



Sts. Martha & Isaac Jogues Parish

St. Isaac Jogues Church

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Saturday, 5PM
Sunday, 8AM & 10AM

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847-966-3266 or sjbschool.org

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays, 11AM - 12:00PM

Sacrament of Matrimony: Must be registered for six months prior to setting the wedding date with an additional six months for necessary preparation.

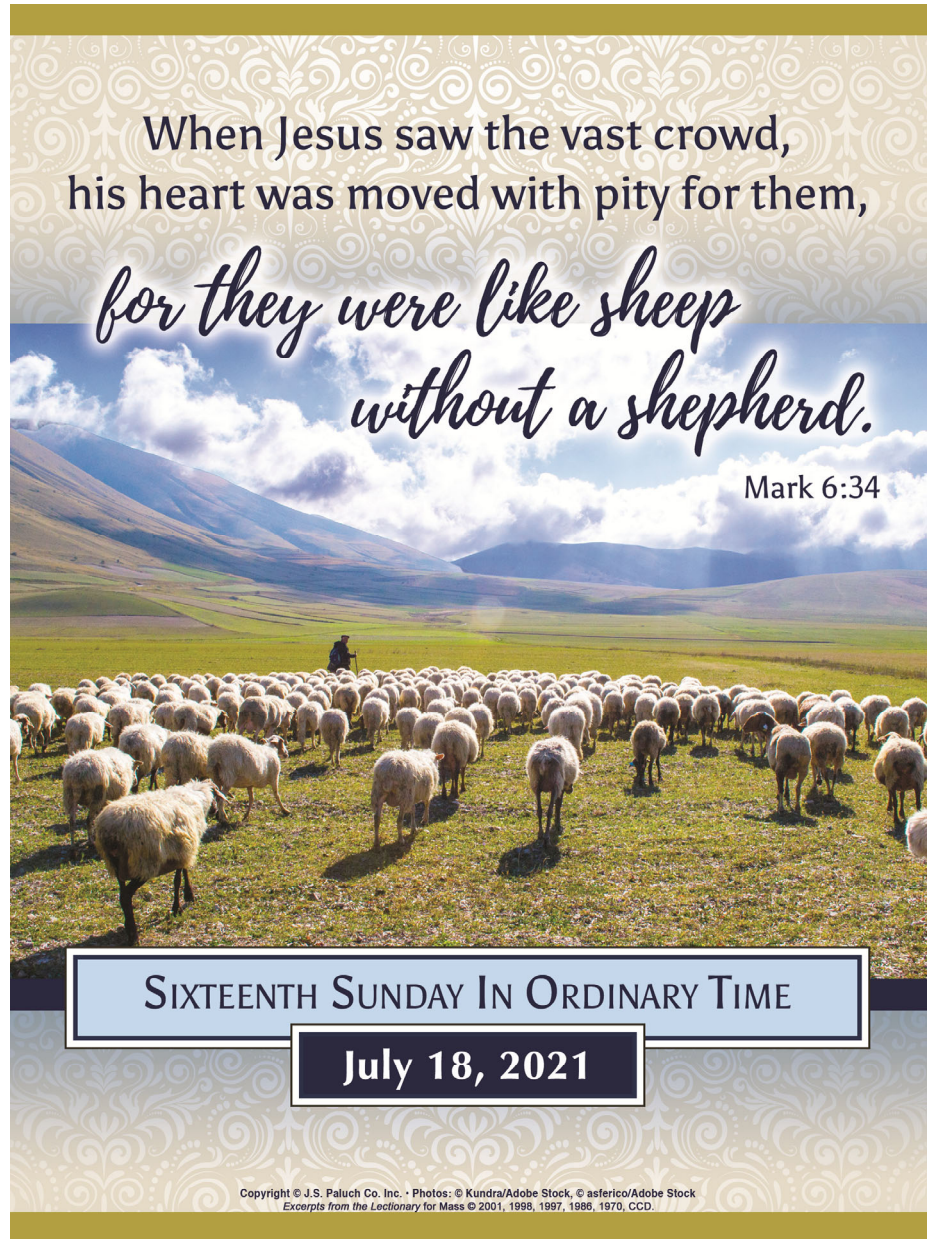
Note: The following wedding times can be scheduled:

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.



When Jesus saw the vast crowd,
his heart was moved with pity for them,
*for they were like sheep
without a shepherd.*

Mark 6:34

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 18, 2021

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A Word of Farewell ...

Dear Friends,

When you read this article, I would be gone to India but just thought of perhaps some reflection on my time I spent here. It seems that it was just the other day I came to this beautiful parish, and in no time, four and half months have gone by. I consider myself fortunate to have met such wonderful staff (Deacon Paul, Lori, Dolores, Lisa, Marlene and Jerry) and the loving parishioners, that it makes saying goodbye to you all so hard. I felt a pull towards this congregation and felt called to serve God together with you during these last few months. Many, many thanks to you all!

