

#### Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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#### **Masses Intentions**

Saturday, March 2: 4:00 pm: Andy Vallee Family (Mike & Teresa Vallee)

> Sunday, March 3: 8:00 am: The People of the Parish

Monday, March 4: 8:00 am
Repose of Soul of Charlotte Toon (Carl Toon)

Friday, March 8: 8:00 am
Repose of the Souls of Jack & Theresa
Haddad (Atwill Family)

Saturday, March 9: 4:00 pm: Repose of the Soul of Charlotte Toon (Carl Toon)

> Sunday, March 10: 8:00 am: The People of the Parish



Sunday, March 3:

PRE 9:15am

Estaciones de la Cruz 9:15am

Tuesday, March 5:

Adult Edu. Sorrowful Mysteries 10am Stations of the Cross 6pm

Friday, March 8:

Stations of the Cross 12pm Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

Sunday, March 10:

No PRE

Estaciones de la Cruz 9:15am

Monday, March 11:

Parish Penance Service at St. Jude 6pm

Tuesday, March 12:

Adult Edu. Sorrowful Mysteries 10am Children's Stations of the Cross 6pm

Sunday, March 17:

PRE 9:15am

1st Communion Parent Meeting 10:30am

#### **Parish Offertory**

Weekly Budget: \$5,400 February 18, 2024



Regular Collection: \$ 2833 Online Giving: \$ 578 (\$)

Families giving with Envelopes or Online Giving:
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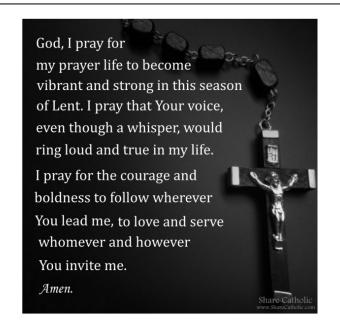


#### March 9 & 10: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

Lector:

4:00 pm: Winnie Logan 8:00 am: Nell Ray

Eucharistic Minister: 4:00 pm: Mike Vallee 8:00 am: Paul Cunningham



### Immaculate Conception Parish Staff: Office Hours: 8:30am—3:00pm

Pastor: Fr. Carl Gregorich
Secretary/Bookkeeper: Isabel Avalos
Religious Education Director: Teresa Vallee
Communications/Technology: Lillie Vallee

Choir Rehearsal: Wednesdays 5pm

Knights of Columbus: 3rd Degree: Jason Batchlor 4th Degree: David Piazza

Ladies Guild: Maria Reedy Meal Ministry: Brenda Piazza

Rosary Prayer Group: Sundays 7:30am Lillie Vallee
Sick Card Ministry: Sue Holnzer 731-335-0502

Flocknote: icuctn.flocknote.com/

register

FORMED.org: Sign up as a parishioner

& use the church zip code
Catechetical Institute franciscanathome.com

Sign up under the Memphis Diocese

Facebook: facebook.com/icuctn

Bulletin Deadline: Noon on Monday

# Wishing all of you a Happy and BLESSED February Birthday!



### Immaculate Conception Catholic Church Assumption Memorial Garden Cemetery

Columbarium Niches for Cremains \$1,600.00 per Niche contact parish office (731) 885-0963 Niche Face Plate Engraving Compliments of Edmaiston-Mosley Funeral Home (731) 885-1033 Curtis Monument Company (731) 352-5769 & The Wall Family

The Altar Candles are dedicated to the families of Krueger & Holzner Families.

Altar Linens Month of
March: Sue Holzner
Thank you for your service to our parish!

#### **Holy Sacraments Offered**

**Baptism**: Arrange by appointment <u>three (3) months</u> before the desired date of baptism with the Office.

First Eucharist: Arrangements made with the Religious

Education Director.

**Confirmation**: Arrangements made with the Religious Education Director.

Confession: Saturdays 3:15pm—3:45pm

Matrimony: Arrangements must be made <u>six (6) months</u> before

the wedding date with the Parish Office.

Marriage Blessing: Contact the parish Priest.

Marriage Annulment: Contact the parish Priest.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office.

Holy Orders: Contact the Parish Priest.

#### Sagrados Sacramentos Ofrecidos

**Bautismo:** Organizarlo por medio de una cita con la oficina parroquial <u>tres (3) meses antes</u> de la fecha deseada de bautismo.

