

Welcome to
Immaculate Conception Parish

A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

July 4, 2021 - Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.



*Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our country,
pray for us.*

Love God • Serve Others • Make Disciples

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Parish Office Summer Hours:

(as of June 14th)

Monday-Friday: 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Saturday: 10:00 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 Friday @ 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.-10:30 A.M.
(offered on an every other week
basis—effective as of **April 11th**)

(Special dates & times
offered during Advent & Lent)

Baptisms:

Sundays @ Noon

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.

Working from a Team, Strengths

One of the more common models of parishes in recent memory has been the ‘pastor ➔ everyone else’ model. Naturally, to this day the role of pastor is important in both an administrative and spiritual context, but the diocese and individuals alike have been exploring more efficient and fruitful models.



These two concepts are “Ministry from a Team” and “Strength-Based Ministry.”

“From a Team” does not mean ‘by committee’ but rather indicates that I, as a pastor, am incapable of handling the sum total of all the work IC has to offer. I not only have to delegate (which is easy) but entrust work to others – and there is a big difference. Delegation can still imply micromanagement, constant oversight, and regular course correction. Entrusting a job to someone else *is* delegation, but it also presumes I allow an individual to accomplish a goal in the manner natural to them. They are still accountable to our overall goals and to me, but ministry is the work of the whole Church and not just the clergy.

The shift, in simple form, is this: communicate the core values, get buy-in for these core values, set goals, allow your team to accomplish these goals in an appropriate timeline.

Perhaps it seems obvious, but many businesses and churches in general often have a bottleneck of some sort. Maximizing our talent here at IC means better Masses, music, service, education, and ministry.

Strength-Based Ministry is a concept I find to be even more useful. The common approach in seminary from yesteryear was to work on ‘blind spots’ and ‘weaknesses,’ because our natural talents would develop themselves. Strengthen weak areas, continue in our strength. It is not a bad model, but people have noted that emphasizing areas of weakness has a tendency to frustrate and exhaust development and damage morale.

Strength-Based models flip the process. *Invest* in your strengths—it is where you find passion, life, and things are easy to you. You will be more motivated, energized, and fulfilled to pursue your strengths. The net result is that, in this process, our weaknesses will be elevated.

Why? Because our weaknesses prevent the fuller expression of our strength. We want our strengths to shine, so we will gradually work on our weaknesses in light of our strengths.

So, if someone is a strong speaker, speak! A strong listener? Listen! Motivated to serve? Serve!

“There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone” (1 Cor 2:4-6).

The only rule: allow others, especially coworkers in ministry and in the Church, to discern your gifts with you. Others can see things in us we cannot see, and no one benefits from self-appraisal alone.

Please be on the lookout for this language which has been at the heart of some of our internal change here at IC but will now be at work in a wider way.

I will be writing more on it soon, but in summary:

Working from a team yields greater fruit.

Working from our strengths yields greater leaders in our Church.

Fr. Matt

IC School Awards: 2020-2021 Academic Year

**Parents Club Scholarship:**

Frank Cambria
Vincent Curio
Ryan Gallagher
Theresa LaFramboise
Hannah Lally
Nathan Reichle
Matthew Weisse

High School Scholarships:**Notre Dame:**

Frank Cambria
Dante D'Prospero
Nathan Reichle
Matthew Weisse

St. Patrick:

Nathan Burke
Vince Curio
Christopher Doud
Gavin Fitzgerald

Regina:

Theresa LaFramboise

Resurrection:

Alyssa Guettler
Abigail Nosalik

Trinity:

Adriana Solis

National Junior Honor**Society Class of 2021:**

Emily Breen
James Carroll
Vincent Curio
Christopher Doud
Nora Emerson
Gavin Fitzgerald
Ryan Gallagher
William Gonzalez
Alyssa Guettler
Sarah Horist
Rebecca Jalloway
Anthony Kostecki
Lindsey Krawczyk
Theresa LaFramboise
Hannah Lally
Madison Ozanic
Nathan Reichle
Emmet Tom
Hailee Weaver
Matthew Weisse

Don Moore Student Athlete**Award:**

Vince Curio

Nora Emerson

Highest Grade Point Average**(GPA):****First Grade:**

Brigid Brezina
Helen Serb
Cadence Weaver

Second Grade:

