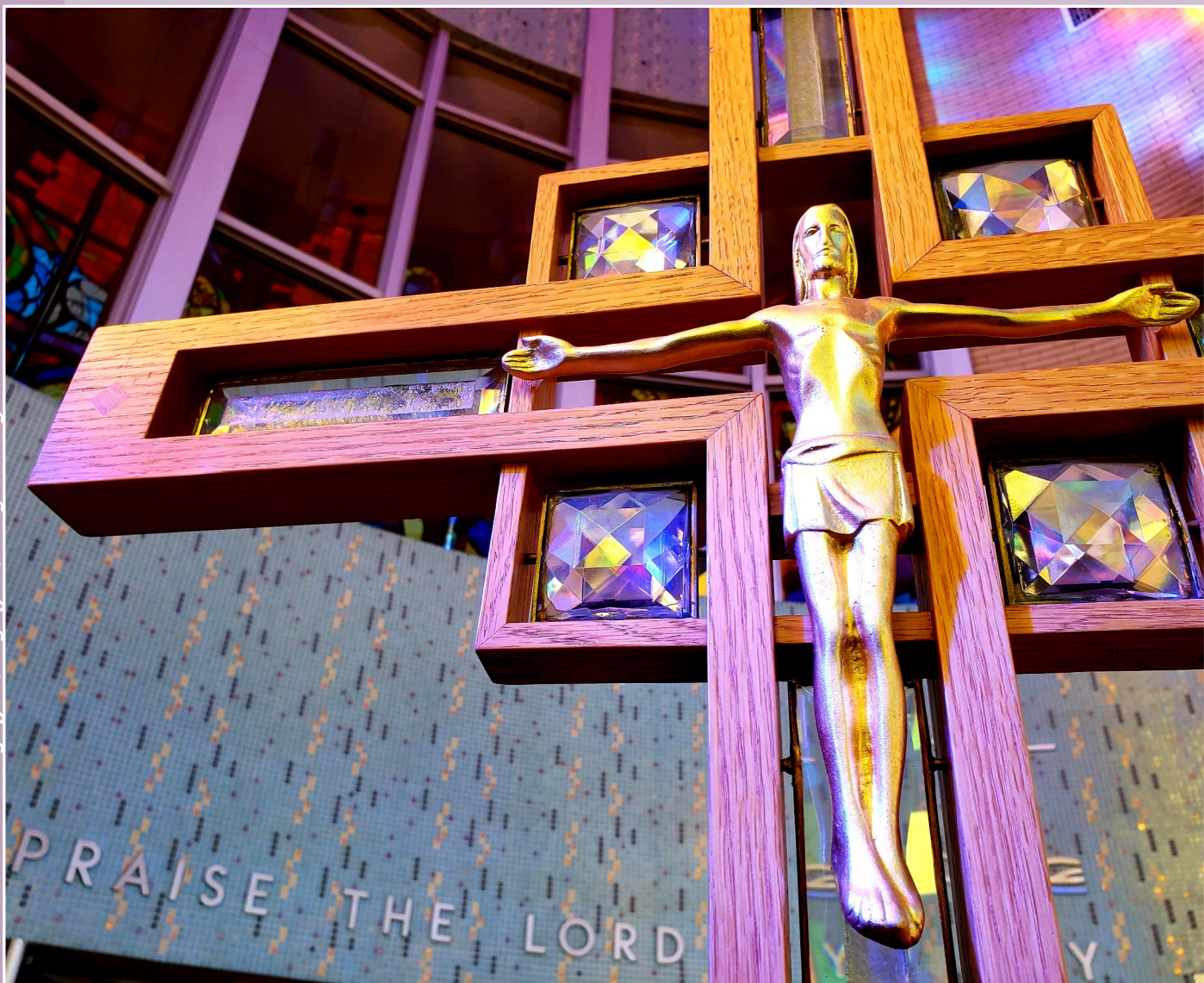


Welcome to  
*Immaculate Conception Parish*

*A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ*

*April 2, 2023 - Palm Sunday Of The Passion Of The Lord*

*My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?*



*"He humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.  
Because of this, God greatly exalted him."  
- Philippians 2:8-9*

