



Welcome to the Parish of  
*Immaculate Conception*

*A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ*

*April 5, 2020 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*



*Love God, Serve Others, Make Disciples*

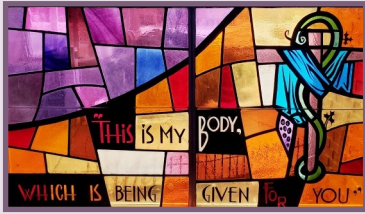
## Immaculate Conception Parish

### Holy Triduum Catechesis

With the solemn celebration of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening, we enter three holy days, a Sacred Triduum, that will end on Easter night. In these sacred Three Days, the core mysteries of our faith come alive for us. We remember with great fervor and intensity the saving passion, death and resurrection of Christ. We find ourselves at the Last Supper, at the Cross, and at the empty tomb - not in a historical re-enactment, but in a way that cuts through time and space and places us in the presence of the Savior. We celebrate these days with great dedication and devotion because these days are about life and death. Not just Jesus' life and death, but our life and death and our Passover with him to the Father. By spiritually celebrating these sacred days together (as a virtual community, given our present circumstances), we hope to be drawn more deeply into the mystery of Christ, so that all Jesus did to save us will become a life-giving spring within us. These days make us who we are as Catholics. Our participation in the Sacred Triduum not only benefits our individual spiritual journey, but nurtures the well-being of the Body of Christ - the community of faith called to be Christ in the world.

### Holy Thursday

Lent ends early in the day on Holy Thursday. We begin our celebration of the Triduum with our virtual **Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy**



**Thursday** evening at **6:00 P.M.** with Fr. Robert presiding. In the first reading from the Book of Exodus, we will hear the ancient story of the Jewish Passover. The Passover, Israel's deliverance and the covenant God initiated, will become the lens through which we can understand our whole observance of the Triduum. The Mass we offer on this night is celebrated with heightened solemnity, for on this night we remember the institution of the Eucharist and the office of the Priesthood at the Last Supper.

To understand the full meaning of the Eucharist on this night, we must peer through the lens of the ancient Passover and Jesus' self-emptying act of love when he washed his disciples' feet. To participate in the Eucharist is to participate in the sacrifice of Christ, offering ourselves with Christ to the Father. Recall the words of Jesus when he addressed his disciples: "Can you drink of the cup of which I am to drink?" To partake of this Holy Supper is to share in Christ's suffering, death, and resurrection. In the regrettable absence of receiving the Eucharist sacramentally on this night (given the challenging and unprecedented time we currently find ourselves in), we invite our parish family to encounter Jesus spiritually in their heart by joining us in prayer by reciting *An Act of Spiritual Communion*. The liturgy this night has no formal ending, for the Three Days are really one celebration. We continue our Triduum prayer on Friday evening at 6:00 P.M. We invite you to join us in prayer from the comfort of your homes.

### Good Friday

In the evening at **6:00 P.M.**, we will gather as a virtual community (with Fr. Matt presiding at our livestreamed liturgy) to solemnly commemorate the passion and death of our Lord. We begin in silence and listen to the Scriptures that focus on Christ, the suffering Servant of God. In the Passion according to John, we relive the final hours of Jesus' life. His painful death on the cross is the climax of a life of obedient service to the Kingdom of God. Jesus is the "new Adam", who by his faithfulness has reconciled humanity's relationship with God, broken by our first parents' disobedience. Throughout the liturgy there is a sense of glory, for we see in the cross today the light of our deliverance shining through the agonizing way of the cross. In what is one of the most ancient forms of the Prayers of the Faithful we will pray for the needs of our church and our world, trusting that the redemptive love of Christ can transform all things. The liturgy on Good Friday reaches a high point as the congregation is invited to virtually venerate the cross in whatever manner they desire. It is an opportunity to personally connect our individual crosses with the cross of Jesus, to redefine the meaning of our own suffering in the light of his passion. After once again sharing in an act of spiritual Communion, we take our leave in silence to await the great Vigil - for the passion of Jesus and the crucifixion he endured is not the entire story of our redemption. The Mystery of our salvation is fulfilled with the resurrection of Christ.



