



CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
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DIOCESE OF LAKE CHARLES
Established April 25, 1980

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

PARISH STAFF

Very Reverend Ruben Buller, V. G.
Pastor
Reverend Michael Beverung
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Bookkeeper
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Ms. Karen Carso
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Mrs. Sue Burke
Receptionist
Mr. Brendan Howard
Maintenance
Mrs. Jacqueline Hebert
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Cathedral office hours:

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

MASS SCHEDULE

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

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

**THIRTIETH SUNDAY
OF ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 26, 2025**

My Dear People of God!

Last week, we considered how Jesus suffered with us. This week, the Creed goes on to say that He rose from the dead on the third day. This is the central facet of the Christian Faith. Saint Paul is so insistent on this point that he says the following: “And if Christ has not been raised, then empty [too] is our preaching; empty, too, your faith.” (I Corinthians 15: 14)

Everything hinges on the fact that Jesus rose from the dead. Our hopes and dreams lie in this. The reason why we are able to persevere despite hardships is because of Christ’s resurrection. It is the fact that makes all other parts of our existence make sense.

This week, as we consider our Profession of Faith specifically considering the Resurrection, it is good to ask if we live as if there is a resurrection. If there is a resurrection, then everything else is true. It means that our commitment to the Gospel must then be renewed so that we in turn can live the new life that Jesus offers us through the Christian Mystery.

God Bless!
Father Ruben Buller

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.

The Sanctuary Candle burns in October for:
Cathedral: Charlie Viccellio and James Dunham Shearman
St. Bernadette Oratory: Reverend Monsignor Charles Dubois



*Celebration of the
Sacrament of Matrimony
United in Holy Matrimony
October 4, 2025
Gracie Boudreaux & Iryn Woods
October 11, 2025
Riley Killian & Gabriel Garcia
October 18, 2025
Morgan Monlezun & Bryce Figori*

Readings for the Week ~ October 20-October 26, 2025

Monday: Romans 8:12-17; Psalm 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21; Luke 13:10-17
Tuesday: Simon and Jude Ephesians 2:19-22; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5; Luke 6:12-16
Wednesday: Romans 8:26-30; Psalm 13:4-5, 6; Luke 13:22-30
Thursday: Romans 8:31b-39; Psalm 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Luke 13:31-35
Friday: Romans 9:1-5; Psalm 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Luke 14:1-6
Saturday: Solemnity of All Saints Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; Psalm 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12a
Sunday: All Souls Wisdom 3:1-9; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Romans 5:5-11; Romans 6:3-9

Welcome

The newest members of our Cathedral Parish

*Kevin & Amanda Taylor,
Andrew & Kristen Harrell
and
Olivia Romero*



Join us next Sunday, November 2nd
Great coffee, doughnuts, conversation
and community
Ave Maria Hall after the 7:30 & 9:30 Mass,
courtesy of KCs Cathedral Council 1207



The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception has Eucharistic Adoration in the St. Bernadette Oratory on Fridays during the school year — each Friday following 7:00 a.m. Mass until 8:00 a.m.

This weekend is our **FRUITFUL SUNDAY**

We collect, as a church parish, canned fruit on the 4th weekend of each month for Catholic Charities. You may leave your cans in the foyer of the day chapel or at the church office during regular office hours.

*"It's not how much we give
but how much love we put into giving."*
St. Mother Teresa

Your generosity is such a beautiful gift.

October 19, 2025	\$13,953.61
Offertory	\$9,689.87
Online	\$4,263.74

Upcoming second collections:
October 26-Insurance Fund
November 1-All Souls Day
November 2-Building Fund

In Loving Memory...
Linda Guillory Scimemi Juranka~
October 11, 2025

We pray that she finds peace and joy in the presence of Our Lord. We extend our sincere sympathies to her family and to all who mourn her death.

2025/2026 Meeting Dates

October 26th
November 23rd
December 28th
January 18th
February 15th
March 22nd
April 12th
May 17th

Meetings will be held from 2 PM - 4 PM
Ave Maria Hall, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

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.

Communal First Saturday Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

7:20 a.m.—Devotion Prayers 7:30 a.m.—Rosary
8:00 a.m.—Mass, receive Holy Communion
8:30 a.m.—15 minute guided Meditation on the
Mysteries of the Rosary

Our Lady of Fatima requests that on the First Saturday of each month individuals go to Confession, say the Rosary, receive Holy Communion, and keep her company for 15 minutes while meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary after receiving Jesus in the Eucharist; with the intention of making Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary to bring about world peace and the salvation of souls.

