



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHEDRAL PARISH
Established December 8, 1869

DIOCESE OF LAKE CHARLES
Established April 25, 1980

The Most Rev. Glen John Provost, D.D., M.A.
Bishop of Lake Charles

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CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 4, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 8:00 AM—St. Bernadette Oratory
4:00 PM (Anticipated Mass)
Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:15 AM
12:45 PM (Rubrics of 1962)
Monday—Friday 7:00 AM St. Bernadette Oratory
12:05 PM
5:00 PM (Rubrics of 1962)—St. Bernadette Oratory

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Monday—Thursday 11:30 AM—Noon
Friday 11:00 AM—Noon
Saturday 3:00 PM—3:55 PM
30 minutes before all Sunday Masses

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
Tuesdays before 12:05 Mass

Cathedral office hours: Monday—Thursday 8:30 AM—12:00 1:00—4:30 PM Friday 8:30 AM—Noon

May 4, 2025

My Dear People of God!

Beginning on May 7, 2025, the College of Cardinals will meet in conclave at the Sistine Chapel in Rome to elect the next Supreme Pontiff. Of course, we have been hearing much of about this in the news and we will hear more. For our own sake, we should pray for the College of Cardinals who are voting. In the meantime, we will continue to pray as a Parish Church for the Cardinals by praying an "Our Father," a "Hail Mary," and a "Glory Be" after each Mass for the Cardinals to listen to Voice of the Holy Spirit.

The Office of the Pope is critical office of the Church. The Office of the Pope finds its origins in the command that Jesus gave to Peter at the Last Supper. As we may recall, Jesus predicts the denial of Peter three times. Saint Peter protests, and then Jesus tells him that Peter will indeed deny him, but that "When [...he] has turned back, [...he] must strengthen [...his] brothers." (Luke 22: 32) The Office of the Papacy is to strengthen our faith or in other words to make us surer in saying "yes" to Jesus.

Our daily "yes" to the Lord is the critical choice that we must make each day. The example of the pope helps us in this by his actions and his teachings. Let us therefore pray that the Cardinals will listen to the Voice of the Holy Spirit so that they can elect a man who is able to strengthen our "yes" for Christ.

God Bless!
Father Ruben Buller



Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray.

O God, who have taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that in the same Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



The Sanctuary Candle burns in May for:
Cathedral: Pope Francis
St. Bernadette Oratory: Pope Francis



Celebration of the
Sacrament of Marriage

United in Holy Matrimony
April 26, 2025

Alexis Forrestier & Grant Cunningham

***Can We Bring Jesus to You
or Your Loved One?***

If anyone is homebound and would like to receive the Holy Eucharist at home, or if you know someone who is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the church office at 337-436-7251 and we will contact you.

Are you looking for that special Mother's Day gift?

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Lady of the Lake #695 has an awesome selection of Rada cutlery at reasonable prices!

**To place an order, call Barbara Guillotte at
337.622.3006 or 337.496.6605**

If you, or someone you know, would like to receive a
large print bulletin
in the mail, please let the church office know!

And don't forget that you can access our weekly
bulletin online on our website
immaculateconceptioncathedral.com

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

If you would like to be registered as a parishioner of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, please visit our website at
immaculateconceptioncathedral.com
or stop by the church office for a registration form.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Readings for the Week ~ May 5 - 11, 2025

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24,26-27,29-30; John 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4,6ab,7b,8a,17,21ab; John 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a,4-7a; John 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9,16-17,20; John 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 6:1-20; Ps 117:1b-2; John 6:52-59

Saturday: **St. John of Avila; St. Damien de Veuster**
Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; John 6:60-69

Sunday: **World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Mother's Day**
Acts 13:14,43-52; Ps 100:1-3,5; Revelation 7:9,14b-17; John 10:27-30

Just a
friendly
reminder...

If you have a loved one who is on the sick list and has recovered or who has passed away, please let the church office know so that we can remove their name and add others.

Looking for something??

The Cathedral office has a Lost and Found...if you are missing your Missal, rosary, keys, sunglasses, reading glasses, mantilla, umbrella, etc. please stop by and see if we have it!

You must be able to identify your item.

