



# Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

July 31, 2022

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## 18th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME - FOOL'S GOLD

"All things are vanity!" —Ecclesiastes 1:2

King Solomon, who is credited with writing the book of Ecclesiastes, was one of the richest people in history (see 1 Kgs 10:14ff). He had seven hundred wives and three hundred concubines (1 Kgs 11:3). He could get anything he wanted any time he wanted. Many people today are trying hard to become more like Solomon. They want to be able to relax "for years to come," "eat heartily, drink well," and enjoy themselves (Lk 12:19). Solomon, who ought to know, says they are fools (see Lk 12:20), for "all things are vanity!" (Eccl 1:2)

"What profit does he show who gains the whole world and destroys himself in the process?" (Lk 9:25) "You are not to spend what remains of your earthly life on human desires but on the will of God. Already you have devoted enough time to what the pagans enjoy" (1 Pt 4:2-3). Therefore, "set your heart on what pertains to higher realms where Christ is seated at God's right hand. Be intent on things above rather than on things of earth" (Col 3:1-2). *Prayer: Father, send the Holy Spirit to help me get in touch with reality.*

### Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 30.....5:30pm  
Kyle and Hali Blair Wedding/Intentions

Sunday, July 31.....8:30am  
Martin Hermesmeier by Rita Lister

Tuesday, Aug 02.....5:00pm  
Martin Hermesmeier by Rita Lister

Wednesday, Aug 03.....6:00pm  
Pat Weinheimer Sr. by James & Linda M.

Thursday, Aug 04.....7:30am  
Pat Weinheimer Sr. by James & Linda M.

Friday, Aug 05.....7:30am  
Pat Weinheimer Sr. by James & Linda M.

### Liturgical Ministers

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Lector: Clifton Britten  
Extraor. Com. Ministers: Susan Britten  
and Nicole Kuehler  
Server: Damon and Stephen Kuehler

**Sunday, July 31, 2022 at 8:30am**  
Lector: Nick Kuehler  
Extraor. Com. Minister: Joannie Kling  
Server: Wesley and Peter  
Rosary: Nick Kuehler Family

**Saturday, Aug 6, 2022 at 5:30pm**  
Lector: Ron Kuehler  
Extraor. Com. Minister: Kevin Brown  
Server: Tucker and Nate Hinson  
Rosary: Bunny York

**Sunday, Aug 7, 2022 at 8:30am**  
Lector: Marcia Conrad  
Extraor. Com. Minister: Sandie Hickey  
Server: Hope and Carrigan  
Rosary: Marla Britten

## Mass Schedule

Saturday.....5:30pm  
Sunday.....8:30am  
Tuesday.....5:00pm  
Wednesday.....6:00pm  
Thursday and Friday.....7:30am

Confession:

Saturday.....4:30-5:15pm  
Sunday.....7:55-8:15am  
or by appointment

1st Wednesday Adoration of the Blessed  
Sacrament.....7:00pm-10:00pm

## Information

Marriage Preparation: Contact Father Raj at least six months in advance.

Baptism: Call the rectory for an appointment.

Communion: Anyone unable to come forward for communion, let Father Raj know before Mass. Those ill or homebound, please contact Father Raj to arrange for communion to be brought to your home. Anyone with special dietary needs for gluten free Eucharist or wine, let Father Raj know before Mass.

Parish Hall Rental: Contact Father Raj at least one month in advance.

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## Pray for Our Sick

John & Emma Detten  
Celeste Connelly  
Bill Becker  
Leonard Koetting  
Anna Marie Wink  
Matthew Gary Britten  
Doris Britten  
Sister Louise  
Schellon Major  
Dianne Ollinger  
Joe Winner

Arvella James  
Paul Bubliss  
Griffyn Schulte  
Debbie Haning  
Tony Dodson  
Jerry Ashford  
Carson Oliveira  
Maynard Britten  
Deanya Britten  
Garet Rocha  
Luke Acker

## Family Chalice Program

July 31.....Adela & Staci Kotara  
Aug 7.....Kay Britten  
Aug 14.....Mike & Marla Britten  
Aug 21.....Clifton & Susan Britten  
Aug 28.....Pam Ashford

