

# Immaculate Conception Parish Bulletin

*Very Reverend Thomas Paul, V. F. K.H.S., Pastor*  
*Reverend Santiago Corona Bernal, Parochial Vicar*

“AMEN, I SAY TO YOU,  
TODAY YOU WILL BE WITH ME IN PARADISE.”

LUKE 23:43

## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD APRIL 10, 2022

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**Parish Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m. ~ 4:30 p.m.**

**Friday: 8:30 a.m. ~ Noon**

**Phone: 530-8515**

**Website: [icelmhurst.org](http://icelmhurst.org)**

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**NEW PARISHIONERS, WELCOME!**



Please click on “New to IC?” on our parish website homepage or call the office at 530-8515 for more information.

**Mass Times: Monday-Friday 6:15am and 7:30am**

**Saturday 8:00am and 4:30pm**

**Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:30am, and 7:00pm**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday: After 4:30pm Mass until 6pm**



## Sacred Heart Chapel

Naming opportunities are still available for many items in the Sacred Heart Chapel.

The following three windows have been committed and are in production:

St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Francis Xavier Cabrini, and St. Gianna Baretta Molla

There are still three open panels for saints and their symbols.

We also continue to welcome donations to the general campaign fund for the Sacred Heart Chapel Renovation.

There are two complete and several partial pews remaining. If you donated a pew memorial, you will receive a letter in the upcoming weeks to confirm the spelling of your plaque. After all are confirmed, the plaques will be ordered and placed in the pews. Thank you for your continued generosity. We ARE IC!!!

### Naming Opportunities

There are several ways to remember deceased loved ones, or honor the living, as part of the **We are IC** capital campaign. If you should choose to make a gift at one of these levels, or would like more information, please contact Catey Cohen in the parish office at 630-530-8991.



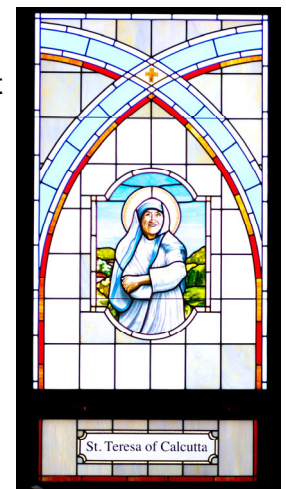
ITEM TO RESERVE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT TO RESERVE IN PERPETUITY
<b><u>Sacred Heart Chapel Renovation</u></b>		
Pews	2	\$ 3,000 each
(Can do partial pews for \$500, \$1,000, and \$1,500)		
Additional Sanctuary Chairs (servers /seminarians /additional priests)	5	\$ 5,000 each
Altar Candles	5	\$ 5,000 each
Processional Candles for Servers	2	\$ 5,000 each
Exterior Glass Panels (above Arthur St center doors)	1	\$ 5,000
Reconciliation Rooms	2	\$ 10,000 each
Stations of the Cross	12	\$ 15,000 each
Sacristy Updates	1	\$ 20,000
Sound System	1	\$ 30,000

### Saint Windows

\$ 25,000 each

At the present time, there are 3 areas for depictions of saints and their symbols. This list includes some suggested saints to be honored, however a donor may choose another particular saint.

- Saint Pope John XXIII
- Saint Isaac Jogues
- Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton
- Saint John Neuman
- Saint Kateri Tekakwitha
- Saint Damien of Molokai
- Saint Marianne Cope
  
- Saint Peregrine (Smaller window set located in the northwest corner of Sacred Heart Chapel where a statue and shrine will also be located)  
\$ 15,000



*The amounts shown are established as sacrificial memorials to help Immaculate Conception complete the **We are IC** capital campaign. Any amount in excess of the actual completed cost of the memorial item will be included in the general campaign fund.*

# Easter Parking

Please respect the parking lots that belong to our neighboring churches when attending Mass at IC. The lot directly behind the Chapel/Gym belongs to the First United Methodist Church. The lot directly behind the Rectory and east of the High School belongs to St. Peter's United Church of Christ. The entrances to these lots are clearly marked with the names of the appropriate churches. These lots are for the use of their parishioners for their services.

