

SAINT ISAAC JOGUES PARISH

8149 Golf Road, Niles, IL 60714 " 847.967.1060 " Fax: 847.967.1070 " Website: <http://sij-parish.com>

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

PASTOR: Rev. Mario Pereira, S.F.X.

ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Rev. Carlos Pereira, S.F.X.

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: Monday, Wednesday & Friday,
Daily Mass 8:00 AM**

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

Parish Office: 8149 Golf Road, Niles, IL. 60714

Phone: 847-967-1060

Website: <http://sij-parish.com>

E-mail: office@sij-parish.com

Marlene Garber (A/R, Calendar Coordinator)

**Parish Office Hours: Closed until further notice per
Archdiocesan mandate**

Religious Education: 847-966-1180

Email: sijre2004@yahoo.com

Parish School: St. John Brebeuf School

847-966-3266 or sjbschool.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.

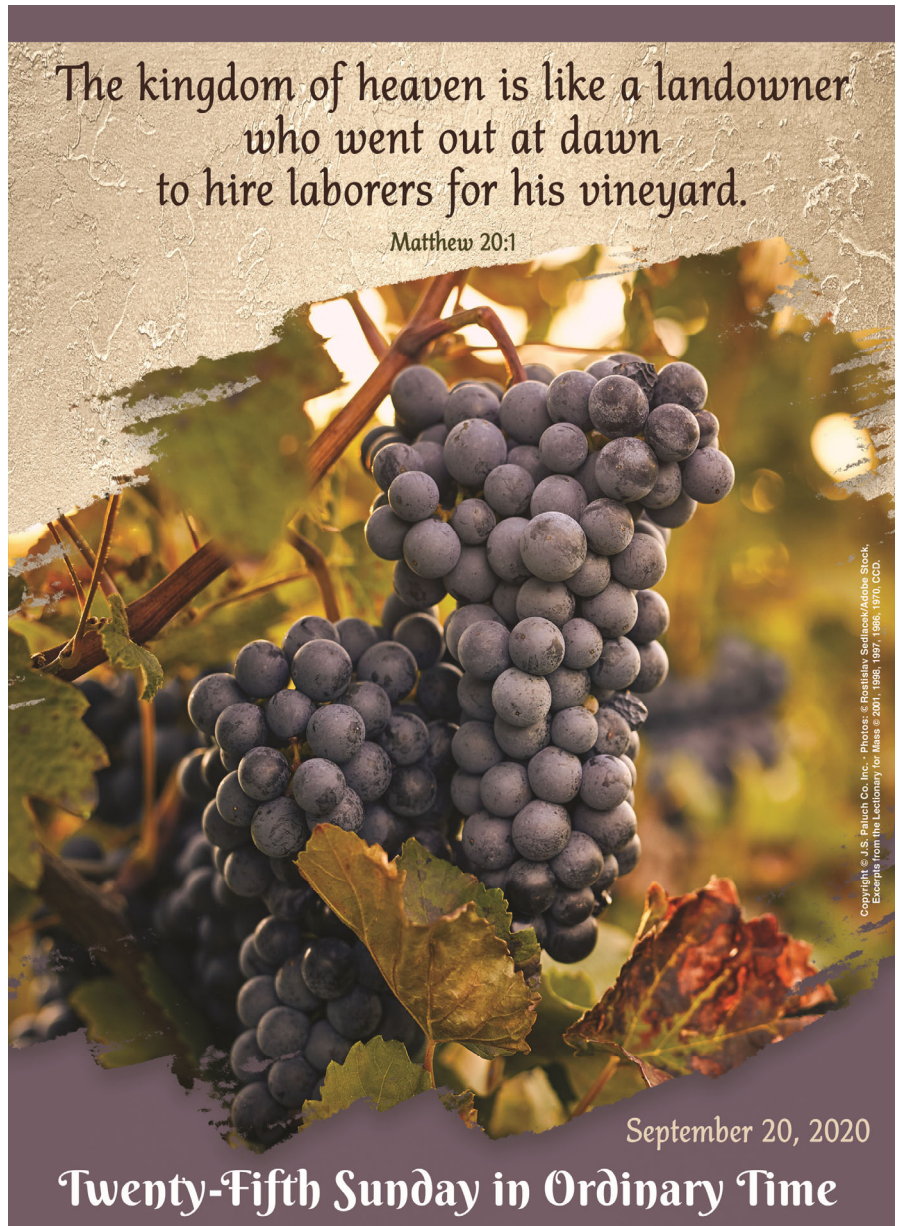
Sunday at 3:00 p.m. (Ceremony only)

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.