**Primera Comunión:** Arreglos hechos con el Director de Educación Religiosa.

**Confirmación:** Arreglos hechos con el Director de Educación Religiosa.

Confesión: Sábados 3:15pm—3:45pm

Matrimonio: Los arreglos deben hacerse <u>seis (6) meses antes</u> de la fecha de la boda con la Oficina Parroquial.

Bendición Matrimonial: Comuníquese con el párroco. Anulación de Matrimonio: Póngase en contacto con el pórroco.

Unción de los Enfermos: Comuníquese con la Oficina Parroquial

Órdenes Sagradas: Póngase en contacto con el párroco.



Names on the prayer list for family and friends will be removed on monthly basis. They will not be put back on until requested. Please notify church office to remove or add a person or email: icuctnmaster@gmail.com

#### Parishioners: Friends & Family: Bobby Lafever

Lupita Berner
Sherri Ferrell
Hank Gill
Anabel Gracia
Mary Hale
Mary Harris
Pamela Jenkins
Martha Lattus
Wy Lattus
Pat Martinek
Barbara Pituch
Tom Pituch
Del & Bettie Torro
Paul Werner Sr.
Jon & Rosa Wright

Julee Adams Q. Amos Ann Barnes Joe Byrd Teri Chapman Pat Cooley Logan Crump Jerry Cunninhgam Helen Cuvelier Marsha Donnell Roberto Felix ciny Ferguson Mary Gardy Allen Geerdes Judy Guillory Stevie Gossett Kim Hall

Mai Hays

Mayci Hogg

Brenda King

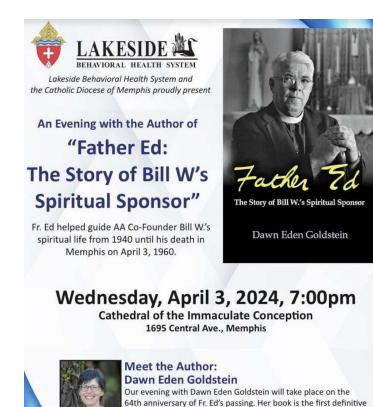
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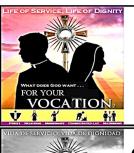
Frank Hutchinson

Rochelle McClain
Belena Moreno
Sandy Nevil
Kenneth Northam
Ginger Odle
Evelise Oliver
Barbara Parker
Margarita Perales
Nick Piazza
Fr. Robert Ponticello
Rita Reedy
Dana Rodriguez
Lizbhe Torres
Beverly Wilson
Joe Young

Mary Jo Lattus

Jack McKeown







graphy of Fr. Edward Dowling, SJ, and his life of service . Books

This is a no-cost event. Pre-Registration is require

Please scan the code or visit, tinyurl.com/FatherEdBookEv

pe available for purchase at the event

Visit: www.memphisvocations.com Or call the Office of Vocations at 373 - 1244

Ready to answer the call? Scan the QR code & fill in the form, we'll get in touch with you



ITNESS SPEAK Jeni McBride

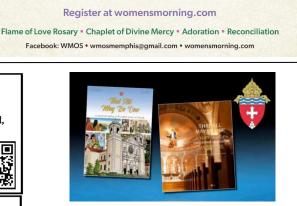
#### "Nosotros proclamamos a Cristo Crucificado, poder y sabiduría de Dios"

Si sientes que el Señor te llama a proclamar su vida, muerte y resurrección con tu vida como sacerdote, diacono, o consagrado,

Visita: www.memphisvocations.com O llama a la Oficina de Vocaciones al 373 - 1244

Listo para responderle? Escanea el código QR y llena tus datos. Nos pondremos en conta





Women's Morning of Spirituality

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024

Catholic Church of the Incarnation

360 BRAY STATION ROAD, COLLIERVILLE, TN

Do not be conformed to this world

but be transformed by the renewal of your mind.

7:15 Breakfast served in Gym 8:15 Program in Sanctuary

12:15 Mass with Bishop David Talley

Leading us in Song: Marie-Stéphane Bernard and Silvia Vega

#### **Catholic Diocese of Memphis**

Anniversary books are still available. \$35 The Illustrated book is also available. \$15 Come by the office or ask after Mass.



#### **Lenten Penance Service**

Monday, March 11 at 6pm At St. Jude

Confessions will be heard in English & Spanish



#### Servicio de penitencia de Cuaresma

Lunes 11 de marzo a las 6pm En San Judas Las confesiones se escucharán en inglés y español.



