Ascension of the Lord May 16, 2021

Immaculate Conception
Jesuit Church

Scripture Readings

Acts 1:1-11
Ephesians 4:1-13
Mark 16:15-20

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

Gathering	**#545**	**A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!**
Psalm Response		**"God mounts his throne to shouts of joy, a blare of trumpets for the Lord.."**
Gifts Preparation	**#543**	**Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise**
Recessional	**#544**	**Lord, You Give Us the Great Commission**

The texts of the Mass responses, as well as the Gloria and Creed, can be found in the front cover of the Gather hymnal.
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
that we may be a holy family.

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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
Acts 1:1-11

Shortly before Jesus' ascension into heaven, his disciples asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" (Acts 1:6) Jesus responded that the Father alone knows when the kingdom of Israel will be reestablished. Throughout the gospels the disciples showed that they were expecting the Messiah to restore the independence, prosperity, and dominance that Israel enjoyed under King David. Surely if the Messiah was David's son, he would have the political power of his ancestor, and Israel would become the ruler of a restored empire.

This misunderstanding runs throughout the gospels, most notably when the brothers James and John asked to be placed in the most prominent positions in the new kingdom. (Mark 10:37) Jesus' opponents among the religious and political leaders of Jerusalem feared that Jesus' talk about the kingdom of God might lead to an insurrection against the Romans. The crowds greeting Jesus as he entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday were expecting political liberation not spiritual transformation.

Jesus responded to the disciples' materialistic expectations by promising spiritual power, not economic, military, or political power. "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8) The Acts of the Apostles presents numerous examples of the power of the Holy Spirit guiding the early church, enlightening and empowering the apostles as they gave witness to Christ before kings and governors and religious authorities. Through the Holy Spirit, they accepted God's sovereign rule over their lives. They were able to preach fearlessly because Spirit gave them the strength to live in accordance with the Father's will. The Spirit thus gave them a power that far exceeded the might of any worldly ruler.

We fully understand that Jesus is the Messiah who has liberated us from the power of sin and death. Yet we can easily fall into a preoccupation with materialistic solutions to what concerns us. The life and death of Jesus teaches us that the power and wisdom of God is revealed in weakness, humility, and self-sacrifice, not in power, domination, and control. Let us avoid considering politics and power as the source of our liberation from what disturbs us. Let us see in the apostles examples of Spirit-led believers who proclaimed their faith by the way they lived their daily lives.

Anthony McGinn, 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 15
4:00 p.m. Fr. McGinn, S.J.

Sunday, May 16
8:00 a.m. Fr. McGinn, S.J.
9:30 a.m. Fr. McGinn, S.J.
11:00 a.m. Fr. McGinn, S.J.
7:30 p.m. Fr. Kevin Dyer, S.J.

Saturday, May 22
4:00 p.m. Fr. McGinn, S.J.

Sunday, May 23
8:00 a.m. Fr. McGinn, S.J.
9:30 a.m. Fr. McGinn, S.J.
11:00 a.m. Fr. Greg Waldrop, S.J.
7:30 p.m. Fr. Stephen Kramer, S.J

PRAY FOR PEACE

PARISH BULLETIN AVAILABLE ON LINE

Every Wednesday the parish bulletin for the upcoming Sunday is posted on the church's website, www.jesuitchurch.net. Likewise one may find a link to the bulletin on the Facebook page, *Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church.*

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*.

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.

As of May 1, tours will be given on a regular basis every Saturday at 3:15. There is no need to call ahead,

MASS OF THANKSGIVNG

Fr. Reginald (Bruce) Hoefer, O.P., will celebrate a special Mass at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 6.
There will be no Adoration, Rosary or Benediction at 7:00 p.m. on June 6.

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.

NEWS FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

ANNULMENT WRITING WORKSHOP

The Archdiocese of New Orleans will offer a writing workshop for persons seeking an annulment in the Catholic Church or for persons responding to an annulment. The workshop will be held in the St. Benilde Teen Center in Metairie. The series will be for five (5) Tuesdays, June 8, June 15, June 22, June 29 and July 6, 2021. Hours are 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. The materials for the series cost $25.00. To register go to our website https://nolacatholicfla.regfox.com/annulment-writing-workshop. For more information, please call Cathy, 504-861-6243.

