ST. ISAAC JOGUES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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LITURGICAL LIFE

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| Altar Servers | Deacon Rudy Ovcjak | 647-970-4495 | |
| Children's Liturgy | Doris Sweeney | 905-837-2944 | |
| Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion | | | |
| | Teresa D'Amelio | 647-200-9315 | |
| Gregorian Choir | Michelle Cuyugan | 647-292-1422 | |
| Lectors | John L. Santos | 905-665-5217 | |
| Music Coordinator | Anna Hughes | 905-576-9398 | |
| Organist | Andrew Weleschuk | | |
| Parish Choir | Anna Hughes | 11123 | |
| Sacraments of First Holy Communion & Confirmation Ext. 505 | | | |
| Ushers & Greeters | Carlos Figueroa | 905-420-3794 | |
| Youth Choir | Vanessa Lowing | 1000 | |
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YOUTH MINISTRY Shelly Coish Ext. 223

EDGE Programme: Grade 6, 7 & 8

Please join us on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month Lifeteen Programme: High School Students

Please join us on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month

OTHER APOSTOLATES

| Bereavement | Please call the parish office | |
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| Legion of Mary | Fran Baduel | Ext. 504 |
| Rosary Apostolate | Camille Jacques-Carr | 905-509-8500 |
| St Vincent de Paul | Ben Jardine | Ext. 502 |

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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| tholic Women's League | Marie James | 905-839-8890 |
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| ights of Columbus | Dennis Lacey | 905-839-7001 |
| ildren's Play Group | Ramona Kelland | 905-831-5772 |
| rish Finance Council | Bart Calderone | 905-839-9116 |
| lg/Maint. Council | Paul Bertrand | 905-622-5910 |
| fugee Committee | Please call the parish of | office. |
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PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Elizabeth Seton St. Isaac Jogues St. Wilfrid Notre Dame Secondary St. Mary Secondary PRINCIPAL Sharon Bird Jim Raper Mike Young Joe D'Amico Michael O'Brien

| 905-839-0005 |
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| 905-839-1844 |
| 905-427-6225 |
| 905-686-4300 |
| 905-420-7166 |

SUNDAY MASSESSaturday Vigil4:30pmSunday8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am, 7:00pm
(Rosary 15 minutes before each Mass)

DAILY MASSES

Monday to Friday 7:30am Wednesday 7:00pm Saturday 8:30am First Friday 7:30pm First Saturday: 11:00am Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite (Latin) (Mass will be offered at 10:00am on Public Holidays)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (CONFESSIONS)

Saturday 9:00 to 9:30am, 3:45 to 4:15pm. Sunday: 15 minutes prior to each Holy Mass (Any time by appointment)

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday between the morning and evening Masses First Fridays after morning Mass until 6:30pm Holy Hour

DEVOTIONS

Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Every Wednesday at 7:00pm First Friday: Holy Hour at 6:30pm

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated at least once per month. Parents are to be registered parishioners. To register your child for baptism, pick-up a baptism package in the parish office.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married contact the parish office at least one year in advance. No wedding date is to be set before consultation with the Priests/Deacons. At least one of the parties must be a registered parishioner.

RITE OF INITIATION OF ADULTS INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH (RCIA)

Interested in becoming Catholic? Please contact the office.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE ILL OR HOMEBOUND

Requests for the Sacrament of the Sick, prayers or visitations, please call the parish office.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

To be a registered member of our parish is to have a sense of belonging to the Catholic Church locally. Please introduce yourself to the Priests or Deacons and register in the office.

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| Mass Intentions & Parish Activities |
| MONDAY 5 MARCH |
| 7:30am Mass: + Anthony D'Cruz |
| TUESDAY 6 MARCH |
| 7:30am Mass: + Souls in Purgatory |
| WEDNESDAY 7 MARCH |
| 7:30am Mass: + Mary Walker |
| 7:00pm Multiple Mass Intentions |
| THURSDAY 8 MARCH |
| 7:30am Mass: + Robert Halverson |
| 9:00am to 12 noon Children's Play Group |
| 7:00pm Legion of Mary meeting |
| FIRST FRIDAY 9 MARCH |
| 7:30am Mass: Darlito Sulit Sr. |
| 7:00pm EDGE |
| SATURDAY 10 MARCH |
| 8:30am Mass: Multiple Mass Intentions |
| 4:30pm Mass: Special Intentions – Marie Calderone |
| SUNDAY 11 MARCH – LENT IV |
| 8:30am Mass: + Douglas Kirk & Mary Ferguson |
| 10:00am Mass: Pro Populo |
| 11:30am Mass: + Joan Gomes |
| 7:00pm Mass: + Souls in Purgatory |
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Pilgrimage: Fr Paul Dobson will be leading a 15 day pilgrimage to Greece and Malta **21 October to 4 November 2018**, following in the footsteps of St. Paul. Please contact the office for details and the itinerary.



