

The Ascension of the Lord

May 21, 2023



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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

SERVING MONROVIA, DUARTE AND BRADBURY SINCE 1905

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SUNDAY MASSES MISAS DOMINICALES

ENGLISH
Saturday Vigil
5:00PM
Sunday
8:00 AM
10:00 AM
5:00 PM

(Livestream on
IC Monrovia
Facebook)

ESPAÑOL
Domingo
12:00 PM
7:00 PM

Saturday/ Sábado

3:00-4:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES MISAS ENTRE SEMANA

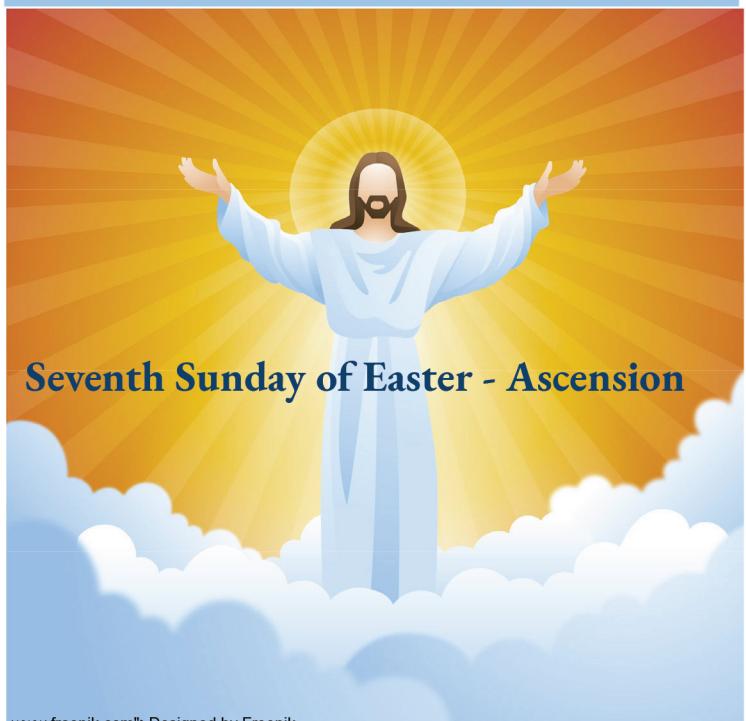
ENGLISH
MONDAY – FRIDAY
7:30 AM
SATURDAY
7:30 AM

ESPAÑOL
LUNES-VIERNES
5:00 PM

OFFICE HOURS/ Horario de Oficina
MONDAY-FRIDAY 9AM-5PM
(626) 358-1166

Immaculate Conception Mission Statement

We the faith community of Immaculate Conception, empowered by our Baptism, commit ourselves to live the Gospel message. Affirmed through the grace of our Eucharistic celebrations, it is our vision to reach out lovingly in prayer, formation and service.



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Declaración de la misión de la Inmaculada Concepción

Nosotros, la comunidad de fe de la Inmaculada Concepción, facultados a través de nuestro Bautismo, nos comprometemos a vivir el mensaje del Evangelio. Afirmado en la gracia de nuestras celebraciones Eucarísticas, es nuestra visión el poder alcanzarlos cariñosamente en oración, formación y servicio.

Religious Education/ Educación Religiosa

(626) 357-3010 Ext. 271, 272 or 274
Monday-Friday 9:00AM –5:00PM

Immaculate Conception School
Mon.- Fri. 9AM-1PM (626) 358-5129 or
E-mail.: mrojas@icmonrovia.org

Please pray for Intentions of the Week**Por favor oremos por las Intenciones de la semana****Saturday May 20th**

5:00PM English
Melany Brown (L) B-Day
Alma N. De Jesus (D)

Sunday May 21st

8:00AM English
Rutilia Alvarez (L) Health
Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred
Heart of L.A. (L)
Robert Bob Legg (D)
Sandy Castellucci (D)

10:00AM English

All Religious Sisters (L)
Marie Bruno (D)
Loy Silva (D)
Benjamin Silva (D)
Benedict Silva (D)
Erlinda Villafrancia Perez (D)
All Souls in Purgatory

