## Welcome to

# Immaculate Conception Parish

A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

November 1, 2020 - All Saints

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Charles Florian Grayzeck William "Bill" Sprincz Patrick 'Pat" Joseph O'Malley Annie "Kathleen" Boggins James "Seamus" Ryan Hollace "Holly" Concannon Shirley M. Stanley Edmund M. Lomasney Mirta Segura Urizarri Maureen Serb Walter J. "Wally" Valters Maureen T. Allen Edward Charles Collins, Jr. Michael J. "Mickey" O'Donnell Genowefa S. Wesolowska John "Jack" G. O'Brien Richard "David" O'Reilly John "Jay" C. Livensparger Frances Budzinski Helen A. Roden Eugene J. "Barts" Mroz Robert S. Pluska Louis M. Taus

Virginia Taibi Michael J. O'Donnell Doris Melendez Jaime San Juan Patricia A. "Pat" Miller Arthur E. Jennrich Evelyn M. Brunell Constance "Connie" Larys

Thomas Edward Dexl

Lorraine Gianfrancesco Joseph M. Vuich, Sr. Thomas C. Craig Regina A. Hanusiak Ronald G. "Ron" Horist Grace Romano Dolores M. DeZurko Phillip Leo Tarasiewicz James P. Maher Erminia Toda Macatangay Ida B. Pentimone Patricia M. "Pat" Zubinski Krystyna Sadowska Elizabeth A. Williams Mary S. Alvarez Kenneth A. Malatesta Betty Jean Reuther Martha Petramala Henry Kilian Jean Wesolowski Angeline N. Molfese Boguslawa "Bonnie" Kraus Marcia A. Karbowski Lorraine Pauline Kaye Charles Joseph "Charlie" Quinn, Jr. Philip Gerard Vierneisel

Mary S. Ryan S. Richard Smola Adeline N. Rokicki Julia A. Mroczkowski Robert J. May Genevieve Soltysik Stanislaw "Stanley" Swiderski Antoinette D. "Toni" Fabianski Edna B. Richardson John P. Varallo Richard F. Losik Henry F. Prokop Veronica Spera Mae I. Nelson Stanley W. Lyskanowski Jose C. Sazo Eileen T. Staunton Marie A. Hickey Elizabeth M. 'Betty' Malek Fr. Peter Berendt, C.P. Ignaz Nickl Sue Stich Marion Pine Genevieve A. "Jean" Depke Ronald L. Maloney Nancy Kinzie Donald A. Kopec Eileen Mary Mascha Thomas A. McHugh Gregory G. Tomaino Kevin V. Ballog John (Jay) Joseph Dosek, Jr.



## Worship...



Worship with IC from home... Sunday Virtual Mass @ 10:30 A.M. Daily Virtual Mass @ 7:00 P.M. (Monday-Friday) School Virtual Mass @ 8:30 A.M. (Wednesdays)

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.



Opportunities for **Confessions** will be offered on the first and third Tuesdays of each month from **6:00-7:00 P.M.** 

Next opportunities: November 3rd & November 17th \*Reservations are required.



Kevin & Maria Quinn and their children Kevin, Lianna & Jordan

Kimberly Malbrough and her son Jude

Bob Gilleran and his daughters Sarah & Grace

Patricia Kasprzyk

#### **Phase 2 Reopening Mass Schedule:**

Sunday Mass in Church (with reserved seating) @ 5:00 P.M. (Saturday), 8:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M. Please visit www.icparish.net to register.



All are welcome to join us for "A Month Of Thanks" ... Special blessings bestowed @ all Masses each weekend for:

Oct. 31st & Nov. 1st—Volunteers & Ministers
Nov. 7th & 8th—Teachers, Administration, Aides & Staff
Nov. 14th & 15th—Parents, Siblings & Families
Nov. 21st & 22nd—Essential Workers (Groceries, Shipping,
Food Services, etc.)

