



SAINT ISAAC JOGUES PARISH

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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

May 25, 2008

Corpus Christi: The Body and Blood of Christ

The feast of Corpus Christi is one time when our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is exposed not just to faithful Catholics but to all the world. This is a time when Catholics can show their love for Christ in the Real Presence by honoring Him in a very public way. It is also a wonderful way in which we can show our love for our neighbors by bringing Our Lord and Savior closer to them. So many conversions are a result of Eucharistic Adoration experienced from inside the Church. How many more there would be if we could reach those who only drive by the church in worldly pursuits.



“O PRECIOUS AND WONDERFUL BANQUET”

Since it was the will of God's only-begotten Son that men should share in his divinity, he assumed our nature in order that by becoming man he might make men gods. Moreover, when he took our flesh he dedicated the whole of its substance to our salvation. He offered his body to God the Father on the altar of the cross as a sacrifice for our reconciliation. He shed his blood for our ransom and purification, so that we might be redeemed from our wretched state of bondage and cleansed from all sin. But to ensure that the memory of so great a gift would abide with us for ever, he left his body as food and his blood as drink for the faithful to consume in the form of bread and wine.

O precious and wonderful banquet, that brings us salvation and contains all sweetness! Could anything be of more intrinsic value? Under the old law it was the flesh of calves and goats that was offered, but here Christ himself, the true God, is set before us as our food. What could be more wonderful than this?

No other sacrament has greater healing power; through it sins are purged away, virtues are increased, and the soul is enriched with an abundance of every spiritual gift. It is offered in the Church for the living and the dead, so that what was instituted for the salvation of all may be for the benefit of all. Yet, in the end, no one can fully express the sweetness of this sacrament, in which spiritual delight is tasted at its very source, and in which we renew the memory of that surpassing love for us which Christ revealed in his passion. It was to impress the vastness of this love more firmly upon the hearts of the faithful that our Lord instituted this sacrament at the Last Supper. As he was on the point of leaving the world to go to the Father, after celebrating the Passover with his disciples, he left it as a perpetual memorial of his passion. It was the fulfillment of ancient figures and the greatest of all his miracles, while for those who were to experience the sorrow of his departure, it was destined to be a unique and abiding consolation.

- St. Thomas Aquinas



THE MARIAN SHRINE FOR MAY

OUR LADY OF VAILANKANNI

"Our Lady of Good Health"



Vailankanni is a small fishing village on the sandy shore of the Bay of Bengal. There seems to be nothing extraordinary about it, except that millions of pilgrims visit Vailankanni every year. What makes it unique in south India and in the world?

Vailankanni is the site of a centuries' old devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and a Catholic shrine to "Our Lady of Good Health." Three apparitions of Our Lady and many reported miracles have made Vailankanni popular not only with Christians, but Hindus and Muslims as well. Because of the great number and fervor of pilgrims, Vailankanni has become known as the "Lourdes of the East."

Interestingly, the first two "miracles" at Vailankanni involved non-Christian boys. The first was a shepherd who was carrying milk to his master's house in Nagapatana. On that very hot day, the shepherd boy decided to rest under a banyan tree near a pond.

There he fell asleep. As he awakened, he saw a bright light and

then a beautiful lady holding a child in her arms. The lady was regally dressed. She and her child had halos around their heads. At first, the shepherd was overcome with fear, but the lady reassured him with her motherly smile. She asked for some milk for her child and the boy obliged. The child smiled. Then, the vision faded away. Running to his master's house with what he thought was an empty jug, he begged his master to forgive him. Much to the surprise of all, when the jug was opened, it was full of fresh milk. The master, recognizing a divine power at work, humbly prostrated himself near the pond. The story spread. Christians were convinced that the "vision" seen by the shepherd was the Blessed Virgin and the Infant Jesus! Since then, the pond has been known as "Madha Kulam," **Our Lady's Pond.**"