As I say goodbye, let's remind each other that farewells are not forever. They are simply words to say, so you know that I will miss you dearly, and that I will remember you fondly. I will be gone to India which is around 8,500 miles air travel. But even if it is going to be miles away, Richard Bach says, "Can miles truly separate you from friends? If you want to be with someone you love Aren't you already there?" And so it is, and always will be. I will carry all of you always close to my heart.

I always thank God for all of you in my prayers. May the peace of God be with us in all that we do. May the grace of our Lord Jesus, God's anointed, be with you all.

God bless you!

Fr. Jose Baptista, s.f.x.



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.



All Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Ushers are invited to return to ministry, if they feel ready to do so. Please contact Dee Stanton and let her know, 847-966-1180 or sjre2004@yahoo.com. Thanks!

IS THE LORD CALLING YOU?

While passing on the faith is primarily the privilege and responsibility of the home, the faith community is also called to assist through their prayer, good example and involvement with children and their families. Might the Lord be **calling you** to take on the fulfilling vocation of an **RE catechist**? Do you desire to share your faith with children and to grow in your own faith at the same time? Are you willing and able to undertake a weekly commitment and the training/preparation needed to engage their hearts and minds to know, love and serve the Lord and His Church? Are you 18 years old or older, fully initiated and open to fulfilling whatever is necessary for their health, protection and wellbeing?

At this time we are **seeking a Catechist for Grades 5 or Confirmation Year I (Gr. 7 and older)**. Someone who has volunteered to be a catechist is open to either grade, hence the above wording. Please pray about it and then contact Dee Stanton, 847/966-1180 or sjre2004@yahoo.com to discuss your possible involvement. Thank you!

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION: From the Imitation of Christ

“Turn to the Lord with your whole heart and leave this wretched world. Then your soul shall find rest. For the kingdom of God is the peace and joy of the Holy Spirit. If you prepare within your heart a fitting dwelling place, Christ will come to you and console you. *His glory and beauty are within you*, and he delights in dwelling there. The Lord frequently visits the heart of man. There he shares with man pleasant conversations, welcome consolation, abundant peace and a wonderful intimacy.

“So come, faithful soul. Prepare your heart for your spouse to dwell within you. For he says: *If anyone loves me, he will keep my word and we shall come to him and make our dwelling within him*. Make room for Christ. When you possess Christ you are a rich man, for he is sufficient for you. He himself shall provide for you and faithfully administer all your cares. You will not have to place your hope in men. Put all your trust in God; let him be both your fear and your love. He will respond on your behalf and will do whatever is in your best interest. You have here no *lasting city*. For wherever you find yourself, you will always be a pilgrim from another city. Until you are united intimately with Christ, you will never find your true rest.

“Let your thoughts be with the Most High and direct your prayers continually to Christ. If you do not know how to contemplate the glory of heaven, take comfort in the passion of Christ, and dwell willingly in his sacred wounds. Endure with Christ, suffer for him, if you wish to reign with him. Once you have entered completely into the depths of Jesus, and have a taste of his powerful love, then you will not care about your own convenience or inconvenience. Rather you will rejoice all the more in insults and injuries, for the love of Jesus make one scorn his own needs.”

*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.

CHURCH REMINDERS

- +The outside door by the Holy Family Room is now able to be used to enter and exit the church.
- +The Sacristy is for use by the clergy and work team. Liturgical ministers check in by the Usher's Room.
- +Everyone is asked to please be seated. Only Ushers should be standing.
- +The bathroom in church is still the only one for use.
- +Doors open a half hour before each Mass (weekday or weekend). Please make every effort to be here on time and to leave only after Father leaves the altar and goes down the main aisle.
- +Please help maintain a reverent atmosphere – lower & lift up kneelers and open & close any doors quietly.
- +The collection is now being taken up by the Ushers with long-handled baskets.
- +There are two lines for Holy Communion coming forward in the main aisle and a single line over by the chapel side. Whichever of the three ministers finishes their line first will go to the SIJ side of the church to distribute Holy Communion.
- +Bulletins are given out at the end of Masses on the weekend.



**Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults**

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you seeking a new or deeper relationship with Jesus and with the Catholic Church? Never been baptized and want to learn about the initiation process? A baptized Christian seeking to learn more about the Catholic Church and how she lives her faith in Jesus? A baptized Catholic who has not participated in religious education classes nor completed the other sacraments of initiation (First Communion and Confirmation)? If you answer yes to any of these questions, please contact Dee Stanton, 847/966- 1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com to learn more about this process of prayer, study, and service. Or if you know someone who might be open to this invitation, please share it with them.



