



# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## MASS TIMES

**Saturday Vigil:** 4:00 PM

**Sunday Masses:** 7:00, 9:00, & 11:00 AM

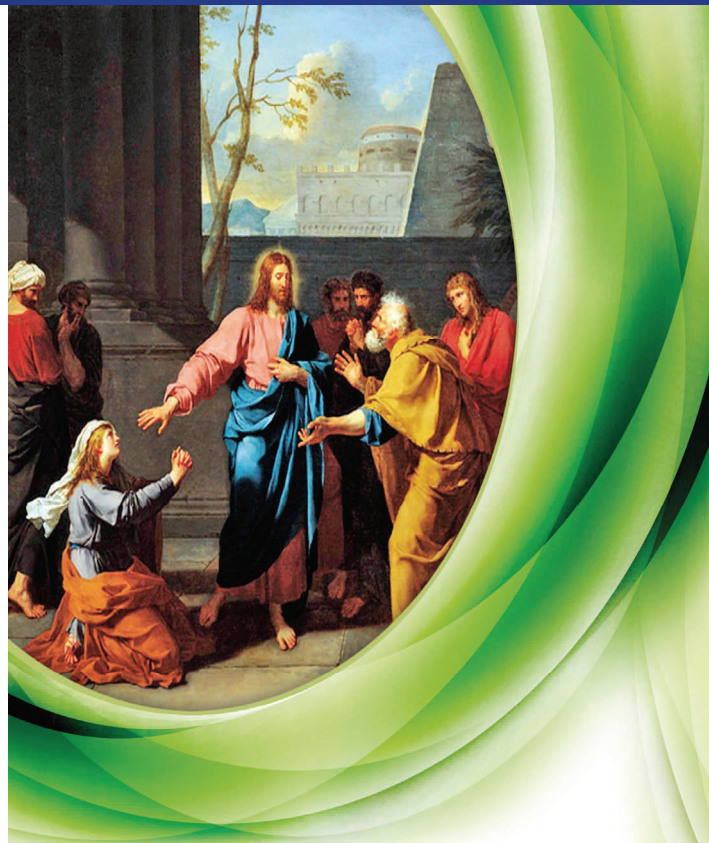
**Daily Masses:** Tuesday 6:00 PM Church  
Wednesday-Friday 8:00 AM Chapel  
First Saturday of the Month 8:00 AM Chapel

**Reconciliation:** Tuesday 5:00 - 5:45 PM  
Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 PM  
(Or By Appointment)

**Baptism:** Please contact Deacon Bob (337) 278-7923 during early months of pregnancy. Baptism preparation is required.

**Care of the Sick:** For emergencies, please contact the priest immediately. Communion is brought to the sick weekly. Families of those who are sick are encouraged to notify the Parish Office as soon as possible.

**Marriage:** Couples are asked to contact the priest at the beginning of the period of engagement or at least six (6) months prior to the desired wedding date.



## 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

“O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.”  
And her daughter was healed from that hour.

Matthew 15:28

Christ and the Caneanite Woman by Jean Germain Drouais, 1784  
© Diocesan

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Sunday, August 20, 2023

## Scriptures for the Week

**Sunday:** Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

**Monday:** Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40; 43ab & 44; Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday:** Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9,11-12, 13-14; Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday:** Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday:** Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

**Friday:** Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10; Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday:** Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Mt 23:1-12

## God Bless Our Troops

Please remember all of our troops overseas, especially members of Immaculate Conception Parish Family:

*Jordan Todd Aguiard, Air Force; Jules Craig Cifreo, Air Force.; Samuel Edward Guidroz, Navy; Quinton T. Gaspard, P.F.C., Army; Kaleb Porche, P.F.C., Army; Zachary Carl Rollins, Marines; Analise Reed, Marines.*

## Prayer Requests

Tim Amond, Evelyn Babin, Linda Beauvis, Joseph Leroy Bizette, Tommy Boudreaux, Annie Bourque, Judah Burbank, Robin Casiano, Daryl Cazes, Pearl Christopher, Barry Comeaux, Lee Joseph Comeaux, Daniel Cormier, Lisa David, Michael David, Patsy David, Tammy David, Brilynn Davis, Dana Decuir, Gabby Deslatte, Todd Dolce, Wallace Dorgan, Jimmy Dupre, Malachi Engen, John Ewing, Anna Grace Fremin, David Gauthier, Gloria H. Genusa, Shelby Gobert, Marshall Gremillion, Joe Guarino, Ylandra Hackett, Harry Hopkins, Jace Hunt, Nadia Jarreau, Noah Jarreau, Kiely Johnson, Judy & James Joseph, Trey LaCour, Patricia LaMotte, Barbara Landry, Mike Marcello, Maria Lawrence, Ramie LeBlanc, Julie Lee, Janey Lively, Margie Marionneaux, Janice Marks, Theresa McKnight, Rebecca Medine, Rob Melacon, Barry Mendoza, Myra Moniotte, Margo Olinde, Brandon Oubre, Al Patin, Betty Patin, Christine Patin, Gary Patin, Jr., Gary Patin, Sr., Gregory Patin, Victor Patin, Coral, Nate & Violet Pennison, Carol Pharr, Danny & Barbara Pickett, Mary Alice Robert, Julia Grace Ruiz, Hank Ryan, Keith Schapatone, Whitney Simoneaux, Harper Showalter, Anna Graves Smith, Leona Smith, Billy Soulier, Jeff Soulier, Shirley Sparks, Micah Theriot, Maxell Thompson, Jr., Joe Trabeaux, Sonya & Rome Tullier, Wayne Walton, Diane White, Harry Williams.