A few years later, Our Lady appeared again to a lame boy at "Nadu Thittu." The boy and his widowed mother were very poor. To make a living, the widow placed her disabled son under a banyan tree with a pot of buttermilk, which he would try to sell to thirsty travelers. As he searched the road for potential customers, a beautiful lady and her infant son suddenly appeared. The lady asked for a cup of buttermilk, and the boy gave it to her without hesitation. Then the Lady asked him to go to Nagapatanam to tell a Catholic man that she wanted him to build a chapel in her honor at Vailankanni. Sadly, the boy replied that he was unable to walk. How could he go? Then the Lady asked him to stand up and walk. The boy jumped up with joy, and ran to Nagapatanam. He gave to the Catholic man the Lady's message. The man, who had had a vision of Our Lady in a dream the previous night, believed the boy and, with the help of local villagers, built a modest thatched hut in Vailankanni to honor Our Lady. It was the first shrine dedicated to Our Lady of Good Health.

The third major apparition took place in the seventeenth century. A Portuguese merchant ship sailing from Macau to Sri Lanka was caught in a storm while crossing the Bay of Bengal. It was September 8, the Feast of the Nativity of Mary. They called upon the Blessed Virgin. They vowed to build a church in her honor wherever they would safely land on shore. Their prayers were answered. The wind abated and the sea grew calm. The grateful Portuguese mariners found "safe harbor" in Vailankanni. Thanking the Mother of God, they helped the natives of Vailankanni build a permanent chapel on the site of the thatched hut. The statue of Our Lady was set in place and the chapel dedicated. Since the seventeenth century, Vailankanni's chapel has become first a great pilgrim shrine and then, on November 3, 1962, a Basilica..

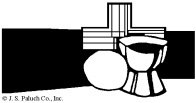
Our Lady of Vailankanni is patroness of India and a source of love and unity for Indians everywhere. For further information on the "MOTHER OF MIRACLES" contact [http:// www.motherofmiracles.com](http://www.motherofmiracles.com).





StewardshipSunday Collection

Weekly (this year) 05/18/08 —\$10,009.70 (last year) 5/20/07- \$8,684.62



SPIRITUAL LIFE

MEMORIAL DAY MASS

All are invited to begin their Memorial Day observance with Mass at 9:00 a.m. Please note this will be the only liturgy that day.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process of prayer, reflection, study and discussion for individuals who have never been baptized, who are baptized Christians but who seek to learn more about the Catholic Church, or who are baptized Catholic but have not been catechized in the faith and have not received First Communion or Confirmation. To learn more about the RCIA process, please call Dee Stanton at 847/1966-1180.

LITURGY BOARD

The Liturgy Board will meet on Tuesday, May 27th, at 7:30 p.m. in Rm. 6 of the school. Please contact Julie Higgins or Dee Stanton if you cannot attend.

READINGS FOR THE NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (green)

Deuteronomy 11:18, 26-28, 32

Psalms 31:2-4, 17, 25

Romans 3:21-25, 28

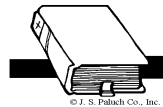
Matthew 7:21-27

ABOUT NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

DEUTERONOMY: "In today's reading we learn of the origin of the Jewish practice of wearing a phylactery, which is a tiny box containing a piece of paper

with the heart of the Jewish law written on it. Even today some Jewish people wear such a box strapped to their forehead, and another to their forearm, when they pray."

ROMANS: "Today and for many Sundays hereafter, our second reading will be taken from Paul's letter to the Romans. In writing this letter to the Romans, Paul is dealing with a community he had not yet visited. Many of them were converts from Judaism who believed they would be saved by how they lived out the Jewish law. Paul clearly states that it is not this law with its 613 precepts that produces salvation. Rather, our salvation comes through Jesus Christ, in whom we place our faith."



EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

*The Religious Education Office will be closed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26th.

*Families who have a tuition balance or sacrament fee for the 2007-2008 year are asked to send their payment to the RE Office this week. If you have a financial concern, please contact the RE Office to discuss the situation.

*Registration for the 2008-2009 Religious Education Program is now taking place. Families who just finished the 2007-2008 RE Program received registration forms by mail and are asked to return the completed forms by June 15th. A late fee of \$25 is assessed after that date and a late fee of \$35 is assessed after August 1. If you think you might be moving but are unsure, it is better to register now and withdraw later! Please note: You need to register your children each year. If you have a child who will be new to the program, please provide a copy of his/her baptismal certificate if the baptism was not held here at St. Isaac Jogues Parish. A partial tuition

payment with the registration forms will be appreciated.

