Welcome to Immaculate Conception Parish

A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

July 3, 2022 - Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time



"May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. Peace and mercy be to all who follow this rule and to the Israel of God." - Galatians 6:14, 16

Love God • Serve Others • Make Disciples

Cet all the earth cry out to God with joy

Contact Us

Parish Office Summer Hours:

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: 773.775.3833

 Monday-Friday:
 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 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 now optional.

All are welcome!

Weekday Mass Schedule:

In-Person

Monday through Thursday @ 8:30 A.M. First Friday Communion Service @ 5:30 P.M. each month followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction from 6:00-7:00 P.M.

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)

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.

Farewell & God Bless: Snapshots From Fr. Robert Carlton's Farewell Weekend @ IC (June 25th & 26th)



Snapshots From Fr. Robert Carlton's Farewell Weekend @ IC

On June 25th & 26th, our IC parish family gathered together to bid a fond farewell to Fr. Robert Carlton as he celebrated our 5:00 P.M., 8:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M. Masses during his final weekend as our Associate Pastor. Many thanks to all those who offered Fr. Robert their best wishes, bestowed gifts and cards, and expressed their heartfelt appreciation to him for his faithful service to our community over the past few years. He is genuinely grateful to all for their kind words, generosity, support and prayers as he departs IC for his new assignment in Oak Park. Special thanks to our Hospitality Team for graciously organizing and hosting our hospitality reception (offered after each of our Masses last weekend in Fr. Robert's honor.)



And The Scholarship Is Awarded To...



Our warmest congratulations to the six recipients of our \$500.00 IC **Catholic High School Scholarships** for the 2022-2023 school year:

Brendon Allen (Saint Ignatius)
Ryan Allen (Saint Ignatius)
Genevieve Gonzalez (Loyola Academy)

Jake Losik (Notre Dame) Kyle Losik (Notre Dame) Antonella Sessa (Resurrection)

With grateful hearts, we thank our generous donors for kindly supporting the continuing Catholic Education of our IC Graduates!

Independence Day Mass @ 10:00 A.M.



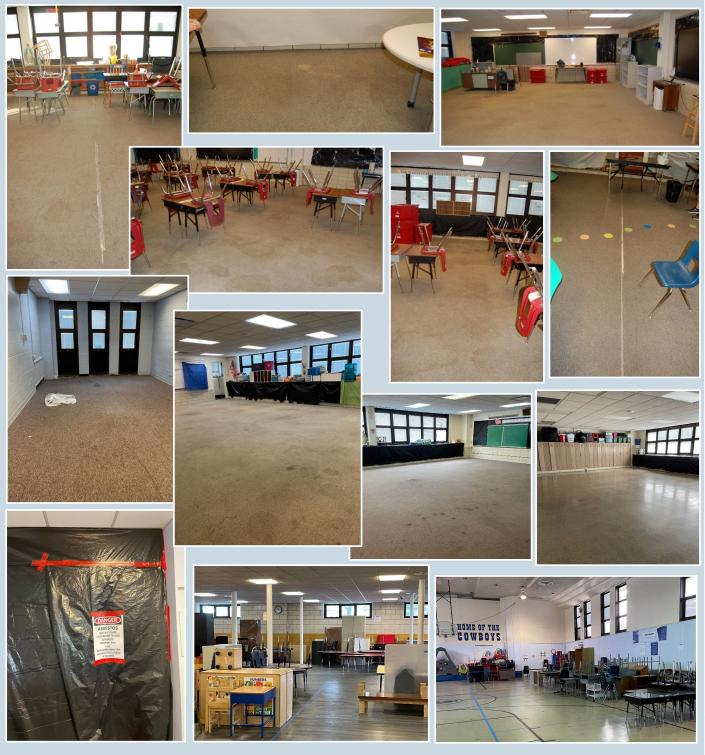
Our Parish Office will be closed this **Monday**, **July 4**th in observance of *Independence Day*. All are welcome to join us in prayer at our Mass on this day which will be celebrated at **10:00 A.M.** with Fr. Matt presiding.





