

Welcome to
Immaculate Conception Parish

A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

November 13, 2022 - Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

We Welcome Into The Church Our Newly Confirmed!



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"Recall then that you have received the spiritual seal, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence, the spirit of holy fear in God's presence. Guard what you have received. God the Father has marked you with His sign; Christ the Lord has confirmed you and has placed His pledge, the Spirit, in your hearts." - Saint Ambrose of Milan

Love God • Serve Others • Make Disciples

Contact Us

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Saturday: 9:00 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. Masks are optional.

All are welcome!

Weekday Mass Schedule:

In-Person

Monday through Thursday @ 8:30 A.M.

(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)

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)

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.

Special Announcement: 60 For 60 Campaign Matches

Dear all,

I am pleased to say that we are in the home stretch of our *60 for 60 Campaign*. With one month until our Feast Day on **December 8th**, we have received nearly \$50,000 dollars thanks to your generosity!

I am also pleased to announce that our Holy Name Men's Club is currently offering a dollar-for-dollar match *up to \$6,000 dollars*, **retroactive to November 3rd through Thanksgiving, November 24th**.

I am also pleased to announce that an anonymous donor is offering an additional match incentive after Thanksgiving through the end of our campaign. I will announce those details once it begins.

Essentially, we will have a dollar-for-dollar match all the way from now until the end of our campaign, so make your dollar count for double this month!

Thank you to all our donors and supporters!
- Fr. Matt

Immaculate Conception Parish
60th Anniversary Celebration
Mass & Reception
Save The Date...
Thursday, December 8, 2022
7:00 P.M. Mass with Bishop Mark Bartosic
Reception To Follow In Our Parish Center
icchicago.org

Family Mass @ IC: Celebrating Our Scouts!



Please join us at our **10:30 A.M. Family Mass** next Sunday, **November 20th** (with *Fr. Robert* presiding) as we celebrate our *Scouting Programs*. Our *Choristers* will make their Family Mass debut, joining together with our *Vocal Quintet* to lead our congregation in song.

A hospitality reception hosted by our *Cub Scouts* will follow the conclusion of our Mass in the Vestibule of our Church.



All are welcome and encouraged to join us!

Immaculate Conception Parish
Fruitful Harvest
Sunday
November 20
Session Two:
Service
How does God call us to serve and how do we use our talents & abilities to serve people in a way that will inspire them to serve others?
As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.
1 Peter 4:10
Join us for a roundtable reflection followed by small group discussion. Coffee & pastries will be provided.
11:30 A.M.
Rectory Assembly

Immaculate Conception Parish
Paper Goods & Toiletries Drive
Benefiting Catholic Charities in Des Plaines

We welcome donations of:

- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Soap (Bar or Body Wash)
- Shampoo
- Feminine Hygiene Products

All donations should be in original packaging and unopened.

Our collection begins on November 12th & 13th and will conclude on Thursday, November 24th (Thanksgiving Day)

Please deposit all paper & toiletry item donations in the collection boxes located in the Vestibule of our Church. Monetary donations will also be gratefully accepted via Give Central.

Sandwiches For The Port Ministries



Please join us to make sandwiches for *The Port Ministries* on **Tuesday, November 15th** at **5:30 P.M.** in our Rectory Assembly. Please invite any others that might be interested. We appreciate donations or lunch meat (ham, salami, or turkey - no cheese) and sliced bread.

Additionally, we will also accept donations of cases of water, bags of apples, and individual bags of chips. If you are unable to attend and would like to drop off donations, you can do so that evening or call/text *Nancy Soprych* at 773.805.3254 to make arrangements.

Thank you so much!



Immaculate Conception Parish
Christmas Toy Drive
Benefiting Catholic Charities in Des Plaines

Suggested Spending Amount: \$25.00
Only New Packaged Toys Will Be Accepted

- Art Supplies
- Games
- Dolls
- Sports Gear/Items (Basketballs, Soccer Balls, etc.)
- Toy Models
- Toy Trucks and Cars
- Action Figures
- Children's Books

Our toy collection begins on Sunday, November 27th and will conclude on Sunday, December 4th. Share God's love and make a difference by bringing joy to the heart of a child this Christmas!