***Gentle reminder: put your name on the inside of your Missal...we can notify you if we know who it belongs to!**

The Cathedral office gladly hands out "Snack Bags" as available...
no questions asked.

We also have an active Outreach Ministry, as well as Catholic Charities, to help those in need.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION



Would you, or anyone you know, like to learn more about the Catholic faith? Do you need to complete your sacraments?

Our Cathedral parish has an active Order of Christian Initiation of Adults program.

Please contact the church office at 337.436.7251.

The Rosary is prayed before every weekday 12:05 Mass.

There is also the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help before the 12:05 Mass on Tuesdays.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM—A Pre-Baptism class must be attended before the celebration of Baptism.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE—Arrangements must be made at least six (6) months before the wedding date.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS—For those who are interested in completing sacraments or inquiring about the Catholic faith.

Please contact the Cathedral office at 337.436.7251 for information about the Sacraments.

We encourage those who wish to join our Cathedral Parish to complete a Family Registration form.

How to Keep in Touch!

Flocknote—You can either visit flocknote.com/iccathedral or text ICCATHEDRAL to 84576 from your cell phone to subscribe.

Facebook—Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

Web—immaculateconceptioncathedral.com

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and set your tithe to automatically occur when, how often, and in the amount you would like to give. After your account is set up, you will always have access to it to update your information, change gift amounts, enter new payment methods, or pause/cancel a gift at any time. With online giving, you can forget about writing checks or having cash on hand for the offertory!

Remember, you can easily access your online payment account at immaculateconceptioncathedral.com/payments

Collection April 20 & 27, 2025 \$34,660.99
Offertory \$24,508.25 Online \$10,152.99

Second Collections

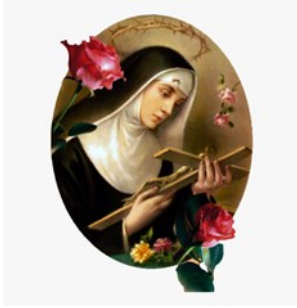
May 4: Building Fund

May 11: Catholic Communication Campaign: The Catholic Communication Campaign helps the Church spread the Gospel message in the U.S. and in developing countries using modern media tools to inform, inspire, and enlighten.

May 18: Office of Pro-Life Ministries: *We proclaim that human life is a precious gift from God; that each person who receives this gift has responsibilities toward God, self and others; and that society, through its laws and social institutions, must protect and nurture human life at every stage of its existence.* U.S. Catholic Bishops

Thank you for your generous spirit!

"WOMEN OF THE BIBLE"



"Women of the Bible" for women—a monthly presentation led this month by Father Ruben Buller: Meet in the Ave Maria Hall at 8:30 after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on **Saturday, May 10**. Fr. Buller will speak on St. Rita of Cascia.

A light breakfast will be served and there is no need to RSVP.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Lady of the Lake #695

If you are a Catholic woman over age 18, please consider joining our Catholic Daughters. We are currently 83 members strong, but want to grow! Our Court meets the 3rd Monday of the month (September to June) in the Cathedral Ave Maria Hall at 6:00 pm. Catholic Daughters is one of the oldest and largest organizations of Catholic women in the Americas. CDA women enjoy each other's company at monthly meetings, share Catholic spirituality, give generously to local and national charities, and work hard for their parish and community. ***Please join us!*** To learn more about Court Lady of the Lake #695 please contact Regent, Dianne Fruge, at 337-274-7878 or email diannefruge@yahoo.com.



Court #695 sold 467 cookies over the six Fridays of Lent and presented a check for \$2,335 to Kelly Demolle, Principal of St. Louis High School as a sign of our commitment to Catholic education and the future of St. Louis Catholic.

Cathedral Altar Society... making a difference every day!

Our Cathedral Altar Society works to provide and care for all the things associated with our altar and sacristy needed to celebrate Mass.

Your yearly dues of \$25 per family, or contributions to our Altar Society, will guarantee that our Cathedral Parish will continue to have its needs provided. If you donate or join by check, please write "Altar Society" on the memo line. You may also make a donation online by noting "Altar Society." Please contact the church office at 436.7251 for more information.

Come, Lord Jesus! is a Bible Study and So Much More!

