Welcome to

Immaculate Conception Parish

A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

January 14, 2024 - Second Sunday In Ordinary Time



"Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ?
But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit with him."
- 1 Corinthians 6:15, 17

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Contact Us

]: 773.775.3833

Parish Office Hours:

: 7211 W. Talcott Avenue Chicago, IL. 60631

Monday-Friday: 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Saturday: 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. Sunday: Closed

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Social Media

Facebook:

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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)

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)

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Church & Special Collections:

Interested in supporting our parish, specific ministries and projects?

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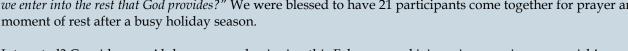


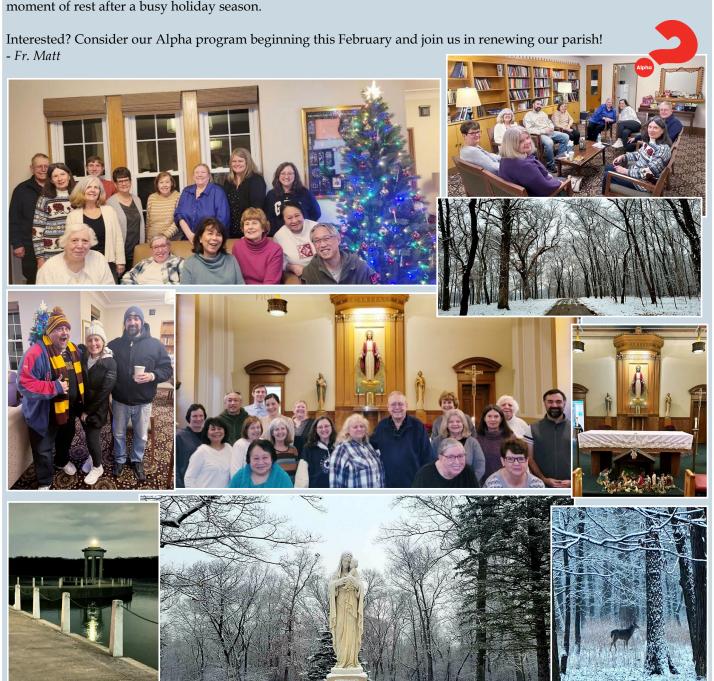
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Connect Retreat 2024 @ Joseph and Mary Retreat House - Mundelein Seminary Campus: January 5th & 6th

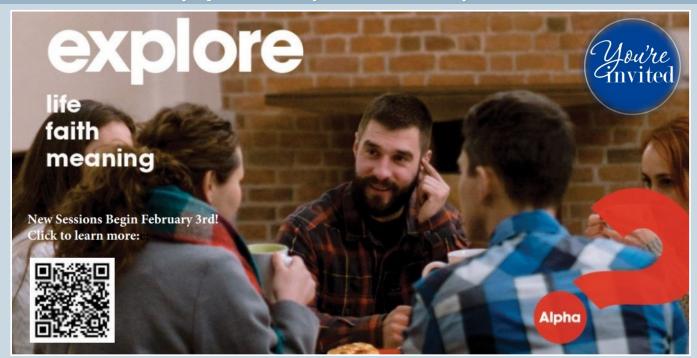
Our Connect Group began in fall of 2022 and is a program designed specifically as a post-Alpha group. It takes the lessons and skills learned from Alpha (prayer, conversing and listening about faith, openness to community) and builds upon them. Our Connect Group might be seen as leadership investment and cultivation, and many of our new ministries have come from the experience of prayer and community in this group.

In this second year, I hosted our first retreat at Mundelein Seminary focused on "The Rest of God," which is to say, "How do we enter into the rest that God provides?" We were blessed to have 21 participants come together for prayer and a





Join Us For Our New Season Of Alpha @ IC: Saturdays @ 8:30 A.M. & Mondays @ 7:00 P.M.



A Note Of Farewell From Our Former Tenor Ben Paolelli...