All Souls' Day (Mass of Remembrance): Monday, November 2nd @ 7:00 P.M. in Church (with reserved seating)

First Friday Mass & Adoration in Church (with reserved seating) @ 5:30 P.M. on November 6th

Please visit www.icparish.net to register.

## Donate... 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 <a href="www.givecentral.org/location/349">www.givecentral.org/location/349</a> 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

#### All Saints Day

Certainly, Christmas and Easter receive much attention during our year. For now, at least, it holds a prominent place in our culture. One might say that culturally, Halloween holds great significance to us, even though the significance is in no way spiritual. One has only to look at Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, and other social media outlets to see the great volume of videos and posts devoted to the subject. Content about horror movie franchises, costumes, and scary games are posted to your heart's content. I have no problem with this phenomenon. Culture is not something we can easily control, and, at this time and place, Halloween happens to be popular now.



I believe that it is lost on our faith that the greatest feast days are perhaps in this order: Easter, Ascension, Christmas, Pentecost, All Saints Day

**Easter** celebrates the Resurrection, our victory in and through Christ over sin and death. The **Ascension** promises us a share in the life of God and an eternal mediator in Christ

**Christmas** is the feast where we celebrate God's mercy and justice; Christ shares our life intimately to transform it. **Pentecost** is where the Spirit is shared with us, allowing us to live a life of God.

**All Saints Day** is a sort of acknowledgment of all of these realities in the faithful of the Church. The day we acknowledge that the Church, the Body of Christ, is called to carry on the mission of Christ.

It is essential that we as a Church see our faith as a **mission**, and not merely as our identity. My experience as a Catholic is that the name "St. Andrew" is not much different from saying "1st United Catholic Congregation", insofar as I would be hard-pressed for people to tell me who St. Andrew is and why he's significant. Even for us here, what is the Immaculate Conception and why is it genuinely significant for our faith?

Saints are people who love heroically and embody the mission of the Church: the salvation of souls through sacrament, prayer, love, forgiveness, mercy, and generosity.

As an experiment, how much can you say about the following:

Gale Sayers vs. St. Augustine Eddie Van Halen vs. St. Theresa of Avila Chris Pratt vs. St. Bonaventure

How many words could you use to describe the impact and significance culturally, of one or the other? This experiment alone should prove my point.

Knowing sports, music, and culture is no sin. Conversations about them can be enjoyable and a bonding experience. Many people likewise have been inspired to great things by cultural icons. All I ask is that we look to our saints for inspiration as well. Their lives are examples of great love, oftentimes through tragedy and struggle. They are like us in every way and their call was no different from ours. I hope that this November 1st, you are able to celebrate this feast day. Honor a saint important to your family and heritage. Learn their story. The hope is that, once inspired by them, you too will become a saint.

Fr. Matt

#### IC Scholarship Fund Opportunity...

In response to the economic challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic and to encourage students from IC to attend Catholic high schools, Immaculate Conception Parish would like to start a scholarship fund for graduates of Immaculate Conception School and our Religious Education Program to use for tuition at Catholic high schools. We recognize the value and importance of a Catholic high school education and we hope that this could potentially make a difference in the ability of our graduates to continue their Catholic education. All graduates from Immaculate Conception School or our Religious Education Program who either will attend a Catholic high school next year or are currently enrolled at Catholic high schools would be eligible to apply. Application materials and directions will be posted on our parish website **after January 1, 2021**. While the amount and number of the scholarships available will depend upon the amount of money raised, it is hoped that they would be a minimum of \$500. Also, while it is hoped that the scholarships could be renewed, funding initially is only guaranteed for one year.

Traditionally, the Chicago Marathon has been used as a way to raise money for causes such as this. However, since there is no Chicago Marathon this year, Fr. Robert Carlton will run a half marathon in the Norwood Park Circle this **Sunday**, **November 1**<sup>st</sup> to kick off the fundraising part of our efforts. Please contact Fr. Robert at 773.775.3833 Ext. 102 or via email at <a href="mailto:rearlton@archchicago.org">rearlton@archchicago.org</a> with any additional questions.



