Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time February 11, 2024



# Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church

# **Scripture Readings**

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1 Mark 1:40-45

# Music

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

Gathering # 703 There is a Wideness in

God's Mercy

Psalm Response "I turn to you, Lord, in time of

trouble, and you will fill me with

the joy of salvation."

Gifts Preparation # 645 Amazing Grace

Recessional # 949 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

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

Every year on January 8, the Church in New Orleans celebrates the deliverance of the city from invading British forces in 1815. The Ursuline sisters prayed to Mary under the title of Our Lady of Prompt Succor asking that God protect the city from the invaders.

In 1815 New Orleans was the most diverse city in the United States. In the early years of the nineteenth century, the descendants of Spanish and French colonists along with enslaved persons and a sizeable population of free persons of color were joined by Americans from the north, settlers from Haiti and other parts of the Caribbean. In addition, growing numbers of immigrants from Europe began settling in the city.

The history of the city reflects times of great prosperity produced by trade at the port and also times of great challenge and tragedy such as when yellow fever epidemics periodically struck the city. In many ways the providence of God has guided the city through challenging times.

Jerusalem received God's special blessings. Scripture portrays God as dwelling in the temple in a special way. Yet Jerusalem fell to the invading Babylonians in 587 B.C. They destroyed temple, the symbol of God's presence among his people. The treasures of the city were looted. Many of the highly educated and skilled workers were exiled to Babylon. The people of Jerusalem had become complacent; they took God's gifts for granted.

New Orleans likewise has been blessed by God, but its people have not properly appreciated God's gifts. The city prides itself on its relaxed atmosphere; it calls itself the Big Easy. New Orleanians boast of the city's uniqueness. The city revels in its history and its past glory. Our people place a great value on the city's cuisine. Visitors come to enjoy our food and drink.

Unfortunately, our complacency has allowed these gifts to degenerate. An acceptable slower pace has declined into an unacceptable lethargy. Pride in the city's uniqueness has become a narrow provincialism which refuses to learn from the success of other cities. The love of food and drink in some cases has gone so far as to fall into self-indulgence. The focus on past glory has devolved into self-pity.

The Old Testament prophets called on Jerusalem to repent. We need prophetic voices today to challenge our lethargy, our provincialism, and our self-indulgence. Most of all we need to shake off our self-pity which can make us angry and depressed. We must change our city, but we are too lazy to change; our energy has been sapped by our over indulgence; we have become too arrogant to learn from others, so we fall into resentment and blame others for our failures.

The Battle of New Orleans in our century takes place within us. Let us pray for the wisdom to acknowledge our problems and the courage to change ourselves. During the Carnival season let us take the opportunity to enjoy our city's special gifts. As we begin Lent let us reflect on how we may have misused or underappreciated these gifts.

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, February 10

4:00 p.m. No Mass (Mardi Gras)

# Sunday, February 11

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

7:30 p.m. No Mass (Mardi Gras)

# Saturday, February 17

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

# Sunday, February 18

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

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.

The church's high altar was designed by architect James Freret, who was one of the first two graduates of Jesuit High School. The altar was built in Lyons, France, and dedicated on December 8, 1873, 150 years ago. The first Jesuits in New Orleans emigrated from Lyons in 1847.



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**

#### **GRIEF MINISTRY**

#### I AM BELOVED. NOT BROKEN

Tuesday evenings during Lent 6:00pm Cenacle on the Lake / Archdiocese of N.O. Retreat Center 5500 St. Mary Metairie, La. *I am BELOVED, not BROKEN* Lenten Prayer Time speaks to the hearts of those Grieving from loss. Book written by Redbird Ministries. Cost is \$25.00 for materials and book. Please register at Cenacle on the Lake online or by calling 504-267-9604 Begins Feb. 20 and ends March 26, 2024.

#### **MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT**

First Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP for those suffering a loss of a child, parent, spouse, job or friend. There is No Fee and all are welcome. This is held at the Cenacle on the Lake 5500 St. Mary St. Metairie, La. Call 985-778-6277 for more information

First Thursday of the month **RED BIRD** is held at 6:30pm Our Lady of the Lake Cafeteria Mandeville, La call 985-778-6277 for more information. This is a group for parents and grandparents that lost a child of any age from miscarriage thru adult.

#### Grief is Work - Healing from Loss

Will be held at Mary, Queen of Peace 1501 W. Causeway Approach Mandeville, La from 6:30-7:30pm on Mondays for 4 weeks beginning February 5, 2024. For more information call 778-6277. This group is for anyone suffering a loss of a child, parent, spouse, job or other.

