

March 1, 2020 - The First Sunday of Lent

ST. ISAAC JOGUES

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MASS SCHEDULE

(Monday through Friday) 8 am and 12:05pm. The Saturday daily Mass at 8am remains the same (in the Church). The Chapel will open at 7:30am with Exposition from 8:30 am to 10pm on weekdays and from 9am to 10pm on Saturday and Sunday.

Saturday: 8am & 5pm

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

National Holidays: 9am

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

Christmas Day & New Year's Day: 8 & 10:30am, 12 Noon

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 after the parents and Godparents have attended the Pre-Jordan program.

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 Rectory Office.

Rectory Office Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30am-2:30pm; Every Sunday in Lent after the 10:30am Mass until 1:30pm; Saturday Closed.



THEME

Our scriptures today are about the human tendency to sin, and Jesus' willingness to set us free from sinfulness which makes us less than alive. We open ourselves to the fullness of God's mercy.

+ MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK +

Saturday, February 29

8:00am †Anthony and Adelaide Concordia
5:00pm †Julia and Frank Zeglin

Sunday, March 1-The 1st Sunday of Lent

8:00am †William Herb McGregor
10:30am †Mr. and Mrs. John Wilk
12:00pm In Thanksgiving
5:00pm People of St. Isaac Jogues

Monday, March 2

8:00am †Karen Concordia
12:05pm Intentions of Carol Budzilowicz

Tuesday, March 3-St Katharine Drexel, Virgin

8:00am †Celeste McNally
12:05pm †Anthony S. Fogliano, Sr.

Wednesday, March 4-St. Casimir

8:00am †Cecilia Carandang
12:05pm †Jim Bard

Thursday, March 5

8:00am †Michael Lopes
12:05pm Intentions of Norman Bogoes

Friday, March 6

8:00am †Jim McBryan
12:05pm †Nicholas Fazzini

Saturday, March 7-Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

8:00am Birthday Intentions of James Avitabile
5:00pm People of St. Isaac Jogues

Sunday, March 8-The 2nd Sunday of Lent

8:00am Anniversary Intentions of Gene & Ruth Blackburn
10:30am †Gene Ciarrelli & Ed Yak
12:00pm †Thomas Rand
5:00pm †Dorothy Dunne

The Readings for the Weekend of March 7 & March 8

First Reading – Genesis 12:1-4a (25A)

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22

Second Reading – 2 Timothy 1:8b-10

Gospel – Matthew 17:1-9



Fast & Abstinence & Other Acts of Penance During Lent

The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from meat on *Ash Wednesday*, *Good Friday* and on **all Fridays of Lent**. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their 59th birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to one full meal on *Ash Wednesday* and *Good Friday*, while the other two meals on those days are light.

All the faithful are encouraged to participate at Mass and to receive the Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the Sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten Education Programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended.

There will be extra confessions after 12:05 pm Mass on Fridays during Lent, (excluding Good Friday) this is in addition to our regularly scheduled confessions on Saturday 3:45 pm to 4:45 pm.

LENT – *Ash Wednesday* began our forty-day period of “spiritual house cleaning” in preparation for the pinnacle event of our church year; Easter Sunday, the celebration of the Lord’s resurrection. We begin the season with ashes on our foreheads, reminding us of our humanity and the need to reform our lives. Throughout this season we will journey with those who desire initiation into the Catholic faith all the while re-examining our own baptismal call to live the Christian life. The color purple marks this time of the church year as a penitential time when we are called to fasting, prayer, and almsgiving.

Soup & Stations

St. Isaac’s will once again sponsor our “Soup & Stations” began on **Friday February 28th**, and continuing **every Friday in Lent (except Good Friday which will only be Stations)**. A free sacrificial meal of soup, bread, water, decaf coffee and tea will be served in the Parish Hall from 6:00 pm to 7:15 pm followed by Stations of the Cross in the church at 7:30 pm. All are welcome. Anyone wishing to help please contact Terry and Maureen Scott at (610-296-2642) or Meg Price at (610-644-5834).

The Catholic Charities Appeal - plays a vital role in our The Catholic Charities Appeal plays a vital role in our community by providing funds for diverse human services sponsored by the Archdiocese in outreach to the poor and vulnerable in our society.

There is no such thing as a small gift to the Catholic Charities.



THIS WEEK AT ST. ISAAC'S

Second Collection – This weekend's Second Collection will be for the Military Services of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.



Please join us in the Parish Hall after the Sunday 8 am, 10:30 am, and 12 Noon Masses for a coffee social sponsored by the Respect Life Ministry and the Legion of Mary.

Walking with Purpose – Are your children asking questions about the Church and faith and you don't have answers? Are you attending Mass purely out of obligation or not at all? If so, Walking with Purpose is for you! The women of Walking with Purpose will be hosting the Parish Coffee on **Sunday, March 8th**, and would love to meet you! Please join us and learn how your life will be dramatically affected when Jesus is at the center.