### Easter Vigil

Throughout the world on **Holy Saturday**, there are no Masses celebrated during the day. It is a day when we keep vigil, pondering the mystery of Christ's life, passion, and death, and await to hear the good news of Easter. It is only as evening falls at **8:00 P.M.** that our virtual Church gathers in darkness for the solemn **Easter Vigil** with Fr. Matt presiding. The Vigil Liturgy is composed of four parts: The Service of Light; The Liturgy of the Word; The Liturgy of Baptism; and The Liturgy of the Eucharist. Our community will virtually walk through the darkness together



following the light of Christ, after which the beautiful ancient chant, the Exultet, or Easter Proclamation, will be sung recalling the wonder and mystery of this holy night. We will hear the words, "Most blessed of all nights, chosen by God to see Christ rising from the dead." In the second part of the liturgy, we will listen to the Scriptures recalling the mighty deeds of God that have led to this holy night. This is the story of our faith, our Christian heritage, our past and our future. The Liturgy of the Word reaches a climax with the singing of the Alleluia and the proclamation of the Easter Gospel. Following the Liturgy of the Word, we direct our attention toward our temporary baptismal font. The presider invokes the power of the Holy Spirit to come down upon the waters of our font, so that through this water, the Church might be reborn. At this point, our community will renew our baptismal vows. We see ourselves anew as God's holy people, the Church. In the final part of the Vigil Liturgy, we celebrate the first Eucharist of Easter. The Church is not the cult of a dead man, but faithful disciples of the living Christ, who this night shares with us his

Body and Blood. Like the disciples at Emmaus, we discover the Risen Christ in the breaking of the bread. We find ourselves seated at heaven's table, a foretaste of what awaits us in the life to come.

## Immaculate Conception Parish

### Parishioners and Guests of Immaculate Conception...

As a precautionary measure, due to concerns relating to public health, all liturgical services have been suspended in our Church until further notice (as mandated by Cardinal Cupich and the Archdiocese of Chicago.) This includes all daily and weekend Masses as well as Stations of the Cross (Friday evenings), Lenten Vespers (Tuesday evenings), and Reconciliation/Confessions (Saturday afternoons.)



Please be advised that, due to Governor Pritzker's Shelter-In-Place mandate for the state of Illinois (effective as of 5:00 P.M. on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>), both **our Church and Parish Office will be closed until**

**Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>.** As such, we are regrettably unable to offer opportunities for private prayer in our Church on Sundays at this time. While voicemail messages will continue to be monitored remotely on a daily basis by a member of our Parish Staff, we encourage you to connect with us via email at [frontdesk@icparish.info](mailto:frontdesk@icparish.info) with any questions, concerns or needs that may arise during the time the Shelter-In-Place order is in effect.

**Please note: All previously scheduled activities, meetings, events, and practices have either been canceled or postponed through Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. Additional scheduling changes may occur as the situation continues to develop.**

### Worship from Home...

In lieu of gathering together for Mass at IC, we encourage our parishioners and guests to honor the Lord's Day by viewing our weekly broadcast of **Sunday Mass at 11:00 A.M.** featuring Fr. Robert & Fr. Matt (accompanied by Scott, our Director of Worship, on keyboard) which will be livestreamed through social media platforms Twitch TV and Facebook Live. Direct links to both platforms are easily accessible on our parish website ([www.icparish.net](http://www.icparish.net)). Weekday Masses will also be livestreamed daily **[Monday through Friday] at 7:00 P.M.** Our weekly **School Mass** will be broadcast on **Wednesdays at 11:00 A.M.** All livestreamed Masses will be recorded and archived for a limited time.

Private Masses will continue to be celebrated by Fr. Robert & Fr. Matt daily to honor the intentions of the day. Each Mass will also be offered for the wellbeing of our community and our city as we continue to pray for all those affected by the current Coronavirus outbreak, both locally and globally, so that they may be healed by our compassionate and merciful Father and find comfort and peace in His love.