Although confession will not be available before Mass, one can make a good confession eight days before or after with the intention of offering reparation for the offenses against Our Lady's Immaculate Heart, provided you are in the state of grace upon receiving Holy Communion.

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. The Altar Society provides for our daily Masses, five weekend Masses, the St. Bernadette Chapel, the Seafarers Center, ICCS, St. Louis Catholic High School and our homebound parishioners.

The core mission of the Altar Society remains as it always has - provide and care for the bread, wine, vessels, linens, vestments, candles, flowers and anything else needed for the altar of worship.

They are the members (women and men) who volunteer to take home the linens and towels used at Mass for cleaning and pressing. They are the Sacristans who set up for Mass and take down after. They polish and clean the vessels, press and mend the vestments, water the plants, and more. Their "behind the scenes" involvement is often unnoticed but vital to our church parish.

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.

Catholic Daughters Court Lady of the Lake #695 -
3rd Monday of each month (September to June) at
6:00 in the Ave Maria Hall

Cathedral Council 1207, Knights of Columbus -
4th Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Ave
Maria Hall

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.

Youth Ministry

NEWS

The Cathedral has a thriving Youth Group for both High School students and students in Middle School. Middle Schoolers meet on the first Wednesday of each month from 5-6:15, and the High Schoolers meet on the first and third Wednesday from 6-7:30. Both groups meet in the Ave Maria Hall. Interested? Use the QR codes below to sign up on our Group Me

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



WHO AM I?

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY MADE VISIBLE

9TH–12TH GRADE | 3-DAY RETREAT
CAMP KAROL | NOVEMBER 14–16, 2025

SIGN UP @ WWW.BIT.LY/SPXWHOAMI | INFO: KISSTY1227@HOTMAIL.COM

**POPE LEO XIV
ASKS THE
FAITHFUL
TO PRAY A
DAILY ROSARY
DURING
OCTOBER
FOR PEACE**



Volunteers Needed for Lake Charles Distribution
Catholic Charities of Southwest Louisiana is seeking volunteers for monthly food distributions at 1225 2nd Street in Lake Charles from 8:30 am-11:00 am on the following dates:

November 7 & 14

December 5 & 12

Volunteers are needed to greet clients, assist with check-in and registration, direct traffic, organize food allotments and load food packages in vehicles in the drive thru line.

For more information, or to sign up to help, please contact Catholic Charities Volunteer Coordinator at (337) 439-7436 ext. 208 or by email at volunteer@catholiccharitiesswla.org

All Saints Day Concert
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Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church Music Ministry & Friends will present "From Darkness to Light," a Choral Pilgrimage with the Saints of Hope on All Saints Day. The concert will take place at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 1, in the Consolata Cemetery Mausoleum Chapel, 2300 Country Club Road. Admission is free.



Did you know?

Our priests dedicate their lives to serving God's people through prayer, sacraments, and pastoral care. After years of faithful ministry, they deserve to retire with dignity and security. The Bishop's Service Appeal (BSA) helps make this possible by supporting the Priest Retirement Fund, which provides for the housing, medical, and daily needs of our retired priests. Through the generosity of those who give to BSA, we express our gratitude to these men who have given so much, ensuring they are cared for in their later years with the same love and compassion they have shown to others.

PRAYER FOR SAFETY IN HURRICANE SEASON

O God, Master of this passing world, Hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of the land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy and overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season, we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem where stormless eternity awaits us. Amen

**+The Most Reverend Maurice Schexnayder
2nd Bishop of Lafayette**

Explore the convenience of online giving at immaculateconceptioncathedral.com 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**

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

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.

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.

Our church office gladly hands out Snack Bags, as available to anyone who comes to our door, **no questions asked**.

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

Pray for
VOCATIONS

Cor ad Cor

A Heart-to-Heart with Christ and the Sisters of Mercy

Unmarried women, ages 18 and up, are invited to join the Religious Sisters of Mercy at their Convent on the first Tuesday of the Month. These evenings consist of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, Dinner, and Discussion.

The schedule is as follows:

4:55 pm Holy Hour

6:15 pm Dinner

8:00 pm Conclusion

Address: 1414 Martha Street

Lake Charles, La 70601

RSVP to 337-564-0030

The Discernment Year

The Discernment Year is designed to bring clarity to vocational discernment by showing a young man how to discern. The Discernment Year is for young men who are juniors in High School through 25 years old.

