

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 Adoration & Benediction Schedule

Following 9:00 a.m. Mass

First Saturday Mass @ 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every 3rd weekend of the Month

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 Gabriel Uzundu

903-907-1446

Immaculate Conception Parish Office

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Hours –Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 17, 2023



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 September 10, 2023

Total General Collection	\$1,566.00
Regular Collection	\$ 1,386.00
Online Collection	\$ 180.00
Those in Need	\$335.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Gift of Gratitude St. Vincent de Paul

WEEK OF 09/14/2023

Food for the poor: # of cans & packages: 17
Families served: 10 (24 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!

September 17th Responsorial Psalm 95

*The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and
rich in compassion.*

September 24th Responsorial Psalm 145

The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

Altar Care

Week of 09/18/2023 – Marguerite Hawthorne

Week of 09/25/2023 – Andrea Bautista

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

Upcoming Special Collections

September 10, 2023 – Fund for Those in Need

October 1, 2023 – Fund for Those in Need

October 22, 2023 – World Mission Sunday

Lay Ministry September 2023

Saturday, September 2, 2023

Pam Watts

Sunday, September 3, 2023

Jackie Traylor

Saturday, September 9, 2023

Collette Dockery

Sunday, September 10, 2023

Roger Opiela

Saturday, September 16, 2023

Pam Watts

Sunday, September 17, 2023

Troy Hines

Saturday, September 23, 2023

Tammy Cornett

Sunday, September 24, 2023

Irene Webster

Saturday, September 30, 2023

John Dockery

Sunday, October 1, 2023

Colete Hines

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, September 16, 2023

Johnette Grubaugh & Pam Watts

Sunday, September 17, 2023

Kat Bellini & Irene Webster

Saturday, September 23, 2023

Teresa Beard & Johnette Grubaugh

Sunday, September 24, 2023

Kat Bellini & Anita Hall



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	Sharon Deangelo
Mary Dorgan	BeBe Dorgan
Dawn Fuquay	Fred Griffin
Troy Hines	Lorraine Jolin
Darrell Lensch	Judith Lensch
Linda McCollim	Jo Miller
Wayman Moore	Amil Murray
Sandra Remedies	Yvonne Thompson
Rebecca Cornett Sistrunk	The Watts Family

Family & Friends

September 2023

Tammy Bennett	Betty Carroll
Jim Carroll	Rogelio Guel
Roy Hall	Reza Hatami
Rita Hatami	Tammy Bennett
Jonathan, Jard	*Curtis Magrese
Rev. Joseph Nasser	Paul Fitch

August 2023

Christina Farar	Jack Parker
Emerson S.	Luisa Seelbach
Wayne Seelbach	

July 2023

Marsha Foss	Nancy Horn
Mary Mallet	Paul Morehead

Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for September 2023

For people living on the margins

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

Mass Intentions-September 2023

- Saturday, September 2, 2023 9:00am**– For all Parishioners in the Immaculate Conception Community
- Saturday, September 2, 2023 5:00pm**– For the Repose of the Soul of Susan Wise
(Requested by Ladies Altar Society)
- Sunday, September 3, 2023**– For Andrea Bautista
(Requested by Blanca Guel)
- Tuesday, September 5, 2023**– For the Repose of the Soul of Jack Lloyed
(Requested by Diane Shaw)
- Wednesday, September 6, 2023**– For Wayman & Rosemary Moore
(Requested by Pam Watts)
- Thursday, September 7, 2023**– For all the Souls in Purgatory
- Friday, September 8, 2023**– For the Repose of the Soul of Adron Miller
(Requested by Jo Miller)
- Saturday, September 9, 2023**– For the Repose of the Soul of Randy Webster
(Requested by Irene Webster)
- Sunday, September 10, 2023**– For all Parishioners in the Immaculate Conception Community
- Tuesday, September 12, 2023**– For the Repose of the Soul of Esteban Guel Martinez
(Requested by Blanca Guel)
- Wednesday, September 13, 2023**– For the Repose of the Soul of Susan Wise
(Requested by Miller Family)
- Thursday, September 14, 2023**– For the Repose of the Soul of George Timms
- Friday, September 15, 2023**– For a Special Intention
(Requested by Jo Miller)
- Saturday, September 16, 2023**– For the Repose of the Soul of Susan Wise
(Requested by Irene Webster)
- Sunday, September 17, 2023**– For all Parishioners in the Immaculate Conception Community
- Tuesday, September 19, 2023**– For Reza Hatami
- Wednesday, September 20, 2023**– For Rita Hatami
- Thursday, September 21, 2023**– For Charles Cancellare
- Friday, September 22, 2023**– For all Parishioners in the Immaculate Conception Community
- Saturday, September 23, 2023**– For the Repose of the Soul of Mary Presley
(Requested by Josephine Gerewick)
- Sunday, September 24, 2023**– For the Repose of the Soul of Nan Carter
(Requested by Kathy Warner)

A Message from Msgr. Zach

Dear Friends,

‘I am in trouble – can you lend me \$200 just to get me into next month, when I will be able to repay you?’ These words are so common. In families, there may be one brother or sister who always needs that extra money. It may be to help a business venture. Many of these requests are genuine, the money is repaid, and a friendship is deepened. At other times it might end in anger and frustration because the promises are never kept. Sometimes there is the person who really needs professional help with managing money, perhaps because of outstanding loans, because they are being hounded by a loan shark, or because of a business deal that has gone wrong. Tragically, wills are notorious for causing family arguments and can lead to a conflict that causes bitterness and resentment in a family, which can last for years. Money is both necessary and dangerous. Monetary transactions that go wrong can cause resentment, anger and deep hurt. Sometimes the people who generate such hostile and dangerous feelings about money problems are those closest to us, the very people we love. Such passions can lead to vengeance and even murder. Only forgiveness can prevent such a vicious spiral developing.