EVENING OF PRAYER AT DIVINE MERCY PARISH

The Divine Mercy Parish Legion of Mary invites you to attend an evening of prayer for our country at Divine Mercy Parish on May 31st, Memorial Day, to honor the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. The Evening will start at 6:30 PM with Mass, to be followed by the Patriotic Rosary. For more information, please visit https://www.divinemercyparish.org/events/evening-of-prayer-for-our-country

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUMMER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans is looking for adult and youth volunteers for the summer. High school students can participate in our SERVE program - an opportunity for high school students to give back to the community and achieve required service hours. Registration is non-refundable –$15 for SERVE. Registration is open now until full. All participants will receive a t-shirt. Register online at http:// www.ccano.org/serve-app/ Adult volunteers are needed in several Catholic Charities programs, but are a high need for our Family Literacy program. Family Literacy volunteers serve as tutors to adults learning English as a Second Language. The program will be conducted in an online format through the summer. Interested volunteers can sign up for an orientation at http://www.ccano.org/volunteer. The next training is virtual on May 10 at 5 pm. There are two trainings every month. For more information contact Shannon Murphy, Director of Volunteers at (504) 310-6962.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

The Peter's Pence collection is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church. "The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See." The collection will be taken up in our archdiocese on the weekend of **May 22-23, 2021**.

EUCHARISTIC LECTURE SERIES

Notre Dame Seminary will be offering a year-long "Eucharist Lecture Series" during 2021 for the Archdiocese of New Orleans' Year of the Eucharist. We will be offering a monthly event, beginning with a half-hour of Eucharistic Adoration and followed by a lecture and Q&A on the Eucharist, in Schulte Auditorium at NDS. Our fifth presentation will be entitled "Eucharistic Images and Art" and will be offered by Prof. Jordan Haddad, Director of Lay Ecclesial Ministry at Notre Dame Seminary. This event will take place on **Wednesday, May 19, 2021**, with Eucharistic Adoration beginning at 5:30 PM followed by a lecture and Q&A from 6:00- 7:00 PM. This event is FREE and open to the public. You can attend either in person (socially distanced) or virtually, but space is limited, so make sure to RSVP. Virtual attendees will receive streaming information.

NOTRE DAME SEMINARY SURVEY

Notre Dame Seminary requests your assistance as it conducts a survey of the people of the Archdiocese of New Orleans to help identify the challenges that local parishes are facing so that they can ensure that the formation programs at Notre Dame Seminary are properly preparing priests and lay people to serve parishes. Please take a moment to complete a brief online survey at www.nds.edu/survey. The survey will remain alive until **May 23, 2021**. Thank you.

PARISH NEWS

PARISH RESEPCT LIFE COMMITTEE

May Respect Life Focus: Healing after abortion
If you are looking to get involved in the Respect Life Focus for this month, listed below are some ways to help.
Corporal Works of Mercy: The Unborn
Visit our Sidewalk Ministry Page to learn more about the importance of Sidewalk Presence at a local abortion facility. Join one of our groups that pray at our local abortion facility - See information on specific dates/groups in the Respect Life Newsletter.

Consider helping Compassionate Burial for Indigent Babies (CBIB) with their burial costs of roughly $1600 to bury each baby. Any portion of the cost would be a welcome donation. CBIB has buried over 180 babies since its founding in 2007. They bury babies who were aborted, abandoned, and babies whose families are unable to cover the cost of their babies' burials.
Donate Walgreens, CVS, Walmart, and Target gift cards to Woman's New Life Clinic.
Join the annual March for Life in Washington, DC & Louisiana March for Life South in Baton Rouge
Attend or plan a Life Chain for the First Weekend in October
Post-Abortive Healing
Sponsor a retreatant who will be making a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat
Write a note/card of encouragement to one who will be making a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat
Make a donation to St. Vincent Maternity Clinic to sponsor a momma and her baby
Contact the Office of Catholic Cemeteries to sponsor a name of a baby on the Rachel Weeping statue.

Care for the Homeless-Supplies Needed. There is a urgent need for men's underwear, medium and large size. During this time of the COVID-19 pandemic, Our volunteer day at the Harry Tompson Center has been cancelled. The Harry Tompson Center is open with limited services. The address for the Harry Tompson Center is 1803 Gravier St., New Orleans, LA. 70112, Phone # 504-273-5547

Respect Life coordinators: George and Yvonne Wilson
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UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Thursday, May 20
Beginning of Ignatian Year
500th Anniversary of the Battle of Pamplona

Saturday & Sunday, May 22-23
Pentecost; Peter's Pence Collection

Sunday, June 6, 7:30 p.m.
First Mass Fr. Reginald Hoefer, O.P.

