

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 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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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: Saturdays,

11AM - 12:30PM - **Reservations required**

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.

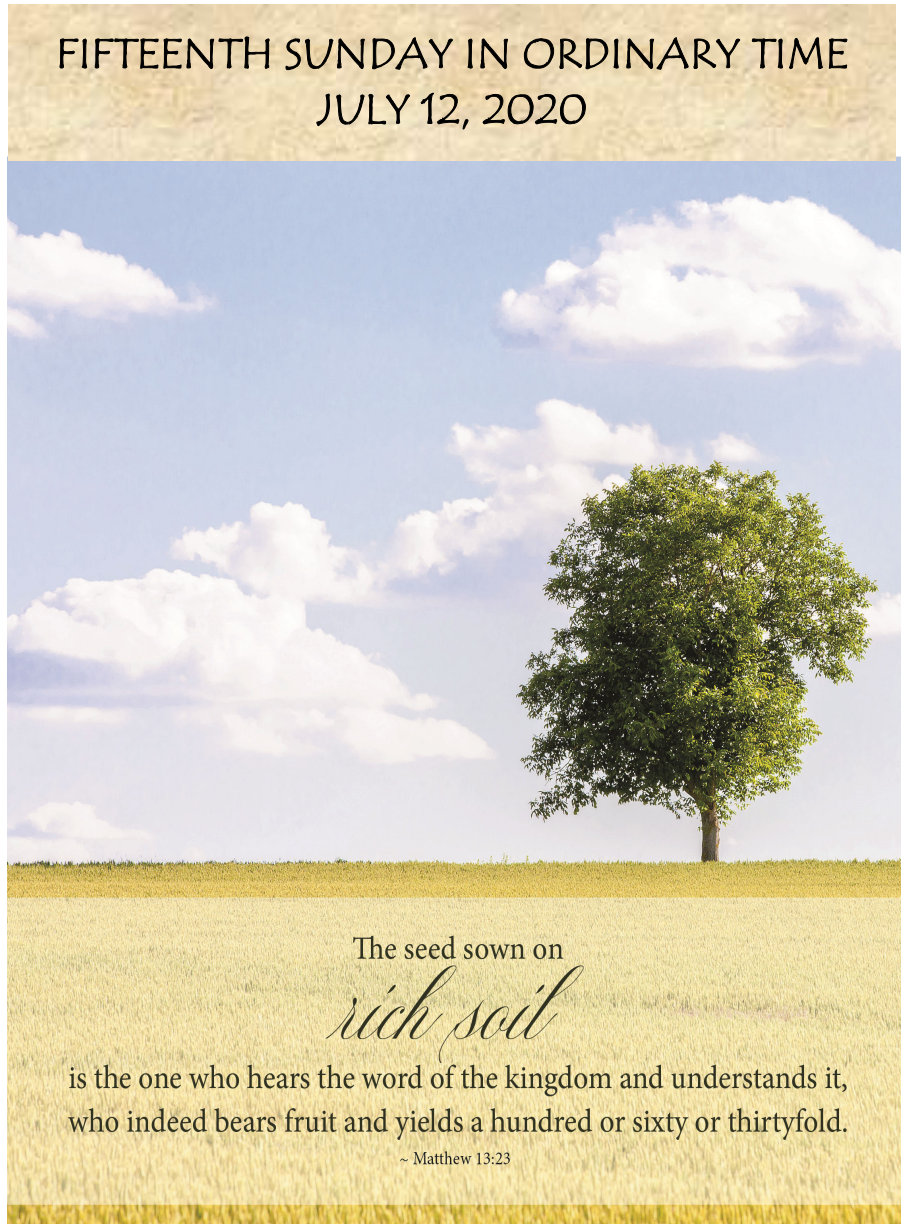
Sunday at 3:00 p.m. (Ceremony only)

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



FROM THE
Pastor's Desk

Seed for the Sower

The seed and the sower play an important role in the growth of a plant. But there are many other factors as well before a sower goes out to sow, like the credibility of the soil, manure, water and so on. What we find in the gospel is that a sower went out to sow seeds and the seeds fell in four different directions, on the path, rocky ground, among thorns and on rich soil.

On a number of times as a priest I have reflected on this parable of the sower. Every time, the word of God inspires me in such a way that I can see the richness that the parable has and why Jesus used the parable of the sower to drive home his message about the kingdom of God. Parables convey a powerful message that are rich in content.

When we read about the parable of the sower it disturbs us or rather challenges us as to how are we being called as disciples of Jesus? The contemporaries of Jesus rejected his teaching and his message because of their sluggish way of life, and the unbelieving ones are those who are drawn to Jesus and his teaching about the kingdom of God. In which category do I belong?

How gifted we are and how do we use the gifts given to us by God? As we find through the parable that only the seed that fell on rich soil yielded fruit. So we can say 75% of it did not yield and the reason being care has not been taken to sow the seed in the right manner. But the one sown on rich soil yielded extraordinary result. Like the parable of the sower we have been blessed in numerous ways by God. Do we realize that our life belongs to God? The gifts we possess are our own but we have been blessed by God to have it; and so do we give thanks to God and are we ready to offer our time and talent in return to meet the needs of the Kingdom of God?