As in the past, we anticipate that we will have a number of visitors with us on Easter Sunday. Busy seasons call for creative responses. In addition to our parish lot on York Street, we have some additional parking in the Hawthorne School lot on weekends, with its entrance on Arthur Street. Additional areas are also available on Easter Sunday. There are a few spaces in Wilder Park at the intersection of Cottage Hill and Arthur. The Dist. 205 Main Office lot is a half block north of the Chapel on York Street. Gibbons Funeral Home lot is just one block north of the Chapel, also on York Street. A little advance planning might save some of the aggravation when all of the regular parking spaces are taken.

Please note parking is not allowed in the Foodmix lot located directly across from the Chapel on Arthur Street.

**Reconciliation** April 12 4:00 to 7:00 pm (Church)



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This year, we are giving our parishioners the opportunity to remember their deceased family members by donating flowers in their memory. The many beautiful Easter flowers that will adorn our church and chapel can be given in memory of loved ones. A list of those remembered will be included in the bulletin at a later date. A flower envelope was included in your envelope packets. You can also fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket or return it to the Parish Office.

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**PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION**

**In Loving Memory Of:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Donated by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount Donated \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Suggested donation is \$20



# Worship

## TODAY'S READINGS

**Gospel at the Procession with Palms** — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Luke 19:28-40).

**First Reading** — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

**Psalm** — My God, my God, why have you Abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

**Second Reading** — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

**Gospel** — The account of Christ's passion according to Luke (Luke 22:14- 23:56 [23:1-49]).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17;  
Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31,  
33-34; Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3ab, 6a, 8b-9;  
Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21  
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;  
Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-  
26; Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16,  
17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42

Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a];  
Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or  
Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;  
b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18];  
Ps 16: 5, 8-11;  
c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;  
d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;  
e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;  
f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;  
g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4  
or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15,  
18-19;  
h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;  
Lk 24:1-12

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17,  
22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or  
Lk 24:1-12 or (at an afternoon or evening  
Mass) Lk 24:13-35

You can follow the readings for Mass each day by visiting <http://uscgb.org/> and selecting the date on the calendar on the right.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, APRIL 11

6:15AM:†Barbara Ganchoff

7:30AM:†David Wilson

†Marcie Morgan

†James Metcalf

†Bernadette Lowum

### TUESDAY, APRIL 12

6:15AM:†Ted Koch / Susan Koch

7:30AM:†Helen Gorman

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

6:15AM:†Lillian Adamowicz

7:30AM:†Janet Carroll

8:00AM: ICGS Prayer Service

11:45AM:ICCP Prayer Service

2:15PM:ICCP Prayer Service

### THURSDAY, APRIL 14

8:00AM: Morning Prayer Church

7:00PM:†Mass of the Lord's Supper Chapel

11:45PM:Night Prayer Church

### FRIDAY, APRIL 15

8:00AM:Morning Prayer Church

Noon: Stations of the Cross Church

3:00PM:Mass of the Passion of Our Lord Church

### SATURDAY, APRIL 16

8:00AM:Morning Prayer Church

Noon: Blessing of Food Church

8:00PM:†Easter Vigil Church

### SUNDAY, APRIL 17

7:30AM Sacred Heart Chapel:†Jackie Costello

**9:30AM** Church: †Mary Ann Lombardo

**9:30AM** Sacred Heart Chapel:† Pat Drobot

†Helen & Anthony LaBarbara

†Vera Wartner

†Urban & Rita Phillips

11:30AM Church:†Richard Benedetto

11:30AM Sacred Heart Chapel:†Stephan & Rose  
Paul

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Monday: Monday of Holy Week

Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week

Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week

Thursday: Holy Thursday; Paschal Triduum begins

Friday: Friday of the Passion of the Lord

(Good Friday); Fast and Abstinence;

