

SAINT ISAAC JOGUES PARISH

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

PASTOR: Rev. Mario Pereira, S.F.X.
ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Rev. Carlos Pereira, S.F.X.

Pastoral Staff:

Deacon Paul M. Stanton (Dolores)
 Lori Ronczka, Business Manager
 Dolores Stanton, Director of Religious Education
 Lisa Hall, Director of Music

Weekend Mass Celebrant:

Rev. Bernard Kennedy, O.F.M.

Masses: Cancelled until further notice

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Parish Office Hours: Closed until further notice per Archdiocesan mandate

Religious Education: 847-966-1180

Email: sijre2004@yahoo.com

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.

JUNE 7, 2020 | THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
 so that everyone who believes in him
 might not perish but might have eternal life.

~John 3:16

ST ISAAC JOGUES - Parish Leaders

Parish Pastoral Council			Finance Committee Advisors	
Ted Lenart, Chairperson	Kathy Denning	Gerry Zeller	Kathy Denning	Barbara Watson
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FROM THE
Pastor's Desk

A PHASED REOPENING OF THE CHURCH

Since March 344 parishes in the Archdiocese of Chicago were shut down due to coronavirus and online mass services were made available for the faithful. It has been a critical time for the faithful to give up physically coming to church due to the deadly virus that isolated and prevented us from gathering at church for mass or even at other gatherings. Now that a phased wise reopening plan has been put into place, it is a welcome move for the worshippers who have been just waiting to get to church.

I know how many of our faithful people would be glad to know that churches are going to be open again for masses. But the fact is we cannot gather in the church like before as there are restrictions in place. The situation now is not normal and the church authorities want to take utmost care to protect the wellbeing and safety of our people as people return to church for worship. Our parish has been certified as per the training imparted to the volunteers for **Phase I** which allows for parishes to reopen for Baptism, Reconciliation, Weddings and funerals with a limit of 10 attendees and on May 30, 2020, we had the individual confessions for two hours from 10.00 to 12 noon based on appointments.

Phase IA allows for parishes to reopen for private prayer and adoration with a limit of 10 attendees. Now we moved into Phase IA this past Thursday for private prayer and Adoration. Every individual that comes to church for worship must read guidelines and follow the directions given once they are in church.

Phase II allows for reopening for weekday and weekend Masses for larger groups depending on the guidelines from the state and the capacity of the church building. The total number of worshippers allowed at any Mass is between 15 and 20% of total capacity of the church as determined by the pastor and the Parish Reopening Co-leadership Team. Right now we have been working on this guidelines and we can accommodate 50 attendees in church at one time but to do that we need many volunteers between the age group of 18-65 years. While our parish staffs 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 any time they enter a public space since such precautions do not eliminate the risk of infection.

Parishioners should adapt themselves and be careful not to violate social distancing, face covering and sanitizing practices and follow the instruction laid down by the Archdiocese which permits us to distribute the hand out so that every participant follows the guidelines stated for the safety and wellbeing of everyone. There are a few important instructions as regards singing which states and I quote *"No congregational singing is allowed at this time. A cantor and accompanist can be used but both must be 10 ft. separated from other ministers and congregants."* Also a detail instruction is prescribed for receiving Holy Communion. It states *"Extend a single hand to receive the Host"* and a number of additional steps to be followed as one moves forward.

Let us remember that being faithful in small matters as Jesus said God will entrust us with greater things. If you are eager to see the reopening of church for masses make it a point to be a volunteer or advise us as to who could be that is known to you. Together we can help people to worship God in his consecrated church. Let us pray for one another during this difficult time of conflict and riots. May God be our shelter and strength.

-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.

As you know we have received our certification to re-open the church for Phase I and Phase IA, which includes Baptism, Reconciliation, weddings, funerals and personal prayer a limit of 10 attendees per event/time period. **Reconciliation is Saturdays, 10 a.m. – 12 Noon. Reservations will be every 15 minutes. Personal prayer times are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12 Noon – 2 p.m. and Sundays, 8 a.m. – 12 Noon. Reservations are made for every half hour with no more than ten people.** You have **20 minutes for prayer** and we have ten minutes to lead one group out and the next group in (socially distancing). Right now we have a **phone-in reservation system. Please call the Rectory, 847/967-1060, Monday – Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. You must have a reservation to come.**

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** is off the main parking lot at the stairs with white railing. At the end of the time in church, you will be led out by the Usher. The **exit door** is the narthex door by Golf Road (long ramp).

As the plan moves forward and we see how things are working, there could be some changes. Your patience, cooperation, and prayers are truly appreciated. Thank you.

For additional information, please refer to the Archdiocese of Chicago website at archchicago.org. On the first page, click on the picture for Archdiocese announces a phased reopening plan.

