

# Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church



### Scripture Readings

Isaiah 60: 1-6  
Ephesians 3:2-6  
Matthew 2:1-12

### Music

4:00 pm, 10:00 am & 7:30 pm

- Gathering** # 438 Angels from the Realms of Glory
- Psalm Response** "Lord, every nation on earth will adore you."
- Gifts Preparation** # 427 Of the Father's Love Begotten
- Communion** # 463 We Three Kings
- Recessional** # 424 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

### 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.

**Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church**

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**MASSES**

Monday-Friday: 7:30 am, Noon

Saturday: 8 am, 4 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday: 8 am, 10:00 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: 9:30 am Rosary

7 pm Adoration, Rosary, &

[Benediction](#)

**CHURCH TOURS** 3:15 pm Saturdays

**WEEKLY REFLECTION**

The basic message of the four gospels is the same. God sent his Son into the world as one like us in all things except sin. As he announced coming of the Kingdom of God, Jesus healed the sick and expelled demons. He was rejected by the political and religious leaders of his people and was put to death. He was raised from the dead on the third day. He sent his disciples into the world to announce the good news of reconciliation with God.

Only the gospels of Matthew and Luke present the early years of Jesus. There is no narrative of Jesus' infancy in Mark or in John. Matthew wrote his gospel for Jews who had been converted to the faith. His gospel shows that Jesus fulfilled many Old Testament prophesies. Luke, on the other hand, addressed communities of Gentile Christians. Luke's gospel and his second book, the Acts of the Apostles, reflect the church's mission to the Gentile world. Since Matthew has many Jewish themes and Luke is oriented toward the Gentiles, one might assume that the story of the Magi would be in Luke's gospel rather than Matthew's.

The story of the Magi communicates Matthew's conviction that Jesus fulfilled the hopes and expectations of God's chosen people. He brought salvation to his people. Unfortunately, the religious and political leaders did not recognize who Jesus was. They resisted his message and later conspired to execute him. Ironically the Gentiles came to recognize who he was. The Magi asked, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" The recognition of the Gentiles at the opening of the Gospel prepares the way for the final words of Jesus at the conclusion of the gospel. "Go and make disciples of all nations." (Matthew 28:19)

Pagan astrologers sought Jesus and offered him homage, but the Jewish leaders who supposedly knew the Scriptures did not act on their knowledge. Instead of rejoicing at the news of the birth of the savior, they were deeply troubled. Herod in his eagerness to kill his rival murdered the young boys of Bethlehem. Herod's reaction anticipated how the religious authorities would reject Jesus thirty years later.

The story of the wise men from the East teaches us that the king whom the Father sent to his people was recognized by outsiders but rejected by his own people. God's plan included the Gentiles from the beginning. Some respond to Jesus by paying homage and worshiping him; others oppose him.

As we reflect on the story of the Magi, let us rejoice that message of salvation in Christ Jesus has been embraced by the Gentiles. Let thank those generations before us who accepted the truth of the gospel and communicated that truth throughout the world. Let us pray we may come to a deeper appreciation of how God's word and spirit are at work in all nations.

### 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.

**Every Sunday Morning Coffee & Donuts are served in the parish hall following the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 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](http://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*.

### MASS CELEBRANTS

#### Saturday, January 3

4:00 p.m. Fr. McGinn

#### Sunday, January 4

8:00 a.m. Fr. McGinn, S.J.

10:00 a.m. Fr. McGinn, S.J.

7:30 p.m. Fr. Brown, S.J.

#### Saturday, January 10

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

#### Sunday, January 11

8:00 a.m. Fr. McGinn, S.J.

10:00 a.m. Fr. McGinn, S.J.

7:30 p.m. Fr. Gros, S.J.

### 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](http://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.

### PRAY FOR PEACE



You might like to follow Immaculate Conception Parish on Facebook by logging onto [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com) and then entering *Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church* and "Like" us.


NEWS FROM AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**2026 ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW ORLEANS  
MEN’S CONFERENCE: LET IT BE DONE  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28  
ST. DOMINIC CHURCH**


The Office of Marriage and Family Life, in partnership with Willwoods Faith and Marriage and the Point Man Podcast is proud to announce the 2026 Archdiocese of New Orleans Men’s Conference theme. “Let It Be Done”.

