



# ST. ISAAC JOGUES

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### Mass Schedule

Saturday

5:00 PM

Sunday

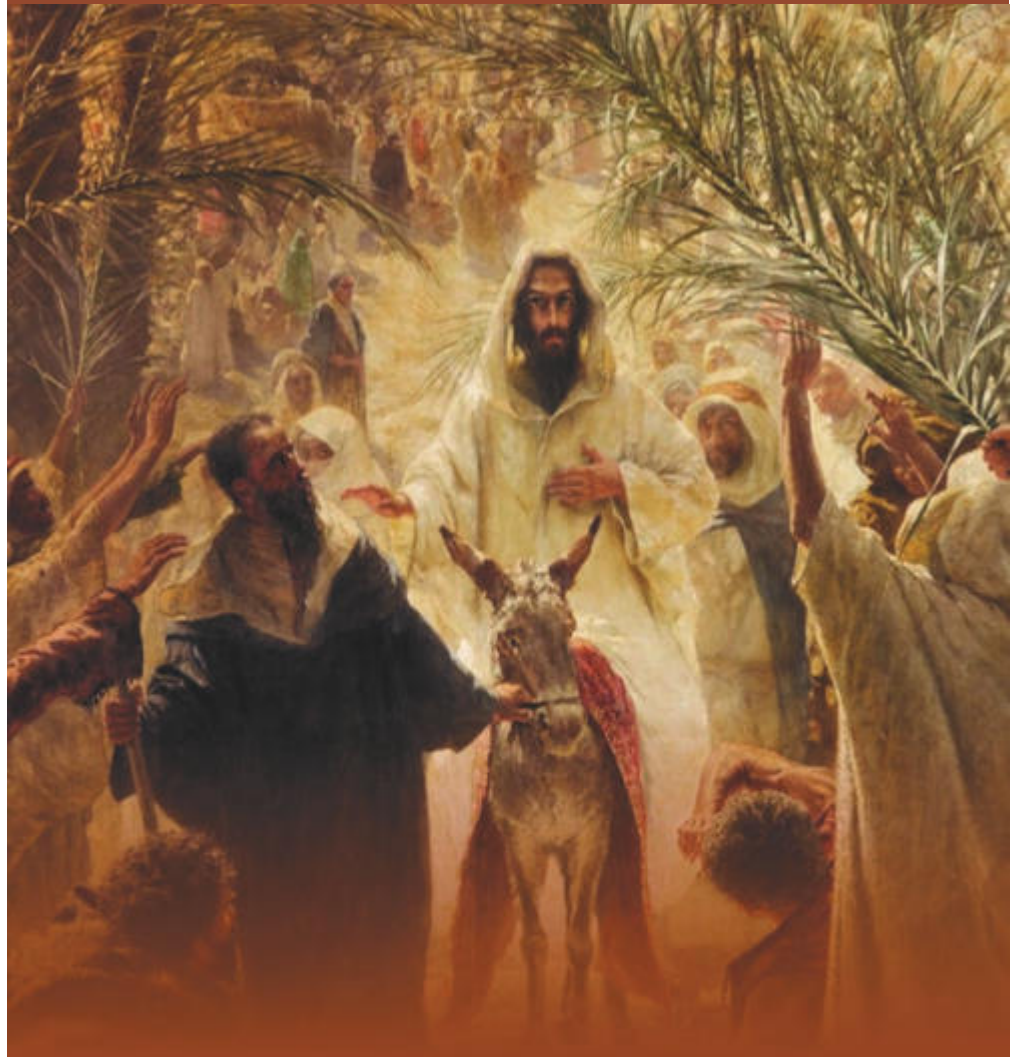
9:00 AM

11:00 AM

Monday-Thursday 12:10 PM

(unless there is a funeral,  
call to confirm)

MARCH 28, 2021 PALM SUNDAY THE PASSION OF THE LORD



## PALM SUNDAY

So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it. And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. - Mk 11:7-8

# PRAYER & WORSHIP

## MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of St. Isaac Jogues Parish, recognizing our rich Native American history and Jesuit identity are a Catholic community empowered by the Holy Spirit, the sacraments and prayer. Using our unique and diverse gifts, we are called to grow in Christian faith and love, to proclaim the gospel values and to minister to one another and all the people of God. With God's grace, we continue our Apostolic Mission to spread the Good News and to follow our baptismal call to be the Body of Christ.

