

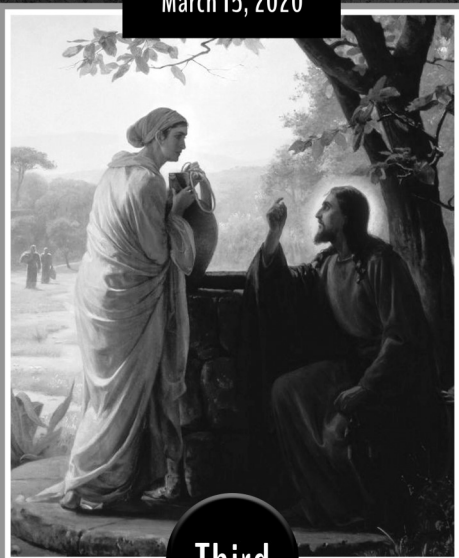


Immaculate Conception Church

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March 15, 2020



Third

Sunday of Lent

A woman of Samaria came to draw water.
Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."

John 4:7

Ministries

Eucharist Ministers.....	Tania Robles
Lectors & Altar Servers	Jetta Rickard
RCIA.....	Julian Jannise
Hispanic Baptism Class	Irene Ramirez & Yolanda Hernandez
Hispanic Altar Servers	Fanny Martinez
Hispanic Eucharist Ministers	Maria Varela
Hispanic Lectors	Martha Venegas
Adoration	Noemy Olvera
	Madeline Bell
Hispanic Adult Choir.....	Mario Miranda
Hispanic Children's Choir.....	Mayra Reyes
Music Coordinator.....	Loretta Broussard
Wedding Coordinators	Maggie Varela
	Tania Robles
Grupo Carismático	Alfredo Suarez
Misa Con Niño's	Maria Miranda
Knights of Columbus	Herman Simien
Altar Society	Madeline Bell
Parish Council.....	David Allison
Finance Council	Edward Pickett
CYO	Kelley Smart
Bereavement Com.....	Donna Barranco
	Laura Pickett, Connie Arnold, Rita Aalund
BFA Chair Persons	Suzie Vestal, Tania Robles
Soldaditos de Jesús.....	Maria Ovalle
Grupo Guadalupana.....	Isidro Villegas Jr.

Parish Office Hours:

Tuesday – Friday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Parish Staff

Priest- Fr. Andy Vu, S.V.D

Director of Faith Formation -Patty Lucas– iccdre@comcast.net

Assistant—Jetta Rickard

Bookkeeper—Pat Allison

Secretary—Tania Robles

Sister Cecilia Toledo

Custodian— Maria Ovalle

Maintenance— Arturo Ovalle

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:00am & 9:00 am (English)
11:00 am (Spanish)

Tuesday to Friday Morning Mass: 8:30 am

Confessions

Saturday: 4:00 – 4:40 pm or by appointment.

Special Devotion:

Rosary: Sat: 4:30pm; Sun: 6:30am, 8:30 am

Adoration: First Friday of each month 9:00 am to following
Saturday 8:30 am

Novena: to Our Mother of Perpetual Help,
Every Tuesday after 8:30 am mass

Holy days of Obligation Mass

6:30am and 7:00pm

Weddings

Arrange at least six (6) months before the wedding date.
Must speak to the Priest.

Matrimonios

Preparar al menos seis (6) meses antes de la
fecha de la boda. Debe hacer Cita con el Padre.

Retiro pre-Matrimonial

T.B.A

English Baptism

By appointment

Baptismal Preparation Classes

T.B.A

Clase Pre-bautismal

Abril 5, 2020 a las 12pm

Bautismos en Español

Abril 4, 2020

Quinceañeras

Preparar al menos seis (6) meses antes de la
Fecha y la Clase y un Retiro y Cita con el Padre

March 22, 2020

Fourth Sunday of Lent

It is helpful to observe that our Gospel passage from John, the healing of the blind man, is the first part of a longer episode. When Jesus' words end Chapter 9 in today's passage, he goes on speaking in the discourse on the Good Shepherd in Chapter 10. The healing of the blind man was not only a demonstration of God's power, giving him the physical capacity of sight. It was even more than the awakening of the man's personal faith in Jesus. The image of the Good Shepherd confirms that the man was liberated from the social isolation of his blindness and became a member of Jesus' flock. All of Jesus' powerful actions of healing were intended as gifts, not only to individuals, but for the building up of the community of faith.

HUMILITY AND ACTION

"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance, but the LORD looks into the heart." In our first reading, Samuel draws conclusions about who God will choose as king based on his assumptions of what a proper king looks like. But God sees a deeper reality.

How easy it is to miss our own blindness. How frequently we are unaware of our own flawed assumptions about others and about ourselves. We often need a deeper humility about the limitations of our perceptions and our convictions.

