



Sts. Martha & Isaac Jogues Parish

St. Isaac Jogues Church

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Saturday, 5PM

Sunday, 8AM & 10AM

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Parish Office Hours: Closed until further notice - please call the rectory number for assistance.

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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.

August 15, 2021

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE



Blessed Virgin Mary

A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.
Revelation 12:1

ST ISAAC JOGUES - Leaders

Parish Pastoral Council			Finance Committee Advisors	
Ted Lenart, Chairperson	Kathy Denning	Gerry Zeller	Kathy Denning	Barbara Watson
Kathy Lord, Vice Chairperson	Lori Ronczka	Dolores Stanton	Gerry Zeller	Irene Baron
Debbie Dexter	Fernando Bonto	Maria Swidzinski	Lori Ronczka	
John Kadiri	Irene Baron			
Women's Club Chairperson – Louella Preston				
Men's Club Chairperson – Don Baron				
Fil-Am Chairperson – Jelly Carandang (Interim)				

SPIRITUAL READING: From a homily by St. Amadeus of Lausanne, bishop

"Observe how fitting it was that even before her assumption the name of Mary shone forth wonderfully throughout the world. Her fame spread everywhere even before she was raised above the heavens in her magnificence. Because of the honor due her Son, it was indeed fitting for the Virgin Mother to have first ruled upon earth and then be raised up to heaven in glory. It was fitting that her fame be spread in this world below, so that she might enter the heights of heaven in overwhelming blessedness. Just as she was borne from virtue to virtue by the Spirit of the Lord, she was transported from earthly renown to heavenly brightness.

"So it was that she began to taste the fruits of her future reign while still in the flesh. At one moment she withdrew to God in ecstasy; at the next she would bend down to her neighbors with indescribably love. In heaven angels served her, while here on earth she was venerated by the service of men. Gabriel and the angels waited upon her in heaven. The virgin John, rejoicing that the Virgin Mother was entrusted to him at the cross, cared for her with the other apostles here below. The angels rejoiced to see their queen; the apostles rejoiced to see their lady, and both obeyed her with loving devotion.

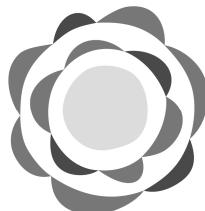
"Dwelling in the loftiest citadel of virtue, like a sea of divine grace or an unfathomable source of love that has everywhere overflowed its banks, she poured forth her bountiful waters on trusting and thirsting souls. Able to preserve both flesh and spirit from death she bestowed health-giving salve o bodies and souls. Has anyone ever come away from her troubled or saddened or ignorant of the heavenly mysteries? Who has not returned to everyday life gladdened and joyful because his request had been granted by the Mother of God?

"She is a bride, so gentle and affectionate, and the mother of the only true bridegroom. In her abundant goodness she has channeled the spring of reason's garden, the well of living and life-giving waters that pour forth in a rushing stream from divine Lebanon and flow down from Mount Zion until they surround the shores of every far-flung nation. With divine assistance she has redirected these waters and made them into streams of peace and pools of grace. Therefore, when the Virgin of virgins was led forth by God and her Son, the King of kings, amid the company of exulting angels and rejoicing archangels, with the heavens ringing with praise, the prophecy of the psalmist was fulfilled, in which he said to the Lord: *At your right hand stands the queen, clothed in gold of Ophir.*"

**FOOD DISTRIBUTION VOLUNTEERS**

We thank everyone who helped with the July food distribution carried out with Catholic Charities and the Greater Chicago Food Depository. We served 186 households which totaled 641 people. We carry on this work of mercy 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 SJ parking lot **August 25th**.

We are in need of about 30 volunteers for each time frame. The first time frame is 2:45 – 5:15 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 with no underlying conditions. Because we have children around who are unvaccinated, we do wear masks and we need to wear gloves (which are provided). To volunteer please contact the Religious Education Office by Wednesday, August 18th, 847-966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com. or respond via Flocknote. If we still need volunteers, we will reach out to others through Catholic Charities.



The CDC is now recommending that masks be worn inside regardless of vaccination status. Following that guidance, while not mandated, the Archdiocese of Chicago is strongly recommending that all persons entering Archdiocesan facilities be masked regardless of their vaccination status. This applies to parish offices, schools, churches and other public spaces. Observance of this policy aligns us with public health officials mitigation strategies. We must work to take care of ourselves and each other. Further guidance on mask usage during liturgies will be forthcoming shortly.

Thank you

Sending a special thanks to the SIJ Fil Am Group for their donation to the Unification Picnic!

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.

Sts. Martha & Isaac Jogues Upcoming Events

--Sunday, September 12

Concert in Honor of the 20th Anniversary of the events of 9/11/2001 at the St. Martha Campus (with opportunity to tour the campus before the concert if you have not been there before).

