

SAINT ISAAC JOGUES PARISH

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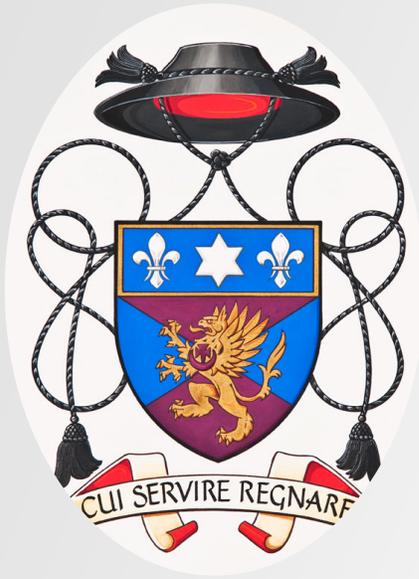
The Son of Man has



nowhere to rest his head

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2016

ENDNOTES FROM A PASTOR



THE CHICKEN LITTLE SYNDROME

My term as pastor expires July 1 when I will join the ranks of the retired clergy. This will be my last column, except for a final “thank you” at the end of July.

St. Isaac Jogues is blessed in my successor, Fr. Mario Pereira. There is nothing to fear in this “changing of the guard.” But whenever there is **change** something irrational can take over. Mark Twain described the phenomenon well. He confided that, in his life, he had experienced many troubles, and “most of them never happened.”

I have weathered four “farewells,” but none so final as a retirement. I have, in the past, encountered well-meaning, kind people who have exhibited what I call the “Chicken Little Syndrome.” Remember that fable? It is 25 centuries old and comes in different versions. The main character is Chicken Little. While walking in the woods, an acorn drops on his head. He is panic-stricken because he thinks the sky is falling. He runs off to proclaim the bad news to the king. On the way, he meets an assortment of sympathetic fowls -- Henny Penny, Ducky Lucky, Goosey Loosey and Turkey Lurkey. Each time, Chicken Little spreads the panic: **“The Sky is Falling!”** When asked, “How do you know?” Chicken Little testifies:

“I saw it with my own eyes, and heard it with my own ears, and part of the sky fell on my head!”

In the darker versions of “Chicken Little,” the fearful “birds of a feather,” meet the Foxy Loxey. The crafty creature listens and proposes to take them to the king. Of course, he does not. The fox leads the hysterical birds into his den. Needless to say, they never see the king to warn him that the sky was falling.

The “Chicken Little Syndrome” is not strictly “for the birds.” Among the well-meaning tributes and sentimental farewell one hears:

*“Things won’t be the same!”
“You’ll really be missed!”
What will happen to this parish?”*

In other words, “the sky is falling.”

NO IT’S NOT!

INDISPENSIBLE?

In the 1980’s I worked with a creative, affable youth minister. When he announced his plans to “move on,” the usual accolades and regrets were sounded. While he collected a treasure trove of “Chicken Little” remarks, he also received a minor “bomb shell.” It was a “reality check” of the first order. Our worthy youth minister was being “dissed” by doggerel. It was like being insulted by a funny fortune cookie! The youth minister gave me a copy. I publish it now and then. My “swansong” as pastor seems the best occasion to date!

INDISPENSIBLE

*Sometime, when you’re feeling important,
Sometime, when your ego’s in bloom,
Sometime, when you take it for granted
You’re the best qualified woman or man in the room,
Sometime when you feel your going
Would leave an unfillable hole,
Just follow this instruction,
And see how it humbles your soul.
Take a bucket and fill it with water,
Put your hand in it up to the wrist,
Pull it out, and the hole that’s remaining,
Is a measure of how you’ll be missed.
You may splash all you please when you enter,
You can stir up the water galore,
But stop, and you’ll find in a minute,
That it looks quite the same as before.
The moral in this quaint example
Is do just the best that you can.
Be proud of yourself, but remember
There is no indispensable woman or man!*

Reflecting on **“Indispensable”** is a humbling experience for anyone. It’s like the old **Beatles** lyric: “Life goes on within you, and without you!”