*Love God • Serve Others • Make Disciples*

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.  
Saturday: 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.  
Sunday: Closed

Parish Website:

🌐: [www.icchicago.org](http://www.icchicago.org)

School Website:

🌐: [www.iccowboys.net](http://www.iccowboys.net)

Social Media



Facebook:

View our Masses, connect with fellow parishioners, and access exclusive articles and content. Simply search “**Immaculate Conception Parish Chicago (Talcott)**” and request to join our online community.

Twitch:

Membership-free platform where all are welcome to view our Masses and access content.

Visit us at [www.twitch.tv/icchicago](http://www.twitch.tv/icchicago)



Mass and Sacrament Schedule

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 8<sup>th</sup>)**

*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 Sunday during Lent)*

*(Special dates & times offered during Advent & Lent)*

Baptisms:

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.givecentral.org/location/349)

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

School:

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.



St. Joseph Feast Day Weekend Celebration Wrap-Up

My thanks to everyone who helped to make our St. Joseph's Table and weekend celebration on March 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> a success. I am grateful to our team who helped to execute our special Mass on Saturday as well as the luncheon that followed. It was wonderful to connect the tradition of Italian food and community and join it to the celebration of the Mass.

Secondly, we were immensely grateful for the numerous people who donated various goods for our bake sale. This year, we decided to join our St. Joseph's effort to charity, and I am proud to say that we raised approximately \$2,500 dollars. I would estimate that we sold over 700 items. So along with our team, many dozens upon dozens of parishioners, neighbors, and leaders came together to support our brothers and sisters in need here in Chicago.

As a reminder, we raised money on behalf of *Catholic Charities*, especially the fund established for refugees and exiles. Many of them, coming from the southern border, are being supported in a variety of ways by our Catholic parishes in the Archdiocese. Because of your help, we can join our efforts with our sister parishes in serving those in need.

St. Joseph, who is the patron of fathers, workers, immigrants, refugees, and exiles, was the perfect occasion to celebrate what is good in our community and to reach out in the ways that we could. I am so immensely proud of the work that so many people did in support of this effort.

We also celebrated the *Feast of the Annunciation of Mary* with a special Mass on March 25<sup>th</sup>. She likewise is the Mother of the oppressed, but also our Lady of Charity. These past few weeks have served as wonderful expressions of our faith.

We now enter into the mysteries of Holy Week this *Palm Sunday*. Everything in our Faith is contained in the *Sacred Triduum*. Every celebration at Mass, from *Christmas* to *All Saints*, can be expressed in the power of this coming week.

I would encourage every member of this community to participate in these once-a-year liturgies. I genuinely believe that experiencing the fullness of *Holy Thursday*, *Good Friday*, and the *Easter Vigil* allows one to enter into the drama, the mystery, and the majesty of what we celebrate every Sunday. It is truly a special experience.

Thank you to all for your support of our parish, and please consider your *Easter* gift to our parish this year. We have increased our service and ministry efforts with more to come (which we are currently building timelines and strategies for through our various Councils.) Your continued support allows us to move forward and improve our community, little by little.

Have a blessed Holy Week,  
- Fr. Matt





*Walk Every Step With Christ During Holy Week: April 1<sup>st</sup>-April 9<sup>th</sup>*

*A New Way To Give @ IC*

Join us as we remember our Lord's sacrifice  
and joyfully celebrate His Resurrection!

