

Welcome to  
*Immaculate Conception Parish*

*A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ*

*December 12, 2021 - Third Sunday Of Advent*

*Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel!*



*“The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition,  
with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.”*

*- Philippians 4:6*

*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

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](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!*



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.

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Online

Monday through Thursday @ 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.

Donate

Confessions:

Sunday mornings  
from 9:30 A.M.-10:15 A.M.

(Special dates & times  
offered during Advent & Lent)

Baptisms:

Sundays @ Noon  
(As of January 2022: Baptisms  
will be celebrated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> &  
4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month)

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 Francis Xavier*

On December 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Church marked the memorial of one of the great Jesuit saints, Francis Xavier, who lived from 1506 through 1552 and who was held in such high regard by his contemporaries in the Church that he was originally scheduled to be canonized before Ignatius himself. He has long been considered perhaps the most effective missionary for the Church since St. Paul and was declared, along with Therese of Lisieux, the patron of missions in 1927 by Pope Pius XI. Xavier's early life was much like

that of Ignatius, in that Xavier was born to a family with noble connections and spent his early years primarily concerned with accumulating worldly glory, rather than doing things for Christ. By 1525, Xavier had gone to Paris to study at the University of Paris, a university where he was to ultimately spend the next eleven years studying. In 1529, Xavier was living with his friend Pierre Favre in Paris when Ignatius of Loyola also began living with them. Ignatius fairly quickly convinced Favre to become a priest but had less success with Xavier, only succeeding when Favre had left for an extended visit with his family allowing Ignatius more opportunities for one-on-one interactions with Xavier.

On August 15, 1534, Ignatius, Xavier and five others took private vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience to the Pope. This group of seven became the first members of the *Society of Jesus* or the *Jesuits*, which was officially formed in 1540 when Pope Paul III approved the formula that Ignatius had written up for a new religious order. In that same year, the King of Portugal requested that Ignatius send some Jesuit missionaries to the newly acquired Portuguese colonies in India. The story behind this is worth reflecting on as it shows the faith that Xavier had not only in God, but also in Ignatius and in the vows that he had taken. Ignatius had initially appointed two others, Nicholas Bobadilla and Simao Rodrigues, to go to India. However, only forty-eight hours before they were scheduled to depart, Bobadilla became very ill and was not able to go and with the limited number of ships leaving, this was going to mean that only Rodrigues or no one was going to go. Ignatius then asked Xavier to go in Bobadilla's place and, knowing that this likely was going to be a journey that he would not return from, Xavier accepted and left Rome on March 15, 1540, carrying only a few books. He would never come back to Rome or see Ignatius again.

Xavier traveled first to Lisbon and then departed for Goa in India in April of 1541. He would ultimately devote the rest of his life to working in the missions in Asia, principally in India, Japan, and areas off the coast of China. One of Xavier's great contributions to missionary work was his recognition of the importance of evangelizing in centers of power first and, as such, he would first try and convert the local rulers, thinking that this would cause that person's followers to become Catholic as well, rather than starting with the general population. Xavier's ultimate goal of reaching mainland China was not realized, as he died on December 3, 1552, while waiting for a boat that would take him and his companions to China. According to tradition, he converted more people to the faith than any one individual since St. Paul. - Fr. Robert

*Immaculate Conception Parish Catholic High School Scholarship Fund*

Immaculate Conception Parish would like to restart our Catholic High School Scholarship Fund which we started last year. We recognize the value and importance of a Catholic High School education and hope that this could potentially make a difference in the ability of our graduates to continue their Catholic education. All graduates from Immaculate Conception School or our IC Religious Education Program, who either will attend a Catholic High School next year or are currently attending Catholic High Schools, would be eligible to apply. Application materials and directions will be posted on our parish website **after March 1, 2022** with applications due by **May 1, 2022**. While the amount and number of scholarships available will depend upon the amount of money raised, it is hoped that they would be a minimum of \$500, as they were last year. Also, while it is hoped that the scholarships could be renewed, funding initially is only guaranteed for one year. The link to donate to our scholarship fund via Give Central is accessible via our parish website. Please contact Fr. Robert Carlton at [rcarlton@archchicago.org](mailto:rcarlton@archchicago.org) with any questions. Fr. Robert will also run a 10k through the neighborhood after Mass on Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> to begin our fundraising efforts.



