# Welcome to Immaculate Conception Parish

A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

August 18, 2024 - Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time



"...be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and playing to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks always and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father." - Ephesians 5:18-20

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### Weekday Mass Schedule:

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

Wednesdays @ 8:30 A.M. (School Mass\*)

(\*Livestreamed)

(Special dates & times offered during Advent & Lent)

#### **Baptisms:**

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

# Church & Special Collections:

Interested in supporting our parish, specific ministries and projects?

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#### Scan the QR Code below:



# Testimonial Tuesday: Revealing The Holy Spirit @ Work In Our Community

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, today we launch a new outreach program entitled "*Testimonial Tuesday*". This program is born out of an idea to highlight how the Holy Spirit is active in our lives, both in the past, and in the current day. Through our testimonies, we showcase how God loves us unconditionally and in the sharing of our story, inspire others to think about how God has met them via His Holy Spirit. If you have a testimony that you would like to share, please submit it via e-mail at <u>Evangelization@icchicago.org</u>. Our prayer is that we publicly share our testimonies once a month.



Today's testimony has been given to us by Mario Orrico.

#### Can We Feel The Holy Spirit?

In the early phase of our spiritual formation, the Holy Spirit is often poorly understood as it concerns His nature and action - I fell into that category, more or less, until I enrolled in our Alpha program. I am a longtime IC parishioner who has always been active and participated in the liturgy, including attending daily Mass for several years now. You can say that much of my spiritual formation has happened here at IC among all of you, my brothers and sisters in Christ.

Let me start from the beginning, **who is the Holy Spirit?** From what I have learned, it is the powerful tide with which God, who is perfect Love, cares for the world and each one of us individually. How we become aware of this providential whirlwind is the purpose and fruit of our spiritual progress. As always, God will not force us into this deep understanding, but He expects us to discover it by following the inspirations of His Spirit.

How do we know it is the Holy Spirit talking to us? We can be sure it is the Holy Spirit at work when we receive a nudge to best follow the example of Jesus and to be a part in His plan of salvation. This means that we should not expect to become inspired in choosing the perfect car to buy, or any other inconsequential decision, but we can expect His help in finding a way to help others in need, or in helping someone make spiritual progress.

To this very point, I would like to mention a pertinent example of what happened to me recently when I felt a strong inspiration to become involved and help a family in need. One of our relatives in his fifties suffered a severe downturn in health: from a poorly managed type 1 diabetes to a series of strokes that have confined him to a wheelchair, unable to stand on his feet. During the week, he is home alone and ill-prepared to take care of his basic needs. His kids, both married, work, and his wife must also work to provide insurance coverage, and because he lost his business, they cannot afford a caregiver. Consequently, he has been falling often and when that happens, he is unable to get up on his own.

I remembered my wife mentioning that he had fallen again and it took a few hours before the family found out due to their work schedules. While I was thinking about it, this clear and persistent thought came into my mind: why don't I give him some of my time, perhaps two hours twice a week? This thought became a strong determination to call and set up a schedule. I cannot tell you how important and consequential this decision has been; since then, following my example, other members of the family have lined up and offered some of their time to the great relief of his overworked wife.

My involvement is ongoing and I feel so fortunate to have been given both the opportunity to help a person in need and the courage to not look for excuses. Great things happen when we surrender to the Holy Spirit and follow His Inspirations as He will remove some of the obstacles and make our work a good experience.



#### RCIC: Rite Of Enrollment

On Sunday, August 11, 2024 during our 10:30 A.M. Mass, *Sophia Guillen* participated in the Rite of Enrollment as the last step prior to completing her initiation into the Catholic Church through the reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. Please pray for Sophia and her family.



