Welcome to Immaculate Conception Parish

A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

November 21, 2021 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe



"Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, who has made us into a kingdom, priests for his God and Father, to him be glory and power forever and ever. Amen." - Revelation 1:5-6

Love God • Serve Others • Make Disciples

Contact Us

Parish Office Hours:

E: 7211 W. Talcott Avenue Chicago, IL. 60631

: 773.775.3833

Monday-Friday: 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Saturday: 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. Sunday: Closed

: parishoffice@icchicago.org

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Social Media

Parish Website: : www.icchicago.org

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. Membership-free platform where all are welcome to view our Masses and access content. Visit us at **www.twitch.tv/icchicago**

Twitch:



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 Thursday @ 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.-10:15 A.M.

(Special dates & times offered during Advent & Lent)

Baptisms:

Sundays @ Noon (As of January 2022: Baptisms will be celebrated on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of each month)

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. 2

Healing/Anointing Mass - Saturday, November 20th @ 5:00 P.M.

Do you or any of your family members have upcoming surgeries? Or are you dealing with a chronic illness or any other issue? Perhaps the trouble is emotional or spiritual in nature? The Anointing of the Sick is not a sacrament reserved exclusively for the time of death. It is a sacrament specifically designed to call upon the Holy Spirit to be with us in our lives. It is a sacrament of healing, first and foremost, to restore God's presence and peace in our hearts come what may.

All are welcome to join us **this Saturday, November 20**th as we host a special Healing/Anointing Mass at **5:00 P.M.** If you would like to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick administered by Fr. Matt, Fr. Robert Carlton, or Fr. Robert Fedek, please plan to remain after our Mass

concludes Saturday evening. If you are unable to join us for Mass, but would still like to be anointed, please plan to join us at approximately **5:50 P.M.** this Saturday.

New Pew Kneeler Installation - Monday, November 22nd L. Tuesday, November 23rd



Please be advised: due to the scheduled installation of our new pew kneelers, our Church will be temporarily closed on both **Monday**, **November 22nd & Tuesday**, **November 23rd** in order to complete this project as efficiently as possible prior to the Thanksgiving holiday. Due to the unavailability of our Church on both days, our 8:30 A.M. Mass will be celebrated privately by Fr. Matt to honor the intentions of each day. We apologize for the temporary inconvenience and we look forward to welcoming you back to worship with us once our new pew kneelers have been successfully installed!

As we conclude the Year of St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, we will host a dedicated two-day virtual prayer service in St. Joseph's honor via Zoom in lieu of our 8:30 A.M. Mass during the time that our Church will be temporarily closed. Please text Deacon Mike at 847.361.9766 (with either your cell phone number or email address) no later than 8:25 A.M. on **November 22nd & 23rd**. You will be sent a Zoom link to join us at 8:30 A.M. on those 2 days. Please contact Deacon Mike at 847.361.9766 or via email at <u>mabednarz@archchicago.org</u> if you have any additional questions.

Thanksgiving Day Mass - Thursday, November 25th @ 9:00 A.M.



Our Mass on **Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 25**th) will be celebrated at **9:00 A.M.** with Fr. Robert (Carlton) 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 25**th & **Friday**, **November 26**th.

Immaculate Conception Novena: November 30th through December 8th

Our Novena to Our Lady, The Immaculate Conception, our parish's patroness, will begin on **Tuesday**, **November 30**th, and will continue daily through **Wednesday**, **December 8, 2021**.

Our Novena will be prayed after our 8:30 A.M. Mass, except for the following 3 days: Saturday, December 4th, after our 5:00 P.M. Mass; Sunday, December 5th, when we pray after our 10:30 A.M. Mass; and after our 7:00 P.M. Mass on December 8th. Our Novena prayers will last for approximately ¹/₂ hour.

Please join us in honoring Our Patroness through this very special Novena in preparation for this great solemnity and Feast Day of our parish!



HAPPY

THANKSGIVING

Advent Ignatian Spirituality Series - Tuesdays @ 7:00 P.M.

