Welcome to Immaculate Conception Parish

A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

February 18, 2024 - First Sunday Of Lent

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant



"It is not a removal of dirt from the body but an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ." - 1 Peter 3:21

Love God • Serve Others • Make Disciples

Contact Us

Parish Office Hours:

E: 7211 W. Talcott Avenue Chicago, IL. 60631

): 773.775.3833

: parishoffice@icchicago.org

 Monday-Friday:
 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

 Saturday:
 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

 Sunday:
 Closed

Social Media

Parish Website: . www.icchicago.org

School Website:

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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**



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 8th)

Online Wednesdays @ 8:30 A.M. (School Mass) (Worship with us virtually on our Facebook Page or Twitch)

Donate

Confessions:

Sunday mornings from 9:30 A.M.-10:15 A.M. (offered every other Sunday)

(Special dates & times offered during Advent & Lent)

Baptisms:

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

Scan the QR Code below:

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.



Text-To-Give: Text "Sunday" to 773-915-0503

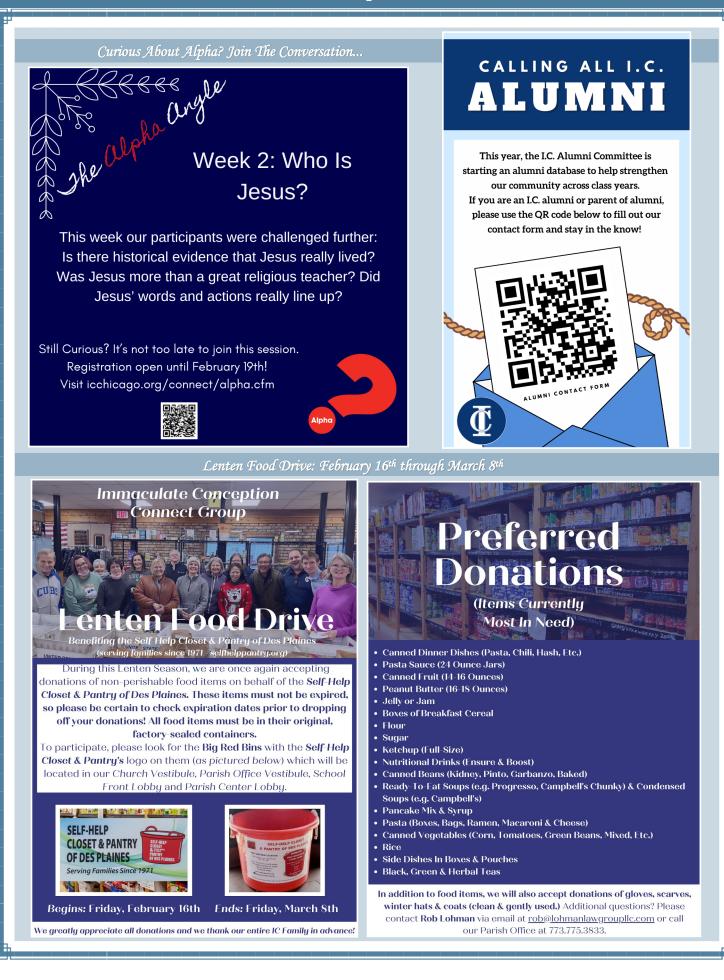
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We Warmly Welcome Our <u>New Professional Cantor, Jonathan Cortez</u>

Jonathan Cortez excitedly joins Immaculate Conception as a musician and newest member of our vocal ensemble. Jonathan is a University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign alumnus, who studied under *Jerold Siena*. He earned his Bachelors degree in Vocal Performance. Jonathan has most recently been seen on the stage at SIFest as one of their Young Artist Program Singers performing in the chorus of Puccini's *La Rondine* and Verdi's *Ernani*, Metropolis Performing Arts Centre in *Sister Act the Musical* as Curtis, Ensemble in *Legally Blonde* and in Humperdinck's *Hansel Und Gretel*. Other credits include Summer Opera Workshop programs as Leporello in *Don Giovanni*, and Fasolt in *Das Rheingold*. Jonathan also sings with the Chicago Choral Artists performing all around the greater Chicago area, most recently as Judas and Pontifex in the *St. Matthew Passion*.







