

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

Established – 1863

Diocese of Tyler – Most Rev. Joseph E Strickland - Bishop

201 N. Vale St. Jefferson, TX 75657

Phone: 903-665-2869

Welcome Everyone to Praise and Glorify the Lord.



Our Mission

We, the Roman Catholic Community of Immaculate Conception Church, under the guidance and protection of Mary, Our Blessed Mother, recognize ourselves as disciples of Jesus Christ. We strive to be a prayerful, Eucharistic Family, open to the Power of the Holy Spirit and conscious of our mission to use our time, talent and treasure in service to our brothers and sisters.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 p.m., Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Devotion of the Holy Rosary

Every Saturday @ 4:30 p.m.

Every Sunday @ 8:30 a.m.

Every Wednesday @ 6:00 p.m. (Unless otherwise noted)

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday @ 12:10 p.m.

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday @ 9:00 a.m.

First Friday Mass, Adoration & Benediction Schedule

9:00 a.m. Mass with Adoration & Benediction Following Mass

First Saturday Mass @ 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday & Friday 8:15a.m. – 8:45a.m.

Saturday 4:15p.m. - 4:45p.m. Sunday 8:15a.m. – 8:45a.m.

Pastor

Rev. Msgr. Zacharias (Zach) Kunnakkattuthara

903-724-0865

Associate Pastors

Rev. Father Isaac Oviedo

903-806-5164

Rev. Father Selvan Melkhias

903-935-2536

Immaculate Conception Parish Office

209 W Lafayette St

Phone: 903-665-2869

Hours – Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Email: icccjefferson@sbcglobal.net

Church Website: <http://www.icccjeffersonstx.org>

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 7, 2022



Why Stewardship

*Receiving God's gifts gratefully
cultivating them responsibly,
sharing them lovingly in justice with others;
returning them with increase to the Lord.*

Your generosity and time is greatly appreciated!

Offertory Collections

Week of July 31, 2022

Total General Collection \$2,500.00
Regular Collection \$ 2,370.00
Online Collection \$ 130.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Upcoming Special Collections

August 7th – Fund for those in Need

Gift of Gratitude St. Vincent de Paul

WEEK OF 8/04/2022

Food for the poor: # of cans & packages: 24
Families served: 12 (20 People)

*Thank You, God, for your ongoing generosity; so that, we can
work to provide for those in need.
Remember our needy in the community, with a donation in the
St. Vincent de Paul basket in the vestibule of the Church. It is a
nice way of remembering our needy.*

Thank you for helping others in our Community!
St Vincent de Paul Meetings
9:30 a.m. Thursdays in the Classroom
Everyone is welcome to attend!

Lay Ministry Schedule August 2022

Saturday, August 6, 2022

Susan Wise

Sunday, August 7, 2022

Philip Verhalen

Saturday, August 13, 2022

John Dockery

Sunday, August 14, 2022

Jackie Traylor

Saturday, August 20, 2022

Johnette Grubaugh

Sunday, August 21, 2022

Roger Opiela

Saturday, August 27, 2022

Collette Dockery

Sunday, August 28, 2022

Irene Webster

If you are interested in becoming a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server, Usher, or Cantor please let us know.

Email us @ icccjefferson@sbcglobal.net

or call 903-665-2869

Training will be provided for all positions.

Altar Care

Week of 8/08/22 – Andrea Bautista

Week of 8/15/22 – Sharon Verhalen

If you are interested in volunteering your time for one or two weeks a year to assist with altar care and help keep your church beautiful for our parishioners and our visitors to enjoy, please let us know.

Email us @ icccjefferson@sbcglobal.net
or call 903-665-2869

*August 7th Responsorial –
Psalm 33:12b*

*Blessed the people the Lord has chosen
to be his own.*

*August 14th Responsorial –
Psalm 40:14b*

Lord, come to my aid!

