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June 24, 2018

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

The Grapevine

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| George Hooper | Permane | nt Deacon |
| John Vu | Transition | al Deacon |

MASS SCHEDULE

| Saturday Vigil | .4:00 p.m. |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Sundays7:00 a.m., | |
| 9:00 a.m. (MSH), 11:00 a.m. & | 6:00 p.m. |
| Monday-Wednesday-Thursday-Friday | |
| Tuesday6:00 pm fc | ollowed by |
| Novena/B | enediction |
| Holy Days As: | announced |

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

| Tuesday | 5:30 | -5:50 | p.m. |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------|------|
| Friday | .8:00 | -8:20 | a.m. |
| Saturday | | | |
| Other times as announced or by a | ppoi | ntmei | it. |

BAPTISMS: Notify Parish Office during pregnancy. Instruction for parents and godparents is required.

MARRIAGE: Contact the Parish Office at least six months before desired date.

PRAYER LINE: (confidential ministry) Contact Ms. Pat Pastor at 225.664.1097.

CARE OF THE SICK: Emergency calls answered immediately. Home visitation for the sick and shut-in weekly and upon request. Hospital visits weekly and upon request.

CHRISTIAN BURIAL: Please make arrangements by calling the Parish Office.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL:

Open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
Contact Allison Renfrow at
225.665.1424.

Information or news for *The Grapevine* (published weekly) should be called in to the Parish Office at least two weeks prior to the event.

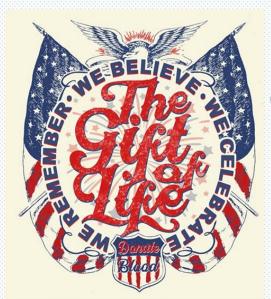
Church of the Immaculate Conception

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KC6326 | Immaculate Conception
Blood Drive

June 24, 2018

8:00am to 1:00pm



Free t-shirt to all donors



For Information Contact
Our Lady of the Lake
Blood Donor Center
765-8843

doesn't take
a vacation.

Help us save
a life by
donating

The need

for blood

Donors Should: Eat first, Bring picture ID, Be 17 or above (16 w/parent consent) and bring reading glasses

blood

today!

MISSION STATEMENT

Immaculate Conception Church Parish and the Mission of the Sacred Heart is a welcoming community, centered in the Eucharist, rooted in faith, growing in fellowship, and sharing in unity the mission Christ entrusted to us.



his Week at a Glance

SATURDAY, JUNE 23 12:00 - 1:00 PM 2:45 - 3:45 PM

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

SUNDAY, JUNE 24

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM 12:15 PM - 1:30 PM 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

MONDAY, JUNE 25

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM 9:15 AM - 2:00 PM 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

12:00 PM - 2:45 PM **TUESDAY, JUNE 26**

9:15 AM - 2:00 PM 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

5:30 PM - 5:50 PM 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM

9:15 AM - 2:00 PM 9:15 AM - 10:15 PM

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

THURSDAY, JUNE 28

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM 9:00 AM - 11:45 AM 9:15 AM - 2:00 PM

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

FRIDAY, JUNE 29 8:00 AM - 8:25 AM

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM 9:15 AM - 2:00 PM

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

12:00 - 1:00 PM 2:45 PM - 3:45 PM

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM SUNDAY, JULY 1

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM 12:15 PM - 1:30 PM

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

AA/Small Hall

Reconciliation/Church

Mass/Church

KC Installation of Officers/Church

Mass/Church

Parish Blood Drive/Main Hall

Mass-ICC/C; MSH Mass/Church Baptisms/Church Mass/Church

Mass/Church ELC Summer Camp/ELC Rooms Matter of Balance/Small Hall AA Meeting/Small Hall