Dear IC Family,

As some of you may know, I am the Director of Campus Ministry at *Notre Dame College Prep* in Niles. Due to increased responsibilities and events at the high school, I am pulling back on singing every week here at IC. I'll still be around for special events like Vespers, but singing here every week is no longer feasible for my schedule. Thank you for welcoming me to the IC Community these past two years! Have a blessed 2024!

- Ben Paolelli

We wish Ben well on his ministerial endeavors. We also hope to hear him sing with us again soon.

Peace, Scott (Director of Worship)

Next Weekend @ IC: Family Mass

Please join us at our 10:30 A.M. Family Mass **next Sunday, January 21**st (with *Fr. Robert* presiding) as we celebrate our *IC Choristers & IC Athletics Program*. Our Choristers will join together with our Vocal Trio to lead our congregation in song. A hospitality reception hosted by our *IC Athletics Program* will follow the conclusion of our Mass in the Vestibule of our Church.

All are welcome and encouraged to join us!





Nicholas Delaney

Eric & Charisma Ferreria and their children Amelia & Gerard

Brian & Gabriella Cherwin and their son Patrick

Welcome to all visitors and guests! Interested in joining our IC Parish family? Register @ icchicago.org



Celebrating The Christmas Season @ IC School

Our students embraced the spirit of the holiday season throughout the last week of school prior to their Christmas Break. They wore holiday shirts, festive socks, Santa hats, performed in our annual Cherub Concert, and sang Christmas carols with the entire student body!



Please join our parish family in 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 Maria DiMaria Emily Divarco Eric Dulce Lilia Dulce Elizabeth Felix

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For those who are sick:

Elsa Mazzoni *Ieff McBride* Mary McGrath Nikki Mendoza Pat Miaso Gerry Michalek, Jr. 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

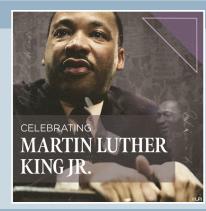
*Newly Added

For our faithful departed:

Helen Baran (Mother of Roger, Barbara & Douglas) Kenneth Gutrich (Husband of Jeanne Sullivan) Brigitte Elsa Mueller



"Eternal rest grant unto them, 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

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.



Mass Intentions: Sunday, January 14th through Sunday, January 21st

Sunday, January 14th – *Second Sunday In Ordinary Time* 5:00 *P.M.* (*Saturday*) – [†]Fr. Eric C. Meyer, C.P. (on his 1st Anniversary); and [†]Patrick Cahill 8:30 *A.M.* – [†]Wladyslaw & Jadwiga

10:30 A.M.—†James R. Maurer; †Sophie Oleksy; †Sheila O'Connell; †Claudette Foch; †Aida Gaffud Trinidad; †Michael & Mary Raleigh; †William & Margaret Casey; †Michael & Malachy Byrne; †Francis & Moira Cross; †Deacon Zeferino Ochoa; Nicole Cimilluca (For Healing) (Living); Daniel Murphy (Living); and The People of the Parish

Monday, January 15th - Weekday (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day) 8:30 A.M. — [†]Henry & Marie Barwig; and Dave Krick (Living) (For Healing)

Tuesday, January 16th - Weekday

8:30 A.M. — †Gerald Halvey; †Anton Rutkowski (on his 51st Anniversary); †Marilyn Skaja (on her 25th Anniversary); †Gertrude Sadik (on her 74th Anniversary); †Lorraine Smreczak (on her 53rd Anniversary); and Gabriella Sadowski (on her Birthday) (Living)

Wednesday, **January 17**th – *Saint Anthony*, *Abbot 8:30 A.M.* – †All Holy Souls In Purgatory

Thursday, January 18th - Weekday

8:30 A.M. − †Dorothy D'Souza (Birthday Remembrance); and Stanley & Eugenia Flondro (on their 60th Wedding Anniversary) (Living)

Friday, January 19th - Weekday

Saturday, January 20th - Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr; Saint Sebastian, Martyr

5:00 P.M. – †Dorel Morris; †Patrick Cahill; and †Mary Catherine "Katie" Kelly (on her 8th Anniversary)

Sunday, January 21st – Third Sunday In Ordinary Time (Word of God Sunday) (Ecumenical Sunday)

8:30 A.M.- †Joseph Saccomonto

10:30 A.M. — †Jack & Minnie Simone; †Manuel Mendoza; †Deacon Zeferino Ochoa; †Francis & Moira Cross; Daniel Murphy (Living); Dave Krick (Living) (For Healing); and The People of the Parish





Pope Tweet of the Week...