Safe Environment

If you are a victim, know a victim, or need to report abuse involving Church personnel please report the violation to the civil authorities and also to the

Victim Assistance Coordinator at 903-266-2159
or email vac@diocesoftyler.org

You may also call: **The Promoter of Justice**
@ 903-534-1077 x171
or email promoter@diocesoftyler.org

Lord Hear Our Prayer!



Prayer List

Please remember in your prayers those who need prayers in our Parish Family and Community.

Parishioners

Anna Bode Family	Rufe Brewton
Martina Cerda	BeBe Dorgan
Mary Dorgan	Sharon Deangelo
Celeste Dellinger	Dawn Fuquay
Fred Griffin	Lorraine Jolin
*Darrell Lensch	Judith Lensch
Linda McCollim	Jo Miller
Wayman Moore	Yvonne Thompson
Randy Webster	Rebecca Cornett Sistrunk

Family & Friends

July 2022

LaVerne Beard	The Bentley Family
Rev. Bernard Boteju	Myriam Dominguez
Brittany Jordan	Terri McCoy
Amil Murray	Rev. Joseph Nasser
Dr. John Parsons	Lee Piccolo
Sherry Rawls	*French Sturrock
Melissa Velasquez	Crystal Walker

June 2022

Jaiden Becker	Julie Becker
Rachel Born	Sherry Deangelo
Renee & David Oberle	Noelia Thomas

May 2022

Hope D'Asto	B.W. Hayes
Molly Jones	Liam McCawley
Kenny Mills	

Pope Francis

Prayer Intentions for August 2022

For small businesses

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

Mass Intentions - August 2022

Tuesday, August 2, 2022 – For Andrea Ramsey & Kenlie Penny
(Requested by Pam Watts)

Wednesday, August 3, 2022 – For Trish Cancellare

Thursday, August 4, 2022 – For Day Care Workers

Friday, August 5, 2022 – For all the victims of gun violence

Saturday, August 6, 2022 9:00am Mass – For the souls in purgatory
(Requested by Ladies Altar Society)

Saturday, August 6, 2022 5:00pm Mass – For all Parishioners in the Immaculate Conception Community

Sunday, August 7, 2022 – For the repose of the soul of Joaquina Martinez
(Requested by Jo Miller & Family)

Tuesday, August 9, 2022 – For Trish Cancellare

Wednesday, August 10, 2022 – For Trish Cancellare

Thursday, August 11, 2022 – For the repose of the soul of LuAnn Robertson
(Requested by Jo Miller)

Friday, August 12, 2022 – For Gary P Holland
(Requested by Melody Holland)

Saturday, August 13, 2022 – For all the Ladies of the Parish
(Requested by Ladies Altar Society)

Sunday, August 14, 2022 – For all Parishioners in the Immaculate Conception Community

Tuesday, August 16, 2022 – For Mike Moore

Wednesday, August 17, 2022 – For Trish Cancellare

Thursday, August 18, 2022 – For Pam Watts

Friday, August 19, 2022 – For the Robertson Family
(Requested by Jo Miller)

Saturday, August 20, 2022 – For the repose of the soul of Mary Saner
(Requested by Ladies Altar Society)

Sunday, August 21, 2022 – For all Parishioners in the Immaculate Conception Community

Tuesday, August 23, 2022 – For Martha Vrla
(Requested by Ken & Suzanne Vrla)

Wednesday, August 24, 2022 – For Trish Cancellare

Thursday, August 25, 2022 – For the repose of the soul of Mary Presley
(Requested by Josephine Gerweck)

Friday, August 26, 2022 – Thanksgiving for safe delivery of Grandbabies
(Requested by Jo Miller)

Saturday, August 27, 2022 – For all Parishioners in the Immaculate Conception Community

Sunday, August 28, 2022 – For the repose of the soul of Orlando Martinez
(Requested by Irene Webster)

Tuesday, August 30, 2022 – For Landry Thomas
(Requested by Kathy Warner)

Wednesday, August 31, 2022 – For Trish Cancellare

Please submit your mass intentions in the envelopes provided.