Summer School Renovation Project

Our major summer renovation project involves the removal of the carpeting in our classrooms in the East portion of our school building in order to replace it with brand new flooring! We are able to do this thanks to the generosity of our donors that participated in our main fundraiser this past school year, the "*Cowboy Boot Scootin*' *Boogie*" (Boosterthon). Our teachers packed up their entire classrooms and movers transferred all the contents into designated storage areas within our school. After prepping the area over the course of four days, the asbestos abatement officially began on Friday, June 24th. The entire process of our new flooring project will occupy most of the summer.



Please join our parish family in prayer ...



Tom Altman Paul Amandes Arnold B. Deacon Mike Bednarz Robert Behrman Sonia M. B. Roberta Berger John Bozek Vince Caeti Mary Cali Zita Castro Donna Chaplin Marie Conway James Covello Ronnie Cunningham Paige Dicks Margarita DiSalvo Emily Divarco Paula Drew Ozzie D'Souza Joan Fabiano Richard Flanagan Brooke Foreman Patricia Furgat

For those who are sick:

Lila Gehner 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 Jackie O'Koniewski

David Olson Ashton Peterson Leo Pfest Mary Potwora Helen Rasmussen Rosaleen Reilly **Bill Remblake** *Ioe Rispoli* Pia Rizza David Rodriguez Don Skorey Edward Stanczyk Wivina Stremel Jill Swagler Alma T. Donna Tisdale Camilla Trevino Steven P. Trifilio Mary Ellen Vanderman Henry Wagener Miss Westhoff Rita Zambon *Newly Added

For our faithful departed:

For those preparing to be joined together in Holy Matrimony:

Ann Marie Etc Peter Vandenbergh (Brother of Nancy Kremer)



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



Kaitlyn Susan Costello and Theodore Stephen Kontopoulos

Jennifer Alison Slaski and Stephen Stare

"And the two shall become one..." – Ephesians 5:31



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.

For those who serve our country:



Mass Intentions: Sunday, July 3rd through Sunday, July 10th

Sunday, July 3rd – *Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time* 5:00 P.M. (Saturday) – [†]Anthony Mazzone; [†]Stanislaw Swiderski; and Mark & Stephanie Swiderski (on their 1st Wedding Anniversary) (Living)

8:30 A.M. – [†]George Buschauer; [†]Leonardo Positano; and [†]Thomas Healy

10:30 A.M. – [†]Agnes Ghidara (on her 6th Anniversary); [†]Tommy Fuller; [†]Medard Schronski; [†]Erin Sampey; [†]Marie Gallo; [†]Susan Fox; [†]Francis & Moira Cross; [†]Patrick & Eileen Casey; and The People of the Parish

Monday, July 4th - Weekday (Independence Day) 10:00 A.M. - [†]Stella Sygiel

Tuesday, July 5th - Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; Saint Elizabeth of Portugal 8:30 A.M. – [†]Poor Souls In Purgatory

Wednesday, July 6th – Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr 8:30 A.M. – [†]Julia Tenuta (on her 1st Anniversary)

Thursday, July 7th – Weekday 8:30 A.M. – [†]Peter Vandenbergh

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

Saturday, July 9th - Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs 5:00 P.M.— [†]Genevieve Maurer; [†]Elaine Schatz; [†]Zenaida Amday; and MaryAnn Schmitt Hurtig (Living)

Sunday, July 10th – *Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time* 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





the welcoming face of the Church! And please pray, always pray!"

seed of a more fraternal world! Be



Cristen Amari Correa <u>Child of Cristen Nicolas Correa & Sergina Robert Sergis</u>



Kathryn Mae Harkin Child of Joseph Patrick & Krista Kathryn (Porchetta) Harkin



Romolo Anthony Vitali Child of Anthony Ray Vitali & Melissa Marie Barca



Adrian Joseph Garcia Child of Gonsalo Adrian Garcia & Sabrina Angela Plewa



Benjamin Michael Mannix Child of Christopher David & Meridith Lydia (Dietz) Mannix



Maureen Boyle and her children Eleanor & Emilia O'Hearn

Tim & Lauren Platt and their child Cameron

Welcome to all visitors and guests! Interested in joining our IC Parish family? Register @ icchicago.org 8

Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture



Freedom properly defined is freedom properly understood. The Cambridge Dictionary tells us that it is, "the condition or right of being able or allowed to do, say, think, etc., whatever you want to, without being controlled or limited." That same dictionary defines liberty as, "the freedom to live, work, and travel as you want to." Both definitions sound very similar. Is there a difference between freedom and liberty? Many are accustomed to believing that freedom and liberty are interchangeable and simply involve possessing rights and privileges. For the Christian, however, there is a big difference between the two.

