

# SAINT ISAAC JOGUES PARISH

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

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**Weekend Mass Celebrant:**

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**Masses: Saturday, 5PM  
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**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.



ST ISAAC JOGUES - Parish Leaders				
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FROM THE  
Pastor's Desk

## LORD HELP ME

Lord help me is how the Canaanite woman pleads Jesus in the gospel of Mathew 15/21-28 for this week-end. From the scripture passage we learn the woman came to Jesus pleading for the cure of her daughter who is tormented by a demon. Jesus tested her faith by not responding to her request, initially saying that he is sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. But the response from the women moved Jesus to perform the miracle of healing her daughter. Jesus healed people at times with request and at other times without request. Why was he not granting this woman's request?

Jesus was trying to test her faith as she was a Canaanite woman. The woman needed a cure for her daughter. Having seen how she demonstrated her faith in him by using the title thrice to Jesus as "Lord." She begins by saying "Have mercy on me, **Lord, Son of David** and later by paying homage to him she says "**Lord, help me**" and finally she says "**Please Lord.**" How could Jesus not grant this women her request? Jesus marveled at her faith and said "Great is your faith" Let it be done for you as you wish. God at times wants us to struggle in our life so that we can truly feel the need and deepen our faith in him.

Often I reflect in my life about my faith in Jesus. Many of you may be experiencing the same. Isn't our faith put to the test when things go wrong like we lose a job, suffer from a dreaded disease like cancer, Corona virus, natural disaster, loss in business, broken relationships? How do we cope in such situations? We feel the burden is too heavy to bear and what recourse do we take? I am sure the woman in the gospel passage must have done everything possible she could to help her daughter. Realizing there is nothing else she could do now, she turns to Jesus knowing that she is a foreigner but her trust and faith in Jesus even in difficult times made it possible for her to get her request granted.

At a time when we are surrounded with uncertainty due to the pandemic which has taken a toll on our social life in society, restricting our many activities, religious gathering being reduced to a fixed number, we begin to think will it be normal again? How long we will have to bear it all? Every possible measure has been taken care off to find a remedy. It is true no matter how advance strides science has made to procure a vaccine, it will be a while before we find a relief to our problem. Let us not forget that God is in control and let us ask him in all sincerity like the Canaanite woman "Have mercy on us, Lord, Son of David, Lord help me, my country and people out in the world. Lord, please come to our rescue and save us.

-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!**

Links for the rest of August are now posted on the parish website and were sent out on Flocknote. **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. **If you just show up at Mass without a reservation, you will have to wait until we make sure there is space for you.** There is the chance you might not be able to come in that day.

**Important to note: To give access to everyone who would like to attend a Mass, please sign up for only one weekend Mass and/or one Reconciliation time a month.** You may sign up for weekday Masses as often as you want. A phone number or email is necessary in case we are made aware of someone who was at the church and tested positive for coronavirus and need to contact you. We do not call, text or send an email to remind you of your Mass or Reconciliation time. **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 please check your temperature, make sure you are feeling well, and use the facilities. There is only one bathroom in the church, which must be sanitized after each use, which take 8 – 10 minutes to do. If you feel well and come to 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.** The doors are closed 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.

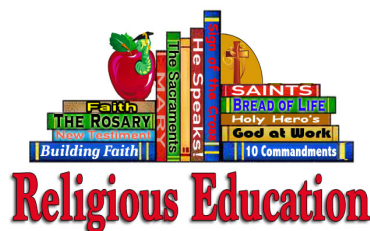
Due to the sanitizing guidelines **we have taped up the kneelers and they cannot be used.** There is also no singing at this time by the Assembly, but we recite the Mass prayers and responses. The collection basket is not passed; **envelopes and offerings are to be placed in the alms boxes located at the door you enter and the door from which you leave.** We wish each other the Sign of Peace with words or a bow, but no physical contact.

**Regarding the reception of Holy Communion:** Father and Deacon sanitize their hands and wear face shields. Only hosts are distributed and only in the hand, not on the tongue. There is a single line in the aisles going up for Communion. Ushers invite you into the aisle socially distanced on the blue tape markers on the floor and again spray your hands with hand sanitizer. Please rub it in and from this point forward do not touch your face or anything else. Hands should be dry before receiving the host.

**When you get up to Father/Deacon, keep your mask on.** 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 please be seated. Ushers will guide each row out to the **only exit door**, which is the narthex door by Golf Road (long ramp). Please maintain social distance and do not touch the doors. They are fixed to stay open or an Usher holds it open for you. **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 you to follow Usher directions and keep some distance from the person in front of you.

Once in the parking lot please go 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. Thank you for your cooperation and care for everyone's safety and health.



## Religious Education

### 2020 - 2021 RE PROGRAM REGISTRATION

**Registration for the 2020-2021 RE Program is taking place.** 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. We **will begin Monday, August 31<sup>st</sup>**, with an in-the-parking lot, socially distanced, wearing masks, stay in your car or bring your own lawn chairs prayer, followed by pick up of books and materials, and socially distanced meeting with the catechists and assistants. Online sessions taught by the catechists will start on Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:00-7:40 p.m. We anticipate having online sessions at least until Christmas break (at which time the Archdiocese will reassess and send updated guidance).