## Mindfulness Moments:

### Look up or down and remember your God!

But with us is the Lord our God, to help us and to fight our battles.

2 Chronicles 32:8

On January 12, 2021, I spilled some water on the carpet. As I looked down to clean up my mess, I noticed the water stain was in the shape of a cross. Wow! Instead of grabbing a towel, I first grabbed my camera. I sent the picture to a friend who replied, "God's way of letting you know that He is near." Indeed, God sends signals of grace abundantly if we are looking for them. My act of clumsiness turned into a blessing and signal of grace.

There is an epic spiritual battle playing out in the USA and throughout the world as I write this devotion. What is at risk is the soul of our nation. As Ambassadors for Christ, we must put on the armor of God. How? Prayer and discernment and a call to action for all believers to "Unite all in Love for God is Love." Evil is powerless **when** the good are not afraid. We are born to stand out. We believe God will establish righteousness very quickly. Focus on Jesus not the storm. We are blessed to be citizens of the kingdom of God!

Lead with Love,

Dr George

[www.drgeorgej.com](http://www.drgeorgej.com)



**Derek Adams, Donna Anderson, Jim Augustine, Scott Benson, Roger Cadotte-Gray, John Carlson, Laura Clarke, BJ Cole, Sharon Colombe, Alisha Conroy, Guy Davison, Della Foolishbear, Deacon Heavy Garnette, Alta Hertel, Kayla Hertel, Rose Larose, (Brewer), Ron & Lavonne Kocer, Nicole Kiewel, Bobby Lyon, Shane McCarthy, Melissa & Jake Meyer, Beverly Monday, Kreara Overby, Patrick Paur, Kathy Reed, Joel Rivera, Pat Weber, Richard Thomas, Weston Thomas, Darren Vasquez, Sandy Williams.**

If you have the person's permission, you may request their name be included in the bulletin's *Prayer Request List*. Call Abby Seales at 341-5552 or the parish office at 343-2165 to leave the name of the individual in need of prayer. If you wish to have the person's name remain on the list for more than one month, please contact the parish office every subsequent month with your request.

**Holy Communion to the Sick:** If you are at home, please call the parish office to request that an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist (EME) bring Holy Communion to you. In case of hospitalization, inform the hospital staff that you are a Catholic and would like to receive Holy Communion.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please call the parish office if you need to receive the anointing of the sick at home. In emergency situations when the office is closed, call the Cathedral at 342-0507 and they will have someone available for the anointing.



## GOSPEL MEDITATION -

Many struggle with Jesus. Some who consider themselves faithful hail him in their churches but still struggle to figure out what to do with him on our streets. The message is somehow more palatable when it echoes pious renderings and sentiments and involves singing hosannas during worship. It becomes a bit trickier when it gets to the part about changing the way we conduct the business of our lives, becoming more sensitive to the disadvantaged, poor, and marginalized, and living as servants of our Loving Creator. Ultimately, it is a struggle between wanting to be God ourselves and letting God be God as God is. That is why it's so easy to become hypocritical. We, like those who hailed Christ as he arrived in Jerusalem and sent Christ to the cross to die, also talk out of both sides of our mouths. We entertain what suits us at the time and walk away from the rest.

Many neglect God's beautiful creation because they prefer what humans have made instead. Progress is not seen in preserving and enhancing what God has made but replacing it with something we believe is better and more useful. The earth, flowers, and animals are all expendable if they stand in the way of the "more" we want to achieve. We seek to remove as many obstacles and hurdles as possible in search of the easiest, quickest, and most efficient path we can find. We have created drugs and laws that preserve our free choice, even though it may mean setting aside God's vision and example. Why suffer when we can easily be put to rest? Why endure insult or injury when we can retaliate, eliminate, or subdue? Why accept life when it is acceptable to choose otherwise? We want to be God and resist accepting the fact that our real Creator has already given us the blueprints for the life we need to live in the Beatitudes and in the example of his Passion. We do not like being stewards and managers and really want the power to do as we wish and desire. We want to create our own way.