For additional information, please visit: icchicago.org

Sept. 8th

# **Immaculate Conception** Back to School Bash SATURDAY, AUGUST 24TH

5:00 P.M. MASS IN CHURCH

6:00-8:00 P.M. DJ AND GAMES 8:00PM

**MOVIE ON** GREENSPACE

IC Holy Name Men's Club



Rib Cook-Off rules and entry forms are available in the Parish Office. For more information, please contact Michael Brogan at 773-485-9259

Don't miss out on this annual family fun event to kick-off the school year!

Bring your blanket,

chairs, and

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In case of inclement weather, the bash will be moved to the Parish Center

ICAC will be selling

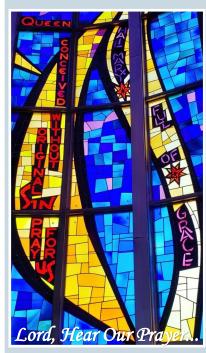
concessions &

school spiritwear!

Bring cash!

# Please join our parish family in prayer ...

# For those who are sick:



Nick Abbamonte Mina Acevedo Tom Altman Paul Amandes Amelia Aquino Arnold B. Diane Ballog Robert Behrman Sonia M. B. Roberta Berger Michael Berry Grace Cabiao Mary Cali Juanita Camacho Donna Chaplin Truman Collins James Covello Ronnie Cunningham Joe Day Paige Dicks Marilyn Donovan Eric Dulce Lilia Dulce *Elizabeth Felix* Patrick Fisher Richard Flanagan Brooke Foreman Nicholas Frank

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Baby Fiona Prades Sr. Rita Ramos Stella Ranieri Joe Rispoli Pia Rizza Sherry Rock David Rodriguez Cindy Rupp Milagros C. San Juan Carole Skorey Katherine Skorupa Edward Stanczyk Jack Stewart *Julie Szwedo* Alma T. John James Tannehill Donna Tisdale Beckie Tomala Steven P. Trifilio Mary Ellen Vanderman Miss Westhoff Jialun Xu Rita Zambon Jerry Zschach Nancy Zschach \*Newly Added

For our faithful departed:

Marlene Deckert



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

# 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, 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, LCpl Luis A. Corea, LCPL Brian Mendoza 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, August 18<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>

Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup> – *Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time* 5:00 P.M. (Saturday) – <sup>†</sup>The Allen, Bender & Tobin Families; <sup>†</sup>Barbara Lord; <sup>†</sup>Jack Felke; <sup>†</sup>Karen Volante; and <sup>†</sup>Raymond Brezinski, Sr.

8:30 A.M. – <sup>†</sup>Norman Edwards; <sup>†</sup>Joseph Imburgia; <sup>†</sup>Robert & JoAnn Barder; and <sup>†</sup>Robert Edwards

**10:30 A.M.** – <sup>†</sup>Rocco Chiusolo; <sup>†</sup>Manuel Mendoza; <sup>†</sup>Thomas Tovar; <sup>†</sup>Blanca Allocco; <sup>†</sup>Ronald Topczewski (Birthday Remembrance); <sup>†</sup>Mireya Limpert; <sup>†</sup>Francis & Moira Cross; <sup>†</sup>Adah Mary Smith; and The People of the Parish

#### Monday, August 19th - Saint John Eudes, Priest

**8:30** A.M. – <sup>†</sup>Brian Dillon (on his 8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary); <sup>†</sup>Edwin Sikorski, Sr. (on his 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary); and <sup>†</sup>Frank Gill

Tuesday, August 20th - Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

8:30 A.M. – <sup>†</sup>Irene Czarnecki (Birthday Remembrance); <sup>†</sup>Dorel Morris; <sup>†</sup>Joseph Imburgia; <sup>†</sup>Mary Buckley; <sup>†</sup>James Noto; <sup>†</sup>Robert Edwards; Richard & Maria Kula (Living); and Marilyn Sadowski (on her Birthday) (Living)

**Wednesday, August 21**<sup>st</sup> – *Saint Pius X, Pope* 8:30 A.M. – <sup>†</sup>Loretta Tvrdy; and <sup>†</sup>Stephen Wojcieszek

**Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> –** *The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:30 A.M.* – <sup>†</sup>Christopher Gaca; <sup>†</sup>Paul, Gloria & Steven Budziak; <sup>†</sup>Liam Boylan; <sup>†</sup>Marian Kumon (on his 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary); and <sup>†</sup>Dianne Wojcieszek

Friday, August 23rd - Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin

Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> - Saint Bartholomew, Apostle 5:00 P.M.—<sup>†</sup>Arthur & Dolores Capra (Wedding Anniversary Remembrance); <sup>†</sup>Joseph Imburgia; <sup>†</sup>Jack Felke; <sup>†</sup>Arlene Lacey Beyna; <sup>†</sup>Robert Edwards; <sup>†</sup>Karen Volante; <sup>†</sup>Sr. Paulette Pieta (1<sup>st</sup> Month Anniversary); and The Ommundson Family (Living & Deceased Members)

Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup> – *Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time* 8:30 A.M.– <sup>†</sup>Michael Malarski; <sup>†</sup>William Brandt; and <sup>†</sup>Jack Felke 10:30 A.M.– <sup>†</sup>Sophie Oleksy; <sup>†</sup>Frank & Margherita Martino; <sup>†</sup>Ilse "Elsie" Trapler (Birthday Remembrance); <sup>†</sup>Francis & Moira Cross; and The People of the Parish





Our Mass is a beautiful celebration of Christ's love for us, so what better way to honor cherished friends & family members than to have a Mass offered in their name.



To request a Mass Intention for a living or deceased loved one, please contact our Parish Office @ 773.775.3833. Suggested Donation: \$10.00 (Mass Card included.)

Brian Dillon

(on his 8<sup>th</sup> Anniversa



Elianna Raquel Dolezil Child of Robert Michael & Fabiola (Cortes) Dolezil



Liam Valdez Lacsina Child of Dustine Manalili Lacsina L Tony Rose Valdez



Natalia Teresa Morales Child of Gabriel Morales & Rosa Elena Mejia

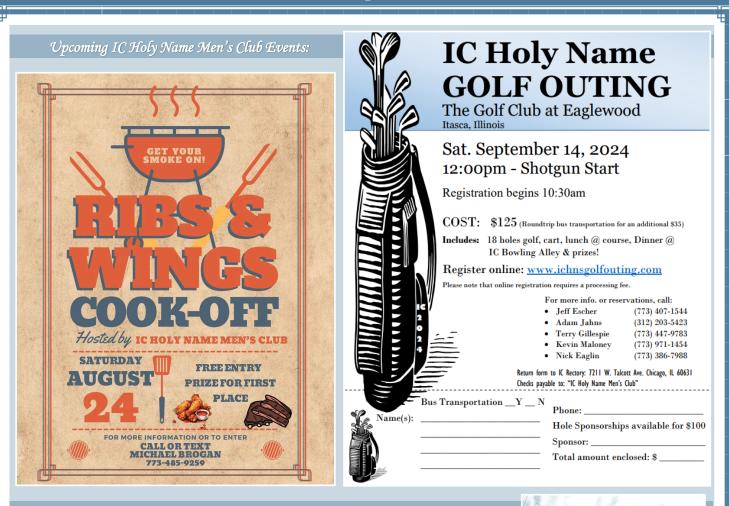


Mr. & Mrs. Filippo & Nancy Chiaramonte (on their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)



Community Outreach

Please join us as we will be making sandwiches to donate to *The Port Ministries of Chicago* on **Wednesday**, **August 28**<sup>th</sup> at **6:00 P.M.** in our Rectory Assembly. Please invite any others that might be interested. We request that you kindly bring donations of lunch meat (ham, salami, or turkey) and sliced bread. We will also be accepting donations of cases of water, fruit cups, and small individual bags of chips. If you cannot attend and would like to drop off donations, you can do so that evening or call/text *Nancy Soprych* at 773.805.3254 to make the necessary arrangements. *Thank you so much*!



