make our own decisions and choose our own paths. Yet, our experience tells us that we are often led by advertising agencies and often led astray. Look at how many brigands have incited human beings so that the worst of crimes and destruction have been justified? We are commonly led to believe that we need to follow the one who has more followers.

The thought that comes to my mind is how do you know who to follow?

A difficult choice indeed, which one has to choose in life, and on it hangs, your future, your entire life. One wrong choice you make, and then you have to bear the consequences of your actions. My life is to please Jesus. If I please Jesus, it doesn't matter whom I displease. And if I displease Jesus, it really doesn't matter whom I please. And the way to please Jesus is to obey the Lord Jesus Christ. What advice would you give regarding whom to follow? The best advice anybody ever gave was the advice Mary gave to the servants in John chapter two when Jesus was turning water into wine. Mary said (v. 5), "Whatever He says unto you, do it." You'll never get better advice than that. The choice of Christ as our shepherd is the choice to bear witness to the victory of life, and love, and forgiveness over the forces of death, domination, and vengeance.

Jesus is our Good Shepherd who in turn looks at those who wish to follow him, to continue his mission on earth. On Vocation Sunday can we find younger people to follow him? Shepherd is one of the biblical titles for a leader, a memory of the days when the Jews were sheep rearing nomads. The passage therefore invites us to celebrate people who have "shepherded" us by touching our lives, some through direct contact, others from reading about them or hearing their stories.

The special characteristic of the good shepherd is brought out in a relationship of trust between Jesus and the sheep. This trust is further built up to inspire trust in those whom they lead. This wonderful quality – so rare in our experience – is expressed in a series of images, each of which can touch us deeply. It is all about relationships and how we can grow in our desire to build better relationships in the one who lays down his life for his own. Do we wish to follow him then and hear his voice or are we still groping in the dark?

-Fr. Mario

St. Isaac Jogues Parish, congratulates and asks God's blessing upon the young people who received Jesus, the Bread of Life, in Holy Communion for the first time on Saturday.

*Mark Adaza
Samuel Carandang
Ethan Ebreo
William Foster, Jr.
Jayden Huebbe-Faso
Sasuke Sky Judi
Jason Lambert
Myla Angeline Laroza
Mark Vincent Lazo
Jelyn Napata
Alannah Sabanal
Madison Serrano*

We also congratulate the young people who will celebrate their First Communion on May 14!

*Kyla Koza
Anthony Delos Santos*

PARISH TRANSFORMATION PROCESS

We invite you and encourage you to prayerfully consider being part of the Parish Transformation Process team to discuss the building blocks necessary for a vibrant, vital parish; to celebrate the ones in which we are strong and to select the ones we most want to work on; and then create a vision out of which to plan within the parish and beyond with our grouping parishes of St. Martha and St. John Brebeuf.

Our next meeting is Thursday, May 18th, 7 – 9 p.m. down in the Parish Hall. We will then have a **retreat morning on Saturday, May 20th.** We invite you to the 8 a.m. Mass followed by continental breakfast and then the retreat, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Your presence, participation and sharing will help further the life and vitality of our parish community! Be part of this time of new life for our parish! If you plan to come for the retreat please sign up in the Holy Family Room this weekend or next or contact the Rectory, 847/967-1060, or the RE Office, 847/966-1180. If you are unable to attend, please keep the Parish Transformation Process in your prayers! Thank you!

ADORATION

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive honor and glory and praise! (Rev 5:12)

Worthy indeed is Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, to be given honor, glory and praise by His intelligent and redeemed creatures who are capable of adoring God Almighty.

In Adoration we adore the living, glorious, and resurrected Lord. Adoration is composed of four A.C.T.S. of religion:

- (1) Adoration (2) Contrition(reparation)
(3) Thanksgiving (4) Supplication (petition)

Adoration is the complete acknowledgment, surrender and submission of our entire self to God. This is why we kneel and even prostrate ourselves before the monstrance.

Contrition involves an act of reparation. We repair prayerfully all of the sacrileges, neglects, blasphemies, and insults directed to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Contrition "pulverizes" all the hardness of heart and mind that prevents our submission to Jesus in our lives and specifically in Eucharistic Adoration.

Thanksgiving is what the word *Eucharist* literally means. We give thanks during our Holy Hour for the greatest gift God has given to the human race, namely the gift of Himself in the Most Holy Eucharist. We give thanks to God for our Catholic Church, our priests, our families, our livelihood and material sufficiency that give us the time and freedom to adore Jesus.