Lenten Exercises:

Stations of the Cross on Fridays of Lent at **7:00pm**.

DAY OF CONFESSIONS HERE AT ST. ISAAC'S: Tuesday 13th March 9:00 – 10:00am 1:00 – 2:00pm 6:00 - 7:00pm

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

ST JOSEPH

The month of March is dedicated to St Joseph. Many churches have a statue of him. Countless churches, schools and convents claim him as their patron. Yet it may surprise you to learn that devotion to him is fairly recent in the West. The first great promoter of St Joseph was the fifteenth century saint, Bernadine of Siena and following him, St Teresa of Avila. His feast, which is celebrated on 19th March was only inserted into the calendar in 1741 and he was declared Patron of the Universal Church in 1870. Pope John XXIII inserted his name into the Canon of the Mass in 1962 and his second feast, observed on May 1st, was introduced by Pope Pius XII in response to the Labour Day of the same date. In the Eastern Church, devotion to him began at an earlier date, his feast day being observed on the first Sunday after Christmas. However, he is never depicted individually, but

rather forms part of the Nativity tableau in Icons. We can glean some facts about him from the Scriptures: Firstly, we are told he was descended from the Royal House of David. The rule of the kings of the southern kingdom of Judea, from which Joseph was descended, ceased, probably in the 6th century BC at the Babylonian invasions. The Old Testament describes how the king was blinded and all the princes put to the sword. After the restoration of the Nation decades later, the ancient kingly dynasty found itself dispossessed and in its place, a line of foreign puppet kings occupied the throne. Doing the will of their foreign masters, these kings became objects of resentment and discontent for the Jewish people who longed for the restoration of the Davidic line. This explains the alarm of King Herod when he discovered the fulfilment of the prophecy of the birth of the Messiah, as a descendant of the House of David and in David's city, Bethlehem. The Gospels of Matthew and Luke give us relatively scant information on St Joseph. We can piece together that he was born in Bethlehem but moved on to Nazareth. presumably to find work. He is described as an upright man of honour. When he receives the message from an angel that his espoused wife is with child, he decides to dismiss her quietly. In Jewish culture, the betrothal was the legal ceremony which preceded the couple moving in together some months later. It was only after this that the marriage would be consumated, hence Joseph's puzzlement. His decision to hide Mary away is therefore merciful, saving her, possibly, from a death penalty. The Gospels are clear that Mary's conception of Christ is virginal. Luke records that "it was supposed" by the people that Jesus was the son of Joseph. Matthew tells us that "up until the birth of Jesus, Joseph knew her not". This phrase 'up until' is better translated as 'never'. St John, in his Chapter 1, tells us that the Eternal Word was born "not of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but from God". St Luke's Gospel features Joseph's and Mary's return to Bethlehem for the census and his obtaining for her shelter in a stable. For the next episode in the story, we swing to St Matthew's Gospel which informs us that Joseph takes Mary and her child to Egypt, out of danger from the cruelties of Herod. They remained there until after Herod's death when, for safety's sake, they returned to Nazareth which lay outside the jurisdiction of Herod's reigning son. After the finding of Jesus in the Temple, St Joseph fades into the background. Many assume that his life came to an end shortly after this. Tradition places his death-bed scene in the presence of Our Lady and Our Lord, hence we invoke him as the patron of a happy death. We also invoke him as the patron of workers and as head of the Holy Family.

St Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, Model of Workers, Comforter of the Dying, Pray for us!

Daylight Savings time begins: clocks move forward one hour before bedtime on 10 March.

St. Isaac Jogues Parish Catholic Women's League presents TENEBRAE - Thursday, March 22 – 7:00pm with the gentlemen of the St. Michael's Choir School Alumni led by Msgr J.E. Ronan.

