

ROMAN CATHOLIC
CHURCH OF ST. ISAAC JOGUES
MARLTON, NEW JERSEY

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CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER:

If you wish to visit the church for prayer, please stop by the Parish Office during regular business hours; a staff member will let you into the church.

ADORATION CHAPEL OF THE SACRED HEART:

Open 8:00am-8:00pm daily

Please contact the Parish Office for access code.

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*“Jesus, remember me
when you come into
your kingdom.”*



~ November 23, 2025 ~

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

WEEKLY MASSES:

Monday– Friday | 8:30am (*Monday-Communion Service*)

Saturdays | 5:00pm (*After 3:30pm Confessions*)

Sundays | 9:00am & 11:00am

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays | 3:30pm-4:30pm | Reconciliation Room

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY:

Open Monday & Wednesday | 10am-12pm | **SVdP Helpline:** 856-797-7352

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*Masses For
The Week*



Pray For The Sick

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In order to keep our sick list as current as possible, please notify the Parish Office if you would like to have your loved one's name removed. Thank you!

For Our Members in the Military

LCpl Patrick J. Bayrne, US Marine Corps; Kenneth R. Blackmon, RADM, US Navy; 1LT TJ Burdette, US Marine Corps; SPC Sean E. Byrne, US Army; PVT Matthew Cameron, US Marine Corps - Parris Island; A1C Jeffrey G. Dinich, US Air Force; A1C Peter Dinich, US Air Force; 2LT Andrew Erdmann, US Marine Corps/Quantico; PVT John E. Loeber III, US Marine Corps; 1LT Brandon Lopez, NJ Army National Guard; SSG Stephen MacCrory, US Army; Capt. Joseph L. McGettigan, USNA; CPL Brett Koerner, US Marine Corps; CW2 Ryan O'Rourke, US Marine Corps; SrA Dominic Prate, US Air Force; Sgt Leland Eric Renoff, US Marine Corps; Capt Jason Rosenthal, US Marine Corps; PO1 Kurt Scheifele, US Navy



POWERFUL PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host - by the Divine Power of God - cast into hell, satan and all the evil spirits, who roam throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Saturday 5:00pm	November 22, 2025 Alanna Smallwood † r/o Meyer-Cooper Families Charles Hofmann † r/o Margaret Conway
Sunday 9:00am 11:00am	November 23, 2025 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe People of the Parish Ronald Dromsky † r/o Bob & Laura Rogers John Ferraro † r/o Joan Vaughan
Monday 8:30am	November 24, 2025 Communion Service
Tuesday 8:30am	November 25, 2025 Domenic & Josephine Fulvio † r/o Their Family Charlie Foulke † r/o Joseph Carabasi
Wednesday 8:30am	November 26, 2025 Joyce Hamblin † r/o Joe & Lynne Gallagher In Memory of John Brigham † r/o Betty Brigham
Thursday 9:00am	November 27, 2025 Thanksgiving Day Priest's Intention
Friday 8:30am	November 28, 2025 Deborah Siegrist † r/o Edwin Fernandez Anniversary Blessings for Scott & Nicole Wright r/o Dan & Carol Wright
Saturday 5:00pm	November 29, 2025 Louis Cataldi † r/o Bob & Laura Rogers John Fornito † r/o The Hawkins Family
Sunday 9:00am 11:00am	November 30, 2025 First Sunday of Advent Nicole DiGiacomo † r/o The Sacchetti Family David Cecco † r/o Pat & Tom Tamburello People of the Parish

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Praised be our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe! This weekend we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Originally established to conclude the liturgical year and renew our dedication to the Sacred Heart, this feast reminds us that all creation belongs to Christ – “All things were created through him and for him” (Col. 1:16b).

Established in 1925 by Pope Pius XI, this Solemnity confronts the rise of secularism, an ideology that seeks to exclude faith from public life. We’ve all encountered this tendency – the unspoken rule of keeping faith separate from politics.

As Catholics, our faith shapes how we engage with society. We recognize the importance of the separation of Church and State, particularly in our nation, which protects us from government imposition of religion. However, our faith calls us to guide our civic engagement – our votes, our support for causes, and our pursuit of peace and justice – always with Christ as our foundation.

