

*Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
Goliad, Texas*

A Collection of Prayers

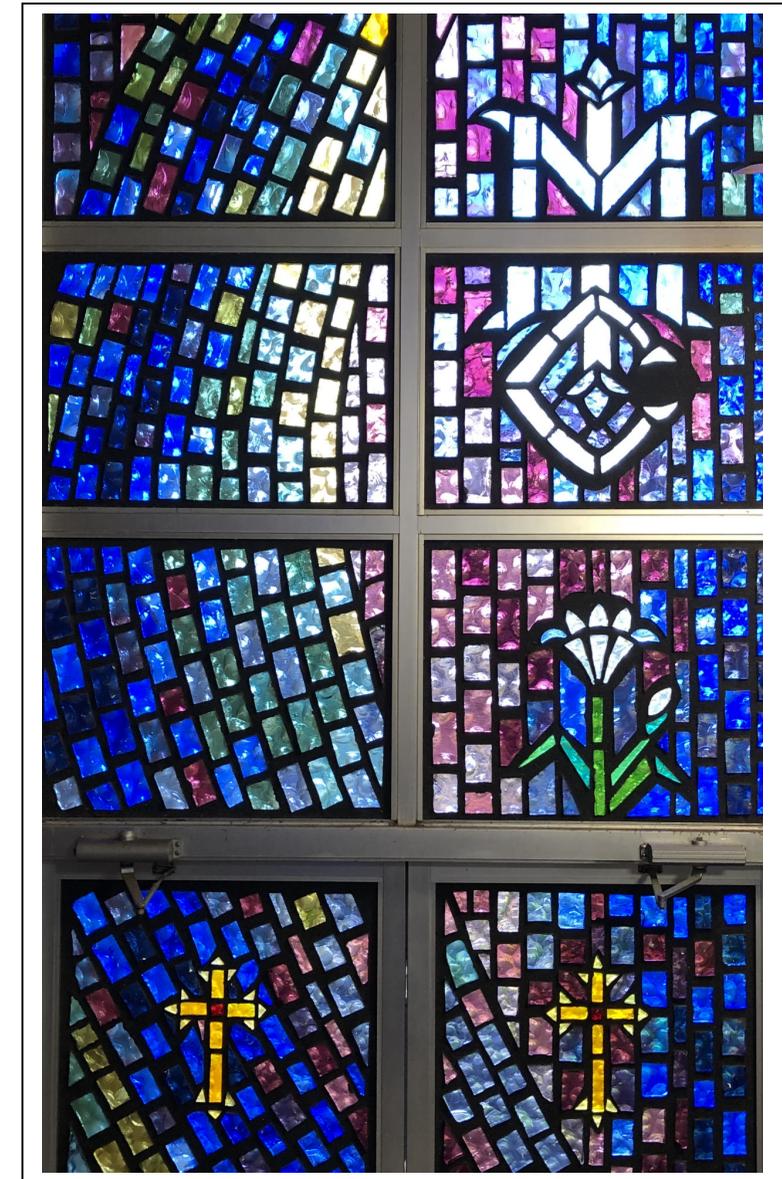


Our Lord and the Saints

The Interior

"For me prayer is a surge of the heart, it is a simple look towards Heaven,
it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy."

- Saint Therese of Lisieux



Symbol of St. Mary, the Immaculate Conception
(I and C for Immaculate Conception, M for Mary, Lily is the Symbol of Mary)
Located over the two main entrance doors, North and South
See Diagram above number 14 and number 19

Introduction

Prayer is our conversation with God. Jesus taught us to call God, 'Our Father,' and he taught us to pray to make our will one with His Holy will. Our greatest prayer is the Sacrifice of the Holy Mass. We have a further opportunity to speak with the Lord who stays here present in the Blessed Sacrament, reserved in the Tabernacle. We are reminded of his presence by the burning light of the sanctuary lamp.