12:00PM Spanish

Por todas las hermanas Religiosas (L)
Adrian Manzano (D)
Sydney Blake (D)
Jose Ramon Lopez (D)
Maria del Refugio Luerano (D)
Antonio Nieto (D)
Pablo Muñoz (D)

5:00PM English

Jenecyl Saavedra (L) Health
Maria Lopez (D)
Federico Quinteros (D)
Anallie Saavedra (D)
Alfredo Saavedra (D)
Margaret Saavedra (D)
Adelaida Saavedra (D)

7:00PM Spanish

Por todos los Graduados de I.C.
Ricardo Padilla Diaz (D)
Alfredo Padilla Diaz (D)
Fernando Padilla Diaz (D)
Gerardo Padilla Diaz (D)
Maria Padilla Diaz (D)

Monday May 22nd

7:30AM English
Steven Sarsadias (L) Birthday
Libby Lizaga (L) Birthday
Greg Lieber (L) Birthday
Maria Geyman (L) Birthday
All Souls in Purgatory

5:00PM Spanish

Oscar Caytan (D)
Por todas las Almas del Purgatorio

Tuesday May 23rd

7:30AM English
Sonia Chua (L) Birthday
Matt Pandol (D)

5:00PM Spanish

Oscar Caytan (D)
Serafin Valdez Sr. (D) Por su alma

Wednesday, May 24th

7:30AM English
All Souls in Purgatory

5:00PM Spanish

Alexander Yuag (L) B-Day
Oscar Caytan (D)
Dana Saccalan (D)

Thursday, May 25th

7:30AM English
Chua Yan Pin (D)

5:00PM Spanish

Por todas las Animas del Purgatorio

Friday, May 26th**7:30AM English**

Matthew Lazaga (L) B-Day
Rufino & Victoria Academia (D)
Cipirario & Margartia Paguyo (D)
David Miyashita (D)
Carmelo Paguyo (D)

5:00PM Spanish

Por todas las Animas del Purgatorio

Saturday, May 27th**7:30AM English**

Andrea Bland (L)
Stella Zaninovich (L)
Angelica Sanchez (D)
Ana Maria Garcia (D)
Teresa Aguilar (D)
All Souls in Purgatory



We also pray for the sick and deceased of our community:

For The sick:

- John Clark
- Judy Hernandez
- Katie Tassinari
- Emily Schult Torres
- Hilda Sniffin

For the Deceased:

- James Igual
- Edward Atencio
- Salvador Marquez
- Joseph Bernal
- Michael Gates
- Odette Cuccaro



KEEP SUPPORTING THE CHURCH

Church still pays utilities, insurance, staff, and other bills. Without your support the Church cannot function. Please consider maintaining your donations by mail or online giving at:
<http://myownngiving.com/>
 God bless you!

Join us for Adoration every Wednesday And Friday after 7:30 a.m. English mass.

Acompáñenos en la Adoración todos los Miércoles, Jueves y Viernes antes de la misa en Español de las 5:00 p.m.



Ascension

We are celebrating the feast of The Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. What is the meaning and significance of this feast? If we go through all the readings of Ascension Sunday, which suggests that this theme, must arouse an honest reflection on our personal attitudes and conviction about the ‘Living’ Jesus. The readings provide us with an opportunity to focus, not so much on the fact that Jesus went up to heaven, and away from the sight of his sorrowing disciples as that He is now present with his Church, in an entirely new and meaningful way.

Saint Paul expresses his presence with the Church in powerful ways, “**Far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come.**” (Eph. 1:21) His powerful presence, we know is manifested in the Eucharist, in the Holy Spirit, and in the divinely inspired Scripture.

His presence is expressed by his power at work in the Church. The Church is still alive and active, and he guides the pilgrim Church by his presence in the Sacraments and powerful work of charity, love, and justice. Even at times when the Church is engulfed in the forces of secularism and scandals, or when the Church seems to have lost its hold on its members. And the Universal Church, seems to have lost its moral power in the affairs of humankind; still, it is Jesus’ Church. He built the Church on rock. She stands strong even through the severe persecution, scandals, and failures. Therefore, Saint Paul makes this prayer, “**The God of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the father of glory, may give you a Spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him.**” (Eph.1:18)

Ascension is about our present world. It calls you and me to continue the mission of Christ on earth. Seventy-one children of our parish received the sacrament of Holy Communion. Sixty four young boys and girls received the sacrament of Confirmation. We had a wonderful Our Lady of Fatima celebration with procession and the Holy Mass, recalling the prophetic message of our Mother Mary, to repent and return to Jesus.