This week, as we prepare for Thanksgiving, let us remember its roots in gratitude and fellowship. As I mentioned in a previous letter, the spirit of Thanksgiving dates back to the 1565 celebration by Spanish Catholic colonizers in St. Augustine, Florida. While they celebrated their safe arrival with a meal, they began the day with the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Following our 9AM Mass this Sunday, we’ll be offering a blessing of food for Thanksgiving. Please bring all food to the tables in the Gathering Space. We are also delighted to welcome the Young Adults of Southern Burlington County for their ‘Friendsgiving’ potluck on Saturday, November 22nd at 6PM in the Church Hall –they’ll also be donating generously to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry.

Next Sunday will be the first Sunday in Advent, which begins a new liturgical year. Advent is a penitential season, which is highlighted by the color purple as worn by the priests and adorning the altar. As a penitential season, it is like a mini Lent. Just as we prepare for Easter through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving during Lent, so too do we prepare for the Nativity of our Lord through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. I often like to ask myself what I can give up during Advent. By letting go of our attachments, we are creating space for Our Lord to enter into our lives, like the manger on Christmas. How might we better prepare our hearts to receive Our Lord this year?

As part of this year’s Advent preparation for the coming of our Lord on Christmas Day, our Advent Mission will feature **Live Vertical** on the importance of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. There will be music, guided prayer, and Eucharistic Adoration as we prepare to welcome Jesus on Christmas Day. We will continue to have Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesdays in Advent, along with confessions. Monday, December 8 is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be offered Monday, December 8 at 8:30AM, 12PM, and 7PM (Solemn Mass). As part of our joint parish Penance Service, I will be hearing confessions at St. Joan of Arc Church on Wednesday, December 17 at 7PM. Our Christmas Concert will be on Sunday, December 14 at 3PM, featuring members of our choir and the debut of our Children’s Choir. Most importantly, Christmas is Thursday, December 25. Christmas Masses will be celebrated at 5PM on the 24th, 12AM (Midnight Mass), 9AM and 11AM on the 25th. Lastly, the Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God is Thursday, January 1, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated at 5PM on Wednesday, December 31, and 10AM on Thursday, January 1. Please join us for these beautiful opportunities to celebrate our faith together.

Our readings all highlight the kingship of our Lord—first as the descendant of king David, and second as the Son of God. This is cause for rejoicing, which is why the psalmist says, “Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.” Lastly, our passage from the gospel of Luke highlights the crucifixion of Jesus, which is the moment when Jesus redeems all creation, including us. We see a glimpse of the Divine Mercy operating as Jesus assures the criminal who defending him, “Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.” The moral of this gospel is it is never too late to come to Jesus and ask for his mercy and forgiveness. As we celebrate the Kingship of our Lord, let us always remember that it is He who calls us out of darkness and into his own wonderful light.

*Pax,
Fr. Jim*



Thanksgiving



at the Church of St. Isaac Jogues

Blessing of the Food

Sunday, November 23 at 10am

Gathering Space

Please bring any food items that you would like to have blessed.

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Thursday, November 27 at 9am

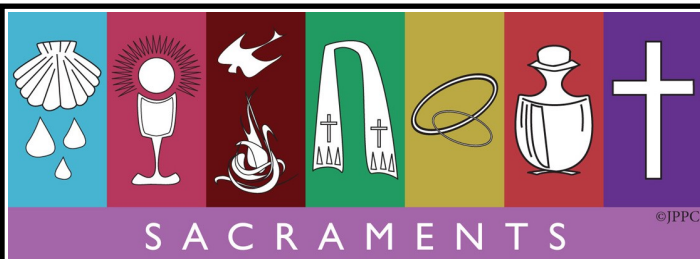
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Parish Office Hours

The Parish Office will be closed
on Thursday, November 27 and
Friday, November 28.

Normal hours will resume on Monday, December 1 at 9am.





BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Parents and godparents are required to attend a brief Baptismal Preparation before scheduling their child for baptism. At least one godparent must obtain a certificate of eligibility from the church where they are currently registered. To register your child for baptism, please call the Parish Office at **856-797-0999 ext. 101**.

MARRIAGE

If you would like to celebrate your wedding at the Church of St. Isaac Jogues, arrangements must be made at least a year in advance. At least one person should be a registered member of the parish. For more information, please call the Parish Office at **856-797-0999 ext. 101**.

HAVE YOUR MARRIAGE BLESSED

If you are currently civilly married (or were married in a different faith/Christian denomination) and would like to have your marriage blessed by the Catholic Church, please contact our pastor, Fr. Jim, at **(856) 797-0999, ext. 102**, or frsmith@cosij.org.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick may be requested in times of serious or grave illness. Please call the Parish Office as soon as possible and we will contact a priest for you. If you are unable to reach us or if there is an emergency, please call **856-797-0999, ext. 106**.