Here in the church, there are statues, images of the saints in the art, and the stained glass. These stained glass were executed by the Cavallini Glass Company in San Antonio, Texas, as indicated in the south entrance glass. They were completed, October 31, 1979, the eve of All Saint's Day; forty years ago today. The individual pieces taken by themselves offer wonderful color, but when you stand back, the image revealed, allows the light of God to fill the window with his presence through these holy men and women saints, each with a path surrounding them; their path in the world and their path to God in heaven.

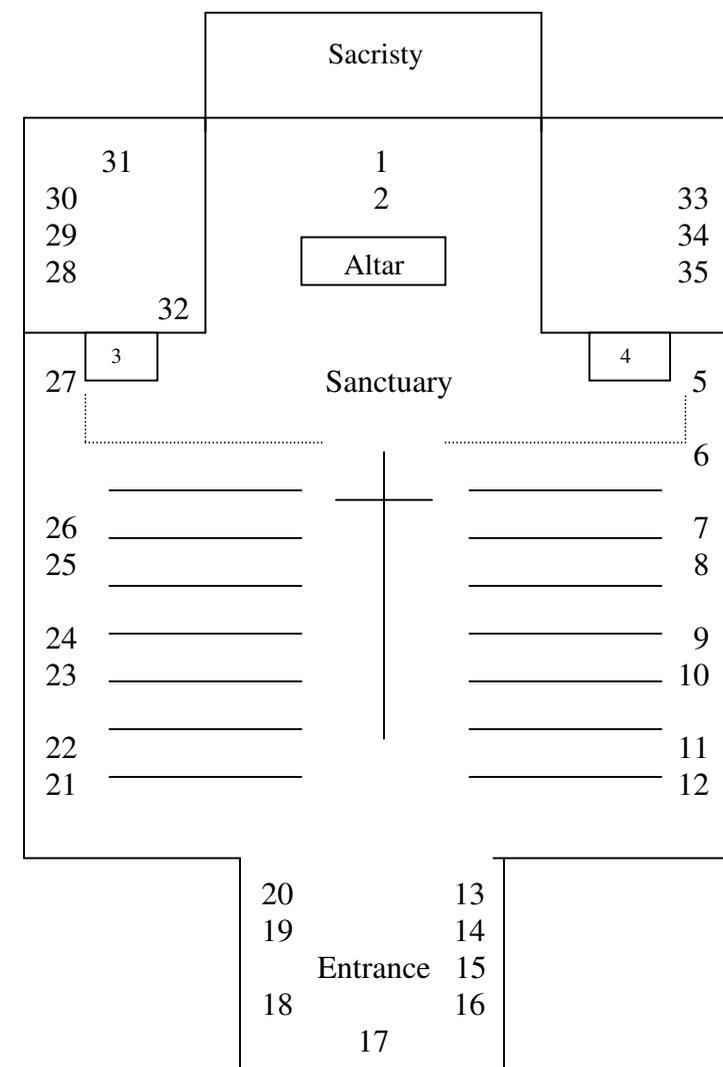
The saints help to remind us of the necessity of prayer. The saints were real men and women who led lives like our own, ultimately being transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit to lead lives of holiness. They persisted in prayer, some despite years of trial, persecution, and even spiritual desolation.

This booklet is intended to help us pray with the Lord and the Saints here at Immaculate Conception. It is also intended for those developing a sense of prayer, for youth, and for those visitors not familiar with the statues or stained glass. I have also included the memorial inscriptions from each window; to pray for them as well.

May these conversations with our Lord and the Saints be ones that lead you on the path to holiness.

The Reverend Ty Joseph Bazar
November 1, 2019

Diagram of the Church



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1 Prayer visiting Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, *Tabernacle*

My Lord Jesus Christ, for the love which You bear to men, You remain night and day in this Sacrament full of compassion and of love, awaiting, calling, and welcoming all who come to visit You. I believe that You are present in the Sacrament of the Altar: I adore You from the depth of my being, and I thank You for all the graces which You have bestowed upon me and in particular for having given me Yourself in this Sacrament, for having given me your holy Mother Mary for my advocate, and for having called me to visit You in this church. I now salute Your most loving Heart:

My Jesus, I love You with all my heart. I grieve for having so many times offended Your infinite goodness. I promise with Your grace never more to offend You in the future. Now, miserable and unworthy though I am, I consecrate myself to You without reserve; I give You my entire will, my affections, my desires, and all that I possess. From now on dispose of me and all that I have as You please. All that I ask of You and desire is Your holy love, final perseverance, and the perfect accomplishment of Your will.

