

Welcome to  
*Immaculate Conception Parish*

*A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ*

*November 15, 2020 - Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time*

*May God Bless All Our Parents, Siblings and Families!*



*"Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy." - Matthew 25:21*

*Love God • Serve Others • Make Disciples*

Worship...



Worship with IC from home...

Sunday Virtual Mass @ 10:30 A.M.  
Daily Virtual Mass @ 7:00 P.M. (Monday-Friday)  
School Virtual Mass @ 8:30 A.M. (Wednesdays)

Gather with us virtually as we pray with, and for, one another during our Masses which are broadcast live through **Twitch TV** ([www.twitch.tv/icchicago](http://www.twitch.tv/icchicago)) and through **Facebook Live** on our Facebook page: *Immaculate Conception Parish Chicago (Talcott)*. Direct links to both platforms are easily accessible on our parish website ([www.icparish.net](http://www.icparish.net)). For your convenience, all Masses are recorded and archived for a limited time.



Opportunities for **Confessions** will be offered on the first and third Tuesdays of each month from **6:00-7:00 P.M.**

**Next opportunity: November 17th**

**IC Scholarship Fund...**

In response to the economic challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic and to encourage students from IC to attend Catholic high schools, Immaculate Conception Parish would like to start a scholarship fund for graduates of Immaculate Conception School and our Religious Education Program to use for tuition at Catholic high schools.

If you would like to contribute to our IC Scholarship Fund, please visit: [www.gofundme.com/ff/ic-catholic-high-school-scholarship-fund](http://www.gofundme.com/ff/ic-catholic-high-school-scholarship-fund) (a direct link is also easily accessible on our parish website as well as on our Facebook page.) The fundraising deadline is **Monday, March 1, 2021**. Please contact Fr. Robert at 773.775.3833 Ext. 102 or via email at [rcarlton@archchicago.org](mailto:rcarlton@archchicago.org) with any additional questions.

Phase 2 Reopening Mass Schedule:

Sunday Mass in Church (with reserved seating)  
@ 5:00 P.M. (Saturday), 8:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.



All are welcome to join us for "A Month Of Thanks" ...  
Special blessings bestowed @ all Masses each weekend for:

Nov. 14th & 15th – Parents, Siblings & Families  
Nov. 21st & 22nd – Essential Workers (Groceries, Shipping, Food Services, etc.)

Thanksgiving Day Mass in Church (with reserved seating):  
Thursday, November 26th @ 10:00 A.M.

First Friday Mass & Adoration in Church  
(with reserved seating) @ 5:30 P.M. (December 4th)

Reservations are recommended to  
assist with contact tracing.  
Please visit [www.icparish.net](http://www.icparish.net) to register.

Donate...

Support IC through Give Central...

We are truly grateful for the continued generosity of our faithful parishioners as we would not be able to maintain our parish and continue our mission without you.

If you are able, please consider contributing electronically via Give Central at [www.givecentral.org/location/349](http://www.givecentral.org/location/349) to assist us in maintaining the vital ministries and services we provide on behalf of our community. If you have any questions regarding setting up your online donations through Give Central, please contact our Parish Office at 773.775.3833 and a member of our Parish Staff will be happy to assist you.

If you would prefer to support our parish with an offertory donation through cash or check, please mail your envelopes to our Parish Office at:  
**7211 W. Talcott Avenue, Chicago, IL. 60631.**



"You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." - 2 Corinthians 9:11

*Immaculate Conception Parish*



*Briella Capri Forth*

*Child of Ryan Anthony and Heather Bryana (Hashimoto) Forth*



*Miles Koa Manivong*

*Child of Jimmy and Verna (Bandong) Manivong*

*"And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them."  
- 1 John 4:16*



*"With all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace."  
- Ephesians 4:2-3*