THINKING OF BECOMING CATHOLIC?

The Church of St. Isaac Jogues offers classes for children, teenagers and adults who are interested in becoming Catholic (or have not yet received all of their Sacraments). For more information, please contact Deacon John at john.scanlon@cosij.org.

Devotional Lamps

November 23-29

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn for:
Christopher Ruggiano r/o Aunt Angie & Uncle Mike

The **Fatima Lamp** will burn for:
The Poor Souls in Purgatory

The **St. Michael Lamp** will burn for:
All priests & seminarians in the Diocese of Trenton

The **Adoration Chapel Lamps** will burn for:
Anniversary Blessings for Scott & Nicole Wright
r/o Family



We encourage you to reserve a Devotional Lamp for your intentions at the Welcome Center in the Gathering Space after all weekend Masses.

This Week at St. Isaac's

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

- 3:30pm—Confessions
- 5:00pm—Mass
- 6:00pm—Young Adult Friendsgiving (Parish Hall)
- 6:00pm—Breakfast with Santa Ticket Sales (Gathering Space; After All Masses)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

- 9:00am—Mass
- 10:00am—Blessing of the Food (Gathering Space)
- 11:00am—Solemn Mass
- 12:00pm—Raffle Drawing (Gathering Space)
- 12:15pm—Baptism
- 1:30pm—OCIA (Conference Rm.)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24

- 8:30am—Communion Service/Rosary (Chapel)
- 10:00am-12:00pm—Food Pantry
- 7:00pm—St. Vincent de Paul (Room 6)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

- 8:30am—Mass/Rosary (Chapel)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

- 8:30am—Mass/Rosary (Chapel)
- 10:00am-12:00pm—Food Pantry

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27

- 9:00am—Thanksgiving Day Mass (Church)
- *Parish Office Closed*

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28

- 8:30am—Mass/Rosary (Chapel)
- *Parish Office Closed*

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29

- 3:30pm—Confessions
- 5:00pm—Mass

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30

- 9:00am—Mass
- 11:00am—Solemn Mass
- 12:30pm—OCIA (Conference Room)

COLLECTION REPORT

11/16/25 Weekly	\$6,543.00
Diocesan Assessment	\$689.00
Total	\$7,232.00

Online Giving

11/16/25 Totals	\$5,987.47
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Children's Religious Formation News

Important Dates

- **Nov. 24 & 25**—No Classes (Thanksgiving Break)



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Breakfast with SANTA

Face Painting, Balloon Sculptures & Pictures with Santa

Where: St. Isaac Jogues Parish Hall
Evesboro-Medford Road

When: Saturday, December 6th
Time: 8:30 am – 11:30 am

Advanced Ticket Sales after all Masses
November 15-16 & 22-23

\$10.00 Adults \$5.00 Children \$25.00 Family of 4

Contact: kofc12229@gmail.com

Ticket Sales At The Door: \$12.00 Adults \$6.00 Children \$30.00 Family of 4



Children's Liturgy



Children in fourth grade and younger are invited to attend Children's Liturgy during the 9:00am Mass every Sunday. Children will hear the Gospel from the Children's Lectionary and participate in an activity to reinforce the Gospel message.

For more info, please contact Anna Lorang at (856) 797-0999 ext. 112, or anna.lorang@cosij.org.



Join our new Children's Choir! 🎵

Open to children in 3rd grade & above



When: Every Friday at 4:30pm



Where: St. Isaac's Parish Hall



Led by: Domenica Rosati (St. Isaac's cantor)



Beginning in January, the choir will sing at the 9am Mass on the fourth Sunday of each month.

Contact david.barr@cosij.org or scan the QR code to register!



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Join us for a special Advent Parish Mission!

***O Come Let Us Adore Him:
From the Manger to the Monstrance***

(featuring music, guided prayer & Eucharistic Adoration)

Tuesday, December 2 at 7pm

Come Adore Where Heaven & Earth Collide!

Presented by

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Come meet the
Live Vertical
and discover
how to support
the building of
vibrant
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For more information, please call (856) 797-0999



Help Families Affected by Hurricane Melissa



Bishop O'Connell has urged us to support the families in Jamaica, Haiti, and Cuba whose lives have been affected by Hurricane Melissa. The storm's incredibly strong winds (185 mph) contributed to the destruction of their homes and has left many without electricity.

