

SAINT ISAAC JOGUES PARISH

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

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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.

Eucharistic Masses:

Monday - Saturday: 8:00 AM
 Saturday: - 5:00 PM
 Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 PM

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Mon. - Fri. 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
 Sat. 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday - Closed

Religious Education: 847-966-1180

Email: sjre2004@yahoo.com

Parish School: St. John Brebeuf School
 847-966-3266 or sjschool.org

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 11:00 - 12:00 Noon or anytime by request.

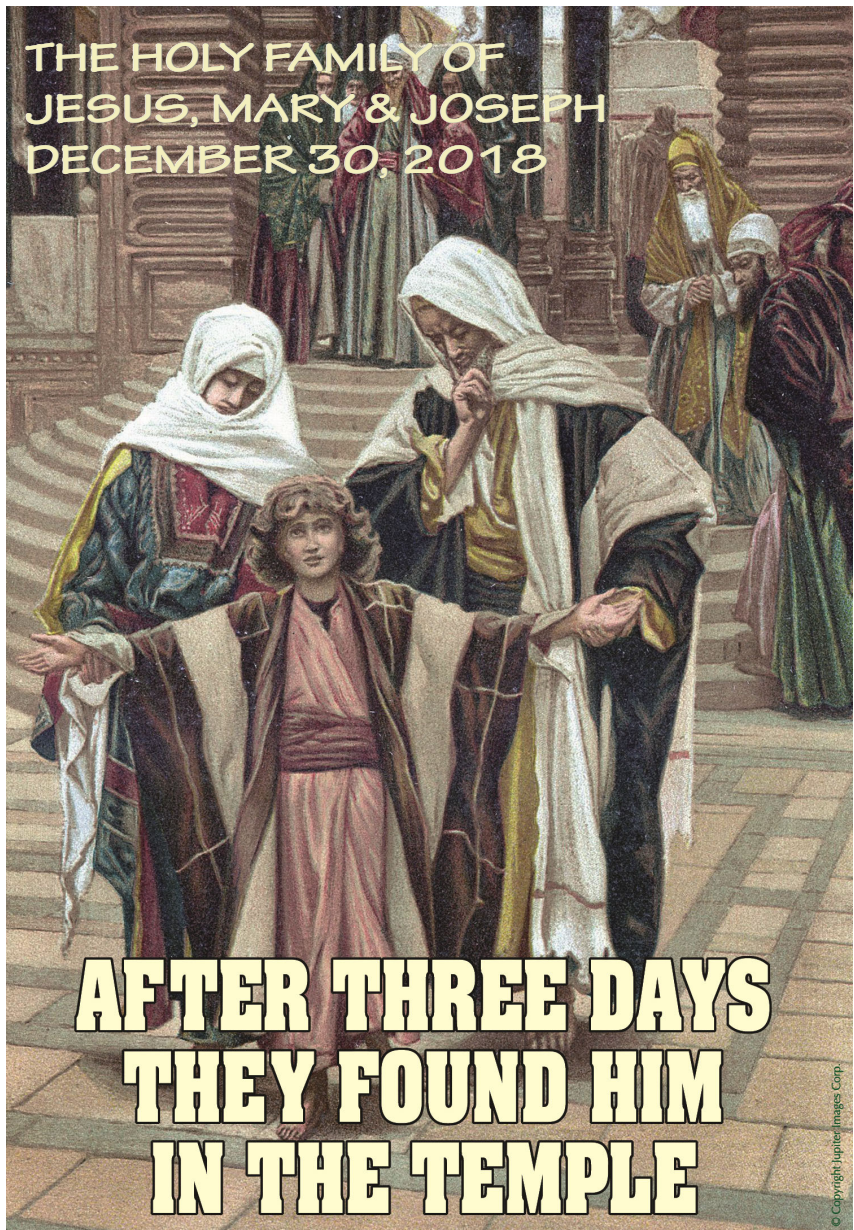
Sacrament of Matrimony: Must be registered for six months prior to setting the wedding date with an additional six months for necessary preparation.

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
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Women's Club Chairperson – Louella Preston				
Men's Club Chairperson – Deacon Paul Stanton				
Fil-Am Chairperson – Jelly Carandang (Interim)				



FROM THE
Pastor's Desk

The Dawn of the New Year

As the days in the month of December keep ticking away, soon it is going to be the dawn of another year, the rise of 2019. We like the concept of new, so when something new is in the cards we go for it. The excitement of the coming "New Year" may boost the spirit of many and may not be so for others. We certainly like to have new things, new friends and for some the excitement of new events and New Year.

