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A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

April 16, 2023 - Second Sunday Of Easter (Sunday Of Divine Mercy)



"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."

- 1 Peter 1:3

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Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil @ 5:00 P.M. Sunday Mass @ 8:30 A.M. Sunday Mass @ 10:30 A.M.* (*Our 10:30 A.M. Mass is also livestreamed)

Capacity limits have been lifted and reservations are no longer required. Masks are optional.

All are welcome!

Weekday Mass Schedule:

In-Person

Monday through Thursday @ 8:30 A.M. (Rosary Prayers & Chaplet of Mercy prayed after Weekday Masses)

(**Please note**: Friday daily Masses & First Friday Mass & Adoration temporarily suspended as of July 8th)

Online

Wednesdays @ 8:30 A.M. (*School Mass*) (Worship with us virtually on our Facebook Page or Twitch)

Confessions:

Sunday mornings from 9:30 A.M.-10:15 A.M. (offered every other Sunday)

(Special dates & times offered during Advent & Lent)

Baptisms:

2nd & 4th Sundays of each month @ Noon (except during Lent)

Donate

Church & Special Collections:

Interested in supporting our parish, specific ministries and projects?

Please consider giving online at Give Central: www.givecentral.org/location/349

Offertory envelopes can also be mailed in or dropped off at our Parish Office.

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Interested in supporting Catholic Education for both present and future generations?

Please donate to our **Endowment Fund** (via Give Central) or support efforts by our **Holy Name Men's Club** and **Parents Club** posted on our Social Media or featured in our bulletin.

Fruitful Harvest: Sunday, April 30th

Fruitful Harvest is a reflection series hosted in our Rectory Assembly. It centers around our seminarians offering their witness on a number of topics, such as "*The Spiritual Purpose of Fasting*" this past February.

This month, we will reflect on "Resurrection and Spirit." We often talk of heaven as a moment after death, or a place that we go to after our time on earth. Our faith, however, views heaven differently. Our faith confesses that we already experience the effects of the Resurrection now, and through our Baptism. We already receive a premonition of heaven through our Sacraments, through forgiveness, and through our pursuit of discipleship and sacrifice.

When we pray the Our Father, we proclaim "thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." In this prayer, we are asking heaven to come to us, not us to heaven. This can only be felt, accomplished, and shared through the Holy Spirit – the same Holy Spirit that accompanied Jesus in His ministry.

I hope that you can join us on **Sunday**, **April 30**th after our 10:30 A.M. Mass for coffee, light refreshments, and our seminarian's final weekend here before their summer break.



- Fr. Matt

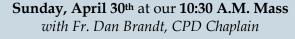
Snapshots From Our Fruitful Harvest Session On February 26th





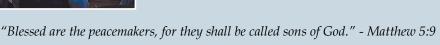
Blue Mass @ IC: Sunday, April 30th @ 10:30 A.M.

In recognition and appreciation of the men and women who place their lives on the line to ensure our safety and security, we invite you to join our IC community as we gather together for a special *Blue Mass* to support, honor and pray for our Law Enforcement and First Responders.



All are invited to join us!

With grateful hearts, we thank you for your strength, courage, commitment, service and sacrifice to our community and city!











IC School Board is hosting

IC Cares Day

DONATE TO OUR CLOTHING-DRIVE AND/OR HELP US MAKE SANDWICHES FOR PORT MINISTRIES

WHEN
April 22, 2023
Clothing Drive
9am-1pm
Port Ministries
11am-1pm

WHERE Clothing Drive - East Lot Port Ministries - Cafeteria (ramp doors)



CLOTHING DRIVE

You can donate gently used clothing, shoes, toys, household items, etc. Please be sure items are secured in a garbage bag or in a sturdy box.

PORT MINISTRIES

We need volunteers to make sandwiches! When volunteering, please bring 2 loaves of sliced bread, a pound of lunch meat and sandwich bags.

We also greatly appreciate donations of juice boxes, cases of water, small bags of apples or oranges and individually wrapped fruit cups or chips.

There is also an option to make sandwiches at home and drop them off between 11am and 1pm. We ask that the sandwiches be made with lunch meat and bread. NO CONDIMENTS. The sandwiches should be placed in a ziplock bag and all the ziplock bags from that loaf of bread be put back in the sleeve with a twist tie.

