

April 2- Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

# ST. ISAAC JOGUES

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass Mon-Fri 8 am & 12:05pm. in the Church.

The Chapel will open at 7:30am with Exposition from 8:30am to 8pm Seven days a week.

**Saturday:** 8am Daily & 5pm Vigil

**Sunday:** 8 & 10:30am, 12 Noon & 5pm

National Holidays: 9am

If the National Holiday falls on a week day there will be only one daily Mass at 12:05 pm the next day if it is a week day.

Holy Day: 8am, 12:05pm & 7:30pm

Christmas Day : 8am, 10:30am, &

12pm New Years Day 8am & 12:05pm & 5pm Night of Reparation – 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 7:30 pm

## SACRAMENTS

*Sacrament of Reconciliation:*

Saturday 3:45 to 4:45pm and after the 12:05pm Mass on First Friday only.

*Sacrament of Baptism:*

Arrangements for the Sacrament of Baptism are to be made at the Rectory Office.

*Sacrament of Marriage:*

Arrangements for the Sacrament of marriage must be made at least six months before the intended wedding to allow time to gather the necessary documents and for Pre-Cana preparations.

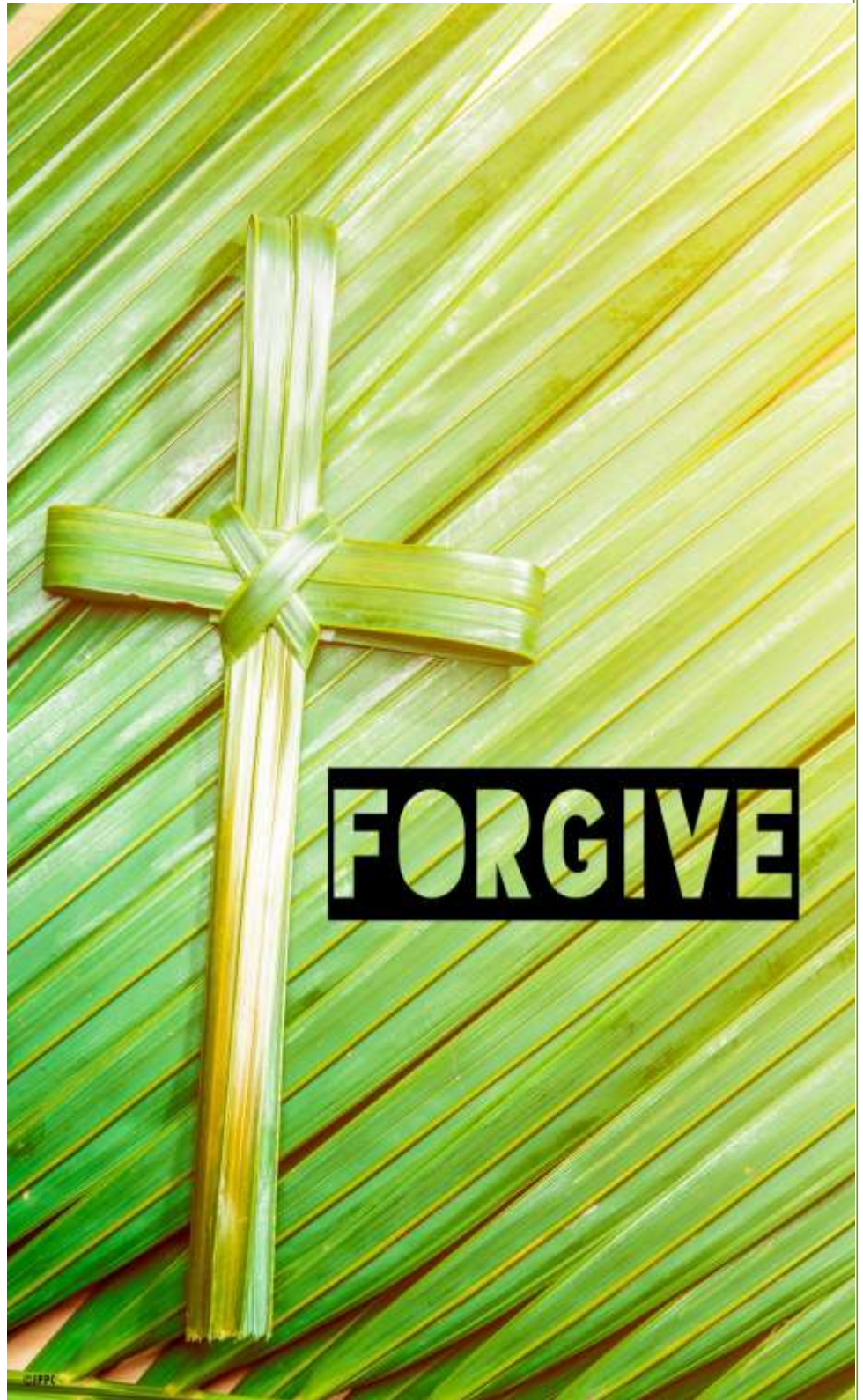
*Sacrament of the Sick:* Please call the Office.

