

SAINT ISAAC JOGUES PARISH

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

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Parish Office Hours: Closed until further notice per Archdiocesan mandate

Religious Education: 847-966-1180

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Parish School: St. John Brebeuf School

847-966-3266 or sjbschool.org

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.

Pentecost
SUNDAY
MAY 31, 2020

Jesus breathed on them and said to them,
"Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."
John 20:22-23

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Men's Club Chairperson – Chuck Napravnik				
Fil-Am Chairperson – Jelly Carandang (Interim)				



FROM THE
Pastor's Desk

PEACE BE WITH YOU!

It is interesting to note that the phrase "Peace be with you" used by Jesus in greeting his Apostles as he encountered them in the locked room was the common way of greeting like we would say "hello." The Apostles were hiding in fear and closed themselves behind locked doors because the Jewish authority would come and get them. Jesus comes in their midst not to accuse them for their failure of abandoning him at his arrest nor did Jesus get in for a party celebration, but mainly to calm their fear and to strengthen them in their belief in him. The source of peace that Jesus was offering his apostles is that He is risen from the dead.

Commonly speaking when we think of peace, we think of its character as calmness, tranquility, serenity etc. How could the Apostles of Jesus enjoy peace which Jesus was offering when their very life was threatened with arrest and crucifixion? Jesus made it known to them by visibly presenting himself that one should not fear physical death because he (Jesus) has overcome it by rising from the dead. The peace he was offering was a lasting one. By his presence he made it known to them that he has reconciled all things through his suffering, death & resurrection and so it is a time of joy and peace.

How true it is in a troubled world like ours when humanity aspires for peace in families, among nations and in the world. The word *peace* in a sense seems to be eluding us. Look at the happening around us. Nations are stunned to have been caught up with this new deadly virus as it has made living so difficult curtailing our freedom of movement, physical contact and has pushed us to further our cause through technology. The fear of the virus grips us like many others; we too will be caught in its web and will be extinguished in no time. In such a scenario we are eagerly looking for peace within and out in the world. Where can we find peace is the question we ask?

Just as Jesus promised us "Whatever you ask the Father in my name, he will give you." (John 16:23b) We need to keep asking the Father in Jesus' name as we seek his peace while we gather in church. We use the words "Peace be with you" and the faithful gathered at mass reply "And with your Spirit". We also offer the "sign of the peace" which is meant to remind us that we cannot become one with the Lord unless we recognize him in the people around us. Let us be messengers of peace in the world which is infiltrated with many vices leading to our destruction and annihilation.

As this weekend we celebrate the feast of the Pentecost which is the feast of the Holy Spirit. The church teaches us that on the fiftieth day, the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles in the form of tongues of fire and they started speaking in tongues. The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Trinity and the Nicene creed states that the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father and the Son. In other words it means the love of the Father and the Son culminates in the third person of the Trinity. The Spirit strengthens us and invites us to be witnesses of God's kingdom out in the world. In order to be the bearer of peace let us invite the Holy Spirit to assist us in all our need.

-Fr. Mario

REOPENING PLAN AMID COVID-19

First and foremost it is important for everyone to understand that our efforts will prioritize the safety and wellbeing of all while maintaining due respect and reverence for the sacraments and liturgical norms of our faith. While our parish will attempt to take appropriate precautions consistent with the advice of public health authorities, parishioners and guests should understand that they assume the risk of contracting COVID-19 anytime they enter a public space since such precautions do not eliminate the risk of infection.

By the time you read this we hope to have received our certification to re-open the church for Phase I and Phase IA. Phase I allows for Baptism, Reconciliation, Weddings and Funerals with a limit of 10 attendees, no exception. Necessary ministers are not part of the 10. Phase IA allows parishes to reopen for private prayer and adoration with a limit of 10 attendees per time period (again no exception).

To **arrange for a Baptism**, please call the Rectory, 847/967-1060. Preparation meetings will still be held the first Tuesday of each month, but at the parish so social distancing can take place. Further details will be provided when you call to make arrangements.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be on Saturdays, 10 a.m. – 12 Noon. Reservations will be every 15 minutes. The penitent has 10 minutes for confession and we have five minutes to prepare for the next person. Reconciliation will take place in the church with the option of behind the screen or face to face. Only one person will be in the church at a time. If you are early for your time, we ask that you wait in your car. Please know that if you are late for your time, you are still welcome but will have less time for confession, as we need to keep on schedule out of courtesy to others.

Personal prayer times will be Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12 Noon – 2 p.m. and Sundays, 8 a.m. – 12 Noon. Reservations will be made every half hour with no more than ten people. You will have **20 minutes for prayer** and we will have ten minutes to lead one group out and the next group in (socially distancing).