## School News...



## Crossing Guard of the Year...

Congratulations to our crossing guard at Oconto and Talcott, Pat Oliva, who won the Crossing Guard of the Year Award today! Out of the 800 crossing guards in the city of Chicago, Pat was selected as the winner! To commemorate the occasion, there was a small ceremony in our East Lot with her family present as she was awarded her plaque. Some of our students presented her with balloons, posters and cards. Mrs. Oliva has been a crossing guard for 38 years. Thanks to our families who nominated her. —Sue Canzoneri

#### Ms. A is on the move...

IC School Art teacher, Ms. A (Mrs. Lisa Arreguin), has done a fantastic job keeping our students engaged in creating their art projects, just as she has done in past years. This year has presented many challenges, such as not being able to use her art classroom. In lieu of that, Ms. A has four traveling art carts that she utilizes for the different age groups as well as for the different levels in our school. As you can see in the accompanying photograph, she doesn't travel light!



#### First Responders Mass...

On Saturday, October 24th, IC welcomed our special guest presider Fr. Dan Brandt, Chicago Police Department Chaplain, as we gathered together as a parish family with grateful hearts to honor and celebrate our First Responders at our 5:00 P.M. Mass. All First Responders present (Police, Fire, Military, and Emergency Medical personnel) received a special blessing bestowed upon them by Fr. Dan. Our heartfelt thanks to Fr. Dan and to the Bagpipes & Drums of the Emerald Society (CPD Band) for their gracious participation in our celebration!













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



Tom Altman Concetta Bartucci Melissa Bednarz Celerina Behrman Robert Behrman Sonia M. B. Bernadina Caeti Vince Caeti Jackie Campbell Rita Castillo Donna Chaplin Phil Chiaramonte Iames Covello Sherry Crocifisso Ronnie Cunningham Mary Dosek Richard Flanagan Brooke Foreman

## For those who are sick:

Fr. Alan Phillip, C.P. Lila Gehner Irene Hand Mary Potwora Ofelia Hernandez Esther Jarosh Helga Jarosz Craig Kloss Lillian Kohut Arlene Lacey-Beyna Benny Martinez Edwin Martinez Frank Martinez Ian Merino Veronica Murillo Timothy Murray Mae O'Donnell Mary Beth O'Grady

Bill Remblake Sebastian L. Rivera David Rodriguez *Elaine Schatz* Thomas Skorupa Edward Stanczyk Marion Szumski Iulie Szwedo **Jeff Taylor** Donna Tisdale Steven P. Trifilio Henry Wagener

\*Newly Added

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

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David Olson

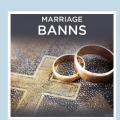
## For our faithful departed:

Kevin V. Ballog (Nephew of Tricia DeMarco) John (Jay) Joseph Dosek, Jr. (Father of Mary Dosek)



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

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



Megan Eileen Murphy and Bryan Christian Gronset

> Talor Ahmann and Kevin Joseph Felke

"And the two shall become one.. - Ephesians 5:31



## 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 that provides information that can be of assistance.



## Mass Intentions: Sunday, November 1st through Sunday, November 8th

#### Sunday, November 1st - All Saints

**5:00** *P.M.* (*Saturday*) - <sup>†</sup>Marie A. Nee; and <sup>†</sup>Quintin S. Lim (Birthday Remembrance)

8:30 A.M. — †Leonard Kroll; †Leon Lacey, Jr.; and The People of the Parish

10:30 A.M. — †Pietro Biancorosso; †Serafina Nocito; †Francis & Moira Cross; †Martin Felix; †James & Rhea Collins; †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Joseph J. Lykowski; †Mae Nelson; †Donald A. Kopec; †Eileen M. Mascha; †Marie A. Nee; †Thomas Jarc; †Ronald Maloney; †Edward Collins; †Jean & Chuck Regas; †Tommy Fuller; and †Edward Labuz