Building on last year’s Conference on TRUST, this year’s conference will focus on the centrality of Mary’s trust in God and her responsibility for the life of the Church and the World. “Never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.” The same can be said of every Catholic man who fully embraces his vocation and lives his faith in the particular circumstances of his life.

This year’s Conference will come at a critical time for the life of our Church in New Orleans. It will be important for us to gather, to be encouraged in the faith, and to look forward in hope to what God is preparing. Visit [NolaCatholicMen.com](http://NolaCatholicMen.com) to learn more, sign up for group discounts, find promotional materials for your parish bulletin, and to register. Send questions to the Office of Marriage and Family Life at [mfl@arch-no.org](mailto:mfl@arch-no.org).



**BEARERS & BUILDERS OF HOPE**  
Silent Women’s Retreat  
with Sr. Judy Gomila, MSC  
January 16-18, 2026



Explore the varied ways that we, people of faith, continue to choose to be bearers and builders of HOPE. On both mountain-top days and in valley experiences, we follow the footsteps of Christ, our Hope.

**Register at**  
[neworleansretreats.com](http://neworleansretreats.com) or by  
calling 504-267-9604. Scholarships  
are available.

**Experience an evening of purpose and hope as we love them both!**



*Keynote Speaker*  
**Fr. Mike Schmitz**

**Proudly Pro-Life**  
*New Orleans*  
**Gala**  
*Friday*  
**JANUARY 16, 2026**

LOUISIANA RIGHT TO LIFE

**Proudly Pro-Life Honoree: Celie Clark**

## PARISH NEWS

## PARISHIONER CONTRIBUTIONS

The parishioners of Immaculate Conception Parish have generously supported the ministry of the Jesuits on Baronne Street for over 170 years. Their support has helped to develop a parish community where the sacraments are celebrated, the word of God preached, and support given to those in need through the Ministry to the Poor and the Harry Tompson Center. I am grateful for the families and individuals who have given so much to the parish. As pastor I have the responsibility to administer the parish so that what has been entrusted to the Jesuits will be used to advance our mission.

Under the terms of the archdiocese's bankruptcy settlement, each parish was required to contribute to a fund to compensate victims of sexual abuse. The archbishop has asked that we keep confidential the amount each parish was required to pay.

I can assure you that parishioner contributions were not used to fund this parish's obligation to contribute to the compensation of the victims. Each year the parish receives income from several other sources. Those funds and not contributions were used to pay the parish's share of the settlement.

Let us continue to pray for the victims of abuse. May the power of God's Spirit be with them in their challenges and sufferings.

### FIRST COMMUNION AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Children in the second grade who have been prepared in their Catholic elementary school or in their parish schools of religion may receive their first communion at Immaculate Conception Church at the 11:00 a.m. Mass on **Saturday, May 2, 2026**. One may register on the church's website [www.jesuitchurch.net](http://www.jesuitchurch.net).

<https://jesuitchurch.net/have-a-child-receive-first-communion>.

First confessions will take place on the preceding **Saturday, April 25, 2026**



## UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

**Sunday, January 4, 12:00, 2:00 p.m.**

Remembrance Ceremony for Victims of the New Years Terror Attack 2025.

**Thursday, January 8, 5:00 p.m.**

Baptism Preparation Class

**Saturday & Sunday, January 10 & 11**

Liturgical Music Fund Collection

**Tuesday, January 13, 5:30 p.m.**

Parish Council Meeting

**Saturday, January 17, 8:45 a.m.**

Respect Life Prayer at Clinic

**Saturday & Sunday, January 24 & 25**

Collection for Archdiocesan Catholic Schools

**Wednesday, February 4, 1:00 p.m.**

Parish Finance Council Meeting

**Thursday, February 5, 5:00 p.m.**

Baptism Preparation Class

**Saturday & Sunday, February 14 & 15**

Mardi Gras parades

NO 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

SUNDAY MORNING Masses as usual

NO Adoration, Confessions, or 7:30 p.m. Mass

**Tuesday, February 17, Mardi Gras**

Church Closed, NO Masses

**Wednesday, February 18 Ash Wednesday**

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

Confessions 11:00 a.m. to noon

Confessions 4:15 p.m. - 5:10 p.m.