The parable of the sower is a reminder to us that Jesus came to reveal the hidden mysteries of the Kingdom of God to us and different people responded differently. The mission of Jesus continues where all of us as Catholics are called to be a witness of God to people out in the world. It is not an easy task to stand in the name of Jesus and to carry forth his mission. Just as Jesus felt rejection so too says Jesus we would have to carry the cross if we are to follow him.

I would say, we all can do it in small ways as parents and grandparents, we can take it upon ourselves to catechize the little ones in our home by teaching them to make the sign of the cross on their forehead and showing them to love, respect and honor the things of God. In doing so we would be sowing good seeds which later on would yield a good harvest.

-Fr. Mario

WEEKEND AND WEEKDAY MASSES

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.

Those who are 65 years or older and/or who have an underlying medical condition that would put them at greater risk for infection are reminded that you are not bound by the obligation to attend Mass at this time. You can still watch the televised Masses on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. on WLS Channel 7 (with Cardinal Cupich) and on WGN Channel 9 (Mass at Mercy Home). If you choose to come to Mass you are welcome!

New links for weekend and week day Masses, as well as Reconciliation (Saturdays) are either already on the parish website or will be by end of day Monday. **Only 50 people are able to attend any Mass and you must make a reservation using the online system.** If you do not have access to a computer, you may call the Rectory at 847/967-1060, and we will help you make a reservation.

To give access to everyone who would like to attend a Mass, you are asked to sign up for **only one weekend Mass and/or one Reconciliation time a month.** You may sign up **once a week for weekday Mass.** We do not call, text or send an email to remind you of your Mass or Reconciliation time. We ask for a phone number or email in case we are made aware of someone who was at the church and tested positive for coronavirus and need to contact you.

Please note: You may check reservations on Fridays after 1 p.m. for the coming weekend for availability and sign up if you want to come.

Before coming to church on the day of your reservation, please check your temperature and make sure you are feeling well. We also ask that you use the facilities at home, as we would like to have the only bathroom in the church used for urgent needs only. If you have a fever or are not feeling well, we respectfully request that you stay home for your well being and that of others. If you feel well and come to the church, please wear a mask. You will need to wear it the entire time.

The **only entrance door** is off the main parking lot at the stairs with the white railing and will open 15 minutes prior to the start of each Mass. You will be greeted, checked in, have your hands sprayed with hand sanitizer, and shown to your seat by an Usher. Families who live together will be seated together.

It is important that you are on time and enter the church during those 15 minutes. Doors close soon after Mass begins. For everyone's health and well being people cannot just walk in without going through the above arrival process. If the doors are closed you cannot come in even if you have a reservation. Thank you for your cooperation.

Please note: Due to the sanitizing guidelines we have taped up the kneelers. So there will be no kneeling (we will stand for the Eucharistic Prayer). There will also be no singing at this time by the Assembly, but we will recite Mass responses. The collection basket will not be passed. Please place your offering in the alms box as you enter or later leave the church. We will continue to wish each other the Sign of Peace with words or a bow, but no physical contact.

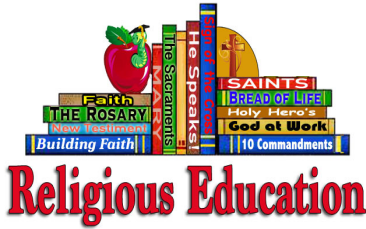
Regarding the reception of Holy Communion: Reminders will be given prior to Communion. Father and Deacon sanitize their hands. Only hosts are distributed and only in the hand, not on the tongue. Ushers will invite you into the aisle socially distanced on the blue tape markers on the floor. There will be a single line in the aisles going up for Communion. When you are about 2-3 people away from the front, the Usher will again spray your hands with hand sanitizer. Please rub it in and from this point forward do not touch your face or anything else.

When you get up to Father/Deacon, please do not remove your face mask. Extend one hand. Bow your head and respond "Amen" to "The Body of Christ". The host will be put in your hand. Move sideways to the next blue tape marker. With your other hand remove one side of your mask, place the host in your mouth, put the side back up and then return to your seat. **Please note that you are to return to your seat and not leave the church as you must be led out by an Usher. We respectfully remind you that Mass is over when Father leaves.**

At the end of Mass the Ushers will guide each row out beginning with the back. While maintaining social distance everyone in that row will be escorted to the **only exit door**, which is the narthex door by Golf Road (long ramp). The Usher will either fix the door so it stays open or will hold it open for you. Please do not touch the doors. Should an emergency arise and we need to move everyone out of the church (i.e. fire alarm goes off) we will use every available exit but ask that you follow Usher directions and keep some distance from person in front of you.

Once in the parking lot please go straight to your cars. There is to be no gathering outside. A wave to others or a hello from six feet away is fine, but no physical contact and no groups. As we see how things are working, there could be some changes.

Thank you for the attention and cooperation shown so far, and for your prayers.