**FOOD DISTRIBUTION
VOLUNTEERS**

It has been decided that we will continue to host the monthly distribution on the 4th Wednesday of each month, 4 – 6 p.m.. Please share this information with people who would benefit from additional food support. The next one will be hosted in our SIJ parking lot **July 28th**.

We are in need of about 30 volunteers for each time frame. The first time frame is 2:45 – 5:00 p.m. to set up, take food off pallets, pack it and bring it to stations, set out signs, and check in guests. The second 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. Everyone needs to be in good health, no underlying conditions, and will have to wear a mask and gloves (which we will provide). **To volunteer please contact the Religious Education Office by end of day this Monday, 847-966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com**



STS. MARTHA & ISAAC JOGUES PARISH

Meet & Greet Picnic

Bring a Friend!

Date: Sunday, July 25
Place: Harrer Park - North End - Pavilion
6200 Lake St., by the Playground
Time: Noon - 3:00 p.m.

*BYO:
Lawn chair
Blanket*

FOOD PROVIDED
Served 12:30-2:30 p.m.

- Hot dogs
- Chips
- Soft drinks
- Desserts



GAMES -1:00-2:30 p.m.

- Water Balloon Toss
- Freeze Dance
- Ping Pong Relay Race
- Bucket Toss
- Bag-O
- Bingo



R.E. Basket Raffle
\$5/ticket, 5 for \$20

- Including:**
Craft basket
Lego basket
Movie night basket
Wine basket
and many others!

More fun:

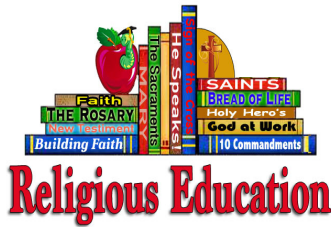
- Bouncy Obstacle Course (40 ft!) (socks required)
- Face Painting
- MG Fire Truck
- MG Police Car

DJ & Dancing
from 12:30-3:00 p.m.

Please RSVP using the sign-up sheet at church or via your Flocknote email.

For additional information, contact Rita Minx at 847-840-7083 or Lori Ronczka at 973-931-8824.

If you did not get a chance to sign up for the picnic, you can still contact the Rectory this week, 847-967-1070. Some have asked about parking – available at Park View School, on Lake Avenue and by the old swimming pool. Spaces right by the picnic space will be saved for seniors – try to car pool. Everyone coming to the picnic is reminded to bring a lawn chair or blanket. Regarding the weather: If we think we need to postpone the picnic because of the weather forecast, the decision will be made late morning Saturday. We will then notify people through Flocknote and announcements at Masses that weekend. The rain date would be Sunday, August 15th, Noon to 3 p.m. but let's pray for great weather to have lots of fun being together and meeting friends old and new!



Religious Education

2021 – 2022 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Growing in faith is a lifelong process. Please allow us to help you help your child create a firm foundation in faith and participate in religious education each year – family events, learn about the Bible and Catholic Tradition, prayer times, service, sacrament preparation/review and more! Registration for the 2021 – 2022 Religious Education Program is currently taking place. Your cooperation in taking care of this very important task as soon as possible will help us to order books and supplies and further make plans.

Please note that students must participate in religious education the **immediate two**

years prior to receiving any sacraments (First Communion, Confirmation). Everyone is welcome!

St. Isaac Jogues Church RE Program will be on Mondays, 6:45 – 8:00 p.m., from late August until mid-May, for children in Grs. 1 – Confirmation Year II (Gr. 8 or older) as of September. Kindergarten RE sessions will be on Sundays at 10 a.m. provided at least five (5) students are registered. The current plan for the whole program is to be in person with masks and appropriate distancing. As we move through the summer we will keep you informed of any changes.

If you received forms in the mail, please complete them and mail back or drop off in the Rectory mail slot in an envelope to the attention of the RE Office. Invite your friends and neighbors to consider St. Isaac Jogues Church RE Program for their children's faith formation. Should you have any concerns you would like to discuss before registering, please do not hesitate to contact Dolores Stanton, 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com.

If your family is new to the RE Program or did not receive forms, please contact the RE Office to arrange for them to be mailed or picked up. Families are also asked to provide a copy of each new child's baptismal certificate (if not baptized here at St. Isaac Jogues) 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 sijre2004@yahoo.com.



SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

Our annual School Supplies Drive to benefit SIJ families, those assisted by our Outreach Ministry, and Maryville, will take place the weekend of July 31 - August 1 and August 7 - 8! Please bring your donations to church those weekends or contact the Rectory, 847-967-1060, to drop them off during the week. Monetary donations will also be appreciated and we'll do the shopping for you.

Our parishioner, Sr. Cathy Ryan, is the Executive Director of Maryville.