I recommend to You the souls in purgatory; but especially those who had the greatest devotion to the most Blessed Sacrament and to the Blessed Virgin Mary. I also recommend to You all poor sinners. Amen.

2 A Prayer before Jesus Christ Crucified *Statue*

Look down upon me, good and gentle Jesus while before Your face I humbly kneel and, with burning soul, pray and beseech You to fix deep in my heart lively sentiments of faith, hope, and charity; true contrition for my sins, and a firm purpose of amendment. While I contemplate, with great love and tender pity, Your five most precious wounds; your hands, feet, and wounded side, pondering over them within me and calling to mind the words which David, Your prophet, said to You, my Jesus: "They have pierced My hands and My feet, they have numbered all My bones." Amen.

3 Saint Mary, Immaculate Conception Statue

Most holy Virgin, who was pleasing to the Lord and became His Mother, immaculate in body and spirit, in faith and in love, look kindly on the wretched who implore your powerful patronage. The wicked serpent, against whom was hurled the first curse, continues fiercely to attack and ensnare the unhappy children of Eve. Do then, O Blessed Mother, our queen and advocate, who from the first instant of your conception did crush the head of the enemy, receive the prayers which, united with you in our single heart, we implore you to present at the throne of God, that we may never fall into the snares which are laid out for us, and may all arrive at the port of salvation; and, in so many dangers, may the Church and Christian society sing once again the hymn of deliverance and of victory and of peace. Amen.

The doctrine of the Immaculate Conception was dogmatically defined by Pope Pius IX in 1854 and stated that the Blessed Virgin Mary was conceived in the womb of her mother Anne, immaculate, and free of any stain of original sin.

4 Saint Joseph, Husband of Mary Statue

O dear St. Joseph, I consecrate myself to your honor and give myself to you, that you may always be my father, my protector and my guide in the way of salvation. Obtain for me a greater purity of heart and fervent love of the interior life. After your example may I do all my actions for the greater glory of God, in union with the Divine Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. O Blessed St. Joseph, pray for me, that I may share in the peace and joy of your holy death. Amen.

O St. Joseph, faithful guardian, protector, and foster father, to whom God entrusted Mary and Jesus. I implore you by the grace which you did bear to them, to preserve me from every defilement of soul and body; that I too may live in chastity and purity of life. Amen.

O St. Joseph, foster father of the Child Jesus and true spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, pray for us and for the dying of this day/night. Amen.

Wednesdays are devoted to St. Joseph, Universal Patron of the Church. A long standing custom in prayer is to pray seven Our Father's, seven Hail Mary's, seven Glory Be's, asking his intercession.

5 Crucifixion Stained Glass

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from Christ's side, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me. Within Your wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from You. From the malicious enemy defend me. In the hour of my death call me. And bid me come unto You. That I may praise You with Your saints and with Your angels forever and ever. Amen.

In Memory of Joe and Philomena Wilhelm by Rudy and Lula Rae Berger & Bernard & Annie Jo Riley

6 Jesus, Sacred Heart Statue

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus began between the years 800 and 1000; to focus on his humanity and the wounds he bore on the cross. From the cross, blood and water flowed from his pierced side (John 19:34). Over the last 1000 years the devotion has grown due to the apparitions of Christ to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (1673-1675) in which he asked her to promote devotion to his heart, with frequent reception of communion especially on the First Friday of each month, and holy hours and devotions. Pope Pius XII also wrote an encyclical on the Sacred Heart in 1956, which helped to foster devotion. As you gaze at this statue with Jesus' arms outstretched say:

Father, we rejoice in the gifts of love we have received from the heart of Jesus your Son.
Open our hearts to share his life and continue to bless us with his love.
We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

7 Chi Rho Stained Glass Door

The Chi Rho (X and P) is a Christian symbol and monogram of the first two letters of the Greek word Khristos, or Christ. The word Christ means the anointed one. Jesus is the Christ who is our Savior and Redeemer.