2020 - 2021 RE PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Please return registration forms, book fees, and a partial tuition payment, if possible, this week to assist our planning for personnel, materials, and methods of teaching. Our hope is to begin at the end of August and we anticipate it will be a season that includes in person as well as online classes. If there are concerns that might keep your family from participating (finances, schedule conflict, etc.), please contact Mrs. Stanton to discuss those concerns. Everyone is welcome!

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). **New families are most welcome** and can obtain registration information and/or a packet by calling or emailing the RE Office. **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. For more information call 847/966-1180 or email sijre2004@yahoo.com



“May the Lord Smile on You and be Gracious to You”

CONGRATULATIONS,
YOUTH AWARD RECIPIENTS

Usually the annual Youth Awards Banquet is held in March. Since all were sheltering in place, that event did not happen. So this morning we presented each of our two Youth Leadership Award recipients with a certificate signed by our area Vicar, Bishop Mark Bartosic and Fr. Mario and a gift card to their favorite restaurant during the 10 a.m. Mass. A video from the Bishop is also being sent to each one. Both young men are entering their Senior year of high school, have been involved in the ministry of Altar Server for many years and have shown responsibility, commitment, and leadership. Congratulations to **Lawrence Escarez** and **Robert Reyes**. We are so proud of you and we thank you for sharing your time and gifts to enhance our community’s prayer and worship. God bless you as you continue to live your faith in service to the Lord and the Church. We also thank their parents who encouraged them and helped support their efforts.



Altar flowers are a lovely way to remember a loved one or special event. Arrangements are \$55 each and we can have 2 arrangements each weekend. Your loved one or special event will be mentioned in the bulletin. Arrangements are available now until Advent. To make flower arrangements, please call the rectory at 847 967-1060.



**ALTAR FLOWERS
THIS WEEK
IN LOVING
MEMORY OF
TATIANA ZAJAC
“FROM SON”**



FR. CARLOS INVITES YOU TO
ATTEND A MASS IN MEMORY
OF HIS MOTHER,
JOANA M. CARDOZO
SATURDAY, JULY 25TH
@ 9:30 A.M.

THERE IS A 50 PERSON LIMIT
AND RESERVATIONS WILL BE
REQUIRED. PLEASE USE THE LINK
ON THE PARISH WEBSITE OR
CONTACT THE RECTORY IF YOU
WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

- First Grade RE Assistant for the Religious Education Program. (Monday nights)
- Greeters/Ushers/Cleaners for Masses and other Church events
- Helper Catechists for our SPRED Community Wednesdays)

For more information and to discuss your possible involvement, please contact Dee Stanton by calling 847/967-1060 or 966-1180 or email sijre2004@yahoo.com.



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.

WAKE ME UP LORD

Wake me up Lord, so that the evil of racism finds no home within me. Keep watch over my heart Lord, and remove from me any barriers to your grace that may oppress and offend my brothers and sisters. Fill my spirit Lord, so that I may give services of justice and peace. Clear my mind Lord, and use it for your glory. And finally, remind us Lord that you said, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God." Amen.
C1989, *For the Love of One Another*, NCCB

Baptisms

Marceline Charlotte Morimoto
Daughter of
Clifford & Judy (Manipon) Morimoto



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
LORNA ALBA	MARY SUNSHINE PONDER
	JUDY CABRERA
	YUL VENTURA
	MARY LERPS
	SHARON KILIKEVICE

GOD'S WORDS

Each day we are bombarded with thousands of words. From the moment our clock radios click on in the morning, until the last moment of the day when the television is turned off or someone bids us “good-night,” our life is filled with words. Some words that we hear bring news that leaves us feeling low. Some words lift our spirits. Many of the words we hear are trying to get us to buy something. Some words are hurtful. Today the Church focuses our attention on hearing the word of God. Are God’s words just more of the same—part of the endless stream of words that flow into our ears each day? The challenge today is to allow God’s word to inspire us in new ways so that our outlook and attitudes align themselves more closely with the heart and mind of Christ Jesus.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — My word will achieve the end for which it was sent (Isaiah 55:10-11).

Psalm — The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest (Psalm 65).

Second Reading — We, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan within ourselves awaiting the redemption of our bodies (Romans 8:18-23).

Gospel — Some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit (Matthew 13:1-23 [1-9]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
Tuesday:	Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday:	Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27
Thursday:	Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30
Friday:	Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8
Saturday:	Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21
Sunday:	Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]

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.



Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 12, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Helene Kowalik
10:00 a.m.	Mary Swanson
12:00 p.m.	Ricardo Lopez

Monday - July 13, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society Joseph Putherickal
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Tuesday - July 14, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Editha Medrano
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Wednesday - July 15, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Cecylia & Augustyn Chrzaszcz
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Thursday - July 16, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Maria Ladd
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Friday - July 17, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Homeless & Unemployed
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Saturday - July 18, 2020

8:00 a.m.	All Clergy
5:00 p.m.	John Areno Dolores Chmielewski John & Anna Karłowicz Gloria Cabacungan

Sunday, July 19, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Mary Ellen McNicholas
10:00 a.m.	Carlos Galassini

Liturgy Next Weekend July 18th & 19th

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



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