Supplication or petition is the missionary aspect of our Adoration. In our prayer of supplication, we become warriors beseeching God's healing love and mercy to our nation and a world desperately in need of God's love and mercy. How powerful are our intercessory prayers in the direct presence of Our Lord in Adoration!

First Friday of the month Adoration begins after the celebration of 8:00 A.M Mass and continues throughout the day ending with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00P.M. followed by Benediction.

Holy Hours of Adoration are also offered on the remaining Friday evenings of the month from 7:00 - 8:00 P.M.

LET'S GET TO WORK ON THE ROOF!



*Help us sell the
2017 Raffle booklets.*

*Booklets are still available in the
Rectory or from any of the Captains listed
STILL 200+ CHANCES TO WIN!*

Don Baron	Kathy Denning
Teresita Sitjar	Ed Mikeska
Dee Stanton	Barbara Dary
Mary Burke	Dolly Bellissimo
Loretta Falco	Diane Lazeretti
Hilde Koziol	John & Mary Affatati
Barb Watson	Dean & Geri Johansen

EASTER BLESSINGS TO ALL!

Through your generosity, Our St. Isaac Jogues Outreach Ministry distributed **25 bags** of food in March & April. **16 families** also received Easter dinners including hams, fresh potatoes, carrots and apples along with food for several days from the pantry.

Please help to *restock our pantry shelves* with the following items:

fruit & soup
oatmeal, jelly
shampoo

Thank you for your help!
SIJ Outreach Ministry



MARIAN FESTIVAL TODAY AT 1:30 P.M.

Our **Parish Marian Festival** to honor the Blessed Mother and to celebrate her importance to the Church and various peoples is today **at 1:30 p.m.** It will include a procession, Rosary, May Crowning and more! The service will begin in Church, move to the Holy Family Room and return to the Church. Bring your families, friends and neighbors to this special time of prayer and thanksgiving, celebration and community! Refreshments follow in the Holy Family Room.

**MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER SALE**

Flowers are a Mother's favorite! Beautiful bouquets of fresh-cut flowers will be sold after all Masses next weekend, May 13-14,, in the Holy Family Room. Choose the perfect bouquet from a variety of colors and assortments: Carnation Bouquets -- \$10; Spring Mixed Bouquets -- \$10; Rose Bouquets -- \$15.

Proceeds will be used to help women facing a crisis pregnancy situation and in need of assistance. Please support this life-saving work of The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland. Last year they provided compassionate counseling, social services referrals and material goods assistance to over 3500 women who were facing crisis pregnancies.

The Annual Buddy Charles Gries Memorial Concert to benefit St. Isaac Jogues Parish, will be Sunday, July 16, at 3 p.m. featuring "Songs That Make Me Laugh, Songs That Make Me Cry, Songs That Make Me..." Come for an afternoon of great music and fun! Invite your families, friends and neighbors.

**SAVE
THE
DATES**

DANCING FOR THE ROOFTOP!

ST. ISAAC JOGUES DINNER & DANCE FUNDRAISER
FRIDAY, JULY 21ST - LONE TREE MANOR
6:30PM - 12:00AM - DINNER AT 7:30PM
LIVE MUSIC - CASH BAR - ATTIRE: CASUAL/SUMMER
TICKETS ARE \$50 PER PERSON
(NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOORS)

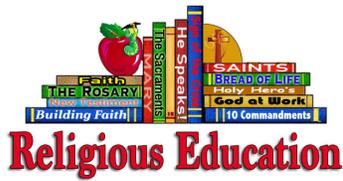
Watch the bulletin for more information!

PARKING LOT CONCERNS

Vehicles are not to be parked in fire lanes nor by the islands at any time! Lanes must be kept open in case emergency vehicles need to get to the buildings. Thank you for your cooperation for the safety and protection of all!

**2017 Replace the Roof Raffle "Winners Corner"****CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR WINNERS!**

Monday, May 1	\$50	156	Greg Erban	Chicago, Il
Tuesday, May 2	\$50	801	Ted Lenart	Niles, Il
Wednesday, May 3	\$50	1047	Bob & Barbara Dary	Niles, Il
Thursday, May 4	\$50	1922	Mary Kusswurm	Wheeling, Il
Friday, May 5	\$50	661	Cora Reyes	Niles, Il
Saturday, May 6	\$100	1850	Ed Mikeska	Glenview, Il
Sunday, May 7	\$100	985	Victoria Nieva	Morton Grove, Il



Registration for the 2017-2018 RE Program will begin on Monday, May 15th, 7:30-8:00 p.m. in the Holy Family Room for families with children in Kindergarten – Confirmation Year II (Gr. 8 or early high school) as of September, 2017. Letters and registration forms have been mailed out to families currently in the RE Program. Growing in faith is a lifelong process. Please allow us to help you help your child create a firm foundation and send them each year for religious education! If there is something keeping you from doing so (finances, etc.), please contact Mrs. Stanton to discuss the situation.

