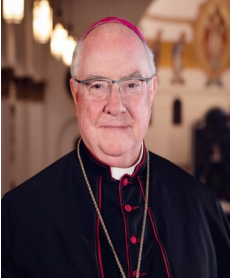



ALTAR FLOWERS	
If you are willing to contribute towards the altar flowers please pick-up a Flower Donation envelope, fill out the requested information and drop the envelope in the collection basket, You can also contact the parish office for more information.	
AUGUST	Brian & Tori Garcia (Wedding Anniversary) In Memory of Lydia O Lopez (Jesse & Pat Solis) In Memory of Joann & Michael Ray Naranjo ( Juan & Sylvia Gomez )
SEPTEMBER	In Honor of Martinez/Flores Families (Arnulfo & Terri Flores) In Memory of Sanchez/Escobedo Families
OCTOBER	In Memory of Delia Gonzales (Jessie Gonzales)
NOVEMBER	Menchaca Family In Memory of Felicitas Solis (Solis Family)
DECEMBER	OPEN

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!**  
**INSTALLATION OF A PASTOR**

On Sunday, August 31st we will have the official Installation of Pastor for Fr. Roy. Bishop Wm. Michael Mulvey will celebrate the 12:00PM Mass.

Immediately following the Mass we will have a reception in the parish hall to welcome Fr. Roy. A sign-up sheet is located in the entry of the church for you to sign-up for items to bring. Items can be dropped off at the parish hall on Saturday, August 30th from 1-5pm or Sunday August 31st after 8am.







**HOUSE OF FAITH FOOD PANTRY**  
The Food Pantry will be OPEN again on **Wednesday, August 27th** from 4pm until we run out of supplies.

**TRAVELING IMAGE OF DIVINE MERCY**  
*Pray for the following family that will be hosting the Traveling Divine Image this week*  
**Aug. 17-23:** Christina Kohley  
**Aug. 24 - 30:** Daniel & Dolores Lara


Aug. 23/24	Lector	Extra Ordinary Ministers	Aug. 30/31	Lector	Extra Ordinary Ministers
5:30PM	Chelo	Juan, Angela	5:30PM	Jesus	Louis, Alma
8:00AM	Armando	Carmen, Janie	8:00AM	Elisa	Janie, Amparo
10:00AM	Gabriel	Cindy, Terri F	10:00AM	Brenda	Raymond,
12:00PM	Jesse C	Lucy,	12:00PM	Gabby	Jesse C, Chelo

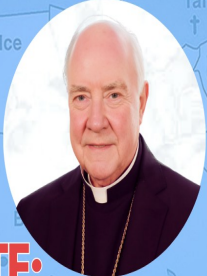
Baptisms:	Reconciliation	Marriage	Quincerañeras	Anointing of the Sick	Communion to the Sick / Homebound
By Appointment only  Contact Parish office	Confessions are heard on Saturdays from 4-5pm and on request	By appointment only:  Contact parish office at least 6 months prior to	Must be enrolled and actively participating in Religious Education Classes	Anytime: contact the parish office	Pastoral Visit: 1st Friday of the Month / Contact the parish office

**LECTORS AND EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS MEETING**  
There will be a meeting for Lectors and Extra Ordinary Ministers at **6:30PM** on **Tuesday, August 26th and Thursday, August 28th.**  
You only need to attend 1 of the meetings.  
Current ministers please make arrangements to attend. New members are welcomed to join.




Lectors

**STATE OF THE DIOCESE**

**NEW DATE:**  
**Thursday, October 30, 2025**  
**6:00 - 8:30 pm**  
**Richard M. Borchard**  
**Fairgrounds**

Buy your tickets now at [diocesec.org/stateof](http://diocesec.org/stateof)  
**\$15/\$7 for children (meal included)**  
**Richard M. Borchard Fairgrounds, Robstown, TX**



RENOVATION LOAN	
Initial Loan Amount	\$370,000.00
Amount paid	\$232,951.73
<b>Current balance (as of June 30, 2025)</b>	<b>\$137,048.27</b>



# Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 17, 2025



## Immaculate Conception Church

Roman Catholic Diocese of Corpus Christi



Rev. Roy J Kalayil  
*Pastor*

David D. Solis Jr.  
[davids@iccgregory.org](mailto:davids@iccgregory.org)  
*Administrative Asst.*

John Womack & Co.  
*Bookkeeper*

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**  
**Monday - Friday**  
**10:00am - 4:30pm**

**FAITH FORMATION**

Noreen Saenz  
[reoffice@iccgregory.org](mailto:reoffice@iccgregory.org)  
*Director of Religious Ed.*