*Celebrate Easter @  
Immaculate Conception Parish*

*Holy Week Schedule*  
April 1<sup>st</sup> - April 9<sup>th</sup>

*Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord:*  
5:00 P.M. (Saturday), 8:30 A.M. & \*10:30 A.M. Masses

*Holy Thursday:*

\*7:00 P.M. - Mass of the Lord's Supper

*Good Friday:*

3:00 P.M. - Stations of the Cross

\*7:00 P.M. - Passion of the Lord Service

*Holy Saturday:*

1:00 P.M. - Easter Basket Blessing

\*8:30 P.M. - The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

*Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord:*

8:30 A.M., \*10:30 A.M., & 12:30 P.M. Masses

(\*Livestreamed)

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*Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday of Holy Week: Mass @ 8:30 A.M.*  
*Holy Thursday, Good Friday & Holy Saturday: Morning Prayer @ 8:30 A.M.*

**Parish Office Holiday Hours:**

Our Parish Office will be closed on **April 7<sup>th</sup> (Good Friday)** and **April 10<sup>th</sup> (Easter Monday)**. Beginning on **Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>** and continuing through **Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>**, our Parish Office will be open from **9:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M.**



As we approach Easter, we give thanks to God. Each year, we celebrate the mystery of our redemption and salvation with special prayers, charitable works, and moments with family, friends, and neighbors.

As our parish family continues to grow and evolve over time, we remain committed to seeking new and better ways to inform and serve our community.

To that end, in addition to our offertory envelopes and online giving platform (**Give Central**), we are introducing a new way of giving at IC this Easter by offering our parishioners and guests a **text-to-give** option. At a time when fewer people carry cash or write checks, we are hopeful that by providing this easy, convenient, and secure option of giving, it will allow you to support our parish and ministries in the way you feel is best suited to meet your needs.

Simply text "**Easter**" to **773-915-0503**. A secure link will appear and direct you to a page where you can decide the dollar amount you would like to give. If you already have a **Give Central** account, your personal information will be autofilled for you. If you do not, you can manually input your information and credit card details at that time.

By supporting our Easter collection (which constitutes a sizable portion of our annual budget), you help fund vital ministries and areas of operation within our parish so that IC can continue to fulfill our mission of leading people closer to Christ.

We thank you in advance for your generosity to us this year and we look forward to celebrating the joy of Easter together at Immaculate Conception!



*Music Ministry News: From The Desk Of Our Director Of Worship*

To IC's faithful supporters of Music Ministry,

The *Triduum* and *Easter Sunday* are almost upon us. It is hard to believe that we are already past the Fifth Week of Lent, with *Palm Sunday* greeting us as Jesus makes his triumphant procession into Jerusalem. Your generous support of our Music Ministry program allows us to enhance these special liturgies with guest musicians, whether they be vocalists or instrumentalists. I can tell you from personal experience that many parishioners approach me after Easter to comment on the high quality of our Holy Week liturgies.

This year, we will feature our professional vocal quintet, violin, guitar, and string bass on *Holy Thursday* and *Good Friday*. Our *Easter Vigil* as well as all of our *Easter Sunday* Masses will be adorned with violins, viola, two cellos, string bass, guitar, oboe, and timpani, with our vocal sextet leading us in song. We will indeed be making a joyful noise unto the Lord! At the *Vigil* and on *Easter Sunday*, be certain to have number 733 in your *Breaking Bread* hymnal queued up for two verses of "Crown Him With Many Crowns", which falls in the middle of our post-Communion Anthem. Our resident violinist, *John Eckhardt*, will be featured in a *Vivaldi Violin Concerto* offered to the congregation as a part of the prelude, mediation at Preparation of Gifts, and postlude.

All of this is only possible because of your amazing generosity! While we no longer take up a special collection at Easter for music, your monthly offertory envelope packets do contain a Music Ministry envelope. If you do not normally give monthly for music, I humbly ask you to consider using your envelope at Easter or to give online to Music Ministry through *Give Central*. Even if it is a one-time donation for the year, it will help make a difference in defraying the cost of these special guests during the most holy time of our liturgical year.

With profound thanks for your continued commitment to the mission of Immaculate Conception - *Scott*



*Exploring Famous Artists In Preschool-3 Room 18*

This week, Preschool-3, Room 18, learned about Famous Artists. They learned that Claude Monet was a painter who used dabs of paint to create his pictures.

