

# SAINT ISAAC JOGUES PARISH

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

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Dolores Stanton, Director of Religious Education  
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**Weekend Mass Celebrant:**

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**Masses:** Saturday, 5PM

Sunday, 8AM & 10AM

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

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**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.

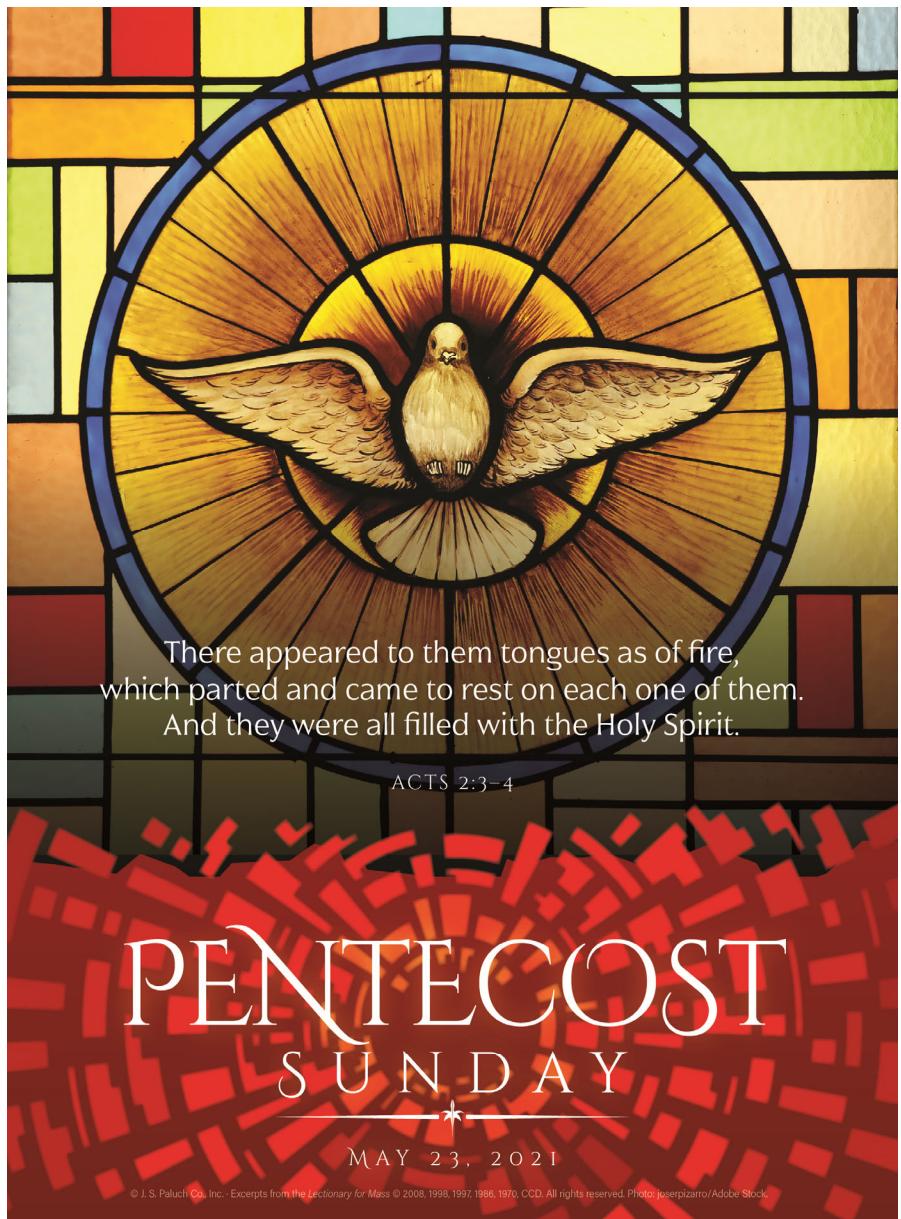
Note: The following wedding times can be scheduled:

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.



