

SAINT ISAAC JOGUES PARISH

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Mission: “A Catholic Parish sharing experiences of the Kingdom of God”

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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: Saturday, 5PM
Sunday, 8AM & 10AM
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**

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847-966-3266 or sjschool.org

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)

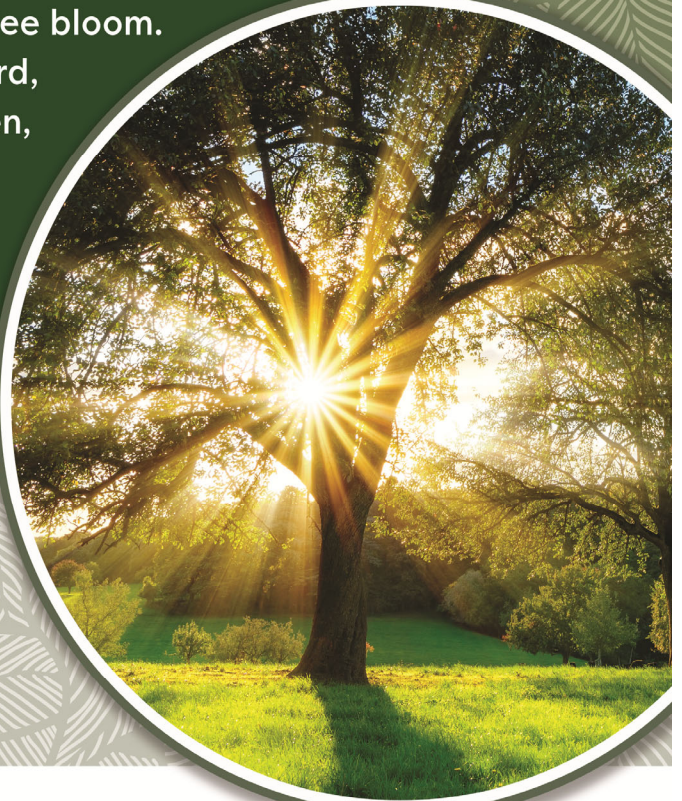
Sacrament of Baptism: Second and fourth Sunday of each month at 1:30 PM. Baptism Preparation Session must be completed before Baptism. Contact the Parish Office as soon as possible for details.

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 13, 2021

I, the Lord,
bring low the high tree,
lift high the lowly tree,
wither up the green tree,
and make the
withered tree bloom.
As I, the Lord,
have spoken,
so will I do.

Ezekiel 17:24



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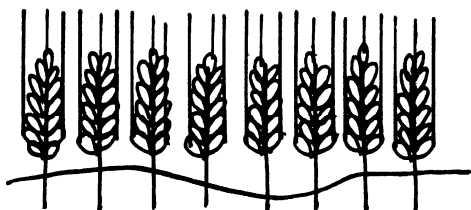
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REFLECTIONS FROM FR. CARLOS

Only Saint Mark the evangelist records the parable of the seeds growth. Using the short parables of the growth of wheat seeds and mustard seeds in the field, Jesus explain the nature of the growth of the kingdom of God.

In the case of both wheat and mustard seeds, the initial growth is slow, mysterious and unnoticed. But within a days, a leafy shoot will emerge and within months a mature plant with numerous branches and leaves, flowers and fruits will be produced. The growth is silent and slow but steady, using power from the seed and natural resources. Growth doesn't take place because of our understanding. It is God's initiative that brings forth growth, we need to be patient and not give up or get discouraged, because sometimes growth takes longer than we expect. God works in a ways we don't understand, God works in mysterious ways. But God is still with us even when our efforts are frustrated, because He is the source of Growth.

Jesus explains that the kingdom of God grows the human soul. The seed of faith lies dormant within each of us, we need to nourish it with our personal, communal prayer, and sacrament and reading of the Scriptures. The growth of our faith may be slow in the beginning, but this tiny seed of faith will grow by using the power of the Holy Spirit, given to us through the word of God, the Mass, the sacraments and prayers. Finally God's rule in human heart transforms individual and communities in God's people doing His will in His Kingdom.



**Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 13, 2021**

They that are planted
in the house of the LORD
shall flourish in the courts of our God.
—Psalm 92:14

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION: From a treatise on the Lord's Prayer by St. Cyprian, bishop and martyr

"Above all, he who preaches peace and unity did not want us to pray by ourselves in private or for ourselves alone. We do not say 'My Father, who art in heaven,' nor 'Give me this day my daily bread.' It is not for himself alone that each person asks to be forgiven, not to be led into temptation or to be delivered from evil. Rather, we pray in public as a community, and not for one individual but for all. For the people of God are all one.

God is then the teacher of harmony, peace and unity, and desires each of us to pray for all (people), even as he bore all (people) in himself alone. The three young men shut up in the furnace of fire observed this rule of prayer. United in the bond of the Spirit they uttered together the same prayer. The witness of holy Scripture describes this incident for us, so that we might imitate them in our prayer. *Then all three began to sing in unison, blessing God.* Even though Christ had not yet taught them to pray, nevertheless, they spoke as with one voice. It is for this reason that their prayer was persuasive and efficacious. For their simple and spiritual prayer of peace merited the presence of the Lord. So too, after the Ascension we find the apostles and the disciples praying together in this way. Scripture relates: *They all joined together in continuous prayer, with the women, including Mary, the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.* They all joined together in continuous prayer. The urgency and the unity of their prayer declares that *God, who fashions a bond of unity among those who live in his home, will admit into his divine home for all eternity only those who pray in unity.*

My dear friends, the Lord's Prayer contains many great mysteries of our faith. In these few words there is great spiritual strength, for this summary of divine teaching contains all of our prayers and petitions. And so, the Lord commands us: *Pray then like this: Our Father, who art in heaven.* We are new (people); we have been re-born and restored to God by his grace. We have already begun to be his (children) and we can say 'Father.' John reminds us of this: *He came to his own home, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who received him, who believe in his name, he gave the power to become children of God.* Profess your belief that you are (children) of God by giving thanks. Call upon God who is your Father in heaven."

FOOD DISTRIBUTION VOLUNTEERS

The next distribution will be hosted here in our SIJ parking lot on **Wednesday, June 23rd, 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, by Noon on Monday. If we do not have enough helpers by that day, we will need to reach out to other volunteer pools. Please help others in this time of food insecurity and help reveal the love of Christ and the compassion of our faith community and Catholic Charities.



St. Isaac Jogues Upcoming Events

BLESSING OF DADS . . . Next weekend at all the Masses



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.

THY KINGDOM COME . . .

Ezekiel said that God would tear off “a tender shoot” (17:22) for this replanting. What does this sound like? Why, Advent, of course, and specifically the words of the prophet Isaiah: “A shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom” (Isaiah 11:1); and again in Isaiah’s Messianic texts we hear: “He grew up before us like a tender shoot” (53:2). Jesse was the father of the great king David and, as we know, Jesus came to be that tender shoot, that blossom, the new Davidic King whose throne, the cross, was once a tree.

God’s incarnation in Jesus, born fully human, is the fulfillment of the promise to Ezekiel of the renewed and restored cedar, the new Kingdom. That new creation and covenant exists for us in the Church, through the Holy Spirit making the seed planted within us grow, flourish, and spread. Thus we have the faith and courage to be that visible sign of the Kingdom bringing hope and renewal to the world. We must live Kingdom lives before we can convince others to do so.

