

Welcome to  
*Immaculate Conception Parish*

*A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ*

*June 27, 2021 - Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time*

*I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.*



*"Do not be afraid; just have faith."  
- Mark 5:36*

*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](http://www.icchicago.org)

### School Website:

💻: [www.iccowboys.net](http://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](http://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](http://www.givecentral.org/location/349)

Offertory envelopes can also be mailed in or  
dropped off at our Parish Office.

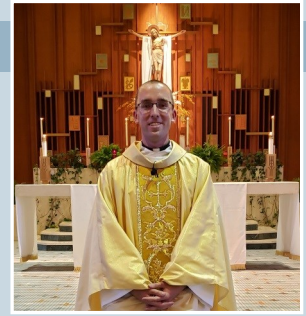
### School:

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.

*Reflections from Fr. Robert Carlton: Who specifically is Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew?*

This week in our scripture class we looked at who Jesus is in the Gospel of Matthew. The scripture scholar Helmut Koester answers this question very succinctly by saying that *"It is very important for Matthew that Jesus is the son of Abraham and fully a man from Israel,"* which would mean that Jesus is a Jew. When considering the figure of Jesus in Matthew's Gospel, it is essential to remember that Matthew, whoever that was specifically, was writing for a Jewish Christian audience that lived in the northern part of modern-day Israel, having been forced out of Jerusalem after the destruction of the Temple. Matthew's community was, in turn, by the time he was writing, being pushed out of the larger communities in the area that were being run by Pharisees, which were groups of rabbis that were not significant in Jesus' own day but had gained leadership of Jewish communities after the destruction of Jerusalem. It is thought by scholars that Matthew's community had been placed outside of Judaism by the rabbis of Jamnia, which is a town in central Israel, through a ban called the *birkat hamminim* in roughly the year 80. However, members of Matthew's community still believed themselves to be Jewish. Consequently, Matthew and the Pharisees were in a struggle to win the hearts and minds of the members of the Jewish community that they were writing for and a way to do that was to show that Jesus was fully a man from Israel.



To accomplish this goal, Matthew starts off by giving the genealogy of Jesus, which, of course, is something that Mark did not do in his Gospel. The way, also, that Matthew presents the genealogy shows the focus of how he intends to portray Jesus in his Gospel. The first verse of the Gospel (*"An account of the genealogy..."*) is the same phrase in the original Greek that is used in the first genealogy in the Old Testament, which comes in Genesis 5. There are other genealogies in Genesis that use the same Greek phrase. However, the genealogy in Matthew's Gospel performs a different function. In Genesis, the genealogies indicate a person's descendants, with, for example, Genesis 5 listing the descendants of Adam, thereby showing that those descendants depended on Adam. However, in Matthew, the ancestors of Jesus are given, indicating that Jesus is so central to the history of the Jewish people that even Jesus' ancestors are dependent on him for their purpose. The genealogy of Jesus, then, not accidentally is traced back to David and ultimately to Abraham, thereby showing that Jesus is the fulfillment of God's promise to raise up a king from the descendants of David.