David D. Solis Jr.  
*Asst. Director of Religious Ed.*

**Religious Ed. Office Hours**  
Wednesdays 4:30 - 8:45pm

**WEEKLY PARISH ACTIVITIES**

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET**  
Daily 3:00 pm Chapel

**ST. JUDE NOVENA**  
Tuesdays 6:00 pm

**BIBLE STUDY**  
Tuesdays 7:00PM (Español)  
Thursdays 7:00PM (English)  
R.E. building

**NEW TO THE PARISH?**  
Interested in registering with us? Ask the ushers for a registration form, welcome to the parish. If you would like to become involved with one of the ministries or organizations here, you can find contact numbers on this bulletin

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
*ALL Mass intention requests should be submitted to the parish office. For Intentions to appear in the Bulletin they must be submitted by 4:00pm Tuesday. Donation of \$5 per intention is suggested.*

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL**  
The Chapel is available to anyone 24/7 if you would like to spend time to visit with Jesus in the Eucharist. To get the door code contact the parish office or Fr. Roy.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**CHOIR COORDINATOR**  
Naida Rios 774.3778

**COMMUNION MINISTERS**  
Jesus Garza 704-2269

**ALTAR SERVERS**  
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**BLESSED MOTHER SOCIETY**  
Sylvia Gomez 228.0822

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**HOUSE OF FAITH FOOD PANTRY**  
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Adriana Bernardo 543.7642

**SACRED HEART SOCIETY**  
Amelia Flores 443.9811

**ST. JUDE NOVENA**  
Jerry & Ofelia Rivera 876.7147

**BL CARLO ACUTIS YOUTH MINISTRY**  
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"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!"  
Luke 12:49



Mass Intentions

For The Week



SATURDAYAugust 16, 2025

5:30PM: †Guadalupe V Moreno (James & Mona Lacour)  
†Mary Neph (Family)  
†Candido Cuevas (Family)  
†Aurora Flores (Juan Flores & Family)  
†Concepcion, †Ester & †David Rangel (Danny Rangel)  
†Alejandro, †Minerva & †Johnny Lopez (Esteban & Lydia)  
†Margarito, †Alejandra Guerrero & †David Sanchez (Family)  
Holy and Abandoned Souls (Torres Family)  
W.A. of Brian & Tori Garcia

SUNDAYAugust 17, 2025

8:00AM: †Jose Vasquez (Familia Vasquez)  
†Eloisa Lozano (Family)  
†Richard Ortiz (Family)  
†Belinda Ortiz (Dora & Family)  
†Gumersindo Montes and †Carmela Solis (Family)  
B.B. for Rene Sanchez (Family)  
S.I. for Tori Marie Garcia (Family)  
Souls in Purgatory

10:00AM: †Estefana Menchaca (Ernest Menchaca)  
†Manuel Hinojosa Jr., †Patricia Escobedo, †Nora & †Nelda Ortiz  
Souls in Purgatory

12:00PM: †Lelia Guzman (Family)  
†Emilio Pena Sr (Lucy & Family)

TUESDAYAugust 19, 2025

5:30PM: Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAYAugust 20, 2025

8:30AM: Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAYAugust 21, 2025

8:30AM: Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAYAugust 22, 2025

8:30AM: Souls in Purgatory  
Thanksgiving to St. Jude (Torres Family)

SATURDAYAugust 23, 2025

5:30PM: †Guadalupe V Moreno (James & Mona Lacour)  
†Candido Cuevas (Family)  
†Aurora Flores (Juan Flores & Family)  
†Robert Quintanilla II (Quintanilla Family)  
†George Seeley (Rose De La Cruz)  
†Juan Moreno Jr. (Solis Family)  
†Robert & †Marion Schicker (Family)  
†Concepcion, †Ester & †David Rangel (Danny Rangel)  
†Alejandro, †Minerva & †Johnny Lopez (Esteban & Lydia)  
†Margarito, †Alejandra Guerrero & †David Sanchez (Family)  
Thanksgiving to Holy Angels (Torres Family)

SUNDAYAugust 24, 2025

8:00AM: †Eloisa Lozano (Family)  
†Richard Ortiz (Family)  
†Gumersindo Montes and †Carmela Solis (Family)  
Souls in Purgatory

10:00AM: †Estefana Menchaca (Ernest Menchaca)  
†David Solis Sr. (Pat, David, Gabby)  
Souls in Purgatory

12:00PM: †Lelia Guzman (Family)  
†Emilio Pena Sr (Lucy & Family)  
†Enrique Escobedo (Family)

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Envelope Collection	\$2,027.00
Loose Collection	\$1,034.00
Building Maintenance Fund	\$25.00
Altar Flowers	\$140.00
Online Giving	\$300.00
Collection Total - August 9/10	\$3,386.00

Thank you for your faithfulness, your generous support, and sharing of your gifts with Immaculate Conception Church.

May God bless you now and forever.



The Sanctuary Lamp which burns near the tabernacle as the reminder of our Lord’s presence in the Most Holy Eucharist burns for:

**the healing of all the sick (Church)**  
**the homebound (Chapel)**

If you would like to donated for the sanctuary lamp, please call the parish office to schedule.

