

Welcome to  
*Immaculate Conception Parish*

*A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ*

*August 22, 2021 - Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time*

*Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*



*"Therefore we also will serve the Lord,  
for he is our God."  
- Joshua 24:18*

*Love God • Serve Others • Make Disciples*

## Contact Us

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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.  
All are welcome!*

### Weekday Mass Schedule:

#### Online

Monday through Friday @ 8:30 A.M.  
(Worship with us virtually on our Facebook Page or Twitch)

#### In-Person

Monday through Friday @ 8:30 A.M.  
First Friday Mass @ 5:30 P.M. each month followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction from 6:00-7:00 P.M.

### Confessions:

Sunday mornings  
from 9:30 A.M.-10:30 A.M.  
(offered on an every other week basis – effective as of **April 11<sup>th</sup>**)

(Special dates & times offered during Advent & Lent)

### Baptisms:

Sundays @ Noon

## 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.

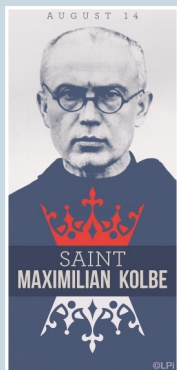
### School:

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.



*Reflections from Fr. Robert Carlton: Saint Maximilian Kolbe*



On August 14<sup>th</sup>, the Church marked the anniversary of the death of Saint Maximilian Kolbe, who died in Auschwitz in 1941 and is the figure that Pope John Paul II declared the “Patron Saint of Our Difficult Century.” Kolbe was born in 1894 in what is now Poland and who, even at the age of 12, felt a strong connection to Mary. He described one vision he had of her at that age: *“That night I asked the Mother of God what was to become of me. Then she came to me holding two crowns, one white, the other red. She asked me if I was willing to accept either of these crowns. The white one meant that I should persevere in purity and the red that I should become a martyr. I said that I would accept them both.”* In 1907, Kolbe and his brother joined the Conventual Franciscans, eventually getting ordained in 1918. He returned to Poland after that where he variously served as a professor and operator of a religious publishing press. In 1930, he went to Japan to serve as a missionary and founded a Catholic monastery in Nagasaki, which survived World War II.

Kolbe, though, is most well-known and remembered today for his actions during World War II and principally during his time at Auschwitz. After World War II started in 1939, Kolbe continued his work at a monastery in Poland, where, among other things, he set up a makeshift hospital. The monastery was shut down, however, in February 1941 by the Nazis and Kolbe and four others were arrested. In May of that year, Kolbe was transferred to Auschwitz. At the end of that summer, someone from Kolbe’s barracks managed to escape and, as a result, the Nazis picked ten people at random to be executed as a reprisal. One of the ten selected was Francis Gajowniczek, who, when he realized that he was one of the ten chosen, asked what would happen to his wife and children. Seeing the response of Gajowniczek, Kolbe volunteered to take his place and was then led, with the other nine to the bunker where, in two weeks, they all had died.

The story, though, did not end this way. Gajowniczek ended up spending five years, five months and nine days in concentration camps and was liberated in 1945 reuniting with his wife. He lived long enough to be the guest of Pope Paul VI in 1971 when Kolbe was beatified for his martyrdom and also was the guest of Pope John Paul II at Kolbe’s canonization in 1982. Gajowniczek spent the rest of his life – and it was a long life as he died in 1995 – traveling the world and speaking about the sacrifice Kolbe had made for him. On one of his last trips to the United States, he ended his talk by reminding his audience that *“Saint Maximilian Kolbe did not die just for me. He died for all of you – to show all of you that love without limits is possible. They burned his body, but his ashes have spread to the ends of the world.”* Pope John Paul II echoed this and spoke of the consequences of only seeking power when he went to visit Auschwitz after he became Pope: *“Where power is at work more than love, people seek their own interests and not those of Jesus Christ, and accordingly they easily depart from the rule of God’s law...”* Let us give thanks for the life of Maximilian Kolbe and also strive to follow his example of practicing charity without limits.

