

March 3, 2024 – The Third 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

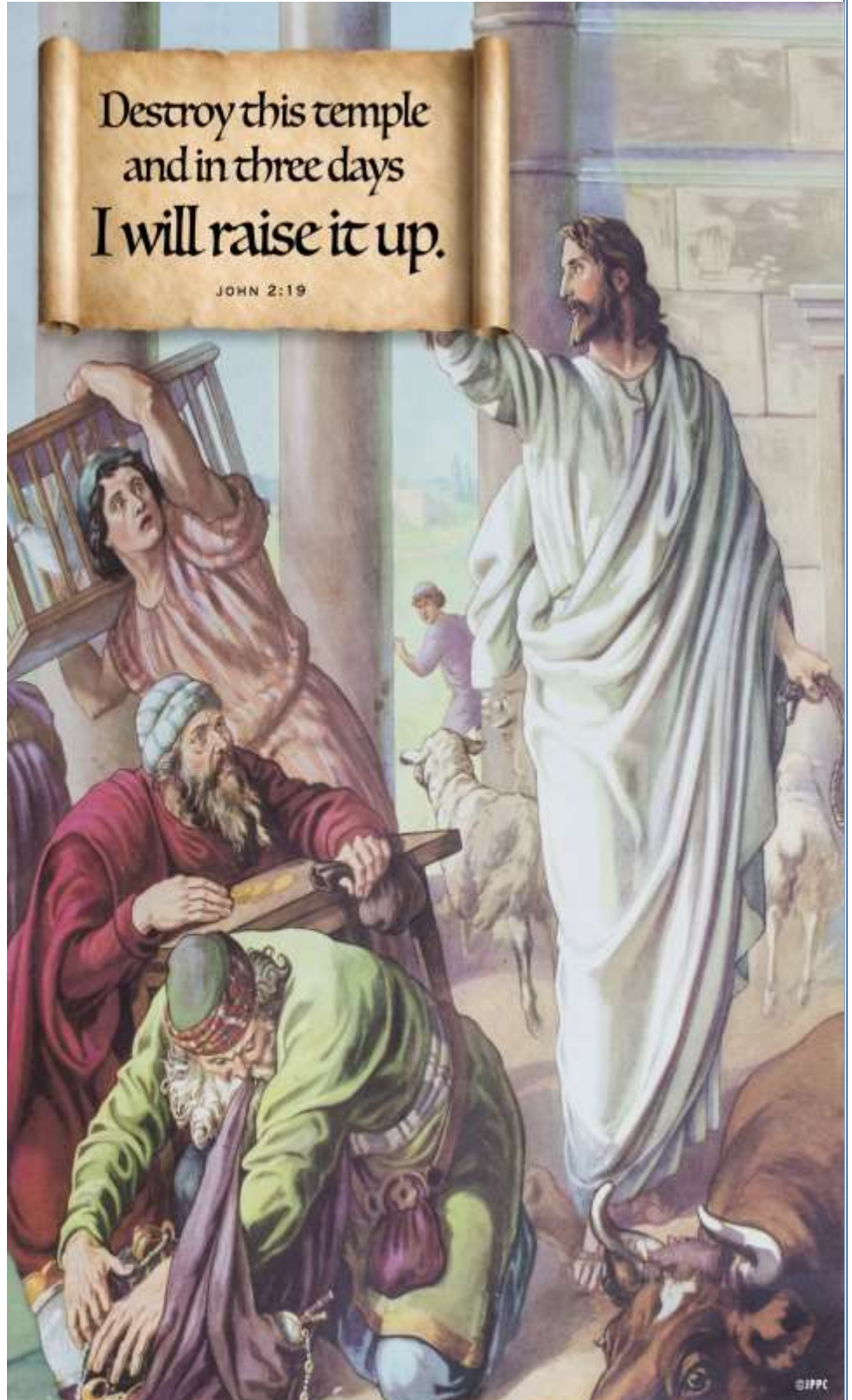
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:45 to 4:45pm and after the 12:05pm Mass on First Friday only.

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
Religious Ed -610-687-3366 ext. 40
SIJCCD@stisaac.org



THEME

Forgiveness is a free gift of God. We do not have to earn it or merit it. We are called quite simply to accept the gift. If we open our hearts to the gift, our God will give us the joy of a personal bond with him.

Holy Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 2

8:00am †Lillian Pinto

5:00pm 60th Wedding Anniversary Intentions of Frank & Mary Zeglin

Sunday, March 3-The Third Sunday of Lent

8:00am People of St. Isaac Jogues

10:30am †Elizabeth Noon

12:00pm †Anthony S. Fogliano, Sr.

5:00pm †Francis & Helen Hart

Monday, March 4-St. Casimir

8:00am †Erika, Oksano, & Joanne

12:05pm †Vincent M. Piazza, Sr.

Tuesday, March 5

8:00am †Sarita Gibney

12:05pm †Frank & Estelle Budzilowicz

Wednesday, March 6

8:00am †Patrick & Michael Griffin

12:05pm †Richard Maurer

Thursday, March 7-Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs

8:00am Birthday Intentions of James Avitabile

12:05pm †Bernie Parson

Friday, March 8-St. John of God, Religious

8:00am †Bob DeCurtis

12:05pm Intentions of Kathy Stryker & Family

The Readings for the week March 9 & 10

First Reading – 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 (32B)

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

Second Reading – Ephesians 2:4-10

Gospel – John 3:14-21



Drawing Close to the Eucharist
A Sacrifice, Communion and Presence Sacrament
Presented by Fr. Joseph Shenosky
Director of Eucharistic Revival
Tuesday, March 5th -7 PM in the Parish Hall

The Catholic Preaching Institute- The CPI at Saith Charles Seminary again invites you to participate in what could be the largest ever study of preaching in the nation! Tell us what you think in a 10 minute online survey at <https://catholicleaders.online/phillypreaching>. Please share this info with your family members, friends, and contacts so that we receive maximum input...to help us better design programs that will make your experience of homilies more compelling.