IC School Band Fundraiser

Our IC School Band will be selling World's Finest Chocolate bars for \$1.00 after all Masses next weekend,

Saturday, April 22nd and
Sunday, April 23rd (while supplies
last.) The money raised will help the
band to fund band receptions, purchase
trophies and even instruments!
The bars come in caramel, milk chocolate
with almonds, crisp, milk chocolate, dark
chocolate, and wafer.

We thank you in advance for your support!





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Next Weekend @ IC: Family Mass: Sunday, April 23rd

Please join us at our 10:30 A.M. Family Mass on Sunday, April 23rd (with Fr. Robert presiding) as we celebrate our Altar Servers & Religious Education Program students. Our Choristers will lead our congregation in song and a hospitality reception hosted by our Altar Servers & REP Students will follow the conclusion of our Mass in the Vestibule of our Church. All are welcome!





On Wednesday, April 5th, Immaculate Conception School 8th Grade students (under the direction of Ms. Julie Szwedo) reenacted our Lord's sacrifice (and the history of our salvation) during their presentation of the Living Stations of the Cross as our entire student body joined together in prayer during Holy Week.























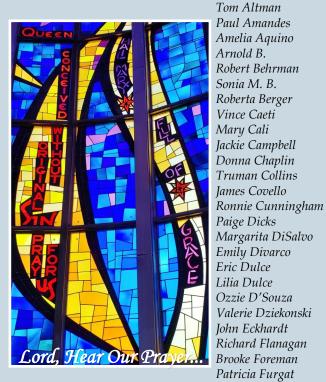








Please join our parish family in prayer ...



For those who are sick:

Ofelia Hernandez Timothy Murray Mike Hickey Judy Hull Mary Ann Schmitt Hurtig Kevin Jaburek Claudia Kech Wayne Kinzie, Sr. Donna Kirk Craig Kloss Lillian Kohut Katherine Kreuser Anthony LaPash Dawn LaVeau Sean Lucas Nathan Maisel Benny Martinez Edwin Martinez Frank Martinez Nikki Mendoza Pat Miaso Gerry Michalek, Jr. Helen Michalek Ledoina Monacelli Marta Morales Deacon Rick Moritz Veronica Murillo Rita Zambon Mike Murphy

Brendan Nelson Phillip Nuccio Anne O'Brien John O'Brien Sister Maeve O'Connor Jackie O'Koniewski David Olson Ashton Peterson Leo Pfest Mary Potwora Bill Remblake Joe Rispoli Pia Rizza David Rodriguez Gerri Schultz Edward Stanczyk Jack Stewart Jill Swagler Alma T. Donna Tisdale Beckie Tomala Steven P. Trifilio Mary Ellen Vanderman Louis Ward Miss Westhoff

For our faithful departed:

For those preparing to be joined together in Holy Matrimony:

Marie Frances Hagarty Walter M. Flechsig (Father of Mark Flechsig) Kevin William Zago (Brother of John & Lisa Zago)



"Eternal rest grant unto them, Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them."

Lila Gehner

Gloria Hernandez



Brianna Jean Nabal and Sean Anthony Carolan

"And the two shall become one..." - Ephesians 5:31

For those who serve our country:



U.S. Army - SSgt. John Francis Mikita, Sgt. Kevin Whalen, SSgt Martine Makita, Chris Dash, Pvt. Jason G. Cavanaugh, Major Christopher Walsh, Capt. Benjamin Monson, 1st Lt. Katherine D. Hartnett, SPC Michael J. Stone, Pvt. Charlie Cruz Pappas

U.S. Navy - CMDR Michael Brasseur, LCDR Christopher Jenkins, PO Thomas T. Tudisco, Ensign Marina J. Monacelli

U.S. Air Force - John Christopher Ocasio, Major Laurel Walsh, Major Paul H. Kolk, LT. COL. Michael O'Koniewski; Captain Colleen Bernal

U.S. Marines - PFC Sebastian L. Rivera, Jr., PFC Christopher Hughes, PFC Algene D. Porticos, LCpl Daniel Wieczorek, PFC Luis A. Corea

Please contact our Parish Office when these service people return home safely. If you are a veteran or know a veteran, the Archdiocese of Chicago has a website located at vets.archchicago.org that provides information that can be of assistance.