Income Tax Day; Passover begins

Saturday: Holy Saturday; Vigil of Easter

# Stewardship of Our Prayer for...



*We pray for those suffering from illness. Loving God, give strength and protection to all who struggle with illness of any kind. Calm their fears and uncertainties. Provide them with loving and tender care. Grant them courage when they are afraid and comfort when they are in pain.*

## Our Troops

- |                       |                      |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Broz, Jack (ICHS '75) | Heffernan, James     |
| Broz, Marilou         | Hines, Cyd           |
| Cadaoas, Nick         | Jazwicz, John        |
| Chaplin, Scott        | Kinion, Lillian      |
| Collado, AnnaBelle    | Krummer, Lori        |
| Connelly, Claire      | LaBelle, Christine   |
| Cooper, Carolyn       | LaBelle, Marty       |
| Darley, Reginald      | LaMonica, Don        |
| Durgan, Lindsey       | Mallon, Mark         |
| Durgan, Terri         | Monaghan, Kendall    |
| Frehr, Mike           | Mushow, Frank        |
| Genthe, Candace       | Perez, Aaron         |
| Genthe, Charlotte D   | Ross, Bernadette     |
| Genthe, Karl W.       | Sehl, Ed             |
| Glynn, Tom            | Sinson, Dorothy      |
| Gow, Olivia           | Spencer, Nora        |
| Harrison, Pat         | Zasiebida, Ann Marie |

*Please remember recently deceased family, friends and parishioners in your prayers. Grant them eternal rest and may your light shine on them forever.*

- †Diane Dennis
- †Janet Carroll
- †Joanne Gabert

### Candle Intentions



You can visit the parish office to have a candle lit in honor of a living or deceased loved one at the Shrine of Saint Peregrine or the Sacred Heart Shrine.

Each intention will be for a full week.

### 2022 ENGAGED COUPLES

- |                                      |      |
|--------------------------------------|------|
| Francesca Cozzi & Matthew Collins    | 5/28 |
| Katrina Skarzyński & Matthew Shannon | 6/4  |
| Ali Julian & Michael Romano          | 6/11 |
| Natalie Wilbur & Colin Hohman        | 7/9  |
| Abby Delaney & Robert Turza          | 8/13 |
| Sabrina Vorn & Brendan O'Brien       | 8/13 |
| Emily Westlake & Michael Shannon     | 9/3  |
| Morgan Fafinski & Andrew Spangler    | 9/24 |

- Lt. Joe Doyle, US Army, Son of Deb and Tom Doyle
- 1st Lt. Ryan Kenny, USMC, Son of Mary Beth Kenny
- Pvt. Jeffery Crones, US Army, Grandson of Joan Leyden
- Cpl. Ben Gieser, USMC, son of Monica and William Gieser
- Specialist Jonathan M. Pichler, US Army, Son of Ginny & Mark Gronek, Grandson of Catherine Young
- Recruit Garrett Gong, USMC
- Sgt. Vincent Joseph Genthe, USMC Son of Denise Genthe
- Capt. Jeffrey Robbins, USMC, Son of Barb & Larry Robbins, Grandson of Georgiana Ryan
- Maj. Kevin Mott, US Army Nephew of Greg & Mary Pat Vanderlaan
- Paul Hornstra, USMC, ICHS Class of '09 Son of Paul and Dawn Hornstra
- Cpl. Brittney Young, US Army, Cousin of Denise and John Doherty
- Lt. Joe Shannon, US Navy, Son of John & Maria Shannon
- Sgt. Ethan Zielinski, USMC Son of Michele & Dolph Zielinski
- Capt. Christopher Bertucci, USMC, Nephew of Mary Anne & Greg Luczak
- Lt. Andrea Bertucci, US Navy, Niece of Mary Anne Luczak
- Cpl. Joseph Fischer, USMC Son of George & Sharon Fischer
- Capt. Kathleen M. Donofrio, US Army Reserves, Daughter of Tom & Marge Donofrio
- Pfc. Ian Morser, USMC, Son of John and Tracy Morser Cousin of Todd and Ellen Greer
- 1st. Lt. Dylan Sullivan, US Army
- PFC. Cavan Sullivan, US Army Grandsons of Mary Sullivan
- Capt. Samuel Westhoff, US Army Nephew of Tom and Sue Westhoff
- 1st. Lt. Liam Hendricks, 101st Airborne, ICCP Class of '14 Son of Tim and Julie Hendricks
- 1st Lt Matthew Kizys, US Army, son of Marky and Nancy Tinsley
- Chf. Warrant Officer John Dal Pino, US Army Son of Joe and Valerie Dal Pino
- 1st Lt. Francesca Cervone, US Army, ICCP Class of '15, Daughter of Jeanmarie Cervone, Granddaughter of Cay Calcagno
- 1st Lt. Molly Manion, EOD US Army, ICCP Class of '15, Daughter of Tom & Nancy Manion Granddaughter of Rita Manion
- MAJ Thomas Gildea, US Army, Husband of Karina, Father of Enya, Grace, and Ignacio
- 1st Lt. Kyle Koch, 1st Cavalry Division US Army, ICCP Class of '15, son of Laura & Paul Koch
- Capt. Carla A. Schuit, US Army Reserves, Daughter of Lisa Schuit
- 1st. Lt. Grayson Becker, US Army
- CDR Kevin Groch, US Navy, Grandson of Marie Groch