Where has the true, effective Christian voice been through all of the wars and violence, prejudice and unjust conquests, abuse of human beings and attempted extinctions of nationalities, the establishments of procedures and protocols that serve only a few and not the many and all of the injustices and exploitations that are a part of our human history? A few courageous prophets have stood up and out throughout all of the comings and goings of our human journey with many receiving the same fate as the Crucified One we hail this week. Some still walk among us as shining stars showing us how it really can be. How would Jesus' journey have ended if he lived life as we do? Unless we encounter the good with the bad, the just with the unjust, the grace with the sin, the glory with the cross, the death with the life we most certainly risk rendering God obsolete. After all, haven't we already convinced ourselves that we can do better?

# PARISH ACTIVITIES & NEWS

## St. Isaac Jogues Parish Schedule for March/April

### March

#### Monday 29th Thru Wednesday 31st

- ♦ Masses at 12:10 p.m.

### April

#### Holy Thursday—April 1st

##### Last Supper

- ♦ No Mass at 12:10 p.m.
- ♦ Mass at 7:00 p.m.

#### Good Friday—April 2nd—Passion of the Lord

- ♦ No 12:10 p.m. Mass
- ♦ **Passion of the Lord Services** at 12 p.m.

#### Holy Saturday—April 3rd

##### Easter Virgil

- ♦ Mass at 8:30 p.m.

#### Easter Sunday—April 4th

- ♦ Masses at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.
- ♦ No classes (Religious and Adult Formation)

#### Wednesday—April 7th

- ♦ Scripture Rosary at 6 p.m. in the Parlor room

#### Sunday—April 11th

- ♦ Religious Education Classes, Confirmation and Adult Faith Formation Sessions at 10 a.m. in the MBC

- ♦ 11 am Mass Inculturated in honor of St. Kateri Tekakwitha (sage will be used)

#### Wednesday—April 14th

- ♦ Scripture Rosary at 6 p.m. in the Parlor room

#### Sunday—April 18th

- ♦ Religious Education Classes, Confirmation and Adult Faith Formation Sessions at 10 a.m. in the MBC

#### Tuesday—April 19th

- ♦ Liturgy Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the MBC Upper classrooms

#### Wednesday—April 20th

- ♦ Scripture Rosary at 6 p.m. in the Coffee room

#### Sunday—April 25th

- ♦ Religious Education Classes, Confirmation and Adult Faith Formation Sessions at 10 a.m. in the MBC

#### Wednesday—April 28th

- ♦ Confirmation at 6 p.m. with Bishop Peter Muhich
- ♦ Students will visit with the Bishop at 5 p.m.

## *Rest In Peace*

Maxine Mayme Hendricks  
They go no further than God and  
God is very near.



### **The Pontifical Good Friday Collection**

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offers religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. **PLEASE BE GENEROUS!**

**For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit [www.myfranciscan.org/good-Friday](http://www.myfranciscan.org/good-Friday).**



### **SCHOLARSHIP FOR A CATHOLIC SENIOR GIRL**

The Hubbeling Family  
has established

a **1000.00 Scholarship** in memory of their parents, Janet and Edwin Hubbeling. The scholarship is to be awarded to a graduating senior girl who is a practicing Catholic and will be a freshman in a four year college of her choice in the fall of 2021. Because of Janet's involvement in and love for the Catholic Daughters, this scholarship is to be administered by the local Court St. Rita, #916. For information and application, contact CDA Scholarship Committee, c/o F. Skinner, [duduchan3@gmail.com](mailto:duduchan3@gmail.com), or (605) 431-0851. **COMPLETED SUBMISSIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MAY 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2021.**

