

Welcome to
Immaculate Conception Parish

A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

August 8, 2021 - Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.



“So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us as a sacrificial offering to God for a fragrant aroma.”

- Ephesians 5:1-2

Love God • Serve Others • Make Disciples

Contact Us

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Parish Office Summer Hours:

(as of June 14th)

Monday-Friday: 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Saturday: 10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Sunday: Closed

(Note: Our regular office hours will resume on Monday, August 16th.)

Parish Website:

🌐: www.icchicago.org

School Website:

🌐: 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



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 11th**)

(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

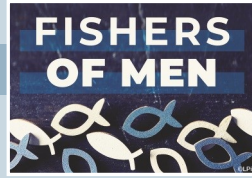
Offertory envelopes can also be mailed in or dropped off at our Parish Office.

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.

Evangelization @ IC



Dear brothers and sisters,

On June 27th, Fr. Matthew made a formal announcement of our Evangelization Team and requested that you pray for us, as well as our Alpha Team. From the bottom of our hearts, the teams and I thank you for your prayers and support.

The development of an Evangelization Team is a directive promoted and supported by our Archdiocese in conjunction with the *Renew My Church* campaign. I became aware of this directive at the *Renew My Church Summit* in 2018. At this time, I was introduced to Alpha as well.

Over the last three years, I've been working closely with Fr. Robert (Fedek) and Fr. Matthew to build and solidify an Alpha Team for IC. I'm grateful for the experience and happy to report that IC now has a solid team in place for Alpha. Please continue to pray for our Alpha @ IC Team as Alpha becomes fully ingrained within our culture at IC.



The next leg of my journey is to develop and construct an Evangelization Team. This task is a little trickier as the team and I attempt to discover and define what Evangelization actually is. And once defined, how is it implemented? And once implemented, how do these actions begin to impact the culture of IC?

Without question, Evangelization is the gift of invite – of sharing the Good News of Christ, of sharing our spiritual selves, and forming and building relationships with one another. Alpha is a perfect example of this (which is why Alpha works), but a culture of Evangelization is more than just Alpha. But what exactly *is* it? Our team is currently reading "*Unlocking Your Parish*" - by Ron Huntley and Fr. James Mallon, and "*How to Revive Evangelization*" - by Craig Springer to build a foundation for Evangelization. For those interested, both books are readily available on Amazon.

As the Evangelization Team and I chart a path forward, please continue to pray for us, asking the Holy Spirit to guide us, to lead us to where He wants to take us. The Holy Spirit is definitely in the driver's seat, driving the bus, and where we go from here is an unknown, but I do know that it's going to be one remarkable and unforgettable ride.

In Christ,
Michael



P.S. Our ICHNS (IC Holy Name Society) runs a Rib Cook-Off competition in conjunction with the Back-to-School Bash. This event is scheduled for **Saturday, August 28th** starting with our **5:00 P.M.** Mass which will be held outside on our Parish Greenspace. It's a perfect opportunity for you to invite a friend to join you at IC and hang out afterward. Please remember to bring a chair and/or blanket. The Alpha Team (as well as other groups) will have a table on-site if you want some more information and I will be at the Rib Tent selling the ribs that were submitted for the competition. Feel free to swing by and say hi. If you love to cook, as I do, we're always looking for more contestants as well (sorry, shameless plug). The competition is not restricted to members of the ICHNS nor to school families.

Contact the Parish Office for more information about our Rib Cook-Off.

Bon Appetit!



Values

Authentic Vulnerability

www.icchicago.org/discover-ic/our-mission-values.cfm

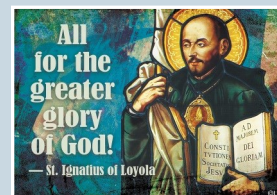

We see the human heart beneath the surface.

We courageously lead one another into the depths because that is where God moves.



Reflections from Fr. Robert Carlton: Saint Ignatius of Loyola

Recently – on July 31st – the Church marked the memorial of St. Ignatius of Loyola, who died on that day in Rome in 1556. St. Ignatius is undoubtedly one of the great figures in the history of the Church and especially in the spiritual history of the Church. Briefly, he was born in Spain in 1491 to nobility and, for the first thirty years of his life, he was attracted to a military life and the life of the court. However, in 1521, during a battle at Pamplona, a cannonball destroyed his right leg and his military career was over. During his recovery from the surgery to try and save his leg, Ignatius found himself alone a lot of the time and with only two things to read: the Bible and the lives of the Saints. Throughout this long period, Ignatius found himself very gradually becoming more attracted to the lives of the Saints and what they stood for and grew disillusioned with the military and court life that he had pursued previously. One of the methods for prayer that he practiced in this period, and what eventually formed the basis of his spiritual life in the future, was simple meditation, or imaginatively placing yourself in the scene that is being presented so that you could, for example, see the manger in the stable at the birth of Jesus. This process that Ignatius went through here is also known as discernment, of which he came to be a master.