*And The Two Shall Become One...*



*Mr. & Mrs. Bryan and Megan Gronset*

*God's Blessings to...*



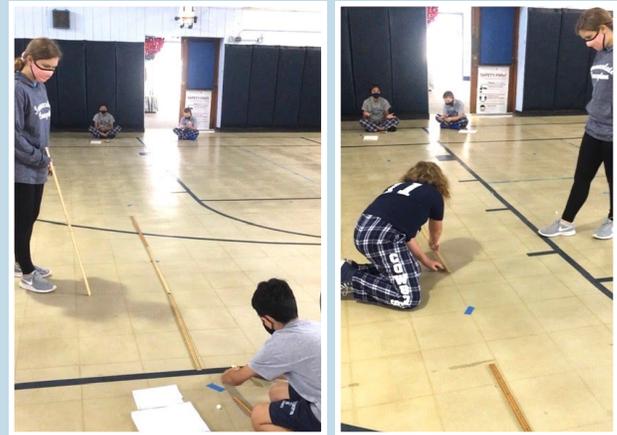
*Ed & Barbara Pudelek  
on their 50th Wedding Anniversary!*



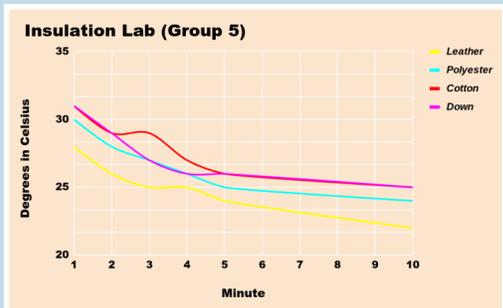
School News...

Greetings from the Science Lab!  
Middle School Teacher Lisa Cavanaugh

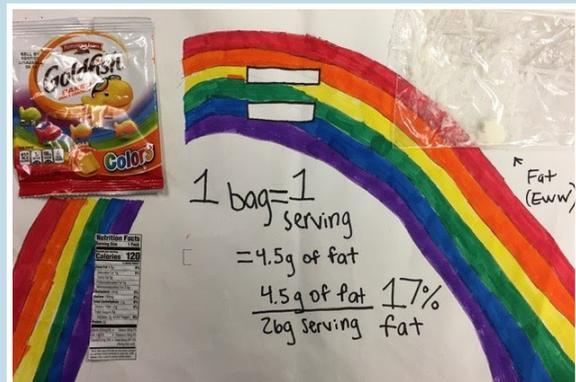
Our Sixth Grade students began with some design challenges to show off their engineering and problem-solving skills. They made catapults, measured a launched projectile, then averaged their launches. Wow - math and science together - who knew? They have also been learning metric measurements using different tools. They even made their own balances out of hangers! Ask your Sixth-grader what they used as weights! Finally, we have begun experimenting and substituting variables in our super-fun "Ghost Pop" activity! See my Instagram: *cavicscience*



Our Seventh Grade students have also been reviewing metric measurement through several activities. Their design challenge involved creating, testing, and modifying ramps to launch cars. Sometimes it seemed as if the simplest designs were the best, but some kids showed off their mad origami skills, too! Seventh graders have also brushed up on their graphing skills in a new way! They have been perfecting using Google Sheets to create digital graphs of their data!



Forensic science was used as our Eighth Grade students converted bone measurements in an attempt to "identify" victims of an accident using the same formulas scientists do....hmmm more of that math/science combo! The Scientific Method is still alive and well, as our class of 2021 is also learning to manipulate variables to collect different types of data. They, too, have learned how to create digital graphs. They also did a nutritional study to figure out the percentage of fat and sugar in our favorite foods. Then we weighed it out and posted it for all to see. Yuck! I will never look at flaming hot Cheetos the same way again.





# ICPC Presents: Poinsettias

Order your poinsettias today for the holiday season.

The Immaculate Conception Parents Club is selling poinsettias. Consider both decorating your home with these beautiful poinsettias from Kolze's Corner Garden and supporting the ICPC!