Yet, as the letter to the Ephesians encourages, there are times to expose the "fruitless works of darkness", to speak out, especially when persons or groups are suffering from abuse or oppression. We are called to live within a tension that these scripture passages convey. We are to seek God's guidance in prayer with genuine openness. We are then to speak and act forcefully against wrongdoing, even as we maintain humility about how much we know, or what is the best action to take. We are called to bring God's wisdom and mercy to all.

Today's Readings: 1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

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Mass Intentions and Schedule for the Week

Saturday, March 21, 2020

5:00 p.m. In loving memory of Frances Harris
By David & Connie Arnold

In loving memory of Diann Derouen
By Brenda Pratt

Sunday, March 22, 2020

7:00a.m. In loving memory of Virginia & Walter Simien, Denzel Hill by Herman & Clara Simien

9:00 a.m. For the Sick

11:00 a.m. In loving memory of Carmen Villegas Alvarado By the Villegas Family

In thanksgiving for Jose Figueroa & Family
by Jose & Maria Figueroa

In loving memory of Jose Guadalupe Torres
By Samuel & Josefina Torres

In loving memory of Salvador Montes, Fernando Montes by the Family

In loving memory of Beatrice Becerra Lopez

In loving memory of Carmen Lopez Espino

In loving memory of Francisco Trevizo

Tuesday, March 24, 2020

8:30 a.m. In loving memory of Carmen Villegas Alvarado by the Family

Wednesday, March 25, 2020

8:30 a.m. for the Seminarians

Thursday, March 26, 2020

8:30 a.m. For the sick of our Parish

Friday, March 27, 2020

8:30 a.m.

5:00p.m. Stations of the Cross

7:00p.m. Spanish Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 28, 2020

5:00 p.m. In loving memory of Francis Harris

By David & Connie Arnold

Sunday, March 29, 2020

7:00a.m. For the People

9:00 a.m. Bless & Protect of the Military Service, especially Luke Hajovsky

11:00 a.m. In loving memory of Carmen Villegas Alvarado By the Villegas Family

In loving memory of Oscar Figueroa

By the family

In loving memory of Sidela Saavedra

In loving memory of Salvador Montes, Fernando Montes

In loving memory of Beatrice Becerra Lopez

22 de marzo de 2020

Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma

Es practico observar que nuestro pasaje del Evangelio de Juan, la sanación del hombre ciego, es la primera parte de una historia más larga. Cuando las palabras de Jesús terminan en el capítulo 9 en el pasaje de hoy, él continúa hablando en el discurso del Buen Pastor en el capítulo 10. La sanación del hombre ciego no solamente es una demostración del poder de Dios, dándole la capacidad física de ver. Fue más que el despertar en el hombre su fe personal en Jesús. La imagen del Buen Pastor confirma que el hombre fue liberado del aislamiento social de su ceguera y llega a ser un miembro del rebaño de Jesús. Todas las acciones poderosas de sanación de Jesús tuvieron la intención de ser dones, no solamente para esas personas, sino para el desarrollo de la comunidad de fe.

HUMILDAD Y ACCIÓN

"La mirada de Dios no es como la del hombre: el hombre ve la apariencia, pero el Señor ve el corazón." En nuestra primera lectura, Samuel saca conclusiones acerca de quién Dios elegirá como rey basada en sus asunciones de cómo será un rey apropiado. Pero Dios ve una realidad más profunda.

Que tan fácil es pasar por alto nuestra propia ceguera. Que tan frecuentemente estamos ignorantes de los errores de nuestras asunciones acerca de los demás y de nosotros mismos. A menudo necesitamos una humildad más profunda acerca de las limitaciones de nuestras percepciones y nuestras convicciones.

Sin embargo, como la carta a los efesios nos anima, hay veces que exponemos los "inútiles trabajos de la oscuridad" para hablar, especialmente cuando las personas o grupos están sufriendo a causa del abuso o la opresión. Estamos llamados a vivir con una tensión que estos pasajes de las Escrituras expresan. Vamos a buscar el consejo de Dios en la oración con una apertura genuina. Estamos, entonces, hablando y actuando enérgicamente en contra del pecado, incluso mientras tenemos humildad acerca de lo mucho que sabemos, o cual es la mejor acción a seguir. Estamos llamados para llevar a todos la sabiduría y misericordia de Dios.

Lecturas de hoy: 1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Sal 23 (22):1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Ef 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

In loving memory of Carmen Lopez Espino,

Francisco Becerra, Samuel Lopez Becerra

In loving memory of Isabel Ruiz, Juana Mendez

Weekly Contributions

March 15, 2020

Contribution	\$2,555.00
BUILDING Fund	\$100.00

Our second collection for April 10th is for Holy Land..

We would like to thank all our parishioners for their continued support to the parish.