Prayer of Abandonment

Father, I abandon myself into your hands; do with me what you will. Whatever you may do, I thank you: I am ready for all, I accept all. Let only your will be done in me, and in all your creatures - I wish no more than this, O Lord. Into your hands I commend my soul: I offer it to you with all the love of my heart, for I love you, Lord, and so need to give myself, to surrender myself into your hands without reserve, and with boundless confidence, for you are my Father.

- Charles de Foucauld

In Memory of Guadalupe and Julia Rubio by the Family

8 Saint Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary *Stained Glass*

Mary originally received this honor after the victory at Lepanto, October 7, 1571. The Christian fleet defeated the Turkish fleet through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary as the fleet prayed the rosary. Mary received the title 'Our Lady of Victory' which was changed by Pope Pius V to Our Lady of the Rosary.

Hail Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with You. Blessed are You among women, and blessed is the fruit of Your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.

In Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Bluntzer by the Family

9 Saint Joseph the Worker *Stained Glass*

O Glorious St. Joseph, model of all those who are devoted to labor, obtain for me the grace to work conscientiously, putting the call of duty above my natural inclinations, to work with gratitude and joy, in a spirit of penance for the remission of my sins, considering it an honor to employ and develop by means of labor the gifts received from God, to work with order, peace, moderation and patience, without ever shrinking from weariness and difficulties, to work above all with purity of intention and detachment from self, having always death before my eyes and the account that I must render of time lost, of talents wasted, of good omitted, of vain complacency in success, so fatal to the work of God. All for Jesus, all through Mary, all after Your example, O Patriarch, St. Joseph. Such shall be my motto in life and in death. Amen.

In Memory of Joseph Machicek by the Family

10 Saint Jude *Stained Glass*

Most holy Apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron of difficult cases, of things almost despaired of, pray for me, I am so helpless and alone.

Intercede with God for me that he may bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly –

(make your request here)

and that I may praise God with you and all the saints forever. I promise, O Blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor granted me by God and to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen.

In Memory of Frances Jecker and Edwin J. Arnold by Blue Albrecht and Rosie Mueller & Arnold Albrecht

11 Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque *Stained Glass*

Promises made to St. Margaret Mary in her vision of the Sacred Heart of Jesus:

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will establish peace in their families.
3. I will console them in all their troubles.
4. They shall find in My Heart an assured refuge during life and especially at the hour of their death.
5. I will pour abundant blessings on all their undertakings.
6. Sinners shall find in My Heart the source of an infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Tepid souls shall become fervent.
8. Fervent souls shall speedily rise to great perfection.
9. I will bless the homes where an image of My Heart shall be exposed and honored.
10. I will give to priests the power of touching the most hardened hearts.
11. Those who propagate this devotion shall have their names written in My Heart, never to be effaced.
12. The all-powerful love of My Heart will grant to all those who shall receive Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months the grace of final repentance; they shall not die under my displeasure, nor without receiving their Sacraments; My heart shall be their assured refuge at that last hour.

In Honor of St. Margaret Mary by Altar Society Members

See Sacred Heart of Jesus Prayer, page 14, number 25.

12 Guardian Angel *Stained Glass*

Guardian Angel Prayer

Angel of God, my guardian dear, To whom God's love commits me here, Ever this day, be at my side, To light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

In Honor of Andres and Delfina Garcia by the Family

13 Saint Mary, North Entrance Left Door *Stained Glass*

Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to Your protection, implored Your help, or sought Your intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto You, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to You do I come, before You I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in Your mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

In Memory of Mr. and Mrs. M.A. Smart & Gustave Hohman by Mrs. Irene Friedrich

14 Saint Mary, North Entrance Right Door *Stained Glass*

Hail Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with You. Blessed are You among women, and blessed is the fruit of Your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.

In Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Jim McGuill and Family by Dubie McGuill

15 North Entrance, Single Panel Column *Stained Glass*

In Memory of Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Donoghue

16 North Entrance, Single Panel Column *Stained Glass*

In Memory of Mr. Mrs. John Bluntzer by Pat Baumgartner

17 Saint Anthony of Padua *Statue*

O Holy St. Anthony, gentlest of saints, your love for God and charity for His creatures, made you worthy, when on earth, to possess miraculous powers. Encouraged by this thought, I implore you to obtain for me

(state your request)

O gentle and loving St. Anthony, whose heart was ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of the sweet Infant Jesus, who loved to be folded in your arms; and the gratitude of my heart will ever be yours. Amen.

(1195- June 13, 1231). St. Anthony was a Portuguese priest and friar of the Franciscan Order. Known for his forceful preaching and expert knowledge of scripture, he was declared a doctor of the church on January 16, 1946. He is the patron saint of finding things or lost people.

18 South Entrance, Single Panel Column *Stained Glass*

Cavallini Stained Glass San Antonio, Texas (marker)

19 St. Mary, South Entrance Left Door *Stained Glass*

Sulpician Prayer

O Jesus, living in Mary, come and live in your servants; in the spirit of your holiness, in the fullness of your power, in the perfection of your ways, in the truth of your virtues, in the communion of your mysteries: overcome every oppressing force in your Spirit, for the glory of God the Father. Amen.

- *Jean Jacques Olier, 1608-1657 Founder of Society of St. Sulpice*

In Memory of Rachel Garcia by Manuel Garcia Family

20 St. Mary, South Entrance Right Door *Stained Glass*

O Mary, Virgin most powerful and Mother of mercy, Queen of Heaven and Refuge of sinners, we consecrate ourselves to your Immaculate Heart. We consecrate to you our very being and our whole life; all that we have, all that we love, all that we are. To you we give our bodies, our hearts and our souls; to you we give our homes, our families, our country.

We desire that all that is in us and around us may belong to you, and may share in the benefits of your motherly benediction. And that this act of consecration may be truly efficacious and lasting, we renew this day the promises of our Baptism and our first Holy Communion.

We pledge ourselves to profess courageously and at all times the truths of our holy Faith, and to live as befits Catholics who are duly submissive to all the directions of the Pope and the Bishops in communion with him. We pledge ourselves to keep the commandments of God and His Church, in particular to keep holy the Lord's Day.

Finally, we promise you, O glorious Mother of God and loving Mother of all, through the sovereignty of your Immaculate Heart, to devote ourselves whole-heartedly to bring forth the kingdom of the Sacred Heart of your adorable Son, in our own hearts and in those of all men, in our country and in all the world, as in heaven, so on earth. Amen.

In Memory of Jovita Brooks by Manuel Garcia Fam.

21 Saint Anthony of Padua Stained Glass

See prayer on page 10, number 17

In Memory of Bum Bego by Bobbie and Joel Bego

22 Saint Andrew Stained Glass

O Glorious St. Andrew, as a fisherman, you were the first to recognize and follow the Lamb of God. With your friend St. John you remained with Jesus for that first day, for your entire life, and now throughout eternity. As you led your brother St. Peter to Christ, and many others after him, draw us also to Him. Teach us to lead others to Christ solely out of love for Him, and dedication in His service. Help us to learn the lesson of the Cross and to carry our daily crosses without complaint so that they may carry us to Jesus. Amen.

In Memory of Erasmus and Justina Horney and Family by Suzanne Melgard

23 Saint Patrick of Ireland Stained Glass

Lorica of St. Patrick (ca. 377)

Lorica is Latin for 'body armor' and in this context refers to the armor of God's love that is put on in the prayerful litany, asking God to strengthen one's day.

I arise today
Through a mighty strength, the invocation of the Trinity,
Through a belief in the Threeness, Through confession of the Oneness
Of the Creator of creation.

I arise today
Through the strength of Christ's birth and His baptism,
Through the strength of His crucifixion and His burial,
Through the strength of His resurrection and His ascension,
Through the strength of His descent for the judgment of doom.