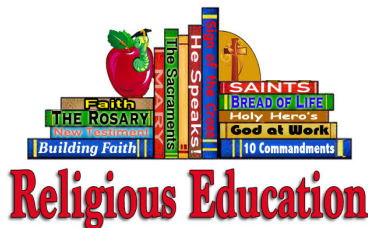
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PHASE 2 OF REOPENING PLAN

As we slowly **begin preparing for Phase 2 (Masses) certification**, we find that our **biggest challenge is having enough volunteers**. We **must** have volunteers for every Mass, Sacrament, Funeral, prayer time, church event, etc. that the parish holds. Volunteers must be 18 – 65 years old, have no underlying medical condition, and are available weekdays and/or weekends. The longer it takes for volunteers to come forward, the longer it will take to open for Masses.

There is a Greeting Team, Usher Team, and a Cleaning Team. Each has 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 or need more information, please contact Dee Stanton by calling 847/967-1060 or 966-1180 or email her at sijre2004@yahoo.com this week.** A training session will then 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 this information. Thank you for your consideration and assistance.

ATTENTION TEENS AND OTHER WILLING HANDS

We would like to have a car wash the last weekend of June to benefit the parish. This would be a great service project for current Confirmation Yr. I and II Candidates along with High School students and others who are 18 – 65 years old with no underlying medical condition. It would be outside of the Rectory with cars/people socially distanced. All helpers would wear masks and gloves, those having their cars washed would remain inside the car and one person only would be responsible to collect the money (with mask and gloves on). **If you are willing to help, please contact the Rectory this week, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m., Monday – Saturday or email sijre2004@yahoo.com. We will only be able to have this fundraiser with the smiling faces and willing hands of others. Please think about it. Your time and effort will be a big help to the parish!**



+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.

+Please check out info about a **proposed car wash** the last weekend of June. Contact the RE Office this week if you would be willing to help, 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com.

2020 - 2021 RE PROGRAM 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 lifelong 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.



A PRAYER FOR HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, animate our living.
Help us to forget ourselves, to get caught up in the
mystery of your love and life. Let us never forget the
need to care for the good of others. Never let us
take for granted the mystery of life. Amen.

*(Canadian Conference of
Catholic Bishops)*



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



SPLIT THE POT RAFFLE

Did you drop off your **SPLIT THE POT RAFFLE** tickets yet? The drawing is Monday morning and we will accept tickets up until 9 a.m. Monday. Please bring them to the Rectory and place them in the mail slot on the right side wall. The total pot is already over \$10,000! Remember First Prize is 15% of the total pot; Second Prize, 10%; Third Prize, 5%. This raffle keeps you safe and healthy, 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 no later than 6 p.m. Saturday, June 6th, 847-967-1060 or office@sjj-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! Winners will be contacted and will be listed in a Flocknote and next weekend's bulletin. 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
JOE AUTH	HILDA DALY
	MARY SUNSHINE PONDER
	JUDY CABRERA
	YUL VENTURA

O Lord, give protection and safety to our Troops, National Guard, and First Responders. May they find guidance and strength in you as they serve our country and its people and further justice and peace. 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 — The LORD, merciful and gracious, rich in kindness and faithfulness (Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9).

Psalm — Glory and praise for ever! (Daniel 3).

Second Reading — Brothers and sisters, rejoice. Live with one another in peace, and the God of peace will be with you (2 Corinthians 13:11-13).

Gospel — God did not send the Son to condemn the world, but to give it abundant life (John 3:16-18)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6; Ps 121:1bc-8; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Ps 4:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab, 8, 11; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 65:10-13; Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 1 Kgs 19:19-21; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-10; Mt 5:33-37

Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

HOLY TRINITY

*The Father is my trust,
the Son is my refuge,
the Holy Spirit is my protection.
O holy Trinity, glory to Thee.*

—Byzantine Horologion, Troparion at Nocturns, sixth century

GRACE AND ETERNAL LIFE

Moses is a man after our own hearts, for haven't we all dealt with more than our share of stiff-necked people? Indeed, haven't we all gotten a little stiff-necked ourselves at times? Complaining . . . impatient . . . quick to anger. How lucky for Moses—how lucky for all of us—that God is exactly the opposite! And we don't even have to guess about it. The Lord tells us so directly. Accordingly, Moses does what we all need to do. Even with the tablets in hand, he bows down and asks for God's forgiveness and grace.

Encouraging us to live together in peace—and in God's favor—the Apostle Paul knows all about this grace, joyfully invoking Christ's grace on us along with God's love and the Holy Spirit's. "Rejoice," he says. And when it comes to rejoicing, John offers us the gladdest words of all: the assurance of eternal life through Jesus.

Mass Intentions

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 Bait Purificacion Rodriguez
Monday - June 8, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society John Affatati
Tuesday - June 9, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Joana Cardozo
Wednesday - June 10, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Tony Schallmoser
Thursday - June 11, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Friday - June 12, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Don Angelaccio
Saturday - June 13, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Tony Schallmoser
5:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ John Aeno
Sunday, June 14, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Mary Dijitha
10:00 a.m.	Guiseppe Manfredini
12:00 p.m.	Anton Schallmoser



Keep in touch with us
VIA EMAIL AND TEXT MESSAGE

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SIJ
TO 84576

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND ACTION IF NEEDED

+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 the 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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