St. John Chrysostom directs that "the only person who is free is the one who lives for Christ." There are many other inspirational people throughout history who see freedom as something far greater than liberty. True and properly understood freedom has little to do with entitlement or self-promotion. For the believer, it is a matter of the heart and soul. Freedom (and liberty, for that matter), seen only in terms of the world, can quickly be taken away. The freedom spoken of by St. John Chrysostom can only be lost by personal choice. When one lives for Christ, they live in pursuit of virtues that enlighten one's soul (faith, hope, and love) and strengthen one's character (justice, fortitude, temperance, and prudence). Rather than having the ability to acquire or do more things, true freedom asks us to be detached. Privileges, rights, and responsibilities are important, but they do not define us.

The world is not always open to listening to the truth. "I am sending you like lambs among wolves," Jesus tells his disciples. The secular definitions of freedom and liberty are very attractive. They promise us a great deal. It is no wonder Jesus asks his disciples to travel with very little. The Gospel is not dependent upon things or anything those with worldly power or investment can say or do. When one chooses to live for Christ, they choose to live with peace. That's what true freedom will give us. If we do not want what Christ offers, we can close the door, and the messenger will walk away. Distracted by the lure of personal liberties, we risk losing our freedom. We will not have anything truly life-giving to share with others. ©LPi





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 9th & Sunday, July 10th				
	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	N. Kremer	G. Abraham	L. Beckman	
Cantors	E. Doyle	Vocal Quintet & Violin	Vocal Quintet & Guitar & Bass	
Extraordinary Ministers	D. Mroz	D. Sebastian	M. Davila & R. Siciliano	
Altar Servers	K. Yau; C. Beach; K. Bowers	C. Villafane; A. McMahon; E. Miehlich	M. Gallagher; E. Peters; K. Catomer	



Our Parish Staff: Fr. Matthew Heinrich, 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 Bernadette Anna, Parish Sacristan Michael La Haye, Head of Maintenance

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, July 4th</u>- Independence Day Parish Office Closed 10:00 A.M. – Independence Day Mass; CH

<u>Tuesday, July 5th</u> -**8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. –** IC Summer Camp; PC **6:00-8:30 P.M. –** Alpha Alumni Connect Introductory Gathering; PR

<u>Wednesday, July 6th</u> -8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC

<u>Thursday, July 7th</u> -8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC

<u>Friday, July 8th</u>-8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC 8:00 P.M. – Men's Basketball; PC

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

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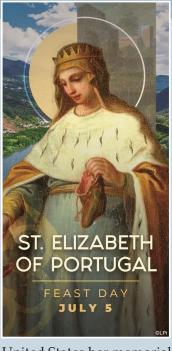
If you plan to move from our parish, please notify our Parish Office at least three months prior to your change of address. Also, if you will be away from home for more than 3 months, please contact us so that your envelopes can be stopped during that time period.

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**

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Saint of The Week - Examples of Our Faith: Saint Elizabeth Of Portugal (July 5th)

St. Elizabeth was born to Peter III of Aragon and his queen Constantia in 1271. Like most royal girls of the time, she was betrothed at an early age, and was married to King Diniz (or Dinis, English: Denis) at the age of 12. Although her husband's infidelities and life of sin caused much scandal, Elizabeth was a good and pious queen. She attended Mass daily and dedicated her life to helping the poor. She established orphanages and shelters for the homeless. She also founded a convent of Poor Clares at Coimbra, Portugal.

Often called Peacemaker, Elizabeth was from her birth a reconciler of conflict. Her birth brought her father and his estranged father James to peace. Later, when her own son and husband came to war out of jealousy, she rode between armies and reconciled the two men.

After King Diniz died in 1325, she went to live as a lay member at the convent of Poor Clares that she had founded. But her fight for peace was not over as she undertook a long ride to keep the army of her son Alfonso IV from fighting that of Alfonso XI of Castile. Although she was successful, she died shortly after from a fever.

Saint Elizabeth was canonized on May 25th, 1625, by Pope Urban VIII. In the

United States her memorial has been transferred to July 5th since July 4th is Independence Day, a national holiday. ©LPi





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