Fr. Robert





Values

Being An Inviting Church

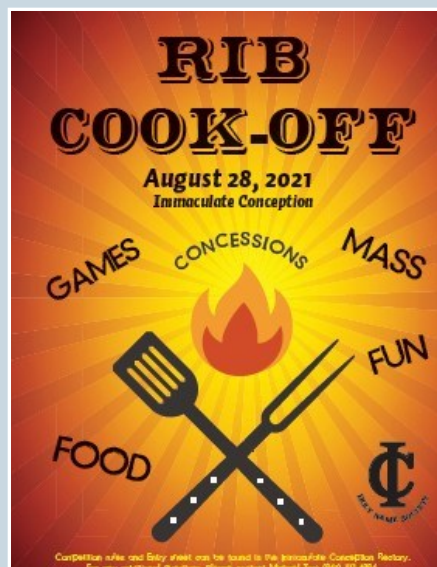
[www.icchicago.org/discover-ic/our-mission-values.cfm](http://www.icchicago.org/discover-ic/our-mission-values.cfm)


Through joyful witnessing  
we invite others to journey with us.

### *Back To School Bash & ICHNS Rib Cook-Off - Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup> (Outdoor Mass @ 5:00 P.M.)*

Parishioners and guests of all ages are invited to join us **next Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup>** at our annual **Back To School Bash** as we joyfully welcome our new and returning students and their families in celebration of the beginning of a new school year. To open the festivities, we will gather as a community to celebrate a special Outdoor Mass at **5:00 P.M.** on our Parish Greenspace with Fr. Matt & Fr. Robert presiding. ***Please be advised that this will be our only Mass offered next Saturday.*** Varied games, activities (including a Rib Cook-Off sponsored by our IC Holy Name Society), and concessions will be featured throughout the evening concluding with a family-friendly movie that will begin at 8:00 P.M. (In the event of rain, our Mass will be relocated to our Church while the other planned activities will relocate to our Parish Center.) If you regularly join us on Saturday evenings for Mass but do not feel comfortable attending Mass outside (due to health concerns), we apologize for the temporary inconvenience and encourage you to consider attending one of our Sunday morning Masses next weekend instead.

If you are interested in participating in our **ICHNS Rib Cook-Off**, competition rules are available on our parish website ([www.icchicago.org](http://www.icchicago.org)) – in our **IC News & Announcements** section on our Home Page) as well as in our Parish Office. Please contact Michael Tom @ 847.331.4884 for additional information.



Carmen Cervantes  
and her children Jose & Monica Vaca

Jeffrey & Kerry Kraushaar  
and their children Joseph, Luke & Grace







Immaculate Conception School

# Back to School Bash

**Saturday, August 28 @ 5:00 PM**

**Outdoor  
Mass**



**Movie**

**Rib Cook-Off**



## SCHEDULE

**5:00 P.M.**

Outdoor Mass on the Parish Greenspace - bring a chair!

**6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.**

DJ, family games and concessions.

**6:30 P.M.**

IC Holy Name Men's Club  
Rib Cook-Off judging.

**8:00 P.M.**

Movie on the big screen!

Please contact Michael Tom  
at (847) 331-4884 for  
information regarding the  
IC Holy Name Men's Club  
Rib Cook-Off.

Sponsored by the IC Holy Name Men's Club, IC Parents Club, and the IC Athletic Committee.  
In the event of rain, Mass will be celebrated at 5:00 P.M. in the church. The Bash will be moved to the Parish Center.

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



Tom Altman  
Robert Behrman  
Sonia M. B.  
Roberta Berger  
John Bozek  
Vince Caeti  
Jackie Campbell  
Rita Castillo  
Zita Castro  
Donna Chaplin  
James Covello  
Ronnie Cunningham  
Paige Dicks  
Paula Drew  
Ozzie D'Souza  
Teresa Dzieciol  
Richard Flanagan  
Brooke Foreman  
Patricia Furgat

*For those who are sick:*

Lila Gehner  
Ofelia Hernandez  
Kevin Jaburek  
Helga Jarosz  
Craig Kloss  
Lillian Kohut  
Dave Lewin  
Benny Martinez  
Edwin Martinez  
Frank Martinez  
Gerry Michalek, Jr.  
Sam Milazzo  
Molly Morris  
Veronica Murillo  
Timothy Murray  
Judith Nosko  
Mary Beth O'Grady  
Jackie O'Koniewski  
David Olson