To Witness His Love in Service

St. Isaac Jogues Parish invites you to commemorate and give thanks to Almighty God on the occasion of the Sacerdotal Silver Jubilee of

Reverend Carlos Pereira, sfx

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated Sunday, June 27, 2021, at 12:00 Noon in St. Isaac Jogues Church

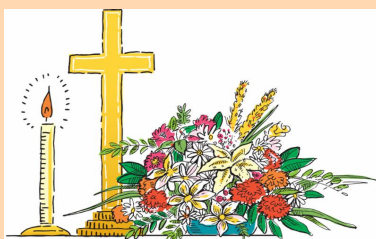
As of this writing, reservations are necessary. RSVP by Wednesday, June 23rd Parish Office, 847/-967-1060



SIJ PARISH

SPLIT THE POT RAFFLE

Join in this safe end-of-fiscal year fundraiser help our parish at the same time! The Split the Pot Raffle will have three prizes -- 1st Prize – 15% of total pot; 2nd Prize – 10% of total pot; 3rd Prize – 5% of total pot. Tickets are \$5 for one, \$20 for five (1 column), and \$40 for ten (whole page). Return filled out tickets and checks payable to St. Isaac Jogues Church or cash to the collection boxes in church or to the Rectory mailbox by Wednesday, June 23rd. **The drawing will take place on that Friday, June 25th.** Tickets were sent to all registered households. If you did not receive tickets or you need more for your family, friends and neighbors, please contact the Rectory, 847-967-1060 or sijre2004@yahoo.com. Enter to win and good luck!



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.



Religious Education

+Families who have a tuition, book fee or sacrament fee balance need to send payments in this week.
+If your family is moving to a new location, you may need to provide a transfer letter to bring to your new parish home, so they know

what grades have been completed, sacraments received, etc. We will be happy to write one for you to take with you to your new parish so that you can enroll your children in the that religious education program. Please call or email the RE Office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION FOR 2021-22

We are looking forward to a great 2021 – 22 Religious Education season! At this time both St. Isaac Jogues and St. Martha sites will have their own Religious Education Program held at their own buildings. **So our St. Isaac Jogues Church RE Program will be on Mondays, 6:45 – 8:00 p.m., from late August until mid-May.** Registration forms have been mailed to families who participated in the 2020-2021 RE Program.

Registration for the 2021-2022 RE Program begins this Monday, 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Holy Family Room (please wear masks) for families whose children will be in Kindergarten – Confirmation Year II (Gr. 8 or early high school) as of September, 2021. Please bring completed form and partial payment, if possible. The tuition for parishioners will be as last year: \$200 – 1 child; \$300 – 2 children; \$400 – 3 or more children; book fee is \$40 per student; First Communion/First Reconciliation fee is \$80 and Confirmation Year II fee is \$80. Please plan to stop by on June 14th and take care of this important task. Early registration gives us time to get catechists, assistants and order necessary materials.

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! Everyone is welcome! Please note that students must participate in religious education the immediate two years prior to receiving any sacraments (First Communion, Confirmation). **New families are most welcome** to come register that evening as well. In addition to a family form and a student form for each child, we would appreciate you bringing a copy of each new 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 or are not yet baptized** are encouraged to contact Dolores Stanton to discuss options for learning and preparation, 847/966-1180 or email sjre2004@yahoo.com.



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, hash, canned chicken, veggies (other than corn or green beans), canned fruit, and rice. 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.



2021 Annual Catholic Appeal

Donors: 158
Goal: \$31,972
Pledge: \$32,325
Paid: \$28,095

Thanks to all of you who are participating in the appeal. We're well on our way to reaching and exceeding our goal. Remember, every dollar over our goal is returned to SIJ in the form of a rebate that the church can use as needed. There's still time to support Archdiocesan ministries that feed, clothe and assist those in need. Materials are available in the church or at the rectory. You can also visit the website at givearchchicago.org.



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	JUDY CABRERA
FELICITA BAYANI	YUL VENTURA
EMILY CABRERA	MARY LERPS
LORNA ALBA	MARY SUNSHINE PONDER
SUSAN ARENDT	LAURA & DANNY MORA
CINDY NOLAN	SHARON KILIKEVICE
MARTHA DEMKO	PELAGIA SAJULGA
REMEDIOS MAGPANTAY	JOHN OLDERSHAW
TIM DENDOR	PATTY ZEMAN
CAROLYN BEIL	ALEXANDRA LAQUAGWA
	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 sijre2004@yahoo.com.