Joseph Haugh
Gwen Hoffman
Isabel Magruder
Isabella Wielgus
Jonathan Nelson
Ava Campuzano
Emily Cochran
Luca Casal
Cormack Hammersmith
Reagan Jennings
Teagan McGrath
Ivy Meersman
Sophia Nowicki
Thomas Riordan

Third Grade:

Caroline Egan
Elena Moran
Norah Malloy
Mikayla Plonka
Daniel Gillespie
Liv Haney
Claire Porter
Caleb Villafane

Fourth Grade:

Nathan Alvarez
Isabella Galarza
Zoryana DiBartolo
Kaylyn Catomer
Alexis Davis
Shea Gillespie
Dean Rottman
Mylee Tadin

Fifth Grade:

Caroline Beach
Kelly Breen
Clare Doud
Giovanni Gomez
Natalie Malloy

Sixth Grade:

Vincent Cambria
Roxylana DiBartolo
Terence Forbes
Claire Kristensen
Olivia Magruder

Sullivan McGrath

Madison Moorehouse

Victor Petrenko

Seventh Grade:

Thomas Beyna
Kaleigh Cordero
Charlie Devine
Jake Edwards
Margaret Fennessy
Avery Hammersmith
Robert Metzger
Ava Moran
Kaitlyn Osborn
Frank Rottman

Eighth Grade:

Emily Breen
Frank Cambria
James Carroll
Vincent Curio
Nora Emerson
Ryan Gallagher
William Gonzalez
Sarah Horist
Rebecca Jalloway
Anthony Kostecki
Lindsey Krawczyk
Theresa LaFramboise
Hannah Lally
Sinead McGreevy
Madison Ozanic
Nathan Reichle
Gael Urbietta
Hailie Weaver
Matthew Weisse
Jaden Wierzba

Most Improved in Academics:**Grade 1:**

Anthony Pekic
Beau Durkin

Grade 2:

Olivia Accardo
Emmett McDonald
Mia Moreth
Joseph Lite-DePasquale

Grade 3:

Charlotte Duffy
Donovan Guillermo

Grade 4:

Karly Bowers
Jacob Guillermo
Connor McFadden

Grade 5:

Sarah Gillernan
Anne Duffy

Grade 6:

London Diblich
Silas Allbritton

Grade 7:

Shannon Stack

Grade 8:

Daniel Sherry

Band Students of the Year:

James Carroll
Elizabeth Miehlich

Spanish Awards:

Nora Emerson
Guillermo Guevara
Sinead McGreevy
Sarah Horist
Theresa LaFramboise
Hannah Lally
Matthew Weisse

Illinois Holocaust Museum**Student Leadership:**

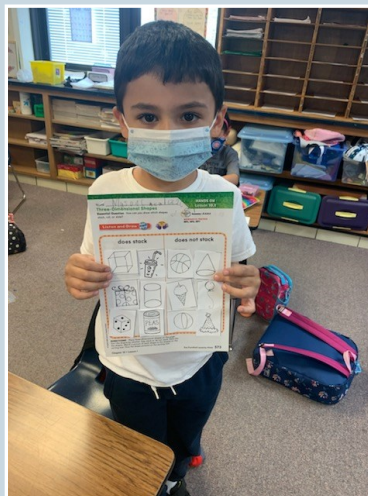
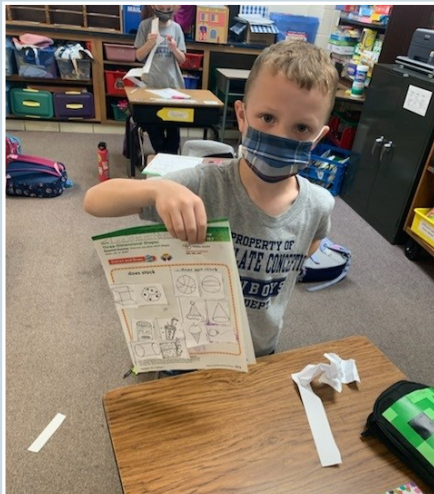
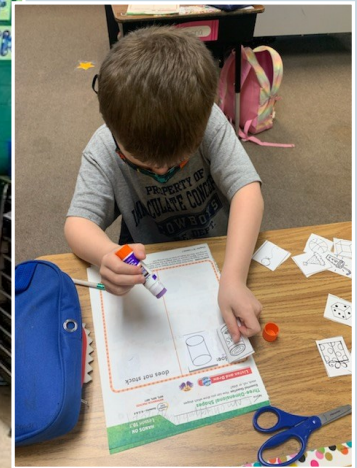
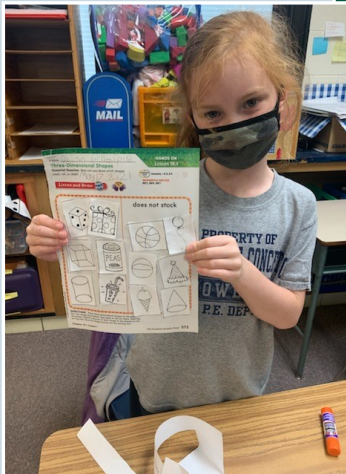
James Carroll
Lily d'Escoto
Kayla Hulne
Anthony Kostecki
Theresa LaFramboise
Hannah Lally
Haylee Pugliani
Nathan Reichle
Hailie Weaver
Matthew Weisse