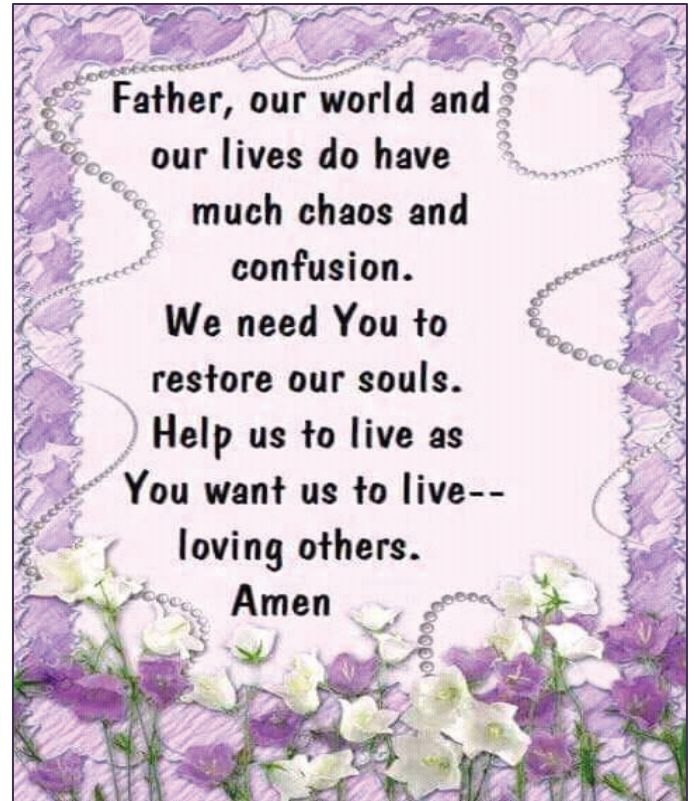
Holy Hour for Life – Every Monday the Legion of Mary will lead a Holy Hour for Life from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Chapel. We will pray three mysteries of the Rosary for an overturn of abortion and for protection of life from conception to natural death.

St. Isaac Adult Choir - If you enjoy singing, please consider joining our music ministry. 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 Chippis400@aol.com or call 484-919-9691 for more information.

St John Hospice - March is St. Isaac's Casserole Month. Please drop off your frozen casserole by 11:00 am **Sunday, March 29th**, to the Parish Hall Freezer. **Please Mark the Date the Casserole was frozen.**

Mind Boggling and Amazing - Do you know how to explain what Catholics believe about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist? *Msgr. Francis Schmidt* will present a two part course on this topic at St. Isaac Jogues this Lent. The sessions are **Tuesday, March 3rd**, and **Tuesday, March 10th**, from 7 pm to 9 pm in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to join us for these informative and eye-opening classes. There will be a \$15 registration fee to partially cover the cost of the materials, but couples and families who need only one set of materials can attend without additional expense. Refreshments will be served. Pre-registration is appreciated. Email tony-cathy@comcast.net or call 610-688-2389.

Jolly Jogues News – Our next event is **Tuesday, March 10th**, at 10:00 am in the Parish Hall. Tredyffrin Township Police Officer Joseph Butler will discuss current senior scams, the Felony Lane Gang and much more.



Pray for the Sick

Roberta Adams, Bobbie Bauer, Bernie & Catherine Brill, David Rayl, Roger Burgess, John Deenis, Sal DiMaiuta, Michelle Evans, Tahlia Fernandez, Michael Fullam, Bud Gosnell, Farzanh Hafezi, Pary Hafezi, Patricia Kaine, Francesca Monastero, Jeanette and Patrick Muldoon, Annette McCauley, Mary McNabb, Charles McKeough, Jacob Nichols, Steve Pannella, Elaine & Jim Pizzo, David Rothhaar, Elizabeth Spillane, Maureen Travagline, Kenneth Turley, 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
1st Lt. Joseph C. Toole, US Marine Corp
Commander Brian M. Lauber, US Navy
1st Lt. 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.

Prayers for our soldiers and their families.



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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.

Parish Hall Rental – Please call Carol Friel at 610-687-3366 ext. 24 for more information on hall rental.

Knights Family Movie Night – Saturday, March 28th, immediately after the 5:00 pm Mass in the parish hall. Roald Dahl’s classic children’s book “Matilda.” Pizza, popcorn, water and juice. For more information please contact Mark Saylor at 484-390-1569 or markjsaylor@gmail.com.

*The Annual Archdiocesan Mass Honoring the Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, The Deaf Community, Family, Friends and Caregivers is **Saturday, March 21st**, at 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at 18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia. Villanova University Pastoral Musicians will provide the liturgical music. There will be a reception immediately following the Mass. All are Welcome. RSVP at www.opdarchphilly.org or call the Office for Persons with Disabilities at 215-587-3530 with the number attending.*

St. Mary Center & Villa – All are invited to visit Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament at the beautiful and historic Ss. Nereus and Achilleus Chapel of Saint Mary Center & Villa, Lansdale, during the Annual Forty Hours Devotion on March 22, 23, and 24. The chapel will be open for visits **Sunday, March 22 from 12 Noon until 6:30 pm and Monday March 23 and Tuesday March 24, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**. You are also welcome to join us on these days for Holy Mass at 11:00 am and Benediction Sunday at 6:30 pm and Monday and Tuesday at 2:00 pm. For more information or to sign up for an adoration time, contact Fr. Zachary Navit, Sister Susan Keatley, or Mr. John Hoy at 215-368-0900. St. Mary Center & Villa, part of Catholic Health Group, is located at 701 Lansdale Avenue, Lansdale, PA 19446.



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.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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.

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

NOTE: 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.

An Evening at Shanahan, *Bishop Shanahan's Auction and Restaurant Fair* will be held on **Saturday, March 28th**, from 7:00 - 10:00 pm. Please join us for a great time with friends, while sampling several restaurants and bakeries and bidding on our wonderful new and exciting auctions. Can't make the event, you can bid online from home! Check out www.bshs2020.givesmart.com"

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Items for the Bulletin should be submitted in writing **Friday Noon** of the week before, to the Editor, Carol Friel Parish Secretary, email carol@stisaac.org, for by **approval the Pastor.**

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