You can safely make your Annual Catholic Appeal & parish donations electronically by logging into givecentral.org - register today!

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I have lifted high the lowly tree (Ezekiel 17:22-24).

Psalm — Lord, it is good to give thanks to you (Psalm 92).

Second Reading — Whether we are at home or away, we aspire to please the Lord (2 Corinthians 5:6-10).

Gospel — It is the smallest of all seeds, and becomes the largest of plants (Mark 4:26-34)



And, don't forget Flocknote! You quickly and easily keep up with all of the changes. Text messages or emails are automatically sent to your preferred way of receiving information. Register today. You can text SIJ to 84576 or email to sij2.flocknote.com

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3-4; Mt 5:38-42
 Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-9a; Mt 5:43-48
 Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-4, 9; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15
 Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34:2-7; Mt 6:19-23
 Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10; Ps 34:8-13; Mt 6:24-34
 Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11; Ps 107:23-26, 28-31;
 2 Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41

Mass Intentions

Sunday - June 13, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Luke & Philomena Moran
10:00 a.m.	Michael Mac Donald Helma Drag
12:00 p.m.	Those Preparing for Marriage

Monday - June 7, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society Joseph Putherickal
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Tuesday - June 8, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Luke Chirayil
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Wednesday - June 9, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Sami Pritters
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Thursday - June 10, 2021

8:00 a.m.	An end to the pandemic
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Friday - June 11, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Joseph & Edit Lukas Mathew Jacob Zalewski Family - Special Intention Virginia Veith
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Saturday - June 12, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Rosario B. Espineli
5:00 p.m.	Deceased Members of the Dexter & Minkel Families

Sunday - June 13, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Richard Banner & Joe De Sario
10:00 a.m.	Marian Bragiel Krystyna & Wieslaw Swidzinski
12:00 p.m.	Mark Duval Bruno Dalmaso John Affatati Antonia Ladera Tony Irmen

Next Week Liturgy Schedule June 19th & 20th

Confession - 11:00 a.m.	Fr. Carlos
5:00 p.m.	Fr. Carlos
8:00 a.m.	Fr. Carlos
10:00 a.m.	Fr. Carlos/Deacon Paul

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*"In the image of the Good Shepherd, the priest is a man of mercy
and compassion, close to his people and a servant to all."*

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

How fitting that this week before Father's Day, we come together in church, our spiritual home, to pay special tribute to our spiritual fathers — our parish priests. As Pope Francis says in the words above, priests are men of mercy, men of compassion and men in service to us all. Today, let us be of service to them as we show our appreciation for their love and guidance through a gift that will directly benefit their health and wellbeing.

To recognize and celebrate our parish priests, we take this opportunity this weekend to support financially the healthcare and retirement needs of the Archdiocese of Chicago's 469 active and 246 retired priests. Your gift today — no matter the size — to Priests' Health and Retirement/PRMAA is the only such collection for their health and retirement and is separate and distinct from other initiatives for retired religious order priests, sisters and brothers.

As we all know, priests care for us at every stage of life. From baptism until death, we look to priests for guidance, for answers and for love. They have led us through this difficult past year by offering us compassion and hope. They are beside us, too, in happy times as we celebrate life's milestones and joyous occasions, shepherding us with great care and devotion. Priests teach us who Christ is and how to be a better person in a world in need of salvation. We rely on them to show us the way forward by giving purpose to our lives.

The health and well-being of all our priests is essential to their ability to serve our needs and guide our spiritual growth. As well, many of our retired priests continue to serve in their own way and have become indispensable resources for our communities.

Please join me, then, in supporting our priests by making a generous contribution to this weekend's second collection. In addition, you may also like to consider naming Priests' Health and Retirement/PRMAA as a beneficiary of your will.

Let your gift be a sign of gratitude to our priests and to the Lord for their ministry that benefits us all.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Archbishop of Chicago

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