If you are interested in learning more about the discernment year, please contact Father Michael Caraway at 337-439-7400 ext. 226 or email michael.caraway@lcdioocese.org

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, October 25... (8:00 AM)...Bishop Glen John Provost (4:00 PM)—Annette Pronia; Reverend Monsignor Charles Dubois; Hayley, Andrew, & Arthur Yearby; Collin & Brittany Racco family

SUNDAY, October 26... (7:30 AM)—“Pro Populo” (For the People) (9:30 AM)—JB Postell; Dallas Grimmit; Sam Reed; Tyler Family; Logan McGuirk; Charlie Viccellio; Stephen Broussard (11:15 AM)—Lorraine Fazzio
(12:45 PM Rubrics of 1962)— Peter Gagnon

MONDAY, October 27... (7:00 AM)—“Pro Populo” (For the People) **(12:05 PM)**—Glenn & Jeanne Delahoussaye
(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962) Cheryl Casey

TUESDAY, October 28... (7:00 AM) Chris Campbell **(12:05 PM)**—Micah Buller **(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962)** Jon & Elisa Schnur

WEDNESDAY, October 29... (7:00 AM) Andrew Broussard **(12:05 PM)**— Daniel Hernandez **(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962)** Ethan Perez

THURSDAY, October 30... (7:00 AM) Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Dauphin **(12:05 PM)**— Tom Delahoussaye
(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962) Melvin Leger

FRIDAY, October 31... (7:00 AM) Teen ACTS **(12:05 PM)**—Eula & Bennie Buller **(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962)** Lavelle & Alfred Devall

SATURDAY, November 1... (8:00 AM)...Troy Derouen **(4:00 PM)**—Kate Ortego Thomas; Hebert & Pronia families; Shelia Cola; Gladys & Delma Devillier; Ted Gauthreaux; JB Postell; Margaret & Richard Pousson; Louise & Joseph Bertrand; Gerald Simmons; Dr. Ben Guilbeau; Beau Styron

SUNDAY, November 2... (7:30 AM)—“Pro Populo” (For the People) **(9:30 AM)**—Michael Scimemi; James Dunham Shearman; Lonnie J. Neveu; Anna Rita & Joseph Scalisi; Sherman Solari; Mary & Jasper Lavoi; Amanda Palombo Welch; Dennie & Derot Lavoi; Bob McCall **(11:15 AM)**—Hiram DuRousseau **(12:45 PM Rubrics of 1962)**— Carl Lee Stampley

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 Boudreux; Gayla Brimer; Chandra Broussard; Dean Broussard; Kylan Broussard; James Bryan; Jerry Cain; Emily Carleton; Pauline Chavanne; William “Will” Chavanne; Pearl Cole; Betty Collins; Helen Credeur; Betty Daigle; Wade Davis; Carolyn Denison; Vickie Denison; Gwen Thomas Dowden; Larry Dugas; Sherry Dugas; Sadie Dunn; Claudia & Curtis Dyle; Charles Elter; Ann Eustis; Chad Fazzio; Tony Fazzio; Nicholas Fletcher; Sundra Fontenot; Nelson Francisco; Kathleen Gallow; Carolyn Gauthreaux; Debbie Gauthreaux; 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; Heather Ieyoub; Mary Jeffers; Gary Johnson; Brice Jones; Christy Papania-Jones; Darrel Jones; Denver Keller; Kim LaFleur; Natalie Landry; Chad Lavergne; Caroline Lawless; Wilton “Butch” Lee; 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; Melanie Moreno, 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; Susan Prejean; Seth Priola; Demi Rainwater; Clifford Raleigh; Rena Reed; Kendall Richard; Oliver “Rick” Richard; William P. Richard; La- than Russell; Rene Russell; Silas David San Miguel; Sheila Sanders; Leslie Sayne; Marie Scimemi; Doug Shearman; Sue Spears; Mar- lena Spell; Jaxson Spikes; Rob Stephens; Jackie Stevens; Gary Swain; Jude Theriot; Cole Thomas; Fayette Thomas; Stanley Thomas; Warren Thomas; Jason Thompson; Chad Trahan; Darla & Patrick Trahan; Ted Trahan; John Tucker; Rebecca Turner; Jo Ann Van Gossen; Larry James Vidrine; Billy Ward; Clay Ward; Clyde Weber; Aly & Riley Wilkins; Remi Wissinger; Margaret Wukovits; 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 OCTOBER

Pope Leo XIV~ Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

Bishop Provost~ Let us pray for the safety and protection of the unborn and a greater respect for life from conception to natural death.

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; Cpl. Wyatt LeJune, USMC; Noah Keller, US Army; Ross Painter, US Army; Lt. Col John Robichaux; Col. Steve Rodriguez, USAF; Joey Russell, USMC; Nikolas Stanko US Army; Anthony Viccellio, USAF National Guard; Nicholas Viccellio, USAF National Guard; Joseph Vincent, USMC
(To add or remove a name, please call the office—436.7251)