# Holy Week 2022

## Immaculate Conception Parish

Come and Celebrate the Most Important Days of the Church Year

On the evening of Holy Thursday, Lent comes to an end, and we enter into the Three Days that are the center of our year: The Sacred Paschal Triduum



*On these Three Days, the Church is at its best.*

In song, scripture, and ritual, we proclaim the heart of what we believe and celebrate throughout the year. We gather often - at church, at home - during the Triduum to reflect on the central reality of our faith: the Death and Resurrection of Jesus. During these Three Days, Christians renew their vows and new Christians are initiated. These are the “high holy days” of Christianity.

*You are asked to make these Three Days different from all the other days of the year.*

Adults in our parish are invited to plan ahead so that the entire time from Holy Thursday evening until the Easter Vigil is free of social engagements, free even of work, free of entertainment, free of meals except for the simplest nourishment, free from electronic devices. The Triduum continues until Easter Sunday evening.

*Because of the importance of these days, we are not merely invited:  
We are all needed to be present for these liturgies.*

All of us need the whole community together on its greatest days, the evening of April 14 through the evening of April 17 in this year of our Lord, 2022.

*Begin plans now to celebrate with our community  
these most significant days.*

## The Mass of Chrism, Monday, April 11

On Monday of Holy Week, Bishop Ronald A. Hicks will bless the Holy Oils at a liturgy in The Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet. All of the priests and deacons from the diocese will also participate. They will all renew their commitments of service to the Church. A Time of Prayer and Reflection for all the priests and seminarians will also be held on Monday afternoon.



There are three types of oil that will be blessed. The Oil of Catechumens is used for Baptism. The Oil of the Sick is used when celebrating the Anointing of the Sick. The Holy Chrism is used when celebrating Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders. Chrism is also used for the blessing of Church walls and altars when they are dedicated or consecrated.

These oils will be presented to our parish at the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. Throughout the year, we will use them for the celebration of the Sacraments. They are kept on display in the Ambry by the Baptismal font in the Church. The Oil of the Sick will be kept in the Ambry by the Shrine of St. Peregrine in Sacred Heart Chapel.

## Reconciliation - Tuesday, April 12

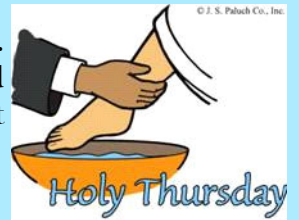
Reconciliation - 4:00 to 7:00 P.M. - Church

## Holy Thursday - April 14

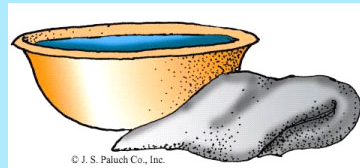
Morning Prayer - 8:00 - Church

Thursday of the Lord's Supper Evening Mass - 7:00 P.M. - Sacred Heart Chapel

On Holy Thursday early evening brings an end to Lent, as we enter the sacred Triduum. In the Gospel reading John tells us that Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, and told them, "as I have done, so you must do." We are reminded of the invitation that Christ gives us to be of service one another.



