Welcome to Immaculate Conception Parish

A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

June 18, 2023 - Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time



"Therefore, if you hearken to my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people, though all the earth is mine. You shall be to me a kingdom of priests, a holy nation." - Exodus 19:5-6

Love God • Serve Others • Make Disciples

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Parish Office Summer Hours: *(effective as of June 12th)*

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

Social Media

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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 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)

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.



Text-To-Give: Text "Sunday" to 773-915-0503

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)

Scan the QR Code below:

IC Holy Name Men's Club News: Father's Day Raffle Update & Annual Chicago White Sox Baseball Outing (June 19th)

The IC Holy Name Men's Club would like to thank all those who purchased tickets for the "Treat Dad, Help Kids" raffle. We would like to congratulate Joe Pekic on winning the \$400 Abt & \$100 Wild Fork gift cards. As a result of your generosity, the IC Holy Name Men's Club was able to donate **\$5,000** to the *Big Shoulders Fund of Chicago*! This donation will assist families who want a Catholic education for their children, but may not be able to afford it. - IC Holy Name Men's Club



Hello IC parishioners and families, It is time again for the annual ICHNS Chicago White Sox 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: Monday, June 19th @ 7:10 P.M. (Sox vs. Texas Rangers)

Where:

5:00 P.M. - Jet's Bar (6148 N. Milwaukee Ave, Chicago, IL 60646) 6:00 P.M. - Coach bus leaves Jet's Bar to take us to the game at Guaranteed Rate Field 7:10 P.M. - Game starts Game ends - Coach bus brings back everyone to Jet's Bar.

Details: There will be a small dinner at *Jet's*, and coolers of beer/pop/water on the bus. The price includes a ticket to the game, the bus, food and soft drinks at *Jet's*, and drinks on the bus.

Price: \$65 for adults \$50 for kids

Please **RSVP** to: Nick Eaglin neaglin@yahoo.com 773.386.7988



Hope everyone can make it regardless of your fan affiliation! - Nick



Job Opportunity @ IC...

IC is currently looking for a **full-time Custodian**/ Maintenance Worker to work in both our Church and School. Primary responsibilities are minor building maintenance, snow removal and facility cleaning. This position requires the worker to be physically capable to perform daily tasks.

If interested, please contact Vincent Kennedy, Director of Operations, at: 773.775.3833 Ext. 106 or via email at vkennedy@icchicago.org.

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VOCATION OFFICE UPDATE

The Archdiocese of Chicago welcomes these priests ordained on May 20, 2023 who begin their parish assignments on July 1:

Fr. Kevin Gregus Two Holy Martyrs, Chicago

Fr. Daniel Korenchan St. Elizabeth Seton, Orland Hills

Fr. Michael Mehringer Queen of Apostles, Chicago

Fr. Francisco J. Pagán Portalatín San José Sánchez de Río, Chicago

Fr. Jesús Raya Custodio St. Alphonsus, Chicago



RECENT VOCATION OFFICE NUMBERS

Participants

2021-22 2022-23

7?

7

72

18

25

54

97

7

6

6

62

15

28

49

73

Archdiocese of Chicago: 221 Parishes

New Seminarians

Totus Tuus Missionaries

Who Will Fill These Shoes?

Quiglev Discerners

Samuel Group

Insearch

Quo Vadis

NCYC

Our next event is Quo Vadis Days at

who have graduated 8th grade, 13–18

Mundelein Seminary beginning on July 30.

This 4-day retreat is open to all young men

Father Tim and the Vocation Office want to share some information on our work to grow the number of future priests:

I. Strengths (Good News)

- a. Quality candidates
- b. Growth with Latino vocations 40% of seminarians c. Retention is 80% of those who enter
- d. Projected new seminarians: 6 or 7 for the Spirituality Year

II. Weaknesses (areas for growth)

a. No candidate projected to enter college seminary this year b. No candidates from Black Catholic, Asian/Pacific Islander

or Polish communities

III. Opportunities

a. Growth with candidates for college seminary

IV. Threats

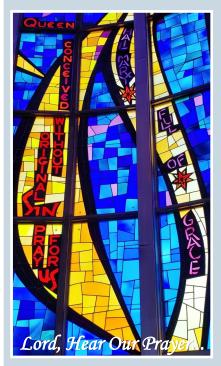
- a. Pace of life for priests and discerners
- b. Lack of parental support, either for seminary or Totus Tuus







Please join our parish family in prayer ...