After learning about him, they painted his famous "Water Lilies and Japanese Bridge" using the tips of their fingers like Monet used the tips of his brush. They also learned about Michelangelo, specifically, that he painted the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel while laying on his back! Of course, we had to try this in our classroom. The children recreated Michelangelo's famous work by drawing on paper taped to the bottom of their tables. They had a great time learning about these artists and trying out their techniques with amazing results! - *Bridget d'Escoto*





*Please join our parish family in prayer ...*

*For those who are sick;*



Tom Altman  
 Paul Amandes  
 Amelia Aquino  
 Arnold B.  
 Robert Behrman  
 Sonia M. B.  
 Roberta Berger  
 Vince Caeti  
 Mary Cali  
 Jackie Campbell  
 Donna Chaplin  
 Truman Collins  
 James Covello  
 Ronnie Cunningham  
 Paige Dicks  
 Margarita DiSalvo  
 Emily Divarco  
 Eric Dulce  
 Lilia Dulce  
 Ozzie D'Souza  
 Valerie Dziekonski  
 John Eckhardt  
 Richard Flanagan  
 Brooke Foreman  
 Patricia Furgat  
 Lila Gehner  
 Marie Hagarty

Gloria Hernandez  
 Ofelia Hernandez  
 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  
 Nathan Maisel  
 Benny Martinez  
 Edwin Martinez  
 Frank Martinez  
 Nikki Mendoza  
 Pat Miaso  
 Gerry Michalek, Jr.  
 Helen Michalek  
 Ledoina Monacelli  
 Deacon Rick Moritz  
 Veronica Murillo  
**Mike Murphy**  
 Timothy Murray

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  
 Rita Zambon  
**\*Newly Added**

*For our faithful departed:*

*For those preparing to be joined together in Holy Matrimony:*

Bernardita "Bernie" N. Libot



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



Nicole Gabrielle Kerkes and  
 Timothy James Kelly

Jaclynn Kathleen Dunleavy and  
 Brendan Michael Ryan

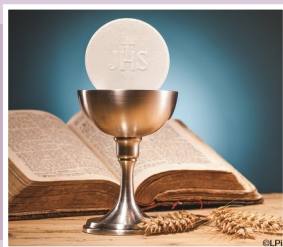
"And the two shall become one..."  
 - Ephesians 5:31

*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, 1<sup>st</sup> 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  
**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 Wiczorek, 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](http://vets.archchicago.org) that provides information that can be of assistance.



*Mass Intentions:  
Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>  
through  
Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>*

**Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**  
5:00 P.M. (Saturday) - †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Diane Basinski (on her 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary); and †Ronald Rutkowski (Birthday Remembrance)

8:30 A.M. - †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Frank & Carolyn Kobler; and †Joshua Edwards

10:30 A.M. - †Erin Adreani; †Barbara Hoffmann (on her 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary); †Tommy Fuller; †Vincenzo Porcelli; †Arlene Huinker; †Robert Morgan; †Francis & Moira Cross; Joe Rispoli (Living); and The People of the Parish

**Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> - Monday of Holy Week**

8:30 A.M. - †Ann Kula; †Anthony Mazzone; and †Phyllis Selwyn

**Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> - Tuesday of Holy Week**

8:30 A.M. - †William J. Brander (on his 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

**Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday of Holy Week**

8:30 A.M. - †James R. Maurer; †Philomena Ward; †Ann Slevin; and Abigail Gonsalves (Living) (In Thanksgiving)

**Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> - Holy Thursday**

7:00 P.M. - *Mass of the Lord's Supper*

**Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> - Good Friday**

7:00 P.M. - *Passion of the Lord Service*

**Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> - Holy Saturday**

8:30 P.M. - *The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night*

**Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> - Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

8:30 A.M. - †Edward Labuz; †Claudette Panfil; †Melissa Bednarz; †William J. Brander (Birthday Remembrance); †Thomas Tudisco; and †Dorothy & Frank Tudisco

