

SAINT ISAAC JOGUES PARISH

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

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**Masses: Saturday, 5PM
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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.



Jesus said to the Pharisees,

"Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

Matthew 22:21



**TWENTY-NINTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

ST ISAAC JOGUES - Parish Leaders

Parish Pastoral Council			Finance Committee Advisors	
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FROM THE
Pastor's Desk

Give to God what belongs to God

These words came as a response from Jesus to the question posed by the disciples of the Pharisees and the Herodian whose plan was to trap Jesus. They wanted to know the opinion of Jesus with regard to paying of taxes to Caesar. Jesus knew their intentions and said "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." What a wise answer to the ones who come with an evil intention? Those who trust in God will always be protected and guided by wisdom from above. Jesus always sought to do good of others and not of his own. That is where St. Paul would say "Humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but everyone for those of others." (Philippians 2:4)

What do we need to give to God is the question we would be trying to answer. What would God expect from us? The answer is very clear in what St. Paul has said in what God is seeking from us. Our very life should be based on his teaching. The interest we have in the world today could be mainly focusing on these three things "Money, Power & Sex." Going after these things haven't given human kind any lasting happiness, nor peace nor joy. On the contrary it has robbed us of our peace & joy. But St. Paul speaks thus by saying "For the kingdom of God is not a matter of food and drink, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the holy Spirit." (Romans 14:17) He was instructing the Christian believers to lead an exemplary life so that the believers or recent converts to the faith are not scandalized by their behavior to fall back in their faith due to their eating and drinking as food was offered to pagan gods.

St. Paul further poses a challenging question to those who insist on unfettered expression of their Christian liberty: Why did you come to Christ in the first place? For food and drink or for the real benefits of participating in the Kingdom? If that is so; then it is a matter of dying to self-life and living for Christ. We need to talk about the things of God and how our life can be enriched by it. We don't have to travel far in this regard as we have the example of our Patron Saint Isaac Jogues, whose feast day is October 19th. He was a missionary par excellence who served Christ and made him known in a distant land among the Algonquin Indians. Indomitable in his faith in spite of the hardship and persecutions that he faced, he knew that opting for God and his ways would give him that true peace and Joy. We may wonder why God allows people to suffer who love him. The answer lies in the very words of Jesus who says "If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me." (Luke 9:23)

Are we prepared then to give to God what belongs to him? Our very life, our existence comes from him. God knows what is good for us and therefore he commands us to obey him and doing so we can have a fulfilled life of peace and joy. Let us be prepared to make our commitment of a life pleasing to him by walking in his paths, putting the commands and precepts of the Church in practice, so that we may be always pleasing to God by our lives.

Happy Feast of our Patron Saint Isaac Jogues.

-Fr. Mario

LIVE THE GOSPEL OF LIFE

“Twenty-five years ago, Pope St. John Paul II wrote that the Gospel of life is at the heart of Jesus’ saving message to the world (*Evangelium Vitae* 1). In taking on human flesh, dwelling among us, and sacrificing his very life for our redemption, Christ reveals the profound dignity of every human person. This God-given dignity does not change with our stage of life, abilities, level of independence, or any other varying circumstance.

“Rather, it is rooted in the permanent fact that each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, created to share in the very life of God himself. The human person is a ‘manifestation of God in the world, a sign of his presence, a trace of his glory’ (EV 34). And we must reflect this truth in how we act and how we treat one another. “The truth of the Gospel of life is at the foundation of who we are as followers of Christ. In his earthly life, Jesus provided the perfect model for how we are to love our neighbor and live out the Gospel call: ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me’ (Mt. 25:40).

“Jesus calls each of us to ‘care for the other as a person from whom God has made us responsible’ (EV 87). The Gospel of life is intrinsic to the whole Christian life and foundational to the decisions we make on a daily basis. For, ‘the Gospel of God’s love for man, the Gospel of the dignity of the person and the Gospel of life are a *single and indivisible* Gospel’ (EV 2, emphasis added).” c 2020 USCCB. All rights reserved.
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Log in to
givecentral.org and
register today!

The 2021 Mass Book will be available on October 20th. You have 3 socially distant ways to place your intentions: drop your written requests in the rectory mailbox, email your request to office@sij-parish.com or call the rectory. We will take requests on a first come basis.

OCTOBER SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES (for youth, adult, family participation)

+Support the pro-life work of the Women’s Center in this Respect Life Month. This year they need our help more than ever. Throughout the COVID-19 crisis they have continued to counsel mothers considering abortion to give their babies life. Client visits have been remote or in-person following mandated safety protocols. Financial and material support has happened without interruption. Please bring your donation to Mass next weekend (cash or check payable to SIJ and we’ll write one total check; we cannot accept change) and place it in the marked alms box as you leave Mass. You can also **drop your donation in the Rectory mail slot** at the top of the stairs on the right side wall or mail it to the Rectory. **All monies need to be turned in by November 1st.** If you would like to give a donation online, a Virtual Baby Bottle donation page is on the Women’s Center website. They will include your gift when providing a parish total so be sure to indicate you are from SIJ Parish. Thank you for your prayers and generous support of pro-life work!

