

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

Established – 1863

Diocese of Tyler – Most Rev. Bishop Joe Vasquez – Apostolic Administrator
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

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.icccjeffersonsx.org>

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
JANUARY 7, 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 December 31, 2023

Total General Collection \$1,609.00
Regular Collection \$1,429.00
Online Collection \$ 230.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Gift of Gratitude St. Vincent de Paul

WEEK OF 01/04/2024

Food for the poor: # of cans & packages 31
Families served: 9 (19 People)

Each client was given their choice of hat or gloves.

*Thank You, God, for your ongoing generosity; so that, we can work
to provide for those in need.*

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!

Altar Care

Week of 01/08/2024 – Connie Woods
Week of 01/15/2024 – 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

January 7th Responsorial
Psalm 72

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

January 14th Responsorial
Psalm 72

Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

Upcoming Special Collections

January 7, 2024 – Those in Need

**January 28, 2024 – Collection for the Church in
Latin America**

Lay Ministry January 2024

Saturday, January 6, 2024

Tammy Cornett

Sunday, January 7, 2024

Sharon Verhalen

Saturday, January 13, 2024

John Dockery

Sunday, January 14, 2024

Colette Hines

Saturday, January 20, 2024

Johnette Grubaugh

Sunday, January 21, 2024

Jackie Traylor

Saturday, January 27, 2024

Pam Watts

Sunday, January 28, 2024

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

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, January 6, 2024

Collette Dockery / John Dockery

Sunday, January 7, 2024

Kat Bellini / Jackie Traylor

Saturday, January 13, 2024

Johnette Grubaugh / Pam Watts

Sunday, January 14, 2024

Irene Webster / Sharon Verhalen



Together We Pray

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	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	Ken Vrla

Family & Friends

January 2024

Rev. Joseph Nasser *Bo Dylan Jordan
*Haden Bayleigh Simmons

December 2023

Maria Martinez

November 2023

Lisa Bailey Kathy Harper
Jackie Lloyd Eloise Lipman

Mass Intentions-January 2024

Tuesday, January 2, 2024— Repose of the Soul of
Mike Moore

(Requested by Pam Watts)

Wednesday, January 3, 2024— For all Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, January 4, 2024— For the Repose of the Soul of
Nita Jean Ladd

Friday, January 5, 2024— For Vince Whelan

(Requested by Kathy Warner)

Saturday, January 6, 2024 9:00am— For the Repose of the
Soul of Bebe Dorgan

Saturday, January 6, 2024 5:00pm— For the Repose of the
Soul of Bebe Dorgan

(Requested by Jo Miller & Family)

Sunday, January 7, 2024— For all Parishioners in the
Immaculate Conception Community

Tuesday, January 9, 2024— Repose of the Soul of
Nita Jean Ladd

Wednesday, January 10, 2024— For
Amil & Jeanette Murray

Thursday, January 11, 2024— Repose of the Soul of
Rosemary Moore

(Requested by Pam Watts)

Saturday, January 13, 2024 — For Our Priests

(Requested by Ladies Altar Society)

Sunday, January 14, 2024— For all Parishioners in the
Immaculate Conception Community

Tuesday, January 16, 2024— Repose of the Soul of
Susan Wise

(Requested by Ladies Altar Society)

Saturday, January 20, 2024 — For all Parishioners in the
Immaculate Conception Community

Sunday, January 21, 2024— For the Repose of the Soul of
Randy Webster

(Requested by Irene Webster)

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
Dominick Pondant	Kyrie Lay Redd
Desire Robertson	Salvador Sanchez Jr
Haley Sellers	Perry Staten
James Trachier	Joseph Trachier
Brent Westbrook	Joseph Woods
Heath Zeigler	

Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for January 2024

For the Gift of Diversity in the Church

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

A Message from Msgr. Zach

Dear Friends,

Twelfth Night is the night when people traditionally take down the Christmas trees and put away the time-honored decorations for another year. It is a moment often tinged with sadness as families and visitors have now departed. Many decorations have stood the test of time and tell us a story of a family, sometimes joyful, other times marked by tears. The missing Christmas cards record the stories of bereavement and lost friends. The Three Kings, who have been moving towards the crib now take their proud place near Jesus, Mary and Joseph. This intimate scene is explained to children who wonder at the sight of the crib.

Casper bears the gold for a king, Melchior the frankincense for a deity, Balthasar the myrrh whose scent is already leading us towards the tomb at Easter. In the Christmas story, we discover our identity as a people who follow Jesus and are his disciples. The beauty of the scene at the manger captures the hope of the Christ Child and the joy that is proclaimed each Christmas. The Magi bearing their gifts have followed the star that appeared as a mysterious sign in the night sky. In their longing to understand the meaning of this twinkling light, they persevered on their hard journey thru very long, cold nights and short days. Tiredness and weariness must have been part of their wintry journey.

They enter the house of the Holy Family where they see the Child with his mother Mary and his protector Joseph. Their house has the welcome and warmth of a home that is full of love. They are offered hospitality in the Eastern custom. They bow low and offer their gifts to the innocent and fragile child who is utterly dependent on his mother and St. Joseph. They pay homage to the new king. They see both a baby and a king. There is a poverty in the simple scene but also a richness, because the presence of the Christ Child fills the whole room. They recognize him as their God. They know that their world has been changed and they no longer fit into the world in the same way. They are not sure what this will mean for their future. They begin to find the meaning of the Messiah who will save his people in the Jewish scriptures. They know in their hearts that this is the child they have met. All people have been sent a redeemer who will free them from their sins. He has been born in poverty in Bethlehem and will proclaim the coming of God's kingdom. The Magi learn that he will save all people by his death and resurrection and that they will have life in this world and eternal life in the next.