10:30 A.M. - †Margaret Kroll; †Dorothy D'Souza (on her 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary); †Eleanor Brissette (on her 17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary); †Marilyn McCallister (on her 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary); †Kathy Davis;

†Nancy Preston; †Bernardita N. Libot; †Francis & Moira Cross; Joe Rispoli (Living); and The People of the Parish

12:30 P.M. - †Thomas Sullivan



April 2<sup>nd</sup> through April 8<sup>th</sup>

Our Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week for the prayer intentions of

Deacon Rick & Carol Moritz



April 2<sup>nd</sup> through April 7<sup>th</sup>

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

Brooke Foreman  
(Daughter of Jennifer (Zyke) & Jeremy Foreman)

Requested By: Ray & Jan Ehrlich



April 2<sup>nd</sup> through April 7<sup>th</sup>

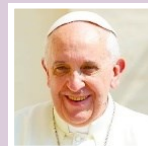
Our St. Joseph Votive is burning this week for the repose of the soul of

Greg Nastaly  
(On his 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

Requested By: Nikki Nastaly

*Pope Tweet of the Week...*

*"The martyrs are the most precious gift God could have given to His Church, for in them that "greater love" that Jesus showed us on the cross becomes a reality."*







We believe in the power of prayer and would like to offer this special ministry for anyone in our community who wishes to be prayed for or to have someone to pray with.

Our prayer team will be available at the back room of our Church after all our Weekend Masses on the following dates:

- April 1st & 2nd

We look forward to sharing a meaningful time of prayer this Lent and supporting each other at IC.

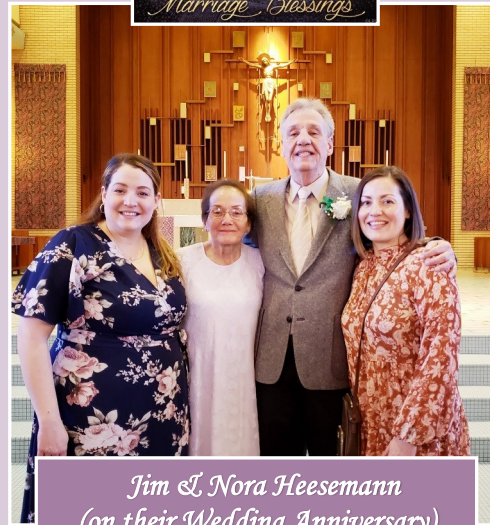
Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation Prior to Easter.

Lenten Confessions  
Sunday

- April 2nd\*

\*Final Opportunity Prior to Easter

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Jim & Nora Heesemann  
(on their Wedding Anniversary)

Pontifical Good Friday Collection: April 7<sup>th</sup>

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the **Pontifical Good Friday Collection**, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The **Pontifical Good Friday Collection** also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

The pandemic hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. In these times of crisis, the **Pontifical Good Friday Collection** is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born. When you contribute to the **Pontifical Good Friday Collection**, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Please be generous!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit [www.myfranciscan.org](http://www.myfranciscan.org) or [www.custodia.org](http://www.custodia.org).

**PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION**

Serving those in need in the Holy Land

- 230 fires in 14 countries
- 65 sanctuaries and 23 parishes
- 6 guest houses for pilgrims
- 30 youth served by Bethlehem Boys' Home
- 63 apartments restored for families in need
- 1,002 employees in Israel and Palestine
- 17 schools with more than 10,000 students
- 599 university scholarships
- 56 friars preparing for the priesthood
- 700 refugees aided on the island of Rhodes
- 8,000+ Syrian families assisted
- 650+ families in Lebanon assisted
- Construction of a Catholic school in Cana of Galilee

Help us continue to serve!

GOOD FRIDAY 2023 · Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>  
Be generous!





*Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture*

What's your car? Let's say it's a fancy silver Toyota. Now imagine you're having lunch in a restaurant and suddenly see two men outside attempting to steal it. You run outside and confront them. They respond, "*The master has need of it.*" How do you respond? Would you just let them take it, and leave you without a car? I don't think I would.