Mary Potwora  
Helen Rasmussen  
Bill Remblake  
Pia Rizza  
David Rodriguez  
**Dioselina Salas**  
Elaine Schatz  
Jennie Sekula  
Don Skorey  
Dennis Slater  
Edward Stanczyk  
Marion Szumski  
Donna Tisdale  
Camilla Trevino  
Steven P. Trifilio  
John F. Vargo  
Henry Wagener

**\*Newly Added**

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

*For our faithful departed:*

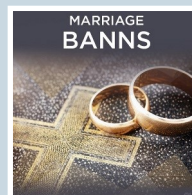
Chester F. Krol  
Benedetta DiGati (Mother of Fran Panepinto)

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

Anne Marie Murphy and Matthew Donald Mullally



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



"And the two shall become  
one..."

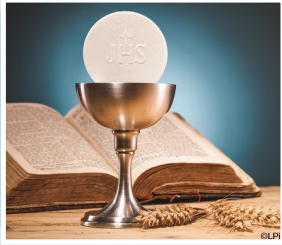
*For those who serve our country:*



**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, Thomas Treslo, National Guard Specialist 4<sup>th</sup> Class  
**U.S. Navy** - CMDR Michael Brasseur, LCDR 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; Captain Colleen Bernal  
**U.S. Marines** - Sean Gronset, PFC Sebastian L. Rivera, Jr., PFC Christopher Hughes, PFC Algene D. Porticos, LCpl Daniel Wiczorek

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, August 22<sup>nd</sup>  
through  
Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup>*

**Sunday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> - Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time**

5:00 P.M. (Saturday) - †Barbara Konczal  
8:30 A.M. — †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Barbara Kopfensteiner; †Barbara Konczal; †Alexander Zablocki; †Francis & Moira Cross; John & Diane Bozek (Living); and Stanley Flondro (Living)  
10:30 A.M. — †Gregory G. Tomaino; †Rocco Chiusolo; †Sophie Oleksy; †Barbara Konczal; †Aida Miranda; †Michael Naughton; †Nancy Jaderberg; †Charlene (Speciale) Perri; and The People of the Parish

**Monday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> - Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin**

8:30 A.M. — †Stanley Lyskanowski (on his 1st Anniversary); and †Gloria Budziak

**Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> - Saint Bartholomew, Apostle**

8:30 A.M. — †Arthur & Dolores Capra (Wedding Anniversary Remembrance)

**Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> - Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest**

8:30 A.M. — †Ilse Trapler (Birthday Remembrance)

**Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup> - Weekday**

8:30 A.M. — †Walter Herschbach; †Tedmund Felix; and †Amelita Buhat (on her 5th Anniversary)

**Friday, August 27<sup>th</sup> - Saint Monica**

8:30 A.M. — †Nick J. Perisin; and †Donald Tobin

**Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup> - Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

5:00 P.M. (Outdoor Mass) - The People of the Parish

**Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup> - Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time**

8:30 A.M. — †Stanislaw Swiderski; and Gene Dengler (Living)  
10:30 A.M. — †Frank & Margherita Martino; †Deceased Members of The Palenica Family; †Francis & Moira Cross; †Annunziata Pascazio; †Kathy Nasello (on her 10th Anniversary); and †Michael Potwora (Birthday Remembrance)



August 22<sup>nd</sup> through August 28<sup>th</sup>  
Our Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week  
for the prayer intention of

**Brooke  
Foreman**  
(Daughter of Jennifer (Zyks) & Jeremy  
Foreman)

Requested by: Ray & Jan Ehrlich

August 22<sup>nd</sup> through August 27<sup>th</sup>  
Our Blessed Mother Votive is burning this  
week for the repose of the soul of

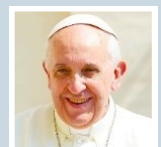
**Michael Joseph  
Potwora**  
(Birthday Remembrance)

August 22<sup>nd</sup> through August 27<sup>th</sup>  
Our St. Joseph Votive is burning  
this week for the repose of the soul of

**Albert G.  
Kern**

**Pope Tweet of the Week...**

"God does not come in extraordinary events, but works amid the apparent monotony of our daily life, in the frequently dull rhythm of our activities, in the little things that, working with tenacity and humility, we achieve in our efforts to do His will."