+St. Isaac Jogues Parish, in collaboration with Catholic Charities, the Archdiocese, and the Greater Chicago Food Depository, is hosting a **free food distribution** on **Wednesday, October 28, 4:30-6:00 p.m. in our parking lot**. This event allows us to help provide a response to food insecurity in the surrounding communities of Niles, Morton Grove and Glenview and beyond, especially by providing fresh produce. A flier has been sent out on Flocknote. Please pass the information along to neighbors who might benefit.

Thank you to those who have already volunteered to help. We are in need of some more! You would need to arrive at 2:45 p.m. for instructions and to help pack the produce and other set up tasks. We particularly encourage younger families, teens, and adults under 65 years of age to help. Everyone needs to be in good health, no underlying conditions, and will have to wear a mask and gloves (which we will provide). If you want to volunteer but are over 65 and have no underlying medical conditions, you may contact us to discuss your involvement. Folks are needed to pack produce, direct traffic in parking lot, get names from people in cars or walkers, help put food in trunks or put in carts, and clean up. **If you could only come for prep (2:45- 4:15 p.m.) or only for distribution and clean up, that can be worked out as well (4:15-6:30 p.m.). To volunteer please contact the Rectory by 4 p.m. Monday, 847-967-1060, or the RE Office at 847/966-1180 or email sijre2004@yahoo.com.** If we do not have enough helpers signed up by then, we will reach out to other volunteer pools. This is a great family project and a way for individuals and families to reach out to the community in this time of greater need. Thank you for your prayers for this event and for those who will come to it, as well as for your consideration to help.

This weekend we are celebrating the Feast of our patron. St. Isaac Jogues was a missionary and martyr who traveled and worked among the Iroquois, Huron, and other Native populations in North America. In his honor, our songs this weekend will use themes and styles of Native American music. Before Mass begins you will hear solo recorder music. The recorder is a family of woodwind musical instruments in the flute family. Yes, your child may have brought one home from school. They are widely used in music education, but the recorder is not a toy. The recorder is first documented in Europe in the Middle Ages. It was revived in the 20th century and became a popular instrument. A great many composers have written for the recorder including Handel, Bach, Vivaldi and Leonard Bernstein. Please enjoy our Native American stylings. This weekend we will be accompanied by Nancy Hall on the guitar and Len Hall on the drums.



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.



Religious Education

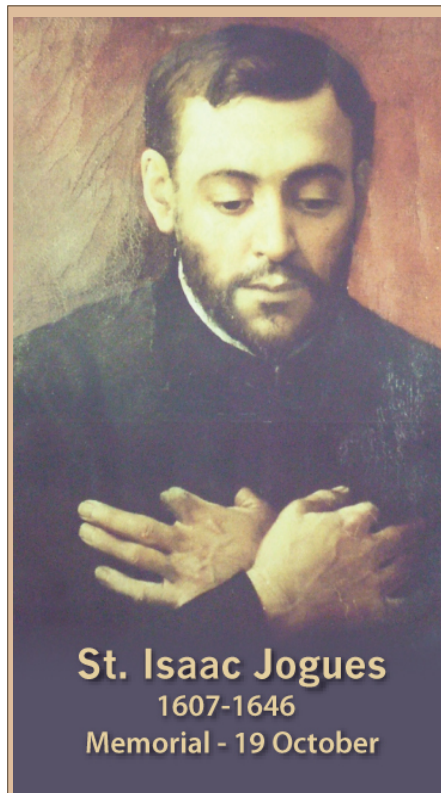
+Confirmation Yr. II Candidate and Parent/Guardian Preparation Meeting, Tuesday, 7 p.m., link sent.
+Ms. Bello's Class: Please answer RE-MIND note regarding First Reconciliation Retreat by Oct. 26



SPLIT
THE POT

ST. ISAAC JOGUES FEAST DAY SPLIT THE POT RAFFLE

LAST CHANCE! 1st Prize is already over \$1000 and growing. You can still purchase tickets and turn them in by 9:00 AM on Monday, Oct. 19th. It's fun! It's safe! It helps our parish!! Enter to win! 1st Prize is 15% of total pot; 2nd Prize is 10% of total pot; 3rd Prize is 5% of total pot. Tickets are \$5 for one or five tickets for \$20 (cash or checks payable to SIJ). Return filled out tickets and check/cash to the Rectory by placing them in the mail slot. Good luck!



