

Welcome to the Parish of
Immaculate Conception

A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

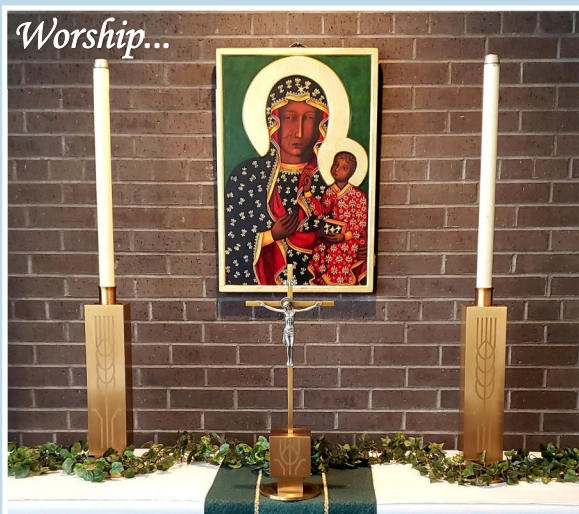
June 14, 2020 - The Most Holy Body And Blood Of Christ (Corpus Christi)



*"Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body,
for we all partake of the one loaf."
- 1 Corinthians 10:17*

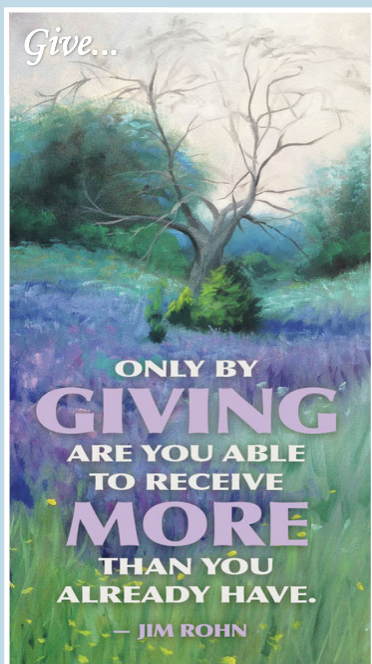
Love God, Serve Others, Make Disciples

Worship...



Gather with us virtually as we pray with, and for, one another during our Masses which are broadcast live through **Twitch TV** (www.twitch.tv/icchicago) and through **Facebook Live** on our Facebook page: *Immaculate Conception Parish Chicago (Talcott)*. Direct links to both platforms are easily accessible on our parish website (www.icparish.net). For your convenience, all Masses are recorded and archived for a limited time.

We also invite you to pray the **Rosary** and **Divine Mercy Chaplet** with us daily (Monday through Friday) at **3:00 P.M.** via Zoom. Additional instructions on how to join us are available on our website.



Worship with IC from home...

Sundays @ 11:00 A.M.

Monday through Friday @ 7:00 P.M.

Connect...



Post-Mass Virtual Hospitality -

*Coffee & Chat
Sundays @ 11:45 A.M.*

*Zoom Room: 89760488093
Password: 456016*



We invite you to connect with us via Zoom (www.zoom.us) for our Post-Mass Coffee & Chat Room gathering following the conclusion of our 11:00 A.M. Mass on Sundays. All are welcome!

Support IC through Give Central...

We are truly grateful for the continued generosity of our faithful parishioners as we would not be able to maintain our parish and continue our mission without you.

If you are able, please consider contributing electronically via Give Central at www.givecentral.org/location/349 to assist us in maintaining the vital ministries and services we provide on behalf of our community. If you have any questions regarding setting up your online donations through Give Central, please contact our Parish Office at 773.775.3833 and a member of our Parish Staff will be happy to assist you.

If you would prefer to support our parish with an offertory donation through cash or check, please mail your envelopes to our Parish Office at:
7211 W. Talcott Avenue, Chicago, IL. 60631.

"You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." - 2 Corinthians 9:11



After successfully completing all of the protocols required by our Archdiocese, we are truly pleased to announce that we have received certification for both Phase 1 and Phase 1A which allows us to gradually reopen our Church for sacramental celebrations (Reconciliation, Weddings, Baptisms and Funerals.) We are also permitted to offer opportunities for Private Prayer with a limit of 10 participants inside our Church at any given time. Many thanks to our Parish Reopening Co-Leadership team for their dedication and hard work throughout this process! Given the current attendance restrictions for both Reconciliation and Private Prayer, **reservations are required.**

Our (Limited) Reopening Schedule:

Opportunities for **Confessions** will be offered on:

Saturday, June 13th - 3:00-4:30 P.M.

Please register at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040548A4A92DA0FB6-online>

Opportunities for **Private Prayer** will be offered on:

Wednesday, June 17th - 6:00-8:00 P.M.