*During our livestreamed Masses, we invite our parish family to recite the following prayer during Communion as you join us in worship from the comfort of your home:*

### *An Act of Spiritual Communion...*

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.*

*Since I cannot at this moment, receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.*

*Amen.*



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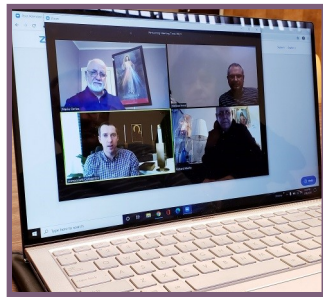
### Connect with IC through Zoom...

With an eye towards bridging the physical divide between us and cultivating a meaningful virtual community at IC during this time of forced seclusion, we are exploring alternative methods of uniting our community in prayer and conversation by utilizing a communication tool entitled Zoom Video Conferencing. Please visit [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us) to register and download the web app for free on your desktop computer, laptop, smartphone or tablet.



Members of our community pray the rosary daily at **11:00 A.M. (Monday through Saturday)** hosted by Deacon Rick & his wife Carol [**Zoom Meeting Room/ID Code: 7902114314**]. At **3:00 P.M.**, we pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and engage in faith conversations (**Monday through Saturday**) hosted by our parishioner Mario Orrico & Fr. Robert [**Zoom Meeting Room/ID Code: 7661741428**]. All are welcome and encouraged to join us!

Zoom offers you the opportunity to see and hear members of our community praying together and engaging in conversations about their faith (as well as sharing their hopes and fears during this challenging time in our lives), while also allowing you to interact and participate as well. For those who are camera-shy, Zoom offers you the option of entering the room and joining the conversation without video enabled (so you can be heard, but not seen), so please don't let that discourage you from joining us in prayer.



Although we are temporarily restricted from physically assembling together as a parish family and encountering Christ through the Eucharist, if we are open to experimenting with the technology that is available to us, we can still embrace the underlying power of our community (as the body of Christ) by being emotionally and spiritually present for one another - so that we can continue to prayerfully support one another and remain connected in heart and mind. As God is ever-present, so we too strive to be here for you as a parish staff - to walk with you, to counsel you, to support you, to comfort you and to assure you that you are not alone.

Please continue to monitor our parish website ([www.icparish.net](http://www.icparish.net)) as well as our Facebook page for further spiritual opportunities as they become available.

### Please continue your support of our parish...

Even though public celebration of Mass has regrettably been suspended for the time being, we still require your financial assistance. As you know, our Sunday collection is by far the largest portion of financial support that our parish receives and is therefore critical to the vitality of our health and our sustainability as a parish. Simply put, we would not be able to maintain our parish and continue our mission without you. As such, we are truly grateful for the continued generosity of our faithful parishioners.



During this difficult time, we respectfully ask that you continue to support our parish (if you are able) as our bills continue and our staff members need to be compensated, regardless of whether or not our Church building is open. Your funds are critically needed to maintain our prayerful presence in our community during this unprecedented time.

### Ways you can continue to support IC during the suspension of liturgical services:

Please kindly consider dropping off your weekly offering envelope at our Parish Office or sending it via mail to: 7211 W. Talcott Avenue, Chicago, IL. 60631. Donations are also accepted online through Give Central: [www.givecentral.org/location/349](http://www.givecentral.org/location/349) or through the recently established Archdiocesan Universal Offertory Collection: [www.archchicago.org/offertory](http://www.archchicago.org/offertory). Please kindly credit your monetary gift to Immaculate Conception – Talcott Avenue.

If you have any questions regarding setting up your online donations through Give Central, please contact our Parish Office at 773.775.3833 and a member of our Parish Staff will be happy to assist you.

With a truly grateful and humble heart, I thank you for your faithful stewardship of our parish. Be assured of my constant prayers for you and your loved ones as we persevere together as a parish family through this challenging time in our lives. May our merciful and loving Father strengthen our faith during times of illness and uncertainty as we continue to trust in His goodness and divine providence.