Every "New Year" not only fills us with excitement but calls us to shape our life better than before or better than the past year. Over the years we have grown because we had opportunities from past years to better our life in the New Year. As we launch into the "New Year" we get into the practice of making new resolutions. It is interesting to know that such a tradition began way back with the Babylonians as early as 2600 B.C; it is another way to reflect on the past and plan ahead.

With the dawn of the New Year, many of us would love to be faithful to the resolution or the promises that we have made and would like to fulfill them. It is possible to carry them out and that is why the Church places before us the Feast of Mary the Mother of God a day of obligation, a model for our life. She always fulfilled God's will in her life and invites us to imitate this virtue in her. An obedient mother will impart only those things to her children that are good and true to be carried out and this is what Mary the Mother of God chooses to do.

Why not then do we embrace her qualities and virtues that can profit us in our life and make our New Year fruitful, filled with God's graces? If we place ourselves under her maternal protection then she will guide us, just as she directed those servants to listen to her son at the wedding at Cana to do whatever He told them. That is how Jesus performed his first miracle and the family was saved from embarrassment.

In life too; we will encounter shortfalls and embarrassment from different quarters, but that should not prevent us from moving ahead. The New Year calls us to move along without lingering in the past or brooding over unaccomplished things. Let us then look forward to this New Year with a vision of hope in God that trusting in Him, we move ahead to be responsible citizens of the country and faithful witnesses of God's kingdom.

Wishing you all a grace filled "New Year 2019" filled with many graces and blessings.
Happy New Year !

-Fr. Mario

EPIPHANY PETITIONS

If you would be willing to translate and read a petition for the 10 a.m. Mass on Epiphany Sunday, January 6, please sign up in the Holy Family Room today or contact the RE Office by Wednesday.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT HOSPITALITY

After the Christmas Concert next Sunday all are welcome to the Holy Family Room to meet the music makers and enjoy refreshments. If you would like to bring something for the hospitality please contact the RE Office, 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com by Wednesday

Your Prayer Shawl Ministry is in need of more yarn to continue their work making lap blankets and shawls for the sick and needy. Please check your closets and drawers. All donations will be greatly appreciated. For more information, please call Barbara Napravnik at 847 699-7445



Pray for

ERIK JOHANSEN	LARRY REAMER
TONY KOZA	ANTHONY MALATESTA SR.
MICHAEL NOBLE	AUDREY JANS
JULIE HIGGINS	DEAN & GERI JOHANSEN
JOSEPH WHITE	HAN YI ZAHN
STAN ZABOROWSKI	MARCY SANTIAGO
PATRICIA CRESSY	BERNARD KENNEDY, SR
JIM MC CABE	JAMES MAXWELL PASCALE
MARIA LADD	JIMMY RANCICH
BRENDA AFFATATI	DIANE & GENE KUFFEL
LENNY MINELLI	STACI VINCENT
TED SCANLON	WILLIAM PARRILLO
NINA YOAKUM	MICHAEL BEIL
REV. BERNARD KENNEDY	ANN LINDSTROM
	JULIA HESS
	AVA MIDURI
	OM THAKRAL
	FRANCES MARTEL

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UPCOMING EVENTS

+OLPH Novena

1/2/19, after morning Mass

+**First Friday Adoration** until 3 p.m.
Friday, 1/4/19 followed by Divine Mercy Chapel
& Benediction

+Bible Talk, 9 a.m., Sunday, 1/6/19

MUSIC MINISTRY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sunday January 6, 2019, 3:00 pm – Church

SHARING OF OPLATKI (bi-lingual)

Sunday, January 13, 2019, 1:00 pm
Holy Family Room

Heavenly Father, grant safety and protection to our loved ones and all others who serve in our in the Armed Forces and as First Responders. Bestow on them that same peace and joy the angels announced long ago. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our 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

U.S. Army Reserves - Christopher Dexter

United States Marines - Patrick Edward Echavez
Joseph John Zimmerman III
Lance Renner
Gian Patrick Reyes

United States Navy - Timothy Kelly, David Perez,
Paul Matthew Ledesma

U.S. Navy Reserves - William B. Dexter

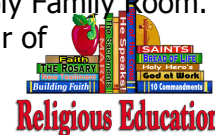
Illinois National Guard - Nathaniel Janzen

To add a name to the prayer list please contact the RE Office at 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com.