Tom Altman Paul Amandes Amelia Aquino Arnold B. Robert Behrman Sonia M. B. Roberta Berger Vince Caeti Mary Cali Donna Chaplin Truman Collins James Covello Ronnie Cunningham Paige Dicks Margarita DiSalvo Emily Divarco Eric Dulce Lilia Dulce Ozzie D'Souza Valerie Dziekonski Elizabeth Felix Richard Flanagan Brooke Foreman Patricia Furgat Lila Gehner Gloria Hernandez Ofelia Hernandez Mike Hickey

For those who are sick:

Judy Hull Mary Ann Schmitt Hurtig Kevin Jaburek Vivian Jester Stephanie Kamenicky Wayne Kinzie, Sr. Donna Kirk Craig Kloss Ronald Kogol Lillian Kohut Katherine Kreuser Anthony LaPash Dawn LaVeau Sean Lucas Nathan Maisel **Benny Martinez** Edwin Martinez Frank Martinez Elsa Mazzoni Nikki Mendoza Pat Miaso Gerry Michalek, Jr. Helen Michalek Ledoina Monacelli Marta Morales Deacon Rick Moritz Veronica Murillo Mike Murphy

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For our faithful departed:

Maureen P. Walsh (Grandmother of Colleen Monforti) Jeannette MaryAlice Daly



"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, Pot. Jason G. Cavanaugh, Major Christopher Walsh, Capt. Benjamin Monson, 1st Lt. Katherine D. Hartnett, SPC Michael J. Stone, Pot. 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

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, June 18th through Sunday, June 25th

Sunday, June 18th – Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time (Father's Day)

5:00 P.M. (Saturday) — [†]Marie Frances Hagarty; [†]John J. Joyce; [†]Henry Kilian (on his 3rd Anniversary); and [†]Stanislaw Swiderski 8:30 A.M. – [†]Vicente B. Daylo (Birthday Remembrance); [†]Walenty Poniecki; [†]Kazimierz Jurka; [†]Edward A. Mazur; [†]Frank Pesce; [†]John Plantago; and [†]Michael Connolly

10:30 A.M. – [†]John Plantago; [†]Frank Pesce; [†]Frank & Margherita Martino; [†]Anna & Nicola Chiusolo; [†]Paul Kokalj; [†]Manuel Mendoza; [†]Arthur J. O'Koniewski; [†]Arthur E. O'Koniewski; [†]Ted Wojcik; [†]Ed Mazur; [†]Ben Opiela; [†]Lib & Marie Allocco; [†]Harriet Schronski; [†]Virgilio Ayala; [†]Brendan Hagarty, Sr.; [†]Joseph Pavone; [†]Leonardo Positano; [†]Michael Pavone; [†]Vito Positano; [†]Francis & Moira Cross; [†]Tom Anna; [†]Edwin Sikorski, Sr.; [†]Lee Heinrich; [†]Francesca & Agostino Chiaramonte; and The People of the Parish

Monday, June 19th – *Saint Romuald, Abbot (Juneteenth Day)* 8:30 A.M. – [†]Vincent Boksa

Tuesday, June 20th - *Weekday* 8:30 A.M. – [†]Joseph & Tootie Sebastian

Wednesday, June 21st – Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious 8:30 A.M. – [†]Amy Witz

Thursday, June 22nd – *Saint Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Saints John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs 8:30 A.M.* – [†]Paul, Gloria, and Steven Budziak; and [†]William J. Struke

Friday, June 23rd - Weekday

Saturday, June 24th - *The Nativity of Saint John The Baptist* 5:00 P.M. – [†]Katherine P. Patti; [†]Stanislaw Swiderski; [†]Patricia A. Walsh; [†]Marie Frances Hagarty; and [†]Tina Canizzo

Sunday, June 25th – *Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time* 8:30 A.M.– [†]Edward A. Mazur; and [†]Elaine Karbowski 10:30 A.M.– [†]Antoinette Svoboda; [†]Noreen Nolan; [†]The Kilkenny, Kearney, & Boylan Families; [†]Elaine Karbowski (Birthday Remembrance); [†]Jesus Mendoza; [†]Norma Mendoza; [†]Dominic Tangora; [†]Jennifer Devine; [†]Francis & Moira Cross; and The People of the Parish





"The Eucharist calls us to love God before everything & our brothers & sisters. This Bread is the Sacrament par excellence of love. Christ offers Himself and breaks Himself for us, & asks us to do likewise, so that our



life might become bread that feeds our brothers and sisters. "



Gavin Thomas Hart Child of Aidan McCauley & Neisha LeAnn (Johnson) Hart



Bennett David Hornung Child of Phillip Jay & Kristin Hilde (Heesemann) Hornung

Blessing Of Fathers...

God and Father of all creation, we come before You today with humble hearts. You are our model of a loving Father. When we fail and fall short of Your expectations, You are always there at the end of the day with open arms, ready to heal the cuts and scrapes of the day and to encourage us to try again and not to give up.

We hold up these men in our midst who act in the world as fathers to their children or models of fathers for others.

Bless them in their moments of doubt and frustration with their children. Give them warm and open hearts to forgive failures. Provide them with the words needed for encouragement and perseverance. We ask all this in the name of Jesus. Amen.