Helpful school supplies include: backpacks, pencils, spiral notebooks, pink erasers, pencil sharpeners, pens (red, blue, black), 24 crayons, markers (fine tip and broad), glue sticks or glue bottles, index cards, folders w/ pockets, 1" binders, rulers, notebook paper, scissors, yellow highlighters, small bottles of hand sanitizer, math flash cards, dictionaries, thesaurus. Your support and generosity will be a blessing as a new school year begins. Your prayers will also assist the students -- thank you!



St. Isaac Jogues is hosting a free shredding event on Saturday, July 31st in the rectory parking lot near the garages from 10am - Noon or until the truck is full. You can bring paper, file folders, envelopes. No need to remove staples or paper clips. Please don't bring plastic or large ringed binders. You just need to pull into the parking lot and dump your stuff into a large bin which will then go into the shredding truck. No reservations required.



Pray for

KERMIT TURNER	TONY LIVORSI
MICHAEL NOBLE	JOHN ROMANO
JULIE HIGGINS	AUDREY JANS
CARL AFFATATI	DAVID FORST
EMILY SITKOWSKI	KIMBERLY KNOX
CYNTHIA MELNICK	NONA YOAKUM
MICHAEL FOLISI	ROBERT STEPHENSON
DOROTHY BEZDON	LAURA HALL - SCHORDJE
MATTHEW PONDER	HENRIETTA SAGARIO
FELICITA BAYANI	JUDY CABRERA
EMILY CABRERA	YUL VENTURA
LORNA ALBA	MARY SUNSHINE PONDER
SUSAN ARENDT	SHARON KILIKEVIC
CINDY NOLAN	PELAGIA SAJULGA
MARTHA DEMKO	PATTY ZEMAN
REMEDIOS MAGPANTAY	ALEXANDRA LAQUAGWA
TIM DENDOR	NORBERT FLOREK
CAROLYN BEIL	IRENE LINGAYA
	CATHY FORST
	BERNITA DEL ROSARIO

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.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I shall gather the remnant of my flock and bring them back to their meadow (Jeremiah 23:1-6).

Psalm — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — You who were once far off have become near by the blood of Christ (Ephesians 2:13-18).

Gospel — When Jesus saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he began to teach them many things (Mark 6:30-34).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-6; Mt 12:38-42
- Tuesday: Ex 14:21 — 15:1; Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17; Mt 12:46-50
- Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28; Mt 13:1-9
- Thursday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
- Friday: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23
- Saturday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Mt 13:24-30
- Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

Many have drawn spiritual and academic life from our parish. Please consider a gift through your will or trust to continue the work of St. Isaac Jogues.

Prepare or update your will or trust today by contacting an attorney. For sample bequest language, please contact *Krystina M. Campbell, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago* at 312.534.5404 or kcampbell@archchicago.org.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, - July 18, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Pjeter Brisku
10:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Luke & Philomena Moran
12:00 p.m.	Anthony Chacko John Affatati Maureen Osterhout

Monday - July 19, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society Thressiamma Antony
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Tuesday - July 20 2021

8:00 a.m.	Rosey & Joseph Thuruthikara Roderick Menor - Spec. Intention Fr. Alfredo - Spec Intention
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Wednesday - July 21, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Richard Banner
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Thursday - July 22, 2021

8:00 a.m.	John Affatati
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Friday - July 23, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Aleyamma Abraham - Spec. Intention
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Saturday - July 24, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Josephine Martocci
5:00 p.m.	John Areno Carra Wiesel

Sunday, - July 25, 2021

8:00 a.m.	Tony Irmen
10:00 a.m.	James Ptak Special Intention for Melina Joy Silvestre Orillaza
12:00 p.m.	Michael Mac Donald

Next Week Liturgy Schedule July 24th & 25th

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

For your information:

The Annual Buddy Concert will take place this year , but in the Fall. Scott Urban, the concert's organizer, is eager to have Buddy's friends here to entertain us and to benefit the parish after a year's absence. Watch for details in the coming months.

FEAST OF FAITH

Invitation to the Eucharistic Prayer

After the presider washes his hands, he turns to the people and says, "Pray that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God the almighty Father." We have brought forward bread and wine, and now we are asked to see in these simple gifts upon the altar a sacrifice offered to God. Our response is rich in theological meaning. "May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands." The words point to the unique role of the priest, whose hands, at his ordination, were anointed for just this purpose: that he might "sanctify the Christian people and offer sacrifice to God" (*Rite of Ordination*). We ask God to accept our sacrifice not because it is worthy of God, but simply "for the praise and glory of his name." God does not need our offering, but allows us to give it so that we might grow in holiness. And God, never to be outdone in generosity, gives all that we have given back to us, "for our good and the good of all his Church." This Mass benefits not just those who have gathered, but, in the mysterious economy of grace, the whole Church. In the words of Saint Paul, when one part rejoices, the whole body "share[s] its joy" (1 Corinthians 12:26).

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