Please register at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040548A4A92DA0FB6-online1>

Please carefully review the directives provided on each of our online reservation forms. If you experience any difficulty completing our forms, please contact our Parish Office at 773.775.3833 and a member of our Parish Staff will be happy to assist you.

Volunteers will be present at all of our events to welcome and assist you. We are truly grateful to all those who have graciously volunteered their time to assist us in safely welcoming our parishioners back home, as we would not be able to reopen our Church doors without them!

For the time being, we will continue to celebrate our daily and weekend Masses exclusively online until we receive certification from our Archdiocese to progress to Phase 2, which allows for the public celebration of Masses. We thank you for your continued patience and prayers and we look forward to our parish family rejoining us for our celebration of the Eucharist soon! Please continue to monitor our parish website (www.icparish.net) for the latest details regarding our reopening as well as for additional updates to our schedule as they become available.



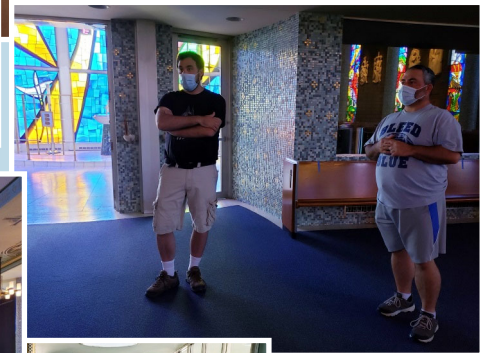
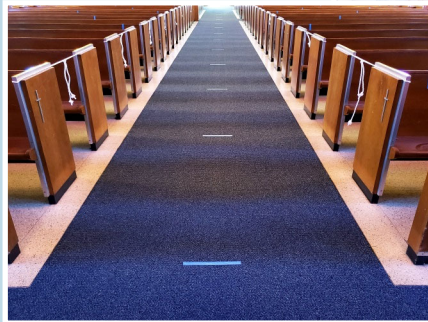
We are still actively recruiting additional volunteers to help staff our Greeting and Cleaning teams. If you would like to volunteer to assist us with the reopening of our Church, please complete our Parish Reopening Team Volunteer Form located at: <https://forms.gle/irmheB4qaeyPtDQu7>.



Our Parish Reopening Team Captains: Darlene Mroz (Greeting Team), Scott Will (Set-Up Team) & Joe Jummati (Cleaning Team)

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*A glimpse behind the Scenes as our
Reopening Leadership Team and Parish Staff
prepare our Church to reopen our doors and welcome
our parishioners back home...*



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Scenes from our celebration of The Most Holy Trinity on Sunday, June 7th...

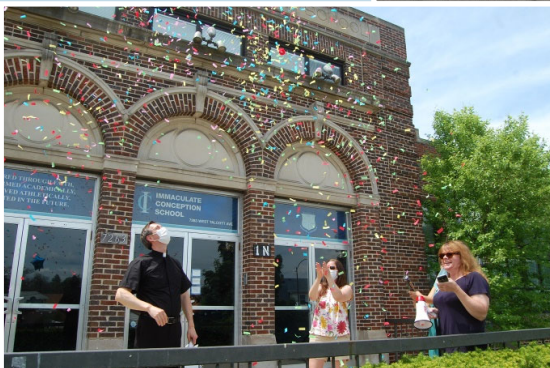
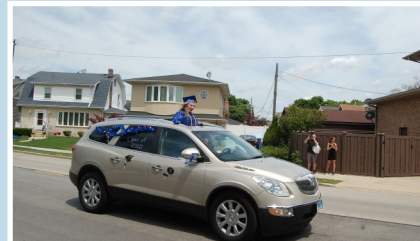
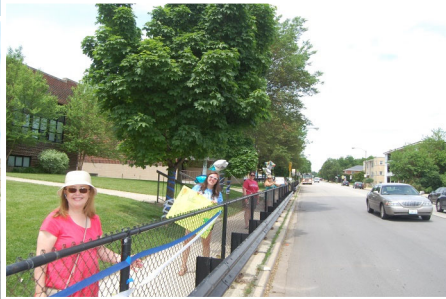


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Snapshots from our IC Graduate Parade...



On Friday, June 5th, IC Class of 2020 participated in a Graduation Parade around Norwood Circle. All of our graduates were formally attired in their caps & gowns for the occasion with each one traveling in style, in decorated vehicles. As each car passed in front of our school, Mrs. Canzoneri announced the name(s) of each graduate. Well-wishers lined the streets and enthusiastically cheered them on as they drove by!





Gospel Reflection...

