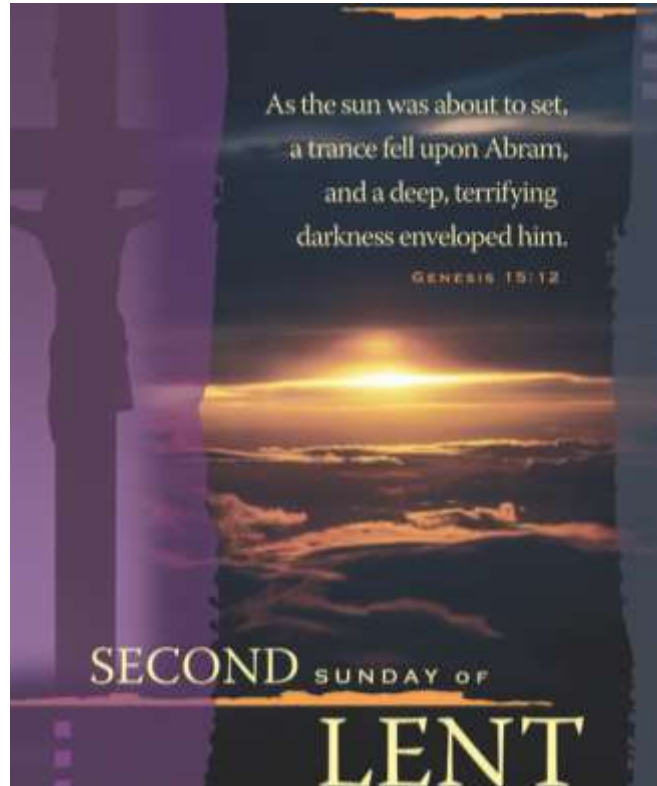


IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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 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

Friday Lenten Schedule

Rosary @ 4:30 pm

Mass @ 5:00 pm

Stations of the Cross @ 5:30 pm

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>

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
FEBRUARY 25, 2024



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 February 18, 2023

Total General Collection	\$2,878.00
Regular Collection	\$2,698.00
Online Collection	\$ 180.00
Black and Indian Missions	\$ 311.00
Aid to the Church in Central / Eastern Europe	\$ 318.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Gift of Gratitude St. Vincent de Paul

*WEEK OF 02/22/2024
Food for the poor: # of cans & packages 30
Families served: 4 (5 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 02/26/2024 – Connie Woods
Week of 03/04/2023 – 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

February 25th Responsorial Psalm 116

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

March 3rd Responsorial Psalm 19

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Upcoming Special Collections

*March 3, 2024 – Collection for Those in Need
March 10, 2024 – Collection Hunger Relief in
the Diocese
March 29, 2024 – Collection for the Holy Land
March 31, 2024 – Collection for Caring Priest*

Lay Ministry February 2024

Saturday, February 24, 2024
Johnette Grubaugh
Sunday, February 25, 2024
Troy Hines

March 2024

Saturday, March 2, 2024
Pam Watts
Sunday, March 3, 2024
Sharon Verhalen

Saturday, March 9, 2024
Collette Dockery
Sunday, March 10, 2024
Irene Webster

Saturday, March 16, 2024
Tammy Cornett
Sunday, March 17, 2024
Jackie Traylor

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, February 24, 2024
Collette Dockery / John Dockery
Sunday, February 25, 2024
Kat Bellini / Irene Webster

Saturday, March 3, 2024
Johnette Grubaugh / Pam Watts
Sunday, March 4, 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

February 2024

Karm Cartin	Lynna Hubley
Jackie Lloyd	

January 2024

Rev. Joseph Nasser	Bo Dylan Jordan
Haden Bayleigh Simmons	

December 2023

Maria Martinez

Mass Intentions - February 2024

Tuesday, February 20, 2024— For the Repose of the Soul of Susan Wise

(Requested by Ladies Altar Society)

