

I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.
Do you believe this?

John 11:25-26

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Scripture Readings

Ezekiel 37:12-14
Romans 8:8-11
John 11:1-45

Music

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

- Gathering # 474 From Ashes to the Living Font
- Psalm Response "With the Lord there is mercy and fulness of redemption."
- Gifts Preparation # 870 Jerusalem, My Happy Home
- Communion # 828 I Am the Bread of Life
- Recessional # 487ain We Keep This Solemn Fast

LENTEN MASSES

During Lent at the 4:00 pm, 10:00 am, and 7:30 pm Masses, traditional chants will be sung for these parts of the Mass.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Ky-ri-e, e-le-i-son
Chri-ste, e-le-i-son
Ky-ri-e, e-le-i-son

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

San-ctus, San-ctus,
San-ctus Do-mi-nus De-us Sa-ba-oth.
Ple-ni sunt cae-li et ter-ra glo-ri-a tu-a.
Ho-san-na in ex-cel-sis.
Be-ne-di-ctus qui ve-nit in no-mi-ne Do-mi-ni.
Ho-san-na in ex-cel-sis.

LAMB OF GOD

A-gnus De-i qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di:
mi-se-re-re no-bis.
A-gnus De-i qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di:
mi-se-re-re no-bis.
A-gnus De-i qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di:
do-na no-bis pa-cem.

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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

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| 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

Blessed are the pure of heart for they shall see God.

Around Valentine’s Day, we see a plethora of heart-shaped decorations. The heart connotes to us feeling, love, approval, and emotion. We might assume that when the Bible speaks of the heart it means deep personal emotions. In the ancient Hebrew culture, the body part that symbolized emotion, compassion, and love was the gut not the heart. In Biblical thought the heart is the core of the person, the mind, desires, and intentions. Since the heart is the center of the person, the Hebrews thought of it as a symbol for one’s intellect and moral decision making. Hence, the pure of heart are those who are sincere and morally clean before God. They give their undivided attention to God. Purity of heart is the opposite of hypocrisy and divided allegiances. In the context of the Old Testament, single-minded devotion to God meant avoiding idolatry and staying loyal to the covenant God made with his people.

At the time of Jesus, the Pharisees insisted that the people scrupulously observe all of the purity regulations in the law of Moses. Certain foods were considered unclean. Various persons and places were unclean and must be avoided lest one become unclean through contact. In contrast with the emphasis on ritual purity, many teachings of the Old Testament stressed that inner purity mattered more than ceremonial cleanness. Isaiah condemned an external religion without an interior devotion. “This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.” (Isaiah 29:13) When Jesus said “blessed are the pure of heart,” his listeners understood he was talking about purity of motive and intention and loyalty to God. Inner purity is more important than ritual purity.

The Beatitudes describe the character of those who live the values of the Kingdom of God. The previous Beatitudes describe the kingdom as belonging to those who are humble and obedient to God. Those with a single-minded devotion to God live the values of the kingdom. Purity of heart involves a personal transformation. It enables us to recognize what is God is doing through Jesus. The single-minded focus on God’s reign over us enables to see God’s saving work in our lives.

Sin clouds our spiritual vision. Our disordered desires prevent us from seeing the truth about God and ourselves. Spiritual blindness prevents us from rejoicing in the truth of God’s kingdom. When we sin we follow our own plan of life that is radically different from the one to which God calls us. Impure motives, such as pride, deceit, and selfishness distort our ability to recognize God’s presence and truth. The pure in heart see God in two ways. First those with undivided loyalty to God recognize the work of the kingdom. Seeing God’s presence and work in our world brings great consolation. Secondly those who have been undivided in their devotion to God will see him in the resurrection and in the vision of God the next life.

Let us pray for the grace to cast aside those motivations and desires which lead us away from God’s plan. May the Spirit give us the wisdom to see clearly God’s will for us. May the Spirit empower us to make obedience to God our priority so we can become the pure of heart who see God at work.

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.

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. 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, March 21

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

Sunday, March 22

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

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

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

Saturday, March 28

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

Sunday, March 29

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) 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 and then entering *Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church* and “Like” us.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

Fasting is to be observed on **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday** by all Catholics who are **18 years of age but not yet 59**. Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to each one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics **14 years or older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and on all Fridays of Lent**.

