

Welcome to
Immaculate Conception Parish

A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

February 6, 2022 - Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Therefore, whether it be I or they, so we preach and so you believed.



*“I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with all my heart, for you have heard the words of my mouth;
in the presence of the angels I will sing your praise;
I will worship at your holy temple and give thanks to your name.”*

- Psalm 138:1-2

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

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

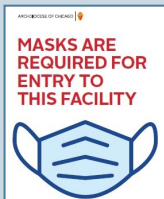


Mass and Sacrament Schedule

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 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.

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)

Adoration & Vespers:

1st & 3rd Saturdays of each month from 6:00-7:00 P.M.

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.

Hearing Accessibility @ IC

IC offers the following options to assist our parishioners and guests who require assistive listening devices:



Hearing Accessibility Streaming Network: This app allows our church sound system to stream directly to a hearing aid or cochlear implant user’s personal device through their cell phone in order to hear the readings, sermons and song lyrics with ease. In order to access the network, please follow the steps below:

1. Connect your phone to the Wifi Network called, “IC Listen” using the password: “Immaculate” (please note the capital “I”).
2. Download the *WaveCast App*.
3. Open the *WaveCast App* and select the network called, “FM_PLUS.”
4. Once you are connected, you should be able to hear our church audio streaming directly through your hearing aids or cochlear implants. You can adjust the volume using the slider within the app. Sliding to the right turns up the volume and sliding to the left turns down the volume.

In addition to this streaming network, we also have some other assistive listening devices available for check out from our ushers/greeters:

Telecoil NeckLoop: This device works as a transmitter, collecting our church’s sound signal and sending it directly to the user’s hearing aids or cochlear implants. This is the ideal option for a hearing aid or cochlear implant user who does not have a smartphone that is connected to their devices. In order for this Telecoil NeckLoop to work, the hearing aids or cochlear implants must be in a “telecoil program.” If you are unsure if your device has this program, ask your audiologist.

Wireless Receiver: This device is best for someone who would like to hear better, but does not have their own set of hearing aids or cochlear implants. It also works as a transmitter, collecting our church’s sound signal and sending it directly to the user’s ears via headphones. You can use the headphones provided by our church or bring your own set of headphones and connect them to the device.

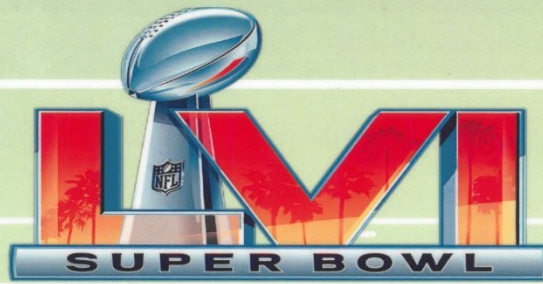
If you need any assistance setting up the smartphone app or assistive listening devices, please feel free to speak with EmilyAnn Duffley (our professional cantor and Audiology student) before our 8:30 A.M. or 10:30 A.M. Sunday Masses.

2022 Annual Catholic Appeal

**Please Make Your Gift to the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal
Making all things new ...God’s promise and our responsibility**

Many families in our parish will be receiving the Annual Catholic Appeal mailing from Cardinal Cupich. On behalf of those served by the ministries, parishes, and schools that receive funding from the Appeal, we thank you for your gifts. Please return your response as soon as possible. The Annual Catholic Appeal offers a wonderful opportunity to answer the call “*Making all things new ... God’s promise and our responsibility.*” In addition to providing for ministries and services throughout the archdiocese, the Appeal also funds services that are of great help here in our parish. As we contemplate God’s many gifts to us, we should also reflect on our gratitude. Your financial support for the work of our parish, our archdiocese, and the Church throughout the world is one way to express this gratitude. Please give what you can to the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal.

A promotional graphic for the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal. At the top, it says "ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO" next to the archdiocese logo. Below that, it says "2022 Annual Catholic Appeal". The main text reads "Making all things new... God's promise and our responsibility". The central image is a painting of Jesus Christ with his hands raised, surrounded by a group of diverse children. At the bottom, there is the website "annualcatholicappeal.com" and a QR code.



Immaculate Conception Holy Name Men's Club 2022 Super Bowl Party

Where: IC School ~ Bowling Alley (Enter door 12S-Back side of the School) ~ 7263 W. Talcott Ave.