Adoration of the Eucharist - 8:15 P.M.- 11:45 P.M. - Church



At the conclusion of the Liturgy, the Blessed Sacrament will be taken in procession to the "place of repose" for private adoration in the Church until midnight. We strongly encourage you to stop in for a few moments of quiet prayer during this time. A harpist will play reflective music during the adoration. Many people follow the tradition of visiting churches on this night. Our parish is sponsoring a bus trip to do so.

Night Prayer - 11:45 P.M. - Church

At 11:45 P.M., a night prayer service will be held. As Holy Thursday ends, the Eucharist will then be placed in reserve in a non-public place. The church is stripped of all decoration in preparation for the **Celebration of the Passion on Good Friday.**

# Good Friday - April 15

## Easter Fast

Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence. Because Lent is over, it is not a Lenten Fast but rather considered an Easter Fast. All are encouraged to keep this fast also on Holy Saturday. Although not required on Holy Saturday, keeping the fast is a way of continuing to prepare for Easter.

- Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat.
- Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Good Friday.
- On days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

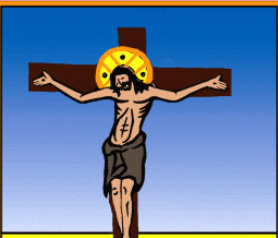
## Morning Prayer - 8:00 A.M. - Church

Morning Prayer marks the beginning of our commemoration of the Lord's Passion. This is the only day of the year when Mass is not celebrated. At morning prayer, we will pray psalms and prayers that remind us of the Lord's great deeds for us.

## Stations of the Cross - Noon - Church

As we pray the Stations we will recall the journey of Jesus that led Him to the grave. At the conclusion of the service, all will be invited to venerate the cross.

## Friday of the Passion of the Lord - 3:00 P.M. - Church



The Commemoration of the Passion includes the readings of the Passion, offering of intercessory prayers and the Solemn Veneration of the Cross. Holy Communion that was consecrated on Holy Thursday will be distributed.

Please bring your entire family and friends and join us for the Passion and Veneration of the Cross of Jesus.

Especially on Good Friday, you are encourage to remember what Christ did for us by His death on the cross. Try to be as isolated as you can be from all pleasures.

## Good Friday Collection

On Good Friday, a collection will take place to help support young families in the Holy Land who try to live Christian lives as we do. These Christians living where Christ walked and taught, lived and died, still live in a land of war, death and destruction. The work of the Franciscan Friars for these native Christians depends greatly on your generous support. Baskets will be available at the entrances to the church for your donations. Funds from this collection also are used to care for the holy places where the Lord and His Disciples lived.





# Holy Saturday - April 16

## Morning Prayer - 8:00 A.M. - Church

Please join us in prayer and song.



## Food Blessing - 12:00 P.M. - Church

The tradition of blessing food is a beautiful way of celebrating the joy of Easter. We bless the foods that we have been fasting from during the days of Lent. After the Easter Vigil, this blessed food is shared to celebrate the Lord's New Life. Consider starting this tradition with your family.

## The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night - 8:00 P.M.- Church

On Saturday evening, we will celebrate the Easter Vigil. In the darkness, we will assemble in front of the Chapel with a bonfire to light the paschal candle and process to the Church.

This holy night is the most solemn memorial of the entire year. It is our remembrance of the central mystery of redemption, Christ's saving death and glorious resurrection.

The Vigil has four main parts:

1. ***The Service of Light*** which includes the blessing of new fire, the blessing and lighting of the Easter candle, the carrying and distribution of this candle through the Church, and the chanting of the Easter song, the Exsultet.
2. ***The Liturgy of the Word*** invites us to listen to Scripture Readings. We begin with the story of Creation and conclude by proclaiming the Lord's Resurrection.
3. ***The Liturgy of Baptism*** begins by the singing of the Litany of the Saints. The holy men and women in Heaven welcome us to new life. The water is blest and the Baptisms of our catechumen will occur. All will then be asked to renew their Baptismal Promises. Confirmation will then be administered to the new member of our Church.
4. ***The Liturgy of the Eucharist*** invites us to share with the newly confirmed the Body and Blood of our Risen Lord.