Fr. Robert

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### Holy Week and Sacred Triduum Schedule

All Masses and Liturgies will be livestreamed  
@ [www.twitch.tv/icchicago](http://www.twitch.tv/icchicago)

#### ***Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord***

***April 5<sup>th</sup>***

11:00 A.M. - Mass with Fr. Robert presiding

#### ***Monday of Holy Week***

***April 6<sup>th</sup>***

7:00 P.M. - Mass

#### ***Tuesday of Holy Week***

***April 7<sup>th</sup>***

7:00 P.M. - Mass

#### ***Wednesday of Holy Week***

***April 8<sup>th</sup>***

11:00 A.M. - School Mass

7:00 P.M. - Mass

#### ***Holy Thursday***

***April 9<sup>th</sup>***

6:00 P.M. - Mass of the Lord's Supper with Fr. Robert presiding

#### ***Good Friday***

***April 10<sup>th</sup>***

6:00 P.M. - Passion of the Lord with Fr. Matt presiding

#### ***Holy Saturday***

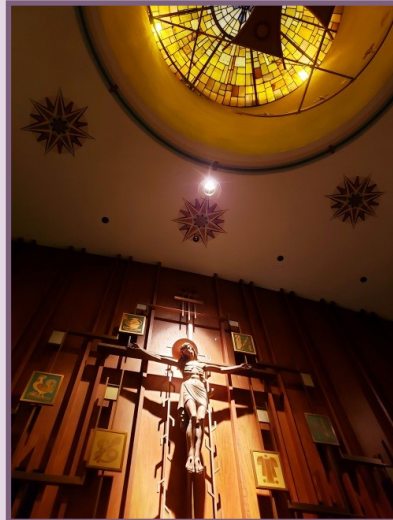
***April 11<sup>th</sup>***

8:00 P.M. - The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night with Fr. Matt presiding

#### ***Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord***

***April 12<sup>th</sup>***

11:00 A.M. - Mass with Fr. Matt and Fr. Robert presiding



### ***Lenten Regulations***

(from February 26, 2020, Ash Wednesday, to the Paschal Triduum)

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. The special Paschal fast, as well as abstinence, are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday.

"Lent is ordered to preparing for the celebration of Easter. Since the Lenten liturgy prepares for the celebration of the Paschal Mystery, both catechumens, by the various stages of Christian Initiation, and the faithful, who recall their own Baptism and do penance." (Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year, #27)

By the threefold discipline of fasting, almsgiving and prayer, the church keeps Lent from Ash Wednesday until the evening of Holy Thursday. All of the faithful and the catechumens should undertake the serious practice of these three traditions. Failure to observe penitential days totally or a substantial number of such days must be considered serious.

"(On) weekdays of Lent, we strongly recommend participation in daily Mass and self-imposed observances of fasting. In light of grave human needs which weigh on the Christian conscience in all seasons, we urge particularly during Lent, generosity to local, national and world programs of sharing of all things needed to translate our duty to penance into a means of implementing the right of the poor to their part of our abundance." (U.S. Bishops statement on penitential observances, 1966)



Many people are being impacted in many ways by the COVID-19 virus  
If you or someone you know has lost income, please know

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[www.newhopefoodpantry.com](http://www.newhopefoodpantry.com)



*Urbi Et Orbi Meditation*

*By Pope Francis*

*St. Peter's Basilica—Friday, March 27th*



“When evening had come” (Mk 4:35). The Gospel passage we have just heard begins like this. For weeks now it has been evening. Thick darkness has gathered over our squares, our streets and our cities; it has taken over our lives, filling everything with a deafening silence and a distressing void, that stops everything as it passes by; we feel it in the air, we notice in people’s gestures, their glances give them away. We find ourselves afraid and lost. Like the disciples in the Gospel we were caught off guard by an unexpected, turbulent storm. We have realized that we are on the same boat, all of us fragile and disoriented, but at the same time important and needed, all of us called to row together, each of us in need of comforting the other. On this boat... are all of us. Just like those disciples, who spoke anxiously with one voice, saying “We are perishing” (v. 38), so we too have realized that we cannot go on thinking of ourselves, but only together can we do this.

