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A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

July 10, 2022 - Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time



"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble.

But take heart! I have overcome the world."

- John 16:33

Love God • Serve Others • Make Disciples

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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.

Weekday Mass Schedule:

*In-Person*Monday through Thursday @ 8:30 A.M.

(**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)

All are welcome!

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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.

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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.

Discipleship: A Light In Darkness

I hope that everyone's 4th of July Weekend was a restful one. Sadly, as many of you know, the shooting in Highland Park, a neighborhood I visited frequently in my previous assignment, was immensely painful for our city and Diocese. Please join us this week in praying intentionally for innocent victims of violence. God has a special place in His heart for those who suffer unjustly, so let us also keep the family, friends, and neighbors affected in our prayers.



When I consider parishes, whether in Uvalde or Highland Park, they are tasked with a unique and distressing ministry: to comfort those who have experienced great evil, i.e., to be a light in the darkness.

While Immaculate Conception has experienced its share of tragedies as well, it is worth reminding ourselves that a parish exists to minister to its particular community. The Church at large ministers to the world through the preaching of the Gospel, but a parish must be intimately familiar with its soil, so to speak.



This past week, I initiated our first Connect meeting for all Alpha Alumni. I am happy to say about thirty parishioners and I gathered together to reconnect and to learn how we can continue to grow as a parish. I mention this in conjunction with the above because in our long-term planning we seek to fulfill our mission of "Love God, Serve Others, Make Disciples."

God is the source of goodness, and this is who we need to introduce to Norwood Park in work and prayer.

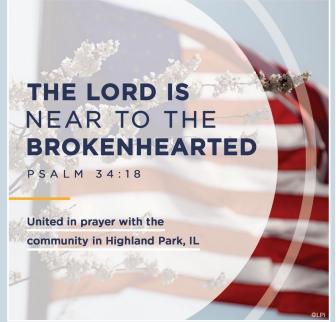
We need to love one another, and love is impossible without intentional relationships and healthy growth—the purpose of our Connect Groups.

Lastly, becoming a disciple is a prerequisite for the kingdom of God—not simply belief, but *discipleship*. The Letter of St. James famously said, "Show me your faith without works, but I will show you my faith *by* my works." This is what we are building towards: a sustainable model of a parish that is better able to serve parishioners, insofar as we promote their growth into disciples, and thereafter serving others beyond our four walls.

Discipleship means to follow Jesus, but this means that we imitate Him too. In a world afflicted by financial, social, political, and genuine darkness, we must look to Him who is our light and our salvation.

With that said, be safe and well this summer, and love one another. Join us for our Masses, prayers, and even Alpha, so that you can experience the growth you need to serve a hurting world.

- Fr. Matt



IC Holy Name Society's 9th Annual "Dancin' With My Daddy" Father/Daughter Dance

Following a two and a half year hiatus due to the pandemic, our IC Holy Name Society resumed their annual "Dancin' With My Daddy" Father/Daughter Dance in our Parish Center on Friday, June 10th. On behalf of the organizers of the event (Rob Lohman, Kyle Liebich, & Kevin Walsh): many thanks to all of the fathers and daughters who attended and to all those who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to help make the return of our Daddy/Daughter Dance a resounding success!































Snapshots From "Dancin' With My Daddy" @ IC - Friday, June 10[‡]



IC Holy Name Society Annual Chicago White Sox Baseball Outing - Monday, August 15th

Hello IC Parishioners and Families,

It is time once again for the ICHNS Annual Chicago White Sox Baseball Outing! Please invite all of your family and friends to join us this year for a Sox Game! This year's event details are as follows:

When: August 15th @ 7:10 P.M. vs. Houston Astros

Where:

5:00 P.M. - Tommy's on Higgins (6954 W Higgins Ave, Chicago, IL 60656)

6:00 P.M. - Coach bus leaves Tommy's to take us to the game at Guaranteed Rate Field

7:10 P.M. - Game starts

Game ends - Coach bus brings back everyone to Tommy's on Higgins

Details: There will be hot dogs and chips for dinner at Tommy's and coolers of beer/pop/water on the bus. The price includes the ticket to the game, the bus, food and SOFT drinks at Tommy's, and drinks on the bus.

Price: \$45.00 for Adults \$35.00 for Kids

Please *RSVP* to:

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Hope everyone can make it regardless of your fan affiliation!





Please join our parish family in prayer ...



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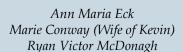
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For those who are sick:

Bonnie Jean Gorski Deacon Ron Gronek Ofelia Hernandez MaryAnn Schmitt Hurtig Kevin Jaburek Wayne Kinzie, Sr. Craig Kloss Lillian Kohut Katherine Kreuser Anthony LaPash Benny Martinez Edwin Martinez Frank Martinez Pat Miaso Gerry Michalek, Jr. Glen Molo Molly Morris Veronica Murillo Timothy Murray Brendan Nelson Anne O'Brien John O'Brien Iackie O'Koniewski David Olson

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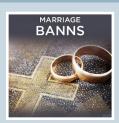
For our faithful departed:





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

For those preparing to be joined together in Holy Matrimony:



Kaitlyn Susan Costello and Theodore Stephen Kontopoulos

Jennifer Alison Slaski and Stephen Stare

"And the two shall become one..."