# Easter Sunday - April 17

“This is the day the Lord has made let us rejoice and be glad.”

We will celebrate the Feast of all Feasts with Holy Mass at:

7:30 A.M.      Sacred Heart Chapel  
9:30 A.M.      Sacred Heart Chapel and Church  
11:30 A.M.     Sacred Heart Chapel and Church



There will be no 4:30PM Mass on April 16th and no 7:00PM Mass on April 17th.

Incense will not be used at the 7:30 A.M. Mass

It will be used at the 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 A.M. Masses in the Church and Chapel.

Have a Blessed Easter!!



**EASTER OUTREACH COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND!**

**After a two-year hiatus due to Covid, we are, once again, resuming our Easter Outreach collection. Grocery cards in \$25 increments from Jewel are needed for our food pantry client families so they may celebrate Easter with the food of their choice. If you can donate a food card for our outreach families, please drop it off at the IC Rectory prior to 9:00AM tomorrow morning, April 11.** Gift cards will be distributed that afternoon. **May God bless you for your outstanding generosity to our outreach programs.**



**Easter Outreach Numerous volunteers are needed!**

Help sort tonight (Sunday) from 5:00 to 8:00; children are welcome.

Assemble children's Easter baskets tomorrow morning,

Monday, April 11, 9:00 – 11:00 or any portion thereof. We meet in the Rectory.

Distribute baskets from the Food Pantry on Monday, April 11 from 3:45 – 6:00PM or any portion thereof.

Deliver Easter baskets to those without transportation on Monday, April 11 at 3:00. Please call Pam at 630-530-3497 to RSVP.



We are expanding our Bereavement Ministry team. Bereavement Ministers meet with the families of our deceased to plan the funeral liturgy and attend the funeral service. This is a beautiful ministry of "presence." We are not trained counselors. If you have lost a loved one, you have probably experienced the peace that a beautiful funeral liturgy brings. There is no rotation or set schedule for our ministers. Bereavement ministers are notified of upcoming funerals and volunteer as their time permits. If you would like to learn more about this rewarding ministry, please contact Pam Stefik at 630-530-3497.

**NAMI HelpLine**  
1-800-950-NAMI (6264) or Info@nami.org  
The NAMI HelpLine can be reached Monday-Friday, 10 am-6 pm, ET.  
HelpLine staff and volunteers are prepared to answer your questions about mental health

**NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE**  
1-800-273-TALK (8255)  
suicidepreventionlifeline.org

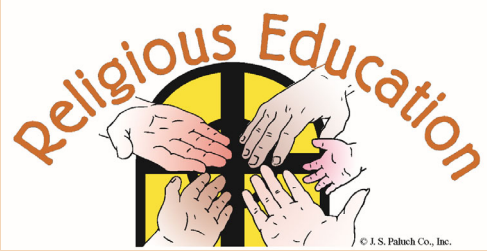
**Veterans Crisis Line**  
**Military Crisis Line**  
1-800-273-8255 **PRESS 1**

As a parish family, let us prayerfully journey with those who will receive the Sacraments of Initiation. We pray for Brian Page, who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil next weekend and receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. We pray for Isabella Ronchetti, Emmett Kanno, Logan Kanno, Vito Campanelli and Grace Fitzgerald, who will receive Eucharist and Confirmation during the Easter season.

Let us also pray for those teens and adults preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation: Tania Boigues, Christine Brooks, and Myles Holubowicz.



