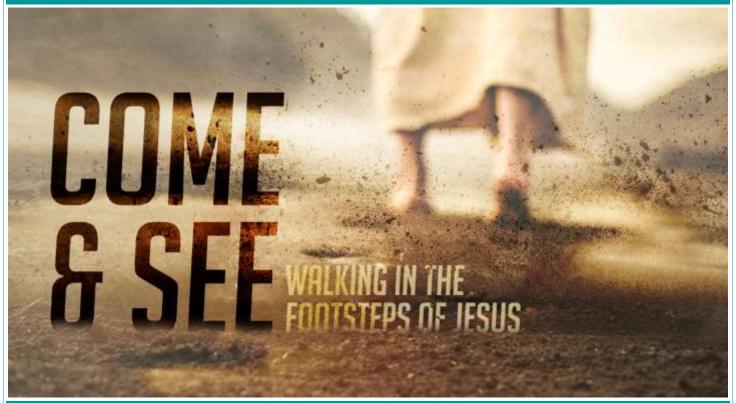
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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 Uzondu 903-907-1446

Immaculate Conception Parish Office

209 W Lafayette St Phone: 903-665-2869 Hours – Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 3

Hours –Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Email: <u>icccjefferson@sbcglobal.net</u> Church Website: <u>http://www.icccjeffersontx.org</u>

SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 14, 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 January 7, 2023

Total General Collection \$2,395.00

Regular Collection \$2,115.00
Online Collection \$280.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Gift of Gratitude St. Vincent de Paul

WEEK OF 01/11/2024

Food for the poor: # of cans & packages 21
Families served: 7 (13 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 01/15/2024 – Andrea Bautista Week of 01/22/2024 – Tammy Cornett

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 14th Responsorial Psalm 72

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

January 21^t Responsoríal Psalm 25

Teach me your ways, O Lord.

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
Colete 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 13, 2024
Johnette Grubaugh / Pam Watts
Sunday, January 14, 2024
Irene Webster / Sharon Verhalen

Saturday, January 20, 2024
Theresa Beard / Pam Watts
Sunday, January 21, 2024
Jackie Traylor / 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 Dawn Fuguay Fred Griffin **Troy Hines** Darrell Lensch Lorraine Jolin 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 Bailev Kathy Harper Jackie Lloyd Eloise Lipman

Mass Intentions-January 2024

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)

Tuesday, January 23, 2024– Repose of the Soul of Mildred Whelan

(Requested by Kathy Warner)

Friday, January 26, 2024 - Repose of the Soul of

Mildred Whelan

(Requested by Kathy Warner)

Saturday, January 27, 2024 – Repose of the Soul of

Mary Saner

(Requested by Ladies Altar Society)

Pope Francis

Prayer Intentions for

January 2024

For the Gift of Diversity

in the Church

Please Pray for the Active Military from our Community

Iuan 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 Heath Zeigler

Joseph Woods

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,

We are all curious about each other. How often have you listened to someone speaking and tried to work out their accent? Have you ever wondered from what part of your hometown a celebrity originated and whether you might have met them in the supermarket or at the bus stop?

Did Charles Darwin and Abraham Lincoln ever know that they shared the same birthday of 12 February 1809? What might have happened had they spent time together? Chatting with a stranger leads to discovery, perhaps unexpectedly finding previously unknown and unsuspected shared links. Such encounters can be thought-provoking. Occasionally, they are life-changing experiences.

We are all amateur detectives, investigating things that we find interesting, but many different magnets attract our energy and concentration. This is what makes life so fascinating and varied.

The Gospel tells of Andrew and John, two Galilean fishermen who were originally followers of John the Baptist. They were puzzled when they heard John calling another young man "Lamb of God." What did it mean? Andrew and John, like many others regarded the Baptist as a prophet sent by God. Why should he be secondary in importance to the stranger who asked for baptism? They wanted to learn more.

When Andrew and John approached Jesus, they called him "Rabbi," already sensing that Jesus has something to teach them. They asked where he was staying because their unsatisfied curiosity needed time together, talking about more than fishing and carpentry.

When they separated, Andrew looked for his brother Simon, whom Jesus would later rename Peter. He also wanted to find out what was different about Jesus – and so Jesus gathered his first three disciples simply by arousing their interest. Discipleship is never forced. Andrew, John and Simon freely chose to follow Jesus – and that freedom made all the difference.

Andrew and John had heard John the Baptist describe Jesus as "the Lamb of God." After spending time with him and making time for each other, their understanding of Jesus took a quantum leap: they described him as "the Messiah." Their conversation was not focused on the superficial topics, which would have meant that, at the end of the day, none of them learned anything.

When Andrew and John met Jesus, their relationship changed from an encounter of that curious strangers to potentially lifelong friends and disciples of the carpenter from Nazareth. Their transformation from strangers to something far deeper happened gradually. Andrew and Simon Peter could not foresee a martyr's death. John was unaware that, as Jesus died, he would receive the responsibility of caring for Mary for the rest of her life. Jesus sometimes felt frustrated in teaching the future leaders of the Church. Yet he also knew that having sparked his disciples' curiosity, they would follow him until, like him, they paid the ultimate price for their fidelity.

"There is no such thing as a stranger: only a friend whom we have not yet met." Understanding and appreciating another person is a risky process that needs openness and sharing what matters. Can I make the effort to discover the riches that God has placed in another person's heart? Might a stranger become a friend?

Your friend in Jesus Msgr. Zach

Community Kappenings. . . .

Marian Center Meeting

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

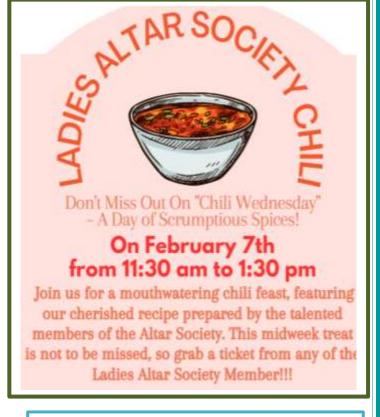
Men's Club Meeting

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

Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, January 25, 2024 in Parish Hall @6:00 pm





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 vec@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.



What's Coming & Valuable Information . . .

9 DAYS FOR LIFE

PRAY TO PROTECT HUMAN LIFE! JANUARY 16-24, 2024

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life.



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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"

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

Noelle Garcia, Emcee & Worship Leader International Catholic Speaker



Rosary Schedule and Marian Feast Days January 2024



SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD MONDAY, JANUARY 1⁵⁷

SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 38D

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3[®] ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD MONDAY, JANUARY 8™

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10[™] ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17[™] ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24[™] ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.