ST ISAAC JOGUES - Parish 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	Concy Mesquita
John Kadiri	Irene Baron			
Women's Club Chairperson – Louella Preston				
Men's Club Chairperson – Chuck Napravnik				
Fil-Am Chairperson – Jelly Carandang (Interim)				



FROM THE
Pastor's Desk

Take your due and be gone

Take your due and be gone sounds a bit strong in usage. We are taught to be polite in our dealings with our neighbor. When we hear the command to take your due and be gone, we get an uneasy feeling, when we think what made the vineyard owner to say these words to the laborer. There seems to be a misunderstanding in the minds of the laborers especially those who began their work very early. The owner settled the daily wage payment with the laborers before they began their work and paid everyone equally at the end.

What angered those who worked the whole day in the scorching heat was that those who worked only for an hour were paid as much as others. They felt injustice being done to them by the master and demanded more for themselves; but the owner of the vineyard stated that everyone was given their due and he is free to use his money as he likes. How do we understand this parable then? We can say men look at situations differently than God.

The first initial workers in the vineyard are the ones who are baptized in the Catholic faith as infants. We are introduced to faith through other sacraments as well and we promise God that we will continue working in his vineyard till the end of our journey. Those who embrace the faith later are rewarded by God as much as cradle Catholics, we cannot complain because that is God's privilege to do with us the way he wants.

Why did the laborers who were hired early in the day feel angry with the vineyard owner simply because they expected much more. *Expectations* can cause a lot of injury to self and to the other. We are told from the gospel passage that they were promised their due yet at the time of payment the ones who worked whole day expected to get more. This is where it can lead us to confrontation with the other when we are expecting more than our due. Be happy with what you get and move on in life rather than keep craving for more. When we try to compare ourselves with others, the gifts and talents that God bestowed on us, someone might be gifted to carry out the work quicker than others or do it more efficiently. That is where the master was delighted probably and rewards his servants handsomely.

God's sense of justice cannot be measured with the human sense of being just. Ruth Younts defined justice this way: "**Justice is measuring everything by God's law**, to know and do what is right." This definition is not exactly what people want when they cry out for justice. Typically, justice is measured by what is personally offensive instead of using the law of God as the standard. In order to understand justice well, I would use the word equality which means everyone should be treated equally before the law. Rewarded for the good and punished for the wrong. *Really, justice is getting what you deserve, whether good or bad.* Let's be happy and content in what we have and rejoice in the wellbeing of another.

-Fr. Mario



INSTITUTE FOR DIACONAL STUDIES

Congratulations to Leke Brisku! On October 4, 2020, Most Rev. Mark Bartosic will preside at the Rite of Institution into the Ministry of Reader and welcome him into that ministry at the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception, University of Saint Mary of the Lake in Mundelein. He is one of 24 deacon formation candidates who will become instituted Readers.

At the institution, Bishop Bartosic will charge that Leke Brisku be faithful in handing on the Word of God so that it may grow strong in the hearts of His people. Additionally, being an instituted Reader also means “taking on a special office within the Christian community.” Besides proclaiming the word in the liturgical assembly, an instituted Reader is responsible for:

- instructing children and adults in the faith;
- preparing them to receive the sacraments worthily;
- bringing the message of salvation to those who have not yet received it.

This is an awesome responsibility. But it is part of the continuing discernment process as Leke Brisku moves forward on his journey of information and listens to God’s plan for him in future ministry.

During formation this year, Leke Brisku is attending academic courses which may include Church History, Old Testament, New Testament, Ecclesiology, Spiritual Theology, Moral Theology, Sacramental Theology and Introductory Homiletics. He also participates in Theological Reflection Groups and will attend a cohort retreat prior to his institution as Reader. This year he is engaged in either a Service to the Word field education or a Liturgy Internship. He attends monthly spiritual direction and is present for numerous formation sessions as he continues his journey on the Candidate Path toward the Order of Deacon.

Presently, there are about 550 active deacons in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Please keep in your prayers Leke Brisku, all candidates who will be instituted as Readers, their wives and families, and all candidates in formation, that they might continue to answer God’s call to serve His Church.

Regrettably, admission to the liturgy is by ticket only.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Are you seeking a new or deeper relationship with Jesus and with the Catholic Church? Never been baptized and wanting to learn about the initiation/welcome process? A baptized Christian seeking to learn more about the Catholic Church? 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. If you know someone who might be open to this invitation, please share it with them.

Jeanne Cotter is a commanding female presence in the American Catholic church. She is a liturgical composer, author, performer, parish mission director, master voice and piano teacher, inspirational speaker, and retreat leader. For over two decades she has inspired and taught audiences throughout the United States and abroad. She is currently artist in residence at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Naperville, IL.