For either Phase, please arrive five minutes before your scheduled time. If you arrive too early, you will need to wait in your car until the Greeter indicates that you can begin approaching the door, but maintain social distance with others. **You must wear a mask at all times. If you do not wear a mask, you will not be able to enter the building.**

The only **entrance door** will be off the main parking lot (stairs with white railing). After you are welcomed, the Greeter will check for your name and phone number on the reservation sheet. You will be asked if you are feeling well, if you tried your temperature, and if you have been exposed to anyone with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 in the last 14 days. If all is good, you will be invited to go up the stairs where the Usher will welcome you and will spray your hands with liquid hand sanitizer. At that point please do not touch anything coming into church. If coming for Reconciliation you will be asked which option (behind the screen or face to face).

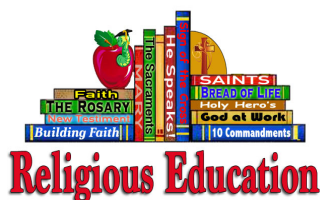
You will be shown to your seat. At the end of the confession the individual will be led out by the Usher. At the end of the prayer time, the Usher will escort people beginning from the back and working to the front. The **exit door** will be the narthex door by Golf Road (long ramp). If you are late, you will be allowed in but will need to leave when your assigned time is completed.

We will alternate sections for seating so disinfecting/cleaning can take place as quietly as possible to prepare for another group. Roped off pews are not to be used nor touched. Please do not touch statues or icons nor come into the sanctuary (altar) area. You may bring a prayer book, rosary, or other prayer help, but you must take it with you when you leave.

As part of the phases we are using a reservation system. For the time being ours will be a **phone-in reservation system. Please call the Rectory, 847/967-1060, Monday – Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.**

We still welcome volunteers to assist with various aspects of the reopen plan. **Volunteers must be 18 – 65 years old, have no underlying medical condition, and are available weekdays and/or weekends.** There is a Greeting Team and a Cleaning Team. Each will have very specific tasks and procedures to follow in carrying out those tasks. Training, protective equipment and necessary supplies will be provided. If you are willing and able to volunteer, please contact Dee Stanton, 847/967-1060 or 966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com this week. Then a training will be set up. If you know of people who do not receive Flocknote nor have access to the bulletin online, and you think they might be willing and able to help, please contact them with all this information.

Please help us with your patience and understanding and by **making a reservation only every three weeks so others have a chance to come celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation or to pray in the church. Your prayers** for these efforts to safely reopen and keep open our church will be much appreciated, too.



+Families who have tuition, book fee and/or sacrament fee balances are asked to send their **payments this week**. If you are able to pay only a part of the balance, please do so and thank you. If you are unable to pay any of your balance, please contact Mrs. Stanton, 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com to let her know. Thank you.

+As soon as we get direction from the Archdiocese regarding scheduling sacrament celebrations (First Communion and Confirmation) we will contact you.

2020 - 2021 RE REGISTRATION

Whether in person, e-learning, or a combination we'll look forward to a new season of religious education and faith formation beginning at the end of August! Growing in faith is a life-long process. Please allow us to help you help your child create a firm foundation in faith and send them each year for religious education! If there might be something that would keep you from having your family participate (finances, schedule conflict, etc.), please contact Mrs. Stanton to discuss your concerns. Everyone is welcome!

Registration for the 2020-2021 RE Program for families with children in Kindergarten – Confirmation Year II (Gr. 8 or early high school) as of September, 2020 is being done by mail for the time being. Sessions for Grs. 1 – Confirmation Yr. II meet Monday evenings, 6:45 – 8:00 p.m., the Kindergarten class meets on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. and all are held in the school. **Please note:** Students must participate in religious education the immediate two years prior to receiving sacraments (First Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation). Forms have been mailed out to families currently in the program. If you have not received it, please contact the RE Office, 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com and let us know.

New families are most welcome and can obtain a registration packet by calling or emailing the RE Office as indicated above. A copy of each new child's baptismal certificate, the dates of any other sacraments he/she has received, and/or a letter from the Catholic school or Religious Education Program they previously attended will be needed. **Families with children who have special needs and/or older children who have not yet celebrated First Reconciliation or First Communion or are not yet baptized** are encouraged to contact Dolores Stanton to discuss options for learning and preparation.



PRAYER FOR PENTECOST

Christ Jesus, before ascending into heaven, You promised to send the Holy Spirit to Your apostles and disciples. Grant that the same Spirit may perfect in our lives the work of Your grace and love. Grant us the Spirit of Fear of the Lord that we may be filled with a loving reverence toward You; the Spirit of Piety that we may find peace and fulfillment in the service of God while serving others; the Spirit of Fortitude that we may bear our cross with You and, with courage, overcome the obstacles that interfere with our salvation; the Spirit of Knowledge that we may know You and know ourselves and grow in holiness; the Spirit of Understanding to enlighten our minds with the light of Your truth; the Spirit of Counsel that we may choose the surest way of doing Your will, seeking first the Kingdom; Grant us the Spirit of Wisdom that we may aspire to the things that last forever; Teach us to be Your faithful disciples and animate us in every way with Your Spirit. AMEN.