If there is something that might keep your family from participating (finances, COVID concerns, schedule conflict, etc.), please contact Mrs. Stanton. Everyone is welcome! We are trying to make decisions based on Archdiocesan guidance and the comfort level of our families to keep families and staff safe and healthy. **Important:** 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 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 [sjre2004@yahoo.com](mailto:sjre2004@yahoo.com)

### RE REMINDERS

- +Families participating in the Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup> First Communion Mass need to turn in their guest lists by Monday.
- +The second of our two First Communion Masses will be celebrated by Fr. Carlos during a special Mass next Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please pray for the five Candidates who will receive Jesus, the Bread of Life that day. Pray, too, for their families. Together may they grow in their relationship with Jesus and the Church and express it in how they live each day.
- +The Faculty will have a Zoom Meeting on Monday, August 24, at 7 p.m. A link will be sent ahead of time.

This week our prelude will be "The King of Love My Shepherd Is." This is an 1868 hymn with lyrics written by Henry Baker, based on Psalm 23. Obvious from its title, this hymn tells the story of Jesus as a shepherd leading his followers from evil and despair towards salvation. In our hymnal, this song is sung to a traditional Irish tune called St. Columba. Henry Baker's last words were reportedly lyrics from this hymn. This piece begins with a simple statement of the hymn and goes on into a modern interpretation of this wonderful Irish tune. Enjoy.

Our cantors for our Confirmation liturgy at noon today are Matthew and Trisha Bonto, members of the Praise Singers.



## ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEK

*"In Grateful Remembrance and Prayer for the  
Souls of our Benefactors, Well Wishers and those  
who need your mercy most"*

*Putherickal Family*



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.



**THANK YOU!**

No pandemic stops the generosity of our faith community! Thank you to everyone who gave school supplies or a monetary donation for the annual drive. We gave school supplies to five families with a total of 13 children and brought the rest to Maryville. The \$380 collected was used to purchase gift cards for Kolbe House to give to families since they were not really sure how many families would come. Gift cards will allow them to buy school supplies or other items for the start of a new school year. All the recipients are thrilled to receive the gifts and send their gratitude for your generosity and goodness. They pray for God to bless you.

**VOLUNTEERS APPRECIATED**

Greeters/Ushers/Cleaners are necessary for every Mass, Reconciliation session and other Church events. Training is provided. If you 18 – 64 years old with no underlying health issues that put you at greater risk, please give serious consideration to volunteering to assist our faith community. For more information and to discuss your possible involvement, please contact Dee Stanton, 847/966-1180 or [sijre2004@yahoo.com](mailto:sijre2004@yahoo.com).



**CONGRATULATIONS**

St. Isaac Jogues Parish congratulates the Confirmation Candidates who will be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit and complete their initiation this afternoon:



- Czareena (Bianca) Adorable*
- Ofelia (Cassy) Adorable*
- Angelika Dacpano*
- Eya Dalangin*
- Mark Vincent Lazo*
- Jalen Moraga*
- Rafael Cedric Ortin, Jr.*
- Damian Vergara*

As you can see through the first month of Fiscal Year 2021 we continue to experience the effects of Covid19. While the parish has made significant adjustments and will continue to manage all expenses, we need your help. We understand that you too, may be enduring job loss or underemployment and just ask everyone to do what they can. Keep SIJ in your prayers!

**FY 21 INCOME SUMMARY  
July 2020**

	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Difference</b>
<b>Week 1</b>	<b>\$7,888</b>	<b>\$9,800</b>	<b>(\$1,912)</b>
<b>Week 2</b>	<b>\$9,212</b>	<b>\$9,000</b>	<b>\$212</b>
<b>Week 3</b>	<b>\$5,147</b>	<b>\$8,500</b>	<b>(\$3,353)</b>
<b>Week 4</b>	<b>\$6,570</b>	<b>\$8,000</b>	<b>(\$1,430)</b>
<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>\$28,817</b>	<b>\$35,300</b>	<b>(\$6,483)</b>



# 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
EILEEN POWELL	JUDY CABRERA
	YUL VENTURA
	MARY LERPS
	SHARON KILIKEVIC
	PELAGIA SAJULGA

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Thus says the LORD: "Stand firm in justice; do what is right" (Isaiah 56:1, 6-7).

**Psalm** — O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67).

**Second Reading** — The gifts and the calling of God are unable to be revoked (Romans 11:13-15, 29-32).

**Gospel** — Recognizing the Canaanite woman's great faith, Jesus told her, "It shall be done as you wish" (Matthew 15:21-28).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20



## MEMORIAL MASS

Father Carlos will celebrate a Memorial Mass for his sister, Joanita Pereira, next Saturday August 22nd at 9:30 a.m. in the church. If you would like to join with Father in praying for his sister who died in India, please make a reservation using the link on the parish website and sent out on Flocknote. If you need assistance in making a reservation, please call the rectory.



*Aaron Fanco*

*In Memoriam*

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](mailto:sijre2004@yahoo.com).



## Mass Intentions

## Liturgy Next Weekend August 22nd & 23rd

Sunday, August 16, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Helene Kowalik
10:00 a.m.	Richard Doyle
12:00 p.m.	Jose Loquellano Jr. Jose Lamberto Pahang
Monday - August 17, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society Georgia Hall
Tuesday - August 18, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Lois Lauber
Wednesday - August 19, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Janina & Jan Chrzaszcz Special Intention
Thursday - August 20, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Joisy & George Special Intention
Friday - August 21, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Virginia De Sario
Saturday - August 22, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Janet & Stephen Grant
5:00 p.m.	Purificacion Rodriguez Jeffrey Musni
Sunday, August 23, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Ron & Marilou Timko Frank Eichinger Tom Timko - Special Intention
10:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Guillerma Ranola
12:00 p.m.	Pedro Linang Nolando Linang

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



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