I arise today
Through the strength of the love of cherubim, In obedience of angels,
In service of archangels, In the hope of resurrection to meet with reward,
In the prayers of patriarchs, In the preaching of the apostles,
In faiths of confessors, In innocence of virgins,
In deeds of righteous men.

I arise today
Through the strength of heaven; Light of the sun,
Splendor of fire, Speed of lightning, Swiftmess of the wind,
Depth of the sea, Stability of the earth, Firmness of the rock.

I arise today
Through God's strength to pilot me; God's might to uphold me,
God's wisdom to guide me, God's eye to look before me,
God's ear to hear me, God's word to speak for me,
God's hand to guard me, God's way to lie before me,
God's shield to protect me, God's hosts to save me
From snares of the devil, From temptations of vices,
From every one who desires me ill, Afar and near,
Alone or in a multitude.

I summon today all these powers between me and evil,
Against every cruel merciless power that opposes my body and soul, Against
incantations of false prophets, Against black laws of pagandom,
Against false laws of heretics, Against craft of idolatry,
Against spells of women and smiths and wizards,
Against every knowledge that corrupts man's body and soul.
Christ shield me today
Against poison, against burning, Against drowning, against wounding,
So that reward may come to me in abundance.
Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,
Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down,
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of every man who speaks of me,
Christ in the eye that sees me,
Christ in the ear that hears me.

I arise today
Through a mighty strength, the invocation of the Trinity,
Through a belief in the Threeness, Through a confession of the Oneness
Of the Creator of creation

In Memory of James Vernon Power by Waynette Power Farley

24 Saint Therese of Lisieux Stained Glass

O my God! I offer You all my actions of this day for the intentions and for the glory of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. I desire to sanctify every beat of my heart, my every thought, my simplest works, by uniting them to Its infinite merits; and I wish to make reparation for my sins by casting them into the furnace of Its Merciful Love.

O my God! I ask of You for myself and for those whom I hold dear, the grace to fulfill perfectly Your Holy Will, to accept for love of You the joys and sorrows of this passing life, so that we may one day be united together in heaven for all Eternity. Amen.

(January 2, 1873- September 30, 1897) Also known as the 'Little Flower', lived as a Carmelite nun. She experienced great loss and physical suffering in the convent, while seldom complaining. She died from tuberculosis at the age of 24. Her devotion of The Little Way, and her autobiography Story of a Soul are most sought after spiritual classics. Her feast day is October 1st.

By Dr. G.A. Diaz and Family

25 Sacred Heart of Jesus Stained Glass

I give myself and consecrate to the Sacred Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ, my person and my life, my actions, pains and sufferings, so that I may be unwilling to make use of any part of my being other than to honor, love and glorify the Sacred Heart. This is my unchanging purpose, namely, to be all His, and to do all things for the love of Him, at the same time renouncing with all my heart whatever is displeasing to Him. I therefore take You, O Sacred heart, to be the only object of my love, the guardian of my life, my assurance of salvation, the remedy of my weakness and inconstancy, the atonement for all the faults of my life and my sure refuge at the hour of death.

May I obtain from all Your loving kindness the grace of having my name written in Your Heart, for in You I desire to place all my happiness and glory, living and dying in bondage to You. Amen.

In Memory of Emilio and Eulalia Vargas by the Family

26 Holy Spirit, South Side Entrance Door Stained Glass

Come Holy Spirit

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be recreated and you shall renew the face of the earth. Amen.

In Memory of Angelino & Carlota Flores by Julian and Frances Flores

27 Saint Mary, Immaculate Conception Stained Glass

Hail, Holy, Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope! To You do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to You do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, Your eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of Your womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

In honor of Leonard and Elizabeth Von Dohlen

28 Faith Stained Glass

O my God, I firmly believe that You are one God in Three Divine Persons, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. I believe that Your Divine Son became Man, and died for our sins, and that He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe these and all the truths which the Holy Catholic Church teaches, because You have revealed them, Who can neither deceive nor be deceived.