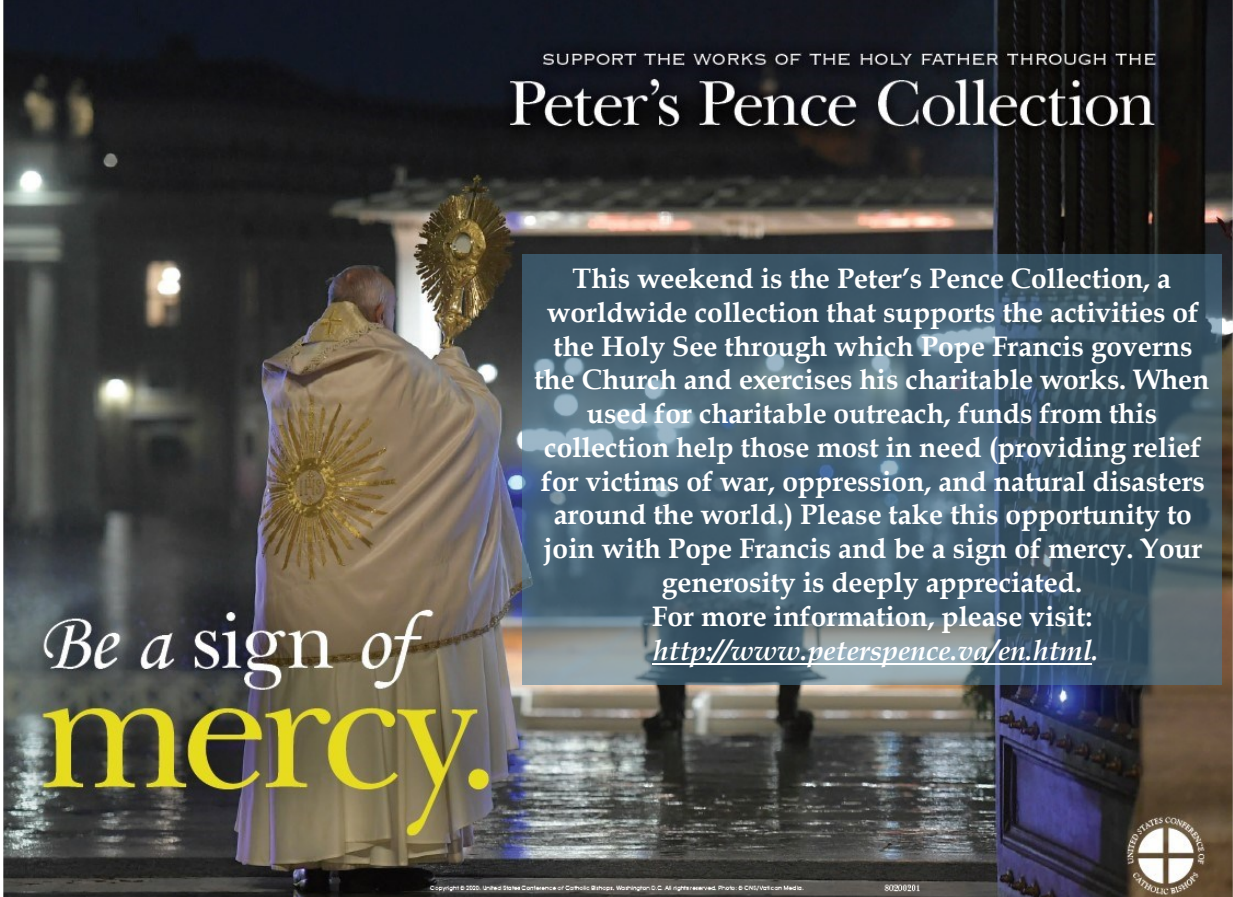
Having shown that Jesus is descended from David, Matthew attempts to portray Jesus as a teacher of the law superior to Moses. There are five main discourses in the Gospel of Matthew, which, not coincidentally, is the same number of books in the Pentateuch, of which Moses was thought to be the author. Jesus also goes up to the top of what is today the Mount of Beatitudes to teach the crowds. This is also what Moses did in the Book of Exodus when he received the ten commandments: *"The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.'"* It is only appropriate that Jesus, who has come to fulfil that law, would also do his teaching from the mountaintop. Jesus is also presented as a new Solomon, who is not just any wise man but the wise man: *"I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent...All things have been handed over to me by Father."* (Matthew 11.25-27) There are, of course, many other things that could be said about the Gospel of Matthew but to understand that Gospel, it is essential to know that, for Matthew, Jesus is fully a man from Israel.

Fr. Robert

*Join Fr. Robert @ 7:30 P.M. on Tuesday,  
July 6th in our Rectory Assembly for the  
third session of his Summer Scripture Series.*



Second Collection: June 26th & 27th - Peter's Pence



SUPPORT THE WORKS OF THE HOLY FATHER THROUGH THE

# Peter's Pence Collection

This weekend is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the activities of the Holy See through which Pope Francis governs the Church and exercises his charitable works. When used for charitable outreach, funds from this collection help those most in need (providing relief for victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters around the world.) Please take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy. Your generosity is deeply appreciated. For more information, please visit: <http://www.peterspence.va/en.html>.