Please consider making a donation today through Catholic Relief Services (CRS). Your gift will help to provide these families with clean water, emergency housing, and other vital necessities.



To make your contribution, please scan the QR code or visit crs.org/donate/hurricane-melissa. Thank you for your generous support!



St. Vincent de Paul Corner

Today as we celebrate Christ the King, may we open wide the door of our hearts, so that we may listen to the voice of Jesus calling us to help build his kingdom here on earth.

During the month of November, thanks to your generous gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to provide food assistance for 67 families and helped 15 others with utility and rent needs. Your support makes a real difference in the lives of our neighbors in need. Thank you for your generosity and willingness to give!



Thanksgiving Food Drive

Thank you to our parishioners for their support and generosity during this year's Thanksgiving Food Drive!

Bags of Thanksgiving food will be distributed from **10am-12pm** on **Monday, November 24** and **Wednesday, November 26**.



God bless
and Happy
Thanksgiving!



Thank You!

Due to the overwhelming generosity of our parishioners, our Food Pantry is **completely stocked** and **no additional food donations** are needed at this time. However, if you still wish to make a contribution, **supermarket gift cards** are being accepted (these can be dropped off at the Parish Office during the week).

As always, thank you for your support!

Ways to Honor Your Loved Ones



Devotional Lamp

Donation Amount: \$25/week

Have a candle lit for your intentions or loved ones (living or deceased). Candles are located throughout the church and in our Adoration Chapel.

Mass Offering (with card)

Donation Amount: \$10 (Mass only);
\$15 (with card)

A Mass will be said in honor of your loved ones (living or deceased).



Altar Bread and Wine

Donation Amount: \$50/week

Help support our regular worship throughout the week.

Flowers for God's Glory

Donation Amount: \$25

Your donation will help us to decorate the altar with flowers --all for the glory of God!

(Donations will go toward purchasing flowers for holy days or special occasions throughout the year.)



To make a donation, please visit the Welcome Center in the Gathering Space after any weekend Mass. You can also contact the Parish Office at (856) 797-0999 or parishoffice@cosij.org.

Parishwide 50/50 Raffle



Thanks to everyone who purchased tickets this year!

Drawing will be held on Sunday, Nov. 23 after the 11:00am Mass

Current amount: \$4,305.00



Christmas Dedication Trees



Thank you to those who have already purchased their Christmas Dedication Trees for 2025! If you haven't yet reserved yours, please do so by **Tuesday, Nov. 25**. For more information, please scan the QR code or stop by the Parish Office during regular business hours.



Join us for our annual Christmas Tree Lighting!

Saturday, December 6 (after the 5pm Mass)

Hope to see you there!

St. Gertrude Prayer for the Holy Souls in Purgatory



Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, those in my own home, and within my family.
Amen.

Adult Bible Study-Fulfilled In Your Hearing



Thursday Mornings (following 8:30am Mass)

All are welcome to attend this weekly reflection on Sacred Scripture, led by Fr. Jim. Meetings are held in the Workroom (next to the Sacristy).





11-Day Danube River Cruise

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MARCH FOR LIFE

“LIFE IS A GIFT”

Friday, January 23, 2026 in Washington D.C.

All are welcome to join five area parishes as we march to demonstrate our commitment for **LIFE**. Bus will depart from the St. Mary of the Lakes parking lot after the **7:15am** Mass.

Cost: \$20 for adults; \$15 for students*
**Students under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult and have parental permission.*

For those unable to walk in the March, arrangements have been made for you to stay at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

Please bring a **bagged lunch** for the ride down (we will only make a brief stop at either the Maryland or Chesapeake House Travel Plazas). Sandwiches from Murphy's in Medford will be provided for the ride home (your choice of **roast beef, turkey, or veggie**).

For more information or to reserve your seat please contact **Deacon Gene Kotowski** at gene.kotowski@stjoans.org.


Please provide your sandwich selection and whether you'll be staying at the Basilica or will be attending the March for Life.
Thanks and God bless!



THE PINE BARONS CHORUS

presents our 2025 Holiday Show

THE GREAT HOLIDAY BAKE OFF



Lobby bake sale!
Raffle Baskets!!

Special Guest:
jazz pianist
Lucas Brown

December 6, 2025 2:00 and 7:30 PM
St. Andrews United Methodist Church
327 Marlton Pike W, Cherry Hill NJ

Tickets: \$20 at pinebarons.org/tickets