Orders due by: Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Order via Smart Tuition @ [bngn.smarttuition.com/?id=ffhnas514f2](http://bngn.smarttuition.com/?id=ffhnas514f2) or make checks payable to ICPC c/o Quinn Gillespie, Room 22, using the order form below.

Delivery: Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup> in the IC parking lot

These poinsettias will stay fresh and beautiful in your home through the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year, at least! Great for yourself or as a gift.

COLOR	7" Pot Poinsettia \$20	8" Pot Poinsettia \$30	9" Pot Poinsettia \$45
 Dark Red			
 White			
 Burgundy			
 Red/White Glitter			
 Ice Punch			
 J'Adore Pink			
 Winter Double Rose			
 Viking Cinnamon			

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Poinsettias Ordered: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

Please join our parish family in prayer ...



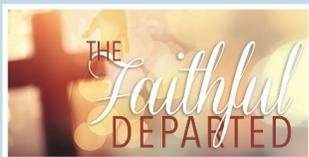
For those who are sick:

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| Tom Altman        | Lila Gehner                 | David Olson            |
| Concetta Bartucci | Irene Hand                  | Fr. Alan Phillip, C.P. |
| Melissa Bednarz   | Ofelia Hernandez            | Mary Potwora           |
| Celerina Behrman  | Esther Jarosh               | Bill Remblake          |
| Robert Behrman    | Helga Jarosz                | David Rodriguez        |
| Sonia M. B.       | Craig Kloss                 | Elaine Schatz          |
| Bernadina Caeti   | Lillian Kohut               | Thomas Skorupa         |
| Vince Caeti       | Arlene Lacey-Beyna          | Edward Stanczyk        |
| Jackie Campbell   | Benny Martinez              | Marion Szumski         |
| Rita Castillo     | Edwin Martinez              | Julie Szwedo           |
| Donna Chaplin     | Frank Martinez              | Jeff Taylor            |
| Phil Chiaramonte  | Jan Merino                  | Donna Tisdale          |
| James Covello     | <b>Fr. Eric Meyer, C.P.</b> | Steven P. Trifilio     |
| Sherry Crocifisso | Veronica Murillo            | Henry Wagener          |
| Ronnie Cunningham | Timothy Murray              | Geoffrey Woittel       |
| Mary Dosek        | Mae O'Donnell               |                        |
| Richard Flanagan  | Mary Beth O'Grady           | <b>*Newly Added</b>    |
| Brooke Foreman    | Jackie O'Koniewski          |                        |

If you wish to have your name included in our prayer list (or removed), please contact our Parish Office at 773.775.3833.

For our faithful departed:

Dolores Frances Bokina (Wife of Robert)  
Patrick Haugh



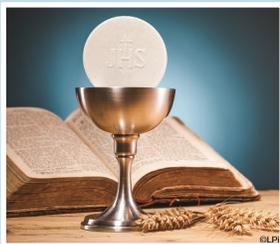
"Eternal rest grant unto them,  
O Lord, and let perpetual light  
shine upon them."

For those who serve our country:



- U.S. Army** - SSgt. John Francis Mikita, Sgt. Kevin Whalen, SSgt Martine Makita, Chris Dash, Pvt. Jason G. Cavanaugh, Major Christopher Walsh, Capt. Benjamin Monson, 1st Lt. Katherine D. Hartnett, SPC Michael J. Stone, Pvt. Charlie Cruz Pappas, Thomas Treslo, National Guard Specialist 4th Class
- U.S. Navy** - CMDR Michael Brasseur, Lt. Christopher Jenkins, PO Thomas T. Tudisco
- U.S. Air Force** - John Christopher Ocasio, Major Laurel Walsh, Captain Paul H. Kolk, LT. COL. Michael O'Koniewski; 2nd Lt. Colleen Bernal
- U.S. Marines** - Sean Gronset, PFC Sebastian L. Rivera, Jr., PFC Christopher Hughes, PFC Algene D. Porticos

Please contact our Parish Office when these service people return home safely. If you are a veteran or know a veteran, the Archdiocese of Chicago has a website located at [vets.archchicago.org](http://vets.archchicago.org) that provides information that can be of assistance.