*Be a sign of*  
**mercy.**

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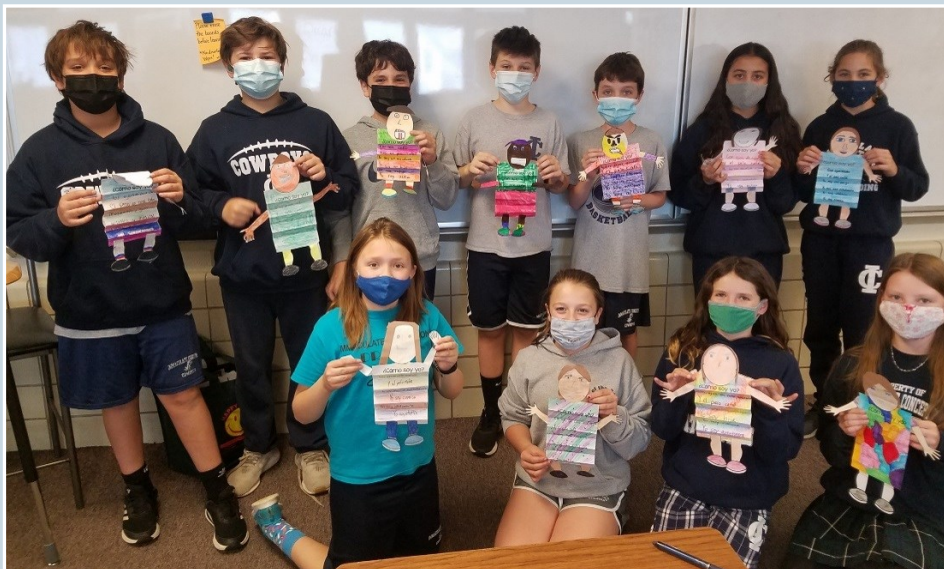
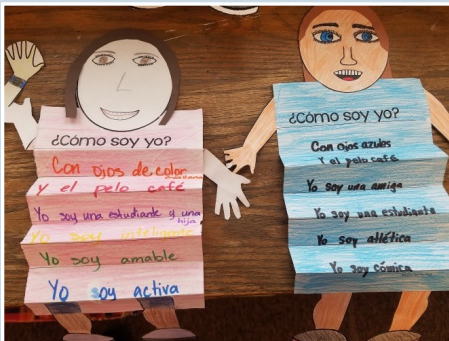
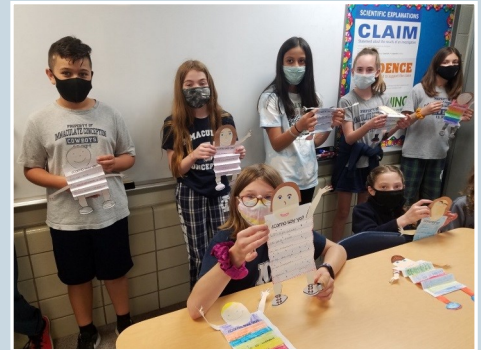
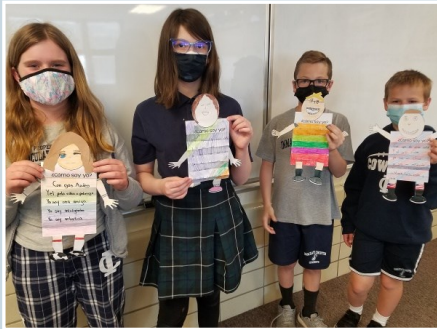




## School News...

# SPANISH CLASS!

with Mrs. Leyhane



Immaculate Conception School conducted Spanish class this COVID year for Fourth through Eighth grade. Fourth Grade was introduced to greetings, numbers, weather, seasons, and days of the week. Students created books to read and learn vocabulary. Fifth Grade worked on higher numbers, time, calendar terms, and adjectives. Students read a 20 page Pirate book in Spanish! Sixth Grade continued with more emphasis on writing, including writing nouns, learning which countries speak Spanish, and creating their own classroom. Seventh Grade worked on verbs and sentences and descriptions, and how they agree. Eighth Grade has had Spanish class every day this year and continued their study of Spanish 1. Here are pictures of the little people created by our Fifth grade class.

They described themselves. ¡Muy Bien! They did a great job!