Immaculate Conception Parents Club

Poinsettia Sales

Decorate your home and send Christmas Cheer with a beautiful poinsettia from Kolze's Corner Garden. These poinsettias will stay fresh and beautiful in your home through the New Year, at least.

Orders due by: Thursday, November 17th

Payment: Smart Tuition: <https://bngn.blackbaud.school/?id=vngxwhzzkcnlor>
or c/o Jack Gillespie, Room 1B

Delivery: Sunday, November 27th in the East Lot (morning)

Variety: All 7" Pot Size, 13" Tall x 12" Wide	Quantity \$22 each
 Dark Red	
 Red & White Glitter	
 Winter Double Rose	
 White	
 Ice Punch	
 Luv U Pink	

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Total Number of Poinsettias Ordered _____

Total Cost: _____

It's that time of year again--the *ICPC Poinsettia Sales*! We may still be cleaning up pumpkins, but the holidays will be here before we know it. These beautiful poinsettias from *Kolze's Corner Garden* will certainly get you in the holiday spirit! Order by **Thursday, November 17th** and pick up in our East Parking Lot on the morning of

Sunday, November 27th.

Please review the flyer for more information, including a link to order through Smart Tuition. You may also drop your order off at our Parish Office.

Please join our parish family in prayer ...

For those who are sick;



Tom Altman
 Paul Amandes
 Arnold B.
 Robert Behrman
 Sonia M. B.
 Roberta Berger
 John Bozek
 Vince Caeti
 Mary Cali
 Jackie Campbell
 Zita Castro
 Donna Chaplin
 James Covello
 Ronnie Cunningham
 Paige Dicks
 Margarita DiSalvo
 Emily Divarco
 Eric Dulce
 Lilia Dulce
 Ozzie D'Souza
 John Eckhardt
 Richard Flanagan
 Brooke Foreman
 Patricia Furgat
 Lila Gehner
 Bonnie Jean Gorski

Marie Hagarty
Rose Hegarty
 Gloria Hernandez
 Ofelia Hernandez
 Mike Hickey
 Judy Hull
 Mary Ann Schmitt Hurtig
 Kevin Jaburek
 Wayne Kinzie, Sr.
 Craig Kloss
 Lillian Kohut
 Katherine Kreuser
 Anthony LaPash
 Dawn LaVeau
 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
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 Mary Potwora
 Helen Rasmussen
 Bill Remblake
 Joe Rispoli
 Pia Rizza
 David Rodriguez
 Don Skorey
 Edward Stanczyk
 Jack Stewart
 Jill Swagler
 Alma T.
 Donna Tisdale
 Camilla Trevino
 Steven P. Trifilio
 Mary Ellen Vanderman
 Dolores Vonder Haar
 Miss Westhoff
 Rita Zambon

***Newly Added**

For our faithful departed:

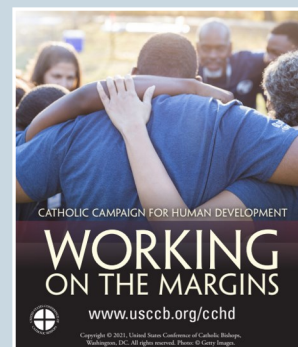
Second Collection: November 19th & 20th

Lucy DeFili
 Fr. Patrick Boyle, SJ
 Fr. Donald "Don" Senior, C.P.



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

Next weekend, our special collection will support the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. To learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, visit: www.usccb.org/cchd.