Wednesday, February 21, 2024— For Trish Cancellare

Thursday, February 22, 2024— For the Repose of the Soul of Patricia Thorpe

(Requested by Jackie Traylor)

Friday, February 23, 2024— For Karen Cartier

(Requested by Collette, Troy Hines & Ray Cartier)

Saturday, February 24, 2024— For the Repose of the Soul of Mary Saner

(Requested by Ladies Altar Society)

Sunday, February 25, 2024— For all Parishioners in the Immaculate Conception Community

Tuesday, February 27, 2024— For the Repose of the Soul of Nita Vaughn

Wednesday, February 28, 2024— For the Repose of the Soul of Ernestine Sawyer

Karen Cartier, a member of Immaculate Conception Church, went to be with our Lord on Monday, February 19, 2024.

May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Please pray for Karen and for her family in this time of grief.

Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for February 2024

For the terminally ill

Grant, O Lord of life, That we may savor every season of our lives as a gift filled with promise for the future. Grant that we may lovingly accept your will, and place ourselves each day in your merciful hands. And when the moment of our definitive “passage” comes, grant that we may face it with serenity, without regret for what we shall leave behind. For in meeting you, after having sought you for so long, we shall find once more every authentic good which we have known here on earth, in the company of all who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith and hope. Mary, Mother of pilgrim humanity, pray for us “now and at the hour of our death.” Keep us ever close to Jesus, your beloved Son and our brother, the Lord of life and glory. Amen!

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	

A Message from Msgr. Zach

Dear Friends,

Have you ever spent ages trying to figure something out, only to have a flash of inspiration just when you have forgotten all about? Some people call it “a light-bulb moment”. Often it happens when we least expect because light-bulb moments come from unconscious mind. We cannot bring them on, but we can welcome them all the same. Sudden clarity may lead to a burst of energy or renewed sense of purpose.

The eighteenth century British engineer James Brindley often had to rely upon inspiration. He was the first of the great canal-builders, pioneering techniques that had never been attempted before. One of his light-bulb moments was a simple but brilliant idea called “contouring”. Building canals thru hillsides involved earth-moving on a massive scale. It suddenly occurred to him ... why cut thru the hill when you can go around it?

Light-bulb moments are not confined to engineering. It is possible to have a light-bulb moment about a person. We may suddenly see someone “in a new light,” as they say. It is not that they have changed in any way. More likely, we have by spending more time with them, or listening more attentively to what they are saying.

Peter, James and John saw Jesus in a new light, literally so, when they accompanied him onto the Mount of Transfiguration. Mountaintops in the Bible are places of revelation; of encounter with God. It was on a mountain that Elijah called down fire from heaven; on a mountain that Moses received the Commandments. Coming down from the mountaintop, the face of Moses shone.

People had been speculating whether Jesus might be another Moses or Elijah or even John the Baptist. The disciples were unsure. Their confidence in Jesus had been shaken recently. His earlier popularity seemed to be waning, and he kept talking about suffering and death. Then, suddenly, here on the mountain, they saw him speaking with Moses and Elijah. He was radiant with light. It was wonderful for their Master to be in such company.

The mountaintop can be a metaphor for any transitional space where things or people are seen from a new perspective. We do not have to climb mountains for this to happen. A time of prayerful meditation can offer such a space. This Lent, we may like to spend time alone with Jesus, listening to him as our heavenly Father bids us. The thought may not appeal to everyone. Some might even share the disciples’ terror, for the voice of Jesus can be a challenging one, urging us to forgive and pray for our enemies. It commands us to love, and there may be something inside us that resists. Rather than build Jesus a shelter, some might prefer something more robust: to keep him safely contained!