**Saturday, February 21, 8:45 a.m.**

Respect Life prayer at Clinic 4636 S. Claiborne

**Saturday & Sunday, February 21 & 22**

Collection for Archdiocesan Catholic Charities

**PRAYER LIST**

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

Geraldine Boykins	Stephen Reel	
Rena Cantrell	Rudy Riego	
Cynthia Cheri	Cynthia Robertson	<i>Names appear for three months unless otherwise requested.</i>
Rosalyn DeBartolo	Shirley Schnyder	
Beverly George	Tevest Vance	<i>To request that a name be included, please phone 529-1477.</i>
Jason Martin	Imelda Ward	
McKord, Sumrall, Todd & Pinner Families	Trent Washington & Family	
Patricia Parker	Kenneth Williams, Jr.	
Joyce Randolph	Patricia Wilson	
Randolph Family		

**IN MEMORY**

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

Aline Hebert Barker †	Donald McClure †
Marc Belloni †	Ruth McKinnis †
Sheldon "Skip" Brechtel †	Donald Morris †
Emile Angelo Carmouche †	Gaye Ellis Morris †
Katherine Casey †	Salvador Mule' †
Taylor Casey †	Brian North †
Arthur Alexander Clarkson †	Janet Pesce †
John Combe †	Robert Quintana †
Dierdra "Dede" Dardis †	Rev. Allen Roy †
Edward Davis †	Sidonie Schmidt †
Lawrence Ecuyer †	Craig Schexnayder †
Pat Ellis †	Sheldon Strasner †
Brian Fabregas †	Jan Tate †
Lionel "Tiger" Favret †	Charles Warner †
Robert Fritz †	The 59 victims of a fire in Kocani, North Macedonia †
Philip Henriquez †	
Patricia Hodgson †	
Fr. Thomas Hoffman, S.J. †	
Evan Johnson †	
Ronald Karcher †	
William B. Kitchen †	<i>The names of recently deceased appear on the list for twelve months.</i>
Lorraine LaCour †	<i>Please phone 529-1477 to request that a name be included.</i>
Leslie Lange †	
Brother Ivy LeBlanc, S.C. †	
Grace Lemieux †	
Linda Venus Mayer †	

**HOLY FATHER'S JANUARY INTENTION**

**For prayer with the Word of God**

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

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

**Saturday, January 3**

- 8:00 am Timmy Maloz †
- 4:00 pm Richard Vanderbrook †
- Carl Orgeron †
- Price Malone
- Bob Richardson †

**Sunday, January 4**

- 8:00 am Adalyn Nugent †
- Nola Gordy †
- Dave Russo †
- Joan Schmitt †
- 10:00am Mass for the People
- 7:30 pm Owen J. LaCour, Sr. †

**Monday, January 5**

- 7:30 am Larry Tortorich †
- Noon Esther Pedesco †

**Tuesday, January 6**

- 7:30 am Anthony Dalfonso
- noon Julio Pastora †

**Wednesday, January 7**

- 7:30 am Phyllis Chauvin
- noon Betty Clark †

**Thursday, January 8**

- 7:30 am Clark Coglan
- noon James Straight †

**Friday, January 9**

- 7:30 am H. Norman Winterton †
- Noon David Warner †

**Saturday, January 10**

- 8:00 am Belvedere Damare Tripani †
- 4:00 pm Richard Vanderbrook †
- Carl Orgeron †
- Brian Gulotta †
- Katherine "Kitty" Voelker Mattesky †

**WEDDING BANNS**

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

**January 10, 2026**

Rebecca Katherine Andrews & Paul Dufour

**January 17, 2026**

Abigail Elizabeth Hess & Jack Emile Heidingsfelder

**January 24, 2026**

Sophia M. Bankston & Samuel Martin  
Anjelica Maria Romero & Ian James Pryor

**January 31, 2026**

Caroline Marie Douglass & Paul Joseph Gelpi III

**COLLECTIONS (December 15-21, 2025)**

Sunday: \$15,598.00

Weekdays: \$638.00

Ministry to the Poor: \$690.00

**Please use this QR code to make a contribution to Immaculate Conception Jesuit 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](http://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](http://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](http://www.jesuitchurch.net) and on the parish Facebook page *Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church*.

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 VALID ONLY DURING WEEKEND MASS TIMES.**