JUST A PHONE CALL AWAY... If you need assistance with picking up groceries or meds, etc., please call the Rectory, 847/967-1060. If we are not here, calls are forwarded 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday – Saturday. Messages are also picked up usually once a day. We will contact you as quickly as possible.



My Jesus, I believe that You are
present in the most
Blessed Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I
desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You
sacramentally,
Come at least spiritually
into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were
already there,
And unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be
separated from You.
Amen.

Split the Pot



Did you send in your **SPLIT THE POT RAFFLE** tickets yet? The drawing is Monday, June 8th! Remember First Prize is 15% of the total pot; Second Prize, 10%; Third Prize, 5%. This raffle keeps you safe and healthy, observes social distancing, builds community spirit and raises funds for the church's ordinary expenses all at the same time! If you need more tickets, contact the Rectory Monday morning, 847-967-1060 or office@sij-parish.com. **Your support is invited and needed, as best as you are able, for the good of our parish and its mission.** Don't forget that the greater the participation, the bigger the prizes!

Tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20. Buy tickets **and/or** invite your family, friends and neighbors to purchase one or more from you to join in the fun and hopefully the winning! Fill out your tickets, include your check payable to St. Isaac Jogues Church or cash, and return both your tickets and payment in the enclosed envelope. Stamp and mail it or drop it in the Rectory mail slot, which is at the top of the stairs on the right side wall, by **Thursday, June 4th (deadline extended).**

On **Monday, June 8th**, Frs. Mario and Carlos will pull the winning tickets. Winners will be contacted by phone or email and their names announced in a Flocknote and in the June 14th bulletin. Join in the excitement from the comfort of your home and find blessing in knowing that you are making a difference in the life of your faith community! Good luck and God bless you for your generous support.



Pray for

KERMIT TURNER	MARY JANE PIKULA
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
MICHAEL FOLISI	KATHY EGLOFF
DOROTHY BEZDON	ROBERT STEPHENSON
MATTHEW PONDER	SUE TUREK
FELICITA BAYANI	LAURA HALL - SCHORDJE
EMILY CABRERA	HENRIETTA SAGARIO
	HILDA DALY
	MARY SUNSHINE PONDER
	JUDY CABRERA
	YUL VENTURA

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

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

Second Reading — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13).

Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23).

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:	2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2-4, 10, 14, 16; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday:	2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday:	2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Mk 12:28-34
Friday:	2 Tm 3:10-17; Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168; 1-6; Mk 12:35-37
Saturday:	2 Tm 4:1-8; Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22; Mk 12:38-44
Sunday:	Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52-55; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

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
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PENTECOST

Unless the eye catch fire,
God will not be seen.
Unless the ear catch fire,
God will not be heard.
Unless the tongue catch fire,
God will not be named.
Unless the heart catch fire,
God will not be loved.
Unless the mind catch fire,
God will not be known.

—William Blake



Mary Ellen Fox

In Memoriam

Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 31, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Tony Schallmoser
10:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ John Affatati
12:00 p.m.	Isaac Bolano Benilda I. Bolano Lorraine Fernandez
Monday - June 1, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society Patrick Fergus
Tuesday - June 2, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Clarence Turek
Wednesday - June 3, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Poor Souls in Purgatory
Thursday - June 4, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Mariamamma Jacob
Friday - June 5, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Elizabeth Stanton - Birthday Blessings
Saturday - June 6, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Rajam Chinnamani - Birthday Blessings
5:00 p.m.	Skaria Choriakal
Sunday, June 7, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Arlene Forneck
10:00 a.m.	John Affatati Frank & Pauline Kovachevich Philomina Chirayath Ray Wilde
12:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Agustina Bauit Purificacion Rodriguez



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FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND ACTION IF NEEDED

+Happy Birthday (today), Fr. Mario! May the Lord bless you and keep you each day.

+Want to reach out to about 10 neighbors and let them know you are praying for them and that resources are available if they need help/support? Go to archchicago.org, click on Offices and Ministries, go to Evangelization and Missionary Discipleship, and click on Events for details, sample notes and a prayer.

+Online Grief Support Groups, for prayer and discussion facilitated by volunteers, through Archdiocese of Chicago. Go to archchicago.org to register.

+Due to COVID-19, anxiety and depression are on the rise; however, resources are available:

Catholic Charities Counseling Resources,
312.655.7725; **NAMI Chicago,** 833.626.4244;
Mental Illness Ministries of the Archdiocese of Chicago, 773.525.0453, x221

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