Drawing on her Irish heritage, Jeanne understands the power of storytelling to connect diverse audiences to our shared human story. Her own experience of growing up in a large, multiracial, multinational farm family from southern Minnesota informs the values from which she writes and speaks, deeply rooted in the gospel teachings of Jesus. **I was lucky enough to meet Jeanne at one of her workshops, enjoy her wonderful stories and hear her play the piece you are about to hear.**

Our prelude today was written by Jeanne Cotter and is called "Amber." Enjoy!



Religious Education

RE NEWS

+Seminar encouragement cards are due to the RE Office by Sept. 28th.
 +Families who have not yet signed up are asked to contact the RE Office this week, 847-966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com.

**VOLUNTEERS
 MAKE A DIFFERENCE
 SIGN UP TODAY!**

Please give serious thought to volunteering to assist at Masses, Reconciliation and other Church events as an Usher/Greeter/Cleaner. Training is provided. For more information please contact Dee Stanton, 847/966-1180.

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.

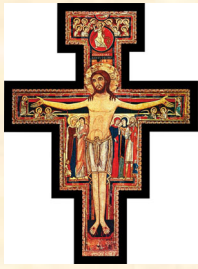


SIJ HOSTS A POP-UP PANTRY



St. Isaac Jogues Parish, along with Catholic Charities and the Greater Chicago Food Depository, will have a free fresh produce distribution (walk up and drive up) in our parking lot this Wednesday, 4:30-6:00 p.m. This event is open to anyone who needs the support and will happen "rain or shine" on a first-

come/first-served basis, until supplies last. Please pass this information along to neighbors who might be served by this opportunity. One will only have to give their name, address and the number in the household.



RENEW MY CHURCH FAQ

***Who is the Group Feedback & Discernment Team (GFDT) and what do they do?** It is a gathering of leaders from each parish/school in a grouping. They are invited by their pastor to take on this role and are typically selected based on a level of prior experience in supporting the mission of the parish, their capacity to bring forth an open mind and heart as to what the Holy Spirit is asking of the community, and the ability to participate in the entire process. The team meets for 3 – 4 months to discuss and discern strengths and challenges of the parishes and school within their particular grouping. Eventually the team will provide feed-

back and information about its grouping to the RMC leadership and present recommendations to the Cardinal so he can make final decisions regarding potential changes to school and parish structures.

***How was our grouping determined?** It was determined through a consultative process in 2016 that included feedback and input from the local Vicar (auxiliary Bishop), deans, pastors, parish councils and other lay leadership. They are also based on recommendations from the Archdiocese taking into consideration geography, commonalities, and relationships.

***How much impact will our feedback actually have? A decision has already been made, hasn't it?** The Cardinal has made it clear that there will be no decisions on future grouping structures until he receives the local input. The process involves giving feedback and offering alternatives to a draft of possible scenarios offered by the Archdiocese. The groupings have the opportunity to offer alternative scenarios. Feedback will be submitted on all viable possibilities discussed.

***Who is on the Commission? Is it the same Commission for all groupings?** The Commission consists of both laity and clergy from each of the six geographical archdiocesan vicariates. It is one Commission used for all grouping. An important role of the Commission is to ensure consistence in approach across all groupings.

OUTREACH MINISTRY NEEDS CONTINUE. UNEMPLOYMENT, UNDEREMPLOYMENT AND HOMELESSNESS GROW. WE NEED YOUR HELP TO CONTINUE GOD'S GOOD WORKS. THE SIJ OUTREACH PANTRY IS RUNNING LOW ON THE FOLLOWING:

CANNED TUNA, CHICKEN, STEWS, CANNED FRUIT & VEGETABLES, PASTA AND SAUCE, PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY, MACARONI & CHEESE, RICE AND POTATOES

Please place your donations in the basket at the Holy Family Room door.

Your monetary donations enable us to purchase and distribute Aldi & Walmart cards to cover basics like milk & cheese, cleaning supplies and medication.

God Bless!
St. Isaac Jogues
Outreach Ministry



UPCOMING EVENTS

+Bible Timeline, Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., HFR. Please wear your mask. We will socially distance.

+We will honor the memory of San Lorenzo Ruiz, Patron Saint of the Philippines, at the 10 a.m. Mass next Sunday, September 27. The reservation link is on the parish website.

+First Friday Holy Hour with the 8 a.m. Mass on Oct. 2nd. Reservations necessary.

+Another Split the Pot Raffle is coming! Winners will be pulled on the Feast of St. Isaac Jogues, Oct. 19! Look for info in the mail this week.

+Blessing of Animals, Saturday, October 3, 1 p.m. over by the Rectory. Please wear masks and socially distance when you arrive.