We are called to continue our mission that Jesus entrusted us with, when he said, “**Go into the whole world and proclaim the Good News to all creation.**” (Mt. 16:15). It is this mission that the angels urged the disciples to undertake, instead of “**standing there looking up at the skies.**” (Acts 1:10) It is not about standing around waiting for something to happen, it is about making that something happen. We make it happen by witnessing to the Good News of Jesus Christ, through word and deed. Amen!

Father Joachim Lepcha

Ascensión

Celebramos la fiesta de la Ascensión de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo. ¿Cuál es el sentido y el significado de esta fiesta? Si repasamos todas las lecturas del Domingo de la Ascensión, lo que nos sugiere que este tema, debe suscitar una honesta reflexión sobre nuestras actitudes y convicciones personales acerca de Jesús "Vivo". Las lecturas nos brindan la oportunidad de centrarnos, no tanto en el hecho de que Jesús subió al cielo y se alejó de la vista de sus discípulos afligidos, sino en que ahora está presente con su Iglesia, de una manera totalmente nueva y significativa.

San Pablo expresa con fuerza su presencia con la Iglesia: "*Muy por encima de todo principado, autoridad, poder y dominio, y de todo nombre que se nombra, no sólo en este siglo, sino también en el venidero*". (*Ef.1.21*) Sabemos que su poderosa presencia se manifiesta en la Eucaristía, en el Espíritu Santo y en la Escritura divinamente inspirada.

Su presencia se expresa por su poder que actúa en la Iglesia. La Iglesia sigue viva y activa, y Él guía a la Iglesia peregrina mediante su presencia en los Sacramentos y su poderosa obra de caridad, amor y justicia. Incluso en los momentos en que la Iglesia se ve envuelta en las fuerzas del secularismo y los escándalos, o cuando la Iglesia parece haber perdido el control sobre sus miembros. Y la Iglesia Universal, parece haber perdido su poder moral en los asuntos de la humanidad; aún así, es la Iglesia de Jesús. Él construyó la Iglesia sobre roca. Ella se mantiene fuerte incluso a través de las duras persecuciones, los escándalos y los fracasos. Por eso, San Pablo hace esta oración: "El Dios de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, padre de gloria, os dé un Espíritu de sabiduría y percepción de lo revelado, para llevaros al pleno conocimiento de Él". (*Ef.1:18*)

La Ascensión se refiere a nuestro mundo actual. Nos llama a ti y a mí a continuar la misión de Cristo en la tierra. Setenta y un niños de nuestra parroquia recibieron el sacramento de la Sagrada Comunión. Sesenta y cuatro chicos y chicas recibieron el sacramento de la Confirmación. Tuvimos una maravillosa celebración de Nuestra Señora de Fátima con procesión y la Santa Misa, recordando el mensaje profético de nuestra Madre María, de arrepentirse y volver a Jesús.

Estamos llamados a continuar la misión que Jesús nos confió, cuando dijo: "*Vallan por todo el mundo y proclama la Buena Noticia a toda la creación.*" (*Mt. 16:15*). Es esta misión la que los ángeles instaron a los discípulos a emprender, en lugar de "*mirar al cielo*". (*Hch 1,10*). No se trata de quedarse esperando a que suceda algo, sino de hacer que suceda. Nosotros lo hacemos realidad dando testimonio de la Buena Nueva de Jesucristo, de palabra y de obra. Amén.

Padre Joachim Lepcha

Congratulations to our last group of Students on their First Holy Communion!

¡Felicitaciones a nuestro último grupo de Alumnos por su Primera Comunión!



IC STEM Academy News

IC STEM Academy is so excited to host the game booths at our Parish Festival on Sunday, May 28th from 9am to 11pm. Please stop by our booth to have fun and earn prizes! Game tickets are available in the school office and will be sold on the day of the event. We hope to see you at our booths!