Jesus warns his followers about the power of money to become a master over us. The parable of the king who loaned money to his servants calls for an account. A servant who owed an enormous amount of money expresses his inability to pay. The king threatened him with imprisonment for the whole family. The servant pleads for mercy and the king forgives him and releases him from his debt. He retains his dignity and that of his family. Freed from such a debt, he finds a man who owes him one hundred denarii, only one hundred days of work. Unable to pay the debt, the servant shows him no mercy and has him thrown into prison, and so destroys his family.

Jesus teaches us that God the Father is like the king. He is rich in mercy and forgiveness; he forgives our trespasses and the debt of sin. When we plead for mercy he is generous, full of compassion and loving. The embrace of God welcomes us and is offered to all who seek God’s refuge. God welcomes home the sinner and embraces a son or daughter who was lost. Sometimes we can find ourselves like the servant who is narrow-minded and exacting of others. It might be concerned with money or failing to overlook minor faults. It is a failure to mirror the mercy shown us by our compassionate and merciful God.

Whenever we pray the Lord’s Prayer we ask God the Father to forgive us as we forgive those who trespass against us. We are invited to open our hearts and be ready to forgive others. When we cannot forgive another person, the hurt eats away at us; we are trapped; it affects all our relationships. From forgiveness comes freedom. To be free we have to learn to forgive others as we have been forgiven by God. If we are unable to forgive another person, we can ask for the gift to want to forgive.

Confession in the sacrament of reconciliation is the most wonderful gift where we meet the mercy of the Father and begin the hard journey to receive the grace to forgive others. It might be easy to forgive once, but only God’s grace can help us to forgive seventy-seven times. Today’s readings also invite us to reflect on our attitude to money and the place it has in our hearts.

Your friend in Jesus

Msgr. Zach

Please Pray for the Active Military from our Community

Juan Carlos Acuna	Mary Alder
Kendall Benton	Aubrey Sperier Arenavas
Gabriel Cantu	Dillon Corpier
Drew Downey	Winston J Jones
Bo Dylan Jordan	Matthew Kopecky
Robert Miller	Dominick Pondant
Kyrie Lay Redd	Desire Robertson
Salvador Sanchez Jr	Haley Sellers
Perry Staten	James Trachier
Joseph Trachier	Brent Westbrook
Joseph Woods	Heath Zeigler

Community Happenings. . .

Alter Server & Eucharistic Minister Training Class

@11:00 am to 1:00 pm in the
Parish Hall
Saturday, September 16, 2023
Lunch will be provided

Marian Center Meeting

Wednesday, September 20, 2023
Following Rosary at 6:00pm
Everyone is Welcome!

Men's Club Meeting

Thursday, September 21, 2023
in the Parish Hall
@6:00 pm.

September 23rd & 24th Black Bag Collection

*"A little bit of mercy makes the world less cold and
more just." -- Pope Francis*

Every year, and only once a year, there is a collection
made in parishes all over the United States that is
dedicated to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.



Why the black bag? Using the black bag enables
everyone to give what they can afford. It is a tradition
established in the early 1800's, and re-enacts a
collection that St. Vincent de Paul made among his
friends.

*St. Vincent de Paul's feast day is September 27th.
Please try to remember him and his society in your
prayers and donations.*

*--Thank you for
your support!*

COMITÉ DE ACCIÓN DE LA SANTIDAD DE LA VIDA
NUEVA INICIATIVA PARA EL MINISTERIO EN ESPAÑOL



VIERNES | 29 SEPTIEMBRE
6 PM | CATEDRAL

P. JUAN PEDRO PORTAVOZ

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe y el ministerio Pro-Vida
Centro Catedral (ubicación junto a la cocina)



Cena proporcionada
Confirmar su asistencia en:
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**Please join us for our 2023 Fall
Campaign Kick-off Prayer Rally
to end abortion in America**

Wednesday, September 27, 2023, 6:30 pm

**Across from Planned Parenthood,
601 Turtle Creek Drive, Tyler**



What's Coming & Valuable Information . . .



SANCTITY OF LIFE ACTION COMMITTEE



BISHOP STRICKLAND'S SANCTITY OF LIFE DINNER

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9
DINNER 6:30 PM
HOLIDAY INN | TYLER, TX

Early Bird Price \$80
(Until September 25th)

KEYNOTE: JASON JONES



Jason Jones is a film producer, author, activist, popular podcast host, and human rights worker. He is president of the Human-Rights Education and Relief Organization (H.E.R.O.) known for its two main programs The Vulnerable People Project and Movie to Movement.

In 2006, Jones was an Executive Producer of "Bella," which won several film industry awards, most notably the People's Choice Award at the 2006 Toronto International Film Festival.

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3 Month Subscription **\$237.60**
1 Month Subscription **\$79.20**



UNDER CONSTRUCTION Zone



For your safety, please do not enter the fenced area around the new building. If you would like a tour, please call the office so we can schedule a time for you.

Mrs. Zach & Staff



Safe Environment

When you have reasonable cause to suspect abuse or neglect of a minor or vulnerable adult, you must report:

1. To the DFPS Abuse Hotline at (800) 252-5400 or www.txabusehotline.org.
2. To local law enforcement or 911 if you believe someone is in immediate danger.
3. To the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (903) 266-2159 or vac@dioceseoftyler.org if the report involves Church personnel.

In addition to abuse, you must report any suspected criminal behavior by Church personnel to law enforcement and the diocese.

LOST AND 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 @ Icccjefferson@sbcglobal.net

Rosary Schedule and Marian Feast Days September 2023



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH
ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH

THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH
ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH
ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH
ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.