We invite you to join Fr. Robert (Carlton) on Tuesday evenings this Advent for our Ignatian Spirituality Series as we examine the life of St. Ignatius and the basics of Ignatian Spirituality. Our Advent series consists of 4 one-hour sessions which will be conducted in-person at **7:00 P.M.** in our Rectory Assembly on the following dates:

Tuesday, **November 30th** - 7:00-8:00 P.M.: Life of St. Ignatius and Autobiography of St. Ignatius Tuesday, **December 7th** - 7:00-8:00 P.M.: Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Tuesday, **December 14th** - 7:00-8:00 P.M.: Examen of Conscience and Ignatian Discernment Tuesday, **December 21st** - 7:00-8:00 P.M.: Finding God in All Things and Ignatian Indifference

The topics for the sessions listed above may be added to based upon the interests of those participating. Please contact Fr. Robert Carlton (<u>rcarlton@archchicago.org</u>) with any additional questions. If you are interested in attending our Advent Ignatian Spirituality Series, please either complete our online registration form on our website (www.icchicago.org) or contact our Parish Office (773.775.3833) to register.

Advent Vespers Service - Thursdays @ 7:00 P.M.

Beginning on **December 2nd**, we invite you to gather with us in prayer on Thursday evenings for our *Advent Vespers Service: An Evening of Song & Prayer* which will take place in our Church from **7:00-7:30 P.M.** each Thursday of Advent through **December 23rd**. If you are unable to join us in-person, our Vespers Services will be livestreamed as well via our Facebook Page or Twitch Channel (twitch.tv/icchicago).

Featuring beautiful music and making a connection to one of the most ancient forms of prayer in our Church, Vespers is a blend of old and new. At only 30 minutes in length, this simple form of prayer is perfect for the conclusion of your work day or for attending together as a family. It's absolutely free and features Scripture readings along with our professional musicians (including our talented vocal quintet: Elizabeth, Katie, Justin, EmilyAnn & Ben) both performing and leading our congregation in song.

Freewill offerings will be gratefully accepted to help support our Music Ministry program @ IC. You may donate in-person or online at: <u>https://www.givecentral.org/location/349/event/17649</u>

In celebration of the beginning of the Advent season, a festive hospitality reception will be offered in the Vestibule of our Church following the conclusion of our Vespers Service on **Thursday**, **December 2**nd. If you are planning on attending that evening, **please RSVP to hospitality@icchicago.org by November 29**th.

The Baby Bottle Project

Earlier this Fall, our parish participated in the Baby Bottle Project, an initiative of *The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland*. This organization is dedicated to saving the lives of unborn children threatened by abortion. The response from IC – both our church and school communities – was outstanding, and the Pro-Life Committee is so grateful for the support! Our total contribution will be reported in several weeks. Please continue to pray that our country and our world will promote a culture of life. *Jesus, protect and save the unborn!*

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News

Fourth Grade ELA Class With Ms. Younatham

My 4th grade ELA (English Language Arts) class spent the last 2 months of October and November writing and practicing different writing strategies for narrative, persuasive and informative text. This form of writing helps the reader experience what our students are trying to sense and experience while reading their prompts. Each of our 4th grade students selected their preferred type of writing technique. Whether it was an informative prompt (where students had to write about someone they would have to invite to their Thanksgiving dinner and explain why), a persuasive prompt (where they had to convince their families why they cannot cancel Thanksgiving), or a narrative prompt (where the turkey is missing! Oh no!)



Please join our parish family in prayer ...



Tom Altman Caleb Anstett Robert Behrman Sonia M. B. Roberta Berger John Bozek Vince Caeti Rita Castillo Zita Castro Donna Chaplin Marie Conway *James Covello* Ronnie Cunningham Concordia S. Daylo Paige Dicks Margarita DiSalvo Paula Drew Ozzie D'Souza Richard Flanagan Brooke Foreman

For those who are sick:

Patricia Furgat Lila Gehner Bonnie Jean Gorski Ofelia Hernandez Kevin Jaburek Craig Kloss Lillian Kohut **Benny Martinez** Edwin Martinez Frank Martinez Gerry Michalek, Jr. Sam Milazzo Molly Morris Veronica Murillo Timothy Murray Brendan Nelson Judith Nosko Jackie O'Koniewski David Olson Mary Potwora

Bill Remblake Pia Rizza David Rodriguez Elaine Schatz Jennie Sekula Don Skorey Edward Stanczyk **Ed Stanislawski** Marion Szumski Donna Tisdale Camilla Trevino Steven P. Trifilio John F. Vargo Henry Wagener Rita Zambon

Helen Rasmussen

*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.

For our faithful departed:

Edward J. Callow, Jr.



