SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

IF YOU LOVE ME,
YOU WILL KEEP
MY COMMANDMENTS.



AND I WILL ASK THE
FATHER, AND HE WILL
GIVE YOU ANOTHER
ADVOCATE TO BE WITH
YOU ALWAYS.

Immaculate Conception JESUIT CHURCH

Scripture Readings

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 1 Peter 3:15-18 John 14:15-21

Music 9:30 am, 11:00 am, & 7:30 pm

Gathering #949 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

Psalm Response "Let all the earth cry out to God with joy."

Gifts Preparation #663 Lord of All Hopefulness

Recessional #688 O God, Our Help in Ages
Past

The texts of the Mass responses, as well as the Gloria and Creed, can be found in the front cover of the worship aids. Sunday evening Benediction hymns can be found in the Gather hymnal: #139, #137, and #615.

OUR ARCHDIOCESAN FAMILY PRAYER

Loving and Faithful God, through the years the people of our archdiocese have appreciated the prayers and love of Our Lady of Prompt Succor in times of war, disaster, epidemic and illness.

We come to you, Father, with Mary our Mother, and ask you to help us in the battle of today against violence, murder and racism.

We implore you to give us your wisdom that we may build a community founded on the values of Jesus, which gives respect to the life and dignity of all people.

Bless parents

that they may form their children in faith.

Bless and protect our youth
that they may be peacemakers of our time.

Give consolation to those
who have lost loved ones through violence.
Hear our prayer and give us the perseverance
to be a voice for life and human dignity
in our community.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us.
Mother Henriette Delille, pray for us

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MASSES

Monday-Friday: 7:30 am, Noon

Saturday: 8 am, 4 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday: 8 am, 9:30 am, 11 am, 7:30 pm

CONFESSIONS

Monday-Friday: 11-11:50 am Saturday: 3:15-3:50 pm Sunday: 7-7:25 pm

DEVOTIONS

Tuesday: at Masses Perpetual Help Novena Friday: at Masses Sacred Heart Novena

12:30 pm Benediction

12:40 pm Stations of the Cross &

Rosary

First Friday: 8-11:45 am Adoration & Benediction

at Masses Sacred Heart Novena 12:30 pm Stations of the Cross &

Rosary

Sunday: 9 am Rosary

7 pm Adoration, Rosary, &

Benediction

CHURCH TOURS 3:15 pm Saturdays

WEEKLY REFLECTION

I pray to Jesus all the time. I pray to God the Father all the time. I turn to Mary and the Saints for intercession daily. But, for some reason, I rarely pray to the Holy Spirit. When is the last time that you prayed to the Spirit?

One of the criticisms of Western Christianity is that we do not pay enough attention to the Holy Spirit. And, I think it is a fair critique. Some have even argued that if we took all mention of the Holy Spirit out of our liturgy, few people would notice. And while that might be a little extreme, I think the point stands.

As we approach Pentecost and the conclusion of Easter, our readings become very focused on the Holy Spirit. In fact, Easter culminates in the arrival of the Spirit in force. It is a big deal.

In the first reading this week, we hear of new Christians in Samaria who were baptized by Philip the deacon. Some time later, the apostles come to pay a visit. And they found something rather interesting. The people were baptized, but they had not received the Spirit. They needed to be confirmed by the apostles for that.

What amazes me is that they could clearly see that the Spirit was not with them. These people had converted, believed, and were baptized. But, the apostles could see that something was missing. It was obvious to them. How?

Jesus tells us that you will know the Holy Spirit "because he remains with you" (John 14:17). Thus, the apostles recognize the Spirit and can easily perceive its absence, because they themselves are filled with the Spirit and have received its gifts.

I hear a lot of confessions and do a lot of spiritual direction. And, it is clear that there is something missing in our lives.

Many tell me that they don't know what to do in life. Some say they don't understand the faith. Others say that they lack the courage to change. Still others say they just don't feel their faith anymore. Basically, what so many of us are saying is that we need the gifts of the Holy Spirit!

The Holy Spirit gives us wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and awe at the presence of God. These are the exact things that so many people seem to need these days.

My sisters and brothers, let us not ignore the Third Person in our lives. Pray to the Spirit and ask for its gifts. It will change everything.

God, fill us with your Holy Spirit!

Stephen Kramer, S.J.

WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO

Rooted in our identity as Catholic and Jesuit, and driven by the spirituality of St. Ignatius of Loyola, Immaculate Conception Parish gives glory to God by creating a faith community where all are welcomed to experience God's love in Word and Sacrament and Community, and where all are challenged to embrace the mission of fulfilling God's desires for us and our world by growing in love and by becoming Christ to others through lives of prayer, witness, and service.



VISITING? / WECOME!



No matter where you are from, what you do, your current family or marital situation ...

No matter your personal history, age, background, race or political affiliation ...

No matter your religion or self-perceived relationship with God or the Church ...

we are very happy you are with us. Learn more about our parish by visiting our website, and if you would like to learn more about the art and architecture of our building, we invite you to consult the brochure found at the back of the church.

MASS CELEBRANTS

Saturday, May 16

4:00 p.m. Fr. Kramer, S.J.

Sunday, May 17

8:00 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
7:30 p.m.
Fr. McGinn, S.J.
Fr. Kramer, S.J.
Fr. Kramer, S.J.

Saturday, May 23

4:00 p.m. Fr. McGinn, S.J.

Sunday, May 24

8:00 a.m. Fr. Kramer, S.J. 9:30 a.m. Fr. Kramer, S.J. 11:00 a.m. Fr. McGinn, S.J. Fr. McGinn, S.J.

PRAY FOR PEACE

COFFEE AND DONUTS DURING THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

In keeping with state and local guidelines that encourage social distancing, the parish will not have the usual Sunday morning coffee and donuts gatherings until circumstances change.

GLUTEN FREE

If you are unable to receive an ordinary host in Holy Communion, please let the priest celebrating the Mass know, and he will arrange for you to receive a gluten-free host.

BECOME A PART OF THE FAMILY

To become a member of the parish, please complete the registration form found on the parish website (www.jesuitchurch.net) by selecting tabs entitled "I'm New" and "I'm New to the Parish."

CHURCH TOURS

A 30-minute docent-led tour of our church routinely takes place each Saturday at 3:15 p.m. With advance notice to the parish rectory, group tours can be arranged at other times as well.

DAILY MASS LIVESTREAMED

The parish will continue to livestream the first Mass of the day (7:30 a.m. on Monday to Friday and 8:00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday). One may find the livestream on **YouTube** at *Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church*. Similarly one can find the livestream on our **Facebook** page, *Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church*.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

If you would like to serve our parish as a lector, minister of Holy Communion, hospitality minister, usher or altar server, please contact one of the priests.



You might like to follow Immaculate Conception Parish on Facebook by logging onto www.facebook.com and then entering *Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church* and "Like" us.

STATE FIRE MARSHAL GUIDELINES FOR REOPENING PLACES OF WORSHIP

Places of Worship must adhere to strict mitigation standards to prevent the spread of COVID-19. The general operating matrix will require spacing of individuals and small groups, limiting concentration of people, strict use of PPE, and frequent sanitizing. Higher risk individuals (as determined by CDC) should remain vigilant and should continue to shelter at home.

Occupant Capacity and Building Safety:

The maximum capacity during the Phase 1 period is limited to 25% of the normal code established capacity and is subject to the social distancing requirements of 6 feet as outlined below. The stricter of these two factors will apply. Specifically:

- 1. Maximum capacity to achieve 25% will be based upon 1 person per 60 square feet of net useable seating area, or 25% of the posted capacity by order of State Fire Marshal;
- 2. Seating shall be arranged such that a minimum of 6 feet of distance between persons and small groups is maintained;
- 3. Avoid assigned seating within 8 feet from the center of the main aisle to allow for circulation and egress;
- 4. Limit group seating to persons who are members of the same household;
- 5. Human contact as part of services shall be eliminated;
- 6. Interior gathering spaces shall not be used. Waiting may be provided outside following distancing guidelines or in cars;
- 7. Eliminate gatherings in the building while entering, exiting, or moving about.

Crowd Management:

Crowd Managers shall be provided to call for emergency evacuation, enforce the maximum capacity and social distancing requirements, assign seating, and further manage any movement of people at all times that the building is occupied. This function may be performed by church ushers, staff or leadership.

- 1. One Crowd Manager shall be provided for every 50 persons in attendance.
- 2. Crowd managers shall prevent the building from exceeding 25% of the normal building capacity as outlined above;
- 3. Seating of persons or members of a household shall be assigned in a manner that allows spacing of at least 6-feet from all others.

Louisiana Department of Health Guidance:

Personal Protective Equipment:

Crowd Managers and leaders are required to wear cloth face coverings while assisting others.

ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

In addition to the state guidelines, the Archdiocese of New Orleans has made the following suggestions:

- 1. The people of the archdiocese are **dispensed from the obligation** to attend Sunday Mass.
- 2. If someone is **vulnerable and not feeling well**, he or she should not attend Mass with other people.
- 3. Family members may sit in the same pew and do not have to keep six feet apart.
- 4. Anyone attending Mass should wear a face mask.
- 5. Priests and Eucharistic ministers should wear face masks while distributing Communion.
- 6. Communion on the tongue is discouraged.
- 7. Communion may not be given from the chalice.
- 8. People should observe six-feet social distancing in the **Communion line**.
- 9. **As people depart Mass**, social distancing must be observed.

PARISH NEWS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP IN THE REOPENING OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

We plan to return our to ordinary schedule of daily and Sunday Masses beginning **Saturday, May 16**. The state fire marshal guidelines for reopening paces of worship appear on the facing page. In order to follow these guidelines, we will need to have extra ushers (crowd managers) at each Mass. We will need help especially at the 4:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, and the 8:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Masses on Sunday.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation was scheduled for the last week in April. The archdiocesan office of worship has not yet determined when it will be rescheduled. There is a possibility that a number of parishes will be combined for the celebration of the sacrament.

ADULT BAPTISMS AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

The parish planned for the Easter Vigil to include the baptisms of two catechumens and the reception into the Church of two previously baptized persons. Now that the quarantine has been partially lifted, we will celebrate their reception into Church at the 11:00 a.m. Mass on **Sunday, May 24**.

FIRST COMMUNION

Immaculate Conception Church will celebrate the First Communion of our second-graders on **Saturday, May 30** at Mass at 11:00 a.m.

Practice for the ceremony is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on Friday, May 29. First Confessions will follow.

Please pray for our children as they grow in the faith.

Thanks to the children, their parents, and other family members for their patience as we celebrate their special day postponed from earlier this month.

LIVESTREAM MASSES WILL CONTINUE

Since the authorities have encouraged those are more vulnerable to remain at home, the parish will continue to livestream the 7:30 a.m. daily Masses and the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays. Many thanks to Fr. Kramer and Tom Krentel for working so diligently to enable the parish to continue this service.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Friday, May 29, 9:30 a.m.

First Communion practice and First Confessions

Saturday, May 30, 11:00 a.m.

First Communion

Saturday and Sunday, May 30 & 31 Pentecost

Collection for Peter's Pence

Thursday, June 11, 5:00 p.m.

Baptism Preparation Class

Saturday & Sunday, June 13 & 14

Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military

Saturday, June 20, 9:15 a.m.

Respect Life prayer at Clinic 4636 S. Claiborne

Tuesday, July 7, 5:00 p.m.

Pastoral Council Meeting

Thursday, July 9, 5:00 p.m.

Baptism Preparation Class

Saturday, July 18, 9:15 a.m.

Respect Life prayer at Clinic 4636 S. Claiborne

Saturday & Sunday July 18-19

Collection for Black and Indian Missions

Tuesday, August 4, 12:30 p.m.

Parish Finance Council Meeting

Thursday, August 13, 5:00 p.m.

Baptism Preparation Class

Saturday, August 15, 9:15 a.m.

Respect Life prayer at Clinic 4636 S. Claiborne

Saturday, August 15 Feast of the Assumption

The feast of the Assumption is NOT a Holyday of Obligation in 2020

Wednesday, September 5, 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Confessions in every church of the archdiocese

PRAYER LIST

Your prayers are asked for the following individuals who are facing illness or other life challenges.

Kathleen Delery Baxter McKord, Sumrall, Todd Marc Bonis family & Pinner Families Gloria Anne Caldarera Maxwell Mears Rena Cantrell Pam Meldrum John Combe Vivian Perkins Shirley Schnyder Rosalyn DiBartolo Yvonne Ferrand Sheldon Strasner Rosalie Foster Rosalyn Vance **Tevest Vance Beverly George** Wanda McGinn Imelda Ward

Trent Washington & Family Patricia Wilson

Names appear for three months unless otherwise requested. To request that a name be included, please phone 529-1477.