+Religious Education Classes will not meet this Monday, Dec. 31. We look forward to seeing everyone back on Jan. 7 when we will have a short Eucharistic Adoration service followed by a Christmas celebration. RE Families are encouraged to join us that night!

+First Communion Meeting for parents/guardians on Monday, Jan. 14, 6:30 p.m. in the Holy Family Room. Someone from each family must attend. Materials will be distributed as well as the calendar of events for preparation. Please contact the RE Office if you have questions.



BIBLE STUDY

A new Bible Study on the Psalms begins Wednesday, Jan. 9, 9:30 a.m. in Rm. 6 of the school. Previous experience with Bible Study is not necessary. All are welcome. There will be a fee of \$15 for materials. For more information or to register, please contact the RE Office, 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com



The Music Ministry of St Isaac Jogues presents Our Annual Christmas Concert

Please come rest and enjoy beautiful music at our concert on Sunday, January 6, at 3:00pm in the church. You'll hear the choirs and bells ring out a wonderful close to the Christmas season and share a few laughs.



CONGRATULATIONS TRISHA BONTO, OUR GOLDEN ROSE RECEPIENT.

THE AWARD IS PRESENTED TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ACTIVELY DEMONSTRATE THEIR FAITH IN THEIR PARISH.

A PARISH "OPLATEK"

We extend a heartfelt invitation to ALL parishioners to break the oplatek (Christmas wafer) on **Sunday, January 13th**, at 1:00 p.m. in the Holy Family Room

The afternoon includes prayer, food, and singing of Christmas carols in Polish and English.

Please contact Maria Swidzinski or Danuta Ellsworth if you would like to provide food for the celebration.



Log in to givecentral.org and register today!



Give Central is available for your "Assure Our Future" Pledge Campaign, Annual Catholic Appeal and your parish donations! Any questions, feel free to call the rectory office.



NEW YEAR'S BLESSING PRAYER

Lord, You who live outside of time, and reside in the imperishable moment, we ask Your blessing this New Year's Day upon Your gift to us of time. Bless our clocks and watches, You who kindly direct us to observe the passing of minutes and hours. May they make us aware of the miracle of each second of life we experience. May these our ticking servants help us not to miss that which is important, while You keep us from machine-like routine. May we ever be free from being clock watchers and instead become time lovers.

Bless our calendars, these ordered lists of days, weeks and months, of holidays, holydays, fasts and feasts – all our special days of remembering. May these servants, our calendars, once reserved for the royal few, ...now grace our homes and our lives. May they remind us of birthdays and other gift-days, as they teach us the secret that all life is meant for celebration and contemplation.

Bless, Lord, this new year, each of its 365 days and nights. Bless us with new moons and full moons. Bless us with happy seasons and a long life. Grant to us, Lord, the new year's gift of a year of love. Amen+

(Prayers for the Domestic Church, Edward Hays, c1979)








SIJ parishioners and friends have been very busy sharing Christmas joy with others.

Above, SIJ Outreach Ministry members singing and performing for one of the local nursing homes.

Below, thanks to our Christmas Cookie team for all of their hard work in fund raising for SIJ. All ready for the sale, they're enjoying some lunch.