"We find the God who comes down to visit us, not by basking in some elegant religious theory, but by setting out on a journey, seeking the signs of his presence in everyday life, and above all in



encountering and touching the flesh of our brothers and sisters."

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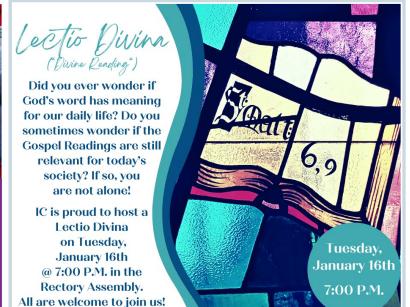
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Lectio Divina @ IC



Lectio Divina means "divine reading" in Latin. It is a meditative technique of reading the Bible in which we let go of our own agendas and open ourselves (intellectually & emotionally) to what God is trying to communicate to us.

Rectory Assembly



Please join us as we will be making sandwiches to donate to The Port Ministries of Chicago this Wednesday, January 17th at **6:00 P.M.** in our Rectory Assembly. Please invite any others that might be interested. We request that you kindly bring donations of lunch meat (ham, salami, or turkey) and sliced bread. We will also be accepting donations of cases of water, fruit cups, and small individual bags of chips. If you cannot attend and would like to drop off donations, you can do so that evening or call/text Nancy *Soprych* at 773.805.3254 to make the necessary arrangements.

Thank you so much!





Immaculate Conception Parish



Stroke Scan Plus will be hosting a Stroke, Vascular & Abdominal Ultrasound Screening at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church on Saturday, January 27, 2024.

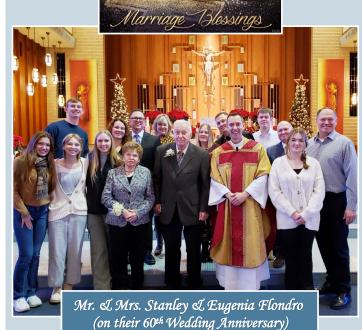
They will check the Carotid Arteries on both sides of the neck for fatty plaque build-up which accounts for 80% of all strokes. They check the Abdominal Aorta which is the main Artery off the Heart for Aneurysms, the Thyroid which controls the Metabolism for cyst, nodules and enlargements, the Liver, Gallbladder and both Kidney's for cyst, masses, fluid build-up and tumors.

These screenings are NOT typically performed at annual physicals, nor will insurance companies pay for them unless you are symptomatic. Collectively, these screenings cost thousands in a hospital. Stroke Scan will be offering them to you for \$169 for all 7 combined. Health/Flex Savings Accounts are accepted. A representative will be visiting IC on the weekend of January 20th & 21st to answer questions and for pre-registration. Payment isn't due until the day of screening. Prevention is the KEY to early detection.

A Tax-Savvy Way To Support Our Parish...

Support IC With an outright gift of appreciated securities or mutual funds, you can reduce or even eliminate federal capital gains taxes on the transfer. You may also be entitled to a federal income tax charitable deduction based on the fair market value of the securities at the time of the transfer. For more information about donating stock or securities to *Immaculate Conception Parish*, please contact your financial advisor.

To initiate the stock donation process, please visit: archchicago.org/stockgiftform and complete the electronic Letter of Intention form. Once you have submitted the form, you will receive a confirmation email with detailed instructions for you to follow to complete your gift. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Whitehead, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312.534.7461 or kwhitehead@archchicago.org.



If you are celebrating a special Wedding Anniversary and would like to receive a blessing and/or renew your vows as a couple during one of our Masses, please contact our Parish Office @ 773.775.3833 to make the necessary arrangements.