"Come, Lord Jesus" for men—a weekly meeting to study and discuss the Sunday readings. The men meet in the Ave Maria Hall at **6:00 a.m. every Tuesday morning**. There is no need to RSVP—just join them!

Cathedral Council 1207, Knights of Columbus

KCs meet the 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm in the Ave Maria Hall.

"Together, we're empowering Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work, and in their community."



If you would like to join the ministry of Usher and/or Greeter at the Cathedral, please check in with one of the ushers at each Mass. *We need you!*

Join us!

Bible Studies for
Women and Men



 Music Ministry

**DIOCESE
OF LAKE CHARLES**

Jubilee Year 2025

Sunday, December 29, 2024,
through Sunday, December 28, 2025



**Cathedral of the Immaculate
Conception in Lake Charles**



**Sacred Heart of Jesus
in Lake Charles**

**Our Lady of Prompt Succor
in Sulphur**



**Our Lady Help of Christians
in Jennings**

**Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady
Star of the Sea in Cameron**



**Parochial Shrine of Our Lady
of LaSalette in Sulphur**

Make a pilgrimage or pious visit to any of the
six local pilgrimage sites to gain a Plenary
Indulgence during the Jubilee Year.



Read the Decree for the Jubilee Year 2025 from Bishop Provost at lcdiocese.org

JUBILEE PRAYER 2025

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.
Amen

Franciscus



Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Vacation Bible School

**When: June 2 - 6
9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

**Where: ICCS
1536 Ryan Street**

Cost: \$10 per child

Click on the QR Code to register

10th Annual ICCS PANTHER PROCESSION

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2025
2:00 P.M.**



*ICCS invites all 2025 graduating alumni to
the 10th Annual ICCS Panther Procession!*

*We look forward to honoring your
achievements as you inspire the
next generation of ICCS Panthers!*

Graduates, please arrive by 1:45 p.m.

ICCS
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
CATHEDRAL SCHOOL



**JOIN OUR
TEAM!**



*Spanish Substitute
Biology
Band*

APPLY NOW

HONOR & PRAISE GOD...IN ALL WAYS

Children's Church: 11:15 AM Mass

The Cathedral's Catechesis (commonly called "Children's Church") for children who are 3 years of age through 2nd Grade, or its equivalent, is offered at the 11:15 am Mass (children must be potty trained!). The Catechesis is meant to help children better understand the Mass and the Scriptures. The catechists who are leading the program are Safe-Environment ("Safe and Sacred") Trained and use an approved text for the catechetical sessions.

The SAINTS are searching for teachers "to be in our number."

Spanish teacher - Substitute to cover maternity leave August and September

Biology I and II - Full Time

Band - 1 class period only

APPLY NOW!!

<https://tinyurl.com/hybhurj9>

Send resumes to epettaway@slchs.org

Little Flowers Girls' Club

**Little Flowers Girls' Club Meeting in the
Cathedral Ave Maria Hall
May 4—2:00 PM**

To learn more please contact Jessie Dupre
225.776.4139.

Little Flowers Girls' Club® is a Catholic club for girls ages 5 and up that teaches virtues through scripture, saints' biographies and the Catechism of the Catholic Church.



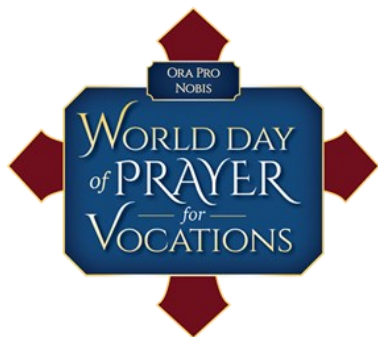
High School Youth Group

Use this QR code to join our high school youth group

Middle School Youth Group

Use this QR code to join our middle school youth group





May 11, 2025

2025 marks the 62nd anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

Join us in promoting vocations to the priesthood,
religious life and diaconate with your prayers.

Lord Jesus, give us holy priests:
To offer up the sacrifice of the Mass;
To lead the little ones to You;
To strengthen the faith of believers;
To preach the Gospel to all peoples;
To bring forgiveness to sinners;

Pray for **VOCATIONS**

Melchizedek Project: Vocation discernment groups

The Melchizedek Project hosts meetings for young men in high school and college in an environment where they can freely consider God's plan in their life. The vocation discernment groups meet bi-weekly, and food will be provided. For more information on meeting times and locations, visit <http://lcvocations.com/discernment-groups>.