It is easy to recognize ourselves in this story. What is harder to understand is Jesus’ attitude. While his disciples are quite naturally alarmed and desperate, he stands in the stern, in the part of the boat that sinks first. And what does he do? In spite of the tempest, he sleeps soundly, trusting in the Father; this is the only time in the Gospels we see Jesus sleeping. When he wakes up, after calming the wind and the waters, he turns to the disciples in a reproaching voice: “Why are you afraid? Have you no faith?” (v. 40).

Let us try to understand. In what does the lack of the disciples’ faith consist, as contrasted with Jesus’ trust? They had not stopped believing in him; in fact, they called on him. But we see how they call on him: “Teacher, do you not care if we perish?” (v. 38). *Do you not care*: they think that Jesus is not interested in them, does not care about them. One of the things that hurts us and our families most when we hear it said is: “Do you not care about me?” It is a phrase that wounds and unleashes storms in our hearts. It would have shaken Jesus too. Because he, more than anyone, cares about us. Indeed, once they have called on him, he saves his disciples from their discouragement.

The storm exposes our vulnerability and uncovers those false and superfluous certainties around which we have constructed our daily schedules, our projects, our habits and priorities. It shows us how we have allowed to become dull and feeble the very things that nourish, sustain and strengthen our lives and our communities. The tempest lays bare all our prepackaged ideas and forgetfulness of what nourishes our people’s souls; all those attempts that anesthetize us with ways of thinking and acting that supposedly “save” us, but instead prove incapable of putting us in touch with our roots and keeping alive the memory of those who have gone before us. We deprive ourselves of the antibodies we need to confront adversity.

In this storm, the façade of those stereotypes with which we camouflaged our egos, always worrying about our image, has fallen away, uncovering once more that (blessed) common belonging, of which we cannot be deprived: our belonging as brothers and sisters.

“*Why are you afraid? Have you no faith?*” Lord, your word this evening strikes us and regards us, all of us. In this world, that you love more than we do, we have gone ahead at breakneck speed, feeling powerful and able to do anything. Greedy for profit, we let ourselves get caught up in things, and lured away by haste. We did not stop at your reproach to us, we were not shaken awake by wars or injustice across the world, nor did we listen to the cry of the poor or of our ailing planet. We carried on regardless, thinking we would stay healthy in a world that was sick. Now that we are in a stormy sea, we implore you: “Wake up, Lord!”.

“*Why are you afraid? Have you no faith?*” Lord, you are calling to us, calling us to faith. Which is not so much believing that you exist, but coming to you and trusting in you. This Lent your call reverberates urgently: “Be converted!”, “Return to me with all your heart” (Joel 2:12). You are calling on us to seize this time of trial as a *time of choosing*. It is not the time of your judgement, but of our judgement: a time to choose what matters and what passes away, a time to separate what is necessary from what is not. It is a time to get our lives back on track with regard to you, Lord, and to others. We can look to so many exemplary companions for the journey, who, even though fearful, have reacted by giving their lives. This is the force of the Spirit poured out and fashioned in courageous and generous self-denial.

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It is the life in the Spirit that can redeem, value and demonstrate how our lives are woven together and sustained by ordinary people – often forgotten people – who do not appear in newspaper and magazine headlines nor on the grand catwalks of the latest show, but who without any doubt are in these very days writing the decisive events of our time: doctors, nurses, supermarket employees, cleaners, caregivers, providers of transport, law and order forces, volunteers, priests, religious men and women and so very many others who have understood that no one reaches salvation by themselves. In the face of so much suffering, where the authentic development of our peoples is assessed, we experience the priestly prayer of Jesus: “That they may all be one” (Jn 17:21). How many people every day are exercising patience and offering hope, taking care to sow not panic but a shared responsibility. How many fathers, mothers, grandparents and teachers are showing our children, in small everyday gestures, how to face up to and navigate a crisis by adjusting their routines, lifting their gaze and fostering prayer. How many are praying, offering and interceding for the good of all. Prayer and quiet service: these are our victorious weapons.