No one is indispensable - - not pastors, not bishops, not even popes! In the old coronation ritual for popes, a pole with burning flax was held before the enthroned pontiff. The bearer of the pole announced to the pope: **“SIC TRANSIT GLORIA MUNDI!”** or **“SO PASSES THE GLORY OF THE WORLD!”**

That ritual is now a museum piece, but its message remains to confound the high and mighty, the ambitious and self-seeking.

“NOT ABOUT ME”

It is no secret that I originally requested no farewell Mass or reception. I recognize that the good accomplished during my pastorate is a matter of shared vision and collaboration. That is why I stubbornly said “No” to the parting salvos and condolences of a formal farewell. For me, a farewell is like attending one’s own wake - - with the “remains” vertical, alive and kicking! My consistent plea: **“It’s not about me!”**

What changed my mind? Strange to say, it was a number of people who told me: “You can’t deny the people of the parish the right to do what they believe is right . . . **“IT’S NOT JUST ABOUT YOU.”** That was like being “hoisted on your own petard!”

One thing I will not change from what I originally intended: **I WANT NO GIFTS!** You can honor me best with an empty card and a donation to the “Raise the Roof” fund.

As for the immediate future, I will help Fr. Mario with Masses during the month of July, and then assist at neighboring parishes. Hopefully, even in retirement, I may find a worthy ministry with a mission!

-Fr. Luczak

BIBLE TALK

Interested in learning more about the Bible and Sunday Scripture readings? Join us for Bible Talk next Sunday, July 3rd, 9 a.m. in the Holy Family Room.

All are welcome! No prior Bible study required!

St. Isaac Jogues Emergency Operations Plan



You only have to listen to the news to be reminded that anything can happen, anywhere to anyone.

We’ve all heard the term

“soft targets” and now know that religious institutions of all faiths, schools and shopping areas are considered “soft targets.”



In an effort to best respond to possible threats and help to keep our populations safe, The Archdiocese of Chicago in collaboration with the Department of Homeland Security, and the Cook County Emergency Management Department are working to help every organization

in the Archdiocese create an individualized *“Emergency Operations Plan.”*

Over the next weeks and months, we are responsible for creating a plan for St. Isaac Jogues to address any/all hazards and threats from small kitchen fires to tornados to “active shooter” situations. We are meeting with local 1st Responders including Fire and Police to identify appropriate shelter areas and learn how best to handle a situation on our campus. We are working with local businesses and organizations to identify “Evacuation and Reunification” sites should a significant disaster occur. We have many different populations on-site at any given time that may need our help to keep them safe. It will take an *“Emergency Response Team”* to make sure that all our ministries, groups, tenants, parishioners, students, staff and visitors remain safe, calm and receive appropriate care and communication in a timely manner.

As our plan develops, we will keep everyone informed. Expect communications meetings with parish leaders and parishioners where we will share the St. Isaac Jogues Plan. Expect an occasional fire or tornado drill. Plans only work when roles and responsibilities are known and plenty of practice.

Your input will be important. The *“St. Isaac Jogues Emergency Operations Plan”* will be a “living document,” which will continue to be updated over time. Please watch the bulletin for more information.

INTRODUCING: FR. CARLOS PEREIRA, SFX

Fr. Carlos Pereira belongs to the order of the Society of the Missionaries of St. Francis Xavier, Goa, India. He was ordained a priest on May 9th 1996, and worked in different capacities in the ministerial field as Associate & then as Pastor. Fr. Carlos was also assigned as Principal of the Educational Institution, and worked in different parts of India before coming to the United States, to serve in the Archdiocese of Chicago. From November 2011 till August 2012, he worked at St. Timothy Parish in Chicago and was then assigned to St. Peter's Parish in Skokie where he has worked as an Associate for the last four years. He is now assigned to support the parish of St. Isaac Jogues in Niles. Fr. Carlos Pereira will be Associate in his new assignment. We wish him well and invoke God's many blessings as he starts his new assignment with us as an Associate at St. Isaac Jogues.

Who are The Pilar Fathers?

Society of the Missionaries of St. Francis Xavier, Pilar (S.F.X.) commonly referred as *Society of Pilar* or *Pilar Fathers*, is a Roman Catholic seminary (Society of Apostolic Life) founded on September 26, 1877 by Rev. Fr. Jose Mariano Bento Martins in Pilar, Goa.

"Indian by birth" and just 124 years old, now 400 members strong, the Society of Pilar, serves the population of India and has opened missions and parishes in Nepal, England, USA, Germany and Italy.