**The Vianney House—206 Aqua Drive,
Lake Charles**

Religious Sisters of Mercy monthly gathering

Join the Religious Sisters of Mercy for a small group ENDOW study on St. John Paul II's *Letter to Women*. The group study, for single women ages 18-35, meets on the first Tuesday monthly for dinner and discussion at the Sisters' convent, 1414 Martha Street. ENDOW (Educating on the Nature of and Dignity of Women) seeks to educate women toward a more profound understanding of their God-given dignity through study in small groups of faith and friendship.

Please contact the Religious Sisters of Mercy to register or for more information: Call 337-564-0030 or email lakecharles@almamercy.org.



The Serra Club of Lake Charles:

The purpose of the Serra Club is to encourage and promote vocations to the clergy and religious life, while affirming the vocations of those already in that life.

In the process, Serrans have the opportunity to strengthen their faith, while enjoying the friendship of those who have the same aspirations. Dues are \$78.50 quarterly for one person or \$120.00 quarterly per couple. They gather about 11:30 am on the first Friday of the month at the Pioneer Club. The cost of the luncheon is included in your dues.

For additional information call
John Halloran at 337-802-5304 or
Pam Manceaux at 337-794-7131



**Visit the Reliquary near the front altar
to view a glove worn by
Saint Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)**

**Priest, Italian Franciscan Capuchin
Friar, Mystic, and Stigmatist**

1887—1968

"My past, O Lord, I entrust to Your mercy; my present, to Your love; my future, to Your providence."

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, May 3...(8:00 AM)...Vicki Watson **(4:00 PM)**—Gladys & Delma Devillier; J. B. Postell; Hidalgo & Fazzio Families; Dr. Ben Guilbeau; Ted Gauthreaux; Msgr. Charles Dubois; Beau Styron; Hebert & Pronia Families; Kenneth Abrahams.

SUNDAY, May 4...(7:30 AM)—"Pro Populo" (For the People) **(9:30 AM)**—Philip Conner; James Dunham Shearman; Charles Viccellio; Eileen & Richard Cappel; Denny Dennison; Courtney Crosby; Amanda & Linda Christian; Wesley Ryan Hayes; Lonnie J. Neveu; Scalisi & Barone Families. **(11:15 AM)**—C. A. Miller, Jr. **(12:45 PM Rubrics of 1962)**—Evelyn Cenni.

MONDAY, May 5...(7:00 AM)—"Pro Populo" (For the People) **(12:05 PM)**—Mabel & Lee Trahan.
(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962)—Maura Casey.

TUESDAY, May 6...(7:00 AM)—Stephanie DuRousseau Family. **(12:05 PM)**—Kate Ortego Thomas.
(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962)—Kellen Leger.

WEDNESDAY, May 7...(7:00 AM)—Brittany Ebersole Family. **(12:05 PM)**—Carla Denise Primeaux.
(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962)—Brittany & Collin Racco Family.

THURSDAY, May 8...(7:00 AM)—Christy Papania Jones. **(12:05 PM)**—Brad Foreman.
(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962)—Shirley & Tony Leger.

FRIDAY, May 9...(7:00 AM)—"Pro Populo" (For the People) **(12:05 PM)**—Shannon J. Fuselier, Sr.
(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962)—Allison Fourcade Family.

SATURDAY, May 10...(8:00 AM)—Eula & Bennie Buller. **(4:00 PM)**—Louise & Joseph Bertrand; Gerald Simmons; Dr. Ben Guilbeau; Annette Pronia; Hayley, Andrew & Arthur Yearby; Sheila & Darty Douga; Troy Derouen; Polly Eustis.

