

THEME

As at Christmas, we today remember that our God “marries” those who thought themselves “forsaken.” We feel the unease of the ways we have abandoned God. Our God, however, never abandons us.

+ MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK +

Saturday, January 19

8:00am †Bonnie Henderson
5:00pm †John Schmidt, Jr.

Sunday, January 20-The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am †Jack Schmidt, Jr.
10:30am †Sophie & Stanley Kulpinski
12:00pm People of St. Isaac Jogues
5:00pm †Geraldine Natalie

Monday, January 21-St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

9:00am †Michael Schrems

Tuesday, January 22-St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr

8:00am Intentions of Dan Carandang
12:05pm Respect Life Intentions

Wednesday, January 23

8:00am †Anthony A. Aquilante
12:05pm †Francis X. Kelly

Thursday, January 24-St. Francis de Sales, Bishop

8:00am †Jack Johnson, II
12:05pm Intentions of Edmunda Schreier

Friday, January 25-The Conversion of St Paul, Apostle

8:00am †William Ayrovainen
12:05pm Intentions of Dan Carandang

Saturday, January 26-St. Timothy & St. Titus, Bishops

8:00am Intentions of Dan Carandang
5:00pm †Robert E. McRae

Sunday, January 27-The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am †Jack Schmidt, Jr.
10:30am †Maria Pellegrino Varano
12:00pm †Catherine Lacorte
5:00pm People of St. Isaac Jogues



Dear Parishioners,

As indicated in my last annual financial letter, one of the big projects that is coming up for us is a new air conditioning system for the church. We are making this a top priority because of the age of the system, certain parts being unavailable, and trying to be proactive. In other words, we want to replace it before it breaks down.

This project will most likely cost over 100 thousand dollars (\$100,000.00). This obviously is a large cost. We are hoping to defray this cost by your donations towards this special project. This will ensure a cooled down church during hot Summer months.

We are presently putting this project out for bids. I'll keep you posted.

There will be a canary yellow envelope in your packets for a Second Collection on March 3rd, May 19th, and July 21st.

In Christ,

Father Moerman



The Readings for the Weekend of January 26 & 27

First Reading – Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 (69C)
Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 15
Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 12:12-30
Gospel – Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

“Oh taste and see that the Lord is good.”

(Psalm 34:8)





THIS WEEK AT ST. ISAAC'S



Parish Coffee – Please join us in the Parish Hall after the 10:30 am Sunday Mass for a coffee social hosted by the Fourth Grade CCD Class.

Second Collection – This weekend's Second Collection will be for Catholic Relief Services.



The flowers in the Sanctuary at the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph Statues and also on the sides of the tabernacle are presented in loving memory of Stanley and Sophie Kulpinski, by Al and Mary Ann Bojak.

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

Martin Luther King Day – is a National Holiday. There will be one Mass on **Monday, January 21st**, at 9:00 am in the main Church.



The Rectory Office will be closed on Monday, January 21st, in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

Fulfilled continues January 22nd, Tuesday from 7 -8:30 pm in the parish hall for the second session of our new Bible Study series on the biblical roots of the Catholic Faith. This series comes from Ascension press and is narrated by Sonja Corbitt, the Bible Study Evangelista. She's a Catholic Scripture teacher and a Southern Belle with a warrior's heart and a poet's pen. Even if you missed the introduction, it's not too late to join us in this adventure!

The study guide and the book to accompany this program can be purchased for \$25. Please email tony-cathy@comcast.net if you are interested in obtaining the materials so they can be ordered in advance. These texts are helpful for those engaged in the study, but not required—everyone is welcome! Call Tony & Cathy at 610-688-2389 for more information.

Brother House – The Legion of Mary Brother House is one of the few places in the Norristown area where homeless and needy men can come for clean clothing, a hot cup of coffee, a shower, and haircut, and friendly respite from life in the street. Please know that St. Isaac Jagues benefactors and their intentions are remembered in the Rosary recited by our men at every Brother House Social. The comments, smiles and gratitude of our guests say it best. Thank you for your continued support.



Mark your calendar for February 17th through the 19th, for our Parish Mission with guest priest Father Nathan Cromly with the theme being; *Missionary Disciples: How to keep the faith alive within our families and homes in the Modern world.*

Unofficial kick-off of the 50th Anniversary of the parish!