## ST ISAAC JOGUES - Parish Leaders

Parish Pastoral Council			Finance Committee Advisors	
Ted Lenart, Chairperson	Kathy Denning	Gerry Zeller	Kathy Denning	Barbara Watson
Kathy Lord, Vice Chairperson	Lori Ronczka	Dolores Stanton	Gerry Zeller	Irene Baron
Debbie Dexter	Fernando Bonto	Maria Swidzinski	Lori Ronczka	
John Kadiri	Irene Baron			
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<b>Men's Club Chairperson</b> – Don Baron				
<b>Fil-Am Chairperson</b> – Jelly Carandang (Interim)				

## THOUGHTS FROM FR. JOSE

### PENTECOST - A CALL TO SERVE

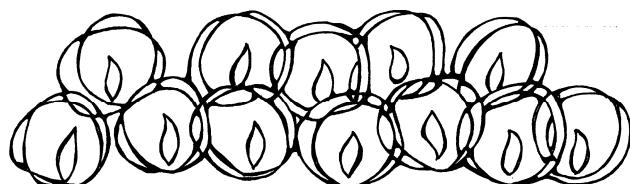
The Feast of Pentecost acts as a call to serve. It reminds us that we must make our Confirmation commitment stronger and more effective. We must translate it into concrete action. For some of us this means being called to high-profile service. It means witnessing to the Gospel in a highly visible way. It means preaching the Gospel publicly and exercising public leadership in the Christian community. For some of us this means a low-profile service. It means witnessing to the Gospel in a less visible way. It means things like prayer and sacrifice for our Christian community.

At the time of our Confirmation, we are reminded about St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians, where he tells us that there are different kinds of spiritual gifts but given to us by the same Spirit. There are different ways of serving, but the same Lord is served. There are different abilities to perform service, but the same God gives ability to everyone for their particular service. The feast of Pentecost calls each one of us to put into practice the spiritual gifts that we received at the time we were given the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Feast of Pentecost is a call to action. It tells us that we must translate into action the gifts we received at our Confirmation.

John the Baptist prophesied of the first Pentecost when Jesus would baptize with the Holy Spirit and with fire (*Matthew 3:11*). Jesus confirmed this prophecy with the promise of the Holy Spirit to the disciples (*John 14:26*). Jesus told the disciples to wait in Jerusalem for the Father's gift of the Holy Spirit, from whom they would receive power to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth (*Acts 1:3-8*).

On the first Pentecost Sunday around 2,000 years ago, the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples and transformed them in the most remarkable way. Before Pentecost the disciples were a group of confused people. But after Pentecost they were totally changed persons, because they were filled with the Holy Spirit that radiated from them. The Holy Spirit transformed the disciples into the Body of Christ. The Holy Spirit breathed into them the mind of Christ. They became a new creation in Christ. And that is what we celebrate every Pentecost Sunday.

Like the disciples of Jesus, we too have received from the Holy Spirit the mission to continue the work Jesus began. We received the mission to complete God's kingdom on earth by our call to serve others. May Mary, the Mother of Jesus, the Mother of the Church who prayed with the disciples on the first Pentecost, plead for us today, so that we can receive the gift of the Holy Spirit and breathe.



**Pentecost Sunday  
May 23, 2021**

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts  
but the same Spirit.

— *1 Corinthians 12:4*

A PENTECOST REFLECTION: From the treatise *Against Heresies* by St. Irenaeus, bishop

"When the Lord told his disciples to go and teach all nations and to baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, he conferred on them the power of giving men new life in God. He had promised through the prophets that in these last days he would pour out his Spirit on his servants and handmaids, and that they would prophesy. So when the Son of God became the Son of Man, the Spirit also descended upon him, becoming accustomed in this way to dwelling with the human race, to living in men and to inhabiting God's creation. The Spirit accomplished the Father's will in men who had grown old in sin, and gave them new life in Christ.