They engage in works of social uplift and development of people without discrimination of caste, class or creed.

Education is a major area of focus. The Society manages primary and secondary schools, colleges, technical and engineering institutions.

They operate in small teams on a variety of social outreach programs. They manage orphanages and health care centers in rural areas. Their programs include rehabilitation of migrant people, adult literacy classes, specific welfare for women, and training for social workers. The society also provides emergency aid for those dealing with earthquakes or tsunami.

**YOUR ST. VINCENT
DE PAUL MINISTRY
IS CHANGING ITS NAME TO:**

**St. Isaac Jogues
Outreach Ministry**

Your St. Isaac Jogues Outreach Ministry reports to the parish and continues to have a special focus on providing immediate assistance to those in crisis, especially those within our community. Since our focus remains local, our name is changing to reflect those primary goals effective July 1, 2016

All checks and donations should be made payable to St. Isaac Jogues. Your support is very important. Please pray for our group as we strive to do God's work.

*Altar flowers
this week:*



**Happy 16th Birthday
Carter Volk & Paige Woeste**

**Grandma/Auntie
Yamanaka**



Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, September 18, 2016, at 2:45 PM, at Holy Name Cathedral, 735 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Couples married in 1966 interested in attending this celebration should contact their parish to register.

For further information, call the Marriage and Family Ministries Office at 312.534.8351 or visit the website: www.marriageandfamilyministries.org.



A beautiful tribute...

Parishioners are invited to decorate the altar with flowers in honor or memory of a loved one.

There can be two arrangements each week.

Your name and intention is listed in the Bulletin.

The cost of an arrangement is \$50.

Altar flowers are available from now until November 20, 2016.



Dates fill up quickly, so please book in advance by calling the rectory at 847-967-1060.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS



Are you or someone you know interested in being baptized a Catholic, in living your Christian faith according to the tradition, teachings and practices of the Catholic Church, in completing your Catholic initiation with First Communion and Confirmation? If yes to any of these questions, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, a process of prayer, study, discussion and service, will be of help to you. For more information please contact Dee Stanton, 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com



Please help to restock our shelves with the following: pasta sauce, peanut butter & jelly, can vegetables, coffee & tea, can fish & chicken, can fruit

2016 Replace the Roof Raffle "Winners Corner"

Booklets are still available. See the captains or come to the rectory



Monday, June 20	\$50	2360	Nancy Cagara	Des Plaines, IL
Tuesday, June 21	\$50	1224	Katelyn Palladino	Playa Vista, Ca
Wednesday, June 22	\$50	824	Nell Walters	Chicago, IL
Thursday, June 23	\$50	2414	Bette Horstman	Morton Grove, IL
Friday, June 24	\$50	1596	Donar Flores	Chicago, IL
Saturday, June 25	\$50	1862	Lauren Capek	Niles, IL
Sunday, June 26	\$100	276	Joanne Lyczak	Niles, IL

many more chances to win!

St. Isaac Jogues News

FIRST FRIDAY

Join in the First Friday Adoration and Devotions which will be on July 1st, 6 – 9 p.m., in church. During this Fortnight for Freedom it's a special way to pray for our country and our freedoms, especially religious freedom. The evening includes Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the Patriotic Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Rosary, an extended time of quiet meditation and Benediction. All are welcome for an hour, or two or three as we pray to God to bless America.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK...

Liturgy Board Meeting –
Tuesday, June 28th at 7:00 PM in RE Office

UPCOMING EVENTS**INDEPENDENCE DAY**

The Patriotic Rosary will be prayed at
8 a.m. on Monday, July 4th.
The Independence Day Mass will follow at 9 a.m.

FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM

The "Fortnight for Freedom" is a 14-day period of prayer, education and action in support of religious freedom initiated by the Catholic bishops of the United States. The bishops called for this period of prayer, education and action in a statement titled *Our First, Most Cherished Liberty* issued in the Spring of 2012. This statement, written by the bishops' ad hoc Committee on Religious Liberty, outlined the bishops' concerns over threats to religious freedom both at home and abroad. We will pray for religious liberty during Mass each day of the two weeks. Information on Witnesses to Freedom can be found at the doors of the church for your reading and reflection. Our Holy Hours and First Friday Adoration and Devotions will also reflect this time of the fortnight. Please participate as you are able.