*"For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink.
Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood
remains in Me and I in him."*

- John 6:55-56

We hear in today's Gospel the closing remarks from Jesus' Bread of Life discourse. As a Christian who believes in the Eucharist, how would you answer the Jews' original question: "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

Live the Liturgy - Inspiration for the Week

They recognized him in the breaking of bread. This was the amazing revelation or epiphany that occurred on the Road to Emmaus. Bread that had been transformed into the Body of Christ opened the eyes of the disciples and showed them who was really with them. Their hearts were burning. Sometimes we struggle with our belief in the

Eucharist because we make it too much of an intellectual challenge. If God's divinity was wed to humanity in the incarnation of Christ, then why is it not possible for God to take simple elements of bread and wine and transform them into his Body and Blood? Affirm your faith today that the Eucharist you receive is God Himself. Become what you eat and allow God to embrace your soul and touch that part of you that no one else can touch.

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*Since Christ Himself has said,
"This is My Body"
who shall dare to doubt that
It is His Body?*

—ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM

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ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.



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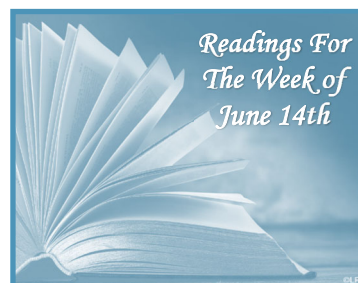
PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK

Concetta Bartucci	Arlene Lacey-Beyna
Melissa Bednarz	Richard Losik
Celerina Behrman	Benny Martinez
Robert Behrman	Edwin Martinez
Sonia M. B.	Frank Martinez
Vince Caeti	Jan Merino
Jackie Campbell	Veronica Murillo
Rita Castillo	Timothy Murray
James Covello	Mae O'Donnell
Sherry Crocifisso	Jackie O'Koniewski
Ronnie Cunningham	Mary (Kores) Potwora
Brooke Foreman	Bill Remblake
Lila Gehner	Sebastian L. Rivera
Irene Hand	David Rodriguez
Ofelia Hernandez	Elaine Schatz
Nancy Kinzie	Edward Stanczyk
Craig Kloss	Steven P. Trifilio
Lillian Kohut	John Varallo
	Newly Listed:
	Richard Flanagan

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them...

Please join our parish family in prayer as we honor our faithful departed:

Mary Alvarez (Wife of Frank)



Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12]/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7 [2b]/Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16 [cf. 3a]/Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Ps 31:20, 21, 24 [25]/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Sir 48:1-14/Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7 [12a]/Mt 6:7-15

Friday: Dt 7:6-11/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10 [cf. 17]/1 Jn 4:7-16/Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Ps 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1]/Lk 2:41-51

Next Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 [14c]/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

Connect with our Parish Staff...

Although our Church building will be open on a limited basis, our Parish Office will continue to remain closed for the time being. In the meantime, our Parish Staff is still available to assist you. Please don't hesitate to contact us at 773.775.3833 (voicemails are monitored daily) or connect with us via email at frontdesk@icparish.info with any questions, concerns or needs that may arise during this time.

Please take comfort in the knowledge that you are loved, missed and prayed for daily by all of us.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT IC

For more information on upcoming events, please visit our parish website at www.icparish.net.

Please note: As a precautionary measure, all previously scheduled activities, meetings, and events have either been canceled or postponed until further notice. Additional scheduling changes may occur as the situation continues to develop.

Pope Tweet of the Week...

"We cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form. At the same time, we have to recognize that violence is self-destructive and self-defeating. Nothing is gained by violence and so much is lost. Let us pray for reconciliation and peace."



Your Gifts to God and Parish

If you plan to move from the 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 call our Parish Office, so your envelopes can be stopped for that time period. If you use electronic giving and still receive envelopes, please contact our Parish Office so that we can discontinue your receiving of envelopes.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: The deadline for all bulletin submissions is Friday at noon – 8 days prior to the Sunday it will appear. The email address is icparishbulletin@gmail.com.

PARISH REGISTRATION: Please contact our Parish Office at 773.775.3833 or visit our parish website at www.icparish.net for additional information.

MASS+ INTENTIONS

Please note: Although public celebration of Mass has been suspended until further notice, Fr. Robert and Fr. Matt will continue to celebrate Mass privately for the wellbeing of our community and our city and to honor the intentions of the day.

Sunday, June 14 - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

5:00 P.M. (Saturday) - †John J. Joyce

7:30 A.M.— †Patricia Zubinski

9:30 A.M.— †John Sexton; †Ann Dosek; †Francis & Moira Cross; †Aida Miranda; †Elizabeth Serafin; †Lib & Marie Allocco; and Stanley & Eugenia Flondro & Family (Living)

11:15 A.M.— †Paul Kokalj; †Patty Dunleavy; and †Carolyn J. Moran

6:00 P.M. - †Steven Saccomonto

Monday, June 15 – Weekday (Eleventh Week In Ordinary Time)

8:30 A.M.— Martha Petramala (Living)

Tuesday, June 16 - Weekday

8:30 A.M.— †Leon Lacey, Sr.