--Weekend of September 18 – 19

Osclo Flu Shot Clinic, 4:00-6:15 p.m. on Saturday and 8:30-11:30 a.m. on Sunday; Holy Family Room and Room 6 of the school on the SIJ campus. Pharmacist administering the flu shots is our parishioner, Blandina Brisku.

--Sunday, September 26

Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz Mass at Noon, followed by reception (reservations will be necessary for the reception) here at the SIJ Campus hosted by the SIJ Fil-Am Group. For those who have not been here before we will offer the opportunity to tour the campus.

--Sunday, October 24

Annual Buddy Concert Fundraiser, 3 p.m. at SIJ Campus featuring wonderful artists performing in memory of SIJ parishioner Buddy Charles Gries. Tickets on sale mid-September, \$25 per person.

THE DESTINY OF ALL MORTAL FLESH

The celebration of today's feast on a Sunday is unusual on our Roman Catholic calendar. Our observance of the Lord's Day is held in such high esteem that few other feasts replace it. Occasionally there is a feast—usually of one of the saints—in which the saving power of God in Christ is so uniquely focused that the Roman rite deems it worthy of celebration on the Lord's Day. Today is such a feast. Yet some are surprised at the brevity of the dogma in its entirety: "We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma: that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory." The Roman Catholic Church never defined any specifics or particulars about the event itself. It is not in the scriptures. There are no verifiable eyewitness accounts. At its core, the dogma reveals in Mary the destiny of all mortal flesh, and reinforces our creedal belief in resurrection of the body. This feast strengthens our faith, defined last week in Hebrews as the realization of things hoped for. We find, in Mary, that realization of what we all hope for, what Paul today affirms: "In Christ shall all be brought to life" (1 Corinthians 15:22).



Come one and all! We can have choirs again at our Masses. Hallelujah! Have you thought about joining one of the choirs? It's a great way to meet people, have fun and worship together.

The adult choir meets on Wednesdays from 7:15 until 9:00pm and we sing at the 8:00am Mass. Our first rehearsal is on August 25 at 7:15pm. Look forward to singing some familiar songs, some new songs, and yes indeed, some Christmas songs. See you there!

Praise singers meet on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:15pm. High school and college students are invited to join. We will have a meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 25

at 6:00pm to discuss which rehearsal days and times will work best for your schedules. Praise Singers will sing every other Sunday at the 10:00am Mass. Come to the meeting and be ready to sing. Bring a friend!



News From the St Martha's Seniors Group

"Today is a day that we have all been looking forward to, as we can safely get back to our senior activities and put this covid -19 pandemic behind us"

Calling All Seniors!

The purpose of St. Martha Seniors is to provide a welcoming place where seniors, can meet old friends, acquire new friendships, and discuss current events. Guest speakers keep our members informed of the latest developments relative to senior issues. Socializing, singing and laughing all help to keep our members healthy and energized. Two scheduled community projects allow our members to "give back" to the community and allows them to feel that even though they are older they still are useful and can make a difference to others less fortunate.

The Senior's Group at St Martha Church will resume bi-monthly meetings on the first and third Tuesdays beginning September 7 from Noon – 2pm in the Café at 8523 Georgiana Ave, Morton Grove. The cafe is in the Auditorium/Shrine building.

All Seniors are invited to come together who have been vaccinated against the Covid-19 virus. Since we have not eradicated Covid-19 the following restrictions will be still in effect: We will not be able to serve food or drink during our meetings. It is perfectly alright if you want to bring a snack or a drink, but sorry, no sharing! We are asking if you have not been vaccinated against Covid-19 virus, please stay home until you have been fully vaccinated. If you need help getting vaccinated, please call Bob Roman, we can help. Please keep in mind that additional Covid restrictions may be implemented over time as required based on guidance from the CDC and Archdiocese of Chicago.

Since we will not be serving food or drinks at our meetings, the \$20.00 annual dues payment for 2021 will be waived for all new and current members.

If you have any questions, please call the Seniors Group President,
Bob Roman at 847-533-9314.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Religious Education

+Religious Education classes begin with a Family Event on **Monday, August 30th, at 6:30 p.m.**! Calendars and class assignments have been mailed out to those who are registered. If you have not yet registered your children (Grs. 1 – Confirmation Year II (8th Grade & older) or have questions or concerns you want to discuss, please contact the RE Office this week, 847/966-1180 or sjre2004@yahoo.com. Everyone is welcome! At this time the program will be in person with everyone who is in the building wearing masks (regardless of vaccination status), assigned seating with tables/seats at least 3 ft. apart. If there are any changes, we will keep you informed. **Please note** that students must participate in religious education the immediate two years prior to receiving any sacraments (First Communion, Confirmation). If you have friends or neighbors seeking faith formation and religious education for their children, please invite them to consider the SIJ Church Religious Education Program.