LITANY FOR LIBERTY

Christ the Lord has called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. Let us turn to him in humble but fervent petition, seeking the grace to root from our hearts all trace of darkness, and all that holds us back from walking in the full freedom of the children of God. As Christ is our great model for that inner freedom, which enables us to do the right, let us turn to him with confidence that we, too, may follow him to the fullness of spiritual freedom.

Lord, have mercy; **Lord, have mercy.** Christ, have mercy; **Christ have mercy.** Lord, have mercy; **Lord, have mercy.** Jesus, victor over sin and death...**free our hearts.** Jesus, source of light and hope...Jesus, fullness of truth and mystery... Jesus, teacher of seeking hearts...Jesus, healer of body and soul...Jesus, bringer of mercy and justice...Jesus, who humble the heart and mind...Jesus, release of captives...Jesus, voice against violence...Jesus, courage for the lowly & downtrodden...Jesus, origin of all authority and power...Jesus, true lawgiver...Jesus, unity of order and passion...Jesus, freedom of the Spirit...Jesus, obedient Son of the Father...

For the freedom to love...**give us your grace.** For the freedom to believe...For the freedom to hope...For the freedom to worship...For the freedom to serve in charity...For the freedom to care for the suffering...For the freedom to comfort the sick...For the freedom to feed the hungry...For the freedom to shelter the homeless...For the freedom to proclaim the Gospel...For the freedom to walk in chastity...For the freedom to live in peace...For the freedom to work in good conscience...For the freedom to stand in solidarity...For the freedom to seek justice...for the freedom to reject sin...For the freedom to reject coercion...For the freedom to reject falsehood...For the freedom to reject evil temptations...For the freedom to reject injustice...

O God, who gave one origin to all peoples and willed to gather from them one family for yourself, fill all hearts, we pray, with the fire of your love and kindle in them a desire for the just advancement of their neighbor, that, through the good things which you richly bestow upon all, each human person may be brought to perfection, every division removed, and equity and justice may be established in human society. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Religious Education

*Families who still owe tuition or fees for the 2015-2016 RE Program are asked to pay their balance by Wednesday. Our fiscal year ends on June 30th. Thank you!

*Are your children, in Grs. K-8 as of this September and who attend public school, enrolled in the parish's 2016-2017 Religious Education Program yet? **It is important to have your child(ren) participate in religious education and faith formation each year as no one year teaches everything.** As their parents/guardians and faith community we all have a responsibility to help them grow in their relationship with Jesus, knowledge, understanding and practice of our Catholic faith and living that faith within the community of the Church and beyond.

Families who participated in this past year's program need only fill out the blue form that had been distributed in class or contact the RE Office for another one. **New families are also invited and welcome!** Please contact the RE Office to set up a time to come in, learn more about the RE Program and fill out the registration forms. In addition to a family and student form, a copy of each child's baptismal certificate is needed as well as dates of other sacraments received already. To help us in planning for catechists, assistants and materials, all families are asked to **complete this important task in the next week or two!**

All Families, please note: A young person must receive religious education in a parish RE Program or Catholic School the two years immediately prior to receiving sacraments. If you have children who have not yet made their sacraments or a child with special needs, please call to discuss possible options. We would welcome the opportunity to support your efforts in passing on the Catholic Faith to your children and help them prepare to participate in the sacraments!

There is a tuition and book fee, as well as a sacrament fee in the appropriate year(s). Please know, however, that all are welcome! If you have a financial concern, please contact Dolores Stanton. **No one is denied religious education because of financial difficulties. For more information please contact the RE Office at 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com.**



ANNUAL BUDDY GRIES MEMORIAL CONCERT TO BENEFIT PARISH

Sunday, July 10, 3:00 p.m.
Holy Family Room.

Tickets will be \$20 and all proceeds will go to the Roof Replacement Fund.