Bible Timeline/FFC-211 ELC Summer Camp/ELC Rooms

AA Meeting/Small Hall Reconciliation/Church Mass/Nov.-Bene./Church

Men's Club/Small Hall

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

Mass/Church

ELC Summer Camp/ELC Rooms

Soul Core/Small Hall AA Meeting/Small Hall

Encounter-Jr. High/Youth Hall

Women's Grouping-Cursillo/Rm 2

Mass/Church

Bible Study: Matthew/FFC 211-212

ELC Summer Camp/ELC Rooms

AA Meeting/Small Hall

ISM-High School/Youth Hall 33 Days to Morning Glory/FFC 112

Summer Leisure Learning/SH

Charismatic Prayer/Church Boy Scouts #283/Pavilion

Reconciliation/Church

Mass/Church

ELC Summer Camp/ELC Rooms

AA Meeting/Small Hall

Girl Scout #12616

AA/Small Hall

Reconciliation/Church

Mass/Church

Mass/Church

Mass-ICC/C; MSH Baptisms/Church

Mass/Church

Mass/Church Patriotic Rosary/Church



Summer Safety

As noted in a previous article in the bulletin, summer is here and it brings with it a lot of safety concerns. Prevention is the key to keep everyone happy and healthy. Here are a few more safety tips.

- Beware of Bugs-Unfortunately, those blood-sucking critters are a part of summer nights and evening days. Here are some suggestions on how to stay safe from insects:
 - Spray and repeat-Spray exposed skin and clothing. Reapply whenever the spray gets washed off or the skin gets bitten again.
 - Check for allergic reactions-Some people react to insect bites more than others. If an allergic reaction occurs from a bite, seek medical attention to see what kind of medication to give.
 - Beware of serious bug-borne illnesses-West Nile is the virus that you will hear the most about. The symptoms are flu-like. So if the person has bites and flu-like symptoms with muscle-stiffness, it should be checked out by the doctor.
 - Check for ticks- Ticks are found in moist, warm, woodsy areas. Wearing long clothing is ideal in these areas but not always easy in the heat of summer. Shower and checking within two hours of exposure decreases the chances of a tick bite. Make sure to check the entire body: under the arms, in and around the ears, inside the belly button, back of knees, in and around the hair, around the waist, etc. Wash all clothing.
- **Prevent Dehydration-**To prevent dehydration, kids should drink 12 ounces of fluid 30 minutes before an activity begins and take mandatory fluid breaks with kids under 90 pounds drinking 5 ounces every 20 minutes and kids over 90 pounds 9 ounces every 20 minutes. Tip: A child's gulp equals a half-ounce of fluid, so they should take about 10 gulps for every 20 minutes of play. Watch for warning signs of dehydration: thirst, dry/sticky mouth, headache, muscle cramping, irritability, extreme fatigue, weakness, dizziness, or decreased performance.
- Head injuries- NO helmet, NO wheels. Kids should wear a properly fitting helmet that is approved by the CPSC for the activity they are doing, (biking, skating, skate boarding, etc.). Make it a family rule and have parents and caregivers wear a helmet also. (The biggest mistake with a helmet: forgetting to fasten the chin strap!)
- Never wait in a hot car-It only takes 10 minutes for a car to heat up by 19 degrees. Never leave a child (or pet) in a car, even for a minute. Even outside temperatures as low as the mid 50's can cause heat stroke or death. Children's bodies heat up three to five times faster than an adult's.

Apply your heart to instruction, and your ear to words of knowledge. —Proverbs 23:12

Consideration of our Christian Commitment: Ordinary Time Activities

This Sunday we celebrate the Birth of St. John the Baptist. John the Baptist is known as the one who prepared the way of the Lord. We are so grateful to all in the parish who, through their ministries, continue to prepare the way of the Lord. Below are a few recent examples of this.

Summer Vacation Bible School was a big success. Before it began, Barbara Norman met with Deacon John to



explain some of the possibilities for his involvement. We were blessed have many parishioners who taught. helped with crafts, refreshments, and fun activities and we thank you all. Vacation Bible

School focused on the theme, **Christian Olympics, Running for the Gold**. St. Paul focused on that same theme 2,000



years earlier in his letter to Timothy when he wrote, "I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me, which the Lord, the just judge will award to me on that

day, and not only to me, but to all who have longed for his appearance."