Vincent McKinnon Hart Child of Aidan McCauley & Neisha LeAnn (Johnson) Hart



Joseph & Natalia McCaffrey and their children Emilia & Liam

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





Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture

In the backyard of the house where I live with other priests, there is a lemon tree which produces a huge amount of fruit. One evening in the spring I needed some lemons for a chicken dish. I glanced from the kitchen and saw the tree bursting with large, bright, gorgeous lemons, hanging thick on seemingly every branch. Turning to Fr. Bob (I'll change his name to protect the innocent) who sat on the couch, I said, *"Father, could you pick a few lemons for me?"* He said sure and into the backyard he went. He returned a few minutes later empty-handed. *"John, there's no*

lemons. Sorry." I said, "What are you talking about?" I looked again and saw the grapefruit tree on the other side of the yard, which had recently been picked clean of fruit. He didn't see the abundant fruit because he was looking in the wrong place!

Like Fr. Bob, we sadly don't see the fruit all around us. We think that the culture is spiraling down, young people avoid church, and the future looks bleak. Why go out into the world and work? The world looks like a fruitless tree.

Jesus doesn't see things that way. This week he tells us, *"The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few."* Look again: there is spiritual fruit hanging all around us! The lonely ready to be visited. The sick ready to be healed. The forgotten ready to be remembered. The poor ready to be treated with dignity. The sad ready to be consoled. The young ready for the Gospel. So, let's ask the Lord to send laborers to get to work. And he will. He might send you and me. Just remember to look at the correct trees. – *Father John Muir* ©LPi

Attention: Immaculate Conception School Graduating Class of 1963



We are exploring the possibility of getting the old gang together again in September 2023. Yes, it has been 60 years since we graduated from Immaculate Conception School. Out of a class of 122 students, we are hoping there are enough of us still around

to participate in this get together. Quite a few of you were at the 35th reunion, and a great time was had by all. We realize many members of this class have moved from the area. However, we are asking that any family and friends still in the parish advise them of this reunion or possibly pass on their contact information.

Please contact -

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Our Immaculate Conception School Extended Care Program is seeking part-time help for the 2023-2024 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 two candidates 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 email *Marcia Kusinski* at: <u>kusinski@iccowboys.net</u> to schedule an interview.

		Ministry Schedules: Saturday, June 24 th & Sunday, June 25 th				
		Sunday 10:30 A.M. Mass				
Fr. Matthew Heinrich	Fr. Matthew Heinrich	Fr. Robert Fedek				
E. Kinzie	D. Sebastian	J. Lim				
E. Doyle	Vocal Trio	Vocal Trio				
L. Delana	D. Sebastian & D. Zamirowski	C. Kech & R. Siciliano				
T. Cox; I. Cox; K. Yau	I. Magruder; O. Magruder; K. Yau	K. Catomer; I. Luna; B. Yak				
	5:00 P.M. Mass Fr. Matthew Heinrich E. Kinzie E. Doyle L. Delana T. Cox; I. Cox;	5:00 P.M. Mass8:30 A.M. MassFr. Matthew HeinrichFr. Matthew HeinrichE. KinzieD. SebastianE. DoyleVocal TrioL. DelanaD. Sebastian & D. ZamirowskiT. Cox; I. Cox;I. Magruder; O. Magruder;				



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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, June 19th</u> – Juneteenth Day 8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC 5:00-10:00 P.M. – IC Holy Name Men's Club Annual Chicago White Sox Baseball Outing; Jet's Bar/Guaranteed Rate Field

<u>Tuesday, June 20th</u> – 8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC

<u>Wednesday, June 21st</u> – 8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC

<u>Thursday, June 22nd</u> **8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M.** – IC Summer Camp; PC

Friday, June 23rd – 8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC 8:00 P.M. – Men's Basketball; PC

<u>Sunday, June 25th</u>– 9:30-10:15 A.M.– Confessions; CH



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Subscribe to our bimonthly email newsletter (featuring updates on parish events & projects, school activities, community highlights & service opportunities): icchicago.org/register/constantcontact.cfm

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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

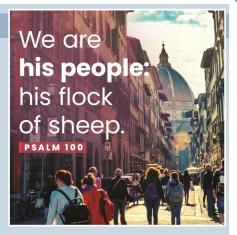


(Practicing) Catholic: Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments...

The Toy...

What does it mean to be God's "*special possession*"? Our world is dominated by *things*, objects, possessions. To say we are a materialistic culture is an understatement. In that context, it can be really hard to fully appreciate the meaning of being "*possessed*" by God. I have so many possessions, after all. I acquire and discard them without thought. I am even overwhelmed by them. Sometimes, it feels like *they* possess *me*.

But then I think of the week after Christmas in a house with small children. In that week, there is always The Toy. The Toy that won the heart of your child under the tree, The Toy to which they emotionally attached themselves in a whirlwind of twinkle lights and sugar cookies. For that one week, The Toy is all there is. There were many gifts, but The Toy is special, and there can only be one.



So, what does it mean to be "*possessed*" by God? What does it mean to be of His people? It means you will be cherished and protected in ways you do not deserve and cannot understand. It means you are distinguished not by your own merit, but by the love with which you are beheld.

It means that you are always The Toy, and every day is Christmas.

"Therefore, if you hearken to my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people, though all the earth is mine." – Exodus 19:5

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman © LPi



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