Welcome to

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September 25, 2022 - Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time



"I charge you before God, who gives life to all things, and before Christ Jesus, who gave testimony under Pontius Pilate for the noble confession, to keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ." - 1 Timothy 6:13-14

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Weekend Mass Schedule:

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Confessions:

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!

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)

Sunday mornings from 9:30 A.M.-10:15 A.M.

(Special dates & times offered during Advent & Lent)

(offered every other Sunday)

Baptisms:

2nd & 4th Sundays of each month @ Noon (except during Lent)

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On Wednesday, September 14th, our Alpha Alumni gathered in our Rectory Assembly for the first of our monthly Connect Group Sessions. The purpose of this group is to 'connect' our participants in two ways: (1) growing in our relationship with one another and (2) seeing what part we play in fulfilling God's mission.

Our first session explored the topic of prayer, which is the source of many spiritual gifts and an important practice for a mature faith. After sharing a meal, viewing a video and listening to a presentation by Fr. Matt, our participants discussed their own preferences and experiences with prayer in small groups.

While our Connect Group Sessions are intended for our Alpha Alumni (as the next step in their faith journey), Fr. Matt has shared his video presentation on prayer (featured in our first session) on our YouTube Channel for others who might be interested. Many thanks to all who attended our first session and to Jocelyn Lim for kindly capturing photographs!





Snapshots From Our First Family Mass: Sunday, September 18th

Many thanks to all who joined us at our 10:30 A.M. Family Mass this past Sunday as we celebrated (and bestowed a blessing upon) our new school and parish families that have joined our IC community over the past year! Special thanks to our new students who served as lectors and gift-bearers during our Mass, as well as to our Hospitality Team who hosted a reception in honor of our new families after our Mass concluded. Join us for our next Family Mass on **Sunday, October 16**th @ **10:30 A.M.** as we celebrate our *Confirmation Candidates*. All are welcome!



Hands-On Science In Third Grade

Our students in Mrs. Fritz's third grade classroom are learning about engineering processes. They are learning how to define a problem, design a solution, and then test and improve a solution with criteria and constraints. Students participated in the activity called "Save Fred" - a gummy worm whose boat has capsized and cannot swim—in class and had to work together to create a solution. Working in small groups or pairs, our third grade children had to determine how to get Fred (gummy worm) into his life preserver (a gummy life saver) using only four paperclips to move the items—no hands allowed! They had to create a plan, test it, then modify it—sometimes more than once and test it again. Most teams were successful in "Saving Fred" and it was great to see the teamwork that went into figuring out the solution to the problem. Our third grade students cannot wait to work on more





problem-solving activities throughout the year!













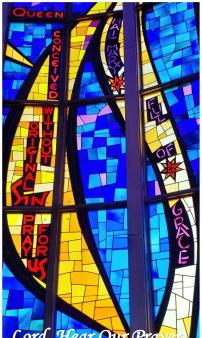








Please join our parish family in prayer ...



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Lilia Dulce

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Dolores Firlotte

Brooke Foreman Patricia Furgat

Lila Gehner

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For our faithful departed:

Donna M. Baggio William P. Muraski Margaret P. Kroll (Wife of Jack)



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



For those who serve our country:



U.S. Army - SSgt. John Francis Mikita, Sgt. Kevin Whalen, SSgt Martine Makita, Chris Dash, 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

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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, September 25th through Sunday, October 2nd

Sunday, September 25th – *Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time* 5:00 P.M. (Saturday) – †Sophie Sikorski (Birthday Remembrance); †Madeline Mazzone; †John Bielski, Jr.; †Harold Johnson; †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Michael Byrne; †Malachy Byrne; and Len Belen (Birthday Blessings & For Good Health) (Living)

8:30 A.M. — [†]The Furgat Family; [†]George Buschauer; [†]Francis & Moira Cross; and [†]Carol Vargo

10:30 A.M. — [†]Paul Kokalj; [†]Joan Larson (Birthday Remembrance); [†]Joseph Henmueller; [†]Jeremy Paul Konczal; [†]Peter Lacey; [†]Andy McDonough; [†]Manuel Mendoza; Elsa Mazzoni (Living); and The People of the Parish