You may put them in the collection basket or turn them in at the office.

Cards are available in the office to notify recipients and/or families. intentions you have submitted for them and/or their loved ones.

A Message from Msgr. Zach

Dear Friends,

Antiques Roadshow is a popular television series where people bring family treasures to be valued by experts in antiques. The expert encourages them to tell the story behind the object. What people are bringing is often not just an artistic treasure but the story of their family relationships, history and identity in a war souvenir, an engagement ring or a pile of love letters. Or it may be an ornament picked up in a market or auction as a bargain, sold by its previous owner for next to nothing. One person's junk is another person's treasure.

At the end of the interview, the expert comments on the object in terms of its antique or artistic value and then reveals its monetary value. Sometimes there is shock and amazement that an ugly old object that has gathered dust for years is worth huge sums of money. Sometimes there is disappointment that what was thought to be worth a fortune is virtually worthless. But often the owner says that whatever the object's worth, they would not sell it because its value is beyond price. It holds precious memories of childhood, or of a beloved relative now long gone. Few people are prepared to sell what is precious to them in such terms. We cannot think of cherished memories of loving relationships or of our family sense of identity in terms of money, and this tells us something important about who we are made to be as human beings.

Most of Jesus' followers were poor people who struggled daily to make a living. So why do they have to sell their possessions and give the money to the poor instead of keep the money to support themselves? The answer lies in what Jesus says about remaining alert and prepared for the coming of salvation. He is talking of where our heart truly is and therefore of where our deepest consciousness is. If our minds are entirely occupied with the attachment to things or people, that can betray a deep lack of trust, and we will have little space for developing a mind and heart in tune with God's vision for the world. Being a "cheerful giver" is evidence not only of generosity but of courage. It is evident that our deepest hope lies in God and not in money, power or any other means of dominating our surrounding world. Pope Benedict XVI, in his encyclical on hope said that "the one who has hope lives differently." This Gospel is Jesus' invitation to us to live differently, with a different set of values that puts love of God and of others, and transformative action in the world, before the baubles of fame, power and fortune. We can live confidently and without fear when we have become free from all forms of internalized idolatry.

When Jesus challenges us to give in a way that supports and transforms the life of others, he is talking of what it truly means to believe that we are one body with him. For what we do to the least of his brothers and sisters, we do to him. This is the building up of the kingdom, to which all are invited as transformers of the world and "revolutionaries of tenderness." This kind of generosity is not just going thru the motions but giving away part of ourselves. By doing so we receive ourselves back from the hands of "the least", who are the mirror of Christ – whatever we do for them, we do for him and vice versa. Our anxieties and fears are transformed into hope when we let go of needing to control everything. To love this transformative faith, hope and love we need to become alert and sensitive to the signs of Christ's presence on earth. The more we become aware of him in all areas of our life, the more he shows us what it is to be fully and truly human.

Your friend in Jesus
Msgr. Zach

Please Pray for the Active Military from our Community

Juan Carlos Acuna
Kendall Benton
Gabriel Cantu
Drew Downey
Winston J Jones
Matthew Kopecky
Dominick Pondant
Desire Robertson
Haley Sellers
James Trachier
Brent Westbrook

Mary Alder
Aubrey Sperier Arenavas
Dillon Corpier
Molly Jones
Bo Dylan Jordan
Robert Miller
Kyrie Lay Redd
Salvador Sanchez Jr
Perry Staten
Joseph Trachier
Heath Zeigler

Community Happenings. . .

Donation Envelopes



This coming year we will be changing to a new company for donation envelopes. The new company will mail your donation envelopes directly to you.

There will be a sign-up sheet in the vestibule. Please be sure to sign up if you want envelopes for next year.