As we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, we affirm our belief in Jesus Christ, true God and true man, light of the nations. We confess our belief that he is the Savior of all people. We unite as Christians of East and West in our belief that the message of Christ gives hope and joy to all who believe. We bow down and pay him homage.

We thank God for the faith that has been handed down to us, whether from grandparents, within families, by friends, or by helpful priests and religious. We name in prayer those people who have sustained us in our faith and helped us in the difficult times.

As we move into the New Year, let us make our new resolutions, perhaps to read the scriptures daily, to pray the rosary, maybe to be generous in almsgiving. Let us choose to do something to deepen our faith and love this New Year.

Your friend in Jesus
Msgr. Zach

Community Happenings. . . .

Ladies Altar Society

Meeting

Monday, January 8, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.
In the Parish Hall

Marian Center Meeting

Wednesday, January 17, 2024
Following Rosary at 6:00pm
Everyone is Welcome!

Men's Club Meeting

Thursday, January 18, 2024
in the Parish Hall
@6:00 pm.

Fr. Isaac's Class

*Class's resumes
January 10, 2024
in the Parish Hall*

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

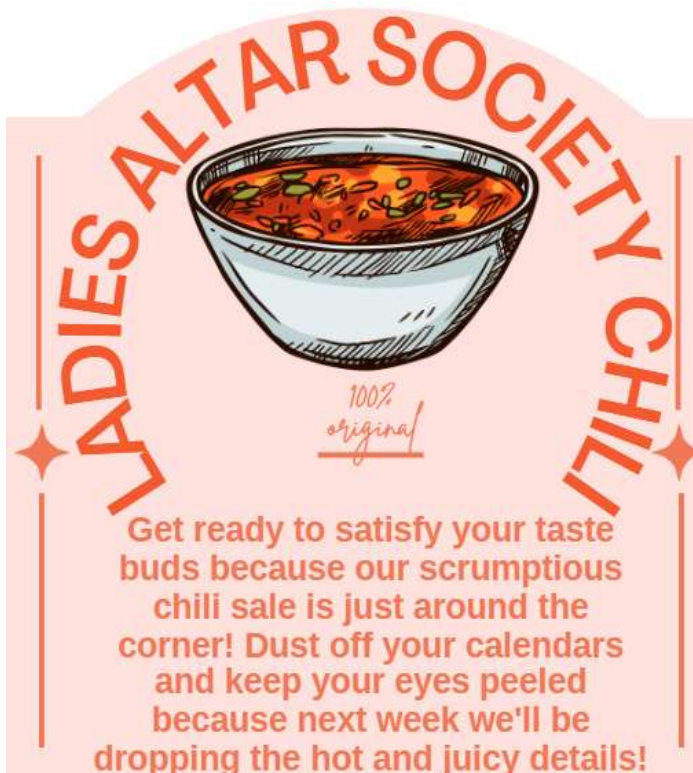
*Thank to the Men's Club
for providing a
delicious and wonderful
New Year's Eve brunch.*

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 yac@dioceseoftvler.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.



A graphic for a chili sale. At the top, the words "LADIES ALTAR SOCIETY CHILI" are written in a large, red, stylized font, with "LADIES" on the left, "ALTAR SOCIETY" in the middle, and "CHILI" on the right. Below the text is a drawing of a white bowl filled with red chili, topped with green onions. Underneath the bowl, it says "100% original" in a cursive font. At the bottom, there is a block of text in red and black.

Get ready to satisfy your taste buds because our scrumptious chili sale is just around the corner! Dust off your calendars and keep your eyes peeled because next week we'll be dropping the hot and juicy details!



A flyer for "The Gabriel Project". At the top, it says "LOVING & HOPEFUL SUPPORT". Below that is the title "The Gabriel Project" in a large, elegant script font. Underneath the title is a small photograph of a person sitting on a grassy hill, looking out over a landscape. Below the photo, it says "Pregnant & Worried?" in a script font, followed by "¿Embarazada y Necesitas Ayuda?" in a smaller font. Then, it says "~ WE CAN HELP ~" in a decorative font. Below that, it says "FREE AND CONFIDENTIAL" in a bold, sans-serif font, followed by "Reach Out To Us" in a script font. At the bottom, there is contact information: "text: 903-952-0364 | call: 888-300-5112", "email: gabrielprojecteasttexas@gmail.com", and "visit: www.gabrielprojecteasttexas.org". There is also a QR code in the bottom right corner. The flyer is decorated with blue floral patterns on the sides.

What's Coming & Valuable Information . . .

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Cathedral of the
Immaculate
Conception

Tyler, Texas

February 10, 2024
2:00 pm



they that *Wait* a women's retreat

they who wait for the Lord shall
renew their strength. they shall
mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.
Isaiah 40:31



Heather Khym
National Speaker, Author of
"Abide," Co Host of the
"Abiding
Together" podcast



Rachel Bulman
National Speaker & Author of
"Becoming Wife" &
"With All Her Mind"



Regina Boyd
Licensed Counselor,
National Speaker & Author of
"Leaving Loneliness Behind"



Noelle Garcia,
Emcee & Worship Leader
International Catholic
Speaker

Save The Date: March 23, 2024

Location: W.T. Brookshire Conference Center
2000 W Front Street, Tyler 75702

Visit stphilipinstitute.org/events to stay up to date

Rosary Schedule and Marian Feast Days January 2024



SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
MONDAY, JANUARY 1ST

SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3RD

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3RD
ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
MONDAY, JANUARY 8TH

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10TH
ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17TH
ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24TH
ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.