"Luke says that the Spirit came down on the disciples at Pentecost, after the Lord's ascension, with power to open the gates of life to all nations and to make known to them the new covenant. So it was that men of every language joined in singing one song of praise to God and scattered tribes, restored to unity by the Spirit, were offered to the Father as the firstfruits of all the nations.

"This was why the Lord had promised to send the Advocate: he was to prepare us as an offering to God. Like dry flour, which cannot become one lump of dough, one loaf of bread, without moisture, we who are many could not become one in Christ Jesus without the water that comes down from heaven. And like parched ground, which yields no harvest unless it receives moisture, we who were once like a waterless tree could never have lived and borne fruit without this abundant rainfall from above. Through the baptism that liberates us from change and decay we have become one in body; through the Spirit we have become one in soul.

*"The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and strength, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of God came down upon the Lord, and the Lord in turn gave this Spirit to his Church, sending the Advocate from heaven into all the world into which, according to his own words, the devil too had been cast down like lightning.*

"If we are not to be scorched and made unfruitful, we need the dew of God. Since we have our accuser, we need an Advocate as well. And so the Lord in his pity for man, who had fallen into the hands of brigands, having himself bound up his wounds and left for his care two coins bearing the royal image, entrusted him to the Holy Spirit. Now, through the Spirit, the image and inscription of the Father and the Son, have been given to us, and it is our duty to use the coin committed to our charge and make it yield a rich profit for the Lord."

### FOOD DISTRIBUTION VOLUNTEERS



The next distribution will be hosted here in our SJ parking lot on **Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-6:00 p.m.** Please pass this information along to those who would benefit from such support right now. Packing will either be indoors or out depending on the weather but the distribution will be outside, regardless of weather.

We are in need of about **30 volunteers for each time frame**. The **first time frame is 2:30 – 4:45 p.m.** for instructions and to carry out the tasks of getting food indoors, packing it and then bringing it outside to tables, setting up signs, checking in guests and the like. The **second time frame is 4:15 - 6:30 p.m.** to help with the distribution, continue packing as needed and clean up. We are in particular need of people who can help carry heavy items including families, teens, and adults under 65 years of age. Everyone needs to be in good health, no underlying conditions, and will have to wear a mask and gloves (which we will provide). Those over 65 and have no underlying medical conditions who choose to volunteer, are welcome to contact us to discuss your involvement.

To volunteer please contact the Rectory, Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at 847-967-1060, the RE Office at 847/966-1180 or email [sijre2004@yahoo.com](mailto:sijre2004@yahoo.com), by Noon on May 17<sup>th</sup>. If we do not have enough helpers by that day, we will reach out to other volunteer pools. This is a wonderful way to share your compassion and time – helping be a bridge for people in a time of food insecurity. Please pray for this event and for those who will benefit from it, and thank you for your consideration to help that day.