Drama Awards:

James Carroll
Nora Emerson
Rebecca Jalloway
Hannah Lally
Gianna Lohman
Abigail Nosalik
James Shevlin
Mariska Szabo
Lucia Thomas
Emmet Tom
Carter Wielgus

*School News...**3-D Shapes In Kindergarten*

This year, our Kindergarten class spent time learning about 3 dimensional shapes. Our students discovered all about identifying each shape, recognizing how many flat surfaces and curved surfaces each one has, sorting 3-D shapes from 2-D shapes and finding real life 3-D shapes in our environment! Much fun was had by all with this Math topic! - Mrs. Durso - Room 22



Please join our parish family in prayer ...



Lord, Hear Our Prayer...

Tom Altman
Baby Melanie Behren
Robert Behrman
Sonia M. B.
Michael Breslin
Vince Caeti
Jackie Campbell
Rita Castillo
Donna Chaplin
James Covello
Sherry Crocifisso
Ronnie Cunningham
Paige Dicks
Paula Drew
Ozzie D'Souza
Teresa Dzieciol
Christina Dziekonski
Richard Flanagan
Brooke Foreman

For those who are sick:

Patricia Furgat
Lila Gehner
Ofelia Hernandez
Dennis M. Jaburek
Helga Jarosz
Craig Kloss
Lillian Kohut
Dave Lewin
Benny Martinez
Edwin Martinez
Frank Martinez
Sam Milazzo
Molly Morris
Veronica Murillo
Timothy Murray
Judith Nosko
Mary Beth O'Grady
Jackie O'Koniewski
David Olson

Mary Potwora
Helen Rasmussen
Bill Remblake
Pia Rizza
David Rodriguez
Elaine Schatz
Jennie Sekula
Don Skorey
Dennis Slater
Edward Stanczyk
Marion Szumski
Donna Tisdale
Camilla Trevino
Steven P. Trifilio
John F. Vargo
Henry Wagener

If you wish to have your name included in our prayer list (or removed), please contact our Parish Office at 773.775.3833.

For our faithful departed:

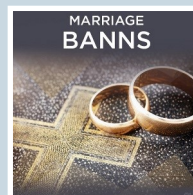
Camille Frances Parrilli (Mother of Mary Parrilli)
Melissa B. Bednarz (Wife of Deacon Mike)

For those preparing to be joined together in Holy Matrimony:

Daniel Thomas Lapinski and Kristin Marie Jones



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



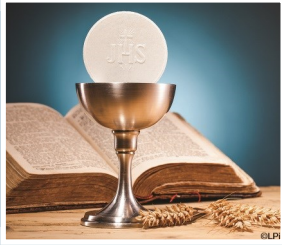
"And the two shall become
one..."