## This Week at ICC

**08/21 KC 4th Degree Meeting**  
@ 6:30pm.

**08/23 Lector & Eucharistic Minister Seminar**  
@ 6pm in Church.

## Your Stewardship

**Collections:** \$ 6,312.22  
**Building Fund:** \$ 385.00

## Lector & Eucharistic Minister Seminar

Wednesday, August 23rd  
6pm Church

## Just a Reminder

The Parish Office will be **closed** on **Monday, September 4th**, in observance of Labor Day. The office will **reopen** on **Tuesday, September 5th**, at **8:30am**.

## Job Opening - ICC Lakeland Part-Time Bookkeeper Position

Immaculate Conception Parish, Lakeland is looking for a part-time bookkeeper. Requirements include 3-5 years of bookkeeping experience combined with additional financial knowledge and skills necessary to perform daily bookkeeping duties. Resumes will be accepted at the Parish Office **August 14-25, 2023**. Interviews will commence the following week.

## ICC Blood Drive Sunday, August 27, 2023

Our annual KC Blood Drive will be held on **Sunday, August 27th**, from **7:00am** till **1:00pm** in the Church Hall. ICC has held this blood drive for 26 years and it has helped many people in our community. All donors must be 17 or older (16 with parental consent) and should eat first before arriving. Coffee, donuts and juice will be provided. All donors will also receive a free t-shirt. Donors who give blood on that day, or attempt to give, will be entered into a drawing for the following prizes:

**1st Place :** 32" Roku HD Smart TV

**2nd Place:** \$100.00 Visa Gift Card

**3rd Place:** \$50.00 Visa Gift Card

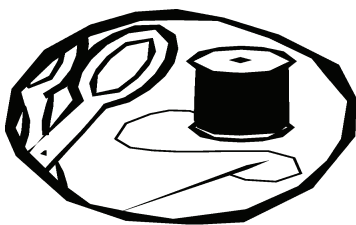
## ICC Religious Education Blessing of Teachers

Saturday, September 9, 2023  
4pm Mass

### Save The Date

ICC Comfort Makers Fundraiser  
October 14-15, 2023

Event details coming soon.



## Chenal Cemetery Clean-Up

On **Saturday, October 14th**, from **8am till 12 Noon**, the ICC church cemetery committee will be cleaning up Chenal Cemetery in preparation for All Saints' Day. All old, faded or seasonal flowers will be removed, as well as any articles placed near the graves. We respectfully ask that **if there are any items you would like to keep, please pick them up before the clean-up day.** We also invite all parishioners to join us, as we work together to help keep our cemetery looking neat and clean.

## St. Mary's Catholic Daughters

Please consider assisting the St. Mary's Catholic Daughters of America Court in clearing Pointe Coupee Parish School Teachers' Back-to-School Wish Lists.

We all know the needs our teachers are faced with can be overwhelming and heartbreaking, with items ranging from basic needs like extra underwear to have on hand for students and laundry detergent to snacks, school supplies, holiday party items, and so much more.

We also know that together the residents of Pointe Coupee can help make a huge impact this year for our teachers (students and parents)!

Please pick a few items off a list or clear the entire thing! Everyone can help...businesses and individuals alike!

Let's show our teachers how much we appreciate everything they do for our children and community!!!

Find a list at <https://bit.ly/PCCleartheList2023>.

## Retrouvaille Weekend

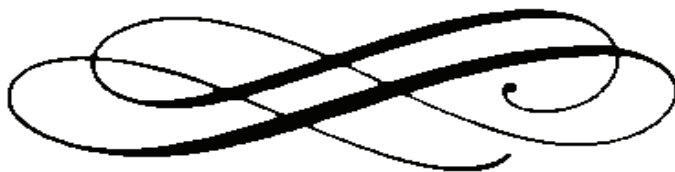
Is your marriage going down the right road . . . or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage.

Retrouvaille (pronounced **retro-vi**) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For more information about the **September 15th-17th** program in **Baton Rouge**, please call **225-271-4092** or visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org).

### Contact

Randall and Robin Bellard  
CommUNITY Coordinator Couple  
Retrouvaille of Baton Rouge  
Home 225-271-4092  
Randall's Cell 225-993-2443

[BatonRougeCoordinators@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:BatonRougeCoordinators@helpourmarriage.org)



## Catholic Life Center-Job Opening Life, Peace, and Justice Coordinator Part-Time Benefits Ineligible

### General Statement of Duties

The Life, Peace, and Justice Coordinator works collaboratively with the Director of the Office of Life, Peace, and Justice, church parishes, apostolates, and other partners across the diocese providing vision, leadership, education, pastoral support, and advocacy with the goal of developing and implementing services, programs, and trainings that support the marginalized in our diocese in accord with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities, Catholic Social Teaching, and the Encyclical Evangelium Vitae.

Additionally, the Life Peace and Justice Coordinator coordinates and oversees diocesan meetings, events and ministries; serves as a local, regional and national respect life liaison; and assists with the coordination and planning for other sacramental services and ministries under the Office of Life Peace and Justice.

For more information on the requirements of this position, please see the diocesan website at:

<https://www.diobr.org/employment-opportunities>