Yet that is precisely what the owners of the colt on Palm Sunday do. Stunningly, and perhaps a little comically, Jesus instructs two of his disciples to commandeer a colt for him to ride. And when they hear the disciples say, "*The master has need of it,*" they let them take it. Of course, Jesus *knew* they'd let it go. He gave them the grace to let go of what is rightfully theirs. The result? That colt became perhaps the most famous and important

animal ever. The beast plays a role in the redemption of the world.

As Holy Week begins, Jesus perhaps will send people to you to ask for something valuable to you. Perhaps it's your car. More likely it's something like your attention, time, or energy. It's natural to resist at first. We've got things to do, after all. But if the interruption is from Jesus himself, listen to that voice which calmly says, "*The master has need of it.*" And simply let it go. You'll be amazed what the master will do with it. – *Father John Muir* ©LPi

**Lenten Disciplines of Fasting & Abstinence**

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.



*Susan Liska*

*Alice Bratko*

*Welcome to all visitors and guests!  
Interested in joining our IC Parish family?  
Register @ [icchicago.org](http://icchicago.org)*

*Ministry Schedules: Sacred Triduum (April 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>) & Easter Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>*

	Holy Thursday 7:00 P.M. Mass of the Lord's Supper	Good Friday 7:00 P.M. Passion of the Lord	Holy Saturday 8:30 P.M. Easter Vigil
Presiders	Fr. Matthew Heinrich	Fr. Robert Fedek	Fr. Matthew Heinrich
Lectors	L. Christy & N. Kanoon	N. Kremer & J. Lim	E. Kinzie; N. Kremer; J. Lim; L. Beckman; G. Abraham
Cantors	Vocal Quintet, Violin, Guitar & String Bass	Vocal Quintet, Violin, Guitar & String Bass	Vocal Sextet & Orchestra Ensemble
Extraordinary Ministers	C. Mulligan & C. Kech	C. Mulligan & M. Dosek	E. Kinzie
Altar Servers	E. Carroll; I. Magruder; O. Magruder	M. Gallagher; S. Eaglin; O. Magruder	P. Beckman; S. Gillespie; D. Gillespie
	Easter Sunday 8:30 A.M.	Easter Sunday 10:30 A.M.	Easter Sunday 12:30 P.M.
Presiders	Fr. Robert Fedek	Fr. Matthew Heinrich	Fr. Robert Fedek
Lectors	L. Beckman	M. Niewinski	L. Beckman & N. Kremer
Cantors	Vocal Sextet & Orchestra Ensemble	Vocal Sextet & Orchestra Ensemble	Vocal Sextet & Orchestra Ensemble
Extraordinary Ministers	D. Sebastian	E. Niewinski & M. Dosek	C. Kech
Altar Servers	B. Yak; E. Hyland; C. Villafane; K. Catomer	I. Luna; L. Love; O. Accardo	P. Beckman; J. Nelson; E. Miehlich





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**What's Happening @ IC...**

**Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> –**

**10:15 A.M.-Noon** – Monday Morning Bible Study: “The Gospel of John”; RA  
**7:00-11:00 P.M.** – HNMC Membership Event: NCAA Tourney Party/Holy Name  
 Men’s Club Mtg.; BA  
**7:00-8:30 P.M.** – Winter Alpha Monday Evening Session; RA  
**7:00-8:30 P.M.** – Overtones Rehearsal; CH

**Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> -**

**8:10 A.M.** – Morning Prayer; CH

**Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> -**

**8:30 A.M.** – School Mass; CH  
**1:00 P.M.** – School Living Stations of the Cross; CH

**Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> – Holy Thursday (School Spring Break Begins)**

**8:30 A.M.** – Morning Prayer; CH  
**7:00 P.M.** – Mass of the Lord’s Supper; CH  
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11:00 P.M. concluding with Night Prayer

**Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday (Parish Office Closed)**

**8:30 A.M.** – Morning Prayer; CH  
**3:00 P.M.** – Stations of the Cross; CH  
**7:00 P.M.** – Passion of the Lord Service; CH

**Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> – Holy Saturday**

**8:30 A.M.** – Morning Prayer; CH  
**1:00 P.M.** – Blessing Of Easter Baskets; CH  
**8:30 P.M.** – The Easter Vigil In The Holy Night; CH

**Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> – Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

**8:30 A.M.** – Mass; CH  
**10:30 A.M.** – Mass; CH  
**12:30 P.M.** – Mass; CH



**Your Gifts to God and Parish...**

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.