Francis Fore, Joe Harris, John Hebert Sr., Denman Watson, Kathleen Martinez, Margarita Azua, Kaylee Parker, Sherry Pascal, Caitlin Cothren, Kenneth Wells, Debbie Van Deventer, Donnie Thomas, Lynda Ager, Nellie Hubbard, Lathan Karell Semien, Allie Jo Townsend, Rhonda Watson, Danyel Lintelman, Roberta Langford, Artie Ripkowski, Marianne Fruchey, Cory Fontenot, Margie Hagan, Hayden Bolling, David Edmonds, Kathleen Pacini, Shirley Morris, Karen Ramsey, Lucas Rider Spears, Barbara Taylor, Coby Boothe, Jerry Hattox, Michael Sterling, Maria Luz Ramirez, Lynn Purswell, Jene Strahan, Arlington & Rose Mark, Jetta Rickard, Emily Banks, Joseph Wickliff, Dorothy McCullough, Barbara Burwick, Mickey Page, Daniel Pratt, Donald Baldwin, D. Jackson, Michelle Griffin, Mark Locke, Mark Godsey, Faye McConnell, Richard Vinson, Cynthia Blackwelder, Alice Campbell, Quinn Wood, Jan Franklin, Robert Durio, Loretta Brouard, Fermin Montes, Frances Zermeno, Dennis Besley, Georgia Fontenot, Carmina Gracia, Jerry Jackson, Constance Lucas, Felton Cormier, Jr., Mary Lejune,



No CCE, March 25 Due to this Virus

Reminder: Confirmation and First Communion candidates need to sign the sheet at the back of the church after EVERY mass.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) are every Tuesday in the Social Room at 6:45 p.m. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or know of someone who does, please **contact Patty Lucas at the Parish Office**
936-336-7267, Tuesday-Friday
10:00 am – 3:00 pm.

Are you looking to reconnect with your Catholic faith? We invite you to Six Awakening Faith sessions.

At Immaculate Conception Social Room. Mondays starting from March 3 to April 6th
Time: 6:30pm—8pm

Clases Pre-bautismal sera el domingo 5 de Abril despues de Misa



Bautizos seran
**Sabado 4 de Abril y
Sabado 25 de Julio**

Come, Lord Jesús

A Bible Study and So much More!



We are excited to offer our parish an opportunity to study the life-giving Word of God in the format used by our Apostles and the early Church. **Every Wednesday at 9am in the Social Room & 7pm** place to be announced. For information call Agnes Carter or Denise Barkis.

FISH FRY



Knights of Columbus will have their Cat fish dinner every Friday during Lent, from 5pm to 7pm at the KC hall on Lakeland drive. Drive thru Only. Cost per plate \$10.00.

SAVE THE DATE APRIL 11TH, 2020 11AM TO 2PM

Easter Extravaganza & Parish Family Picnic.

Everyone is welcome to come out and celebrate the successful end to our Parish Raffle!

*Food, drinks & DJ for everyone's entertainment,
*Easter Egg Hunt, Alleluia Cross, games, pictures with the Easter Bunny & Bounce houses for the kids, Bingo & Washer board tournament w/prizes for the Adults.



Last chance to buy tickets for the Grand Prize!
\$20.00 each or 11 for \$200.00. Jeep Drawing to be held at 2:00 pm.

Sell your tickets and turn them in as soon as possible to the church office or put them in a sealed envelope with your name on it and drop them in the collection basket.

Tickets sold thru Parishioners, or by calling the Church Office 936-336-7267

Taxes, Title, License Fees to be paid by Winner

**Altar Worker's
March 22, 2020
Rita Aalund**



Altar Society meeting
Monday, April 6th will be at home of Allie Smart at 6:00pm.

All ladies are invited to attend. We will meet at the church parking lot at 5:30p.m if you need a ride.

ICC CYO

Any 6th-12th grade students interested in joining the youth ministry at Immaculate Conception Church can sign up to receive the CYO notifications using the info below or contact Kelley Smart at 832-607-9579.

Due to Health Risk. I have posted several links for Masses and our Bulletins.

Here is the information of the many resources on the **website of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston.** SED

Livestreamed Saturday & Sunday Masses--English, Spanish, Vietnamese: Listed are the parish names, days and times of the Masses and the links to access them;

Also includes Sunday televised Mass at Catholic Extension in Chicago and at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., and more information www.archgh.org/onlinemass

On the website there are spiritual resources, prayers, and devotions www.archgh.org/spiritualresources

COVID-19 Update:

As parishes across the country are working to communicate well in the midst of the COVID-19 crisis, the J. S. Paluch Company is committed to helping you reach your flock even when they can't be at Mass.

To help you stay connected, we will be in contact with our bulletin customers very soon with updates and a Digital Communications Preparedness Kit.

We recommend that you encourage all your parishioners to sign up for email delivery of your parish bulletin via our eBulletin service. **It is free and easy to do: Subscribe**

As more and more people are encouraged to stay away from public places and even from work, we know that some parish bulletin editors will be unable to go to their parish offices. Here at J. S. Paluch, we have enabled bulletin editors to access their parish computer from home using a web application called TeamViewer. www.jspaluch.com