This year's theme is "**Songs I Never Thought I'd Hear in Church**". We are blessed by the generosity of some of Chicagoland's top cabaret performers - Anne and Mark Burnell, Bob Solone, Bob Moreen, Joel Barry, David Harbin, Jeanne Scherkenbach, Steve Helioles, Paul Marinaro, Ernie Lane and Scott Urban. They are all friends of Buddy Charles Gries, a long-time member of the parish (catechist, lector, daily rosary leader) and legendary entertainer, and friends to our parish as well! Also appearing will be Buddy's wife and our parishioner, Pat Gries, as well as Fr. Luczak! **Please support their efforts to help our community while honoring Buddy's memory and friendship at the same time! Invite your family, friends and neighbors for an afternoon of great music and fun!**

Tickets are on sale TODAY in the Holy Family Room after all the Masses. They are also available in the RE Office or Rectory during the week. Your early purchase of tickets will assist our planning for room set up. Thanks for your consideration!

For more info call 847/966-1180.

ST. ISAAC JOGUES PARISH CALENDAR – JULY 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3 Bible Study 9:00 am - HFRM	4  8:00 am - Patriotic Rosary 9:00 am - Mass <i>Parish Offices Closed</i>	5 Baptism Preparation - 7:00 pm Deacon Couple's Home	6 Small Faith Sharing Group 10:30 am - HFRM	7 Holy Hour Prayer and Benediction 7:00 pm - Church	8 First Friday Adoration 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm - Church	9 OLPH Novena/Prayer Mig. 2:00 pm - Church/Hall
10  Eighth Annual SIJ Benefit Show in memory of Buddy Charles Gries 3:00 pm - HFRM	11 Spiritual Life Comm. Mtg. 7:00 pm - RE Office	12 Small Faith Group 7:30 pm - Min. Cent. Kitchen	13 Holy Hour Prayer and Benediction 7:00 pm - Church	14 Patriotic Rosary 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Church	15 Holy Hour Prayer and Benediction 7:00 pm - Church	16 Holy Hour Prayer and Benediction 7:00 pm - Church
17 Hospitality for Fr. Luczak after all Masses - HFRM	18	19	20	21 Holy Hour Prayer and Benediction 7:00 pm - Church	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Holy Hour Prayer and Benediction 7:00 pm - Church	29	30
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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Lord tells Elijah to anoint Elisha as prophet to succeed him (1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21).

Psalm — You are my inheritance, O Lord (Psalm 16).

Second Reading — Use your freedom in Christ to serve one another through love (Galatians 5:1, 13-18).

Gospel — While journeying to Jerusalem, Jesus speaks of the costs of discipleship (Luke 9:51-62).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16bc-23; Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-8; Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-5; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19

Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

Thursday: Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17

Sunday: Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 [1-9]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Cyril of Alexandria

Tuesday: St. Irenaeus

Wednesday: Ss. Peter and Paul

Thursday: The First Holy Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Friday: Blessed Junípero Serra; Canada Day; First Friday

Saturday: First Saturday



Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul



LET US PRAY...

To you, merciful Lord, we entrust all who serve in the military or as first responders, especially those of our families and friends. Protect them as they protect our nation and communities and bring them back safely to those who love them. Amen.

First Responders	Shane Long, Brad Markovich, Greg Zalewski
United States Air Force	Mason Janzen, Breanna Dexter
United States Army	Brian Caplin, Gale Renner
U.S. Army Reserves	Christopher Dexter
United States Marines	Patrick Edward Echavez, Joseph John Zimmerman III, Aisha Fernando, Lance Renner, Gian Patrick Reyes
United States Navy	Justin Pascoe, William B. Dexter, Timothy Kelly, David Perez
Illinois National Guard	Nathaniel Janzen



If you have a family member or friend you would like to add to our prayer list, either because they serve in the military or as a first responder (police, firefighter, paramedic/EMT), please contact the RE Office at 847/966-1180 or sijre2004@yahoo.com.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, June 26, 2016	
8:00 a.m.	Thomas and Richard Banner
10:00 a.m.	Living and Deceased Members of SIJ Special Intention of Gazdziak Family
12:00 p.m.	David Olzeski
Monday, June 27, 2016	
8:00 a.m.	Purgatory Society Paul Velassery
Tuesday, June 28, 2016	
8:00 a.m.	Maria Jeznach
Wednesday, June 29, 2016	
8:00 a.m.	Marge Vasile
Thursday, June 30, 2016	
8:00 a.m.	Patricia Hildebrandt
Friday, July 1, 2016	
8:00 a.m.	Mary Jane Polinski
Saturday, July 2, 2016	
8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
5:00 p.m.	Charles Papalia
Sunday, July 3, 2016	
8:00 a.m.	Thomas & Richard Banner Delfin Ortego Jr. George Rozanski
10:00 a.m.	Clarence Turek
12:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of SIJ Stanislawa & Aleksander Rutkowski