IC Minister Of Care Holy Communion Homebound Visits

My dear Brothers and Sisters:

The reception of Holy Communion at home, by any sick and homebound parishioner who is unable to attend church services, is a special blessing and



a sign of support and concern shown by the Christian community of IC Parish. This home visit by an IC trained and mandated Minister of Care, represents Christ's presence and manifests faith and charity on behalf of the whole community toward those who cannot be present at Mass to receive the Eucharist.

Arrangements can be made according to the specific needs of the individual requesting the visit and can be scheduled on a weekly basis (or as needed.) This Ministry of Care home visit to distribute Holy Communion, is a service provided by IC and is available upon request made to our IC Parish Office.

If you would like to receive Holy Communion at home for yourself or for a relative or loved one who is unable to attend Mass at IC, please contact our IC Parish Office at 773.775.3833. You may also contact Deacon Ronald Gronek directly via email: jmjdeacon@aol.com

Respectfully your brother in Christ, Deacon Ronald J. Gronek

Ministry Schedules. Saturday, January 20 th & Sahaary, January 21 th			
	Saturday 5:00 P.M. Mass	Sunday 8:30 A.M. Mass	Sunday 10:30 A.M. Family Mass
Presiders	Fr. Bill Sheridan	Fr. Matthew Heinrich	Fr. Robert Fedek
Lectors	L. Christy	J. Semmler	Youth Lectors
Cantors	E. Doyle	Vocal Trio	Vocal Trio
Extraordinary Ministers	L. Womack; E. Kinzie	C. Mulligan; A. Schnitzlein; M. Zizzo; L. Delana	K. Sanchez; M. Niewinski; E. Niewinski; C. Kech
Altar Servers	G. Hoffman; S. Traversa C. Beach	D. Gillespie; S. Gillespie; A. McMahon	S. Paxson; T. Paxson; S. Borowski



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What's Happening @ IC...

Monday, January 15th - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (No School) 7:00-8:30 P.M. - Overtones Rehearsal; CH

Tuesday, January 16th -

12:30 P.M. - Parish Staff Mtg.; RA

7:00-8:30 P.M. - Lectio Divina; RA

Wednesday, January 17th -

8:30 A.M. - School Mass; CH

2:00-3:30 P.M. - Choristers Rehearsal; CH

4:00-5:00 P.M. - Religious Education Class; SC

6:00-7:00 P.M. – IC Outreach: Sandwiches For The Port Ministries; RA

7:00-9:00 P.M. - Future City Mtg.; Café

Thursday, January 18th -

6:30-8:30 P.M. - Cub Scout Derby Workshop; PH

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

Friday, January 19th -

8:00 P.M. - Men's Basketball; SG

Saturday, January 20th -

10:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. - Future City Mtg.; Café (Stroke Scan Representative Speaking @ 5:00 P.M. Mass)

5:30-10:30 P.M. - ICPC Mother/Son Sweetheart Dance; PC

Sunday, January 21st -

(Stroke Scan Representative Speaking @ 8:30 & 10:30 A.M. Masses)

9:30 A.M.-10:15 A.M. - Confessions; CH

10:30 A.M. – Family Mass (Hosted By: *IC Choristers & IC Athletics Program*);

CH (Hospitality Reception to follow in CH Vestibule)

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

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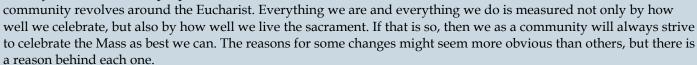
Changes to Mass...

Question:

Why do we make changes in the Mass? Some seem so small and unimportant. Are they really necessary?

Answer:

The celebration of the Eucharist is at the heart of our identity as Catholics. Our purpose as a Church



The General Instruction of the Roman Missal is the introduction to the Missal that contains all the prayers for the celebration of the Mass. The Order of Mass we use now was issued in 1975 and, as often happens over the course of years, some questions have come up about the proper way of doing some things and whether or not other practices are acceptable. These changes clarify some things and make the celebration of the Mass more meaningful for everyone. The opportunity is presented to us to better learn and understand each part of the Mass, which in turn should help us deepen our appreciation for its beauty and meaning. We will be a better Church if we have a clearer understanding and knowledge of Who and what we celebrate. ©LPi





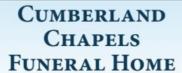
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