If you have transitioned to electronic giving and still receive offertory envelopes, please contact our Parish Office so that we can discontinue your receiving of envelopes.

**Parish Registration:** Please contact our Parish Office at 773.775.3833 or visit our parish website at [www.icchicago.org](http://www.icchicago.org) to join our parish family.

**Early Bulletin Deadlines:**

April 9<sup>th</sup> Bulletin submissions due:

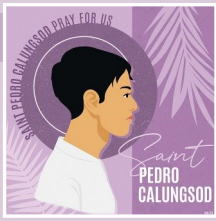
Wednesday, **March 29<sup>th</sup>**

April 16<sup>th</sup> Bulletin submissions due:

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

Bulletin submissions are accepted via email at:  
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*Saint of The Week - Examples of Our Faith: Saint Pedro Calungsod*

Saint Pedro Calungsod was born around the year 1654 in the Philippines somewhere in the Visayan Islands. He was martyred at age 17 alongside Blessed Diego Luis de San Vitores while on mission in Guam and is recognized as the patron saint of Filipino youth.

Early in life, Pedro developed a vibrant and devout faith. He was educated as a catechist and volunteered to accompany Jesuit missionaries to Guam. At age 14 he was chosen alongside other exemplary young catechists to do just that, and he accompanied Spanish Jesuit missionary Diego Luis de San Vitores to the islands. This Jesuit mission was funded by Maria Ana of Austria, Queen Regent of Spain and was dedicated to the Virgin Mary. During this time in history, the island chain that Guam is associated with would come to be known as the Marianas Islands after the influential Spanish queen. Calungsod's mission, alongside his fellow missionaries, was to catechize those native to the island of Guam — specifically the Chamorro people.

During his missionary efforts, many people were baptized and joined the Christian faith. In a short period of time, Calungsod learned Spanish and developed relationships with the local people, helping to catechize many villages despite harsh conditions, an island territory sometimes difficult to navigate, and often a lack of supplies. It was in 1672 in the village of Tumon when he and San Vitores really ran into trouble.

While in Tumon, an immigrant man from China named Choco who was exiled to Guam due to his criminal acts in Manila, began to spread rumors among the native peoples. He claimed that the baptismal water used by the missionaries was poisonous and the reason that some sickly infants in the village died. This rumor sank its teeth into the population and, encouraged by the local religious leaders whose power was threatened by the men's missionary work, it inspired intense persecution of the missionaries. Despite this, Calungsod and San Vitores answered the request of the Christian wife of Tumon's chief — Chief Matapang — to baptize their children.

Chief Matapang, believing the rumors started by the exiled man Choco, forbade the baptism and conversation to Catholicism. At his wife's request the missionaries went ahead and still baptized their children while he was out of the house. This enraged the chief and roused him to enlist some fellow villagers to violently attack and kill both Calungsod and San Vitores. It is said that at one point during the attack, Calungsod had a chance to escape but, instead, he did his best to help defend his friend San Vitores and they both perished. Following their deaths Chief Matapang tied them to large boulders and dumped their bodies into the water at Tumon Bay.

Pope John Paul II approved the martyrdom and beatification of St. Calungsod on December 19, 2011, and Pope Benedict canonized him on October 21, 2021, on world Mission Sunday, 340 years after his death. Pope John Paul II hoped that the young martyr's cause for sainthood would be an inspiration to young people everywhere. ©LPi

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