*This Advent, we invite you to join us for spiritual opportunities as we prepare our hearts to celebrate the birth of Christ. All are welcome...*

*Opportunities for Confessions: Sundays @ 9:30 A.M.*

During Advent, we will offer opportunities to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation each Sunday morning between our 8:30 A.M. and 10:30 A.M. Masses (approximately from **9:30 until 10:15 A.M.**) through **December 19<sup>th</sup>**. This **Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**, we will also offer a **Communal Reconciliation Service** (featuring opportunities for private confession) from **7:30-8:30 P.M.** following our Advent Vespers Service that evening.



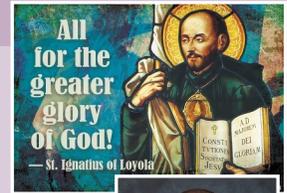
*Advent Ignatian Spirituality Series - Tuesdays @ 7:00 P.M.*

We invite you to join Fr. Robert (Carlton) on Tuesday evenings this Advent for our Ignatian Spirituality Series as we examine the life of St. Ignatius and the basics of Ignatian Spirituality. The two remaining one-hour sessions are scheduled to be conducted from **7:00 to 8:00 P.M.** in our Rectory Assembly on the following dates:

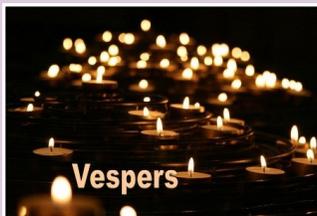
Tuesday, **December 14<sup>th</sup>**: *Examen of Conscience and Ignatian Discernment*

Tuesday, **December 21<sup>st</sup>**: *Finding God in All Things and Ignatian Indifference*

Please contact Fr. Robert Carlton ([rcarlton@archchicago.org](mailto:rcarlton@archchicago.org)) with any additional questions.



*Advent Vespers Service - Thursdays @ 7:00 P.M.*



We invite you to gather with us in prayer on Thursday evenings for our **Advent Vespers Service: An Evening of Song & Prayer** which will take place in our Church at **7:00 P.M.** each Thursday of Advent through **December 23<sup>rd</sup>**. If you are unable to join us in-person, you are welcome to join us virtually via our Facebook Page or Twitch Channel ([twitch.tv/icchicago](https://twitch.tv/icchicago)).

Featuring beautiful music presented by our professional musicians and only 30 minutes in length, this simple form of prayer expressed to God through song and Scripture is perfect for the conclusion of your workday or for attending together as a family.

Freewill offerings will be gratefully accepted to help support our Music Ministry program @ IC. You may donate in-person or online at: <https://www.givecentral.org/location/349/event/17649>

*Celebrate Christmas @ IC*

**Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup> (Christmas Eve):**

**5:00 P.M. Family Mass**

*with Fr. Robert Carlton presiding  
featuring our Vocal Quintet, John Eckhardt (Violin)  
& Donovan Mixon (Guitar) (Contemporary Music)  
(Livestreamed)*

**8:00 P.M. Mass**

*with Fr. Robert Fedek presiding  
featuring Elizabeth Doyle (Cantor), John Eckhardt (Violin)  
& Paul Semanic (Trumpet) (Traditional Music)*

**10:30 P.M. Mass**

*with Fr. Matthew Heinrich presiding  
featuring our Vocal Quintet, Violin Quartet, & John  
Eckhardt (Violin) (Traditional Music) (Livestreamed)*

*Prelude & Postlude Music @ 5:00 P.M. & 10:30 P.M. Masses*

**Saturday, December 25<sup>th</sup> (Christmas Day):**

**8:30 A.M. Mass**

*with Fr. Matthew Heinrich presiding  
featuring our Vocal Quintet & John Eckhardt (Violin)  
(Traditional Music)*

**10:30 A.M. Mass**

*with Fr. Robert Carlton presiding  
featuring our Vocal Quintet & John Eckhardt (Violin)  
(Traditional Music) (Livestreamed)*





News... *Eighth Grade Religion Class with Mr. O'Donnell*

The focus of our textbook for 8<sup>th</sup> grade religion is about the development of the Church, from the events of Pentecost up until the present day. The main focus of the first four chapters of our text is the lives of St. Peter, St. Paul, the early martyrs, and the Communion of Saints.

