Twenty-ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time

October 22, 2023



Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 45:1-6 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5 Matthew 22:15-21

Music

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

Gathering #593 I Want to Walk as a Child

of the Light

Psalm Response "Give the Lord glory and honor."

Gifts Preparation #685 How Can I Keep From

Singing

Recessional #688 O God, Our Help in Ages

Past

The texts of the Mass responses, as well as the Creed, can be found in the front covers 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

Since 1979 the Gallup organization has asked Americans about their confidence in sixteen major cultural and political institutions that are supposed to promote our national interests and enhance a sense of community. The average confidence in all sixteen has fallen from 48% in 1979 to 26% today. The latest poll shows 32% have confidence in the Church and organized religion. Even those low scores far exceed the public confidence in newspapers, television news, Congress, the Presidency, organized labor, and big business. This series of weekly reflections discusses the decline in confidence in the institutions that at one time provided strong support for our common national identity, enhanced a sense of community, and provided needed services for the public.

Many criticisms of the Church are justified. The Church is composed of sinners, imperfect people who at times lack good judgment. Jesus said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance." (Luke 5:31-32). From the beginning the church was led by imperfect men whose love of Jesus motivated them and encouraged to do great things. The gospels portray the apostles as clueless, self-promoting, and at times cowards. Many of the letters of the New Testament were written to address serious problems. Some congregations were divided by rivalries, by heretical teachers, or by arrogant leaders. The church survived in the beginning and throughout the ages because of the power of the Holy Spirit who takes the weak and makes them strong in bearing witness.

All of us are tempted to act out of our desire for status, power, control, comfort, pleasure, and approval. Some leaders of the church, clergy and lay, allow these temptations to become so exaggerated that they seem to diminish the higher motivations, devotion to God, feelings of compassion, and a sense of duty. Leaders in the Church are called to a higher standard that acknowledges one's weakness but also accepts God's grace so one can avoid exaggerating one's disordered needs. Many clergy seem to place a very high value on their status and power. The humble Christ must be our model. Others become inflexible as they absolutize their personal preferences in liturgy or other church maters.

The decline in the respect for the church as an institution can be attributed in part to the sinfulness and selfishness of church members and leaders. On the other hand, some of the decline comes from a rejection of the message of the gospel. A subsequent weekly reflection will discuss why so many reject the church's message.

Let us pray of the grace of humility for all church members and their leaders. Let us also pray for the grace of God's wisdom so that the Church may continue to proclaim the gospel, serve those in need, bring healing and forgiveness to the broken hearted. May the power of God continue to shine through our human weakness.

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? / WELCOME!



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, October 21

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

Sunday, October 22

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

Saturday, October 28

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

Sunday, October 29

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

PRAY FOR PEACE

Every Sunday Morning Coffee & Donuts are served in the parish hall following the 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Masses.

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

We have begun giving tours of the church again.

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

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.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ANNUAL DINNER

A Celebration of Catholic Generosity

The Catholic Community Foundation Annual Dinner is Thursday, October 26, at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel. Cocktails will be served at 6 p.m., with dinner following at 7 p.m. Archbishop Gregory M. Aymond and the foundation will present the 2023 St. John Paul II Award to Joseph C. and Sue Ellen Canizaro at the dinner. The award recognizes the stewardship exhibited by a Catholic layperson(s) of high moral character and exemplary values who has offered unselfish volunteer service to the institutions and programs of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Reservations are required. Register at https://ccfnola.org/annual-dinner or call Pam Richard at 504.596.3044. Please note this is a ticketless event. No tickets will be sold at the door or mailed.

2023 BLACK SAINTS CELEBRATION FOR BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH

All are welcome to join the community at our Annual Black Saints Celebration on **Saturday, November 4**. This celebration of Black Catholic History Month will feature preaching by Deacon Jesse Watley and music by our own Archdiocesan Mass Gospel Choir. We will also have an update on the Canonization process of Venerable Mother Henriette Delille by Sister Alicia Costa SSF who just returned from a visit with Pope Francis at the Vatican. The annual event will begin with a parade beginning at the Sister of the Holy Family Motherhouse at 10 am and will culminate with a prayer service at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church beginning at noon. All are welcome to participate. If your parish, school, or ministry would like to participate in the parade, please contact Mr. Anthony Carter at bcprez@cox.net. For more information about the event, please contact the Office of Black Catholic Ministries at bcatholics@arch-no.org.