There will be no school on Friday, May 26th. Our teachers will attend a STEM professional development session that will help them learn how to further engage our students through project based learning activities. No School on Monday, May 29th to observe Memorial Day.

Immaculate Conception STEM Academy is accepting registration for the 2023-2024 school year. To book a tour and meet our teachers, call the school office at (626) 358-5129. Please visit our website at www.icschoolmonrovia.org for more information. Do not let finances keep you away from an innovative Catholic education. Scholarships are available.

*God Bless,
Miriam Rojas
Principal*

Liturgy Corner

OUR LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ARE CALLING....

"Here I am. You called me." Eli said, "No, I did not call you." yet once Eli understood that it was the lord calling Samuel, he said, "go to sleep, and if you are called, answer. 'speak Lord, your servant is listening.' This beautiful scripture (1 Sam. 3-5) always draws me in as I am a servant of the Lord and all our servants in our ministries answered as Samuel did, after the Lord called him three times. If you are hearing the call to serve in any of our ministries: Ushers; Lectors; Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to Church, and to the homebound; Sacristans; Hospitality; Altar Servers, and our Choir ministry, please answer "Speak, for your servant is listening." Then, I pray you call our parish office at 626-358-1166 Ext. 231 we will be waiting for You!

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Parish Finance Council --- Fred Gonzalez

Parish Pastoral Council – Geoff Zamarripa

Site Manager –

Knights of Columbus—Duane Hamilton

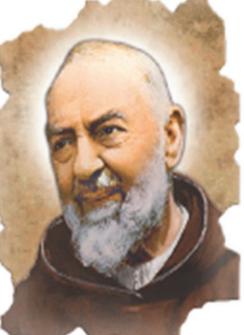
Called to Renew Committee – Verant Sealey

Saint Vincent de Paul Society -- Kathleen Biggs

If you have questions, please call the parish office during business hours at 626-358-1166 for any of our leaders.

Shalom!

**SAINT
Padre Pio**



Mass & Healing Service
Thursday, May 25, 2023

Celebrated By:
FR. MICHAEL BARRY & FR. RON CLARK

Music By:
TREVOR THOMSON

**Relic with the Glove
of St. Padre Pio
will be present**

6 pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Recitation of the Holy Rosary
7 pm: Mass & Healing Service

ST. DOROTHY CATHOLIC CHURCH
241 S. Valley Center Ave., Glendora, CA 91741

CE STEM Academy Summer Adventures

- Academics
- Fun
- Creativity
- And of course, STEM!

From June 12 to July 7
morning care available from 8 - 8:30am
 8:30 - 11:30am \$350

After school camp
 11:30am - 4:30pm \$250

¿Sabías que...? Leyes de restricción residencial

Las leyes de restricción residencial son leyes estatales y locales que impiden que los delincuentes sexuales condenados vivan dentro de un rango específico de una escuela, parque, guardería, para de autobús, u otra área conocida para niños. Muchos estados han adoptado alguna forma de restricción residencial para evitar que los ofensores sexuales reincidan en sus delitos. Estas leyes existen y tienen un impacto, pero son solo una capa de protección y no una garantía de que un parque, una parada de autobús u otro espacio sea Seguro. Para obtener más información sobre las leyes de restricción, lea el artículo de VIRTUS® en inglés, "Residence Restriction Laws: Do they prevent sexual abuse?" (Las leyes de restricción residencial: ¿Previenen el abuso sexual?) en lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

Lea el artículo de VIRTUS® en inglés,
"Residence Restriction Laws: Do they prevent
sexual abuse?" (Las leyes de restricción
residencial: ¿Previenen el abuso sexual?) aquí.

Did you know? Residence restriction laws

Residence restriction laws are state and local laws that prevent convicted sexual offenders from living within a specific range of a school, park, daycare, bus stop, or other known area for children. Many states have adopted some form of residence restriction to prevent sexual offenders from committing repeat crimes. These laws exist and have an impact, but they are only one layer of protection and are not a guarantee that a park, bus stop or other space is safe. For more information on restriction laws, read the VIRTUS® article "Residence Restriction Laws: Do they prevent sexual abuse?" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

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abuse?" here.



Today, as we celebrate the feast of the Ascension, we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples... and now through us.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can bring peace to those who are hungry.