Mass Intentions: Sunday, April 16th through Sunday, April 23rd

Sunday, April 16th - Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

5:00 P.M. (Saturday) — †Elaine J. Schatz (Birthday Remembrance); †Sophie Sikorski (on her 16th Anniversary); †Rev. Philip McGlynn, OSM; †Stanislaw Swiderski; †James DeCastris; and †Cecilia Malolepszy (Birthday Remembrance)

8:30 A.M.—†Thomas Tudisco (Birthday Remembrance); †Dorothy & Frank Tudisco; †Ken Malecki; and Joseph DiMaria 10:30 A.M.—†Rev. Philip McGlynn, OSM (Birthday Remembrance); †JoAnn Barder (Birthday Remembrance); †Elizabeth Serafin; †Andrea Garcia; †Kathy Davis; †Nancy Preston; †Lourdes Baltazar (Death Anniversary); †Francis & Moira Cross; †Frank Pesce; Claudine Merino (on her 57th Birthday) (Living); and The People of the Parish

Monday, April 17th - Easter Weekday

8:30 A.M. — †John Russell (on his 1st Anniversary); and Carol Moritz (Living) (on her Birthday)

Tuesday, April 18th - Easter Weekday 8:30 A.M. — [†]Amy Witz

Wednesday, April 19th - Easter Weekday 8:30 A.M. - [†]Ann Neis

Thursday, April 20th - Easter Weekday

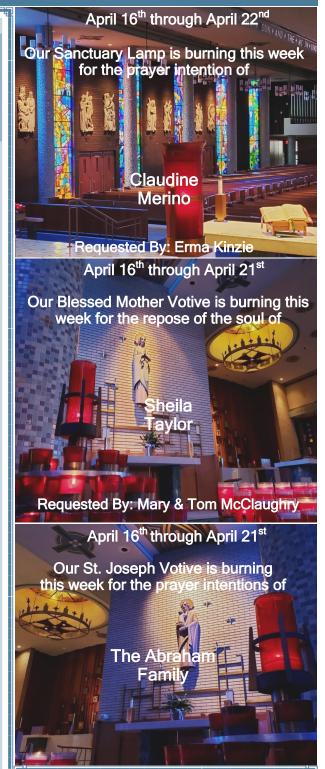
8:30 A.M. — [†]Ted Bednarz (Birthday Remembrance); [†]Carm Schillinger (Birthday Remembrance); [†]Rose Jurcenko (on her 25th Anniversary); and [†]Ricky Baltazar (Death Anniversary)

Friday, April 21st - Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Saturday, April 22nd - Easter Weekday

5:00 P.M. – †Carm Schillinger (Birthday Remembrance); †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Elizabeth Lyon; Scott Kinzie (Living) (on his 53rd Birthday); Mary Herward (Living) (on her Birthday); and Miguel & Alexandra Quiroz (Living) (on their 25th Wedding Anniversary)

Sunday, April 23rd – *Third Sunday of Easter* 8:30 A.M.– †Paul, Gloria & Steven Budziak 10:30 A.M.– †Anna & Nicola Chiusolo; †Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Rutterer; †Jeremy Paul Konczal (Birthday Remembrance); †Deceased Members of The Furgat Family; †Manuel Mendoza; †Nancy Preston; †Frank Pesce; †Francis & Moira Cross; and The People of the Parish



Pope Tweet of the Week...

"Jesus, the Living One, is with us, forever. Let the Church and the world rejoice, for today our hopes no longer come up against the wall of death, for the Lord has built us a bridge to life."





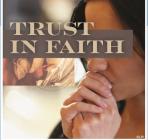










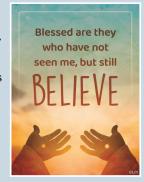


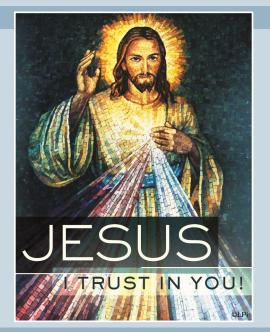
Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A young, engaged couple sat on the couch in front of me as we chatted about their upcoming marriage. The young lady was struggling to trust her future husband. She told me her father had been unfaithful to her mother. She said of her fiancé, "I want him to prove to me that he won't cheat on me." The young man looked at me helplessly, raised his eyebrows and shrugged his shoulders. What evidence could he possibly give to validate such a proof? Nothing. All he could do was invite her to trust him.