When: Sunday, February 13, 2022 ~ Doors open at 3pm

Party Cost: Admission is \$45 per person – No RSVP (Pay at the door)
Admission is \$40 per person – RSVP sent by 2/10/22 (Pay at the door)
RSVP's are highly encouraged to icmensclub@hotmail.com
Admission includes: entry into door raffle prize, snacks, a full buffet-style dinner at half-time, two 150" screens, and 4 tv's to watch the game.

Drinks: Alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks throughout the night included with admission

This year's Grand Raffle Prizes are great:

\$10.00 for each Super Bowl Raffle ticket!

- 1st Prize ~ Nintendo Switch - Neon Blue/Neon Red
- 2nd Prize ~ Insignia 55" Smart Fire 4K UHD TV
- 3rd Prize ~ \$250 cash
- 4th Prize ~ Lenovo Chromebook Laptop 11" Screen



The family with the most raffle tickets sold by February 7th, will receive a \$100 gift card or cash ~ your choice!
Super Bowl Raffle Tickets will be available for purchase in the Vestibule of our Church after all our Masses on: Feb. 5th & 6th and Feb. 12th & 13th

Raffle Ticket Information!!!

Raffle Tickets can be ***purchased or returned*** at the ***Rectory or at the front door of the event.*** Please pay by cash or check made out to the "IC Holy Name Men's Club". Tickets may be purchased ***online (look at fast direct or constant contact)***

Raffle Prizes will be pulled during the game!

All proceeds benefit Immaculate Conception School and Parish.



Volunteers Needed!!!

To make this event a success, we need the following: ***donations for door prizes, volunteers to sell raffle tickets, set up morning of the event, work the front door, bartend, clean up after the party.***

*Contact Ronald Yak if you are interested in helping.

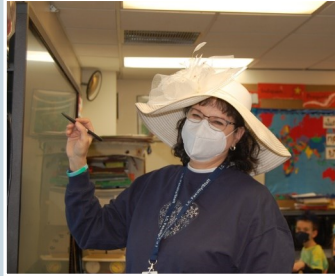
If you are able to help or have any questions about the Super Bowl party, please contact: Ronald Yak @ 773.580.4868



News:

IC School Celebrates "Catholic Schools Week": Part One

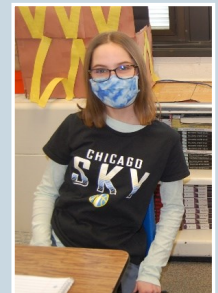
crazy hat & hair day



sports jersey day



Catholic Schools
Faith. Excellence. Service.



Please join our parish family in prayer ...

For those who are sick;



Lord, Hear Our Prayer...

Tom Altman
 Robert Behrman
 Sonia M. B.
 Roberta Berger
 John Bozek
 Mark Broler
 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
Claudia Kech
 Wayne Kinzie, Sr.
 Craig Kloss
 Lillian Kohut
 Katherine Kreuser
Anthony Lapash
 Benny Martinez
 Edwin Martinez
 Frank Martinez
 Gerry Michalek, Jr.
Helen Moore
 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

Rosaleen Reilly
 Bill Remblake
 Joe Rispoli
 Pia Rizza
 Barbara Rockwell
 David Rodriguez
 Elaine Schatz
 Jennie Sekula
 Don Skorey
 Dennis Slater
 Edward Stanczyk
 Ed Stanislawski
 Marion Szumski
 Donna Tisdale
 Camilla Trevino
 Steven P. Trifilio
 Peter Vandenberg
 Mary Ellen Vanderman
 Henry Wagener
 Rita Zambon
Angeline Ziberna
 *Newly Added

For our faithful departed:

James Patrick Nimietz (Father of Michael)
 Martin Kearney (Husband of Patricia)



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

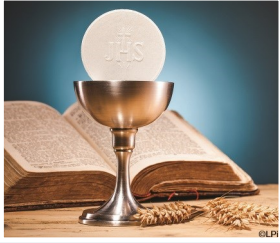


For those who serve our country:



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, 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 Brasseur, LCDR Christopher Jenkins, PO Thomas T. Tudisco
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 - 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, February 6th
through
Sunday, February 13th*