IC 2024 National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony

On January 31st after our 8:30 A.M. Mass, Immaculate Conception School inducted twenty-two 7th and 8th grade students into the National Junior Honor Society. The selection of these candidates was based upon careful consideration of *Scholarship, Leadership, Service, Charter,* and *Citizenship*. Congratulations to our new members and their families! Our current members helped host a reception in our Rectory Assembly to welcome our new members after the ceremony concluded. Below is the list of our newly inducted members of the Immaculate Conception Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society for 2024: *Mia Arreguin, Logan Bock, Ana Borowski, Kelly Breen, Thomas Cox, Cody Forbes, Isabella Galarza, Katelyn Giannola, Nicole Giannola, Shea Gillespie, Giovanni Gomez, Isla Hammersmith, Lucas Love, Olivia Medina, Olivia Melgar, Brenna Mullane, Grant Reichle, Giada Rocha, Dean Rottman, Eamonn Serb, Mylee Tadin, & Gabriella Walker.*



Family Mass this Sunday, February 18th (with *Fr. Robert* presiding) as we celebrate our *IC National Junior Honor Society*



Members. A hospitality reception hosted by our *IC NJHS* will follow the conclusion of our Mass in the Vestibule of our Church. All are welcome! Funds raised during our annual Boosterthon will benefit enhanced security for our school (including Share911 App, Tuition Reimbursement for Security Guards, & Cameras) as we continue to prioritize the safety of our students @ IC. Your support is appreciated!

Please join our parish family in prayer ...

Lord, Hear Our Prayer.

Nick Abbamonte Mina Acevedo Tom Altman Paul Amandes Amelia Aquino Arnold B. Robert Behrman Sonia M. B. Roberta Berger Arlene Lacey Beyna Grace Cabiao Vince Caeti Mary Cali Juanita Camacho Donna Chaplin Truman Collins Iames Covello Ronnie Cunningham Joe Day Paige Dicks Emily Divarco Eric Dulce Lilia Dulce Elizabeth Felix Patrick Fisher Richard Flanagan Brooke Foreman

Nicholas Frank Patricia Furgat Lila Gehner Joan Geiger Gloria Hernandez Ofelia Hernandez Katie Huber Judy Hull Mary Ann Hurtig Kevin Jaburek Vivian Jester Margaret Joyce Wayne Kinzie, Sr. Donna Kirk Craig Kloss Ronald Kogol Lillian Kohut Katherine Kreuser Anthony LaPash Dawn LaVeau Florencia Silva Lucas Sean Lucas Nathan Maisel Benny Martinez Edwin Martinez Frank Martinez Elsa Mazzoni

For those who are sick:

Jeff McBride Mary McGrath Nikki Mendoza Pat Miaso Gerry Michalek, Ir. Helen Michalek Ledoina Monacelli Marta Morales Deacon Rick Moritz Veronica Murillo Mike Murphy Timothy Murray Brendan Nelson Barb Neustadt Phillip Nuccio John O'Brien Jackie O'Koniewski David Olson *Camille Pavlis* Elaine Pellegrinetti Ashton Peterson Leo Pfest Paul Posch Mary Potwora **Baby Fiona Prades** Joe Rispoli Pia Rizza

Sherry Rock David Rodriguez Cindy Rupp Milagros C. San Juan Carole Skorey Edward Stanczyk Jack Stewart Bill Story Julie Szwedo Alma T. Donna Tisdale Beckie Tomala Steven P. Trifilio Mary Ellen Vanderman Louis Ward Miss Westhoff Rita Zambon Jerry Zschach Nancy Zschach

*Newly Added

For our faithful departed:

Dominic Martino (Brother of Theresa Chiusolo & Nancy Chiaramonte)



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



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.

PRAYERS FOR THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVE IN OUR ARMED FORCES.

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
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.

For those who serve our country:



Mass Intentions: Sunday, February 18th through Sunday, February 25th

Sunday, February 18th - First Sunday Of Lent

5:00 P.M. (Saturday) – ⁺Larry Ghidara (Birthday Remembrance); *Chuck Oliveri; and *Daniel E. McGrorv 8:30 A.M. – *Robert Moore; and Special Intention (In Thanksgiving For All Blessings & Safe Travel) **10:30** A.M. – ⁺The Deceased Members of The Furgat Family; [†]Stephen Oleksy; [†]Manuel Mendoza; [†]Lily Zegan (on her 5th Anniversary); [†]Arthur J. O'Koniewski (on his 8th Anniversary); *Leticia Arcilla; *Fe Mendoza; *Edna Olechnowicz; *Lilia Macapagal; ⁺Francis & Moira Cross; ⁺Dominic Martino; and The People of the Parish

Monday, February 19th – Lenten Weekday (Presidents' Day) 8:30 A.M. – [†]Frank Ghidara (Birthday Remembrance); [†]Jaime M. San Juan (on his 5th Anniversary); Rosemary Lacey (Living); and Nancy Kanoon (Living)