**Mass Intentions:  
Sunday, November 15th  
through  
Sunday, November 22nd**

**Sunday, November 15th - Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**5:00 P.M. (Saturday) -** †Joseph D. Gentile (on his 3rd Anniversary); †Walter L. Sment; †Ronald & Julia Heinz; and Thomas Franko (Living)

**8:30 A.M. —** †Phillip & Frances Covello; †John Dosek; Eugenia Flondro (Birthday – Living); and The People of the Parish

**10:30 A.M. —** †Francis & Moira Cross; †Laurene Zaporozhetz; †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Carmencita E. Gonzalez; †Mae Nelson; †Kevin Ballog; †Maria Angela Pistelli; †Maria Luciano; †Teresa Brigida; †Ken Malatesta; †Ralph Pisano; and †Breda Hand

**Monday, November 16th - Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin**

**7:00 P.M. —** †Poor Souls In Purgatory

**Tuesday, November 17th - Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious**

**7:00 P.M. —** Melissa Bednarz (Living)

**Wednesday, November 18th - The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles; Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin**

**8:30 A.M. —** †Tom Fuller

**Thursday, November 19th - Weekday**

**7:00 P.M. —** †Patrick & Anne Feeney; and †Brendan Feeney

**Friday, November 20th - Weekday**

**7:00 P.M. —** †Mary Jean Klasen; and †Anthony N. Lupo

**Saturday, November 21st - The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**5:00 P.M. -** †Terry Leahy; †Anne K. Boggins (on her 1st Anniversary); and Joseph Martorano (Living)

**Sunday, November 22nd - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

**8:30 A.M.-** †Clementine Longo; †Francis & Moira Cross; †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Richard Lennon; and †John Dosek

**10:30 A.M. —** †Rosario Panettieri (Birthday Remembrance); and The People of the Parish



**November 15th through November 21st**

*The Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week for the prayer intentions of*

**Fr. Eric Meyer, C.P.  
(for good health)**

**November 15th through November 20th**

*The Blessed Mother Votive is burning this week for the repose of the soul of*

**Carmencita E. Gonzalez**

*Requested by: The Sadowski Family*

**November 15th through November 20th**

*The St. Joseph Votive is burning this week for the repose of the soul of*

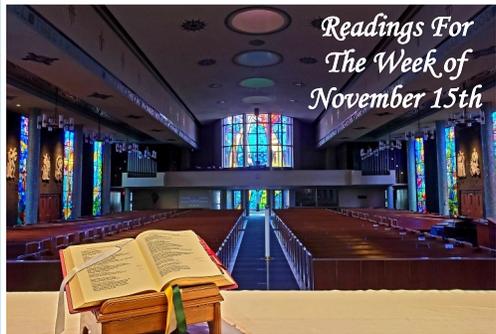
**Kenneth J. Rice  
(on his 5th Anniversary)**

*Requested by: Paula & Paul Pandocchi*

**Pope Tweet of the Week...**

*"All of us are able to give without expecting anything in return, to do good to others without demanding that they treat us well in return. As Jesus told his disciples: "Without cost you have received, without cost you are to give." (MT 10:8)*





Readings For  
The Week of  
November 15th

**Sunday:** Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

**Monday:** Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Rev 2:17]/Lk 18:35-43

**Tuesday:** Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [Rev 3:21]/Lk 19:1-10

**Wednesday:** Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1b]/Lk 19:11-28

**Thursday:** Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [Rev 5:10]/Lk 19:41-44

**Friday:** Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 [103a]/Lk 19:45-48

**Saturday:** Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 [1b]/Lk 20:27-40

**Next Sunday:** Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 [1]/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

**IC Parents Club**  
**Fall Raffle!**  
**"Coming Together for IC"**

- Ticket Sales will be open from **11/1-11/19 at 12:00pm**
- Raffle chances are **\$10 each (you will not receive an actual raffle ticket)**
- Purchase tickets on **SmartTuition.com**
- Drawing will be held on **Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Details to Follow.**
- **Questions? Contact:**
  - Maria Plonka via FastDirect or 773-343-5806
  - Lauren McTigue-Nerad via FastDirect or 773-218-0098
  - Lisa Henschel via FastDirect or 773-805-8809
  - Lisa Carroll via FastDirect or 847-722-7317
  - Colleen Jahns via FastDirect or 773-368-5308

Serve...



