

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.



Son,
go and work
in the
vineyard
today.

Matthew
21:28

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

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.icccjeffersontx.org>

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 1, 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 24, 2023

Total General Collection	\$1,417.00
Regular Collection	\$ 1,237.00
Online Collection	\$ 180.00
BLACK BAG COLLECTION	\$441.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Gift of Gratitude St. Vincent de Paul

WEEK OF 09/28/2023

*Food for the poor: # of cans & packages: 6
Families served: 0 (0 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!

October 1st Responsorial Psalm 25

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

October 8th Responsorial Psalm 69

The Lord listens to the poor.

Altar Care

Week of 10/01/2023 – Tammy Cornett

Week of 10/08/2023 – Collette Dockery

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

October 1, 2023 – Fund for Those in Need

October 22, 2023 – World Mission Sunday

Lay Ministry October 2023

Saturday, October 7, 2023

Johnette Grubaugh

Sunday, October 8, 2023

Phillip Verhalen

Saturday, October 14, 2023

Pam Watts

Sunday, October 15, 2023

Jackie Traylor

Saturday, October 21, 2023

Collette Dockery

Sunday, October 22, 2023

Irene Webster

Saturday, October 28, 2023

Tammy Cornett

Sunday, October 29, 2023

Roger Opiela

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

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, September 30, 2023

Theresa Beard & Pam Watts

Sunday, October 1, 2023

Irene Webster & Anita Hall

Saturday, October 7, 2023

Pam Watts & Johnette Grubaugh

Sunday, October 8, 2023

Sharon Verhalen & Kat Bellini



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

October 2023

Tammy Bennett	Betty Carroll
Jim Carroll	Reza Hatami
Rita Hatami	Jonathan, Jard

September 2023

Rogelio Guel	Roy Hall
Curtis Magrese	Rev. Joseph Nasser
Paul Fitch	

August 2023

Christina Farar	Jack Parker
Emerson S.	Luisa Seelbach
Wayne Seelbach	

Mass Intentions-October 2023

Friday, September 29, 2023– For Trish Cancellare
Saturday, September 30, 2023– For the Repose of the Soul of Mary Saner
(Requested by Ladies Altar Society)

Sunday, October 1, 2023– For the Repose of the Soul of Nan Carter
(Requested by Kathy Warner)

Wednesday, October 4, 2023– For Cole Whelan
Saturday, October 7, 2023 9:00am Mass– For all Parishioners in the Immaculate Conception Community
Saturday, October 7, 2023 5:00pm Mass– For all the sick of the Parish.
(Requested by Ladies Altar Society)

Sunday, October 8, 2023– For Francisco and Blanca Bautista
(Requested by Andrea Bautista)
Tuesday, October 10, 2023 – For the Repose of the soul of Susan Wise
(Requested by Ladies Altar Society)

Saturday, October 14, 2023 – For all past and present members of the Ladies Altar Society
(Requested by Ladies Altar Society)
Sunday, October 15, 2023– For all Parishioners in the Immaculate Conception Community
Tuesday, October 17, 2023 – For the Repose of the soul of Marty Whelan
(Requested by Kathy Warner)

Sunday, October 22, 2023– For all Parishioners in the Immaculate Conception Community
Saturday, October 28, 2023 – For the Repose of the Soul of Mary Saner
(Requested by Ladies Altar Society)
Sunday, October 29, 2023– For all Parishioners in the Immaculate Conception Community

Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for October 2023

For the Synod

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

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,

How often are we misled by talk or appearances? We have many proverbs that caution us against such susceptibility. Nevertheless, we are still easily hoodwinked by glossy presentation or weasel words. Sometimes the position of a person impresses us. Perhaps it is the need in us to be reassured, that uncertainty which asks a professional for honest advice when their main concern may be selling us something. There will always be someone only too willing to take advantage of our vulnerability. The difficulty today is that the skills of advertising have leapt from the marketplace to nearly every aspect of life. We are all asked to sell ourselves in some way, by which is usually meant that we are required to spend our energies more on the appearance of what we are offering than on its real content.

Too often there is a gap between the glossy presentation and the reality within. As we spend so much time on the appearance of what we are offering, we can lose sight of the actual content. We have a lovely brochure of website saying what sort of school, church or community we are. We may even convince ourselves of the truth of what we say. But the detached observer sees only too easily that the emperor is not wearing any clothes. It is this sort of contradiction between word and action that Jesus identifies in the chief priests and elders. After arriving in Jerusalem he enters into debate with them about the genuine fulfilment of the Law and the Prophets. There is always a temptation for leaders to believe too much in their own authority. They tend to think that, because they have such an important position in society, what they say must be true. Jesus challenges such an assumption. There must always be a coherence between what we preach to others and what we do ourselves. John the Baptist had come but the people who listened to him and accepted his message, changing their lives accordingly had been the public sinners in society. The leaders and supposedly righteous people had refused to believe him, just as now they refused to believe Jesus and his message.

How do we prevent ourselves being drawn into a world of false appearances? How do we ensure that we always practice what we preach? It is easy to start out with the best of intentions, but as we have noted the nature of our world is so short thru with the idea of selling ourselves that it can be difficult to pursue an alternative path. It is as though Jesus recognizes this difficulty by being so uncompromising in his own words and practice. His way of ensuring an integrity of word and deed is to empty himself of any claim to power or position. Elsewhere he will address the question of fancy titles. The only title he uses for himself is that of "Son of Man," and the only way of life he follows is that of a wandering preacher, with nowhere to lay his head. If we examine our own positions in life we will acknowledge just how much we are tempted to say one thing and do another, to use own power or status to achieve our ends. When we empty ourselves of such trappings of power, we have no means of pretense any more. And perhaps ironically, we now have a greater freedom to adhere to the truth, for we are no longer bound by the complex world of expectations that come from the world of propaganda. We are free to do what we say we will do.

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. . . .

October is
Sanctity of Life Month!
To celebrate join any or all sanctity of life events below
Pray, Fast, Reflect



Sunday October 1st

WALK FOR LIFE @ 10:30 a.m.

(Following the Men's Club Breakfast)

Life Chain From: 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

(Please meet at the corner of Broadway and Alley near Brookshire's)

Ladies Altar Society

Meeting

Monday, October 2, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.
In the Parish Hall

Marian Center Meeting

Wednesday, October 18, 2023
Following Rosary at 6:00pm
Everyone is Welcome!

FIRST FRIDAY MASS

October 6, 2023

Mass @9:00 am

Followed by Adoration and Benediction
Confession available during Adoration

FIRST SATURDAY MASS

October 7, 2023

Mass @9:00 am

Men's Club Meeting

Thursday, October 19, 2023
in the Parish Hall
@6:00 pm.

What's Coming & Valuable Information . . .

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We will continue to post donors name on the new booklets, if you wish to donate in Memory/Honor of someone. Pick up donation form in the vestibule or office.

Here are subscription options for donations

Yearly Subscription **\$950.40**
6 Month Subscription **\$475.20**
3 Month Subscription **\$237.60**
1 Month Subscription **\$79.20**

 **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.


For tickets and more info: SANCTITYOFLIFETYLOR.ORG




 **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.

Msgr. 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 October 2023



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2ND
THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4TH
ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7TH
OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11TH
ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18TH
ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25TH
ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.