Pray for

KERMIT TURNER

MICHAEL NOBLE

JULIE HIGGINS

CARL AFFATATI

RICHARD VAIL

BETTY LANDON

EMILY SITKOWSKI

CYNTHIA MELNICK

MICHAEL FOLISI

DOROTHY BEZDON

MATTHEW PONDER

FELICITA BAYANI

EMILY CABRERA

JOE AUTH

LORNA ALBA

RICHARD DRAG

MARIE DE MEO

CINDY NOLAN

MARY JANE PIKULA

TONY LIVORSI

JOHN ROMANO

AUDREY JANS

DAVID FORST

CHRISTINA WALD

KIMBERLY KNOX

DIANE BAUER

NONA YOAKUM

KATHY EGLOFF

ROBERT STEPHENSON

LAURA HALL - SCHORDJE

HENRIETTA SAGARIO

HILDA DALY

MARY SUNSHINE PONDER

JUDY CABRERA

YUL VENTURA

MARY LERPS

SHARON KILIKEVICE

PELAGIA SAJULGA

JOHN OLDERSHAW

REOPENING AND COVID

Our efforts 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 is taking appropriate precautions consistent with the advice of public health authorities and per the policies of the Archdiocese of Chicago, 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. **If you choose to come to Mass you are welcome!**

Fifty people are able to attend any Mass or meeting and you must make a reservation using the online system. If you need help making a reservation, call the Rectory at 847/967-1060, and we will be happy to help you. To give access to everyone who would like to attend a Mass, **please sign up for only one weekend Mass and one Reconciliation time a month. You may sign up for weekday Masses as often as you want. You may check reservations on Fridays after 1 p.m. for the coming weekend for availability and sign up if you want to come. NEW CHANGE: Reservations for Reconciliation and weekend Masses will be closed at 11 p.m. Friday night each week.** If you show up for Reconciliation or Mass without a reservation, you will have to wait to see if you can be accommodated.

The **only entrance door** is at the stairs with the white railing and opens 15 minutes prior to the start of each Mass. It is important that you are on time and enter the church during those 15 minutes. **The doors are closed soon after Mass begins** and, for everyone's health and well being, latecomers may not come in even if they have a reservation. **Please note:** It is very important that you **wear your face mask properly**. We do not want people's confidence in their safety weakened. We are to do everything asked of us in order to keep everyone healthy and safe as we gather for worship. **Following procedures is an act of charity.**

At the end of Mass Ushers will guide each row out to the **only exit door**, which is the 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 directly to your cars.

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

Liturgy Next Weekend September 26th & 27th

Sunday, September 20, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Mary Ellen McNicholas Marguerite Lennon Richard Lopez
10:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Margerita Lazzara
12:00 p.m.	Nick Wolf
Monday - September 21, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society Fran Zimmerman
Tuesday - September 22, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Clarence Turek
Wednesday - September 23, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Pablo Chua Cipriana Ramos-Chua Renato Bega-Ajadar
Thursday - September 24, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Joana Pereira
Friday - September 25, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Harvey Garber
Saturday - September 26, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Henry Gazdziak
5:00 p.m.	Richard Doyle
Sunday, September 27, 2020	
8:00 a.m.	Krzyminski Family
10:00 a.m.	Efren Miranda Gloria Cabacungan Giovanni Lazzara
12:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Tong & Nila Gonzales - 50th Wedding Anniversary

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



Keep in touch with us
VIA EMAIL AND TEXT MESSAGE

**TO SIGN UP, TEXT
SIJ
TO 84576**

Or sign up online at
sij2.flocknote.com

Text STOP to 84576 to stop txt notifications at any time. Text HELP for help. There is no charge for this service, but your carrier message and data rates may apply. View privacy policy & conditions at flocknote.com/txt



Log in to
givecentral.org and
register today!



JUST A PHONE CALL AWAY...
If you need assistance with picking up groceries or meds, etc., please call the Rectory, 847/967-1060. If we are not here, calls are forwarded 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday – Saturday. Messages are also picked up usually once a day. We will contact you as quickly as possible.

CHURCH NAME AND ADDRESS
ST. ISAAC JOGUES #512032
8149 Golf Road
Niles, IL 60714

TELEPHONE
847 967-1060

CONTACT PERSON
Lori

SOFTWARE
MS Publisher 2003
Adobe Acrobat 8.0
Windows XP Professional

PRINTER
Canon IR 3035

NUMBER OF PAGES SENT
1 through 8

SUNDAY DATE OF PUBLICATION
September 20, 2020

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

THANK YOU!

Please only print 100 copies until further notice. Thank you