Tuesday, February 20th - Lenten Weekday

8:30 A.M. – [†]Forrest Hartman (on his 1st Anniversary); and [†]Dorel Morris

Wednesday, February 21st - Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30 A.M. - *Patrick Brennan; *Daniel Edward McGrory (Birthday Remembrance); and ⁺William Hoeflich

Thursday, February 22nd - The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle 8:30 A.M. - [†]Rita Davis (Birthday Remembrance); [†]Leo Pryma (Birthday Remembrance); and [†]Paul, Gloria & Steven Budziak

Friday, February 23rd - Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

Saturday, February 24th - Lenten Weekday

5:00 P.M.- [†]Tom Anna (on his 38th Anniversary); [†]Joe Cirone; [†]Marshal Quintana (on his 1st Anniversary); [†]Stanislawa Gaszcz; and ⁺Daniel E. McGrory

Sunday, February 25th - Second Sunday Of Lent

8:30 A.M.- [†]Juana Medrano & Domingo Medrano; and [†]John E. Pastwa

10:30 A.M. - [†]Penny Jaworski (on her 8th Anniversary); [†]Carmen & Irene Covello; [†]Anastasia Fudala; [†]Angie Mazza; [†]Penny Lazzara; [†]Salvatore Freni (on his 4th Anniversary); [†]Patrick Brennan; [†]Francis & Moira Cross; and The People of the Parish





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Our Blessed Mother Votive is burning this week for the repose of the soul of



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Pope Tweet of the Week...

"We must bring our wounds those of our heart and soul - to Jesus. Let us put our miseries, fragilities, falsities, and fears at the feet of Christ. At Jesus' 'touch', the best parts of us are reborn: let us rediscover the joy of giving ourselves to others."





Scarlett Kelley Kliber-Jarvis Child of Justin Michael Jarvis & Samantha Carol Kliber



Oralia Maddie Villasenor Child of Enrique Eduardo & Tiffani Michelle (Cruz) Villasenor







Enzo Thomas Sacco Child of Robert Anthony & Jessica Ann (Schatz) Sacco



8th Grade FUNdraiser

Join us for a fun night of playing LEFT-RIGHT-CENTER Saturday, February 24, 2024 7:00PM — 11:00PM IC Cafeteria

** Participants need to bring \$1 Singles to play \$3 rounds.

Appetizers and desserts available.

Please feel free to BYOB or bring something to share.

Per Person Payable at the door

\$10

RSVP to Lisa Breen at shamrockeagle@aol.com

By Wednesday, February 21, 2024

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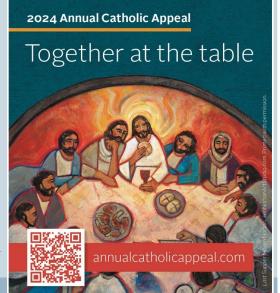
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Congratulations to our IC 6th Grade Boys Basketball Team! NWCC 6th Grade Boys Basketball League Champions 2024

2024 Annual Catholic Appeal: Follow-Up Weekend

Please Make Your Gift to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal...

Our parish is conducting our campaign for the Annual Catholic Appeal. Please remember that the Annual Catholic Appeal is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift payable in installments. The new Annual Catholic Appeal theme, "Together at the table," is an important theme as we prayerfully consider our support for the Appeal but also important for embracing the life that the Lord wants us to live. Each pledge makes a difference! All parish communities participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our parishes, schools and ministries to deliver needed services. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response. To make your gift, you can complete the mail-in giving envelope available at church or make a gift online at annualcatholicappeal.com. Please remember to designate/credit your gift to: Immaculate Conception-Talcott Avenue. (Our parish number is: **1900**.) We thank you for your continued support of our parish as well as of those less fortunate across our Archdiocese!



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2023 Contribution Statements



2023 Contribution Statements (for tax purposes) are now available to our parishioners & donors upon request. If you would like to receive either a paper statement or an electronic statement of your contributions to our parish for tax year 2023, please visit our website: **icchicago.org** and complete our online **Contribution Statement Request Form**. For those without computer access, please contact our Parish Office via telephone at 773.775.3833 to request a copy of your statement (available via pick up at our Parish Office

or sent via postal mail.)

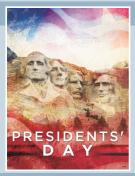
With grateful hearts, we thank you for your faithful & generous support of our parish!

Intercessory Prayer Team @All Weekend Masses

Parish Office Holiday Hours

PRAYER CHANGES EVERYTHING HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU TODAY? As always, our Intercessory Prayer Group is available by the quiet room after all our Weekend Masses.