Rectory Office- Monday-Thursday- 7:30am - 2:30pm

Closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Youth Ministry – 610-687-3366 ext. 40 [SLJYOUTH@gmail.com](mailto:SLJYOUTH@gmail.com)

Religious Ed -610-687-3366 ext.41 [SLJCCD@stisaac.org](mailto:SLJCCD@stisaac.org)



**THEME**

This year, as always, we take this day to contemplate the fact that God the Son would personally assume the weight of the sins of humanity, suffering the death which we all must face. We cannot help but grow in gratitude.

Holy Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 1

8:00am †Jamie Gonzalez

5:00pm †Charles Meyer

Sunday, April 2-Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00am †Michael Morris

10:30am †Steven M. Pannella

12:00pm People of St. Isaac Jogues

5:00pm †Anthony A. & Elizabeth A. Aquilante, Sr.

Monday, April 3

8:00am Birthday Intentions of Joan & Ellen Thromey

12:05pm †Anna Garofalo

Tuesday, April 4

8:00am †Jack Schrems

12:05pm †Mary Beth Hendrickson

Wednesday, April 5

8:00am †Priscilla Poprawski

12:05pm †Robert Walsh

Thursday, April 6-Holy Thursday

7:30pm

Friday, April 7-Good Friday

3:00pm



**The Readings for the week April 8 & 9**

**First Reading – Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43, (42ABC)**

**Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23**

**Second Reading – Colossians 3:1-4**

**Gospel – John 20:1-9**



*Palm Sunday, or Passion Sunday as it is referred to in some Christian churches, is the sixth Sunday of Lent and last Sunday before Easter. Worshipers commemorate Jesus Christ' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.*

*On this day, Christians also remember Christ's sacrificial death on the cross, praise God for the gift of salvation, and look expectantly to the Lord's second coming.*

*Many churches distribute palm branches to the congregation on Palm Sunday for the customary observances. These observances include a reading of the account of Christ's entry into Jerusalem, the carrying and waving of palm branches in processional, the blessing of palms, the singing of traditional hymns, and the making of small crosses with palm fronds.*

*Palm Sunday also marks the beginning of Holy Week, a solemn week focusing on the final days of Jesus' life. Holy Week culminates on Easter Sunday, the most important holiday in Christianity.*

Palm Sunday celebrates the great paradox of the Paschal Mystery. We use red vestments, the ancient festive color; yet after the palm celebration, the liturgy emphasizes suffering. We celebrate the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem; yet a few days later “hosanna” will be replaced by “Crucify him.” The Paschal Mystery itself proclaims that Jesus enters his glory only by way of suffering and death. Our lives must also proclaim this mystery: By dying to self, we must affirm God’s reign over our lives. The crown comes only by way of the cross.

Deacon Dan Mazurek will lead us in Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm on Good Friday. There will be no soup on Good Friday.



*Please stop by the Rectory Office to register. Registration is required to receive the Sacraments or to be a baptismal or confirmation sponsor.*

The Catholic Charities Appeal is the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's single most important annual fundraising initiative, and your supported is greatly needed. Poverty, hunger and homelessness remain serious challenges in our community. Visit: catholiccharitiesappeal.org.

ST. ISAAC'S NEWS



The Rectory Office is closed on Holy Thursday, April 6, and Easter Monday, April 10. The office will re-open on Tuesday, April 11, at 7:30 am.

Holy Week Services

Holy Thursday, April 6th
Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7:30 pm

Good Friday, April 7th
Liturgy of the Passion & Death of Our Lord-3pm
Stations of the Cross – 7:30 pm

Holy Saturday, Saturday, April 8th
Easter Vigil Mass – 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday, April 9th
8 am, 10:30 am & 12 Noon, NO 5 PM

Holy Hour for Life – Every Monday the Legion of Mary will lead a Holy Hour for Life from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Chapel. We will pray three mysteries of the Rosary for an overturn of abortion and for protection of life from conception to natural death.

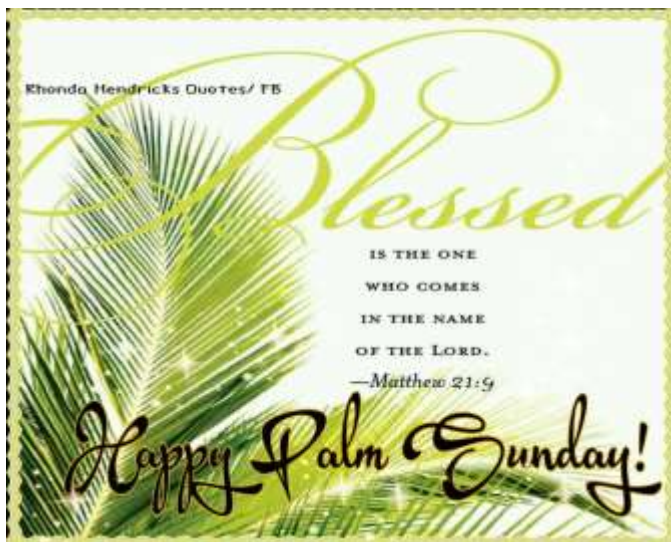
St. Isaac Adult Choir - Our adult choir rehearses on Sunday morning's beginning at 9:30 a.m. in preparation to sing for the 10:30 a.m. mass. All are welcome! Please contact Charles Paschall at Chipps400@aol.com or call 484-919-9691.