ST. JOSEPH SEMINARY COLLEGE GALA

St. Joseph Seminary College will host its annual fundraising gala, Deo Gratias, on **Saturday, October 28, 2023,** beginning with Vespers at 6:00 PM, at St. Joseph Abbey, 75376 River Road, Covington, LA, featuring dining, entertainment, and an auction. You may purchase tickets by logging on to https://www.saintjosephabbey.com/deo

SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection this weekend will be for the World Mission Collection.

WORKSHOPS FOR NEW EXTRAORDNRY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Basic workshops for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are being presented this Fall by the Office of Worship. Attendance at a workshop for EMHCs is required before a person can be delegated by the Archbishop to serve in this ministry. The complete schedule and more information can be found on the Office of Worship website at https://nolacatholic.org/lay-liturgical-ministry-formation.

Participants are to be pre-registered by their parish before attending. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Worship at 504-861-6300 or worship@arch-no.org.

ST. JOSEPH SEMINARY COLLEGE COME AND SEE WEEKEND

All men 17 years and older are welcome to attend a Come and See Weekend at St. Joseph Seminary College on **November 3-5, 2023**. To register, visit our website at https://www.nolapriest.com/come-and-see.

COME AND SIT AT HIS FEET

A Silent Preached Retreat for Young Adult Women Friday, December 8 to Sunday, December 10 Camp Abbey Retreat Center, Covington

The CYO/ Youth & Young Adult Ministry Office invites young adult women to 'come and sit' at the feet of Jesus for a weekend silent preached retreat led by Claire Gallagher. Claire will draw on Scripture, the wisdom of St. Therese of Lisieux, and her own life experiences and ministry to help women grow in their spirituality and intimacy with Christ. Through talks, the sacraments, and quiet time for rest and reflection, all will explore Jesus' invitation to spiritual poverty, specifically in the context of femininity. The cost of the retreat is \$150/ person. Lodging and Saturday & Sunday meals are included. For more information and to register, visit nolacatholic.org/ya

PARISH NEWS

ALL SAINTS DAY

This year **All Saints Day, Wednesday, November 1**, is a holyday of obligation. Masses will be celebrated as follows:

Tuesday October 31, 5:15 p.m. (Vigil Mass)
Wednesday November 1 at 7:30 a.m., noon, 4:15 p.m.

Immaculate Conception Church will have Masses following the same schedule for **Friday, December 8**, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception.

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Several months ago a notice appeared in the bulletin announcing that the pastor in consultation with the parish pastoral council was considering reducing the number of Sunday morning Masses beginning in 2024. Fr. McGinn has decided that there is no need to make this change at this time. Jesuits from Loyola and Jesuit High School have generously helped the parish by celebrating at least two Masses on the weekends. The possibility of making a change beginning in 2025 remains open.

PARISH RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

Happy Respect Life Month— a time to celebrate and support human life and dignity. Each October the Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month as Respect Life Sunday. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between.

Please join in our spiritual work of mercy during the month of October.

Pray for those precious souls awaiting Adoption from our foster care system in Louisiana.

Pray for those who are in the process of placing a child for Adoption.

Pray for those who are waiting to adopt their child.

Pray for those who are being coerced to have an abortion.

Pray for those who are without support during pregnancy

Corporal works of mercy you can do:

Send a Walmart gift card to Catholic Charities Adoption Services to assist their birth families (http://adoptnola.com)

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Saturday, October 21, 8:45 a.m.

Respect Life prayer at Clinic 4636 S. Claiborne

Saturday, October 21, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Workshop for redelegation of extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday & Sunday, October 21 & 22

World Mission Collection

Sunday, October 22, 9:30 a.m.

Jesuit High School Mother-Son Mass

Tuesday, October 31

5:15 p.m. Vigil Mass for All Saints

Wednesday, November 1, All Saints Day

Masses at 7:30 a.m., noon, and 4:15 p.m.

Wednesday, November 1, 12:30 p.m.

Parish Finance Council Meeting

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

Baptism Preparation Class

Saturday, November 18, 9:15 p.m.

Respect Life prayer at Clinic 4636 S. Claiborne

Saturday & Sunday, November 18 & 19

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Thursday, November 23, 10:00 a.m.

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Sunday, November 26

First Sunday of Advent

Monday, November 27, 10:30 a.m.

Notre Dame Seminary Mass

Thursday, December 7, 5:15 p.m.

Vigil Mass, Immaculate Conception

Friday, December 8

Feast of the Immaculate Conception Masses at 7:30 a.m., noon, and 4:15 p.m.