We all are wounded by experiences of imperfect love. We also are tempted to demand from God proof of His fidelity and goodness. We are like St. Thomas the Apostle who, on that second Sunday of Easter, demands proof of the Lord's resurrection. "Unless I see the mark of the nail … I will not believe." Our science, technology and mathematics can indeed prove a great deal. But there are some things that require trusting another person. We prove promises of love only by trusting.

St. Thomas indeed saw the wounds of Jesus and believed. But there is an even greater blessing for us who simply trust Him — and all the truths the Church proclaims — because of the trustworthiness of the Risen One who speaks. This week let's trust Jesus without seeing him. — Father John Muir ©LPi





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High school men are invited: Quigley Discerners Event, April 29

Families of discerning men are invited to meet with parents of seminarians: St.James, Arlington Heights, April 30 at 3 p.m.



Scan code for details and to sign up!

Ministry Schedules: Saturday, April 22nd & Sunday, April 23rd

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	Saturday 5:00 P.M. Mass Third Sunday of Easter	Sunday 8:30 A.M. Mass Third Sunday of Easter	Sunday 10:30 A.M. Family Mass Third Sunday of Easter
Presiders	Fr. Robert Fedek	Fr. Robert Fedek	Fr. Robert Fedek
Lectors	N. Schroeder	J. Semmler	Youth Lectors
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What's Happening @ IC...

Monday, April 17th - School Resumes

7:00-8:30 P.M. – Overtones Rehearsal; CH

7:30 P.M. – Youth Ministry Planning Mtg.; RCR

Wednesday, April 19th-

2:00-3:30 P.M.- Choristers Rehearsal; CH

4:00-5:00 P.M. - Religious Education Program Class; SC

7:00-8:30 P.M. – Alpha Alumni Connect Group Session; RA

7:30-9:30 P.M. - Parents Club Mtg.; NWCR

Thursday, April 20th -

6:30-7:30 P.M. – 8th Grade Parents Mtg.; PH

7:00-9:00 P.M. – School Board Mtg.; RA

Friday, April 21st –

8:15 P.M. – Men's Basketball; PC

Saturday, April 22nd -

9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M.—IC Cares Day (Clothing Drive & Sandwiches For The Port Ministries); East Lot & Café

IC School Band Fundraiser: World's Finest Chocolate Sale @ 5:00 P.M. Mass; CH Vestibule

Sunday, April 23rd-

IC School Band Fundraiser: World's Finest Chocolate Sale @ 8:30 & 10:30 A.M. Masses; CH Vestibule

10:30 A.M. – Family Mass (*Altar Servers & Religious Education Program Students*); CH (Hospitality Reception to follow in CH Vestibule)

11:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M. - Tolton Teaching Parish Program Comm. Mtg. ;RA

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If you plan to move from our parish, please notify our Parish Office at least three months prior to your change of address. Also, if you will be away from home for more than 3 months, please contact us so that your envelopes can be stopped during that time period.

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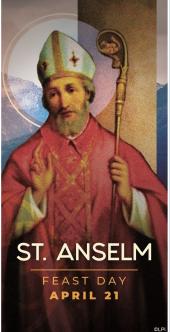
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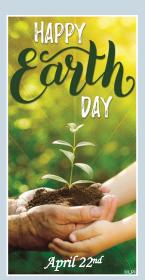
Saint of the Week: Examples of our Faith - Saint Anselm (April 21st)



St. Anselm of Canterbury left his home in Italy to travel as a young man and ended up at the monastery in Bec, France, which was known for the teachings of its leader, Lanfranc. Anselm rose quickly to become abbot of the community and his writings are now compared in importance to those of St. Augustine.

In 1093 Anselm was appointed Archbishop of Canterbury by William II Rufus, the son and successor of William the Conqueror. However, at the time there was a controversy in Europe over whether kings or the pope had the power to invest bishops. Anselm, who believed only the pope should have the right to invest an ecclesiastical authority, spent much of his time as Archbishop exiled in Rome.

St. Anselm's teaching and works of theology are his most important contribution to the Catholic faith. He is considered of the fathers of scholastic theology and his chief achievement in philosophy was the ontological argument for the existence of God. His work *Cur Deus homo?* taught that atonement for sins could only be achieved through Christ. He was canonized in 1494 and named a Doctor of the Church in 1720. © LPi



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