ST. ISAAC JOGUES PARISH CALENDAR – JANUARY 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 6 EPIPHANY Bible Talk - 9:00 am - HFRM  Christmas Concert Music Ministry 3:00 pm - Church/HFRM	7 Youth Choir - <i>Concert Celebration Party</i> - 5:30 pm - HFRM Religious Education Program 6:45 pm - 8:00 pm - Church, HFRM, Hall, School	1 NEW YEAR'S DAY Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Masses: 8:00 am, 10:00 am (Holy Day of Obligation) Parish Offices Closed HAPPY NEW YEAR!	2 OLPH Novena after am Mass Music Ministry (Combined) Choir dress rehearsal for Christmas Concert 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm - Church Baptism Preparation - 7:00 pm Deacon Couple's Home Men's Club - Board Mtg. 7:00 pm - Rm 26	3 Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:00 am - Rm. 6	4 First Friday Devotions Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at the end of 8:00 am Mass - 3:00 pm 3:00 pm - DM Chapel/ Benediction - Church	5
13 BAPTISM OF THE LORD Sharing of Opalaki Bilingual Parish Function 1:00 pm - HFRM	14 Youth Choir - 5:30 pm - Church Religious Education Program 6:45 pm - 8:00 pm - Church, HFRM, Hall, School First Communion Preparation Mtg. - 6:45 pm - 8:00 pm - HFRM	15 Women's Club - Bridge 7:00 pm - HFRM	16 Bible Study - 9:30 am - Rm. 6 The Praise Singers - 6:00 pm Adult Choir - 7:15 pm (both rehearsals in church) Men's Club - Dinner/Mtg. 6:30 pm - Hall	17 Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:00 am - Rm. 6	18 (January 18 - 25) Week of Prayer for Christian Unity  Holy Hour and Benediction following 8:00 am Mass	19
20 Teen Group Sac Lunch Project 11:00 am - Hall Christian Unity Prayer Service at St. Martha Church 3:00 pm	21 Youth Choir - 5:30 pm - Church Religious Education Program 6:45 pm - 8:00 pm - Church, HFRM, Hall, School	22 Women's Club Quarterly Mass/Dinner 6:30 pm - Church/HFRM Small Faith Group Mtg. 7:00 pm - Ministry Center	23 Bible Study - 9:30 am - Rm. 6 SPRED Team Mtg. 1:00 pm - Off Grounds The Praise Singers - 6:00 pm Adult Choir - 7:15 pm (both rehearsals in church)	24 Parish Life Comm. Mtg. 4:00 pm - RE Office	25 Holy Hour and Benediction 7:00 pm - Church	26
27	28 Youth Choir - 5:30 pm - Church Religious Education Program 6:45 pm - 8:00 pm - Church, HFRM, Hall, School	29 Liturgy Board Mtg. 7:00 pm - RE Office	30 Bible Study - 9:30 am - Rm. 6 The Praise Singers - 6:00 pm Adult Choir - 7:15 pm (both rehearsals in church) SPRED Community 7:00 pm - HFRM	31  		

Mass Intentions

Sunday - December 30, 2018	
8:00 a.m.	Tom Borges
10:00 a.m.	Don Sica
12:00 p.m.	Stephen Lis Stanly John Felix Dospil
Monday - December 31, 2018	
8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society George & Grace Grant
Tuesday - January 1, 2019	
8:00 a.m.	Ida Dalmaso
10:00 a.m.	Deacon Robert O'Keefe
Wednesday - January 2, 2019	
8:00 a.m.	Fernando Roy
Thursday - January 3, 2019	
8:00 a.m.	Alma Lilia Valencia
Friday - January 4, 2019	
8:00 a.m.	Cheryl Klein
Saturday - January 5, 2019	
8:00 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Velasery Family
5:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Mary Ann Even
Sunday - January 6, 2019	
8:00 a.m.	Arlene Forneck
10:00 a.m.	Mary Ann Even
12:00 p.m.	Daniel Corrales

Sacristans

Theresa Noble, Francis Martel,
Arlene Turek, Nina Nissan, Louise Burdi

Liturgy Next Weekend January 1st January 5th & 6th

Date/Time	Celebrant	Altar Servers
Tuesday, January 1st New Years Day 8:00 a.m.	Fr. Mario	Trisha Bonto Matthew Bonto T. J. Striblen
Tuesday, January 1st New Years Day 10:00 a.m.	Fr. Mario/ Deacon Paul	Alfonso Hanson Aaron Linang Alaina Linang
Saturday, January 5th Confessions 11:00 a.m.	Fr. Mario	
Saturday, January 5th 5:00 p.m.	Fr. Mario/ Deacon Paul	Trisha Bonto Matthew Bonto Nathan Ledesma Jonathan Magboo, Jr
Sunday, January 6th 8:00 a.m.	Fr. Mario/ Deacon Paul	Thomas Striblen Steve Livingston Eugene Villarino Engell Villarino
Sunday January 6th 10:00 a.m.	Fr. Mario/ Deacon Paul	Julia Jaroslowski Rhenz Mangurali A. Aaron Banez Alessandra Banez
Sunday, January 6th 12:00 p.m.	Fr. Mario/ Deacon Paul	Red Reyes Alfonso Hanson Aaron Linang Alaina Linang

OPLATKI

Packets of blessed oplatki, the traditional Christmas Wafer, are available in the Holy Family Room after Masses or during the week at the rectory. Donations appreciated

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