Sunday, February 6th - Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time
 5:00 P.M. (Saturday) - †Carlo Paura (on his 40th Anniversary); †Peter Smith; †Angeline Kitowski; and Michael Kelly (Living)
 8:30 A.M. - †Genevieve Bielski; and Boswell Gonsalves (Birthday) (Living)
 10:30 A.M. - †Deceased Members of The Shiel Family; †Tommy Fuller; †Michael Casey; †Francis & Moira Cross; †Alfonso DiGrazia (on his 15th Anniversary); †Linda McNerney; †The Gregory Family; †Lori Ann Minardi; †Eileen McNally; †John Folan; and The People of the Parish

Monday, February 7th - Weekday
 8:30 A.M. - †Rita Davis (Death Anniversary)

Tuesday, February 8th - Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin
 8:30 A.M. - †Bill Roberts (11th Anniversary)

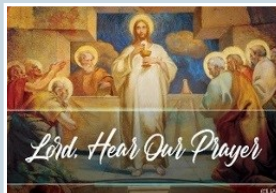
Wednesday, February 9th - Weekday
 8:30 A.M. - †Kathleen Brunke

Thursday, February 10th - Saint Scholastica, Virgin
 8:30 A.M. - †Elizabeth Serafin

Friday, February 11th - Our Lady of Lourdes (World Day Of the Sick)
 8:30 A.M. - †Bill Kuenstle; †Sister M. Jean Kula; and †Monica Ward

Saturday, February 12th - Weekday
 5:00 P.M. - †Richard Pawlowski; and †Anthony & Madeline Mazzone

Sunday, February 13th - Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time
 8:30 A.M. - †Wayne Larson
 10:30 A.M. - †Paul Bauer; †Stephen Oleksy; †Gerard Dreyfuss; †Lib & Marie Allocco; †Malachy & Ina Casey; †Francis & Moira Cross; and The People of the Parish



Pope Tweet of the Week...

"All human suffering is sacred to God. Before God we are not strangers, or numbers. We are faces and hearts, known one by one, by name."



You're invited to a
Portillo's
FUNDRAISER



IC Parents Club Fundraiser:

Bring this flyer to the restaurant or show it to the cashier on your phone and 20% of the proceeds will benefit:

Immaculate Conception School

February 10, 2022

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

at the Portillo's located at:

7308 W. Lawrence Ave.

Harwood Heights, IL

Learn more about Portillo's Fundraisers at portillos.com/good.

Not valid with online orders. Gift cards purchased during fundraisers will not count toward donation. Promoting on Portillo's premises is strictly prohibited. Not valid with online, app or phone orders.



Bethlehem Art: February 5th & 6th

This weekend, we will host representatives of the Catholic Christian Community from Jerusalem and Bethlehem in the Holy Land who will be displaying handcrafted olive wood religious figurines and articles in the Vestibule of our Church. Due to the political conflict and COVID-19 results in the reduction of tourism, the Catholic Community has come to depend more upon the sale of these articles abroad to survive. The woodcarvings are beautiful and reflect faith and love for our Lord.



Please consider purchasing a gift that will be remembered and cherished for yourself or someone dear to you. The handcrafted olive wood religious figurines and articles will be available for purchase after all our Masses.



Candlemas Candles (blessed by Fr. Robert Carlton at our 8:30 A.M. Mass on February 2nd, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord), are available for purchase in our Parish Office.

The cost is \$3.00 for a box of two candles.



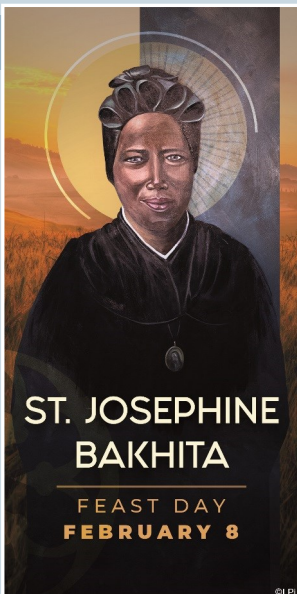
Please be advised: everyone going through the drive-thru must inform the first order-taker for it to count. Online orders, catering, and delivery are NOT valid for this event.

Saint of The Week - Examples of Our Faith: Saint Josephine Bakhita (February 8th)

The story of St. Josephine Bakhita (1869-1947) is a story that many people taken into slavery have experienced. Born in the Darfur region of Sudan, she was kidnapped at the age of 8 and sold into slavery many times. As she passed from owner to owner, she experienced the moral and physical humiliations associated with slavery. It was only at the age of 13 that her suffering was alleviated after she was bought for the Italian Consul in Sudan. It was here that she was fortunate to receive kindness, respect, and peace from her new master.