Special Collections for the Month of September

6/7 - Building Maintenance Fund

13/14 - Catholic University of America

20/21 - Disaster Relief Collection



† Belief - Trust - Faith †

Prayer is the most powerful against trials, the most effective medicine against sickness and the most valuable gift to someone we care for. Please pray for the sick of the parish, especially:

Names remain on the prayer list for two (2) months; after which they are removed, to add/remove a name contact the parish office.

Victoria Arredondo,	Fermin Hernandez	Sergio Rodriguez,
Rosa Barrera,	Jorge Hernandez,	Yolanda G. Rodriguez,
Elisa Claudio,	San Juanita Hinojosa,	San Juanita Saenz,
Pedro Costilla Sr.,	Guadalupe Z. Lucio	Bernice Sanchez,
Johnny Cruz,	Loli Lugo,	Adan Salazar,
Adela Escobedo,	Jim Malloy,	Gracie Salazar,
Anna Flores,	Adolfo Menchaca Jr.,	Raymond Smith,
Eudelia Flores,	Kasen Merrill	B Solis,
Guadalupe Flores,	Lupe Moreno,	Gloria Treviño,
Juanita Flores,	Angie Ochoa,	Joe Treviño,
Luis Flores,	Ramiro Perales,	Lile Trevino,
Mari Flores,	Jerry Rivera Sr.,	Sara Treviño,
Danny Garza,	Irene Rodriguez,	Gerri Zambrano
Esmeralda Hernandez,	Julia Rodriguez,	

Special Prayer Intention of Pope Leo XIV for August

For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.



THANK YOU FOR JOINING US THIS WEEKEND

From the Pastor’s Desk

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I want to express my heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped organize and took part in our procession in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the Solemnity of the Assumption. From the careful planning to the beautiful flowers, from the music to the quiet prayers offered along the way — each of you gave glory to God and honor to our Blessed Mother. It was truly a moment of grace for our parish family, and I believe Mary looked upon us with joy.

In this Sunday’s Gospel (Luke 12:49-53), Jesus says, “I have come to bring fire on the earth.” This fire is nothing less than the living presence of the Holy Spirit. When the Spirit fills our hearts, He burns away what is evil, purifies what is weak, and strengthens what is good. But this same fire can also cause division — not because God wishes us to be separated, but because choosing to follow Him sometimes means standing apart from the ways of the world.

Let us pray for the grace to welcome this fire into our lives. May the Holy Spirit give us courage to stand firm in faith, to reject what is sinful, and to live in the light of Christ — just as Mary did.

With gratitude and prayer,

Fr. Roy

Desde el Escritorio del el Pastor

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

Quiero expresar mi más sincero agradecimiento a todos los que ayudaron a organizar y participaron en nuestra procesión en honor a la Santísima Virgen María en la Solemnidad de su Asunción. Desde la cuidadosa preparación hasta las hermosas flores, desde la música hasta las oraciones silenciosas ofrecidas en el camino, cada uno de ustedes dio gloria a Dios y honor a nuestra Madre Santísima. Fue un momento verdaderamente lleno de gracia para nuestra familia parroquial, y creo que María nos miró con alegría.

En el Evangelio de este domingo (Lucas 12, 49-53), Jesús dice: “He venido a traer fuego a la tierra.” Ese fuego no es otra cosa que la presencia viva del Espíritu Santo. Cuando el Espíritu llena nuestro corazón, quema lo que es malo, purifica lo que es débil y fortalece lo que es bueno. Pero este mismo fuego también puede causar división — no porque Dios quiera separarnos, sino porque seguirlo a Él a veces significa apartarse de los caminos del mundo.

Pidamos la gracia de acoger este fuego en nuestras vidas. Que el Espíritu Santo nos dé valor para mantenernos firmes en la fe, rechazar lo que es pecado y vivir en la luz de Cristo, tal como lo hizo María.

Con gratitud y oración,

P. Roy


PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Sweetest Lord, thank you for sustaining me through the many trials I have faced in this life, as well as the ones to come, You teach me that I find power in keeping my eyes fixed on you— my leader and perfecter of faith. May I keep my gaze on you until I see you face-to-face in heaven. Amen.

CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK

St. Catherine of Siena is attributed as having said, “Be who God meant you to be, and you will set the world on fire.” Take some extended time to journal and pray about what St. Catherine means by this statement. And close with a prayer asking the Lord to continue to reveal his plans for your and how you specifically are called to “set the world on fire.”

We are surrounded



by a great cloud of witnesses

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:

Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: St. John Eudes

Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: St. Bernard

Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: St. Pius X

Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Saint Rosa of Lima

Ru 2: 1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128: 1b-5 ;Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1-2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS!!!!

Registrations for Religious Educations Classes will be held on the following Wednesdays:

August 20th and August 27th from 5:00PM - 8:30PM in the Religious Education Building.

Classes will begin on Wednesday September 3