IN MEMORY

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

James M. Baldwin † Roy Brennan † James D. Carriere † Dorothy Charbonnet † Winfield Coles † Charles Cusimano † Anna Daigle † Br. William Dardis, S.J. † Oliver Delery † Marie DiRosa † Maxine Amelia Ditto † Lola Donelon † Henry Ecuyer † Merlin Eschmann † Joyce Eumont † Dr. Warren Ferrand † Frank France † Paul C. Frederick † Ralph Galiano † Walter Glapion † Estelle Greenlee † Michael Greenlee †

Ardley R. Hanemann †

John Victor Hughes †

Deacon Samuel Hull †

Sarah Murray Keith †

Mark LeBlanc †
Shirley Levy †

Eldridge "Terry" Johnson †

Fr. Rodney Kissinger, S.J. †

Mary Jane Maggiore †
Elizabeth Marsh †
Elizabeth Nairne McDermott †
Neal McDermott, O.P. †
Ann Meric †
Michael Moran †
Bishop Roger Morin †
Fr. Paul Osterle, S.J. †
George A. Parker III †
JoAnn Peterson †
Bozica Raos †
Connie Richardson †
Lucy St. Mary †
Louis Joseph Sannino †

Virginia Lorusso †

Marynell Madere †

Maria Serio †
Hon. Patrick Michael Schott †
Jose R. Tarajano †
Robert Joseph Vincent †
Emilia Vega DePavon †

Jack Saux †

The names of recently deceased appear on the list for twelve months. Please phone 529-1477 to request that a name be included.

HOLY FATHER'S MAY PRAYER INTENTION

Deacons: We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and to the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

Visit apostleshipofprayer.org for the papal video regarding this monthly intention and other resources.

EACH MASS IS OFFERED FOR THE INTENTIONS OF ALL PRESENT & FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Saturday, May 16

8:00 am Shirley Levy † 4:00 pm Carl Orgeron †

Christopher Vanderbrook † Lewis R. Centanni, Sr. †

Ken Roig

Sunday, May 17

8:00 am Myrna Brien LeBouef †

9:30 am Intention of Celebrating Priest

11:00 am Mass for the People 7:30 pm Gerald B. Lorio †

Ronald Galley †
Carl Galle
Terry C. Esteve †

Monday, May 18

7:30 am Abra Ruth Murray †
Noon Don Planchard †

Tuesday, May 19

7:30 am Barbara Greco † Noon Maryann Layman †

Wednesday, May 20

7:30 am Noel Osborne †
Noon Charles V. Cusimano †

Thursday, May 21

7:30 am Cleo, Vernon & Beth Higgins †
Noon Christopher Vanderbrook †

Friday, May 22

7:30 am Muriel & James Pumphrey †
Noon Howard E. Nobles †

Saturday, May 23

8:00 am Ronald Galley † 4:00 pm Carl Orgeron †

Christopher Vanderbrook †

Maryann Layman †
Ronnie Held †

WEDDING BANNS

Please keep in your prayers those who in the coming weeks will be united in the Sacrament of Matrimony at Immaculate Conception Church.

May 23, 2020

Isabel Jarquin & George Henry Bates

May 30, 2020

Emily Ann Lewis & Michael Adam Rebstock

June 13, 2020

Madeline Aimee Roth & Nick Brons

June 19, 2020

Carly Hotard & Rusty Bourgeois

COLLECTIONS (May 4-10, 2020)

Sunday: \$9,210.00

THANK YOU TO OUR PARISHIONERS FOR THEIR CONTINUED GENEROUS SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH DURING THE PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS.

ONLINE PARISHIONER REGISTRATION & GIVING

We invite you to register as a member of our parish family. To do so, log on to www.jesuitchurch.net and click the "I'm New" and "To the Parish" tabs, or contact the parish office. Also, follow Immaculate Conception Parish on Facebook by logging onto www.facebook.com and entering *Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church* and "Like" us. In reflecting upon your support of the parish, please consider online giving, a quick and easy way to do your part to foster the life and ministry of our parish.

PARKING at 220 O'Keefe

For registered Immaculate Conception parishioners, parking at a reduced fee of \$2.00 for a 3-hour period is available in the **CENTRAL PARKING GARAGE** at 220 O'Keefe, next to the Quality Inn, near the corner of O'Keefe and Common. The garage is open to parishioners for regularly-scheduled parish Masses on the weekend.

To get the reduced rate, for each visit you must use a magnetic voucher card available for purchase in the parish office, or you may order vouchers by completing the form available on the back counter of the church.

To take advantage of the reduced rate, enter the garage from O'Keefe, and take a ticket from the auto attendant. **KEEP YOUR TICKET**. When you exit the garage, you will need to insert both that ticket and the voucher.

Difficulties? The Central Parking emergency number is 504-655-3204. *Questions?* Please contact Judy Burke at 529-1477, ext. 223.