+RE Catechists and Assistants will meet Monday, August 23rd, 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Holy Family Room. Please wear your masks and bring your manuals, ideas and joy for the start of a new year of faith formation. Be sure to sign into your Virtus accounts and complete any paperwork that may be listed for you.



ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEK

"In Loving Memory of Tony Irmen"

Love, Arlene

"In Thanksgiving for the blessings received from
St. Isaac Jogues Church"

I will miss you, Elizabeth Peter



OUTREACH PANTRY WISH LIST

The following items would be helpful for the Outreach Ministry Pantry: canned soups that eat like meals, pork and beans, canned stews and hash, canned vegetables, shampoo, deodorant (that can be used by a man or a woman). Please remember that we do not have the capacity to store fresh foods or meat or bread. Thank you for your generosity to those who come to the church in their need.



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 until

Thanksgiving. 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.



Pray for Us

	TONY LIVORSI
KERMIT TURNER	JOHN ROMANO
MICHAEL NOBLE	AUDREY JANS
JULIE HIGGINS	DAVID FORST
CARL AFFATATI	KIMBERLY KNOX
EMILY SITKOWSKI	NONA YOAKUM
CYNTHIA MELNICK	ROBERT STEPHENSON
MICHAEL FOLISI	LAURA HALL - SCHORDJE
DOROTHY BEZDON	HENRIETTA SAGARIO
LORNA ALBA	MATTHEW PONDER
SUSAN ARENDT	MARY SUNSHINE PONDER
CINDY NOLAN	BRAD BOWER
MARTHA DEMKO	LAURA & DANNY MORA
REMEDIOS MAGPANTAY	SHARON KILIKEVICE
TIM DENDOR	PATTY ZEMAN
CAROLYN BEIL	PELAGIA SAJULGA
ZENAIDA VENTURA	ALEXANDRA LAQUAGWA
NELSON PETINES	NORBERT FLOREK
TERRY GAZDZIAK	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 — The vision concerning the woman clothed with the sun (Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab).

Psalm — The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold (Psalm 45).

Second Reading — Christ, the firstfruits; then those who belong to him (1 Corinthians 15:20-27).

Gospel — Mary praises God in the Magnificat (Luke 1:39-56).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44;
Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10;
Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5;
Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-21;
Eph 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69



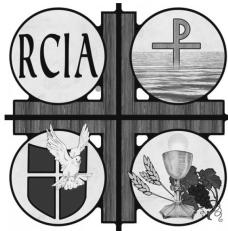
*Dolores Vogt
Marek Krywko
In Memoriam*

Mass Intentions

Sunday - August 15, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	Richard Banner
10:00 a.m.	Helma Drag
12:00 p.m.	John Affatati
	Tony Irmens
	Gary Aiello
	Merilou & Ronald Timko
	Dorothy Bilson - Special Intention
Monday - August 16, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society
	Erich Monzon
Tuesday - August 17, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	Georgia Hall
	Mary Peter - Special Intention
Wednesday - August 18, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	Jo Ann Kempton
Thursday - August 19, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	Erich Monzon
Friday - August 20, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	John Affatati
Saturday - August 21, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	Health & Safety of Children & Staff Returning to School
5:00 p.m.	Virginia De Sario Leon Krywko Tony Irmens
Sunday - August 22, 2021	
8:00 a.m.	Janet Grant & Steven Grant
10:00 a.m.	Purificacion Rodriguez & Jeffrey Musni
12:00 p.m.	John Affatati

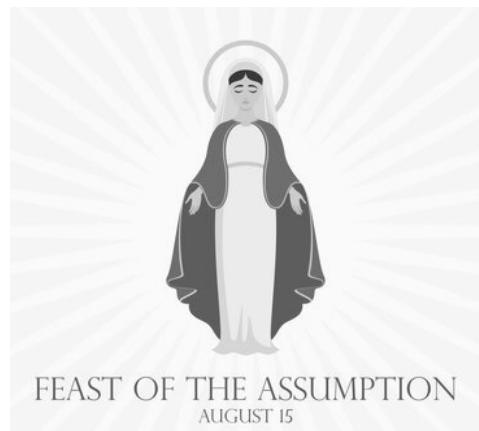
Next Week Liturgy Schedule August 21st & 22nd

Confession - 11:00 a.m.	Fr. Andrew Luczak
5:00 p.m.	Fr. Andrew Luczak
8:00 a.m.	Fr. Bernard/Deacon Paul
10:00 a.m.	Fr. Dennis/Deacon Paul



Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process of prayer, study, and service for those who have never been baptized, are baptized Christian but wanting to learn more about the Catholic Church and how she lives her faith in Jesus or are baptized Catholic but have not received the other sacraments of initiation (First Communion and Confirmation). If you would like to ask some questions or discuss your possible participation, please contact Dee Stanton, 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com. If you know someone with whom you'd like to share this invitation, please do so. All are welcome!



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