## Church Cleaning for July

Sandie Hickey, Donna Barnett, Britney Britten, Dayna Britten, Melanie B Britten, Melanie K Britten, Susan Britten, Marissa Clement, Marcia Conrad, Vanessa Eugea, Lucita Hinson, Rita Lister, Rita Poor, and Veronica Weinheimer

## Stewardship Reports

07/24/22 Stewardship Report

Individual	\$ 2,005.00
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Loose	\$ 274.00
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TOTAL	\$ 2,279.00
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07/24/22 Building Maintenance Fund

TOTAL	\$ 271.00
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Lector: Marcia Conrad

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Rosary: Marla Britten

### **Saturday, Aug 13, 2022 at 5:30pm**

Lector: Phineas Eugea

Extraor. Com. Minister: Kevin Brown

Server: Stephen and Ryan

Rosary: Bunny York

### **Sunday, Aug 14, 2022 at 8:30am**

Lector: Jason Eugea

Extraor. Com. Minister: Joannie Kling

Server: Noah and Lacie Wood

Rosary: Marla Britten

### **Saturday, Aug 20, 2022 at 5:30pm**

Lector: Staci Kotara

Extraor. Com. Minister: Vanessa Eugea

Server: Kacie and Landree

Rosary:

### **Sunday, Aug 21, 2022 at 8:30am**

Lector: Nick Kuehler

Extraor. Com. Minister: Nicole Kuehler

Server: Wesley and Peter

Rosary: Nick Kuehler Family

## Announcements

Christian Mothers will sell homemade ice cream at the Groom Day track meet on Friday, August 5th. This is our big fundraiser for the year, we greatly appreciate everyone who can volunteer to make it a success. There is a sign up sheet at both entrances of the church and online in the shared Google document. We need members to make ice cream, as well as help with setup, cleanup, and selling at the event.

Sunday, August 28th - Picnic Mass in our Church at 11:00am. Details to follow.

The weekly bulletin can be viewed online at [immaculateheartgroomtx.com/bulletins](http://immaculateheartgroomtx.com/bulletins)

Donations to Snack Pak 4 Kids can be placed at the south entrance of the church.

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

July 30.....Brody Britten

July 31.....Colton Tucker

August 1.....Monica Howard, Alee Friemel

August 2.....A: Charles & Barbara Britten

August 3.....Sandie Hickey

August 4.....Brody Hermesmeier

If you have a birthday or anniversary to add to the bulletin, please leave a list in the collection basket.

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**Month of August:** By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to a certain devotion. In August, it is the Immaculate Heart of Mary, our patroness. The Immaculate Heart is often venerated together with the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Just as the Sacred Heart represents Christ's love for mankind, the Immaculate Heart represents the Blessed Virgin's desire to lead all people to Christ. Try to incorporate the prayer of Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary in your daily prayers. This Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary illustrates perfectly the Marian doctrine of the Catholic Church: We do not worship Mary or place her above Christ, but we come to Christ through Mary, as Christ came to us through her. Jesus was the fruit of Mary, as Saint Elizabeth told her: "Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb", whoever, therefore, desires fruit, must go to the tree; whoever desires Jesus, must go to Mary; and whoever finds Mary, will most certainly find Jesus.

**Veneration of Mary:** Non-Catholic Christians presume that Catholics give too much honor to Mary without any Biblical support. Some non-Christians think that Catholics adore Mary as a goddess who gave birth to their God Jesus. The truth is that Catholics adore and worship only God. But they honor, love and venerate Mary as the most saintly and Spirit-filled woman and seek her intercession, based on scriptural reasons. Catholics believe that while enjoying the glory of heaven, Mary is still lovingly concerned with the struggles of Christ's Body on earth. So she constantly prays for our needs with a mother's love. But Catholics believe that Mary's intercession is entirely dependent on Jesus' role as the great Mediator (I Timothy 2:5). Jesus is the One Way to the Father (John 14:6). Hence, all prayers to the Father must go through Jesus. Mary's intercessory prayers for us are no exception; she, too, prays to the Father in Jesus' Name.