“Why are you afraid? Have you no faith”? Faith begins when we realize we are in need of salvation. We are not self-sufficient; by ourselves we flounder: we need the Lord, like ancient navigators needed the stars. Let us invite Jesus into the boats of our lives. Let us hand over our fears to him so that he can conquer them. Like the disciples, we will experience that with him on board there will be no shipwreck. Because this is God’s strength: turning to the good everything that happens to us, even the bad things. He brings serenity into our storms, because with God life never dies.

The Lord asks us and, in the midst of our tempest, invites us to reawaken and put into practice that solidarity and hope capable of giving strength, support and meaning to these hours when everything seems to be floundering. The Lord awakens so as to reawaken and revive our Easter faith. We have an anchor: by his cross we have been saved. We have a rudder: by his cross we have been redeemed. We have a hope: by his cross we have been healed and embraced so that nothing and no one can separate us from his redeeming love. In the midst of isolation when we are suffering from a lack of tenderness and chances to meet up, and we experience the loss of so many things, let us once again listen to the proclamation that saves us: he is risen and is living by our side. The Lord asks us from his cross to rediscover the life that awaits us, to look towards those who look to us, to strengthen, recognize and foster the grace that lives within us. Let us not quench the wavering flame (cf. *Is* 42:3) that never falters, and let us allow hope to be rekindled.



Embracing his cross means finding the courage to embrace all the hardships of the present time, abandoning for a moment our eagerness for power and possessions in order to make room for the creativity that only the Spirit is capable of inspiring. It means finding the courage to create spaces where everyone can recognize that they are called, and to allow new forms of hospitality, fraternity and solidarity. By his cross we have been saved in order to embrace hope and let it strengthen and sustain all measures and all possible avenues for helping us protect ourselves and others. Embracing the Lord in order to embrace hope: that is the strength of faith, which frees us from fear and gives us hope.

“Why are you afraid? Have you no faith”? Dear brothers and sisters, from this place that tells of Peter’s rock-solid faith, I would like this evening to entrust all of you to the Lord, through the intercession of Mary, Health of the People and Star of the stormy Sea. From this colonnade that embraces Rome and the whole world, may God’s blessing come down upon you as a consoling embrace. Lord, may you bless the world, give health to our bodies and comfort our hearts. You ask us not to be afraid. Yet our faith is weak and we are fearful. But you, Lord, will not leave us at the mercy of the storm. Tell us again: “Do not be afraid” (*Mt* 28:5). And we, together with Peter, “cast all our anxieties onto you, for you care about us” (cf. *1 Pet* 5:7). © Libreria Editrice Vaticana

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### PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK

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Melissa Bednarz	Edwin Martinez
Celerina Behrman	Frank Martinez
Robert Behrman	Jan Merino
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Vince Caeti	Timothy Murray
Jackie Campbell	Mary O'Donnell
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James Covello	Mary (Kores) Potwora
Sherry Crocifisso	Bill Remblake
Ronnie Cunningham	Sebastian L. Rivera
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Lila Gehner	Elaine Schatz
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Craig Kloss	John Varallo
Lillian Kohut	
Arlene Lacey-Beyna	

If you wish to have your name included in our prayer list or removed, please contact our Parish Office at 773.775.3833.

To receive Communion at home, please contact our Parish Office or email Deacon Ron at: [jmideacon@aol.com](mailto:jmideacon@aol.com) and leave your name, address, and telephone number.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT IC

For more information on upcoming events, please visit our parish website at [www.icparish.net](http://www.icparish.net).

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### Pope Tweet of the Week...

*"If you find it hard to pray, don't give up. Be still; make space for God to come in; let Him look at you, and He will fill you with His peace."*



### Your Gifts to God and Parish

If you plan to move from the parish, please notify the Parish Office at least three months before you move. Also, if you will be away for more than 3 months, please call the Parish Office, so your envelopes can be stopped for that time period. If you use electronic giving and still receive envelopes, please contact the Parish Office so we can discontinue your receiving of envelopes.