### Schedule for Holy Week

#### Holy Thursday April 1st at 7 p.m.

##### The Last Supper

**Lectors:** Dan Rasby, Rhonda Wright

**Ushers:** Milt Wright, George Reddy

#### Good Friday April 2nd, at 12 p.m. (noon)

##### The Passion of Our Lord

**Lectors:** Kathy Pfeiffer, George Ceremuga

##### Gospel Readers:

**Guards/Soldiers/Maid/Slave:** Germaine Little Bear

**High Priest/Peter:** Dan Rasby

**Pilate:** George Ceremuga

**Ushers:** George Reddy

#### Holy Saturday April 3rd, at 8:30 p.m.

##### Easter Virgil :

**Lectors: First Reading (Gen: 1:1-22):**

John Haeder; **Third Reading (Exodus**

**14: 15 - 15: 1):** Justin Esser, **Fifth Read-**

**ing (Isaiah 55:1-11):** Kevin Woster

**Epistle (Roman 6:3-11):** Bev Running Bear

##### Ushers: Need

#### Easter Sunday, April 4th, at 9 a.m.

**Lectors:** Germaine Little Bear, Sandy Albertson

**Usher:** Rick Maher, Tony

#### Easter Sunday April 4th at 11 a.m.

**Lectors:** Mary Tognotti, Kathy Pfeiffer

**Ushers:** Darrell Tognotti, Marilyn Gillispie



### **Communications and Development Director**

This position is responsible for securing diversified funding to support Catholic Social Services programs, services and operations. The position oversees and manages all donor relations, fundraising events and grant writing needs and is responsible for developing and implementing a comprehensive marketing and communications strategy to promote Catholic Social Services. Salary commensurate with experience. Full benefit package. Email resume to [css@cssrapidcity.com](mailto:css@cssrapidcity.com) or mail to **Jim Kinyon at CSS, 529 Kansas City St., Rapid City, SD 57701**

### **Holy Week Livestream Schedule**

Masses for Holy Week will be live streamed from the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

You can watch on our Facebook

page, [facebook.com/DioceoseofRapidCity](https://www.facebook.com/DioceoseofRapidCity),

or our website,

[www.rapidcitydiocese.org](http://www.rapidcitydiocese.org).

**Chrism Mass — Monday, March 29, 11 a.m.**

**Holy Thursday — April 1, 7 p.m.**

**Good Friday — April 2, 3 p.m.**

**Holy Saturday Easter Vigil — 8:30 p.m.**

## Father's Corner

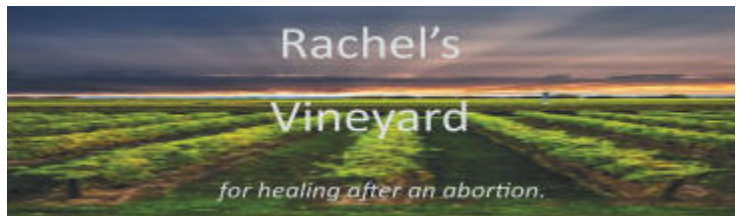
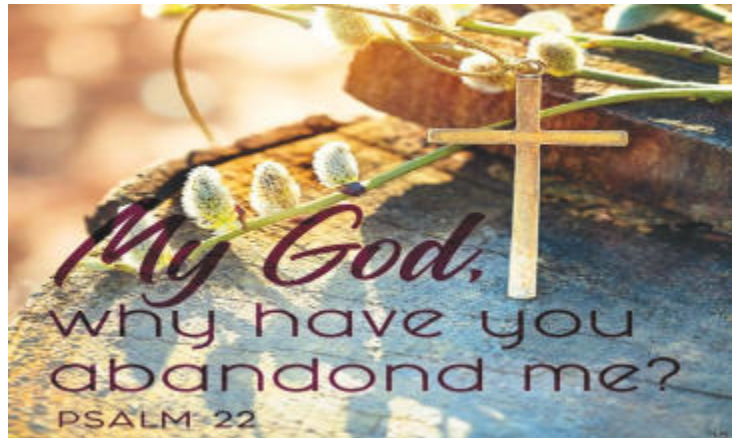
### The season of Lent is upon us.

Jesus made a choice on that first Palm Sunday. He elected to confront the powers of darkness. The story of Jesus' triumphant ride into Jerusalem seems like an affirming moment. He jumps on a donkey nearby. His disciples are giddy because Jesus is finally getting the recognition that he deserves. Somehow people are rallying behind him. All seems to be going to plan. A plan, that will lead to a worldly triumph for Jesus. Jesus, it would seem, will gain influence by popular acclamation.