Please consider a gift through your individual retirement account (IRA) in support

of our parish. If your family's needs are being met, you may wish to include our parish as a beneficiary. By naming *Immaculate Conception Parish* as a beneficiary, you will provide crucial financial support to our parish and the entire value of your gift will be transferred to us free from federal estate and income tax. It costs nothing to change the beneficiary on your retirement plan and will mean everything to our future parish community.

You can contact your IRA administrator and request a change-of-beneficiary form to include *Immaculate Conception Parish* as a recipient of your good stewardship. Please consult with your account administrator for more information, or contact *Vince Kennedy* at 773.775.3833 EXT. 106 or via email at vkennedy@archchicago.org

Ministry Schedules: Saturday, August 24th & Sunday, August 25th			
	Saturday 5:00 P.M. Back To School Mass	Sunday 8:30 A.M. Mass	Sunday 10:30 A.M. Mass
Presiders	Fr. Matthew Heinrich	Fr. Matthew Heinrich	Fr. Robert Fedek
Lectors	Youth Lectors	J. Semmler	N. Kanoon
Cantors	E. Doyle	Vocal Quartet	Vocal Quartet
Extraordinary Ministers	K. Gillespie; S. Serb	M. Dosek; A. Schnitzlein; D. Sebastian; M. Wagner	E. Niewinski; M. Niewinski; K. Sampey; K. Sanchez
Altar Servers	D. Gillespie; S. Gillespie; E. Serb	E. Hyland; N. Rahlfs; K. Rahlfs	K. Catomer; T. Cox; L. Love
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# **Our Parish Staff:**

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Our School Staff:

Sue Canzoneri, Principal Tina Fitzgerald, Assistant Principal Julie Szwedo, Religious Education Coordinator Lisa Kessler, School Accountant Mary Haley, School Secretary

#### What's Happening @ IC...

Monday, August 19<sup>th</sup> – 8:00-11:00 A.M. – Back To School Faculty Mtg.; RA 6:00-7:00 P.M. – Parent School Supply Drop-Off (*Grades 1-8*); SC (Classrooms) 6:30-8:00 P.M. – Alpha Training Session; RA 7:00-8:30 P.M. – Back To School Night/Meet The Teachers (Grades 1-8); PC/PH/Café/SC (Classrooms)

<u>Wednesday, August 21<sup>st</sup></u> – School Begins (8:00 A.M.-1:30 P.M.) (Grades 1-8) 8:30-9:30 A.M. – Preschool Orientation For Parents & Students; SC 9:00-10:00 A.M. – Kindergarten Orientation For Parents & Students; SC 1:00-10:00 P.M. – ICPC School Fundraiser @ *Triple Scoop'd* (*Park Ridge*)

#### Thursday, August 22nd - All Grades In Session (P3-Grade 8)

<u>Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup></u> -5:00 P.M. – Back To School Mass; CH 6:00-10:00 P.M. – Back To School Bash & HNMC Ribs & Wings Cook-Off; PG/East Lot/RA

<u>Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup></u> – 9:30-10:15 A.M. – Confessions; CH 11:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M. – Evangelization Team Mtg.; RCR Noon – Baptisms; CH

<u>Upcoming Special Events:</u> <u>Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup></u> - Labor Day (School & Parish Office Closed) **10:00 A.M. –** Mass; CH \*⊠:

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**Parish Registration:** Please contact our Parish Office at 773.775.3833 or visit our parish website at www.icchicago.org to join our parish family.

### Upcoming Bulletin Deadlines:

August 25<sup>th</sup> Bulletin submissions due: **Friday, August 16**<sup>th</sup> September 1<sup>st</sup> Bulletin submissions due: **Friday, August 23**<sup>rd</sup>

Bulletin submissions are accepted via email at: parishbulletin@icchicago.org

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