# NOTRE DAME SEMINARY GALA AND AUCTION

Notre Dame Seminary will hosting it annual Gala and Auction on **Saturday, March 16**. Sponsorships and individual tickets are available online at www.bidpal.net/NDSGala. Held on the grounds of Notre Dame Seminary, the evening begins with the patron party at 6PM, and the gala is 7-10PM. For more information about the event, please contact Mary Shaffo in the Development Office by phone at (504) 866-7426, ext. 374 or by email at mshaffo@nds.edu.

#### HOW TO PRAY THE MASS BETTER

St. Peter Parish, Covington presents Liturgist Chris Carstens, Director of the Office of Sacred Worship in La Crosse, Wisconsin, professor at the Liturgical Institute, and Editor of the *Adoremus Bulletin* - on **Feb 22** from 6:30-7:30pm in church.

# SECOND COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES

The second collection at all Masses **February 24-25**, **2024**, will be taken up for Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans. Your parish's support in this second collection provides crucial funds that enable Catholic Charities to bring hope and support to those in need..

Ways to support the Catholic Charities Second Collection:

- Give online through this link: www.ccano.org/ collection
- Send a check by mail to: PO Box 58009, NOLA 70158-8009
- Give during weekend in-person and online Masses on February 24 and 25, 2024. Donations through this second collection enable Catholic Charities to help over 73,000 individuals and families each year. Please encourage your parishioners to join in this mission of service to the poor and vulnerable by supporting Catholic Charities with an open and generous heart. 94 cents of every dollar received goes directly to community services. If you need additional collection envelopes or materials for this weekend, please contact Katie Truxillo at ktruxillo@ccano.org or (504) 592-5690.



# **CONFESSIONS**

Confessions will be available in all parishes of the Archdiocese from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on the following Wednesdays during Lent: March 6, March 13, and March 20, 2024.

# **PARISH NEWS**

#### **LUNDI GRAS AND MARDI GRAS**

On **Monday, February 12**, the only Mass will be celebrated at 7:30 a.m. The church will be closed after the morning Mass; there will be no 11:00 am confessions or noon Mass.

On **Tuesday, February 13**, the church will be closed all day. There will be no Masses on Mardi Gras .

# **ASH WEDNESDAY**

Ashes will be distributed after each of the Masses on **Ash Wednesday, February 14.** 

7:30 a.m. Noon 4:15 p.m. 5:30 p.m.

On Ash Wednesday confessions will be available from 11:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. and from 3:15 p.m. to 4:10 p.m.

# LECTORS, USHERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Lectors, Eucharistic ministers, and ushers are asked to volunteer for the services on Ash Wednesday. The sign-up sheets are in the sacristy.

# CIVIL RIGHTS PILGRIMAGE

Fr. Eddie Gros will lead a group of parishioners from Holy Name of Jesus on a pilgrimage of sites associated with the struggle for civil rights in and around Montgomery, Alabama.

On Saturday, February 24, the group will travel to Montgomery to tour two historic sites related to slavery and racism. The group visit the Legacy Museum: from Enslavement to Mass Incarceration, created by the author of *Just Mercy*, Bryan Stevenson. The museum covers the experiences of men, women and children who were enslaved, to the current age of racial injustice. The second site is the National Memorial for Peace and Justice, a sacred space for truth telling and reflection about racial terrorism in the form of lynching of thousands of Black people. The pilgrimage will continue with a visit to the chapel at Spring Hill College, where Father Gros will preside at a Mass for the pilgrims followed by dinner on campus.

The group will depart early on the morning of February 24 on a deluxe motorcoach, and arrive back at Holy Name of Jesus at 10:00 p.m. The cost will be approximately \$150 (depending on the final number of participants) and will include the bus ride, admission to the sites in Montgomery, and dinner at Spring Hill. Participants will be asked to place a deposit at <a href="https://www.hnjchurch.org/montgomery-pilgrimage">https://www.hnjchurch.org/montgomery-pilgrimage</a>

# **UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**

# Saturday & Sunday, February 10 & 11

Mardi Gras parades NO 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass SUNDAY MORNING Masses as usual NO Adoration, Confessions, or 7:30 p.m. Mass

#### Monday, February 12

Church Closed after 7:30 a.m. Mass NO noon Mass

# Tuesday, February 13 Mardi Gras

Church Closed, NO Masses

# Wednesday, February 14 Ash Wednesday

Masses at 7:30 a.m., noon, 4:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Confessions 11:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. Confessions 3:15 p.m. - 4:10 p.m.