Pray for the Sick

Roberta Adams, Bobbie Bauer, Bernie & Catherine Brill, Roger Burgess, Helen Debus, John Deenis, Sal DiMaiuta, Michael Fullam, Bud Gosnell, Farzanh Hafezi, Pary Hafezi, Patricia Kaine, Clare Krause, Janet Lennon, Francesca Monastero, Jeanette and Patrick Muldoon, Annette McCauley, Mary McNabb, Charles McKeough, Jacob Nichols, Steve Pannella, Linda Patton, Elaine & Jim Pizzo, Mary Redmond, David Rothhaar, Dave Scidurlo, Jane Taddeo, Maureen Travagline, Alicia Uribe, Michael Wusinich and Brian Wood and all our homebound, parishioners in nursing homes and hospitals.

Remember the members of 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
- Corp. Brendan Burke, US Marine Corp
- Lt. Colonel Patrick Mulloney, US Army, Afghanistan
- SSgt. Tim Selman, US Air Force
- 1st Lt. Joseph C. Toole, US Marine Corp



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.

Malvern Retreat House 8th Annual Art Show – To be held at the beautiful McShain-Horstmann Family Life Center on the Retreat House campus at 315 S. Warren Avenue in Malvern. The show runs from **Wednesday, January 30th through Sunday, February 3rd**. Daily 10 am to 7 pm. Join us and meet artists at our Complimentary Wine and Cheese Reception on **Thursday, January 31st**, from 5-8 pm. Visit www.malvernretreathouse.com or call 484-321-2562 for more information. FREE Admission all days. No PA sales tax 35% of all artwork sales are tax deductible and benefit Malvern Retreat House programs.


STEWARDSHIP CORNER

**SUNDAY FIRST COLLECTIONS
FOR PARISH USE
CALENDAR YEAR THROUGH SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019**

This Year: \$ 36,481
Last Year: \$ 37,484
Change: \$ -1,003
% Change -3%

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.

2018 TAX RETURNS



Kindly call the rectory if you wish a copy of your 2018 church contributions. Please give your envelope number. If you would like us to mail your contribution statement to you, please let us know the address you wish it mailed to when you call to request it. 2018 contribution statements may also be picked up at the rectory front office during regular business hours. Statements will be prepared by the deadline of January 31st. Thank you for your support of our parish!

Mount Saint Joseph Academy

The Mount, a catholic preparatory school for girls, invites all interested 7th grade girls to
The 7th Grade Practice Test (Pre-HSPT) to be given on
Saturday, March 23, 2019
8:00 – 11:30 a.m.

The Pre-HSPT is a 7TH grade edition of the actual Scholarship/Entrance Exam given to eighth grade applicants
Registration is available **online only**. **Register at:**
www.msjacad.org/practicetest
You will receive registration confirmation via email.

DANUBE RIVER CRUISE AND 2020 PASSION PLAY

In fulfillment of a vow made in 1633, the residents of Oberammergau, Germany perform a world renowned passion play every 10 years. Father Zachary Navit and a group of priests from Philadelphia invite you to join them from July 10-20, 2020 for a deluxe **Danube River cruise** with optional extension through July 21 to attend the **passion play**. Find out more about this exciting, faith-filled trip at **Information Nights** scheduled for **Tuesday, January 29** (St. Isaac Jogues Parish Center, 50 W. Walker Rd., Wayne; snow date 1/31) and **Monday, April 1** (St. Mary Center Community Room, 701 Lansdale Ave., Lansdale; snow date 4/3), both at **7 PM**. For more information, including brochure and registration, contact Susan at Select International (800-842-4842; susan@select-intl.com) or visit www.selectinternationaltours.com.



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 SLJDRE@gmail.com.

YOUTH MINISTRY

www.stisaac.org and click on “Youth Ministry. Join Us!!

St. Isaac Jogues Youth Ministry offers the unique opportunity for youth, grades six through twelve, to fully immerse themselves in the Catholic Faith. Activities within the community, socials, spiritual and service events, worship services and athletics provide the means for the youth to establish and strengthen relationships with others. At the heart of this group is the mission of realizing God’s significance in the world and to live as Christ in word and deed.

NOTE: Any youth interested in helping with the Youth Mass Sunday at 5:00 pm to lector, serve or with Music Ministry, please contact the Youth Ministry Office at 610-254-9106.



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.



Items for the Bulletin should be submitted in writing by the Parish Secretary, email carol@stisaac.org, for approval by the Pastor.