Thursday, June 10
Baptism Preparation Class

Saturday, June 12
Jesuit Ordination at Holy Name of Jesus Church

Sunday, June 13 Year of the Eucharist
Presentation of the Gifts

Sunday, June 13
9:30 am First Mass Fr. Louis Hotop, S.J.
11:00 am First Mass Fr. Brian Strassburger, S,J,

Saturday, June 19
Respect Life prayer at Clinic 4636 S. Claiborne

Tuesday, July 13, 5:30 p.m.
Pastoral Council Meeting

Thursday, July 8, 5:00 p.m.
Baptism Preparation Class

Saturday, July 17, 9:15 a.m.
Respect Life prayer at Clinic 4636 S. Claiborne

Saturday & Sunday, July 17 & 18
Black and Indian Missions Collection

Tuesday, August 3, 12:30 p.m.
Parish Finance Council Meeting

Sunday, July 25 Year of the Eucharist
The Eucharistic Prayer

Thursday, August 12, 5:00 p.m.
Baptism Preparation Class

PRAYER LIST

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

Gloria Anne Caldarera
Rena Cantrell
Margie Clark
Dr. Michael Connelly
Rosalyn DiBartolo
Zachary Fowlkes
Beverly George
Belinda Johnson
O.J. LaCour, Jr.
Sandy LaCour
Robin McKeever
McKord, Sumrall, Todd & Pinner Families
Jerry Mulkey
Matthew Palmer
Vivian Perkins
Shirley Schnyder
Sheldon Strasner
Rosalyn Vance
Tevest Vance
Imelda Ward
Dr. John Ware & Family
Trent Washington & Family
Carol Werling
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.

Edward Anderson †
James M. Baldwin †
Victoria Eugenia Banos †
Karen Buford †
Miriam Coubarous †
Jeff Curnow †
Kristien Davis †
Karen Dietz †
Maxine Amelia Ditto †
John F. Dougherty †
Lorraine Eschmann †
Sue Finegan †
Nancy Fortier †
Rosealie Foster †
Paul Gauthreaux †
Lois F. Gandolfi †
Rita Hebert †
Sharon Hewlett †
Bill Horrobin †
Albert E. Joseph, Jr. †
Owen J. LaCour, Sr. †
Keith Landry †
Clyde LeBlanc, Sr. †
Richard LeBlanc †
Shirley Levy †
Lloyd Lind †
Patricia McCown †
Wanda McGinn †
Pam Meldrum †
Vincent Messina †
Nageswary Mirtipati †
Joseph Patrick Noto †
LaVerne Moonier Nuttli †
Joyce Parker †
Mary Louise Shelton Parthum †
Phyllis Retif †
Connie Richardson †
Dorothy Romig †
Fr. Paul Schott, S.J. †
Gene Leslie Scott †
Firmin Simms †
Robert Daniel Sloan †
Dr. Robert Songy †
Rex Stem †
Hon. Henry Sullivan †
Lionel Thomas †
Richard Vanderbrook, Sr. †
Barbara York †
Frances Ware †
Beverly Perez Watts †
Ed Webb †
Michael Anthony Zulia †

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

WEDDING BANNS

Please keep in your prayers those who in the coming weeks will be united in the Sacrament of Matrimony

June 4, 2021

Jordan Lane Lucia & Tyler Roman Escarra

June 5, 2021

Hannah Morgan Vaughn & Taylor George Smith
Meredith Noelle Dubos & Casey Jordan Keifer

June 11, 2021

Elizabeth Jane Sherman & Raymond Carl Kleefisch III

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

Saturday, May 15

8:00 am Mike McCrossen †
4:00 pm Carl Orgeron †
Christopher Vanderbrook †
Marylynn Rooney †
Hon. John Shea †

Sunday, May 16

8:00 am Dot Jambon †
9:30 am Intention of Celebrating Priest
11:00 am Mass for the People
7:30 pm O.J. LaCour, Sr. †
James Daniel LaCour †
Mrs. Carrie Hernandez †
Elmo Konzelmann †

Monday, May 17

7:30 am Rev. Paul W. Schott, S.J. †
Noon Pat Dorion †

Tuesday, May 18

7:30 am Joan Fine †
Noon Tommy Ward †

Wednesday, May 19

7:30 am Mitch Boyter †
Noon Jean Cangelosi

Thursday, May 20

7:30 am Patrick Carrigan, Jr. †
Noon Rev. Paul W. Schott, S.J †

Friday, May 21

7:30 am Fr. Eugene Harrison, CSsR †
Noon Christopher Vanderbrook †

Saturday, May 22

8:00 am Neva Castillo †
4:00 pm Carl Orgeron †
Christopher Vanderbrook †
Mike McCrossen †
Richard Vanderbrook †

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Please keep in your prayers those who in the coming weeks will be united in the Sacrament of Matrimony

May 21 and 22, 2021

Christa Nicole Roscigno & Chaise Anthony Bennett
Shannon McConnell & Dylan Scheurich
Lindsey Marie Gunter & MacGregor Bulloch IV

May 28, 2021

Elise Michele DeBruler & Matthew Kevin Agostinelli
Stephanie Sotile & Blakely Gallagher

May 29, 2021

Katherine Elise Wall & Christopher Joseph Bassett

COLLECTIONS (May 3-9, 2021)

Sunday: $10,286.00
Weekdays: $478.00

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

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 **SP PLUS 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 SP Plus Parking emergency number is **504-293-4500**. *Questions?* Please contact Judy Burke at 529-1477, ext. 223.