## Religious Education

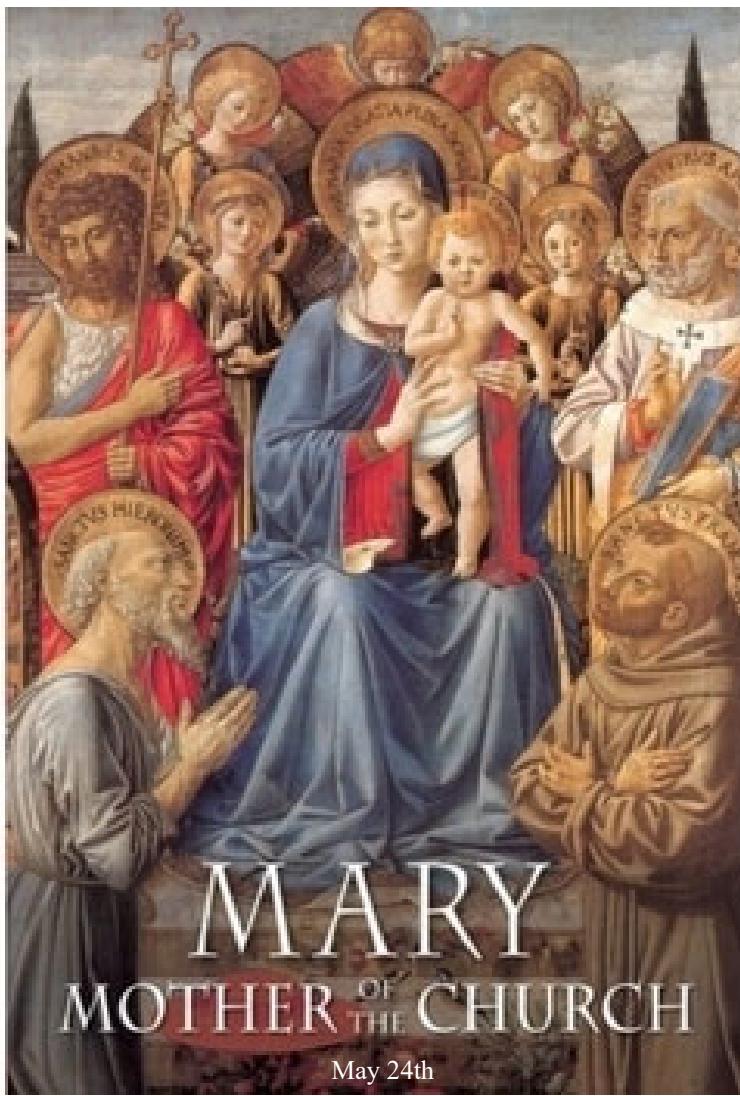
+It was a different year for faith formation and religious education. **Our families and students** went with the flow as classes, sacramental preparation, retreats, family events and service projects were done via Zoom, at home (after picking up supplies at the RE Office), and on rare occasions in person. We thank all of you for your support and cooperation and pray for a blessed, healthy, safe and renewing summer for all.

**Our Catechists** were wonderful this year, finding ways to be creative, engaging, and holy online with their classes. Many had to learn some new technology – how to schedule an online session, send the link, send homework via email

and more. All the while they shared their faith, hope, and love, and met the children with grace and enthusiasm for the Lord, His Church and each of them. On behalf of our Religious Education Families and the SJJ Parish community we extend heartfelt gratitude and pray for God's blessings upon Angie Bello, Louise Burdi, Dorothy Gawne, Teresa Krywko, Joyce Lenart, Ted Lenart, Maureen Malitz, Catherine Sanders, Tom Simmons, Deacon Paul Stanton, and Nancy Winans.

+Families who have a tuition, book fee or sacrament fee balance are asked to send payments in this week. If you have a financial concern, please contact the RE Office, 847/966-1180 or [sijre2004@yahoo.com](mailto:sijre2004@yahoo.com),

+As soon as we have more information regarding next year's RE Program, we will contact families, send out registration materials, and provide details here in the bulletin and on REMIND.



### 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.



## SIJ OUTREACH PANTRY

The Outreach Ministry Pantry is greatly restocked and we are indeed grateful. A few things would still be helpful to have: canned stews, cereal, and canned fruit. Helpful and easier for the bags we pack for those who are homeless: Saltine crackers, individual servings of peanut butter, pudding cups, tuna in a packet, and little cans of deviled ham. Items may be brought to church when you come for Mass during the week or on the weekend, or contact the RE Office, 847/966-1180 or 967-1060, to set up a time to drop them off.



## Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are a lovely way to remember a loved one or a special occasion. Flower arrangements are \$55 each and two can be purchased each weekend before Lent and again after Pentecost. Your intention and name will be placed in the bulletin each weekend. If you would like to purchase an arrangement, please call the rectory. Available dates go quickly, so you may want to reserve your date soon.