New families need to fill out appropriate forms, provide a copy of each child's baptismal certificate and other sacrament dates as appropriate, give a partial tuition payment and provide a letter/report card/evaluation from the parish or school your child previously attended for religious education (if applicable). Please contact the RE Office to set up a time to register, 847/966-1180.

Kindergarten classes meet on Sunday mornings, 10:30-11:30 a.m. and Grs. 1-8 (Confirmation Year II) meet on Monday evenings, 6:45-8:00 p.m. Students must participate in religious education classes for at least two years prior to receiving a sacrament. Families are strongly encouraged to have their children attend religious education every year to assist them in their faith development and formation. Families who have children with special needs or older children who have not yet celebrated First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, etc., are encouraged to talk with us to see what options are available for your children's participation.

Tuition for registered, active parishioners (uses envelopes or donates time in service to parish) for 2008-2009 will be \$140—one child, \$250—two children, \$300—three or more children. The tuition for non-registered or non-active parishioners is \$215—one child, \$325—two children, \$375—three or more. Sacrament fees are as follow: First Reconciliation and First Communion--\$45; Confirmation Year I--\$10; Confirmation Year II--\$25. No one is denied religious education due to financial difficulties. If you have a concern, please contact the RE Office at 847/966-1180 to discuss the situation. Please call that same number for other information or to have questions answered. Thank you!

EVENING BIBLE STUDY

The possibility of an evening Bible Study has again been asked, so we again ask the community—Is there a desire for an evening Bible Study and would you come to it? If yes, how often (weekly, every other week, monthly) and what day? If you are interested, please contact the Religious Education Office at 847/966-1180 or send an e-mail to sijre2004@yahoo.com this week. Should there be interest to get a study going, we will do our best to work a schedule out.



In observance of the national holiday, the parish offices will be closed on Monday, May 26.

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ALTAR FLOWERS

CAN BE A

BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTE



From the weekend of May 18th through Thanksgiving Day, November 27th, 2008, parishioners are invited to decorate the altar with flowers in honor or memory of a loved one. There will be two arrangements each week. Your name and intention will be listed in the bulletin.

The cost this year of a larger flower arrangement will be \$50.00. The flowers are yours to take home after the 12:00 noon Mass on Sunday if you wish.

Dates fill up quickly, so please book well in advance. Please call the Rectory at 847.967.1060 to arrange the date to make your remembrance special!

The flowers on the altar this weekend are from:

**Nadine Yamanaka
"In Memory of Hal Yamanaka"**

St. Isaac Jogues' Ladies



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to save the date

Tuesday, June 3, 2008 at 7PM

for

Mass and the final meeting of the
Women's Club

in

the Holy Family room

We will pray, eat, and be merry!!

Please join us!

For further information please call

Fran Zimmerman at

847. 967.1352



April 28, 2008

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Dear Food Pantry Supporter,

*The **Maine Township Food Pantry** helps people in crisis everyday. As the need for our food pantry increases, so does our appreciation for your donations.*

Through your food and monetary contributions, we have helped support numerous individual and families within our Township. We have never fail to turn anyone away due to lack of food. Your gifts embody the definition of "Good Will" by helping your neighbors in need.

On behalf of your Township Board and the entire staff, we thank you for your generous donation to our food pantry. May you and family be blessed for your kindness.

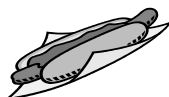
*Sincerely,
Carol A. Teschky
Supervisor*

We need **BINGO** workers!

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I know that you have heard that plaintive plea for help before. But it's true. We need workers to help with Friday night bingo.

We have a critical need for the following areas.



Kitchen

The kitchen sells comfort food for our patrons. We offer Sloppy Joes, Tuna Salad, Grilled Cheese and Hot Dogs along with fresh Pop Corn and candy bars. The Kitchen is open from 5:30 to approximately 7:30. Preparation begins between 4:00 and 4:30. We need two volunteers to man the kitchen and purchase supplies each week. The goal is to have 8 to 12 individuals who would rotate responsibility. Currently we have 4!