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

Deacon Dan Mazurek will lead us in Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm every Friday in Lent. A meal of soup and bread will be served at 6:00pm in the parish hall before stations. There will not be a meal on Good Friday 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.

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.

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What is the Night of Reparation? You may have noticed the 1st Friday 7:30 pm listing under the Mass schedule on the front of the bulletin and wondered what it is. This devotion has been going on at St. Isaac's for decades and has changed a bit over the years. It derives from a practice developed from our Lord's request to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque to have communions of reparation. We invite you to come together as the Body of Christ to ask for His mercy and grace upon the Church. Typically, we start to gather at 7:30 pm for Eucharistic Adoration in the Church. During Lent, Stations of the Cross are prayed first. Confession is available (usually we have 2 priests) while the Divine Mercy Chaplet, the rosary and other prayers of reparation are said. Mass begins at 9 pm and we usually conclude by 10 pm.

ST. ISAAC'S NEWS



There is an Easter Flower Envelope in your packet or at the doorways to help offset the cost of the Easter Flowers.

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



Any Parish Organization or groups of people that are interested in hosting a Parish Coffee, please call Carol Friel at the Rectory Office.

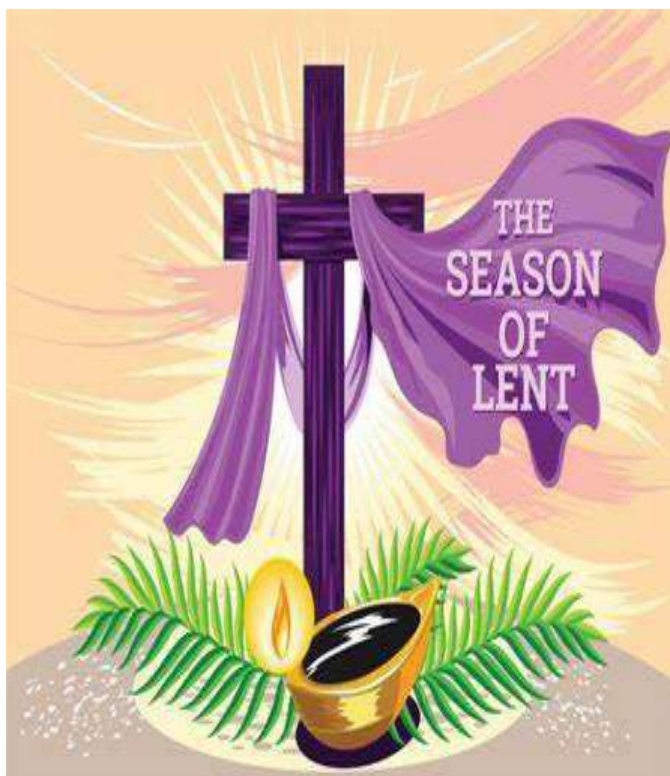
Holy Hour for Life – Every Monday the Legion of Mary will lead a Holy Hour for Life from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Chapel. We will pray three mysteries of the Rosary for an overturn of abortion and for protection of life from conception to natural death.

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.

CELIAC? - If you are in need of a low-gluten host regularly, please purchase a pyx (available online and in Christian and Catholic shops). Before mass give your pyx to the sacristan or deacon to have a low-gluten host placed on the altar for consecration. Come to the altar to receive the Eucharist when you see the Extraordinary Ministers approach (usually as the "Lamb of God" prayer is being said). The celebrant will administer Communion to you, then return to your pew. You can retrieve your pyx after mass from the table adjacent to the stained glass window. Visitors may borrow a pyx. For information about the host composition, see <https://altarbreadsbspa.com/>.



PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Roberta Adams, Bobbie Bauer, Bernie & Catherine Brill, David Bucci, Roger Burgess, John Deenis, Tahlia Fernandez, Farzanh 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



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.



St. Isaac Jogues Respect Life – meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 11 am in classroom 6.



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| PRIOR YEAR (2022) | \$ 103,393 |
| Care of Aging & Ill Priests | \$ 3,469 |

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BEQUESTS TO OUR PARISH

You can make a bequest to St. Isaac Jogues Parish by having the following statement in your will: "I leave to St. Isaac Jogues Parish, Wayne, PA the sum of \$ _____ for its religious and charitable works." This is one way of insuring that our parish will be able to continue to do in the future the good it has done in the past. Thank you.

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.

The Brother House - 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. In need of sneakers, jeans, hoodies. **Snacks, coffee, iced tea** are greatly appreciated also. Please bring donations to the Rectory Office.

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SCAM ALERT! – Multiple parishioners have received texts purportedly from Fr. Moerman asking for help. When acknowledged, there were subsequent requests for the individual to purchase gift cards for sick or needy parishioners on his behalf. If you receive such a message, do **not** answer it! (A good clue to its inauthenticity is that the originating number is outside the local area codes.) These events have been reported to the Tredyffrin police, and there is no action they can take with further texting incidents, as the originating numbers can usually not be traced. Block any number claiming to Father.

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.*

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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.

NOTE: Please take note that our Mass Schedule includes a weekly Youth Mass, every Sunday evening at 5:00 pm. Any youth interested in helping with the Youth Mass to lector, serve or with Music Ministry, please contact the Youth Ministry Office at 610-254-9106.



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, for **approval by the Pastor**.

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