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, Lt. Christopher Jenkins, PO Thomas T. Tudisco
U.S. Air Force - John Christopher Ocasio, Major Laurel Walsh, Captain 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

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 4th
through
Sunday, July 11th*

**Sunday, July 4th - Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time
(Independence Day)**

5:00 P.M. (Saturday) - †Collette Rice

8:30 A.M. — †Remy Coelho; and Mary O'Malley (Living)

10:30 A.M. — †Tommy Fuller; †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Medard Schronski; †Donald Kopec; †Brendan Hagarty, Sr.; †Patrick Casey & Eileen Casey; †Francis & Moira Cross; †Melissa Bednarz; and The People of the Parish

Monday, July 5th - Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; Saint Elizabeth of Portugal

8:30 A.M. — †Bridget Galassini; and Mary O'Malley (Living)

Tuesday, July 6th - Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

8:30 A.M. — †Sam Guercio; and Sean & Molly McNelis (on their 60th Wedding Anniversary) (Living)

Wednesday, July 7th - Weekday

8:30 A.M. — †Ed Ahearn (on his 1st Anniversary); and Fr. Robert Fedek (Living) (Birthday)

Thursday, July 8th - Weekday

8:30 A.M. — Vince Kennedy (Living)

Friday, July 9th - Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

8:30 A.M. — †Genevieve Maurer

Saturday, July 10th - Weekday

5:00 P.M. - †Richard Smola (on his 1st Anniversary); †Elizabeth Serafin; †Ann-Marie Duffy; and †Noel Duffy

Sunday, July 11th - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 A.M. — †Giuseppe DiMaria (on his 23rd Anniversary); †Bruno, Assunta & Enzo Pagnucci; The Coelho Family; and Mary O'Malley (Living);

10:30 A.M. — †Joseph J. Lykowski; †Irene Covello; †Klemens Fudala; †Giovanni & Rosalia Porcelli; †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Doris Kech; †Nolia Faulkner; †James Byrne; †Patrick Byrne; †Marie Lally; †Francis & Moira Cross; and The People of the Parish



July 4th through July 10th
Our Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week
for the repose of the souls of

Marie & Edmund
Piechowski

July 4th through July 9th
Our Blessed Mother Votive is burning this
week for the prayer intention of

Brooke
Foreman
(Daughter of Jennifer (Zyks) &
Jeremy Foreman)

Requested by: Ray & Jan Ehrlich

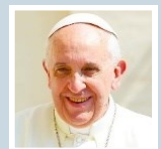
July 4th through July 9th
Our St. Joseph Votive is burning
this week for the repose of the soul of

Greg
Nastaly

Requested by: Nikki Nastaly

Pope Tweet of the Week...

"God knows that the only way
to save us, to heal us from
within, is by loving us. He
knows that we become better
only by accepting His unfailing
love, an unchanging love that changes us."





Celebrating Our Freedom...

Heavenly Father, You have given us the gifts of life and liberty and entrust to Your people the duty to guard these gifts wherever they are threatened. Help us to protect the freedom of all to follow the Gospel of Your Son, Jesus Christ, and to bring his light and truth to the ends of the earth. Guide all who play a role in enacting legislation to uphold the freedom of conscience of all citizens. Send us Your Spirit to inspire in us the wisdom and courage needed to witness to the truth and to stand up for all whose religious liberty is endangered. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our country, pray for us.

Our Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, July 5th** in observance of Independence Day. Our Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 A.M.
All are welcome!



*Francis & Kerry Walsh
and their children Megan, Francis, Kathryn
& James*

*Anthony & Karen Belluomini
and their children Sophia & Logan*

Thomas & Deborah Giese

*Vasile & Teodora Cerceja
and their daughter Sophia*



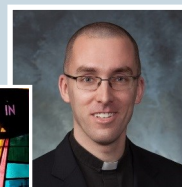
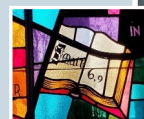
Summer Scripture Study Series - Tuesdays @ 7:30 P.M. (presented by Fr. Robert Carlton)

We invite you to join Fr. Robert (Carlton) on Tuesday evenings this summer for our Scripture Study Series as we examine how Jesus is presented in the New Testament. Our summer series began on June 8th and will continue through August 3rd on the following dates:

Tuesday, **July 6th** - 7:30-8:30 P.M.: *Who is Jesus in the Gospel of Luke?*

Tuesday, **July 20th** - 7:30-8:30 P.M.: *Who is Jesus in the Gospel of John?*

Tuesday, **August 3rd** - 7:30-8:30 P.M.: *Who is Jesus in the Scriptures after the Gospels?*



Each one-hour session is conducted in-person at 7:30 P.M. in our Rectory Assembly. If you were unable to attend our first 2 sessions, you are still welcome to attend the remaining three sessions. Please contact Fr. Robert Carlton (rcarlton@archchicago.org) with any additional questions. If you are interested in attending our Summer Scripture Study Series, please either complete our online registration form on our website (www.icchicago.org) or contact our Parish Office (773.775.3833) to register.



Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd]/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15 ab [cf. 2b]/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15 [15a]/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19 [22]/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 [39a]/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7 [cf. Ps 69:33]/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/
Mk 6:7-13

Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture



It's all so ordinary that we can easily miss it. The seagulls hunting and diving for mollusks at the beach offer a display of determination and precision as they gather their food for the day. It's simply what these creatures do. Yet, there's a magical artfulness and skill to their work that speaks volumes about the One who breathed life into their being. This is pretty much the way it is with God's presence. God comes in common ways through common things and ordinary people. Sadly, we are so engulfed in our little worlds of order and ideas to notice the beauty and wonder of it all. Many have numbed themselves to the Divine spark at the essence of all life because that's just the way it is. What's so special about it? A sunset is a sunset and a seagull is a seagull. That's precisely what they thought about Jesus too. After all, isn't he just the carpenter's son? What merit can his words possibly have?

If we're looking for God to come in an event that is so dramatic and intense that it knocks our socks off, then think again. When pondering God's relationship with His people and God's action in our lives, we have to go back to the stable and the recurring, creative, unending power of God's presence. It was a quiet, run of the mill kind of night. There was nothing spectacular or extraordinary. To the naked eye, a woman gave birth to a child and there wasn't anything extraordinary to see. We have a hard time understanding God's ordinary-ness. Jesus grew up in an ordinary town, had neighbors and did normal human things. Perhaps that's why we don't always like the Gospel. It doesn't dazzle us with extraordinary things but simply challenges us to take a different look at our ordinary stuff. That makes us uncomfortable. We prefer things as they are. Our lack of faith can even cause us to take offense at what Jesus says and does, dismissing it as folly.

God's life-giving presence continues to sustain that seagull in flight and keep all things in being regardless of whether we have the faith to see and understand this. Our personal agendas, preconceived ideas, misconceptions, and expectations can often cause us to be hardened and blinded to what God is doing or desiring to do. While God continues to do what he has done for all eternity, faith is needed for God's presence to bear fruit. The blinders we wear and the expectations we bring to life can often prevent us from seeing graced moments that radiate with God's graceful presence. They also prevent God's transforming, healing, and hope filled vision for our world from being realized. Without faith, God won't be able to do much for us either.

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Ministry Schedules: Saturday, July 10th & Sunday, July 11th

	Saturday 5:00 P.M.	Sunday 8:30 A.M.	Sunday 10:30 A.M.
Presiders	Fr. Robert Carlton	Fr. Matthew Heinrich	Fr. Robert Fedek
Lectors	E. Kinzie & M. Davila	J. Lim & L. Christy	N. Kremer
Cantors	E. Doyle	Vocal Quintet & Violin	Vocal Quintet
Extraordinary Ministers	D. Mroz	L. Delana	E. Niewinski
Altar Servers	S. Eaglin; M. Eaglin; M. Moorehouse	O. Magruder; G. Reichle; K. Yau	P. Beckman; K. Bowers; J. Losik

Lectors: 2021 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
Marilyn Sadowski, Receptionist
Bernadette Anna, Parish Sacristan
Michael La Haye, Head of Maintenance
Anthony Vitali, Maintenance

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 parishoffice@icchicago.org

***Please note:** new email addresses of our Parish Staff**Our School Staff:**

Sue Canzoneri, Principal
Tina Fitzgerald, Assistant Principal
Julie Szwedo, Religious Education Coordinator
Lisa Kessler, School Accountant
Mary Haley, School Secretary

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 haley@iccowboys.net

What's Happening @ IC...**Monday, July 5th –**

Independence Day: Parish Office Closed
 8:30 A.M. – Weekday Mass; Church

Tuesday, July 6th –

8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC
 8:30 A.M. – Weekday Mass; Church

Wednesday, July 7th –

8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC
 8:30 A.M. – Weekday Mass; Church
 7:00-8:00 P.M. – Ministry of Care Mtg.; RA

Thursday, July 8th –

8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC
 8:30 A.M. – Weekday Mass; Church
 6:30-8:00 P.M. – RCIC Mtg.; RA

Friday, July 9th –

8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC
 8:30 A.M. – Weekday Mass; Church
 8:00 P.M. – Men's Basketball; PC

**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 (*Please note: new email address.)