"Eternal rest grant unto them, O 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, Thomas Treslo, National Guard Specialist 4th Class

U.S. Navy - CMDR Michael Brasseur, LCDR 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; Captain Colleen Bernal

U.S. Marines - Sean Gronset, PFC Sebastian L. Rivera, Jr., PFC Christopher Hughes, PFC Algene D. Porticos, LCpl Daniel Wieczorek

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 21st through Sunday, November 28th

Sunday, November 21st– Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

5:00 P.M. (Saturday) - [†]Maria Lam; [†]Mary Klasen (Birthday Remembrance); [†]Teresa & Wladyslawa Zabawski; and [†]Jerzy Migala

8:30 A.M. – [†]Terry Leahy; and John & Diane Bozek (Living) 10:30 A.M. – [†]Stanislaw Swiderski; [†]Aida Miranda; [†]Linda Fong; [†]Walter Aksamit; [†]Marcia Gavlin; [†]Ana Verveniotis; [†]Francis & Moira Cross; [†]Charles Grayzeck; and The People of the Parish

Monday, November 22nd – Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr (Thirty-Fourth Week In Ordinary Time) 8:30 A.M. (Private Mass) – [†]Walter Aksamit

Tuesday, November 23rd - Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr; Saint Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr

8:30 *A.M.* (*Private Mass*) – [†]Gloria Budziak; and [†]Daniel Fernandez

Wednesday, November 24th – Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs 8:30 A.M. –[†]Grace Nathaus

Thursday, November 25th – Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr; Thanksgiving Day 9:00 A.M. – [†]Ed Sikorski, Jr. (on his 19th Anniversary); [†]Laurene Zaporozhetz (Birthday Remembrance); [†]Poor Souls In Purgatory; [†]Melissa B. Bednarz; [†]Guido Giazzon; Bishop Bob Lombardo

(Living); and The Gonsalves Family (In Thanksgiving) (Living)

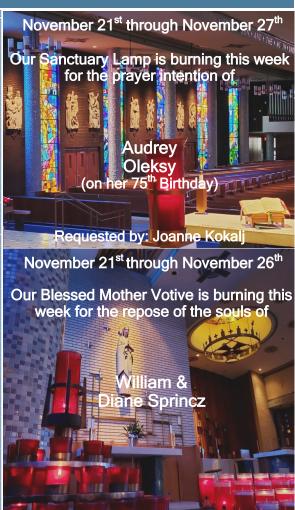
Friday, November 26th - Weekday 8:30 A.M. – ⁺Ted & Mary Bednarz (Death Anniversary)

Saturday, November 27th - *Weekday* 5:00 P.M. - [†]Rosemary Kwok; [†]Louis & Irene Schatz; [†]Tony McLaughlin; [†]John Allan Pastwa; [†]Rose Mazzacano; and [†]Maureen Broderick

Sunday, November 28th – *First Sunday of Advent* 8:30 A.M.- [†]Joan P. Boggins; [†]Jack Marinelli; [†]Mary Martinilli; Don & Terri Baumgartner (on their 51st Wedding Anniversary) (Living); and Gene Dengler (Living)

10:30 A.M.— [†]Francesca & Agostino Chiaramonte; [†]Stanislaw Swiderski; [†]Donald Kopec; [†]Linda Fong; [†]Sarah B. Bachrodt; [†]Francis & Moira Cross; and The People of the Parish





November 21st through November 26th

Our St. Joseph Votive is burning this week for the repose of the souls of

> Margaret & Irene Hand

Pope Tweet of the Week...

"Being a member of the people of God is a gift, a responsibility: the responsibility of witnessing by our deeds, not just our words, to God's wonderful works, which, once known, help people to acknowledge His existence and to receive His salvation."





Margot Anne Quaglia Child of Jason Alexander Quaglia & Elizabeth Anne Cramarosso Natalie Grace Phillips <u>Child of Micha</u>el Andrew & Colleen Therese (Serb) Phillips

Second Collection: November 20th & 21st ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

For the past 50 years, CCHD has continued to work on the margins of the Archdiocese of Chicago to...

- Encounter Christ in the poor
- · Challenge root causes of poverty and injustice
- Amplify voices with vision
- Break down walls of indifference
- Transform hearts and communities
- Support those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic

Please support the second collection in your parish on November 20 – 21.

For more information on CCHD's mission and partner organizations or donate, please visit CCHDchicago.org.





Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37 Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Lk 21:1-4 Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61 [59b]/Lk 21:5-11 Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67 [59b]/Lk 21:12-19 Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 [59b]/Lk 21:20-28 Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33 Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36 Next Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12 – 4:2/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36



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Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture



We often come to life expecting all of the pieces of the puzzle to nicely fit together. We want and expect harmony, order, and fairness, the achievement of rewards for good behavior, good health, and happiness. We can more easily accept death when it comes naturally after a good long life, but have a real difficulty comprehending the meaning of it all when it is cut short. Willing to put in a good measure of effort, we desire positive results. When things go wrong and life gets hurtful, unjust, and downright ugly, we become unsettled and can quickly fall into despair. This is especially true if we are people of faith who believe

in a God who sees things on our terms and works in favor of our life agenda. What happens to our faith when we find ourselves sitting in a mess?

Does it help to know that God understands and that hardship, failure, disappointment, injustice, confusion, and all of life's ugliness do not make faith irrelevant or irrational? God is wonderfully and surprising creative! He turns the tables on not only our understanding of life, but of what it means to be a king. God sends us a king who is not exempt from life's ills but embraces them. The king that God gives to us knows what it means to be poor, suffer insults, be ridiculed, face rejection, endure suffering, be betrayed, and face a most unjust and horrific death. This is our king. Jesus is not a king of prestige or grandeur but a king who brings light to darkness, hope to despair, sinners to mercy, and new life out of death. Christ dances before us pleading with us to hold on, cling to love, avoid being negative, stop feeling cheated, and be strong in faith! There may be hardship and disappointment now but there are more surprises to come.

Once we understand this truth, we will also understand that we are on a most incredible and awesome universal journey to Christ and becoming one in Christ. We all carry within us the image of God, the image of our suffering king. The One who lives in us also lives in all of our brothers and sisters. Failing to see this universal Divine Presence in all is one of the greatest mistakes we can make, for we also fail to see God, our king, as well. There are many things that can bring hardship to life. If we keep our head about us and do not lose hope, we can persevere and strive for the greatest degree of justice possible. Even though there are ample things that can challenge our faith, we also know that our deepest joy comes from union with God and our brothers and sisters. One day, the fullness of that joy will be ours to have when we are all eternally one with Christ our King forever. ©LPi

	Saturday 5:00 P.M.	Sunday 8:30 A.M.	Sunday 10:30 A.M.
Presiders	Fr. Robert Fedek	Fr. Robert Carlton	Fr. Robert Fedek
Lectors	G. Abraham & N. Kremer	M. Davila	N. Kanoon & N. Schroeder
Cantors	E. Doyle	Vocal Quintet & Violin	Vocal Quintet
Extraordinary Ministers	E. Kinzie	D. Sebastian	C. Kech
Altar Servers	P. Beckman; M. Gallagher; E. Peters	K. Bowers; O. Magruder; G. Reichle	M. Eaglin; S. Eaglin; J. Losik

Ministry Schedules: Saturday, November 27th & Sunday, November 28th

Lectors: 2022 Lector Workbooks are available for pick up in our Sacristy as well as in our Parish Office. If you have not already received your copy, please remember to pick one up at your earliest convenience.



Our Parish Staff:

Fr. Matthew Heinrich, PastorfrFr. Robert Carlton, Associate PastorrcFr. Robert Fedek, Weekend AssistantrcDeacon Rick & Carol MoritzrrDeacon Ronald & Connie GronekrrDeacon Michael BednarzrrVincent Kennedy, Director of OperationsvlScott Will, Director of WorshipsvMelissa Anna, Office Administration & Communications/rrBulletin EditorpaElizabeth Doyle, Assistant Director of Musicmailyn Sadowski, ReceptionistMarilyn Sadowski, ReceptionistpaMichael La Haye, Head of MaintenanceAnthony Vitali, Maintenance

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...

Monday, November 22nd -Church Closed - New Pew Kneeler Installation 10:15 A.M.-Noon – Monday Morning Bible Study; RA 7:00-8:30 P.M. – Alpha Fall Session; RA 7:30-9:00 P.M. – IC Athletic Committee Mtg.; NWCR Tuesday, November 23rd -Church Closed - New Pew Kneeler Installation 9:30-11:00 A.M. - RCIA; RCR Wednesday, November 24th -School Thanksgiving Break Begins Thursday, November 25th-School & Parish Office Closed 9:00 A.M. – Thanksgiving Day Mass; CH Friday, November 26th – School & Parish Office Closed Sunday, November 28th -9:30-10:15 A.M. - Advent Confessions; CH 11:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M. – Evangelization Team Mtg.; RA

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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**