Pull Tabs

Pull tabs are sold from 5:30 to the start of Bingo at 7:00. We need two workers each night to sell pull tabs. The goal is to have 10 to 12 workers rotating responsibility for this operation. This is an excellent opportunity for couples! We need four new workers for Pull Tabs.



Bingo Games

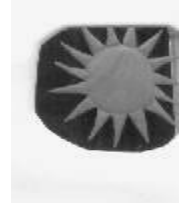
The doors for Bingo open at 5:30. Our goal is to have four to five teams each consisting of five to six workers. The teams are made up of a Leader who oversees operations; a Caller who runs each game; three Floor Walkers who sell Bingo cards and verify winning cards; and a Cashier. We are extremely short of help in this area. We need 10 to 12 volunteers to man this operation. For further details on any of these opportunities please contact the Parish Office at 847 9671060.

Please help us ... volunteer your time to help your parish.

Robert Kerls
Parish Business Administrator

Ignacy Paderewski Polish School just ended its 1st school year at St. Isaac Jogues Parish. Our sincere thanks to the pastor, Fr. Andrew Luczak, and all the parishioners for their warm welcome. Congratulations and best wishes to all our graduates and their families, especially, our high school and 8th grade students who successfully completed our program.

Registration for the 2008-2009 Polish School and Religious Education programs are currently in progress. For more information, go to our website www.paderewskips.com Hope to see you next year.





Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, September 7th at 2:30 p.m. at Holy Name Cathedral, 735 N. State St., Chicago.

Couples married in 1958 who are interested in attending this celebration should contact their parish to register.

For further information call the Family Ministries Office at 312.751.8351 or visit the website:
www.familyministries.org.



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Our Lady of Sorrows
Basilica

775TH ANNIVERSARY MASS AND COMPLIMENTARY RECEPTION

The Order of Friar Servants of Mary (Servites) cordially invites you to join us on Thursday, June 12, 2008 for our 775th Anniversary Mass and complimentary reception at **Our Lady of Sorrows Basilica**.

Mass will begin at 6 PM to be followed by a complimentary reception with hors d'oeuvres, beverages and entertainment. This free event is open to all ages and all faiths. We encourage you to join us as we celebrate 775 years of fraternity, compassion, hospitality, and service to others as we strive to share the Charism of the Servite Order and spread the gospel through our devotion to Mary, the Mother of our Savior. We look forward to seeing you on June 12th at the Basilica.

For more information and to RSVP, please contact the Servite Provincial Center at (773) 533-0360 or visit the Servite website at www.servite.org for event details.

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**NEED ASSISTANCE OR SUPPORT
DURING PREGNANCY?**

We understand. We care. Please call
confidential HOPELINE (847) 823-HOPE.

Sunday, May 25

- 7:30 am Virginia Lutsch
 9:00 am Nellie Skworch & Catherine Batavich
 10:30 am Eduardo Rodriguez & Jeffrey Musni
 12:00 pm For the Living & Deceased Members of
 St. Isaac Jogues & their Families;
 Caridad Mikulec

Monday, May 26—Memorial Day

- 9:00 am Purgatorial Society;
 Charles Falco

Tuesday, May 27

- 8:00 am Marilyn Styzen

Wednesday, May 28

- 8:00 am Tony Dorkin

Thursday, May 29

- 8:00 am Tatiana Zajac

Friday, May 30

- 8:00 am Ira Hare

Saturday, May 31

- 8:00 am Communion Service—No Intentions
 5:00 pm For the Living & Deceased Members of
 St. Isaac Jogues & their Families;
 Tony Corvo

Sunday, June 1

- 7:30 am Wilfred Liebert
 9:00 am Stephen Grant
 10:30 am Giuseppe & Antonia Cozzoli
 12:00 pm Virgilio Guinto



Reconciliation
 Fr. McGlynn

Liturgies next weekend**May 31 — June 1****Presider**

- 5:00 pm Fr. Kalas
 7:30 am Fr. Kennedy
 9:00 am Fr. McGlynn
 10:30 am Fr. Luczak/Deacon Paul
 12:00 pm Fr. Stagaman