St. Isaac Jogues
1607-1646
Memorial - 19 October

"My confidence is placed in God who does not need our help for accomplishing His designs. Our single endeavor should be to give ourselves to the work He has placed before us and to be faithful to Him, and not to spoil His work by our shortcomings."

- St. Isaac Jogues

St. Isaac Jogues
Pray for us!



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.

St. Isaac Jogues News

+**CROP Walk, TODAY**, 1-2 p.m., Gather by the ramp door. If you would still like to give a donation, please drop it off at the Rectory by Noon on Monday. Thank you!

+**Feast Day Split the Pot Raffle** winners will be pulled Monday. Winners will be notified that day and listed in next week's bulletin. Last chance – Turn in your tickets and money by 9 a.m. Monday.

+**Bible Timeline** (New Testament), Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., HFR. Please wear your mask. We will socially distance. Please call the RE Office, 847/966-1180, for information.



SIJ POP UP PANTRY

The next Food Distribution, hosted by our parish along with Catholic Charities and the Greater Chicago Food Depository, will take place in our parking lot on **Wednesday, October 28th, 4:30-6:00 p.m.** We are again seeking volunteers to help with packing, greeting, distributing, cleaning up. Volunteers need to wear masks and gloves (provided by parish) the entire time they are present. If you are over 65 but in good health, we are willing to talk with you about your possible involvement. Time frames will be 2:45-6:30 p.m., 2:45-4:30 p.m. and 4:15-6:30 p.m.

Please contact the Rectory at 847/967-1060 or RE Office at 847-966-1180 to volunteer by October 19th.



Your time and service are vital to the parish being able to have sacramental celebrations, Masses and faith formation events! Per the current protocols the parish must have work teams to greet, usher, and clean for every liturgical event and meeting. If you are **18 – 64 years of age**, have no underlying medical conditions and are willing to help our parish community, please give prayerful consideration to this call for volunteers. Training is provided. Please contact the

Rectory, 847/967-1060, or speak to a member of our Reopening Team – Fr. Carlos, Deacon Paul, Lisa Hall, Leke Brisku or Dee Stanton. **If you are 65 and older**, and have no underlying medical conditions and are interested in volunteering, please contact the Rectory or the Reopen Team to discuss your possible involvement. Thank you.



Pray for

KERMIT TURNER	MARY JANE PIKULA
MICHAEL NOBLE	TONY LIVORSI
JULIE HIGGINS	JOHN ROMANO
CARL AFFATATI	AUDREY JANS
RICHARD VAIL	DAVID FORST
BETTY LANDON	CHRISTINA WALD
EMILY SITKOWSKI	KIMBERLY KNOX
CYNTHIA MELNICK	DIANE BAUER
MICHAEL FOLISI	NONA YOAKUM
DOROTHY BEZDON	KATHY EGLOFF
MATTHEW PONDER	ROBERT STEPHENSON
FELICITA BAYANI	LAURA HALL - SCHORDJE
EMILY CABRERA	HENRIETTA SAGARIO
JOE AUTH	MARY SUNSHINE PONDER
LORNA ALBA	JUDY CABRERA
SUSAN ARENDT	YUL VENTURA
CINDY NOLAN	MARY LERPS
FR. BERNARD KENNEDY	SHARON KILIKEVICE
	PELAGIA SAJULGA
	JOHN OLDERSHAW
	COLLEEN KING
	PATTY ZEMAN

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, Violet Ennis

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.

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 10 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 door 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 (covering nose and mouth) and have your hands sanitized.** We do not want people's confidence in their safety weakened. **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. Once in the parking lot please go directly to your cars.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 18, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Joanita Pereira Helene Kowalik Wanda C. Smidzinski Juan Pamorada Jones Augustin - Spec Intention
10:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Carlo Galassini
12:00 p.m.	Leo V. Tamondong

Monday - October 19, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society Jose Job
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Tuesday - October 20, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Art & Marilyn Styzen
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Wednesday - October 21, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Bud Fiali Luke & Philomena Moran Helene Kowalik In Thanksgiving Josefina Lynch
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Thursday - October 22, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Mary Ann Even
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Friday - October 23, 2020

8:00 a.m.	KC Chacko
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Saturday - October 24, 2020


8:00 a.m.	Elected Officials
5:00 p.m.	John Areno

Sunday, October 25, 2020

8:00 a.m.	Thresia Putherickal
10:00 a.m.	Carlo Lambo Luke & Philomena Moran Jones Augustin - Special Intention
12:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Helene Kowalik

Liturgy Next Weekend
October 25th & 26th

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



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*Felix Bayona
Glenda Busiel*

In Memoriam

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