Wednesday, June 17 - Weekday

8:30 A.M.— †Mary Alvarez

Thursday, June 18 – Weekday

8:30 A.M. — Irene Hand (Living)

Friday, June 19 - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:30 A.M.— †Fr. George Gawlik, SVD

Saturday, June 20 - The Immaculate Heart of The Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00 P.M. - †Joe & Tootie Sebastian

Sunday, June 21 – Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time (Father's Day)

7:30 A.M.— †Clementine Longo

9:30 A.M.— †Charles Grayzeck

11:15 A.M.— †Frank & Margherita Martino; †Nicola & Anna Chiusolo; †Agostino & Francesca Chiaramonte; †Carmen Covello; †Francis & Moira Cross; †Harriet Schronski; †Donald Smith, Sr.; †Cruz Castillo; †Noreen Nolan; †Arthur J. O'Koniewski; †Arthur E. O'Koniewski; †Ted Wojcik; †Tom Anna; and †Patty Dunleavy

6:00 P.M. — †Abelina Gonsalves

June 14th through June 20th

The sanctuary lamp is burning this week for the prayer intention of

Brooke Foremann

(Daughter of Jennifer (Zyks) & Jeremy Foremann)

Requested by Ray & Jan Ehrlich

June 14th through June 19th

The Blessed Mother Votive is burning this week for the prayer intention of

Martha Petramala

June 14th through June 19th

The St. Joseph Votive is burning this week for the repose of the soul of

Rev. George Gawlik, SVD

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

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. Army - 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; 2nd Lt. Colleen Bernal

U.S. Marine - Sean Gronset, PFC Sebastian L. Rivera, Jr., PFC Christopher Hughes, PFC Algene D. Porticos

Let us pray for these women and men and all who are serving in the military. Please contact our Parish Office when these service people return home. If you are a veteran or know a veteran, the Archdiocese of Chicago has a website: vets.archchicago.org that provides information that can be of assistance.

Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture



It is no wonder that followers of Christ are called the Body of Christ. After all, sharing in the same spiritual food and sacred meal, they become what they eat and reveal the Divine Image. There is so much power for healing in the community of believers. Through the Eucharist, Christ becomes as present in those who have partaken of his Body and Blood as he has the elements themselves. The very presence of God touches the depths of the human soul and visits a part of us that no human being can ever hope to explore. We are God's. The sacred Eucharistic meal is a celebration of intimacy, the reunion of two loves in constant search of and longing for the other.

The community of believers receives the power and the presence to touch and heal in the name of the One they have welcomed within. It is now within their grasp to change the way life is lived and to more intentionally put into practice the Beatitudes that the Divine Guest has revealed. We are asked to be like Christ and work to create a world of sufficiency, where the greed of some no longer creates the want of others but where all of God's children can find a home and a place at the table of life. The One who makes a home within calls us to live a life that transforms. We are changed ourselves and now become agents of change for others. We are the Body of Christ. God is with us. We have been nourished.

Sadly, many are afraid to try. We know what we are called to do, but we struggle with feelings of doubt as to whether God really is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Do our systems have to change? Is it possible that we somehow missed the mark when we put all of our social networks in place and established the business of our lives? Perhaps we have to radically rethink our approach and that can scare us. We might have to give something up or change, and we don't want to. As long as want, injustice, division, prejudice, and scarcity still exist, there is tremendous work for the Body of Christ.

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Everyday Stewardship – Recognize God in your Ordinary Moments

The Heart of Stewardship...

What else is there to give when one has already given away one's body and one's life? What more can one say or do to demonstrate love for another when all one has been given to another? This total giving of self to loved ones cannot be trumped by flowery words or material gifts that are fleeting. This is the ultimate in love. This is the love Jesus had for us on the way to his Passion, at the institution of the Holy Eucharist. This is the love he has for us daily in the celebration of the Mass on altars in every church, in every city, in every nation on earth. No one can give more. No one can ask for more. This is the true heart of Christian stewardship.

If you take the time to gaze upon your God in the simplest of forms and begin to reflect on what has actually taken place with bread and wine becoming the presence of the Divine, then you can begin to understand true humility, sacrifice, and love. And when you have the privilege to take that Real Presence into your body at the meal where you are an honored guest, you become one with the One who is the embodiment of stewardship.

Then, you must ask yourself, "How can I even begin to reflect the love that I have encountered at this feast?" The answer is you can begin with the simple actions of the day: where will you go, whom will you meet, and in what work will you partake? Jesus Christ has shown that the greatest gift ever given can be disguised in this world in a piece of bread. By joining your body to his, he can now transform human hearts, not by grand acts, but by everyday acts, by everyday people, practicing Everyday Stewardship.

– Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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