

February 18, 2024 – The First Sunday of Lent

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 8:00am 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

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

Christmas Day : 8am, 10:30am, & 12pm

New Years Day 8am & 12:05pm

Night of Reparation – 1st 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.

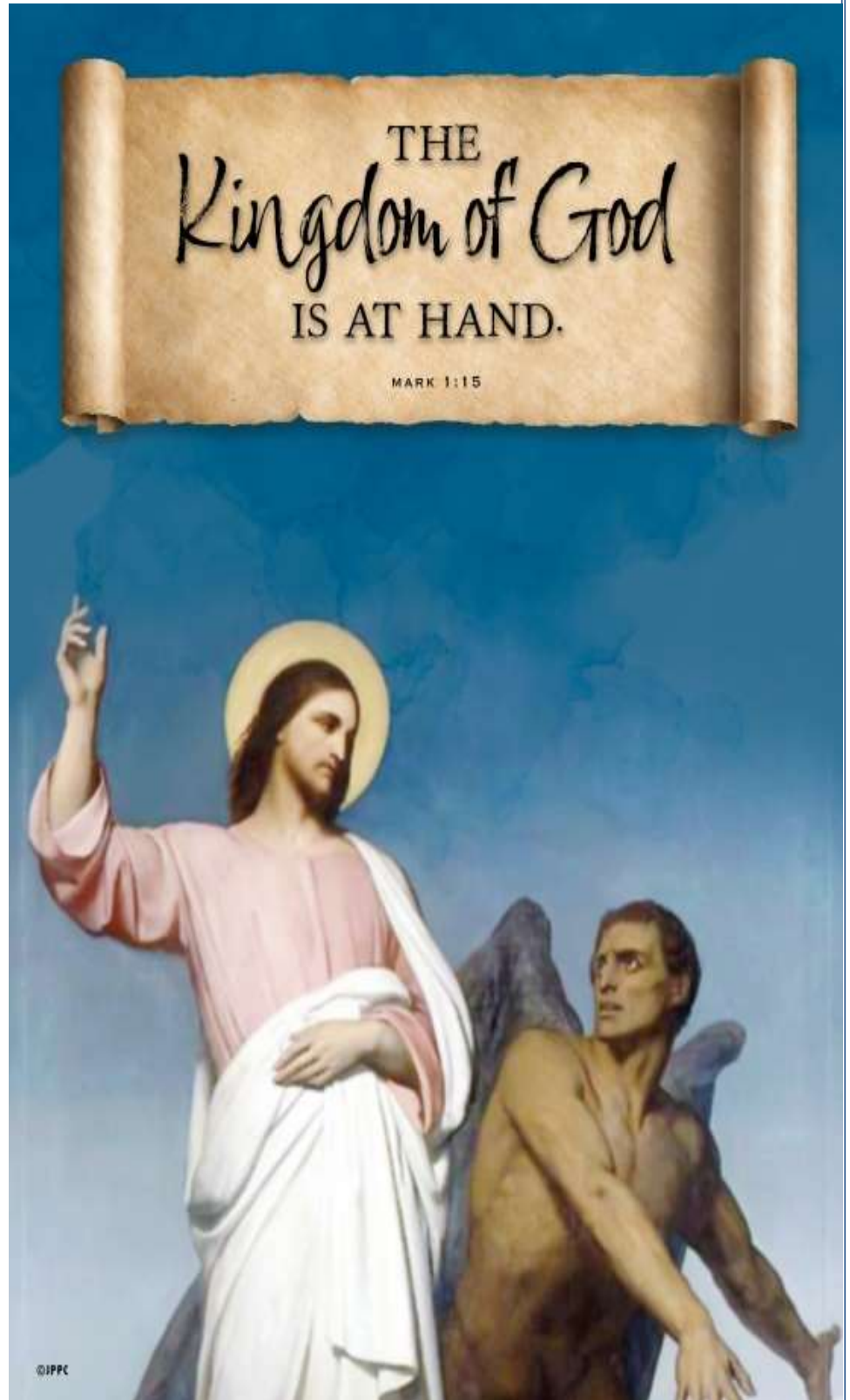
Sacrament of the Sick: Please call the Office. 610-687-3366

Rectory Office Hours-Mon. thru Thurs. 7:30am -2:30pm

Office is Closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Youth Ministry– 610-687-3366 ext. 41. SIJYOUTH@gmail.com

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THEME

The purpose of Lent is to prepare us to celebrate worthily the death and resurrection of Jesus – his act of salvation for us all. We come before Him as a sinful people, assured that his love dissolves our sins.



Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ. Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to practice self-discipline and fast in other ways throughout the season. Contemplate the meaning and origins of the Lenten fasting tradition in this reflection. In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2446). In Lent, the baptized are called to renew their baptismal commitment as others prepare to be baptized through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, a period of learning and discernment for individuals who have declared their desire to become Catholics.

Holy Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 17-The Seven Holy Founders of the

Servite Order

8:00am †Timothy G. Kropp

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

Sunday, February 18-The First Sunday of Lent

8:00am †Sarita Gibney

10:30am †Steven M. Pannella

12:00pm Intentions of Daniel Patrick

5:00pm People of St. Isaac Jogues

Monday, February 19-President's Day

9:00am †Elizabeth Leonard

Tuesday, February 20

8:00am †Bob DeCurtis

12:05pm Intentions of Lita Sagula

Wednesday, February 21-St. Peter Damian, Bishop

8:00am †Rylee Monahan

12:05pm †Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary

Thursday, February 22-The Chair of St. Peter the

Apostle

8:00am †Theodore F. Moerman, Jr.

12:05pm †Mercedes P. Moerman

Friday, February 23-St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr

8:00am †Deceased Members of the Panichella Family

12:05pm †Deceased Members of the Blendel Family

The Readings for the week February 24 & 25

First Reading – Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18, (26B)

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19

Second Reading – Romans 8:31b-34

Gospel – Mark 9:2-10



*There are extra confessions after 12:05 pm Mass on Fridays during Lent, **excluding Good Friday**. Also on Monday March 18, and Tuesday March 19, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm.*

Lenten Soup and Stations

Meatless soup and bread will be served at 6:30 pm and then join us in Church as we walk the Way of the Cross. Deacon Dan Mazurek will lead us in Stations at 7:30pm every Friday in Lent (*except on March 1st & Good Friday there will be no soup but there will still be Stations.*). We ask that money saved from the simple meal be donated to feed the poor through the Rice Bowl Program.





ST. ISAAC'S NEWS

Second Collection – The Second Collection next weekend will be for the Churches in Africa.

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.

A Journey through Church History - Come join our **Adult Faith Formation** group at St. Isaac Jogues from 7:00 - 8:30 pm on Tuesdays. In this study you will learn about the important people, places, and events in two thousand years of Church history. You will discover the true stories behind the Crusades, the Spanish Inquisition, and the Protestant Reformation. Each of the sessions includes a video presentation followed by a group discussion. For more information please contact: Bob Morris at robertemorris50@gmail.com.

 **Walking with Purpose** – Join us for the 2024 sessions of this uplifting women's Bible study held Wednesday afternoons at St Isaac (now in its 13th year!). To register, visit <https://stisaac.org/walking-with-purpose> or select "Walking with Purpose" below "Organizations" from the main menu on the <https://stisaac.org> home page. Details regarding the cost and current study materials can be found there. If you prefer, please call Mary Selman at 610-322-3687. Lent we will begin a new WWP Bible study entitled **Passionate Discipleship** by Lisa Brenninkmeyer and Mallory Smyth.

 **Bunco** - Join us **Wednesday, February 21st**, in the Classroom 7/8. Bunco and the dollar game! \$5 to play. Doors open at 7:00 pm with the games beginning promptly at 7:30 pm. BYOB. Cash prizes! Snacks and drinks are available.

16th Annual Man Up Philly Men's Spirituality Conference Saturday, March 2 - From Death Into Life (1 Jn3:14) The men of our parish are invited to join Catholic Men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 16th Annual Man Up Philly Men's Conference on March 2nd at Cardinal O'Hara HS. Speakers include **Phillies Hall of Famer, Mike Schmidt**, acclaimed author of **Back to Life, Danny Bader**, That Man is You VP, **Mark Hartfiel**, and Coordinator of Young Life, **Deacon Nathan Gunn**. And back by popular demand, **Mark Forrest**, internationally recognized Irish tenor, who will lead our **Eucharistic Adoration**. The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be available, and the Conference will conclude with **Mass** celebrated by our archbishop **Most Reverend Archbishop Nelson Perez**. For more information and to register go to the website: www.manupphilly.com.