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
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 - PFC Sebastian L. Rivera, Jr., PFC Christopher Hughes, PFC Algene D. Porticos, LCpl Daniel Wiczorek

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, November 13th
through
Sunday, November 20th*

Sunday, November 13th - Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time (Stewardship Sunday)

5:00 P.M. (Saturday) — †Edwin Sikorski, Sr. (Birthday Remembrance); and †Joseph Henmueller

8:30 A.M. — †Stanislaw Pawlowski; and †Walter L. Sment

10:30 A.M. — †The Furgat Family; †Walter & Irene Gould; †Tina LaPash; †Milagros Bernardita Capito San Juan; †Francis & Moira Cross; †Richard Dixon; and The People of the Parish

Monday, November 14th - Weekday

8:30 A.M. — †Giuseppe Gloria

Tuesday, November 15th - Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30 A.M. — †Laurene Zaporozhetz (Death Anniversary); †Marina Gloria; and Zenobia Gonsalves (Birthday) (Living)

Wednesday, November 16th - Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin

8:30 A.M. — †Poor Souls In Purgatory

Thursday, November 17th - Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

8:30 A.M. — †The Furgat Family; †Josefa Fernandez; and †Jean Cronin

Friday, November 18th - The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles; Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin
Friday Daily Masses Temporarily Suspended (as of July 8th)

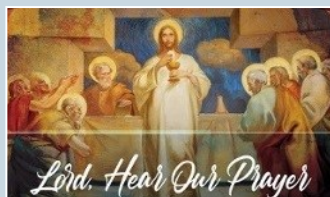
Saturday, November 19th - Weekday

5:00 P.M. — †Tom Fuller; †Mary Jean Klasen; †The Furgat Family; †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Margaret Kroll; †Mary Kay Keane; †Sheila Meehan; †Mary McTighe; †Suzanne Smith; †Jaime Macolor San Juan; †Ramon Z. Capito; †Denise Clemens; †Kevin Mulroe; and †Katherine P. Patti

Sunday, November 20th - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:30 A.M. — †Eileen Larson; †Eveann LoVero; †Daniel Fernandez; and †Paul Richard Thurston Johnson

10:30 A.M. — †Philip & Frances Covello; †Maria Lam; †Sr. Mary Julianne Maciuszek, CR (on her 1st Anniversary); †Manuel Mendoza; †Ann Butler; †Francis & Moira Cross; and The People of the Parish



November 13th through November 19th

Our Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week for the repose of the soul of

Maureen McGee Kogen

Requested by: The McGee Family

November 13th through November 18th

Our Blessed Mother Votive is burning this week for the prayer intentions of

IC Staff & Students
(all those who assisted with The Baby Bottle Project)

Requested by: IC Pro-Life Committee

November 13th through November 18th

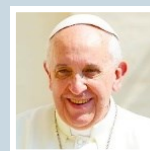
Our St. Joseph Votive is burning this week for the prayer intention of

Donald J. Skorey
(for good health)

Requested by: The Kwasinski Family

Pope Tweet of the Week...

“The culture of care is the antidote to a world rife with individualism and imprisoned by sadness. Let us learn to take care of others, of our cities, of our society, of creation so as to experience the joy of friendship and generosity.”





WITH JOYFUL HEARTS,
WE WELCOME OUR
NEWLY BAPTIZED.



*Callen James Dore
Child of James Maurice & Kelsey Maureen (Irish) Dore*

Celebrate Thanksgiving @ IC

Our Mass on **Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 24th)** will be celebrated at **10:00 A.M.** with *Fr. Matt* presiding. All are welcome to join us as we offer our thanks to God with grateful hearts for the many blessings that we have received as a parish family throughout this past year. For those unable to join us in-person, our Mass will also be livestreamed.

In observance of the holiday, our Parish Office will be closed on both **Thursday, November 24th** & **Friday, November 25th**.



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Annual
I.C. Holy Name Society

TURKEY SMOKER
(Formerly known as the Turkey's Wild Night)

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Friday, November 18 / 6:00pm - 12:00am
I.C. Meyer Parish Center
7271 W. Talcott Avenue
.....

Who: I.C. Parish Men, Alumni, School Dads, CCD Dads, Friends, Family and Neighbors

Cards, Texas Hold 'Em Tournament, Blackjack, Bags (Corn Hole) Tournament, Raffles, Smoking Tent, Dinner and Socializing - A night out to relax, meet friends, make new friends, laugh, play, have fun...You get the picture!	•	\$40 Men's Club Members
	•	\$50 Non-Member
	•	Includes Dinner (beef, pasta, salads, chips), beer, soda and coffee

Call Michael Tom 847/331-4884 or Ron Yak 773/580-4868 with questions.

Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture



Many make it their life’s ambition to determine precisely when the world will end. By reading the signs of the times, consulting scripture, or looking to prophetic predictions that are sometimes centuries old, they claim a certain credibility in being able to do so. Is all that necessary to know? Even when his disciples pointedly ask him this question, Jesus does not directly answer. While the end will inevitably come, Jesus points out that there is a lot we need to do first: remain faithful, face persecution, endure suffering, face wars and insurrections, and give testimony. Human beings tend to focus their energies on the wrong kingdom. Consumed with all of the things we have built and

seeking to preserve them, we forget that we belong to a different kingdom, the Kingdom of God.

All of the “stuff” we have constructed will be taken away. All that will remain is God’s kingdom. Which kingdom do we prefer? We answer that question by honestly looking at where we invest most of our time and energy. What matters to us as we embrace a new moment or day in our lives? If our relationship with God, the strength and integrity of our souls, and the steadfastness of our character are of utmost importance, then it matters little when the physical end will come. We will have what we need to persevere, endure, and confront whatever comes our way. Jesus cautions that we do not allow ourselves to be overwhelmed or overly terrified by the agonies and disappointments of the world. Although we may be apprehensive and uncertain when faced with complex challenges, God is with us. We will receive the inspiration we need to forge ahead.

God is a God of salvation and new beginnings. Whether we consider the daily unfolding of our earthly lives or our eternal ones to come, God never leaves us with dead ends. There is always hope, and there is always something new to come. As Julian of Norwich reminds us, “God made us, God loves us and God keeps us.” This wisdom holds true whether life is stable and profitable or challenging and uncertain. If we remember this simple truth, we will be ready regardless of the day or the hour. ©LPi

Pro-Life News: The Baby Bottle Project Concludes @ IC - Sunday, November 13th

This weekend marks the conclusion of the Baby Bottle Project at IC. This annual event supports the mission of *The Women’s Centers of Greater Chicagoland* (www.gotwc.org) For close to 40 years, this organization has provided pro-life pregnancy assistance and saved the lives of more than 40,000 babies.

Our Pro-Life Group distributed empty baby bottles at all Masses on October 15th & 16th, and directly to students of our school, to be filled over the past few weeks with spare change or bills. **All bottles should be returned to our Church or our Parish Office by this Sunday, November 13th.** (Checks will also be accepted, made payable to *The Women’s Centers of Greater Chicagoland*.)

We thank you for your generosity as well as for your continued prayers for greater reverence and protection of all life.



Ministry Schedules: Saturday, November 19th & Sunday, November 20th

	Saturday 5:00 P.M.	Sunday 8:30 A.M.	Sunday 10:30 A.M. Family Mass
Presiders	Fr. Robert Fedek	Fr. Matthew Heinrich	Fr. Robert Fedek
Lectors	E. Kinzie	N. Kremer	N. Schroeder
Cantors	E. Doyle	Vocal Quintet & Violin	Vocal Quintet & Choristers
Extraordinary Ministers	R. Altman	A. Schnitzlein	D. Mroz & C. Kech
Altar Servers	E. Carroll; E. Hyland; C. Villafane	S. Gillespie; D. Gillespie; A. McMahon	K. Catomer; K. Giannola; I. Luna



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What's Happening @ IC...