Altar Servers

- 5:00 pm Dominic Jose, Chrystal Mattappillil,
 Max Mattappillil
 7:30 am Jonathan Herrera, James Herrera,
 Oskar Bednarek
 9:00 am Alexander Kniazuk, Matthew Kniazuk,
 Jasmine Herrera
 10:30 am Matthew Jaroslowski, Joana Hidalgo,
 John Hidalgo
 12:00 pm Jessica Joseph, Christian Manaois,
 Jennifer Joseph

Memorial Day, May 26

- 9:00 am Davide Cirrincione, Thomas Malitz,
 Sandra Kietlinska

Sacristy Committee

Marguerite Smoczynski, Wanda Kennedy

Relatives & Friends**Please remember the sick and hospitalized:**

Bob Arns, Kerry Baudo, Richard Cossak, Marie DeMeo,
 Philip Godfrey, Mark Koz, Maria Ladd, Megan Lawler,
 Lillian McCloud, Bob Meyers, Marilyn Michaels,
 Tammy Heffernan Propst, Tony Romito,
 Linda Bong Sanchez, Paul Sitkowski, Pat Terzakis,
 Chuck Watson, Mary Zimniewicz,
 Megan Zimniewicz Upshaw, Berny Zirko, Tony Zourkas.

We all
 partake of
 the one
 loaf



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Not by bread alone does one live, but by
 every word that comes forth from the mouth
 of the Lord.

- Deuteronomy 8:3b

PASTOR: Rev. Andrew Luczak

PASTORAL STAFF:

- Mr. Bob Kerls, Parish Business Administrator
- Mrs. Dolores Stanton, Director of Religious Education
- Mrs. Patricia Kellen, Parish Nurse
- Mrs. Lisa Hall, Music Director

DEACON COMMUNITY:

- Mr. & Mrs. Robert C. O’Keefe
- Mr. Rod Ranola
- Mr. & Mrs. Paul M. Stanton

WEEKEND LITURGY PRESIDERS:

- Rev. Ron Kalas
- Rev. Larry Janowski, O.F.M.
- Rev. Bernard Kennedy, O.F.M.
- Rev. Philip McGlynn, O.S.M.
- Rev. David Stagaman, S.J.

Eucharistic Celebrations:

- Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30, & 12:00 Noon
- Monday - Friday: 8:00 AM
- Saturday: 8:00 AM & 5:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 11:00 - 12:00 Noon or anytime by request.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Must be registered for six months prior to setting the wedding date with an additional six months for necessary preparation. Note: The following wedding times can be scheduled:

- Friday at 5:00 p.m.;
- Saturday at 1:00 and 3:00 p.m.;
- Sunday at 3:00 p.m. (Ceremony only)

Sacrament of Baptism: Second and fourth Sunday of each month at 1:30 PM. Baptism Preparation Session must be completed before Baptism. Contact the Parish Office as soon as possible for details.

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Principal: Mrs. Margaret Whitman

ADDING NAMES TO THE PARISH SICK LIST

It has always been the policy of St. Isaac Jogues to offer our parish community an opportunity to pray for those parishioners who are ill and in need of our prayers. We have tried to keep close track of these names for our Bulletin as they are made available to us.

However, now we face an important privacy issue, very much like the issues faced by hospitals, health institutions, and certainly by other parishes.

We cannot (by law) publicly let our parish community know the health status of any of our members without their permission.

We appreciate the fact that often friends, neighbors, and acquaintances wish to do something special for a person who is ill, and ask to place their name on the list to be prayed for. While their intentions are surely good, we simply can no longer accept names in this manner.

We will institute a new process regarding calling in names for the Bulletin list.

Names for the sick list placed in the Bulletin have to be called in by the person who is ill, or by a member of their family. At the time they call in the name, they will be asked whether they are the sick person him/ herself, or a member of their family, and if they give permission for the name to be placed on the list. They will be asked for the **correct spelling** of the sick person’s name. If a **family member**, they will be required to give **their** name for our records.

Thank you for your patience regarding this new process. We wish to do all we can to offer our parish community the opportunity to offer prayers for those who are ill — but we must also be cognizant of the fact that all members of our congregation are entitled to their privacy in this regard.

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