Respect Life Ministry-The **"Spring 40 Days for Life Campaign"** begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14, and it ends on **Palm Sunday, March 24th**. "The mission of the campaign is to bring together the body of Christ in a spirit of unity during a focused 40 days of prayer, fasting and peaceful activism..." In Chester County, each parish can be assigned a day during the 40 Days for Life, for a prayerful vigil in front of Planned Parenthood in West Chester. **This year our day is THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29TH**. Sign up for a prayer time www.40daysforlife.com/chestercounty & sign the Statement of Peace <https://www.40daysforlife.com/chestercounty/sop>. If you do not use the computer there will be a sign up sheet in the Chapel and one on the table at the main entrance and the parish hall entrance to church. For more information call Ann McCarthy-484-924-8308 or Lady Walvoord-484-354-3223. Please join us for this prayerful witness for life. **Respect Life** meets the 3rd Sunday of every month in Classroom 6at St. Isaac Juges.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

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

REMEMBER OUR MILITARY

TSgt Megan Burton, US Air Force
Sgt. Ryan Burke, US Marine Corp
Sgt. Bruno Sicilia, US Army, Iraq
Capt. Adam Bouvier, US Army, Iraq/Kuwait
Maj. Katherine L. DePaul JA, US Army
Lt. Colonel Patrick Mulloney, US Army
Capt. Daniel Door, US Army
Lt. Cole Dempsey, US Air Force



POLAND-PRAGUE PILGRIMAGE INFORMATION

NIGHT: Come share a "Pilgrimage of Mercy" through Poland and Prague with **Father Zachary Navit** from **June 28-July 8, 2024**. Along the way we'll experience Divine Mercy, encounter the Infant of Prague, visit Our Lady of Czestochowa, and walk in the footsteps of St. John Paul II, St. Faustina, St. Maximilian Kolbe, and St. Teresa Benedita. To learn more, join us for an **Information Night on Tuesday, February 27, (snow date Wednesday, February 28) at 7 PM in the Saint Mary Center Community Room** (701 Lansdale, Avenue, Lansdale, PA; enter through the main chapel door). For more information, including brochure and online registration, visit www.cloverdaletravel.org.



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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. If you use a business that is advertised in our bulletin please mention where you saw the ad.

Pennsylvanians for Human Life Annual Celebrate Life Banquet **Sunday, February 25**, at Springfield Country Club (Route 320 Springfield, PA) 4pm Reception, 5pm Dinner. Keynote Speaker: Teresa Tomeo - Author, TV/Radio Host, Media Awareness Focus Culture and Faith

Special Honorees for outstanding leadership:

Rev. James J. Shea, Sch.P. - Headmaster Emeritus of Devon Preparatory School, John M. Haas, Ph.D., STL, M.Div. - President Emeritus of National Catholic Bioethics Center, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary Professor, Consultant to US Conference of Catholic Bishops. More information and registration available at www.paforhumanlife.org PHL Office 610-696-0780.

Employment Position

Position: Parish Business Manager
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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.

Some Calls are Meant to be Answered! - Have you ever considered being a priest? What an awesome life it is! Do not be afraid to **HEED THE CALL** of Christ. For more information, please see our website www.HeedTheCall.org or call 610-667-5778.

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.

YOUTH MINISTRY

All are welcome to St. Isaac's Youth Group! We meet 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.



Item for the Bulletin should be submitted in writing by Noon **on Thursday of the week before** to the Parish Secretary, email carol@stisaac.org, for **approval by the Pastor**.

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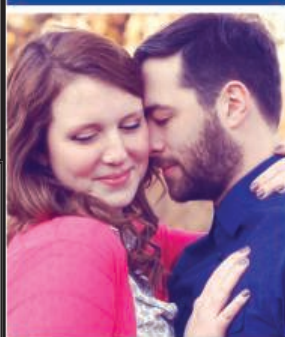
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