It was during the years after his conversion that Ignatius composed what became his great gift to the Church, which is his *Spiritual Exercises*. These *Exercises*, which were published for the first time in 1548, are a series of prayers, meditations and reflections that are organized into four thematic weeks and are designed to be done over a period of four weeks. My personal favorite of these meditations is the one “to make a good sound election.” Two of the rules there instruct the retreatant to “consider as if I were at the point of death,” how they would have wanted to make the decision and to act accordingly, and to “consider how I shall find myself on the Day of Judgment” and to act accordingly.

However, the goal of the whole *Exercises* is to get to know the person of Jesus and, in so doing, to really discern the will of God in their lives. Notably, the first rule for the meditation to make a sound decision is not to decide what would get a person the most money or fame, but rather to choose the thing that brings one closer to God. The retreat starts out with what is known as the “*First Principle and Foundation*,” which states succinctly: “Man is created to praise, reverence and serve God our Lord, and by this means to save his soul.” Ignatius goes on: “the other things on the face of the earth are created for man and that they may help him in prosecuting the end for which he is created. From this it follows that man is to use them as much as they help him on to his end, and ought to rid himself of them so far as they hinder him as to it.” What follows this, if one were to make the *Exercises*, is a remarkable journey into the life of Jesus and those that walked with him and, in so doing, to get to know oneself better and, hence, be able to fully and accurately discern the path that God wants them to walk in life. Ignatian spirituality has spread all over the world and has helped many thousands of people, both Catholic and not, to live fuller and more satisfying lives. But, one cannot understand or know Ignatian spirituality without first understanding the *Spiritual Exercises*.

Fr. Robert



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 ...

For those who are sick;



Tom Altman
 Robert Behrman
 Sonia M. B.
John Bozek
 Vince Caeti
 Jackie Campbell
 Rita Castillo
 Donna Chaplin
 James Covello
 Ronnie Cunningham
 Paige Dicks
 Paula Drew
 Ozzie D'Souza
 Teresa Dzieciol
 Christina Dziekonski
 Richard Flanagan
 Brooke Foreman
 Patricia Furgat
 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
 Elaine Schatz
 Jennie Sekula
 Don Skorey
 Dennis Slater
 Edward Stanczyk
 Marion Szumski
Elaine Szwedo
 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:

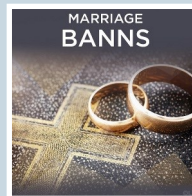
For those preparing to be joined together in Holy Matrimony:

Michael Gavlin (Brother of Mark Gawlinski)
 Albert G. Kern (Son of Elaine)

Andrew Lance Geren and Caitlin Taylor Gorecki



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



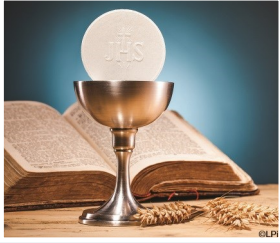
"And the two shall become
 one..."

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, 1st Lt. Katherine D. Hartnett, SPC Michael J. Stone, Pvt. Charlie Cruz Pappas, Thomas Treslo, National Guard Specialist 4th Class
U.S. Navy - CMDR Michael Basseur, 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 that provides information that can be of assistance.



*Mass Intentions:
Sunday, August 8th
through
Sunday, August 15th*

Sunday, August 8th - Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

5:00 P.M. (Saturday) - †The Allen, Bender & Tobin Families; †Maria Lam; and †Wai Foon Kwok

8:30 A.M. - †Romy Ronquillo; Eddie Bosowski (Living); and Tom O'Brien (Living)

10:30 A.M. - †Stephen Oleksy; †Rose Maisel; †Vincenzo DeFalco; †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Michael J. Sampey (on his 3rd Anniversary); †Luigi Salerno; †Jim O'Connell; †Francis & Moira Cross; †Manuel Galdamez; Wayne Kinzie, Sr. (Living); Tom O'Brien (Living); and The People of the Parish

Monday, August 9th - Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr

8:30 A.M. - †Lilia & David Macapagal

Tuesday, August 10th - Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

8:30 A.M. - †Elizabeth Serafin

Wednesday, August 11th - Saint Clare, Virgin

8:30 A.M. - †Rosolino Panettieri (on his 5th Anniversary)

Thursday, August 12th - Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

8:30 A.M. - †Julius Dzieciol

Friday, August 13th - Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

8:30 A.M. - †Arthur Capra (Birthday Remembrance)

Saturday, August 14th - Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

5:00 P.M. - †Eugene Bielski; †Domingo Medrano (Birthday Remembrance); and Marillyn Pawlowski (Living) (Birthday)

Sunday, August 15th - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 A.M. - †Howard Schneider; and †Michael Naughton

10:30 A.M. - †Anna & Nicola Chiusolo; †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Melissa Bednarz; †Michael & Rose Jurcenko; †Michael Naughton; †Susano Paez; †Norina Krueger; †Francis & Moira Cross; †Nancy Jaderberg; and The People of the Parish



August 8th through August 14th
Our Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week for the repose of the soul of



Julius Dzieciol

August 8th through August 13th
Our Blessed Mother Votive is burning this week for the prayer intention of



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

Requested by: Ray & Jan Ehrlich

August 8th through August 13th
Our St. Joseph Votive is burning this week for the prayer intention of