SUNDAY, May 11...(7:30 AM)—"Pro Populo" (For the People) **(9:30 AM)**—Sam Reed; Gloria DeRoussel; Anna Rita & Joseph Scalisi; Alice Nester; Priscilla Rider; Debbie Glover; Margaret & Richard Schmitt; Christine & Peter Crawford; Brian Allen.
(11:15 AM)—Hiram DuRousseau. **12:45 PM Rubrics of 1962)**—Carol Norwood & Bradley Conner.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS WHO ARE ILL

Melissa Anderson; George Ange; Jenna, Aden, Grace, David Babcock; James M. Bailey; Guy Barré; David Batchelor; Dale Bayard; June Benoit; Andre Boudreaux; Melanie Bowles; Chandra Broussard; Dean Broussard; Kylan Broussard; James Bryan; Jerry Cain; Emily Carleton; Pauline Chavanne; William "Will" Chavanne; Denise Collett; Helen Credeur; Jerry Crews; Betty Daigle; Wade Davis; Carolyn Denison; Vickie Denison; Gwen Thomas Dowden; Larry Dugas; Sadie Dunn; Claudia & Curtis Dyle; Charles & Dee Elter; Ann Eustis; Chad Fazzio; Tony Fazzio; Nicholas Fletcher; Gilbert Fontenot; Sundra Fontenot; Nelson Francisco; Kathleen Gallow; Carolyn Gauthreaux; Debbie Gauthreaux; Sharon George; Jack Glover; Diane Hagerty; Gabriel Hardy; Mary Lois Harst; Michelle Hart; Mary Hebert; Peggy Heideman; Brenda Hoback; Allen Hoffpauir; Emery Hooper; Anne Hoyer; Sheryl Huesers; Georgia Ieyoub; Mary Jeffers; Gary Johnson; Brice Jones; Christy Papania-Jones; Darrel Jones; Hattie Kadlubar; David Kaspar; Kim LaFleur; Natalie Landry; Chad Lavergne; Caroline Lawless; James Leger; Michael Lee; Marshall Leiber; Della Lemaire; Catherine Lorenzi; Elizabeth Louviere; Melanie Lupo; Vincent Lupo; Judy Marcantel; Megan Marcantel; Zoë Dyle May; Brett McCaughey; Barbara McCombs; Kai McKinney; Raven McKinney; Elaine Morrow; Jerry Nichols; Dr. John Noble; Randy Nunez; Shawn O'Guinn; Carol & Larry Ortego; Janie Pago; Larry Parker; Larry Parker, Jr.; Ben Perry; Robert Perry; Michelle Piatt; Susan Prejean; Seth Priola; Demi Rainwater; Clifford Raleigh; Rena Reed; Kendall Richard; Oliver "Rick" Richard; William P. Richard; Lathan Russell; Rene Russell; Silas David San Miguel; Sheila Sanders; Leslie Sayne; Marie Scimemi; Doug Shearman; Michael Smith; Sue Spears; Marlena Spell; Jaxson Spikes; Rob Stephens; Jackie Stevens; Katherine Grace Stutes; Wren Elise Stutes; Gary Swain; Jude Theriot; Cole Thomas; Fayette Thomas; Stanley Thomas; Warren Thomas; Chad Trahan; Darla & Patrick Trahan; Ted Trahan; John Tucker; Rebecca Turner; Jo Ann Van Gossen; Larry James Vidrine; Clay Ward; Clyde Weber; Amanda Welch; Aly & Riley Wilkins; Remi Wissinger; Andrew Yearby; Ronda Yearby; Gay Young; Martha Young.

If you would like to add or remove a name, please call the church office at 337.436.7251

PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MAY

Pope Francis: Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

Bishop Provost: For an increase of vocations to the priesthood and the consecrated life in the Diocese of Lake Charles.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY...Michael Buller, USN; Daniel Breaux, US Army; Cade Camel, US Army; Anthony Deshotel, US Navy; Gabriel Emerson, USAF; LTC John Harrell, Noah Keller, US Army; Ross Painter, US Army; Lt. Col John Robichaux; Col. Steve Rodriguez, USAF; Joey Russell, USMC; Rick Ruot, Army National Guard; Macy Shearman, USMC Reserve; Master Sgt. Brady St. Romain, USMC; Nikolas Stanko US Army; Anthony Viccellio, USAF; Nicholas Viccellio, USAF National Guard; Joseph Vincent, USMC **(To add or remove a name, please call the office—436.7251)**