Mighty Moms began their summer food distribution the second weekend in June. When I went to the office Saturday morning for a little while, I saw people all lined up in the parking lot at 6:00, nearly three hours before the distribution was to begin. To me it is a good witness to the



reality of how these recipients of the Mighty Moms' ministry are in need of their assistance and that they are not lazy. Lazy people would never have gotten in here so early and stayed in line for so long a time. Mighty Moms served on that one Saturday 151 households which totaled 568

people. They will continue to serve under the pavilion on the second Saturday of the month.

A Saturday morning workshop was held earlier this month for our Jr. High School Religion teachers.



Plans are being made for the coming PSR School Year to offer the Jr. High Students a blending of PSR and Youth Ministry via a Religious Education Program called Edge. Edge is a Catholic middle school youth ministry/PSR program which provides a safe, fun place for youth to find solid Catholic community, to get answers to their questions about the faith, and most importantly, to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way. Edge resources speak to the physical, psychological, cognitive, relational and spiritual maturation of middle school youth, and make it easier for youth ministers and teachers to plan out their semesters, presenting Catholic teaching in a way the youth can understand and appreciate. We believe that Edge will help us answer the needs of this age group in a catechetical, fun and relevant way, providing a good foundation for them to enter into Life Teen programs later. The Life Teen program will be used for the ninth grade. We trust Edge and Life Teen will be assets to our Religious Ed program as well as to our youth ministry program as it speaks to the needs of this age group while providing good religious education.

CommUnity Hands is an ecumenical ministry to the poor

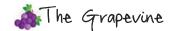


and needy. Though similar to Mighty Moms, they do not give out food but help with other needs like electrical bills, housing, etc. They had a very successful fund

raiser two weeks ago and served about 635 plates. CommUnity Hands had its origin in our Outreach Commission a number of years ago, and now enjoys the involvement of many churches in our community. We thank the K.C.'s who assisted them in their fish fry.

Let us keep one another in prayer as we all, like John the Baptist, seek to prepare the way of the Lord. Love,

Joseph The



Parish Life + Formation

Continuing the Journey

RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults/Children

Each week during the next few months, we will be sharing the R.C.I.A. experience and stories of our new Catholics who joined the Church this Easter, as well as comments from their sponsors.

My RCIA experience was different than most. I was not questioning whether or not I should go through this process or if this was where I was meant to be – I knew I was meant to be here. I had dreams throughout the summer before RCIA began of me becoming a part of the Church with her as my safe haven. I knew after a few weeks after my reoccurring dreams that I was meant to be here and this is where God intended my life to take me. When I decided to go through this, I didn't really have that much of a connection to God or a faith life at all really. I had boycotted organized religion for over seven years, but something in me continually brought me back and solidified this decision for me. Father Raj had given me a blessing after my mom had told him of the reoccurring dreams I was having. He prayed over me and told me the further I got into the Church, the more graceful I'd become. I held onto those words throughout my entire journey. Every time I would convince myself I was "too busy" or didn't have enough time for this, those words Father Raj spoke to me drew me back into the process. Before converting, I wouldn't have labeled myself as a bad person. I was a good daughter, a studious student, and very involved on campus. After converting and feeling my heart open up to His grace and really giving myself fully to God, it felt like I was a whole person. It was as if a part of myself had been missing this entire time without me even noticing it. I have never felt so much fulfillment and so much joy in my 19 years of life until I completed this process. RCIA gave me a reason for all that I do in life. It allowed me to give everything I have to God and trust in Him and His decisions entirely because I know He knows way more than I do. All of my choices and decisions in life I now look at in an entirely different light. How will this affect my relationship with Christ? How will this affect my journey to eternal salvation? Before my conversion, I was constantly trying to fill this void I felt within my life with extracurricular activities and leadership positions at LSU. Even through all of the praises and awards, I still did not feel like it was enough. Without this process, I would not be entirely satisfied with where I am or who I am, but with Christ in my heart, I now have a reason to live a graceful life, and I'm not chasing worldly things any longer (although I do fall short at times). If you are ever considering going through the RCIA process, pray about it, and God will always bring you to the place you are meant to be - He did for me over and over as much as I tried to deny Him, and I'm forever thankful for this blessing.