– Ephesians 5:31

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 Wieczorek

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, July 10th through Sunday, July 17th

Sunday, July 10th – *Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time* 5:00 *P.M.* (*Saturday*) – [†]Genevieve Maurer; [†]Elaine Schatz; [†]Zenaida Amday; and MaryAnn Schmitt Hurtig (Living) 8:30 *A.M.* – [†]Elizabeth Serafin; and [†]George Buschauer 10:30 *A.M.* – [†]Carmen & Irene Covello; [†]Klemens Fudala; [†]Giovanni & Rosalia Porcelli; [†]Doris Kech; [†]Richard Smola (on his 2nd Anniversary); [†]Deceased Members of the Palenica Family; [†]Steve Kelleher; [†]Donato Pugnisi; [†]Francis & Moira Cross; Filippo & Nancy Chiaramonte (on their 58th Wedding Anniversary) (Living); and The People of the Parish

Monday, July 11th - *Saint Benedict, Abbot* 8:30 A.M. — Clara Baumgartner (on her Birthday) (Living); and Gene Czajka (Birthday) (Living)

Tuesday, July 12th - Weekday 8:30 A.M. — †Peter Vandenbergh, III

Wednesday, July 13th - Saint Henry 8:30 A.M. - [†]Genevieve Saccomonto

Thursday, July 14th - Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin 8:30 A.M. - [†]Thomas Howe

Friday, July 15th - Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Friday Daily Masses Temporarily Suspended (as of July 8th)

Saturday, July 16th - Our Lady of Mount Carmel 5:00 P.M. — *Nora & John Joyce & Family; *Stanislaw Swiderski; *Richard Smola (Birthday Remembrance); and Grace Kurian (on her Baptism Day) (Living)

Sunday, July 17th – *Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time* 8:30 A.M.– †Casimer Szpunar; †Rose Groya; and †George Buschauer 10:30 A.M.– †Rocco Chiusolo; †Kenneth Nagle; †Francis & Moira Cross; and The People of the Parish





Pope Tweet of the Week...

"Brothers, sisters, let us not place our trust in wealth and not fear our poverties, material and human. The more we are free and simple, the more the Holy Spirit



guides the mission and makes us agents of his wonders."

IC Pro-Life Committee Celebrates Fathers

Our Pro-Life Committee honored all IC fathers at our Masses on Father's Day weekend for their essential role in support of family life. Carnations and varied sweets were offered after all Masses. Free-will donations for *The Women's Center* were gratefully accepted, with \$350.00 collected upon their behalf. Many thanks to the Leahy family for their efforts organizing this special event!









Statement From Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, Archbishop Of Chicago - June 24, 2022

Today, the U.S. Supreme Court issued its ruling in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, which overturns the court's tragic 1973 decision that removed legal protection for unborn children. We welcome this important ruling and the opportunity it creates for a national conversation on protecting human life in the womb and promoting human dignity at all stages of life. This moment should serve as a turning point in our dialogue about the place an unborn child holds in our nation, about our responsibility to listen to women and support them through pregnancies and after the birth of their children, and about the need to refocus our national priorities to support families, particularly those in need.

The Catholic Church brings to such a conversation the conviction that every human life is sacred, that every person is made in the image and likeness of God and therefore deserving of reverence and protection. That belief is the reason the Catholic Church is the country's largest provider of social services, many aimed at eliminating the systemic poverty and health care insecurity that trap families in a cycle of hopelessness and limit authentic choice.

We also come to this dialogue as Americans, knowing that the principle that all human beings are endowed by the Creator with certain inalienable rights is enshrined in the Declaration of Independence, and that first among these is the right to life.

Make no mistake, because this ruling regrettably will have little impact on abortion in Illinois, as there are virtually no restrictions here, we will continue to advocate strongly for legal protections for unborn children. And we will redouble our efforts to work with all to build a culture that values the inalienable rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness for all.

This ruling is not the end of a journey, but rather a fresh start. It underscores the need to understand those who disagree with us, and to inculcate an ethic of dialogue and cooperation. Let us begin by examining our national conscience, taking stock of those dark places in our society and in our hearts that turn to violence and deny the humanity of our brothers and sisters, and get to work building up the common good by choosing life.

Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture



We can learn a great deal from Mister Rogers. Remember him? He was the gentle soul who found his way into living rooms worldwide starting as far back as 1968. Mister Rogers' Neighborhood was a beloved program that celebrated and exalted people, especially children. He taught us that we are neighbors and that everyone has a place. Everyone matters. He had a vision, born of his relationship with God that highlighted every human life's innocence, beauty, and uniqueness. To that end, he called us to be responsible for each other, saying nothing different than what Jesus said. Viewers quickly learned that life is not just about me.