*Lord, we pray for those in the RCIA process who journey to you.  
Open their hearts to the fullness of your love.  
Deepen their understanding.  
Set their hearts on fire for the kingdom of God.  
We ask this through Jesus, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.*



Sunday RE	Wednesday RE
April 24 (Last Class)	April 6
	April 20 (Last Class)

Sr. Mary Francis, DRE K-5  
 srmayfrancis@icelmhurst.org  
 Josephine Bastianoni, DRE 6,7,8,  
 jbastianoni@icelmhurst.org

Our RE classes will not be session during Holy Week. We invite and encourage all RE families to participate in the special Holy Week observances.

1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist parents are reminded to review the textbook lessons in Unit 14 of your child's textbook in preparation for the celebration of 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist in May. Family 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist Banners are due when we return to class.

Grade K & Grade 1 Family Liturgy is scheduled for Sunday, April 24.

Contact Sr. Mary Francis if your child would like to participate in this special liturgy.

Our 2022-23 RE Program will be in need of Catechists/Aides. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this important ministry.



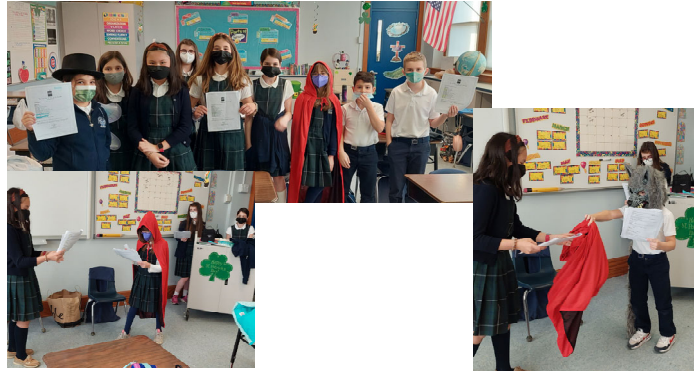
**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
 GRADE SCHOOL  
 630-530-3490**

Registration Open  
 Please call Sheila Wachholder  
 630.530.3490 for more information

Every year during Lent our ICGS Kindergarteners create Blessing Bags that contain essential items. They distribute the Blessing Bags to the homeless and homeless shelters along with a note saying "God Loves You".



Scenes from ICGS Drama Club  
*The True Story of Jack and the Beanstalk*




**STUDENTS OF IMPACT**

All 8th Grade & High School Teens Invited For GAMES, ICE CREAM & FUN FAITH STUFF!

LIFE CAN BE A WILD RIDE. WE NEED JESUS!

TONIGHT, Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>  
 5:30-7 pm in Costello Hall

Look forward to these FUN SUMMER events!  
**IMPACT Mission Adventure: A local, affordable, 3-day mission experience for incoming freshmen & high school teens!**  
 June 23-25 or July 14-16

Self-Image Retreat: A powerful overnight retreat that helps incoming freshmen and high school teens reclaim their worth and strengthen their self-image.  
 From Tuesday August 9th 5 pm to Wednesday August 10th 8 pm

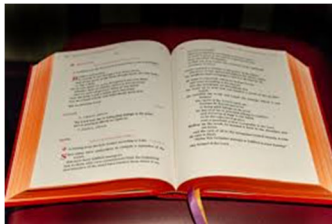
Check the Youth Ministry website for more details and the forms to sign up! Please call Jenny Krumdrick with your questions or to get involved! 815-514-0051



## An Invitation to the Easter Vigil

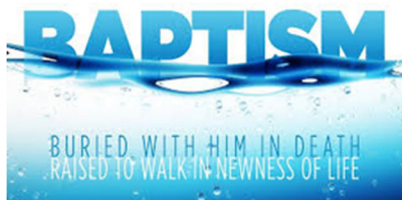
With the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, Lent comes to an end. As the altar is stripped bare, we enter into the peace and glory of the Sacred Triduum. We begin the Paschal Fast and anticipation. We gather quietly on Good Friday, listen to scripture and come forward in faith and humility to venerate the wood of the cross.

With crescendo-like anticipation, we fast and pray through Holy Saturday until the glory of the risen Lord bursts forth at the Easter Vigil. Hungry now and excited, the church gathers in the darkness and lights a new fire that will make this night bright for us. From the bonfire burning outside the Chapel, first the Paschal candle is lit, followed by those who have gathered to witness this extraordinary night. The light is spread from one person to another until the whole church is ablaze with light—the light of Christ.