—Tori Landry

If you are interested in becoming Catholic or know of someone who is, contact Tammy Jackson at 665.9631.





Parish School of Religion

Registration for the 2018-2019 school year continues (\$10 late fee will be applied). Registration forms may be picked up at the Faith Formation Center or you can print them from our website http://www.icc-msh.org/religious-education. Please register ASAP so that we may have enough catechists and have books/materials ordered in time. This will help the opening week of class operate smoothly.

Office hours for the Faith Formation Office for June will be Mondays and Wednesdays; 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. For more information, call 225.665.5926.



Congratulations and prayers to the following children who were baptized recently:

Jaxon Bennett Ammons
Baylan Ray Fontenot
Harvey Joseph Gore



Childcare Ministry—Immaculate Conception is looking for a Coordinator of Childcare as well as several workers for our Childcare Ministry. Our nursery has been refurbished since the flood and is ready for start-up this August. If you

would like more information, contact the church office at 225.665.5359. Compensation is available.

Parish Life + Community



June 23, 2018 July 1, 2018

SATURDAY: 06/23/18

4:00 p.m. Tammy Stevenson; Elsie Lousteau†; Alex Theriot, Jr.†; Vertie Young†; Teddy Anderson†; Kathy

Alello†.

SUNDAY: 06/24/18

7:00 a.m. Lloyd deGeneres†; Winton Waguespack†; Iysaak Braymer-Bliss†; Dominic Hai Nguyen†.

9:00 a.m. Jane Sullivan†; O'Reilly Johnson†; Mary Guidry†;

Cindy Hollier†; Butch Calmes†; Ernestine Muller†; Phyllis Hartman†; Phillip John Bilski†;

Dominic Canh Nguyen†.

9:00 a.m. (MSH) Parishioners.

11:00 a.m. Mark Falgout†; Marie Orillion†; Christina Guidry;

Rene Gonzales†. J. D. King†.

6:00 p.m. J. D. Ki MONDAY: 06/25/18

8:30 a.m. Florence Beaudet[†].

TUESDAY: 06/26/18

6:00 p.m. Phillip John Bilski[†].

WEDNESDAY: 06/27/18

8:30 a.m. Alex Theriot, Jr.†.

THURSDAY: 06/28/18

8:30 a.m. Mary Ann Bergeron[†].

FRIDAY: 06/29/18

8:30 a.m. Beverly Morales†.

SATURDAY: 06/30/18

4:00 p.m. Mark Falgout†; Vertie Young†; Teddy Anderson†;

Kathy Alello†; Madelene Melancon†; Joseph Pham Dinh Ngu†; Joseph Soan†; Robert

Morales†.

SUNDAY: 07/01/18

7:00 a.m. Russell Dietrich, Sr.†; Gerline Miller†; Iysaak

Braymer-Bliss†; Dominic Vo Dang†.

9:00 a.m. Butch Calmes†; Betty Callegan Watts†; Phyllis

Hartman†; Mary Guidry†; Fr. Ben Bacino†; Delmas Forbes, Sr.†; Mary Ann Bergeron†; Jim

Blanchard†; Erma Kahn†.

9:00 a.m. (MSH) Marjorie Acosta[†]; Don Polcyn[†].

11:00 a.m. Parishioners.

6:00 p.m. Delores Dodson†; Poor Souls in Purgatory†;

Joseph Pham Dinh Khang†; Dan Murphy†.