# Saturday, February 17, 8:45 a.m.

Respect Life prayer at Clinic 4636 S. Claiborne

# Sunday, February 18 First Sunday of Lent

5:30 p.m. Confirmation classes begin

# Saturday & Sunday, February 24 & 25

Collection for Archdiocesan Catholic Charities

# Thursday, March 14, 5:00 p.m.

**Baptism Preparation Class** 

#### Saturday, March 16, 8:45 a.m.

Respect Life prayer at Clinic 4636 S. Claiborne

# Saturday & Sunday, March 16 & 17

**Archdiocesan Seminary Collection** 

# Thursday, March 28, 7:00 p.m.

Mass of the Lord's Supper

# Friday, March 29, Good Friday

Confessions 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross 12:00 noon Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3:00 p.m. Collection for Support of the Holy Land

#### **PRAYER LIST**

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

B.J. Arceneaux John Barker Gloria Albano Caldarera Rena Cantrell Rosalyn DeBartolo Tim Eichler Zachary Fowlkes **Beverly George Audrey Hart** Ericka Liliedahl Henri Louapre Bebe & Howard Maestri Patricia Wilson

McKord, Sumrall, Todd & Pinner Families Myles & Ervin Red **Emmett Richards** Susan Salm Shirley Schnyder Sheldon Strasner **Tevest Vance** Imelda Ward **Trent Washington** 

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

Andrew Zander

#### IN MEMORY

& Family

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

John Barbara, Sr. † Aline Hebert Barker † Barbara Bensel † Diane "DeeDee" Burns † John Cerise † Bishop Fernand Cheri † Chris Chocheles † James Commagere † Edward Davis † Benjamin J. deBoisblanc † David Dietz † Art Dore † Calsidonia J. Fiorella † Walker Foster † Gilbert Ganucheau † Leonard "Buddy" Gately † Judy Giorlando † Mary Glassman † Philip Matthew Henriquez †

Mary Nuttli † O'Neil Parenton † Tim Parenton † Vivian Perkins † Toni R. Reaves † Karen Riley † Dorothy Romig † Alex Rov † Beth Rush † Carol St. Germain † Lyle Schilling † Karen Schindler † George Smith † Rose M. Simonson † Catherine Spadora † Wilbur Toups † Roslyn Vance † Aline Walshe † Fritz Windhorst †

Andrew Hillery † Althea Hunter † The names of recently deceased Lucille Jacques † appear on the list for twelve Charlie Kelley † months. Myrtle G. LeBlanc † Please phone 529-1477 to re-Elleen Mashburn † quest that a name be included. Robin McKeever † Sellers Meric †

#### HOLY FATHER'S FEBRUARY INTENTION

#### For the terminally ill.

Lexi Mestas † Jerry Mulkey †

We pray that those with terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

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

#### Saturday, February 10

8:00 am Christopher Vanderbrook †

#### Sunday, February 11

8:00 am Alex Roy † Melsy Saunders † Edward Martin, Jr † Maureen Scheuermann † 9:30 am Intention of Celebrating Priest 11:00am Mass for the People

#### Monday, February 12

7:30 am Catholic Ladies Charity Guild of Houston

#### Tuesday, February 13

No Masses on Mardi Gras Day

#### Wednesday, February 14

7:30 am Richard Vanderbrook † Noon Clifford Wright 4:15 pm Carl Schaubhut † 5:15 pm Kevin Preau †

#### Thursday, February 15

7:30 am Mary Linda Serpas † Charlotte Evola † Noon

# Friday, February 16

7:30 am Lyle Schilling † Joan Gniadek † Noon

# Saturday, February 17

8:00 am Joanne Manalla Chauvin † 4:00 pm Christopher Vanderbrook † Carl Orgeron † Carl Schaubhut † Mary Glassman †

#### WEDDING BANNS

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

#### February 17, 2024

Elise Karen Glueck & James Edward Szeszycki, Jr.

# February 24, 2024

Ashlyn Lambert & Peyton Falgoust Fernanda Langa & Gordon Cramer

#### March 2, 2024

Mattie Brown & Kai Rozas

# March 9, 2024

Danielle Claire Sketchler & David Wayne Cannon, Jr. Morgan Smith & Brandon Roy

# **COLLECTIONS (January 29-February 4, 2024)**

Sunday: \$7,501.33 Weekdays: \$459.00 Ministry to the Poor: \$745.00



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 <a href="https://www.jesuitchurch.net">www.jesuitchurch.net</a> 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.