Monday, September 26th - *Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs* 8:30 *A.M.* - †Patricia Dillon (Birthday Remembrance)

Tuesday, September 27th - Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest 8:30 A.M. — [†]The Furgat Family; and Terri Baumgartner (On her Birthday) (Living)

Wednesday, September 28th - *Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr; Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs*8:30 A.M. - †Joan Collins; †Eugene Jendrach; and †Rosanne Laurino

Thursday, September 29th - Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels

8:30 A.M. — †Dalton Davis (Birthday Remembrance & Death Anniversary); The Machala-Moskal Family (Living); and Rebecca Flanagan (on her 30th Birthday) (Living)

Friday, September 30th - Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Friday Daily Masses Temporarily Suspended (as of July 8th)

Saturday, October 1st - Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

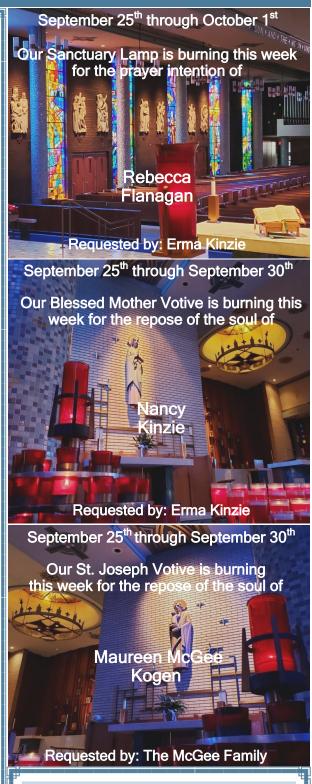
5:00 P.M. – †Phyllis Murphy; †Mike Heidkamp; and †Nancy Kinzie (on her 2nd Anniversary)

Sunday, October 2nd – Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time (Respect Life Sunday) (World Communion Sunday)

8:30 A.M.- †The Furgat Family; †Stanislaw Swiderski; †George Buschauer; and †Brian Murray

10:30 A.M. — †Frank & Margherita Martino; †Tommy Fuller; †Robert Henry Kech; †Thomas McNicholas; †Francis & Moira Cross; †Frank Bonelli; and The People of the Parish





Pope Tweet of the Week...

"From the cross of Christ we learn love, not hatred; compassion, not indifference; forgiveness, not vengeance."





Blessing Of Pets @ IC: In Honor Of St. Francis Of Assisi



IC Coffee House: Sunday, Oct. 2nd (9:30 A.M. until 12:30 P.M.)

Pro-Life News: Respect Life Month







Each October, the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates *Respect Life Month.* We are called to consider more deeply why **every** human life is valuable and to reflect on how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death.

During October, IC's Pro-Life group will lead our parish in this important observance. *St. Joseph, defender of life, pray for us!*

Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture



"If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead." Regardless of how the message of faith is received, a total conversion of mind and heart is needed for it to take root and have meaning. It is easy to become complacent and comfortable with all that life can afford us. Life can become "all about me," preserving my livelihood and protecting my securities. Often, this drive can become so strong that we eagerly strive to protect our self-interests at the expense of others. Other people are necessary only to the extent that they are "useful" to us and profitable.

Merriam-Webster defines entitlement as "the belief that one is deserving of or entitled to certain privileges." In a world that pretends to offer us so many necessities, this is perhaps the greatest contemporary sin. When we feel "entitled" to something, even if it is perceived necessary, our relationships can get skewed. Unless we adopt a global vision of entitlement wherein everyone is entitled to the same things, we risk becoming extremely self-focused and selfish. All we care about is defending our rights and protecting our turf. This impulse can be so strong that we pursue it even at the expense of another. Is this what God intends for his children?