WITH JOYFUL HEARTS,  
WE WELCOME OUR  
NEWLY BAPTIZED.



*Charles James Kobylt*  
*Child of Adam James & Jennifer Marie (Tosca) Kobylt*



*Robert Ian Krajcir*  
*Child of Kyle Edward & Carla Melanie (Tosca) Krajcir*

### 2021-2022 Registration:

Registration for our IC Religious Education Program will be held online beginning on **Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>** and will conclude on **Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup>**

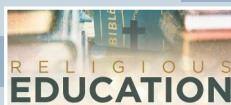
#### *First Day of Class:*

**Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> – 4:00-5:00 P.M.**

Our Religious Education classes will be held primarily online for this School Year and will be taught by IC School Professional Teachers (most at the grade level they teach daily.) Classes will meet virtually on a weekly basis on

**Wednesdays from 4:00-5:00 P.M.** via Zoom Video

Conferencing. This year, all grade levels will also meet in-person for Religious Education Class on certain dates.



### Religious Education Tuition:

[Tuition fee includes all books and class materials]

One student per family (Grades 1-7): \$300

One student (Grade 8) (classes end on December 15<sup>th</sup>): \$150  
(plus Confirmation fee of \$50)

Tuition increases by \$100 per additional child

Confirmation fee (Grade 8): \$50

Communion fee (Grade 2): \$50

Registration fee (for first time families only): \$30

Late fee (after Tuesday, September 28<sup>th</sup>): \$50

First Tuition payment is due by: **September 15<sup>th</sup>**

Second Tuition payment is due by: **February 9, 2022**

Please visit [www.icchicago.org](http://www.icchicago.org) for additional information or contact Julie Szvedo (Religious Ed. Coordinator) at [szvedo@iccowboys.net](mailto:szvedo@iccowboys.net)



*Readings For  
The Week of  
August 22<sup>nd</sup>*

**Sunday:** Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/  
Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

**Monday:** 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mt 23:13-22

**Tuesday:** Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51

**Wednesday:** 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab [1]/Mt 23:27-32

**Thursday:** 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 [14]/Mt 24:42-51

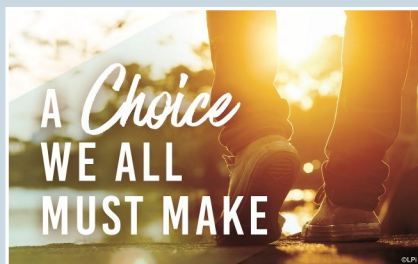
**Friday:** 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 [12a]/Mt 25:1-13

**Saturday:** 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [9]/Mt 25:14-30

**Next Sunday:** Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/  
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



### *Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture*



*"Far be it from us to forsake the Lord for the service of other gods." We struggle with our gods. They appear in the forms of things like money, power, prestige, popularity, privilege, and self-fulfillment. We like these "gods" because they make us feel good and ask very little of us in return. When we worship them, we worship ourselves. How can you go wrong with that? We buy into the illusion that if something can give us a comfortable life, free of want and need, then it is worth setting other things aside to pursue it. In essence, we sell our souls. Our struggle with "who is God" and to whom do we belong is a real one and one that can easily find us empty and experiencing disillusionment.*

The devil tempted Jesus in the desert and promised him more. We are promised *"more."* But in pursuing the more and the satisfying we lose track of the cost, and the cost is great. We sacrifice our very life in pursuit of something disguised as life. We sacrifice truth for something that only *"feels"* true. While the true and real God certainly promises us many things, many things are also required. It is not about the warm and secure feelings and self-absorption the world wants to provide, but of giving back. There can be no lukewarm stance with regard to faith. If we are in, then faith in Jesus Christ asks us to do some difficult things: work in service of God's kingdom (not our own), love our enemies, offer no resistance to injury, that we must die to ourselves in order to find ourselves, and trust that Jesus truly gives us his flesh and blood to eat and drink. These are hard things to accept and even harder to put into practice. It is no wonder that many, who may be attracted to Jesus at first, walk away in pursuit of the more self-satisfying gods.