All members of the church are encouraged to come help with deep cleaning of the church.

Saturday, March 9 8am—?





The baby bottles need to be returned this weekend. March 2 & 3.

The Agape House appreciates your generosity and prayers.



Campaña Católica Anual Santidad y Servicio

**Annual Catholic Appeal** Sanctity and Service

Our Parish goal is

\$22,000



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MARCH 8 & 22 ADULT \$15 & CHILDREN \$7

The Knights are asking for help with desserts.



Friday, March 8, March 22 at Immaculate Conception at 12pm

Tuesday, March 5 at 6 pm at IC

Fridays March 15 at St. Jude at 5:30 pm

Good Friday 3 pm at both parishes



Stations of the Cross with Children Tuesday, March 12

At 6 pm at Immaculate Conception



Domingos 9: 15 am después de la Misa en la iglesia

Our parish is blessed to offer several platforms to learn more about our faith to our parishioners. English & Spanish are offered.

Take advantage of these opportunities to grow in your faith!

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# Do You Take Sin Seriously?

ATHER FRANCIS BAKER

Sin is for the most part a leap in the dark. A man knows he is doing a dangerous thing, but he does not realize the full danger. He does not take in the full scope of his action, nor its complete consequences.

St. Paul speaks of "the deceitfulness of sin" (Heb 3:13). The expression describes very well the source of that disappointment and unhappiness which often overtake the transgressor when he finds himself involved in difficulties from which it is all but impossible to extricate himself, and sorrows that he never anticipated.

Do you think that young people who develop habits of sin that undermine their health know all they are bringing on themselves: the weakness of body, the feebleness of mind, the early decay, the shame, the remorse, the impotence of will, the tyranny of passion, the broken vows and resolutions, the hopelessness, the fear — perhaps the premature disease and death? No, all this was not in their thoughts at first. These are the bitter lessons that [youths have] learned in the school of sin.

When the thieving businessman yielded to the glittering temptation, and made himself rich for a while with dishonest riches, did he then see before him the deeper poverty that was to follow? Did he envision the loss of all that makes a man's heart glow and his life happy? Did he see the lies he must tell, the subterfuges he must resort to, the horrible detection of his crime, the loss of situation, the public trial, the imprisonment?

No. Of course, these possibilities were all daily in his thoughts, for they were part of the risk he knew he was running. But so little did he bring them home to himself, and the suffering he was to endure, that when they came it seemed almost hard, as if a wholly unlooked for calamity had overtaken him.

Wherever we look we find the same thing. Men imagine sin to be a lesser evil than it really is. It is so easy to commit it, it is so soon done, the temptation so strong, that it does not seem as if such very bad consequences

would come of it. So it is done, and the bitter consequences come.

#### God's Estimation of Sin

Before you allow yourselves to act on this estimate of sin, so prevalent in the world, ask yourself how it accords with God's estimate of sin. That is the true standard. God is Truth. He sees things as they are, and everything is just what He considers it to be.

What, then, is God's estimate of sin? Look at the Cross, and you will have the answer. "He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with His stripes we are healed" (Is 53:5).

He suffered death because we deserved it. He was accursed because we had made ourselves liable to the curse of God. Hell had its hour of triumph over Him because we had made ourselves its children.

Here we have a revelation of the evil of sin. Since Christ died for sin, the cross of Christ is the measure of sin. "Consider the remedy," says St. Bernard of Clairveaux, "and you will learn, my soul, the greatness of your danger. See how serious were your wounds, for which, in the plan of divine wisdom, it was necessary that the lamb Christ should be wounded. If your sins had not been unto death, and unto eternal death, never would the Son of God have died for them."

Can anything show more than this what a mysterious evil sin is, that it is an offense against God, an assault upon His throne, an attack upon His life, an evil all but infinite? All the other expressions of the evil of sin — the cries of misery that it has wrung from its victims, the warnings that natural reason has uttered against it, the tender lamentations with which the saints have bewailed it, the penalties with which God has threatened to visit it — all pale before the announcement that God sent His Son into the world to die for it (see Jn 3:16).

Father Francis A. Baker (1820-1865) was a preacher of the Missionary Society of St. Paul the Apostle. This excerpt comes from "The Cross, the Measure of Sin," published in his collected sermons in 1896.

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