- Mrs. Leyhane

*Please join our parish family in prayer ...*

*For those who are sick:*



Tom Altman  
Melissa Bednarz  
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  
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:*

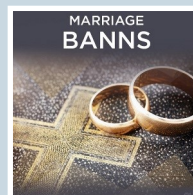
*For those preparing to be joined together in Holy Matrimony:*

Marie E. Piechowski (Mother of Ursula)

Mark John Swiderski and Stephanie Anne Strzelecki



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



"And the two shall become  
one..."

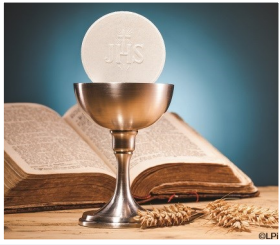
*For those who serve our country:*



**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; 2nd Lt. 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](http://vets.archchicago.org) that provides information that can be of assistance.





*Mass Intentions:  
Sunday, June 27th  
through  
Sunday, July 4th*

**Sunday, June 27th - Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

5:00 P.M. (Saturday) - †Irene Czarnecki (on her 5th Anniversary)

8:30 A.M. — †Thomas Tudisco; †Josephine & Bernard Gonsalves; †Antoinette Fabianski; †Francis & Moira Cross; †Kathleen O'Sullivan; Mary O'Malley (Living); Regina & Emil Kogut (Living); and Gene Dengler (Living)

10:30 A.M. — †Alfonso DiGrazia (Birthday Remembrance); †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Joan Marcus; †Laura Miraglia; †Patricia Gillespie; †Noreen Nolan; †Marcus Christian Ong; John David M. Ong (In Thanksgiving) (Living); Mr. & Mrs. Rodolfo Ong & Family (In Thanksgiving) (Living); Rosanna Marzec (Living); and The People of the Parish

**Monday, June 28th - Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr**

8:30 A.M. — †Yolanda Vittore (on her 1st Anniversary); and †Marilyn Martin

**Tuesday, June 29th - Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles**

8:30 A.M. — †Tim Cotteleer

**Wednesday, June 30th - The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church**

8:30 A.M. — †Agnes Ghidara (on her 5th Anniversary)

**Thursday, July 1st - Saint Junipero Serra, Priest**

8:30 A.M. — †Ros Merino; and †Ruth Forrestal

**Friday, July 2nd - Weekday**

8:30 A.M. — †Ellen "Nellie" Gavin; †Patricia P. Dunleavy; and †James Tyson

5:30 P.M. — †Anthony Mazzone

**Saturday, July 3rd - Saint Thomas, Apostle**

5:00 P.M. - †Collette Rice

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

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; and The People of the Parish



June 27th through July 3rd  
Our Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week  
for the repose of the soul of

**Ros  
Merino**

Requested by: Erma Kinzie

June 27th through July 2nd  
Our Blessed Mother Votive is burning this  
week for the repose of the soul of

**Mae  
O'Donnell**

Requested by: Sandra Kubik

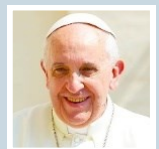
June 27th through July 2nd  
Our St. Joseph Votive is burning  
this week for the repose of the soul of

**Michael  
O'Donnell**

Requested by: Sandra Kubik

**Pope Tweet of the Week...**

"Perseverance is the gift of God by which all His other gifts are maintained. Let us pray that, as individuals and as Church, we might persevere in doing good, and not to lose sight of what counts. "







WITH JOYFUL HEARTS,  
WE WELCOME OUR  
NEWLY BAPTIZED.



*Thomas Walter Wardzala*  
*Child of Robert Anthony & Amy Sue (Kozyra) Wardzala*



*Greta May Gersch*  
*Child of Timothy Patrick & Ryan Alyson (Froid) Gersch*

### *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 6<sup>th</sup>** - 7:30-8:30 P.M.: *Who is Jesus in the Gospel of Luke?*

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

Tuesday, **August 3<sup>rd</sup>** - 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](mailto: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](http://www.icchicago.org)) or contact our Parish Office (773.775.3833) to register.