Holding on to this myopic vision, the plight and station of others are off our radar and of no real concern to us. Relying on our own merits and becoming resilient to life's challenges, we replace the true and real God with the one we created ourselves. Jesus and the prophets before him have consistently reminded us of the dangers of wealth, ignoring the poor and the needy, and becoming too fiercely independent and arrogant. Yet, we conduct our lives as if that message has never been preached. We give our faith a nod and never consider for a moment that we may be wrong in terms of what we see as important. "The things that we love tell us what we are (attributed to St. Thomas Aguinas)." Ponder those words a bit and remember that when we leave this world and go to the next one, what we loved here is what we will look for there. What we sought here may not be there. ©LPi

Job Opportunities @ IC: Custodian/Maintenance Worker

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



If interested, please contact **Vincent Kennedy**, Director of *Operations*, at 773.775.3833 or vkennedy@icchicago.org.



This weekend, our IC Cub Scout Pack will have different varieties of popcorn available for purchase in the Vestibule of our Church. Funds raised by our Cub Scouts help support their upcoming activities, programs, membership fees, and adventures throughout the year.

Cub Scout Popcorn Sale: September 24th & 25th



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Ministry Schedules: Saturday, October 1st & Sunday, October 2st				
	Saturday 5:00 P.M.	Sunday 8:30 A.M.	Sunday 10:30 A.M.	
Presiders	Fr. Robert Fedek	Fr. Robert Fedek	Fr. Matthew Heinrich	
Lectors	J. Lim	D. Sebastian	N. Kremer & N. Schroeder	
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What's Happening @ IC...

Monday, September 26th -

3:10-4:30 P.M. - Jr. Ringers Rehearsal; CH

7:00-8:30 P.M. - Fall Alpha Monday Evening Session; RA

7:00-8:30 P.M. – Overtones Rehearsal; CH

Wednesday, September 28th -

8:30 A.M. - School Mass; CH

2:10-3:30 P.M. – Choristers Rehearsal; CH

4:00-5:00 P.M. - Religious Education Program Church Tour & Prayer

7:00 P.M. - School Band Recruiting Parent Mtg.; PH

7:30 P.M. – IC Athletic Committee Mtg.; NWCR

Thursday, September 29th -

11:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M. - RCIA Mtg.; RCR

7:00-8:30 P.M. – RCIA Mtg.; RCR

Friday, September 30th –

8:15-10:00 P.M. – Men's Basketball; PC

Saturday, October 1st -

8:30-10:00 A.M. - Fall Alpha Saturday Morning Session; RA

1:00 P.M. - Blessing Of Pets; PG

Sunday, October 2nd -

9:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M. – IC Coffeehouse (Hosted by: Holy Name Men's

Club); RA

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





Saint of The Week - Examples of Our Faith: Saint Wenceslaus (September 28th)

You may know St. Wenceslaus better than you think, he is in fact, the "Good King *Wenceslas*" from the Christmas carol penned in the 19th century.

He was born in 907 near Prague, the son of the Duke of Bohemia, raised and educated as a Christian by his paternal grandmother, Ludmila, who herself became a saint. The land of Bohemia at this time was a place in turmoil. Christianity had not yet taken hold and there were power struggles even within the noble family. When Saint Wenceslaus' father died, his Christian grandmother became regent. However, his mother who may have been a pagan or at least held anti-Christian sentiments, upset at being overlooked, had Ludmilla killed. Wenceslaus, though young, eventually prevailed.

He ruled from 921-929, working at unification, he supported the Church building many churches, including the rotunda of Saint Vitus at Prague Castle. And like in the carol, he cared for sick, poor, widowed, and orphaned in his kingdom. To make peace with Germany, Wenceslaus recognized King Henry the Fowler as the successor of Charlemagne, which put Bohemia under King Henry. The peace was not a popular move with the non-Christian sects and nobles who wanted to remain outside of German rule.

Legend holds that his brother, Boleslaus the Cruel, led some anti-Christian movements. Whether Boleslaus plotted to murder Saint Wenceslaus, or they just had a disagreement that ended in his death, it is generally accepted that the saint was killed by Boleslaus or his men. His last words were to forgive his brother.

Saint Wenceslaus was immediately recognized as a martyr for the faith and sainted. The Holy Roman Emperor Otto, I, posthumously gave him the title "king." He is the first Czech

saint and the patron saint of the Czech state. ©LPi

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