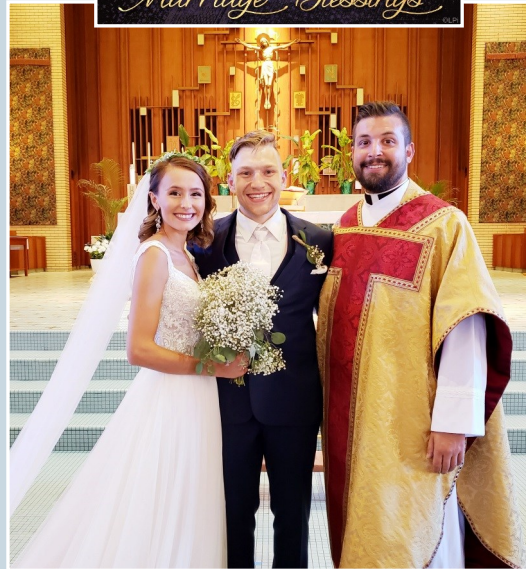


Wayne Kinzie, Sr.

Pope Tweet of the Week...

"The Lord is aware of all that we have been through in this time. He is close to those who felt isolated and alone, feelings that became more acute during the pandemic. He is not indifferent to this. #IamWithYouAlways "





Mr. & Mrs. Austin & Marissa Koziol



*Savannah Bridget Szyska
Child of Patrick John & Christine Joanne (Stanton) Szyska*



WITH JOYFUL HEARTS,
WE WELCOME OUR
NEWLY BAPTIZED.



*Wyatt James Melone
Child of Nicholas George & Sara Denise (Rivas) Melone*



*Readings For
The Week of
August 8th*

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/Eph 4:30 – 5:2/Jn 6:41-51

Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/Jn 12:24-26

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17 [cf. 20a and 10b]/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21 – 19:1

Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5a]/Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday: *Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]/

1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 *Day:* Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture



The lens through which we view life makes a difference. It also determines who we choose to learn from and what we allow to shape our thoughts and feelings. For many, life is simply what it appears to be, a given that either through evolution or some other means just came to be. There is no apparent rhyme or reason to things and things can be dissected and understood only in terms of what they empirically present. To the person using this lens, a tree is a tree and a flower is a flower. Their composition and existence can be understood only to the extent that

current human knowledge allows. Through this lens, what gives life purpose and meaning? This lens has an essentially unknown beginning and definite end. Once those are accepted, the middle becomes some kind of pursuit of happiness, with values and principles being things that are self-created and found acceptable.

But there is a Divine lens that also exists and deserves mention. It is found when one stumbles upon faith and begins to see things differently. This lens is of God and reveals a Divine Energy and Life that flows through and in all things. Faith then shows us that all that lives come from this one Source of Love. This is the only true lens that can give human beings the purpose and meaning they desperately need. From this perspective, all of life is much more than what is immediately apparent! It now tells and reveals a story about God’s generous, creative, and unconditional love! The unfolding of the human story is the unfolding of God’s story. What meaning our lives have when they are viewed as a part of God’s love affair with humanity! We are indeed special.

The lens of our faith asks us to learn from Jesus Christ. Jesus, as the real Bread of Life, shows us our eternal destiny and completes and frames our lives. It is only in allowing ourselves to be taught by Jesus, that faith, hope, and love take on much greater importance. All the relationships in our lives are now structured and ordered using God’s primary commandment of love. Jesus, then, is not just some man who lived at some point in history. Jesus is the incarnate Son of God who shows us the way, the truth, and the life. Using this lens changes things up a great deal. Looking at the creation that surrounds you and the special unique people you love, what is God trying to teach you about His love for you and the eternal life He wants you to have? ©LPi

Ministry Schedules: Saturday, August 14th & Sunday, August 15th

	Saturday 5:00 P.M.	Sunday 8:30 A.M.	Sunday 10:30 A.M.
Presiders	Fr. Robert Fedek	Fr. Robert Carlton	Fr. Matthew Heinrich
Lectors	R. Zambon & S. Serb	R. Lohman & N. Kremer	J. Campbell & J. Lim
Cantors	E. Doyle	Vocal Quartet & Violin	Vocal Quartet & Guitar & Bass
Extraordinary Ministers	R. Altman	C. Mulligan	R. Siciliano
Altar Servers	M. Gallagher; K. Giannola; K. Yau	S. Eaglin; M. Eaglin; E. Miehllich	J. Edwards; J. Losik; B. Yak

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

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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 9th –
 8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC

Tuesday, August 10th -
 8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC

Wednesday, August 11th -
 8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC
 11:00 A.M.-Noon – RCIC Mtg.; RCR

Thursday, August 12th –
 8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC
 6:30-7:30 P.M. – RCIC Mtg.; RCR

Friday, August 13th –
 8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC
 8:00 P.M. – Men's Basketball; PC

Sunday, August 15th –
 9:30 A.M.-10:15 A.M. – Confessions; Church
 2:00 P.M.-4:00 P.M. – Our Lord Of Pardon Prayer Group 32nd
 Anniversary Novena & Mass; 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 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 (*Please note: new email address.)