LENTEN CONFESSIONS

Confessions will be available in all parishes from 5:00 p.m. — 6:30 p.m. on the following Wednesdays during Lent: **March 11, 2026, March 18, 2026, and March 25, 2026**.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027

The Archdiocese of New Orleans Youth & Young Adult Ministry Office is excited to open up registration to young adults for their pilgrimage to Seoul, South Korea for World Youth Day 2027 from August 1 - 10, 2027. Journey with other young adults from the Archdiocese of New Orleans to Seoul to participate in World Youth Day celebrations with the Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, meet other young adult Catholics, and connect with the global Catholic Church. Those who are 18 years or older as of August 1, 2027 are invited to learn more about the pilgrimage, its itinerary, and expectations of pilgrims at an online Information Session on Monday, March 23rd at 7:00 PM. To register for this session and learn more about the young adult pilgrimage, visit nolacatholic.org/wyd27. For questions, contact the Office at yam@arch-no.org.

ST. GIUSEPPE CMA NEW ORLEANS GUILD

St. Giuseppe CMA New Orleans guild, a chartered guild of the Catholic Medical Association, presents PROTECTING LIFE FROM CONCEPTION TO NATURAL DEATH: LOUISIANA LAW FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS. Featuring Erica Inzina, Policy director, Louisiana Right to Life, on March 19, 2026, at 6:30 pm at Archbishop Rummel High School, Raider Room, 1901 Severn Avenue, Metairie, Louisiana 70001. This event is free and open to all healthcare professionals and students. Sign up now.

Province Day of Reflection
Fr. Ron Boudreaux, SJ, presenting
Tuesday, May 5, 2026
 or
Wednesday, May 6, 2026
Manresa House of Retreats
Convent, Louisiana

The Day of Reflection begins with registration at 8:00 a.m. and ends around 3:00 p.m. Breakfast and lunch are provided, and Mass will be celebrated.

Please click [Manresa Day of Reflection Registration](#) to make your reservation online.

NOTE: This is a province event and is not being organized by Manresa House of Retreats. *Please do not contact Manresa House of Retreats.*

For additional information, please contact the province Advancement Office at UCSAdvancement@jesuits.org, or Rosalie Tomeny at rtomeny@jesuits.org or 504-220-0472.

Registration closes when we have reached capacity or by April 20.

PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Each year, the Holy Father asks every Catholic parish around the world to take up a Collection on Good Friday to keep a Christian presence in the Holy Land. This year, help is needed more than ever. The Collection supports the work of the Franciscans in the sacred shrines, ministers to the parishes, provides formation and education in communities and schools, and cares for the basic needs of people in the Holy Land. During such a difficult time, where we must rebuild not only buildings but so many broken lives, your promotion of this important collection is essential. Once again, we ask for your prayers and encouragement for the Christians of the Holy Land and for the Holy Father's Good Friday Collection. Our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land are counting on you and your parish for help.

PARISH NEWS

PARISH RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

The March Respect Life focus is on Disabilities
Please join in our spiritual works of mercy...during the month of March include these in your prayers.

Prayer for those with Disabilities:

Lord Jesus Christ, You know the pain of brokenness, You took our weaknesses upon Your shoulders and bore it to the wood of the cross. Hear our prayers for our brothers and sisters whose bodies fail them and whose minds are crippled by the ravages of disease. Implant a love for them deep within our hearts, that we, disfigured and disabled by our sin, may treasure and nurture the gifts of their lives. May we find You in their weakness, and console You in our care for them. For You are Lord, forever and ever. Amen

Prayer for Caregivers:

Healer of souls and comforter of the weary, help to lighten the burden of families who are caring for their sick loved ones. Accompany them on their journey and ease their anxiety and fears. Surround them with the love and strength of others, so they may experience the healing presence of the communion of saints. We ask this through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes and in the name of your Son, Jesus and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

*Special Prayers for March**Prayer for the Protection of All Life:*

Loving Creator, You formed each of us in Your image and breathed life into our souls. In this season of Lent, help us to see the dignity in every person — from the smallest child in the womb to the elderly nearing their final days. Give us courage to defend life with compassion and truth. Amen.

Prayer for Families and Adoption:

St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus, we entrust to your care all children in need of a loving home. Intercede for birth parents, adoptive families, and all who walk the path of adoption. May they be strengthened by God's grace and surrounded by a community of love. Amen.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

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

Respect Life prayer at Clinic 4636 S. Claiborne

Wednesday, March 25, 5:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.

Confessions in every church in the Archdiocese

Thursday, April 2, 7:00 p.m.

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday, April 3, 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

Saturday, April 4, Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 5, Easter Sunday

Masses at the usual times

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 7:30 p.m.

Maintenance Fund Collection

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

Confirmation Rehearsal

Wednesday, April 8, 7:00 p.m.

Confirmation

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

Baptism Preparation Class

Tuesday, April 14, 5:30 p.m.

Pastoral Council Meeting

Saturday, April 18, 8:45 a.m.