Walking with Purpose - The Bible study Rooted and Radiant continues Wednesday, April 4th, in the parish hall. All ladies are welcome to attend 12:45 to 2:15 pm. Rooted and Radiant is a six lesson study based on Colossians and will run through April 12th. If you wish to participate and are not currently registered, please visit the SIJ website https://stisaac.org/walking-with-purpose to join and to order the book. Contact Cathy Witzcak at tony-cathy@comcast.net for more information about the program.



Join us Sunday, April 23, at 1:30 pm for Designer Bag Bingo. Proceeds benefit St. Isaac Jogues Parish. Please see the flyer at the church entrances for more details. Tell your family & friends!



Hosanna in the Highest Prayer
Lord, we are on our knees with gratitude to you. Your great love made you lay down your life for our redemption. We are forever indebted to you. As we observe Palm Sunday, we declare you our King, our friend, and our savior. You are mighty to save. Hosanna in the Highest. We pray that you guide our every move and let your Holy Spirit comfort us in times of need. Let your love infuse our souls and give us peace as we meditate on your word. Amen.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Roberta Adams, Bobbie Bauer, Bernie & Catherine Brill, David Bucci, Roger Burgess, John Deenis, Tahlia Fernandez, Farzanh Hafezi, Pary Hafezi, Patricia Kaine, Janet Lennon, Francesca Monastero, Jeanette and Patrick Muldoon, Annette McCauley, Mary McNabb, Elaine & Jim Pizzo, David Rayl, David Rothhaar, Alfred Sama, Elizabeth Spillane, Treacy G. Sommer, Joseph Stellabotte, Maureen Travagline, Kenneth Turley, Alicia Uribe, Michael Wusinich and Brian Wood.

Remember the members of our Military:

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Capt. Adam Bouvier, US Army, Iraq/Kuwait
Maj. Katherine L. DePaul JA, US Army
Lt. Colonel Patrick Mulloney, US Army
1st Lt. Daniel Door, US Army



Prayer for Those who Await a Soldiers Return – God of all goodness, look with love on those who wait for the safe return of their loved ones who serve in the armed forces of their country. In faith and hope, we turn to you for comfort. Grant that we may trust in your mercy and send an angel to sustain us as we await their safe return. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER


No Finance information due to early transmission of the bulletin for the Easter Holiday.

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*The priests of tomorrow are in our midst. They are members of this parish. They are members of our own families. Encourage Vocations, pray for the gift.*

**The Brother House**, - a work of the Legion of Mary, takes care of approximately 30 homeless men in the Norristown area on Wednesday and Sunday evenings. The men take showers, and need clean clothes to put on after the shower. **ONLY** T-shirts, underwear, white athletic socks and work pants will be accepted. **ALL OTHER CLOTHING WILL BE TURNED AWAY!** Please drop off donations of such items at the Rectory.

**Advertising** - Our parish benefits greatly from the ads you see in the bulletin. The revenue pays for its printing, which is an important means of communication for the parish. We thank the many local businesses that have renewed their ads, as well as the many new advertisers in our bulletin. If you would like to promote your business to the families of our parish, please call 1-800-333-3166.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

WHAT DRAWS PEOPLE INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

While there are many different circumstances that lead a person in the direction of Catholicism, the simple answer is, "Because God has called them." Most often, God calls to us through the people closest to us, through our families and friends. Most who have entered the Church have been influenced by a Catholic spouse, fiancé, or close friend. For many of these people, a desire to raise their children in the knowledge of God spurred them to action. What is this if not the action of the Holy Spirit? If you, or someone you know, is interested in learning more about Catholic Faith and Worship contact Louis Valenti at 610-687-2481 or email [SIJDRE@gmail.com](mailto:SIJDRE@gmail.com).

YOUTH MINISTRY

All are welcome to St. Isaac's Youth Group! Meets on Thursday evenings, from 6-9 PM in the Parish Hall. Youth from grades 7-12 are welcome! Youth Group evenings consist of games, Scriptural Reading, small and large group discussion, a visit to the Chapel for Adoration, Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and food! If you have not already done so, please sign up for our Youth Group through our website under "Youth Ministry". Any questions, email Joe Aquilante at [SIJYouth@gmail.com](mailto:SIJYouth@gmail.com).

CHURCH HUMOR



"I thought Palm Sunday was when everyone went to Florida for spring break."

Items for the Bulletin should be submitted in writing by Noon on **Thursday of the week before** to the Parish Secretary, email [carol@stisaac.org](mailto:carol@stisaac.org), for approval by the Pastor.



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