Monday, November 2nd - The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

**7:00** *P.M.* — <sup>†</sup>Krystyna Sadowska; <sup>†</sup>Carmensita E. Gonzalez; <sup>†</sup>Vicente B. Daylo; <sup>†</sup>Leonardo Positano; <sup>†</sup>Vito Positano; <sup>†</sup>Raffaela Positano; <sup>†</sup>Mike Pavone; and <sup>†</sup>Filomena Pavone

Tuesday, November 3rd - Saint Martin de Porres, Religious (Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time)

**7:00** *P.M.* – <sup>†</sup>Charles F. Grayzeck (on his First Anniversary); and <sup>†</sup>Richard Zahn

**Wednesday, November 4th -** *Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop 8:30 A.M. & 7:00 P.M.* — Kathleen McNamara (Living – For Healing)

Thursday, November 5th - Weekday 7:00 P.M. - †Bill Sprincz (on his First Anniversary)

**Friday, November 6th -** *Weekday* 5:30 *P.M.* & 7:00 *P.M.* — †Ellen "Nellie" Gavin

#### Saturday, November 7th - Weekday

5:00 P.M. - †The Boksa Family; †Jean & Tony Reszotko; †Mary Hart; †John O'Sullivan; †Kevin Ballog; and Ed & Barbara Pudelek (on their 50th Wedding Anniversary)

**Sunday, November 8th** *– Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 A.M.–* <sup>†</sup>Francis & Moira Cross; <sup>†</sup>Stanislaw Swiderski; <sup>†</sup>Richard Losik; and <sup>†</sup>Carmensita Gonzalez

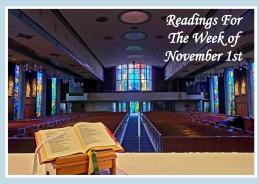
**10:30** *A.M.* – <sup>†</sup>Walter & Irene Gould; <sup>†</sup>Eileen M. Mascha; <sup>†</sup>Marie A. Nee; <sup>†</sup>Kevin Ballog; and The People of the Parish



#### Pope Tweet of the Week...

"Belonging to Christ, and the resulting way of life, do not isolate the believer from the world, but rather make him or her the protagonist in a service of love for the common good."





**Sunday:** Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1

-12a

**Monday:** Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom

6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40

**Tuesday:** Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30c, 31-32 [26a]/Lk

14:15-24

**Wednesday:** Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Lk 14:25-33 **Thursday:** Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [3b]/Lk 15:1-10 **Friday:** Phil 3:17 — 4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [1]/Lk 16:1-8 **Saturday:** Phil 4:10-19/Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a and 9/Lk 16:9-15

**Next Sunday:** Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [2b]/1 Thes 4:13-18 or

4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13



Rafael Michael McMahon Child of Andrew Aidan and Cristina (Lorie) McMahon



Miles Jacob Oliva Child of Ronald Moraga and Kassie (Girado) Oliva



Jocelyn Lim, Joe Jummati, Rob Lohman, Darlene Mroz, Lee Garza & Ralph Warner

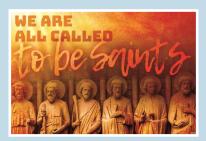


We are still actively recruiting additional volunteers to help staff our Greeting and Cleaning teams (led by our dedicated Captains, Darlene Mroz & Joe Jummati). If the Spirit moves you and you would like to volunteer to assist us with our ongoing reopening process, please complete our Parish Reopening Team Volunteer Form which is easily accessible on our parish website at www.icparish.net. We are particularly seeking volunteers to assist us with either our First Friday 5:30 P.M. Mass & Adoration and/or our Saturday evening Mass at 5:00 P.M.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration!