## Corpus Christi

### CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

On Sunday, June 6, an outdoor (weather permitting) Corpus Christi Procession will follow the 10 a.m. Mass. We will process out of the church to the circle in front of the school and back. Upon our return to the church we will have a few minutes of silent prayer and then Benediction. If the weather is not good for a procession, a small one will be in the church followed by Benediction. More information next week!



## CONGRATULATIONS!

Our parish community congratulates the three teens who are receiving the **Youth Leadership Award** from our Episcopal Vicar, Bishop Mark Bartosic and our Dean, Fr. Ron Kalas, at the 10 a.m. Mass today. Before the pandemic they served as Altar Servers and/or in the Music Ministry with the Praise Singers. During the pandemic they have been active with the monthly food distribution or as a Cantor for Mass. We thank them for their service to assist our prayer at Mass and to assist the wider community during a time of food insecurity. We also thank their families for their encouragement and support of their ministries. God bless you as you continue to live and share your faith –

**Matthew Bonto  
Nathan Calicoy  
Michael Lucas**



# Pray for

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

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

**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  
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## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in different tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

**Psalm** — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

**Second Reading** — There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13) or *Galatians 5:16-25*.

**Gospel** — As the Father has sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23) or *John 15:26-27; 16:12-15*.



*Salvatore Di Laura*

*In Memoriam*

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14;  
Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13;  
Mk 10:32-45

Thursday: Sir 42:15-25; Ps 33:2-9; Mk 10:46-52

Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;  
Mk 11:11-26

Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20; Ps 19:8-11; Mk 11:27-33

Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22;  
Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

## Mass Intentions

Sunday - May 23, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Dexter & Minkel Families
10:00 a.m.	Waldemar Jozwiak - Spec. Intention
12:00 p.m.	Isaac A. Bolano Benilda I. Bolano Lorraine Fernandez

Monday - May 24, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society John Affatati
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Tuesday - May 25, 2021

8:00 a.m.	An end to the pandemic
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Wednesday - May 26, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Theresa Varughese - Spec. Intention
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Thursday - May 27, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Virginia De Sario
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Friday - May 28, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Joseph Varughese - Spec. Intention
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Saturday - May 29, 2021

8:00 a.m.	John Kremer
5:00 p.m.	John Areno
	Pedro Aisporna & Amros Arriola
	Tony Irmen
	Romen Kenny V. Fernandez

Sunday - May 30, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SJ
	Waldemar Jozwiak - Spec. Intention
10:00 a.m.	Alex Muir - Spec. Intention
12:00 p.m.	Mary Claudine O. Liban - In Thanksgiving

## Next Week Liturgy Schedule May 29th & 30th & Memorial Day, May 31st

Confession - 11:00 a.m.	Fr. Ron
5:00 p.m.	Fr. Ron
8:00 a.m.	Fr. Bernard/Deacon Paul
10:00 a.m.	Fr. Bernard/Deacon Paul
May 31st - 9:00 a.m.	Fr. Jose

### FEAST OF FAITH

#### Liturgy: Work of the Spirit

The Spirit of God who hovered over the waters at the dawn of creation—the Holy Spirit who descended upon the disciples at Pentecost in ever-changing forms in the sound of a mighty wind or tongues of flame—hovers also over our celebration of the liturgy, giving it life, making it real. It is the Spirit of God who draws us, gathering us together, Sunday after Sunday. It is the Spirit of God who called loudly to the inspired writers of the scriptures and who continues to whisper to us, revealing ever-new facets of God's word, granting insight just when we need it. It is by the Spirit's power that, when Christ's words are uttered by the priest, the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. And it is surely the Spirit who inspires us—that is, breathes in us—when, sent forth from the assembly, we seek ways to serve our brothers and sisters, to allow the gospel to come to life in the world. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love.



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