PRAYER LIST

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

Walter Bonam Anthony K. Bourgeois Gloria Albano Caldarera Rena Cantrell George J. Cook Mira Mae Cosey Gina Guzzino Crooks Janet Dean Sharon Denson Rosalyn DiBartolo Zachary Fowlkes **Beverly George** McKord, Sumrall, Todd & Pinner Families Sean Ortlando Tim Parenton

Vivian Perkins
Sidney Pulitzer
Joyce Randolph
& Family
Myles & Ervin Red
Emmett Richards
Carol St. Germain
Shirley Schnyder
Sheldon Strasner
Rosalyn Vance
Tevest Vance
Imelda Ward
Trent Washington
& Family

Cora Washington &
Family
Lisa Werling
Harold Werling
Patricia Wilson
Woodard Family:
Flora, Lynel, Kierra,
Tyreke & Malik

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.

John Barbara, Sr. † Aline Hebert Barker † Barbara Bensel † Judy Brown † Diane "DeeDee" Burns † Fr. Stephen Campbell, S.J. † Bishop Fernand Cheri † Chris Chocheles + James Commagere † Edward Davis † Benjamin J. deBoisblanc † David Dietz † Art Dore † Yvonne Ferrand † Calsidonia J. Fiorella † Gilbert Ganucheau † Leonard "Buddy" Gately † Dr. A. J. Giorlando † Judy Giorlando † Cleon Gros † Dorothy Schutten Guste † Philip Matthew Henriquez † Andrew Hillery † Althea Hunter †

Omer F. Kuebel, Jr. †
Myrtle G. LeBlanc †
Robin McKeever †
Sellers Meric †
Lexi Mestas †
Jerry Mulkey †
Kenneth L. Odinet, Sr. †

Ana Laura Pavon Vega †
Toni R. Reaves †

Dorothy Romig +

Carol Bowman Russell †

Lyle Schilling †
Karen Schindler †
Patricia Schiro †
George Smith †
Catherine Spadora †
Ann DePass Stuart †
Wilbur Toups †
Edward Ward †
Fritz Windhorst †

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 OCTOBER PRAYER INTENTION

For the Synod

Charlie Kelley †

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

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

Saturday, October 21

8:00 am Clifford Wright †
4:00 pm Richard Vanderbrook †
Carl Orgeron †
Annabelle Serpas
Price Crane †

Sunday, October 22

8:00 am Jean P. Boettner †
Rev. William H. Reed †
Faith and Jim Carr
Owen J. LaCour, Sr. †

9:30 am Intention of Celebrating Priest

11:00am Mass for the People 7:30 pm Frederick Drouant †

Monday, October 23

7:30 am Glyn Miller †
Noon Anthony Jupiter †

Tuesday, October 24

7:30 am Dorothy Nunez Dubos †
Noon Edward Moises †

Wednesday, October 25

7:30 am Christopher Vanderbrook †
Noon George Clarence Adams †

Thursday, October 26

7:30 am Margaret Mullahy †
Noon Ronald J. Rizzo †

Friday, October 27

7:30 am Fr. James Martin Walsh †
Noon Janet Higgins †

Saturday, October 28

8:00 am Benjamin J. deBoisblanc †
4:00 pm Christopher Vanderbrook †
Carl Orgeron †

Frederick Drouant †
Pete Abercrombie †

WEDDING BANNS

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

October 27, 2023

Rachel Elizabeth Marino & Dillon Stephen Deshotel

October 28, 2023

Cindy Phuongthien Nguyen & Van Tran Le Kaylyn Elizabeth Blosser & Christopher Robert Handy Casey Marie Naccari & Rhett Matthew Crouch

November 3, 2023

Shea Exsterstein & Joshua Fresneda

November 4, 2023

Monica Bravo & Charles T. Mansour Bess Rosemary Ardon & Adam Donald Grimm

COLLECTIONS (October 9-15, 2023)

Sunday: \$8,772.00 Weekdays: \$414.00 Ministry to the Poor: \$1,060.00



The QR code to the left will bring you to a website where you can make a donation to Immaculate Conception Church.

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 208 O'Keefe

The new management of the parking garage at 208 O'Keefe has installed a new system for payment. Instead of using pre-paid cards, you will enter a one-time code on the Premium Parking app. Details are available on the website www.jesuitchurch.net and on the parish Facebook page Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church. You may bring to church office the cards you previously purchased, and we will give you a list of the one-time access codes. You may come to the church office Monday to Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Upon entering the garage, please enter the six-digit code and your license plate number in the Premium Parking app. You may park for 120 minutes.

The parish will provide special codes for parishioners at the previous rate of \$2.00.

THE CODES ARE VAILD ONLY DURING WEEKEND MASS TIMES.