Please allow them to pray with you, or for you, if you have the need. Our Parish Office will be closed **this Monday, February 19th** in observance of *Presidents' Day.*



Ministry Schedules: Saturday, February 24 th I. Sunday, February 25 th			
	Saturday 5:00 P.M. Mass Second Sunday Of Lent	Sunday 8:30 A.M. Mass Second Sunday Of Lent	Sunday 10:30 A.M. Mass Second Sunday Of Lent
Presiders	Fr. Matthew Heinrich	Fr. Robert Fedek	Fr. Matthew Heinrich
Lectors	L. Christy	L. Beckman	N. Schroeder
Cantors	E. Doyle	Vocal Quartet	Vocal Quartet
Extraordinary Ministers	K. Gillespie; R. Altman	C. Mulligan; D. Mroz; D. Zamirowski; D. Sebastian	M. Niewinski; E. Niewinski; J. Campbell; N. Kanoon
Altar Servers	S. Traversa; O. Accardo; J. Nelson	E. Hyland; C. Villafane; P. Beckman	L. Love; N. Rahlfs; G. Hoffman

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Our Parish Staff: Fr. Matthew Heinrich, Pastor Fr. Robert Fedek, Weekend Assistant Deacon Rick & Carol Moritz Deacon Ronald & Connie Gronek Vincent Kennedy, Director of Operations Scott Will, Director of Worship Melissa Anna, Office Administration & Communications/ Bulletin Editor Elizabeth Doyle, Assistant Director of Music Marilyn Sadowski, Receptionist Bernadette Anna, Parish Sacristan Michael La Haye, Head of Maintenance

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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...

<u>Monday, February 19th</u> – Presidents' Day (Parish Office & School Closed) 10:15 A.M.-Noon – Monday Morning Bible Study: *The Acts Of The Apostles*; RA 7:00-8:30 P.M. – Winter Alpha Monday Evening Session; RA 7:00-8:30 P.M. – Overtones Rehearsal; CH

Tuesday, February 20th – 6:00-6:30 P.M. – Lenten Vespers Service; CH 7:00-8:00 P.M. – St. Joseph Table Team Mtg.; RA

Wednesday, February 21st -

8:30 A.M. – School Mass; CH
2:00-3:30 P.M. – Choristers Rehearsal; CH
2:00-3:15 P.M. – IC Teacher Development Session (*with Fr. Matt*); RA
4:00-5:00 P.M. – Religious Education Program Class (*except Grade 2*); SC
7:00 P.M. – First Reconciliation (2nd Grade); CH
7:00-8:30 P.M. – IC Alpha Alumni Connect Group Session; RA

<u>Thursday, February 22nd</u> 7:00-9:00 P.M. – School Board Mtg.; RCR 7:30-9:00 P.M. – Parents Club Mtg.; RA

<u>Friday, February 23rd</u>– 2:15 P.M. – School Stations of the Cross (Grades 3, 4 & 5); CH 6:30-8:30 P.M. – IC Teen Club Mtg.; RA 7:00 P.M. – Parish Stations of the Cross; CH 8:15 P.M. – Men's Basketball; PC

Saturday, February 24th– 8:30-10:00 A.M.–Winter Alpha Saturday Morning Session; RA 7:00-11:00 P.M.–8th Grade Class of 2024 Fundraiser: *LRC Game Night*; Café

<u>Sunday, February 25th</u> – Second Sunday Of Lent 9:30-10:15 A.M. – Lenten Confessions; CH 11:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M. – Evangelization Team Mtg.; RCR canzoneri@iccowboys.net fitzgerald@iccowboys.net szwedo@iccowboys.net kessler@iccowboys.net haley@iccowboys.net

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 – 8 days prior to the Sunday it will appear.

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



Next Weekend @ IC: Second Collection



Next weekend, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern *Europe*. This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that struggle to recover from former communist rule. It also aids communities throughout the region that are affected by the war in Ukraine. Funds support pastoral care, catechesis, renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this

region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next weekend. You can find more information at *www.usccb.org/ccee.* #iGiveCatholicTogether (*https://usccb.igivecatholictogether.org/organizations/usccbchurch-in-central-and-eastern-europe*) also accepts funds for this collection if you prefer to donate online.



QUIGLEY DAY FEB. 24: Shrine of Christ's Passion

High-school-age men are invited to join us on a visit to the **Shrine of Christ's Passion in St. John, IN**, with transportation and lunch included.

Pick up is at **9 a.m.** and drop-off is at **2 p.m.** at two locations: • Mother of the Americas Parish

• Mary, Seat of Wisdom Parish

For details and to register, visit forms.office.com/r/BKG57mP7Y5





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