Monday, November 14th – Fall School Book Fair Begins
 10:15 A.M.-Noon – Monday Morning Bible Study: “The Gospel of John”; RA
 7:00-8:30 P.M. – Fall Alpha Monday Evening Session; RA
 7:00-8:30 P.M. – Overtones Rehearsal; CH

Tuesday, November 15th -
 5:30-6:30 P.M. – IC Outreach: Sandwiches For The Port Ministries; RA

Wednesday, November 16th -
 8:30 A.M. - School Mass; CH
 2:00-3:30 P.M. – Choristers Rehearsal; CH
 4:00-5:00 P.M. – Religious Education Class; SC
 5:30-7:30 P.M. – Family Reading Night; PH
 7:30-9:00 P.M. – IC Athletic Committee Mtg.; NWCR

Thursday, November 17th –
 7:00-9:00 P.M. – School Board Mtg. (School Tuition Set); RA

Friday, November 18th – Fall School Book Fair Concludes
 6:00 P.M.-Midnight – IC HNMC 84th Annual Turkey Smoker; PC
 8:15-10:00 P.M. – Men’s Basketball; SG

Saturday, November 19th -
 8:30-10:00 A.M. – Fall Alpha Saturday Morning Session; RA
 11:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. – Future City Mtg.; NWCR

Sunday, November 20th -
 9:30-10:15 A.M. – Confessions; CH
 10:30 A.M. – Family Mass (Scouting Programs); CH
 (Hospitality Reception hosted by: IC Cub Scouts to follow); CH (Vestibule)
 11:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M. – Fruitful Harvest Series: Session II “Service”; RA
 4:00-7:00 P.M. – Cub Scout Thanksgiving Awards Ceremony; PH/Café



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.

Early Bulletin Deadlines:

November 20th Bulletin submissions due:
 Friday, November 11th

November 27th Bulletin submissions due:
 Tuesday, November 15th

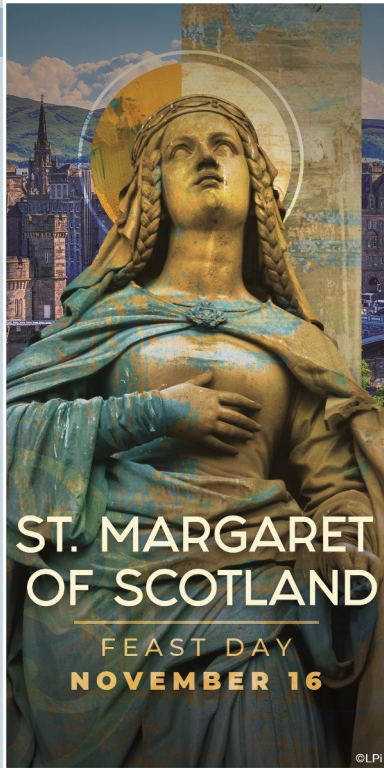
December 11th Bulletin submissions due:
 Saturday, December 3rd

December 18th Bulletin submissions due:
 Friday, December 9th

December 25th Bulletin submissions due:
 Monday, December 12th

January 1st Bulletin submissions due:
 Thursday, December 22nd

Bulletin submissions are accepted via email at:
parishbulletin@icchicago.org



Saint of The Week - Examples of Our Faith: Saint Margaret Of Scotland (Nov. 16th)

Saint Margaret was born in exile around 1045, in what is now Hungary. She is the daughter of Princess Agatha of Hungary and Edward the Atheling the Anglo-Saxon heir to the throne of England. The family returned to England, but Edward died soon after their arrival, making Margaret's brother Edgar the presumptive heir. However, the Norman Conquest would turn their world upside down. Agatha and her children fled the country. They likely intended to go back to Hungary, but they were shipwrecked off the coast of Scotland.

King Malcolm Canmore III took the exiles under his wing, and he fell in love with the beautiful and gracious Margaret. Although she initially rebuffed his proposals, the couple were married in 1070 at castle of Dunfermline. Margaret and Malcolm had eight children, six sons and two daughters. Margaret brought culture to the Scottish court and used her influence to soften her rough husband. The saint led a life of austerity, aiding Church reform, promoting Easter communion, and founding churches and monasteries. She instituted the Queen's Ferry to the shrine of St. Andrew and founded pilgrimage hostels.

Saint Margaret, Queen of Scotland, died on November 16, 1093, four days after her husband and eldest son were killed in the battle of Alnwick. She was canonized by Pope Innocent IV in 1250 and named patron of Scotland in 1673. ©LPi

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