We started this unit with the life of St. Peter and his imprisonment in Rome, after the Roman emperor Nero sought to find a way to stifle the development of the early Christian Movement. Though Nero himself was the one to set the fires in the city of Rome, he used the early Christians and their leaders as scapegoats for the fires, one of whom was Peter. In the account that we studied, Peter was aided by a young Christian woman who tended to the wounds inflicted on Peter while he was in prison. She, along with Peter, was instrumental in changing the heart of a Roman guard who previously had followed the orders of Nero but ultimately chose to defy and oppose him. There was a moment in our story when Peter faced Nero, shortly before his death, and said *"It is the truth that has set me free. Let it set you free."*

After this, we moved on to the story of St. Paul. We followed his progression from chief oppressor of the early Christian movement, when he was known as the Pharisee Saul, to his conversion experience on the road to Damascus, when he was knocked off his horse, blinded by light, and heard the voice of Jesus speaking to him. He heard Jesus' words, *"Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?"* This was followed by a complete reversal of his previous mission, as he transitioned from eliminating the Christians to proclaiming the Gospel despite great hardship and persecution. This change ultimately led to his beheading and death at the hands of Nero, years prior to the conversion of the Empire to the new Christian faith.

Finally, we have explored early martyrs of the growing Church. We began with the stoning of Stephen, who is considered the first Christian martyr, as he attempted to spread the message of Jesus. This event was a key experience in the life of Saul/Paul, prior to his conversion experience. In the account that we studied, Paul is tortured by these memories, and as he awakens from his dreams, he consoles himself with the thought *"Your Grace is sufficient."* Both Peter and Paul, along with most of the original apostles, were martyred for their efforts to spread the Gospel. These acts of sacrifice and heroism inspired our discussion of the Communion of Saints. Here we find support of those people, both famous and not, who have contributed to the life and growth of the Church.



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

*For those who are sick;*



Tom Altman  
 Caleb Anstett  
 Robert Behrman  
 Sonia M. B.  
 Roberta Berger  
 John Bozek  
 Vince Caeti  
 Rita Castillo  
 Zita Castro  
 Donna Chaplin  
 Marie Conway  
 James Covello  
 Ronnie Cunningham  
 Paige Dicks  
 Margarita DiSalvo  
 Paula Drew  
 Ozzie D'Souza  
 Richard Flanagan  
 Brooke Foreman  
 Patricia Furgat

Lila Gehner  
 Bonnie Jean Gorski  
 Ofelia Hernandez  
 Kevin Jaburek  
 Craig Kloss  
 Lillian Kohut  
 Benny Martinez  
 Edwin Martinez  
 Frank Martinez  
 Gerry Michalek, Jr.  
 Sam Milazzo  
 Molly Morris  
 Veronica Murillo  
 Timothy Murray  
 Brendan Nelson  
 Judith Nosko  
 Anne O'Brien  
 John O'Brien  
 Jackie O'Koniewski  
 David Olson

Mary Potwora  
 Helen Rasmussen  
 Bill Remblake  
 Pia Rizza  
 David Rodriguez  
 Elaine Schatz  
 Jennie Sekula  
 Don Skorey  
 Edward Stanczyk  
 Ed Stanislawski  
 Marion Szumski  
 Donna Tisdale  
 Camilla Trevino  
 Steven P. Trifilio  
 John F. Vargo  
 Henry Wagener  
 Rita Zambon

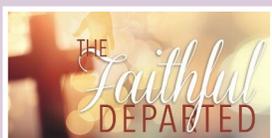
*If you wish to have your name included in our prayer list (or removed), please contact our Parish Office at 773.775.3833.*

*For our faithful departed:*

Mary Irene Hajduk  
 Joseph A. Rutterer (Cousin of Joanne Kokalj)  
 George Buschauer (Husband of Audrey)



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

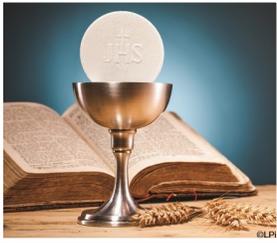


*For those who serve our country:*



**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, 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, December 12<sup>th</sup>  
through  
Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>*

**Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup> - Third Sunday Of Advent**

5:00 P.M. (Saturday) - †Lawrence Gonsalves; †Jean Daly; and Dave & Carol Niehaus (on their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary) (Living)  
8:30 A.M. - †Edmund Cummings (on his 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)  
10:30 A.M. - †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Linda Fong; †Ciss & Patrick O'Connor; †Mark Czech; †Dennis Wasielewski; †The Wojcieszek Family; †Denise Donohue; †Francis & Moira Cross; †Michael Naughton; †Malachy & Michael Byrne; and The People of the Parish

**Monday, December 13<sup>th</sup> - Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr**

8:30 A.M. - †James & Rhea Collins; †Jaime San Juan & Milagros Bernardita San Juan; and †Luz Capito

**Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> - Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

8:30 A.M. - †Erma Reppen

**Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> - Advent Weekday**

8:30 A.M. - Phylcia Abraham (Living)

**Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup> - Advent Weekday**

8:30 A.M. - †Joan Larson (on her 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

**Friday, December 17<sup>th</sup> - Late Advent Weekday**

8:30 A.M. - †Joseph Zagotta (on his 8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

**Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup> - Late Advent Weekday**

5:00 P.M. - Brian Belen (Living) (Birthday - For Good Health & Success In Life)

**Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> - Fourth Sunday of Advent**

8:30 A.M. - †Marlene Bartolotta; †Florence Jakot; and John & Diane Bozek (Living)  
10:30 A.M. - †Frank Ghidara (on his 17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary); †Katharina Kraemer (Birthday Remembrance); †Carmen & Irene Covello; †Alex & Edelia Covello; †Klemens & Sophie Fudala; †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Noreen Nolan; †Aida Miranda; †Linda Fong; †Charles Grayzeck; †George O'Connor; †Michael Naughton; †Mary & Michael Raleigh; †William & Margaret Casey; †Denny San Buenaventura; †Larry Martin, Jr.; †Francis & Moira Cross; and The People of the Parish



December 12<sup>th</sup> through December 18<sup>th</sup>  
Our Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week for the prayer intention of

IC Simbang Gabi Committee  
(In Gratitude for 500 Years of Catholicism in the Philippines)

December 12<sup>th</sup> through December 17<sup>th</sup>  
Our Blessed Mother Votive is burning this week for the repose of the soul of

Marvin McHugh  
Requested by: The McHugh Family

December 12<sup>th</sup> through December 17<sup>th</sup>  
Our St. Joseph Votive is burning this week for the repose of the soul of

Jack & Helen Pandocchi  
Requested by: Paula & Paul Pandocchi

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

*"We need enlightened Christians, who with consoling gestures and words, kindle the light of hope amid the darkness, who sow the seeds of the Gospel in the parched fields of everyday life and bring warmth to the wastelands of suffering and poverty."*





WITH JOYFUL HEARTS,  
WE WELCOME OUR  
NEWLY BAPTIZED.



*Tristan James Spitzzeri*

*Child of Vincent Michael Spitzzeri & Jordan Michelle Frukhwirth*



**INVEST IN KIDS TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

You can support Catholic education by donating to the Invest in Kids Tax Credit Scholarship Program! If you are a new donor, who would love to take advantage of a tax credit but don't know where to start, we can help you get started and take advantage of the **2-for-1 Matching Gift Program**. By following the step-by-step instructions below, you can initiate your donation by first applying for your Illinois Letter ID. Obtaining a Letter ID is the first step. Once your request is received by the state, it takes about a week to receive your Letter ID via the USPS. Once you have obtained your Letter ID, be ready to take advantage of the 2-for-1 matching opportunity. The matching fund will be available for donations made through the *Empower Illinois* scholarship granting organization **between Dec. 1, 2021 and Feb. 28, 2022** or until the matching funds run out, whichever comes first. Your support will help provide access to a high quality, faith-based education for thousands of Illinois students. Step-by-step instructions on how to obtain your Letter ID can be found by going to: [bit.ly/DonationSteps2021](http://bit.ly/DonationSteps2021)

Begin the donation process today. **Please remember to designate Immaculate Conception – Talcott as your Catholic School of choice.** Your donation reduces what you owe to the state at tax time or could potentially increase your state tax refund, all while helping fund a quality Catholic education for a child from a low-income home! Ready to get your Letter ID? Visit: [mytax.illinois.gov](http://mytax.illinois.gov) to start!

**If you have any questions, please contact the Tax Credit Scholarship Hotline @ 312.534.2617 or [tcs@archchicago.org](mailto:tcs@archchicago.org). You can also visit [archchicago.org/tcs](http://archchicago.org/tcs) for more information.**

**Retirement Fund for Religious**



*Second Collection: Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>  
Visit: [retiredreligious.org](http://retiredreligious.org)*

**Please give to those who have given a lifetime.**

Like the women and men religious shown here, thousands of elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have devoted their lives to helping others—ministering in Catholic schools, hospitals, and more. Most served for little pay. Today, without enough retirement savings, many religious communities are struggling to care for senior members. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide nursing care, medicine, and other necessities. Please be generous.