New families are most welcome to come that evening to register as well. In addition to a family form and a student form for each child, we would appreciate you bringing a copy of each child's baptismal certificate and the dates of any sacraments they have received so far.

Families with children who have special needs and/or older children who have not yet celebrated First Reconciliation or First Communion are encouraged to contact us. I would be happy to discuss options for learning and preparation. Contact Dolores Stanton, 847/966-1180 or email sijre2004@yahoo.com.

St. Isaac Jogues News

UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

*Please note there is no Parish Transformation Meeting this Thursday. So the Parish Life Commission will take place on May 11, at 7 p.m. in Rm. 26 as originally planned.



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

those who serve in the military and as first responders of our families and friends:

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.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — All peoples called by God will receive the gift of the Spirit if they repent and are baptized (Acts 2:14a, 36-41).

Psalm — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — Once we were like straying sheep; but now we have been returned to the shepherd, our guardian (1 Peter 2:20b-25).

Gospel — The shepherd leads the sheep out into pastures of abundant life (John 10:1-10).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4;
Jn 10:11-18

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;
Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27;
Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19;
1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

AN EASTER REFLECTION...

from St. Gregory the Great

“What are the pastures of these sheep if they are not the deepest joys of the everlasting fresh pastures of paradise? For the pasture of the saints is to see God face to face; when the vision of God never fails, the soul receives its fill of the food of life for ever. And so, dear brothers and sisters, let us seek these pastures and there join in the joy of the celebrations of so many citizens of heaven. Let their happiness and rejoicing be an invitation to us. Let our hearts grow warm, let our faith be rekindled, let our desires for heavenly things grow warm; for to love like this is to be on the way.”

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter;
World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Wednesday: St. Damien de Veuster

Friday: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras

Saturday: Our Lady of Fatima

**Pray for...**

JIMMY RANCICH
BERNARD KENNEDY, SR.
DELAINE KENNEDY
MARCY SANTIAGO
JAMES MAXWELL PASCALE
MIA DOOLEY
PASTOR LYNNE MORROW
PASTOR MARK WIBERG
JULIE HIGGINS
NICK VARGAS
GERTRUD EDER BRUNNER
TONY KOZA
WILLIAM PARRILLO
MARGARET SAVIEO
MARIA LADD
CECILE SEGRAVES
FR. DENNIES CALLAN
MARIA LADD
OSCAR QUILANTANG
NANCY GRASSO
ALDEN MALLARI



Mass Intentions

May 07, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Joe De Sario
10:00 a.m.	Marian Bragiel Stanislaw & Emilia Biernacki
12:00 p.m.	Mary Splinter Maria Libuit Patricia & Konrad Ryniewicz-Special Intention

May 08, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society Danny Orlovski
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May 09, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Tom Kozbiel
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May 10, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Marge Kiesler Anita Marie Alexander
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May 11, 2017

8:00 a.m.	SIJ Parish Transformation Group
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May 12, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ
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May 13, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Maricar Angobung
5:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Helen Polinski

May 14, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Richard M. Arendt
10:00 a.m.	Clarence Turek
12:00 p.m.	Giuseppe Pighetti

Sacristans

Theresa Noble
Francis Martel
Arlene Turek

Liturgy Next Weekend - May 13th & 14th

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



May 13th & 14th

5:00 p.m.	Marvin Roque Kristine Roque Remi Dalangin
8:00 a.m.	Thomas Striblen Eya Dalangin Red Reyes
10:00 a.m.	Maya Gherman Khayla Santiago Jonathan Magboo, Jr.
12:00 p.m.	Eugene Villarino Lawrence Escarez Nelson Perumpel

SPRING CLOTHING DRIVE

The St. John Brebeuf Conference of the St. Vincent dePaul Society will be hosting it's drive on Saturday, May 13th from 8AM to 2PM. A trailer will be parked in the Church's EAST parking lot at 8307 N. Harlem in Niles. (Enter off of Main Street, east of Harlem Ave.) Clean clothes and gently used housewares are accepted.

PLEASE NO BOOKS, TV'S, ELECTRONICS, APPLIANCES, FURNITURE OR CHILDSEATS HIGH CHAIRS OR STROLLERS.

Any questions, call Len at (847) 692-6292.
THANK YOU.

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THANK YOU!