"Serve one another humbly in love."
- Galatians 5:13

#### Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture



I remember as a child the meticulousness my father would bring to a task. Whether it be tending to a chore in the yard, repairing something, or painting a room, the tiniest of every detail demanded his attention. He had great patience. I benefited greatly by his example and remember these lessons well. We all need examples to follow. It is important to identity folks who excel at simple things and show us how to do things well. There are those among us and those who have gone before us who serve as these models and witnesses. They are ordinary people who in their "extraordinary ordinariness" capture our attention and allow us to see things more clearly.

These are the prophets, martyrs, teachers, witnesses, heralds, and innovators who bring a single-minded devotion to God to even the simplest of tasks they perform. They have an openness to being used and become vessels of Divine justice, mercy, and presence. They call us to the "more" of life and point us to the Gospel in all of its simplicity and splendor. They remind us of the little ones of the Kingdom and the values we all need to cultivate and possess. They are the poor in spirit, the meek, the merciful, and the peacemaker who often are rejected not only by those who have far different agendas but by those you think would welcome them.

All of the saints in heaven and on earth form this cloud of witnesses who journey with us as we make our way through life. They offer us inspiration, wisdom, intercession, and support. They direct us toward true happiness and remind us that we are all called to be saints. All it takes is desire, love, and fidelity. There is much we can learn from the official saints of the church. Their guidance is ever before us and ever with us. But there is also a lot to learn from the unofficial saints of the church. They sit beside us every Sunday, are our neighbors and ordinary people we meet every day. Because of the devotedness of their faith, they remind us to keep going, remain focused, and cultivate purpose and meaning, and give voice to those who have none. The inspiration is all around us.

Pay attention to the details. Do what you do with great love. Know that you are not alone. Believe that you can persevere. Have great faith. ©LPi

#### Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God in your Ordinary Moments

#### Everyday Saints...

Growing up I thought saints were larger than life people with extraordinary stories. The thought that I could one day be revered as a saint by anyone seemed crazy. I wrote my essays on different saints every year in Catholic school right around All Saints Day. These were stories about people I had never met, and I assumed I would never meet anyone like them going forward.

GOD CREATES OUT OF NOTHING,
WONDERFUL YOU SAY,
YES, TO BE SURE, BUT HE DOES
WHAT IS STILL MORE WONDERFUL:
HE MAKES SAINTS OUT OF SINNERS.
-SOREN KIERKEGAARD

Now that I am older, I realize that I was wrong back then and my immaturity of both mind and heart did not allow me to see that there are saints among us all the time. I

have met many people in my life that I would call living saints. They are holy people who give of themselves to God and others in profound ways. Their relationship with Jesus is evident and they live their lives in ways that people witness the transformative power of love.

As a child I was wrong about saints, but even more importantly, I didn't fully realize that all of us are called to be saints! Me, a saint? Holiness is not something simply studied in books. It is the way of life we are all called to live. The call comes from Jesus Christ and each of us must respond. If we are still thinking like children, we may choose to stay silent and live accordingly. If we are more mature in our faith then we might not only respond, we might one day have a school child write a report about us.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

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#### 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.

#### Follow us on Facebook...

#### Groups you can join:

*Immaculate Conception Parish Chicago (Talcott)* Immaculate Conception School Alumni Chicago, IL IC Cowboys (for current school parents only)

#### Pages you can "like":

Immaculate Conception School Chicago Immaculate Conception Church



#### Twitch TV...

www.twitch.tv/icchicago

#### YouTube...

https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UCv5KKsLvpD9Q2yuAR8naK4A



#### What's Happening @ IC...

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Tuesday, November 3rd -6:00-7:00 P.M. - Confessions; CH

Thursday, November 5th-8:00-9:30 P.M. - Holy Name Men's Club Mtg.; RA



For more information on upcoming events, or to register for our Masses or Confessions, please visit our parish website at www.icparish.net.

#### 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.icparish.net for additional information.

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: icparishcalendar@comcast.net



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