CHURCH SANCTUARY LAMP: 06/24/18—06/30/18
Burns in memory of TEDDY ANDERSON.
ADORATION CHAPEL LIGHT: 06/24/18—06/30/18

Burns in memory of **OPEN INTENTION**.

We express our sympathy and prayers to Cindy Thomas, Cheri Fry, and Craig Chatelain on the Sympathy death of their father, ELTON CHATELAIN; to Allen Borne and Brittany Krcma on the death of their mother and grandmother, FANNIE BORNE; to Bennie and Frances King on the death of their brother and brother-in-law, J. D. KING; and to the family and friends of CLARA BABIN.

Worship · Stewardship

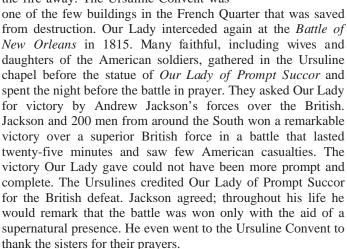
Stump the Deacon!

Hurricane season started June 1st. Some of our prayers asking to be spared from hurricanes are addressed to Our Lady of Prompt Succor Why? (Part 3)

In 1812, a great fire threatened the Vieux Carré and the Ursuline Convent in New Orleans. As the convent was being evacuated, a nun brought a small statue of Our Lady of Prompt Succor to the window facing the fire and Sister Michel prayed:

Our Lady of Prompt Succor, we are lost if you do not come to our aid.

The wind changed direction and turned the fire away. The Ursuline Convent was



As a result, Our Lady of Prompt Succor is the Patron Saint of Louisiana, the Archdiocese of New Orleans, and the City of New Orleans. Catholics in Louisiana continue to pray to her to save them once again whenever a hurricane threatens.

—Deacon George Hooper; ghooper@icc-msh.org

Stewardship UPDATE Identified offertory givers: 17,316.00 Visitors/unidentified: 1,918.14 Ascension of the Lord: 21.00 Commentator: 1.00 19,256.14 Total Collected: \$ St. Vincent de Paul: 466.00 \$ **Building Maintenance:** 1,977.50 Catholic Communications: 1.00 Peter's Pence: 20.00

Donations made to The Building Fund given in memory of: Phyllis Hartman

by Thomas & Margaret Stanton, M/M Craig Harris, Ms. Diane Bezdek



Immaculate Conception Fall Festival October 19, 20 \$ 21, 2018



You Can Save Your Marriage!

Is your marriage going down the right road or

is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille weekend program for couples, (Next program in Baton Rouge is September 7-9) contact: Randall and Robin Bellard @ 225.271.4092 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.com.

Traveling Chalice For Vocations—The chalice will be received by the Davidson family (Judy) on July 1 at the 7:00 a.m. Mass. If your family is interested in receiving the Traveling Chalice, call Julie Panek at

225.610.6975.

Readings for the week of 06/24

Sunday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17 [6b]/1 Pt 1:8-12/ Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15 [14a]/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13 [7b]/Mt 7:1-5 Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11 [cf. 9d]/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40 [33a]/

Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Mt 7:21-29

Friday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5b]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21 [19b]/Mt 8:5-17 Liturgical Publications Inc.

Worship + Director

Perpetual Adoration Chapel

We need ADORERS for the following hours:

- Tues. midnight.-1:00 a.m.
- Thurs. Noon-1:00 p.m.
- Thurs. 11:00 p.m.-midnight
- Sat.10:00-11:00 a.m.
- Sat.11:00 p.m.-midnight



A Meditation Before the **Blessed Sacrament**

Have you no plans to interest you? Tell me all about them. Do they concern your vocation? What do you think of? What would you like? Are vou planning

pleasure for your mother, for your family, for your guardian? What do you wish to do for them?

Prayerfully consider an hour with Jesus especially as a substitute adorer. We need substitutes for all hours and divisions!

Please call Allison Renfrow at 978.1892 or arenfrow05@bellsouth.net for more information or sign-up.

Substitute list and guidelines located at icc-msh.org under worship.

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