

November 5, 2023 – The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

# 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 &  
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. 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](mailto:SIJYOUTH@gmail.com)

Religious Ed -610-687-3366 ext. 40  
[SIJCCD@stisaac.org](mailto:SIJCCD@stisaac.org)



**THEME**

Every one of us acts like at a leader in some way, at some point. Have we used our positions of leadership as an act of love toward people in our care? We note the temptation to serve ourselves, and we seek forgiveness.

Holy Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 4

8:00am †Cecilia Carandang

5:00pm People of St. Isaac Jogues

Sunday, November 5-The 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Ordinary

Time

8:00am †Paz & Benito Maneclang

10:30am †Helen & Sam Wark

12:00pm †Katie Fallon

5:00pm Intentions of Dan Carandang

Monday, November 6

8:00am †Cassie DePaul

12:05pm †Deceased Members of St. Isaac Jogues  
Legion of Mary

Tuesday, November 7

8:00am †Mike Kelly

12:05pm †Joseph Erwin

Wednesday, November 8

8:00am †Frank Budzilowicz

12:05pm †Margaret E. Downs

Thursday, November 9-The Dedication of the Lateran  
Basilica

8:00am †Bobby Adams

12:05pm †Edmund & Dorothy Fenysu

Friday, November 10-St. Leo the Great, Pope

8:00am †Catherine Ayrovainen

12:05pm 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Intentions of Connie Cekaitis

**The Readings for the week November 11 & 12**

**First Reading – Wisdom 6:12-16 (154A)**

**Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8**

**Second Reading – 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

**Gospel – Matthew 25:1-13**



PARISH REGISTRATION

*A warm welcome to all who have recently moved into a home or apartment within our Parish neighborhood! We invite you to contact the Rectory office in order to register and for information about our Parish services.*

At a Glance

**Stocking for Soldiers Collection - Last Collection Date:**  
**Sunday Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**Adult Formation** –will **not** meet on Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>.  
Our next session will meet on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Walking with Purpose** – **Wednesday, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>**, in the Parish Hall at 12:30 pm.



**Respect Life Ministry**-The Respect Life Ministry meets the second Wednesday of each month at 11:00 am in Classroom 6. Our meeting ends in time for the 12:05 pm Mass. Everyone is welcome.

**Follow the weekly bulletin for regular announcements and future dates.**

***The Legion of Mary meets on Mondays from 12:45 pm to 2:45 pm and on Wednesdays from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in classroom 7/8.***

**THE PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

In 1917, **Our Blessed Mother** appeared to three children, Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco in Fatima, Portugal. *She appeared on the 13<sup>th</sup>, of the month from May 1917 to October 1917.*

In 1946, Pope Pius XII sent his Papal Legate to bless the first **Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima**. He said he was crowning her “Queen of the World”. Since then thousands of smaller statues have been blessed. They are used for the home visitation program. ***Our Lady’s visit is a special time of grace.***

The *Legion of Mary* is scheduling the statue. The statue bag has booklets with prayers that can be said during the week. ***If you would like the Pilgrim Virgin Statue for a week or for more information, please call Ann McCarthy #484-924-8308 or Mary Zeglin #610-296-5012.***

**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.

ST. ISAAC'S NEWS

The Second Collection next weekend will be for Capital Improvement Fund for the parish.



Adult Choir - sings at the 10:30 mass on Sundays. The choir rehearses on Sunday morning's beginning at 9:30 a.m. in preparation for mass. If you enjoy singing, please consider joining our music ministry. All are welcome! Please contact Charles Paschall at 484-919-9691.

All Children, grades 2<sup>nd</sup> -8<sup>th</sup>, are invited to participate in the St. Isaac's Children's Choir. We practice once a week on Tuesdays from 4:20-5 pm and sing once a month for the 10:30 am CCD mass. Students will grow in their love of music and our faith as we sing together throughout the school year. Please contact Mary Therese Knab at stisaacschildrenchoir@gmail.com to sign up or for more information!



Thank you to all who supported the Youth Group pumpkin sale..



St. Isaac Jogues and the Knights of Columbus are collecting items for the military at Christmas. This is the 19<sup>th</sup> year for this operation in Wilmington. Please see the list at the Church entrances. Please place your items in the container in the Parish Hall beginning next weekend October 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>, and November 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>. Last Collection Date: Sunday Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>.

EPIC: 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 CI 7/8. 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 - IT'S NOT TOO LATE to register for this uplifting women's Bible study to be held at St Isaac this fall (now in its 12<sup>th</sup> year!). 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) to register. Details regarding the schedule, costs and study materials can be found there. If you prefer, please call Mary Selman at 610-322-3687. There are two tracks, the full-year introductory study "Opening Your Heart" (see https://walkingwithpurpose.com/), and another shorter study based on Lisa Cotter's book "Reveal the Gift: Living the Feminine Genius."

VETERANS DAY

By Cheryl Dyson

On Veterans Day we honor all,  
Who answered to a service call.  
Soldiers young, and soldiers old,  
Fought for freedom, brave and bold.  
Some have lived, while others died,  
And all of them deserve our pride.  
We're proud of all the soldiers who,  
Kept thinking of red, white and blue.  
They fought for us and all our rights,  
They fought through many days and nights.  
And though we may not know each name,  
We thank ALL veterans just the same.



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



We know our prayers are heard and answered. Please call the Rectory when the individual's health improves or they have returned home from service duty so they can be removed from the list.

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.

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, Charles McKeough, Elaine & Jim Pizzo, David Rothhaar, Alfred Sama, Treacy G. Sommer, Joseph Stellabotte, Maureen Travagline, Kenneth Turley, Michael Wusinich and Brian Wood.



## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

### SUNDAY FIRST COLLECTIONS FOR PARISH USE CALENDAR YEAR THROUGH SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023

THIS YEAR (2023): \$ 504,829  
LAST YEAR (2022) \$ 493,520  
PRIOR YEAR (2021) \$ 479,377

Please remember to use your envelopes. If you do not use them please call the Rectory Office so that we can discontinue them thus saving printing and postage.

### 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.

**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.

**St. Norbert's Open House** - Please invite your friends, family, and neighbors to visit St. Norbert Catholic School to see all it has to offer for Pre-Kindergarten to 8th grade students and their families during our Open Houses on **Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>**, 9:30 am - 11:30 am and **Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>**, 6:00pm - 7:30 pm. Please contact Lara Ciesinski, Enrollment Coordinator, at 610-644-1670 or [lciesinski@stnorbert.org](mailto:lciesinski@stnorbert.org) for more information and to confirm your attendance.

**MARRIED COUPLES** - "Live your best life in love" in 2023: Why not give yourselves some time together by making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? The next in-person experience is **Nov. 10-12** at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. For more info visit: <https://www.wwme-philly.org/>.

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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](mailto:SIJDRE@gmail.com).*

## 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](mailto:SIJYouth@gmail.com).

**Attention All Students in 11th and 12th grades**-St. Mary's Retreat Center in Elverson is hosting their annual Kairos Retreat from December 2nd - 5th. If you are interested in attending, please check out our website under Youth Ministry and click on the form. If you have any questions, please contact Joe Aquilante at [SIJYouth@gmail.com](mailto:SIJYouth@gmail.com).



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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