Respect Life prayer at Clinic 4636 S. Claiborne

Saturday, April 25

First Confessions for Second Grade Children

Saturday & Sunday, April 25 & 26

Catholic Home Mission Collection

Saturday, May 2

11:00 a.m. First Communion

PRAYER LIST

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

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| Rena Cantrell | McKord, Sumrall, Todd & Pinner Families | Trent Washington & Family |
| Gaelynn Cavalier | Suzanne McWilliams | Harold Werling |
| Lisa Cohane | Cathy Nelson | Lisa Werling |
| Nancy Colomb | Patricia Parker | Shelly Wild |
| Rosalyn DeBartolo | Ewell "Corky" Potts | Patricia Wilson |
| Danica Denny | Joyce Randolph | <i>Names appear for three months unless otherwise requested.</i> |
| Mikie Denny | Randolph Family | <i>To request that a name be included, please phone 529-1477.</i> |
| Clement J. Dison | Thomas Riggs | |
| Beverly George | Shirley Schnyder | |
| John Halk | Tevest Vance | |
| Kevin Laborde | Imelda Ward | |

IN MEMORY

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

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| Robert Barbalich † | Ursula Huete Kaley † |
| Marc Belloni † | William B. Kitchen † |
| Carolyn Kiper Bowman † | Lorraine LaCour † |
| Llowellyn Brown † | Leslie Lange † |
| Emile Angelo Carmouche † | Brother Ivy LeBlanc, S.C. † |
| Katherine Casey † | Grace Lemieux † |
| Arthur Alexander Clarkson † | Nicholas Lorusso † |
| Douglas Clifton † | Jason Martin † |
| John Combe † | Linda Venus Mayer † |
| Barbara Connick † | Donald McClure † |
| Dierdra "Dede" Dardis † | David McGill † |
| Edward Davis † | Donald Morris † |
| Lawrence Dittman † | Gayle Ellis Morris † |
| Lawrence Ecuyer † | Brian North † |
| Brian Fabregas † | Harry Nunez † |
| Lionel "Tiger" Favret † | Robert Quintana † |
| Norman Francis † | Rev. Allen Roy † |
| Robert Fritz † | Sidonie Schmidt † |
| J. Keefe Hecker † | Craig Schexnayder † |
| Philip Henriquez † | Sheldon Strasner † |
| Patricia Hodgson † | Jan Tate † |
| Fr. Thomas Hoffman, S.J. † | Charles Warner † |
| Donna Italiano † | Blaine Williams † |
| Connor Johns † | The 59 victims of a fire in Kocani, North Macedonia † |
| Evan Johnson † | <i>The names of recently deceased appear on the list for twelve months.</i> |
| Joan Gisevius Johnson † | |
| Thelma Jupiter Joseph † | |
| Ronald Karcher † | |

HOLY FATHER'S MARCH INTENTION

For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders will choose a path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

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

Saturday, March 21

8:00 am Clark Colgan †
4:00 pm Christopher Vanderbrook †
Carl Orgeron †

Sunday, March 22

8:00 am Elvina DiBartolo †
10:00am Mass for the People
7:30 pm Owen J. LaCour, Sr. †

Monday, March 23

7:30 am Greg Tonore †
Noon David McGill †

Tuesday, March 24

7:30 am David Warner †
Noon Barbara Dickson Connick †

Wednesday, March 25

7:30 am Brenda Ordoyne †
Noon France Falcone Ross †

Thursday, March 26

7:30 am Mary Glassman †
Noon H. Norman Winterton, MD †

Friday, March 27

7:30 am Sr. Gwen Grillot, O.Carm. †
Noon Mable Cobbins †

Saturday, March 28

8:00 am Warren James Milan, Jr.
4:00 pm Richard Vanderbrook †
Carl Orgeron †

WEDDING BANNES

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

March 28, 2026

Madison Mistretta & Evan Francioni

April 11, 2026

Allison Suzanne Nicaud & Felix Joseph Ciolino

Rachal Delouche & Corey Mitchel

April 17, 2026

Lauren Ashley Lister & Isaac Andrew Tyler

April 18, 2026

Morgan Guadalupe McGuire & Arthur Lee Eberly IV

Sophie Leigh Sercovich & Dylan Thomas Scully

Georgia Louise Trist & Alexander Anthony Nunez

April 25, 2026

Adeline Holyfield & Preston Stafford

COLLECTIONS (March 9-15, 2026)

Sunday: \$8,050.00

Weekdays: \$641.00

Ministry to the Poor: \$730.00

Second Collection (Seminarian Education): \$1,330.00

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.

Please use this QR code to make a contribution to Immaculate Conception Jesuit Church.

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*.

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.