When you donate to St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are a sign of God's Spirit of love to those who are suffering
St. Vincent de Paul, Immaculate Conception Conference
c/o Immaculate Conception Parish
740 S. Shamrock Ave., Monrovia CA 91016

Donate online at:

https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted_button_id=5JXD9AHBRZ568

Sociedad de San Vicente de Paul. Para comunicarse con San Vicente de Paúl, marque: (626) 358-1166.

Querido Parejas,



Los invitamos a que se den el regalo de vivir un fin de semana con el Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial. Esta experiencia nos ayuda a tener una mejor comunicación como pareja y para que nos mantafanmos enamorados como cuando eramos novios

Para mas información pueden llamar al numero de teléfono
626-327-5131

Jesus y María Robles

Stewardship

We Give because He first Gave

May 14, 2023/ 14 de Mayo, 2023

Masses/Misas

Total: \$9,012

Gracias!

THANK YOU
SO MUCH

This Week's Schedule

May 22nd, 2023

6:45am Meditation

7:00pm Al-Anon - Youth Hut

7:00pm Grupo de Oración Crecimientos – 5A

May 23rd, 2023

7:00pm Coro del Grupo de Oración

7:00pm Crecimientos GDO – 5A

7:00pm Nutrición – Meditation Room

7:00pm Padres y Madres Orantes 6-B

May 24th, 2023

3:00pm Mr. Bullara - 2C

6:00pm Father Deus - Youth Hut

7:00pm Grupo de Oración - Church

7:00pm Grupo Génesis - 2C

7:00pm Meditation Evenings – English

May 25th, 2023

6:00pm Meditation Spanish

6:00pm Coro Guadalupano - 2C

6:00pm Father Deus - Youth Hut

May 26th, 2023

6:00pm Biblia en español - Youth Hut

7:00pm Al-Anon 6-B

7:00pm Grupo de jóvenes Génesis - 2C

May 27th, 2023

May 28th, 2023

10:00am Práctica de coro - 2C

5:00pm Práctica de coro - 2C

ACOMPÁÑENOS A LA
ORDENACIÓN DiaCONAL Y A LAS
PRIMERAS MISAS DIACONALES DE

MARKO RUDELA



ORDENACIÓN DIACONAL

EL SÁBADO 27 DE MAYO A LAS 9:00AM
EN LA CATEDRAL DE NTRA. SRA. DE LOS ÁNGELES
555 WEST TEMPLE STREET
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

PRIMERAS MISAS DIACONALES

DOMINGO DE PENTECOSTÉS
28 DE MAYO DEL 2023
EN LA PARROQUIA DE LA INMACULADA CONCEPCIÓN
740 S SHAMROCK AVE. MONROVIA, CA 91016
A LAS 10:00AM EN INGLÉS Y A LAS 12:00PM EN ESPAÑOL

YOU ARE INVITED
TO THE DIACONATE
ORDINATION AND FIRST
DIACONAL MASSES OF

MARKO RUDELA



DIACONATE ORDINATION:

DATE: SATURDAY MAY 27, 2023, 9:00AM
LOCATION: CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS
555 WEST TEMPLE STREET
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

FIRST DIACONAL MASSES:

SUNDAY MAY 28, 2023
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
MASSES: 10:00AM ENGLISH, 12:00PM SPANISH

SPRING FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL DE PRIMAVERA

11am. to 11pm.

MEXICAN FOOD * ANTOJITOS OAXAQUEÑOS
FILIPINO FOOD * ITALIAN FOOD
AND MUCH MORE

Ballet Folklorico Mestizo
Fanaticos de la cumbia
Alguacil de la Sierra
Alejandro Gaona
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Monrovia CA 91016

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Invites you and all your family to its great Spring Festival!

SPRING FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL DE PRIMAVERA

11am. to 11pm.

MEXICAN FOOD * ANTOJITOS OAXAQUEÑOS
FILIPINO FOOD * ITALIAN FOOD
AND MUCH MORE

Sunday 28 May

RAFFLE
\$ 3.000
\$ 1.000
\$ 500

* LIVE MUSIC * KARAOKE * GAMES
* BALLET FOLKLOICO

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