But truth is truth. If we cannot accept it from the lips of Jesus Christ, then where else will we find it? To whom can we go? There is only one source of truth and life, Jesus Christ. Jesus has the words of eternal life and if we do not go to him, then where else will we find this gift? But we must be faithful and buy into the whole package deal that requires sacrifice and fidelity. When we do, we find ourselves, through the Body and Blood of Christ, connected to the Source of all life and then intimately bound with our brothers and sisters. We all have to decide whether we want to stay or go and if we can accept what Jesus has to say. It's a choice we all have to make. ©LPi

### *Ministry Schedules: Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup>*

	Saturday 5:00 P.M. (Outdoor Mass)	Sunday 8:30 A.M.	Sunday 10:30 A.M.
Presiders	Fr. Matthew Heinrich & Fr. Robert Carlton	Fr. Robert Carlton	Fr. Matthew Heinrich
Lectors	Youth Lectors	R. Lohman & L. Christy	S. Clemente & N. Kanoon
Cantors	E. Doyle & E. Duffley	Vocal Quartet & Violin	Vocal Quartet & Guitar & Bass
Extraordinary Ministers	D. Mroz	D. Zamirowski	M. Niewinski
Altar Servers	C. Beach; M. Moorehouse; B. Yak	J. Losik; E. Miehlich G. Reichle	M. Gallagher; K. Giannola; K. Yau

**Lectors:** 2021 Lector Workbooks are available for pick up in our Sacristy as well as in our Parish Office. If you have not already received your copy, please remember to pick one up at your earliest convenience.



### Our Parish Staff:

**Fr. Matthew Heinrich**, Pastor  
**Fr. Robert Carlton**, Associate Pastor  
**Fr. Robert Fedek**, Weekend Assistant  
**Deacon Rick & Carol Moritz**  
**Deacon Ronald & Connie Gronek**  
**Deacon Michael Bednarz**  
**Vincent Kennedy**, Director of Operations  
**Scott Will**, Director of Worship  
**Melissa Anna**, Office Administration & Communications/  
 Bulletin Editor  
**Marilyn Sadowski**, Receptionist  
**Bernadette Anna**, Parish Sacristan  
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**Anthony Vitali**, Maintenance

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*\*Please note: new email addresses of our Parish Staff*

### Our School Staff:

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

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

#### Monday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> –

**First Day of School (Grades 1-8) -**

**1:30 P.M. Dismissal**

**8:30-9:30 A.M. –** Preschool & Kindergarten  
 Orientation for Parents & Students; School

#### Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> -

**All Grades in Session (P3-Grade 8) -**

**3:10 P.M. Dismissal**

#### Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> -

**8:30 A.M. –** First School Assembly Mass; Church

**11:00 A.M.-Noon –** RCIC Mtg.; RCR

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

#### Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup> –

**6:30-7:30 P.M. –** RCIC Mtg.; RCR

**7:00-8:30 P.M. –** Back To School Night Mtg. For Parents  
 (Grades 1-8); Parish Center & School (PH/Café/SG/Classrooms)

#### Friday, August 27<sup>th</sup> –

**8:15 P.M. –** Men's Basketball; PC

#### Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup> –

**5:00 P.M. –** Back To School Outdoor Mass; Parish Greenspace

**6:00-10:00 P.M. –** Back To School Bash & ICHNS Rib Cook-Off;  
 Parish Greenspace

#### Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup> –

**9:30-10:15 A.M. –** Confessions; Church



### 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.

**Bulletin Deadline:** The deadline for all bulletin submissions is Friday at Noon – 8 days prior to the Sunday it will appear. Bulletin submissions are accepted via email at: [parishbulletin@icchicago.org](mailto:parishbulletin@icchicago.org) (\*Please note: new email address.)