Sacristans

Theresa Noble, Francis Martel, Arlene Turek

LITURGY NEXT WEEKEND JULY 2 & JULY 3, 2016

Saturday, July 2 Confessions—11:00 a.m.	Fr. Carlos
5:00 p.m.	Fr. Mario
8:00 a.m.	Fr. Fr. Carlos/Deacon Paul
10:00 a.m.	Fr. Mario
12:00 p.m.	Fr. Luczak/Deacon Paul



July 2 & July 3, 2016

5:00 pm.	Jane Escarez Lawrence Escarez Angelika Dacpano
8:00 a.m.	Trisha Bonto Matthew Bonto Mark Mangurali
10:00 a.m.	Alexis Janik Eugene Villarino Maya Gherman
12:00 p.m.	Lynelle Napata Carlo Lasco Athena Lasco

SAVE THE DATE:

IN APPRECIATION OF FR. LUCZAK'S YEARS OF
MINISTRY, SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP AND
GUIDANCE HERE AT ST. ISAAC JOGUES, ALL ARE
INVITED FOR HOSPITALITY AFTER ALL MASSES

**SUNDAY, JULY 31ST
IN THE HOLY FAMILY ROOM**

PASTOR: Rev. Andrew Luczak

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

PASTORAL STAFF:

Lori Herbert, Business Manager
Dolores Stanton, Director of Religious Education
Lisa Hall, Director of Music

DEACONS:

Deacon Robert C. O'Keefe, retired (Joan)
Deacon Paul M. Stanton (Dolores)

WEEKEND MASS CELEBRANT:

Rev. Bernard Kennedy, O.F.M.

Eucharistic Masses and Communion Services:

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

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.

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I have been a Discalced Carmelite Friar in the California/Arizona Province of St. Joseph for the past nine years. I started at our Novitiate in San Jose for my first two years, where I was immersed in Carmelite spirituality and learned about our Saints. I then took five temporary one-year vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience until I made my Solemn Profession to this Order of Mary on August 22, 2013, at Mount Angel Oregon, where I then spent six years at the Benedictine Seminary studying Philosophy and Theology. On October 11, 2014, I was ordained a Deacon by the current Archbishop of Portland, the Most Reverend Alexander K. Sample.



It is now with great thanks to God that I will soon be ordained a priest on June 18, 2016, at St. Therese Parish in Alhambra, California, by the Most Reverend Alexander Salazar, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Since July of 2015, I have been stationed at this Carmelite-run Parish, where I have been functioning as a full-time deacon, primarily preparing and giving homilies and talks, as well as teaching Religion and Math to approximately 100 First- and Eighth-Grade students at Saint Therese Carmelite School.

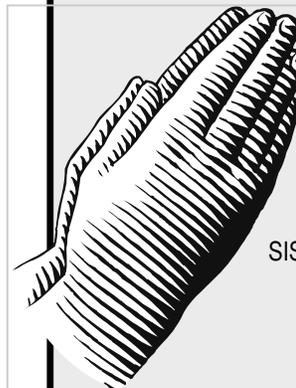
Shortly after my ordination, I will travel to St. Isaac Jogues Parish to celebrate my first Mass with you on June 28th at the 8:00 a.m. Mass, followed by First Mass Blessings and a brief reception.

Again, I write with great joy and the expectation of being a priest in order to celebrate the Sacraments, serve the People of God, and preach His Word. Thank you for your prayers. As my superior says, "Let's go and save the world!"

--Bro. Charles Nawodylo of Jesus and Mary, O.C.D.

Pray for...

JIMMY RANCICH
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JAMES MAXWELL PASCALE
MIA DOOLEY
PASTOR LYNNE MORROW
PASTOR MARK WIBERG
JOHN OSTREGA
LINDSEY SIMMONS
RUTH YUNKER
BOB OETRINGER
ROBERT FORST
JAMES ARCHER
MARIA LADD
SISTER MARGARET KELLY, S.P.
YOLANDA BROOKS-SHUTZ
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