She was later handed over to the Canossian Sisters when she made the case that slavery had been outlawed in Italy for years. She was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church in 1890, where she took the name Josephine. She later entered the Institute of St. Magdalene of Canossa in 1893 and made her profession three years later.

St. Josephine Bakhita's next 50 years were spent serving people through cooking, sewing, embroidery, and housekeeping. She was a source of encouragement and her constant smile won people's hearts, as did her humility and simplicity. Today she is known as the patron saint of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking. ©LPi



Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture



“Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man,” these words, uttered by Simon Peter, can be found on any one of our lips. What real significance do I have in the big picture of God’s Divine plan? Even though we try our best to hide it, we all suffer from a lack of faith. We get tired, confused, and often lack any sincere desire to put anything into our relationship with God. It’s easier to simply reap whatever benefits the world has to offer and call it a day. Floating along on the superficial currents of life doesn’t require much effort and seems to get us

through the day. Confronting our own infidelity, apathy, weakness of spirit, and doubt in God’s providence, how can we even remotely be considered a worthy vessel of God’s presence or credible voice for His message?

This is the irony of faith. God doesn’t seek the perfect vessels. He likes the broken ones. There is something to be said about living honestly and sincerely, and wrestling with sin, imperfection, and weakness rather than skipping through the peripheries of life with pretention, arrogance, and mendacity. If we believe ourselves to be our own “god” and serve only ourselves, we close the door to ever being used by the real and only True God. But, if we at least acknowledge that there is One greater than ourselves, then even in our deepest poverty and lowliness, God can enter.

Lessons are best learned from those who suffer. Only someone who has been lonely and lost can attest to the beauty of both Divine and human friendship. Only those who have really lost their way know what happens when they are found. Only those who are afraid know what it is to be calmed by God. The Gospel is messy because life is messy. There are no black and white solutions to problems and challenges that are hazy and gray. When our hesitancy to encounter God gets replaced by friendship with God, we become more aware of our dignity and the fact that we are loved just as we are. We cannot be afraid to share our struggles, reservations, fears, and sinfulness with others. Our genuineness and sincerity will speak of the God who blesses us in our weakness. ©LPi

Ministry Schedules: Saturday, February 12th & Sunday, February 13th

	Saturday 5:00 P.M.	Sunday 8:30 A.M.	Sunday 10:30 A.M.
Presiders	Fr. Robert Carlton	Fr. Robert Carlton	Fr. Matthew Heinrich
Lectors	L. Christy	L. Beckman	N. Schroeder
Cantors	E. Doyle	Vocal Quintet & Violin	Vocal Quintet
Extraordinary Ministers	R. Altman	M. Davila	E. Niewinski
Altar Servers	E. Hyland; L. Love; E. Serb	E. Miehlich; N. Rahlfs; C. Villafane	K. Bowers; E. Carroll; K. Catomer

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/
 Bulletin Editor*
Elizabeth Doyle, *Assistant Director of Music*
Marilyn Sadowski, *Receptionist*
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What's Happening @ IC...

Monday, February 7th –
 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. – Alpha Winter Session; RA
 7:00-8:30 P.M. – Overtones Rehearsal; CH
Wednesday, February 9th –
 2:00-3:30 P.M. – Choristers Rehearsal; CH
 4:00-5:00 P.M. – Religious Education Program Class; Zoom
 7:00-9:00 P.M. – Parish Pastoral Council Mtg.; RA
 7:30-9:30 P.M. – Parents Club Mtg.; NWCR
Thursday, February 10th –
 6:00-7:00 P.M. – IC Outreach [Sandwiches for *The Port Ministries*]; RA
Friday, February 11th –
No School – Teacher Professional Development Day
 8:15-10:00 P.M. – Men's Basketball; PC
Saturday, February 12th –
 Holy Name Men's Club Raffle Ticket Sale (@ 5:00 P.M. Mass); CH
 Vestibule
Sunday, February 13th –
 Holy Name Men's Club Raffle Ticket Sale (@ 8:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.
 Masses); CH Vestibule
 9:30-10:15 A.M. – Confessions; CH
 3:00-10:00 P.M. – Holy Name Men's Club Annual Super Bowl Party;
 BA



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