### Readings for the week of April 5<sup>th</sup>

**Sunday:** Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54

**Monday:** Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]/Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday:** Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17 [cf. 15ab]/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday:** Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34 [14c]/Mt 26:14-25

**Thursday:** *Chrim Mass:* Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21

*Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:* Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 [cf. 1 Cor 10:16]/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 [Lk 23:46]/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

**Saturday:** *Vigil:* Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 [30] or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 [5b]/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Ex 14:15—15:1/Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 [1b]/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 [42:2] or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3] or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10

**Next Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

**BAPTISMS:** Arrangements must be made in advance. A preparatory session is required for parents. The sessions are every other month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 7:30 P.M. in our Rectory Assembly. No Baptisms during Lent.

**MARRIAGES:** Those contemplating marriage need to contact a priest of the parish to begin the process of preparation at least six months in advance. No marriages during Advent and Lent.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** The deadline for all bulletin submissions is Friday at noon – 8 days prior to the Sunday it will appear. The email address is [icparishbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:icparishbulletin@gmail.com).

*The Mass is a beautiful celebration of Christ's love for us. What better way to honor someone than to have a Mass offered in their name.*

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## Immaculate Conception Parish

### MASST INTENTIONS

**Please note: Although public celebration of Mass has been suspended until further notice, Fr. Robert and Fr. Matt will continue to celebrate Mass privately for the wellbeing of our community and our city and to honor the intentions of the day.**

#### **Sunday, April 5 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

5:00 P.M. (Saturday) — †Eugene J. Mroz; and †William Brander (on his 8th Anniversary)

7:30 A.M.— †Kenneth Schnotala

9:30 A.M.— †Charles Grayzeck

11:15 A.M.— †Pietro Biancorosso; †Serafina Nocito; †Francis & Moira Cross; †John "Jack" O'Brien; †Albert Aguilar; and †Philip Bober

6:00 P.M.— †Eleanor Brissette (on her 14th Anniversary)

#### **Monday, April 6 – Monday of Holy Week**

8:30 A.M.— †Rosemary McDonald; and †Joseph S. Gentile (Birthday Remembrance)

#### **Tuesday, April 7 - Tuesday of Holy Week**

8:30 A.M.— †James R. Maurer; †William Brander (Birthday Remembrance); and †William J. Hanrahan

#### **Wednesday, April 8 - Wednesday of Holy Week**

8:30 A.M.— †Thomas Craig

#### **Thursday, April 9 - Thursday of Holy Week (Holy Thursday)**

6:00 P.M. — *Mass of the Lord's Supper*

#### **Friday, April 10 - Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)**

6:00 P.M.— *Passion of the Lord*

#### **Saturday, April 11 - Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)**

8:00 P.M.— *The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night*

#### **Sunday, April 12 – Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

7:30 A.M.— †Tommy Fuller

9:30 A.M.— †Claudette Panfil; and †Charles Grayzeck

11:15 A.M.— †Francis & Moira Cross; and †Aida Miranda

**April 5th through April 11th**

*The sanctuary lamp is burning this week for the repose of the soul of*

**Sophie Sikorski**

**April 5th through April 10th**

*The Blessed Mother Votive is burning this week for the prayer intention of*

**Melissa Bednarz**

**April 5th through April 10th**

*The St. Joseph Votive is burning this week for the repose of the soul of*

**Don Markham**  
(Birthday Remembrance)

## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

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. Army - Thomas Treslo National Guard Specialist 4th Class

U.S. Navy - CMDR Michael Brasseur, Lt. Christopher Jenkins, PO Thomas T. Tudisco

U.S. Air Force - John Christopher Ocasio, Major Laurel Walsh, Captain Paul H. Kolk, LT. COL. Michael O'Koniewski; 2nd Lt. Colleen Bernal

U.S. Marine - Sean Gronset, PFC Sebastian L. Rivera, Jr., PFC Christopher Hughes, PFC Algene D. Porticos

Let us pray for these women and men and all who are serving in the military. Please contact the Parish Office when these service people return. If you are a veteran or know a veteran, the Archdiocese of Chicago has a website: [vets.archchicago.org](http://vets.archchicago.org) that provides information that can be of assistance.