Jocelyn Lim, Joe Jummati, Rob Lohman, Darlene Mroz, Lee Garza & Ralph Warner

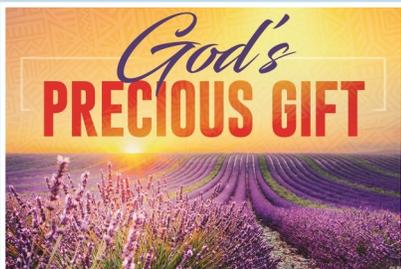


We are still actively recruiting additional volunteers to help staff our Greeting and Cleaning teams (led by our dedicated Captains, Darlene Mroz & Joe Jummati). If the Spirit moves you and you would like to volunteer to assist us with our ongoing reopening process, please complete our Parish Reopening Team Volunteer Form which is easily accessible on our parish website at [www.icparish.net](http://www.icparish.net). We are particularly seeking volunteers to assist us with either our **First Friday 5:30 P.M. Mass & Adoration** and/or our **Saturday evening Mass at 5:00 P.M.**

Thank you for your prayerful consideration!

*"Serve one another humbly in love."  
- Galatians 5:13*

*Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture*



God gives us the gift of His very self and asks us to invest it. Investing God's greatest gift of Himself wisely, allows God's kingdom to grow and flourish. God trusts us with this pearl of great price in hopes that it will produce abundant fruit. While God's gift of self is realized in the gifts of faith, hope, and love, they are not meant to be solely for personal benefit. They are intended to be shared and are at the heart of Jesus' blueprint for happiness, the Beatitudes.

When we properly invest God's greatest gift, His most treasured possession, we invest in the wellbeing of all of our brothers and sisters and the world in which we live. We take up most seriously our call to be stewards and properly manage, not only our own affairs, but the affairs of those around and before us. God has put tremendous confidence in us. Do we have that same confidence in God?

We often go the extra mile and put in the additional effort when it comes to those concerns closest to us: our families, friends, careers, home and securities. But when it comes to things that are not as close to us, we can become lax and less conscientious. Tending to God's treasure requires a great deal of focus and persistent hard work. It demands that I see the bigger picture, God's picture, in which self-sacrifice is a given as we labor for the establishment of God's kingdom, God's vision. Fear and a lack of trust can loom large, however. We are afraid of letting go of what is "mine" and apprehensive of jeopardizing what we have in order to venture into something bigger and more promising.

Fear and a lack of trust serve no purpose in God's kingdom. They benefit neither the person nor God. What is required is a courageous resolve that produces the fortitude necessary to stay the course and do what God is asking. Doing all in our power to cultivate the seeds of faith, hope, and love in our world, working diligently to put all of our relationships in proper order, becoming attentive to systems and ideologies that hurt and oppress people, being mindful of injustice, and laboring on behalf of the poor and the needy are at the core of what each of us is asked to do. It is how we invest God's most precious gift wisely. If persistent, alert and attentive, then life will gradually improve around us, there will be greater peace and we will experience joy.

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*Everyday Stewardship – Recognize God in your Ordinary Moments*

**Buried in Your Backyard...**

I remember watching a television show about a high school that dug up a time capsule that students had buried 25 years earlier. They had buried it with the purpose of showing others many years later the trends of the day and how student life was at that time. It was a fun exercise and everyone – the current students as well as those now grown – laughed at the clothing styles, corny photos, and lack of technology from years ago.