*Readings For  
The Week of  
December 12<sup>th</sup>*

- Sunday:** Zep 3:14-18a/Is12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18
- Monday:** Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [4]/Mt 21:23-27
- Tuesday:** Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23 [7a]/Mt 21:28-32
- Wednesday:** Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 45:8]/Lk 7:18b-23
- Thursday:** Is 54:1-10/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a, and 13b [2a]/Lk 7:24-30
- Friday:** Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:1-17
- Saturday:** Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:18-25
- Next Sunday:** Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

*Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture*

*"From silly devotions and sour-faced saints, good Lord, deliver us!" St. Teresa of Avila*



We've all heard the adage, "Laughter is the best medicine." In many ways, it really is. When was the last time you really laughed? The gift of imagination allows us to see possible things that are yet to be. Imagine a world filled with laughter. We take life too seriously sometimes. Fear, uncertainty, pressure, negativity, disappointment, and myriad other human experiences can rob us of the joy needed for laughter. God never promised us an easy road, and we do have to take the course of our lives seriously. However, there is a balance to be sought and a possible joy that can be brought even to the darkest and most challenging of encounters.

St. Therese of Lisieux reminds us that, "Joy is not found in the material objects surrounding us but in the inner recesses of the soul. One can possess joy in a prison cell as well as in a palace." Falling in love with God, who is present in all of creation, allows us to bring a depth of understanding to everything we do and experience. We can more easily see above and beyond things while pursuing the only One who can truly satisfy our hearts. When we realize that God, the king of Israel, is in our midst and with us, there is no further misfortune to fear. We can celebrate the wonder and beauty of God's gift of joy. It is no wonder that many saints radiate joy and have no reservations expressing laughter. They are happy because they have found a pearl of great price.

We celebrate with joy today with hearts filled with expectation, wonder, awe, and beauty as we ready ourselves, even more excitedly, for the coming of our Savior. Do not fear and do not be discouraged. If you haven't laughed in a while, why? Something is preventing you from expressing the magnificence of your soul and the presence of God who dwells within. God's power and presence within us assures us that we are loved and kept in that presence. What more is really needed? Rejoice and laugh in the presence of God! It really is the best medicine and a most perfect way to convince others that God is really with us. "Go ahead, laugh! Live your life with joy and serve the Lord with laughter! Joy, with peace, is the sister of charity. Serve the Lord with laughter." (St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina)

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*Ministry Schedules: Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>*

	Saturday 5:00 P.M.	Sunday 8:30 A.M.	Sunday 10:30 A.M. Family Mass
Presiders	Fr. Robert Fedek	Fr. Robert Carlton	Fr. Matthew Heinrich
Lectors	R. Altman & J. Lim	L. Beckman	Youth Lector
Cantors	E. Doyle	Vocal Quintet & Violin	Vocal Quintet & Guitar & Bass
Extraordinary Ministers	E. Kinzie	D. McGrath	S. Serb
Altar Servers	I. Cox; J. Edwards; M. Moorehouse	K. Bowers; O. Magruder; B. Yak	K. Giannola; E. Miehlich; E. Peters;

**Lectors:** 2022 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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**Elizabeth Doyle, Assistant Director of Music**  
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**What's Happening @ IC...**

**Monday, December 13<sup>th</sup> -**

10:15 A.M.-Noon — Monday Morning Bible Study; RA  
 3:10-4:30 P.M. — Jr. Ringers Rehearsal; CH  
 7:00-8:30 P.M. — Overtones Rehearsal; CH  
 7:00 P.M.-8:30 P.M. — School Board Subcommittee Mtg.; RA

**Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> -**

9:30-11:00 A.M. — School Advent Reconciliation (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade); CH  
 7:00-8:00 P.M. — Advent Ignatian Spirituality Series; RA  
 7:00 P.M. — IC/St. Juliana/St. Monica Combined Christmas School  
 Band Concert; Notre Dame College Prep Gym

**Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> -**

9:30-11:00 A.M. — School Advent Reconciliation (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade); CH  
 2:10-3:30 P.M. — Choristers Rehearsal; CH  
 4:00-5:00 P.M. — Religious Education Program Class; Zoom  
 7:30-9:30 P.M. — Parents Club Mtg.; NWCR

**Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup> -**

7:00-7:30 P.M. — Advent Vespers Service; CH  
 7:00-9:00 P.M. — School Board Mtg.; NWCR  
 7:30-8:30 P.M. — Advent Communal Reconciliation Service; CH  
 7:30-9:00 P.M. — Advent Discipleship Group Study Series; RA

**Friday, December 17<sup>th</sup> -**

School — 11:30 A.M. Dismissal (Christmas Break Begins)  
 8:00-10:00 P.M. — Men's Basketball; PC

**Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> -**

9:30-10:15 A.M. — Advent Confessions; CH  
 10:30 A.M. — Family Mass; CH (Hosted by: 6<sup>th</sup> Grade & Kindergarten)



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

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