"We live in a world in which we need to share responsibility. It's easy to say, 'It's not my child, not my community, not my world, not my problem.' Then there are those who see the need and respond. I consider those people my heroes (Fred Rogers)." It is so easy to look the other way. After all, I'm not the one who needs to leave home out of fear and try to find somewhere safe. I am not the one who is hungry and without shelter or food. I am not the one who has a child being bullied or ridiculed because of the way they dress or act. I am not the one being threatened with violence or unable to find meaningful work. The distress and agony of our neighbors are our distress and agony. We cannot walk by it with an attitude of indifference, especially if we call ourselves believers. When we no longer care, we have suffocated our souls. This is a great sin.

God's law "is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out." We all have a need for love and acceptance. That's why Mister Rogers' television show was so popular. It spoke to something deeper, something sacred about humanity. God didn't give us his law in a book. He wrote it on our hearts. We know what we need to do. It's a matter of choice. Love is sacred. When we love another human being, especially without regard for ourselves, it is a holy moment. These moments are often missed due to our self-serving agendas and rules. ©LPi

IC School Extended Care Program: Help Wanted



Our **Immaculate Conception School Extended Care** program is seeking part-time help for the 2022-2023 School Year. Responsibilities would consist of caring for and supervising students in grades Preschool through 8th grade during indoor free play and activities such as coloring and homework. We are looking for one candidate to cover five shifts during the week: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 3:00-6:00 P.M. and Wednesday from 2:00 P.M.-6:00 P.M. Interested candidates must love children and are required to be VIRTUS trained. Please contact Marcia for additional information at: kusinski@iccowboys.net

Ministry Schedules: Saturday, July 16 th & Sunday, July 17 th			
	Saturday 5:00 P.M.	Sunday 8:30 A.M.	Sunday 10:30 A.M.
Presiders	Fr. Matthew Heinrich	Fr. Matthew Heinrich	Fr. Matthew Heinrich
Lectors	S. Serb	J. Lim	N. Schroeder
Cantors	E. Doyle	Vocal Quintet & Violin	Vocal Quintet
Extraordinary Ministers	E. Kinzie	L. Delana	S. Serb & A. Schnitzlein
Altar Servers	P. Beckman; K. Giannola; E. Serb	S. Gillespie; D. Gillespie; N. Rahlfs	K. Bowers; I. Cox; T. Cox



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Tina Fitzgerald, Assistant Principal

Julie Szwedo, Religious Education Coordinator

Lisa Kessler, School Accountant

Mary Haley, School Secretary

What's Happening @ IC...

Monday, July 11th-

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

Tuesday, July 12th -

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

7:30-9:00 P.M. - Baptismal Preparation Session; RA

Wednesday, July 13th -

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

Thursday, July 14th -

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

Friday, July 15th-

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

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

Sunday, July 17th -

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

For additional information regarding upcoming events @ IC, please visit: icchicago.org/discover-ic/event-calendar.cfm

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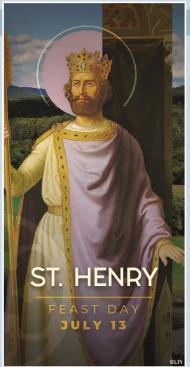
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Parish Registration: Please contact our Parish Office at 773.775.3833 or visit our parish website at www.icchicago.org to join our parish family.

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





Saint of The Week - Examples of Our Faith: Saint Henry (July 13th)

Saint Henry was born in 972 to Henry, Duke of Bavaria, Germany, and his wife Gisela of Burgundy. Saint Henry's early life was permeated with Christianity, among those who guided his education was Bishop Wolfgang of Ratisbon, who became a saint himself. In 995, Saint Henry succeeded his father as Duke of Bavaria, and in 1002, upon the death of his cousin, Otho III, he was elected emperor. In 1014, Saint Henry undertook the long journey from Germany to Rome to be crowned Holy Roman Emperor by Pope Benedict XIII.

In 1022 Saint Henry assisted Pope Benedict VIII in holding the Council of Pavia, which promoted clerical celibacy and sought to end simony (the buying and selling of ecclesiastical goods and offices). During his reign, Saint Henry used his wealth and position for the Church. He confirmed Benedict's authority over Rome, was a patron of churches and monasteries, supported the Cluniac Reforms, restored episcopal sees, and founded the Diocese of Bamburg where he built a cathedral.

Saint Henry was married to Cunigunde of Luxembourg, to whom he was incredibly devoted. Although disputed by some historians, some stories of the couple's marriage report they took vows of chastity because their union was childless.

Saint Henry died in July of 1024 and was canonized in 1146 by Pope Eugene III. **©LPi**

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