Tenebrae (Latin for "darkness" or "shadow") is comprised of a series of readings and responsories covering a small portion of the Passion and suffering of Jesus Christ. This dramatic and moving liturgy is often a prelude to Holy Week.



Come and See Weekend – Friday, March 23 (begins 6:30pm to Sunday, March 25 (ends 1:30pm, at St. Augustine's Seminary: Inviting single Catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ;

leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Register online at <u>www.vocationstoronto.ca</u>. Registrants 17 years old require parental consent. For more information, please contact (the Parish Priest) or the Office of Vocations at: 416-968- 0997; email: <u>vocations@archtoronto.org</u>

Jesus cleaned out the temple of money-changers. He was angry; He was zealous; He spoke with authority. He was doing what He had to do even though it involved risk, danger, insult and wonder. Such is a religious vocation in the Church. If you think God might be calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call **Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997**

> email: vocations@archtoronto.org website: www.vocationstoronto.ca



The Knights of Columbus are hosting their annual St Patrick's Pub Night **Saturday, March 17th from 7:30pm to 12 midnight** in the parish hall. DJ "Sight & Sound", hot dinner, cash bar, door prizes and more. A limited number of tickets (\$25.00 per person) are still available. Contact Dan O'Leary (416-564-5088) or Frank Straney (905-839-6584) to purchase.

BUNDLE UP FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

On Saturday, March 17th and Sunday, March 18th, a trailer will be at our church to pick up clothing and coats (any and all!), boots and shoes, bedding, drapes and textiles, towels, and new toys. www.svdptoronto.org NOTE: NO construction material, videos, cassettes, furniture, mattresses, dishes, appliances, books, baby furniture items (cribs, highchairs, strollers, etc.). Donated goods are provided to our neighbours in need in communities across the GTA and to those whom we serve through our supportive housing and outreach programmes. This work is facilitated through the Society's Store Division, which has a warehouse and three stores. Beyond this, surplus donated goods are sold to the public through our three retail locations, or sold wholesale to partnering organizations that share a fair value for the goods donated. In turn, these proceeds are then used to support the work of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. Thank you for your support.

2017 tax receipts (church and St. Vincent de Paul) are now available for pick-up after all Masses. Also, please retrieve your box of 2018 offertory envelopes from the foyer a.s.a.p.

Sign-Up Sunday! March 3/4. We Need Your Help!

Cardinal Collins and bishops across Ontario are asking for an email address from every Catholic family in their community, with a goal of 100,000 email addresses collected by the end of February 2018. This information will be used locally by Cardinal Collins and trusted faith partners to communicate periodically (approximately 6-8 times each year) on issues of particular importance for the Catholic community.

The first campaign of 2018 is the Call for Conscience, inviting our elected Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) and those seeking office this June to increase funding/access to palliative care, to protect health care workers wishing to abstain from any involvement in euthanasia/assisted suicide and to protect faithbased facilities from participation in euthanasia/assisted suicide. The work builds on a similar campaign in 2017.

Please visit <u>http://bit.ly/SignUpSundayRegistration</u> to register yourself for this initiative. Thank you for living a faith that acts!

2018 CAMPAIGN: Would you, your family and)ins friends put aside your toonies, loonies, quarters, iie nickels, dimes during the upcoming Lenten weeks, and contribute these savings to help in the struggle to end abortion and to create a Culture of Life in Canada? If so, coins for life boxes are available in the foyer of the church. Be assured that your small change can lead to a BIG change in our land and does help to save countless innocent lives now and in the future. God's preborn children in the womb have no voice but ours. This project helps us to continue to run the National March for Life in Ottawa on May 10, 2018. You may even wish to make this a family, school, or office project. Spread the good news of the sanctity of every life from conception to natural death which God created as no one has the right to destroy that life. In our present-day culture of death in society we all have a role to play to reverse the tide even with this 'little project' for life.

SL ShareLife

Living the Gospel by providing for homeless youth.

On any given night, 6,000 people across Canada between 16 and 24 have nowhere to call home. This represents 20 per cent of the total homeless population. The ShareLife-supported Rights of Passage program at Covenant House has been active in making a positive difference in the lives of homeless youth on the streets of Toronto. The program matches adolescents with mentors, who help them build life skills. By supporting ShareLife, you're helping at-risk youth prepare for life on their own.

March 18 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

Smile of the Day: Who is the strongest sheep in the universe? *Hercufleece.*