**Sunday:** Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 [2a]/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

**Monday:** Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11 [8a]/Mt 8:18-22

**Tuesday:** Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19

Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

**Wednesday:** Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [7a]/Mt 8:28-34

**Thursday:** Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Mt 9:1-8

**Friday:** Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5 [1b]/Mt 9:9-13

**Saturday:** Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 20:24-29

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



## Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture



The author of The Cloud of Unknowing prays, “That which I am and the way that I am, with all my gifts of nature and grace, you have given to me, O Lord, and you are all this. I offer it all to you, principally to praise you and to help my fellow Christians and myself.” Knowing that God sustains us in being is the key to faith. All that we need to do is to love God as God is and the rest will begin to fall into place. God made us in His image and desires that we have life. God also desires that we be healed of all of our wounds, especially those caused by sin, and know his loving touch. Being weighed down by negativity, imperfections, the cares of the world, and weakness is not something that God desires.

Faith can profoundly change how we see God, ourselves, and one another. It gives a clearer lens through which to see life and connects us with the powerful virtues of love and hope. Three friends journeying with us through all that we encounter, faith, hope, and love, help us experience God’s embrace and heal us. All we have to do is let God be who God is and not foolishly try to make Him into what we need or want Him to be. Without God we cease to be. It’s that simple. The very blood that flows through my veins and the life that I have come directly from Divine origins. With this knowledge of who God is and who I am, I can open my ears and hear the powerful words Jesus speaks, “Do not be afraid, just have faith.” Trust begins.

When we are struggling, we naturally reach out for God because we know that a divine remedy is the only remedy. But, in doing so we wrestle with letting God take charge. We want something more miraculous and visible than the obvious and have difficulty in finding consolation simply resting in God’s presence. Our naked being, stripped of any pretense or self-serving agenda, is being called to rest in and love the uncreated Presence of God. Reach out in love to God. Ask God to heal you from all that separates you from Him. Put aside any ideas of God that create barriers between you and God’s tender and endearing presence. The Cloud of Unknowing leaves us with wisdom, “think of yourself and of him in the same way, that is, with the simple awareness that he is as he is and that you are as you are.” This is a meeting of two friends who desire nothing more than to share life together. ©LPi

## Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God in your Ordinary Moments

### Touching the Cloak of Christ...

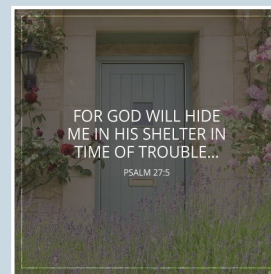
Look to today’s Gospel and you’ll find one of the most arresting images in all of Scripture. Christ in a crowd, everyone clamoring for his attention, pressing against him. Several feet away, is a chronically ill woman, weak and desperate for help. She knows she doesn’t have a chance of getting his attention. She has no connections. She has no strength. All she can do is lift up her hand. So that’s what she does. She reaches out.

There comes a time, or maybe several times, in each of our lives when we become this woman. We’re tired and we’re sick. Is it with sin? With fear? With anger? It doesn’t matter. Whatever it is, it’s made us weak, and we feel like we’ve run out of options. We’ve looked for help and come up empty. We’ve consulted friends and gotten nowhere. We’re lost in the crowd of life, unable to stick our heads above the pressing throng to wave for help.

And there is Christ, always passing by us. The hem of his cloak is never far from our grasp. We have no hope of a big miracle like the synagogue leader. We don’t even bother asking for that. But that cloak ... we can touch that cloak. That’s something we can do.

Do we do it, though? Do we have the confidence of that sick, beaten-down woman who knew so totally that healing was there for the taking? Or do we retreat back into the crowd, stumbling back home with our pain and our sinfulness? Reach out, friends. However, whatever, whenever — reach out. Christ will not fail you.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi





**Our Parish Staff:**

**Fr. Matthew Heinrich**, *Pastor*  
**Fr. Robert Carlton**, *Associate Pastor*  
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**Deacon Ronald & Connie Gronek**  
**Deacon Michael & Melissa Bednarz**  
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**What's Happening @ IC...**

**Monday, June 28th –**

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

**Tuesday, June 29th -**

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

**Wednesday, June 30th -**

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

**Thursday, July 1st –**

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 2nd –**

8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – IC Summer Camp; PC  
 8:30 A.M. – Weekday Mass; Church  
 5:30-7:00 P.M. – First Friday Mass & Adoration; Church  
 8:00 P.M. – Men's Basketball; PC

**Sunday, July 4th –**

9:30-10:15 A.M. – Confessions; Church



**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](http://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](mailto:parishbulletin@icchicago.org) (\*Please note: new email address.)