However, it is not possible to compartmentalize our lives. The bright cloud of God’s glory reaches out to wherever we may be. Today’s Gospel describes how heaven keeps spilling over into our world. In revealing Jesus in his divinity, it calls us too, to be holy as well as human. We are all sons and daughters of God, all beloved, and though we may pass unnoticed in a crowd, there is in each one of us a little of the glory seen in Jesus. There will be moments when other people notice something different about us; moments, too, when we become suddenly aware that the person next to us is more special than we thought. It all depends on how much we let them shine!

Your friend in Jesus
Msgr. Zach

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.

Community Happenings. . . .

You are invited to join
Father Luke Kalarickal
as he delves into the topic of
Our Blessed Mother,
focusing on **Our Lady of Lourdes.**



The event will take place on
Saturday, March 2, 2024,
at Immaculate Conception
Catholic Church in
Jefferson, TX 75657
from 9 am to 12 pm.
Mass Starting @8:00 am

Snack break from 10:15 to 10:45,
accompanied by light refreshments.

Please arrive by 8:45 am

For more Info Contact:
Irene Webster: 903 - 824 - 23894
Pam Watts: 903 - 742 - 9062

We hope to see you there!!



The "rice bowls" are conveniently located at the church entrance. By contributing to the CRS Rice Bowl, you extend your generosity and share your abundance with individuals in need worldwide. Your donations provide essential nutrition, enabling them to lead healthy lives and fulfill their God-given potential!

I Can, You Can, We Can



**Spring
Forward**



Ladies Altar Society Meeting

Monday, March 4, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.
In the Parish Hall

40 DAYS FOR LIFE.
THE BEGINNING OF THE END OF ABORTION.

JOIN US FOR 40 DAYS FOR LIFE!

"Help save lives by praying for an end to abortion in
your community **February 14 - March 24**"

Tyler Prayer Location:

Across the street from the Tyler, TX Planned Parenthood at:
601 Turtle Creek Dr, Tyler, TX 75701



SIGN UP ONLINE:

<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/tyler>

Easter Lilies

The Ladies Altar Society will be
collecting donations for Easter flowers.
If you would like to give in memory or
honor of a loved one please use the
envelopes provided.

You can drop them in the collection
basket or by the office.

LENT SEASON

Season of preparation

Lent Schedule

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH

ROSARY @ 4:30 P.M.
MASS @ 5:00 P.M.
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
@ 5:30 P.M.
**DINNER WITH
THE MEN'S CLUB**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD

ROSARY @ 4:30 P.M.
MASS @ 5:00 P.M.
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
@ 5:30 P.M.
**DINNER WITH THE
LADIES ALTAR SOCIETY**

FIRST FRIDAY, MARCH 1ST
MASS @ 9:00 A.M.
**FOLLOWED BY ADORATION &
BENEDICTION**
**CONFESSION DURING
ADORATION**

ROSARY @ 4:30 P.M.
MASS @ 5:00 P.M.
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
@ 5:30 P.M.
**DINNER WITH
THE MEN'S CLUB**

FRIDAY, MARCH 8TH
ROSARY @ 4:30 P.M.
MASS @ 5:00 P.M.
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
@ 5:30 P.M.
**DINNER WITH THE
HISPANIC LADIES**

FRIDAY, MARCH 15TH
ROSARY @ 4:30 P.M.
MASS @ 5:00 P.M.
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
@ 5:30 P.M.
**DINNER WITH
THE MEN'S CLUB**

FRIDAY, MARCH 22ND
ROSARY @ 4:30 P.M.
MASS @ 5:00 P.M.
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
@ 5:30 P.M.
**DINNER WITH THE
LADIES ALTAR SOCIETY**

Rosary Schedule and Marian Feast Days

March 2024



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6TH

ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13TH

ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

THE SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE

OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

FRIDAY, MARCH 19TH

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20TH

ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

PALM SUNDAY

SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27TH

ROSARY @ 6:00 P.M.

HOLY THURSDAY

THURSDAY, MARCH 28TH

PASSION OF THE LORD (GOOD FRIDAY)

FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH

HOLY SATURDAY

SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH

THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

SUNDAY, MARCH 31ST