The second part of the Easter Vigil is the Liturgy of the Word. We listen to the scriptural story of our salvation — our journey out of darkness into light, out of death into life. In proclaiming the gospel, we welcome back the "Alleluia" which went unsung during Lent.

The third part of the Easter Vigil is the sacramental initiation of the Catechumens. Here we witness the blessing of the water and the Baptism of one individual who is a newborn child of God.

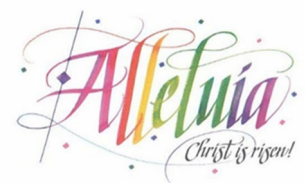


Following the Baptism and the Renewal of Baptismal Promises by the entire faith community, our Neophyte will then be anointed with sacred chrism and confirmed.

We wait in joyful anticipation as the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Neophyte, Brian, is welcomed to the Eucharistic Table of the Catholic Church for the very first time.

Leave your watch at home! The Easter Vigil lasts significantly longer than Sunday Mass. Bring your children. There will be lighting of candles, singing of psalms, ringing of bells, sprinkling with holy water, fragrant clouds of incense, the "smells and bells" of the Catholic Church in all of its regal glory. Come prepared to be a participant rather than a spectator.

Let us show our support for our fully initiated member and lovingly welcome him into our parish family on this most holy night. **Please join us on Saturday, April 16 at 8:00PM. Extraordinary grace awaits us all.**



**Stewardship of Time and Treasure**

**Weekly Sharing  
March 20, 2022**

Sunday Envelopes Total:	\$ 16,172.69
Electronic Offerings:	\$ 13,337.13
Total Gifts:	\$ 29,509.82
Amount Budgeted Per Week:	\$ 28,000.00

**Thank You in His Name!**

**Presider Mass Schedule**

April 16 & 17

<b>8:00PM</b>	<b>Fr. Tom, Fr. James, &amp; Dcn. John</b>
<b>7:30AM</b>	<b>Fr. James</b>
<b>9:30AM</b>	<b>Church Fr. David Mowry</b>
<b>9:30AM</b>	<b>Chapel Fr. Tom</b>
<b>11:30AM</b>	<b>Church Fr. James</b>
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\*Presider schedule is subject to change



**IC Parish-Wide Lenten Outreach Project  
St. Mary's Mission School, Red Lake, MN**

The Lenten Alms that we have saved during this holy season of Lent will be collected today. If you have forgotten your offering and wish to make a contribution, please return it to the PAC/Rectory this week for inclusion in our gift to St. Mary's Mission. Any checks should be made payable to Immaculate Conception, with a notation "St. Mary's Mission Donation." **May God reward your generosity one hundred fold.**



- No reservations are needed.
- Masks are recommended, not required.
- All pews are used. A section on the side aisle of pews nearest the music on the east side of the church will be reserved for those people who wish to social distance and wear masks.
- If it is your preference to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, we ask that you sit on the left (east) side of the church in either of the sections where the priest typically distributes Communion. It is also requested that you come up at the end of the Communion line so the priest has the opportunity to sanitize his hands as he distributes the Eucharist.
- Holy water is once again in the fonts.
- Please continue to sanitize your hands both as you enter church and before you receive Communion.
- The Sign of Peace should be shared without physical contact.
- There will not be distribution of the Precious Blood.

Thank you to everyone who has already shown their devotion to the works of the Lord with a gift to the 2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). Every gift, large or small, is appreciated! If we all contribute as generously as our circumstances allow, we can meet our parish's CMAA goal of \$114,200. If you have yet to make your gift, please prayerfully reflect on how you can best support the CMAA. If we raise more than our goal, 70 percent of the amount over goal will be returned to us for our use. This is an amazing opportunity for our parish. Pledge envelopes are still available in the church. You can also return the pledge card you received in the mail from the diocese or make a gift online at [jolietdioceseappeal.org](http://jolietdioceseappeal.org).