I wonder how the former students felt about how they had grown in those 25 years. How many of them realized their high school dreams? Did they find their purpose in this world and feel fulfilled in life? Did they use the talents and gifts God gave them to really make a difference in the world?

We have all been given talents and gifts by God to be cultivated and offered back to Him and those around us for His glory. As time has passed, hopefully we have taken seriously our stewardship of these gifts. But sometimes out of fear, misunderstanding, or even apathy, we have taken one or more of our gifts and buried them, hiding them away from others and stifling all growth. This is no way to honor God and certainly not a path to fulfillment in life. If we have anything buried in our backyard, we might do well to dig it back up, clean it up, and begin building upon it. Like a time capsule, those things will not be buried forever. One day the giver of that gift will ask what you have done with it. When that day comes, I pray you don't need to find a shovel.

– Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



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**Connect with our Parish Staff...**

Although our Church building will be open on a limited basis, our Parish Office will continue to remain closed for the time being. In the meantime, our Parish Staff is still available to assist you. Please don't hesitate to contact us at 773.775.3833 (voicemails are monitored daily) or connect with us via email at [frontdesk@icparish.info](mailto:frontdesk@icparish.info) with any questions, concerns or needs that may arise during this time.

Please take comfort in the knowledge that you are loved, missed and prayed for daily by all of us.

**Follow us on Facebook...**



**Groups you can join:**

Immaculate Conception Parish Chicago (Talcott)  
Immaculate Conception School Alumni Chicago, IL  
IC Cowboys (for current school parents only)

**Pages you can "like":**

Immaculate Conception School Chicago  
Immaculate Conception Church



**Twitch TV...**

[www.twitch.tv/icchicago](http://www.twitch.tv/icchicago)

**YouTube...**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv5KKsLvpD9Q2yuAR8naK4A>



Events...

**What's Happening @ IC...**

**Tuesday, November 17th -**

**6:00-7:00 P.M.** – Confessions; CH  
**6:30 P.M.** – Finance Council Mtg.;  
Zoom

**Thursday, November 19th –**

**7:00 P.M.** – School Board Mtg.;  
Zoom



**For more information on upcoming events, or to register for our Masses or Confessions, please visit our parish website at [www.icparish.net](http://www.icparish.net).**

**Your Gifts to God and Parish...**

If you plan to move from our parish, please notify our Parish Office at least three months prior to your change of address. Also, if you will be away from home for more than 3 months, please contact us so that your envelopes can be stopped during that time period. If you have transitioned to electronic giving and still receive offertory envelopes, please contact our Parish Office so that we can discontinue your receiving of envelopes.

**Parish Registration:** Please contact our Parish Office at 773.775.3833 or visit our parish website at [www.icparish.net](http://www.icparish.net) for additional information.

**Bulletin Deadline:** The deadline for all bulletin submissions is Friday at Noon – 8 days prior to the Sunday it will appear. The email address is: [icparishcalendar@comcast.net](mailto:icparishcalendar@comcast.net)



**Our Parish Staff:**

- Fr. Matthew Heinrich, Pastor**
- Fr. Robert Carlton, Associate Pastor**
- Fr. Robert Fedek, Weekend Assistant**
- Deacon Rick & Carol Moritz**
- Deacon Ronald & Connie Gronek**
- Deacon Michael & Melissa Bednarz**
- Vincent Kennedy, Director of Operations**
- Scott Will, Director of Worship**
- Melissa Anna, Office Administration & Communications/  
Bulletin Editor**
- Marilyn Sadowski, Receptionist**
- Bernadette Anna, Parish Sacristan**
- Michael La Haye, Head of Maintenance**

**Our School Staff:**

- Sue Canzoneri, Principal**
- Tina Fitzgerald, Assistant Principal**
- Julie Szwedo, Religious Education Coordinator**
- Lisa Kessler, School Accountant**
- Mary Haley, School Secretary**
- Teri Richards, Development**