In Memory of Arthur and Martha Jacob by the Family

29 Hope Stained Glass

An Act of Hope

O my God, relying on Your almighty power and infinite mercy and promises, I hope to obtain pardon of my sins, the help of Your grace, and Life Everlasting, through the merits of Jesus Christ, my Lord and Redeemer.

Donated by Fr. Gregory Deane

30 Love – Charity Stained Glass

An Act of Charity

O My God, I love You above all things, with my whole heart and soul, because You are all-good and worthy of all love. I love my neighbor as myself for the love of You. I forgive all who have injured me, and ask pardon of all whom I have injured.

Donated by Benito & Dominga Garza

31 Divine Mercy Image

An inner voice taught Saint Faustina to say this prayer on ordinary rosary beads: "First say one 'Our Father', 'Hail Mary', and 'I believe'. Then on the large beads say the following words: 'Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.' On the smaller beads you are to say the following words: 'For the sake of His sorrowful Passion have mercy on us and on the whole world.' In conclusion you are to say these words three times: 'Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world'.

Donated by Neida Garcia, Debbie Schrimsher, Candy Camacho in memory of Ramon and Lillie Ybarbo.

32 Saint Mary Statue

Alma Redemptoris Mater

Loving Mother of the Redeemer, gate of heaven, star of the sea, assist your people who have fallen yet strive to rise again. To the wonderment of nature you bore your Creator, yet remained a virgin after as before. You who received Gabriel's joyful greeting, have pity on us, poor sinners.

33 Serpent Stained Glass

"The serpent was the most cunning of all the animals that the Lord God had made" (Genesis 3:1). In the dialogue with the woman, the serpent is even able to speak, ultimately saying if she eats of the tree in the middle of the garden; "certainly you will not die" (Genesis 3:4). This fall from grace which was the original sin of man and woman, also saw the serpent banned from all the other animals, forced now to crawl on it's belly and strike at the heel, brought pain to childbearing, and the ground was cursed, causing future generations to work the earth in toil (Genesis 3:14-16). Later, Moses lifted up the bronze serpent in the wilderness. After the Israelites were bitten by serpents in the desert as a punishment for complaining against God and Moses, God ordered Moses to erect the bronze serpent on a pole. Whoever looked on the serpent was healed. (Num. 21:9) Our Lord spoke of this incident as foreshadowing His own Crucifixion: "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that those who believe in Him may not perish, but may have life everlasting." (John 3:4) Jesus is the one who restores the original justice from the fall and raises us up.

Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.

Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do You, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

In Memory of Michael & Catherine Wall by Kathleen Wall

34 Lamb Stained Glass

God required animal sacrifices in the Old Testament to provide a covering of sins, as the world awaited the Lamb of God who would take away the sins of the world. Saint John the Baptist refers to Jesus as "...the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world" (John 1:29).

An Act of Contrition

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended You, and I detest all my sins, because I dread the loss of heaven, and the pains of hell; but most of all because they offend You, my God, Who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of Your grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen.

In Honor of Fr. Louis Plana

35 Fish Stained Glass

The fish was an early Christian symbol for Jesus Christ during the Roman Empire persecution of followers. The Greek word for fish, ICTHYS, was an acronym for the word Jesus: Iesus Christus Theou Yous Soter. The first men called by Jesus, Simon Peter and Andrew, were fishermen, as is seen in St. Andrew's window featuring two fish and a net. They were called to leave their nets and become "fisher's of men" (Matthew 4:19).

Prayer for Vocations

O Holy Spirit, Spirit of wisdom and divine love, impart Your knowledge, understanding, and counsel to youth that they may know the vocation wherein they can best serve God. Give them courage and strength to follow God's holy will. Guide their uncertain steps, strengthen their resolutions, shield their chastity, fashion their minds, conquer their hearts, and lead them to the vineyards where they will labor in God's holy service. Amen.

In Honor of Fr. Peter Kolvenbach

“Pray without ceasing...”

*St. Paul's first letter to the
Thessalonians 5:17*