But if we read the Gospel closely, we see that Jesus has a deliberate plan. He wants to engage in a prophetic action. Whenever someone engages in such a display, they are being deliberately provocative. In a sense, a prophet wants their symbolic action to result in turmoil. If controversy does not result, they feel like they have failed. One of the great prophets of the 20th century was Mahatma Gandhi. He led the fight for Indian independence. He wanted India to be free from the domination of British Empire. We see him in grainy black and white pictures on television giving speeches to the masses. He usually is wearing what looks like a diaper and a home spun cloak. Why is he dressed like that? He was making a prophetic statement. Britain was controlling the cotton trade in the world. Cotton was sent to England from India. The fabric was made into clothes that were sold around the world which led to more wealth for the British empire. The wealth was gained by exploitation of the poor. Gandhi refused to buy clothes from a store. He made his own. His naked arms, legs and torso was a protest which the world saw. No matter what the weather, no matter where he was in the world, Gandhi dressed in his home-made clothes. He performed many other acts of protest. He wanted confrontation. He knew this was the only way things would change. People told him to go slower, but he would not. Jesus' parade into Jerusalem prophetic. Jesus did not want slip into the city. He deliberately chose to ride into town at the height of a festival. Tens of thousands of pilgrims were in Jerusalem for Passover. He arranged for the donkey that carried him into the city. A donkey was an animal that Kings rode in times of peace. Make no mistake, Jesus was declaring himself a king. Palm fronds were used for celebration when the temple was restored after the Maccabean revolt against the Greeks a couple of hundred years before Jesus was born. The message to the powerful was clear. A new revolt was taking place against unjust authority. Jesus would lead it. The people shouted Hosanna, which was not just a word that proclaimed adulation, but in effect was a prayer for deliverance. The people were asking Jesus to save them. He did not say, "Be quiet." He encouraged the people to look at him as the one who was a savior. Jesus knew that he was deliberately bating the Jewish authorities, the Romans, Satan.....all the oppressive powers of his world.

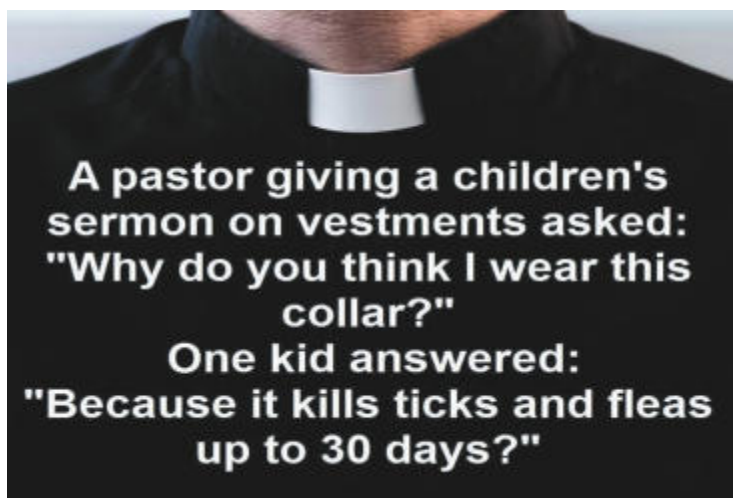
His actions began the events that we call the passion. We remember the passion at the liturgies of the next week as we commemorate the Easter Triduum. We are invited to participate in symbolic actions of our own which speak of the Gospel we believe in from the washing of the feet on Holy Thursday to the adoration of the cross on Good Friday to the blessing of the Easter fire in the darkness of Holy Saturday. The liturgies of this week are our chance to confront our own apathy. We can say to the world we do not care how you feel about Jesus, but we love him. Holy Week is our chance to repent, to reconnect, to deliberately choose to follow Jesus. We can make this week another turning point in our life with Christ. We have a choice. Will this week be like any other week? Or will we enter into the Passion story?





### **RACHEL'S VINEYARD: HEALING THE TRAUMA WOUNDS OF ABORTION**

- We have people registering from around the world for this training, and would love to have you or any of your staff or volunteers join us.
- Featuring Dr. Theresa Burke, Founder and Executive Director of Rachel's Vineyard
- Sessions include Crash Course in Trauma; Medical Abortions, the Deadly Assault on Mother and Child; Understanding Shame Based Identities: Care for the Cure; The Role of a Priest or Pastor in Post Abortion Ministry, and many more.
- Sessions designed for Mental Health Professionals, Clergy and lay people, but most are open to all attendees.
- CEU's available · To Register visit <https://terrasancta.com/trauma> · For more information visit [www.rapidcitydiocese.org/rv](http://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/rv)
- Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for Healing After Abortion
  - o April 23-25, 2021, by Zoom
- Zoom training series dates:
  - o June 14, 2021
  - o October 18, 2021
  - o February 28, 2022
  - o June 13, 2022
  - o October 17, 2022



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