***Envelopes will ONLY be sent out to those who SIGN UP!!!**

Ethics and Integrity Class

There will be training in Jefferson
Saturday, September 24, 2022
9:00 am to 12:00 noon.

For more information see pg. 7
of the bulletin.

9th Annual Baby Bottle Campaign



Right to Life of East Texas is having a special fundraiser to support pro-life efforts in our area.

If you wish to participate, pick up your bottles and fill them with loose change, a check or any funds you wish to donate. Return them to the church or to the office.

PLEASE put your name on a piece of paper in the bottle so we know you returned it.

Donations are tax deductible.

On behalf of Right to Life of East Texas, we thank you for your generous support.

You are saving Lives!

Please return the bottles whether you donate or not as they are reused every year.

Happy Birthday Fr. Isaac!!!



**A little bird mentioned that
Fr. Isaac celebrated his birthday
last Saturday, July 30th.**

**Make sure to wish him a happy
belated birthday this Sunday!**



What's Coming & Valuable Information . . .



Readings for the 19th Week in Ordinary Time SUNDAY'S READINGS -

First Reading: Book of Wisdom 18:6-9

For when you punished our adversaries, in this you glorified us whom you had summoned. (Wis 18:8)

Psalm: 33:1-22

Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own. (Ps 33)

Second Reading: Letter to the Hebrews 11:1-19

For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and maker is God. (Heb 11:10)

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

"You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." (Lk 12:40)

Bulletin

If you would like to have an announcement published in the weekly church bulletin, please submit your information request to the parish office by **noon on Wednesday** for review.

Thank you!

Rachel's Corner

"And he that sat on the throne, said: Behold, I make all things new." Rev. 21:5

Consider looking at the darkness you feel inside of you since your abortion decision, as in invitation into the light again. God has not abandoned you and wants to be that dawn for which you yearn so desperately, after a very long night. Join us for a One-day "He Makes All Things New" Retreat or our support group and allow His mercy to put you back together again.

Healing After Abortion/Project Rachel Ministry

www.sanctityoflifestyle.org/project-rachel

Call or text 903-539-2941

fonda.projectrachel@protonmail.com

LOST AND FOUND

*Good St. Anthony,
look around!*

*Something's is lost
and can't be found!*

**IF YOU BELIEVE YOU HAVE LOST SOMETHING IN
THE CHURCH COME BY THE OFFICE OR CONTACT US**

Call us @ (903) - 665 - 2869

Email us @ Icccejferson@sbcglobal.net

Ethics & Integrity Training

Subject: New training for persons assisting with Church ministries at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Jefferson.

Any person involved in any ministry will need to register and complete a background check.

Examples: Proclaimers, Catechists, Men's Club, Altar Society, Parish Council, Building Committee, Finance Council, Cantors, Choir, Church Administration, St. Vincent de Paul etc.

We are a small parish and we require that everyone involved with the church take the training.

Go to: www.virtusonline.org

To set up you User ID & Password follow the steps below.

Click on First time registrant

1. Click begin the registration process
2. Select organization: Tyler (Diocese)
3. Previously registered? NO
4. Create user ID & Password

Doing so should automatically bring up the background check. You must complete all tabs. Each church is responsible for the cost of the background checks for their respective Parishioners.

After completing the background check, you will click on the home tab and go to current training. You will then register for a training. You may choose the **Jefferson training on September 24, 2022**. Or, if you are unable to attend on the set date, you may choose another location. All Background checks and Ethics trainings **MUST BE COMPLETED** by **October 31, 2022**, as we have reports that need to be completed in a timely manner. Failure to complete the required background check and training will result in you not being able to participate in any ministry.

It is up to you to complete the background check, register and attend the training in its entirety.

Side Note:

Any new parishioners must be attending Mass and active in the parish for at least six months before participating in any ministries. This will allow the parish to get to know the new parishioners personally. As a new parishioner you can complete the new training now.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

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