

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Pastor:** Rev. C. Todd Lloyd

**Deacon:** Bob McDonner

**Religious Education:**

Rachel Christ

**Music Coordinator:**

Becky Boudreaux

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

**Sat. Vigil:** 4:00 PM

**Daily Masses:**

**Wed-Fri.** Eucharist 8:00 AM & **Tues.** 6:00pm

**Care of the Sick:** Emergency calls immediately. The Eucharist is brought to the sick weekly. Families of those who are sick are encouraged to notify the Parish Office.

**P.O. Box 158  
Lakeland, LA 70752**



**Parish Office 627-5124  
Religious Education Office 627-5819  
[Immaculateconceptionlakeland.com](http://Immaculateconceptionlakeland.com)**

**Reconciliation:** Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM. Saturday 3:00 PM and Tuesday 5:30pm

**Marriage:** Couples are asked to contact the priest at the beginning of the period of engagement or at least six months prior to the projected date of marriage.

**Baptism:** Celebrated monthly except during Lent & Advent. Please contact the Parish Office during early months of pregnancy. Baptism preparation is required.

## Scriptures for the Week

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4;  
Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9;  
Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20;  
Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17;  
Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21;  
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Alternate readings (Year A):  
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;  
Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41  
[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

## Your Stewardship

Collection	\$9,017.35
Building Fund	\$310.00

## Sick List

Dina Bello McAdams, Sharron Allement, Cleveland Allement, Daniel Allemond, Linda Armand, Hazel Armond, Janelle Amond, Craig Aguiard, Mary Lois Alexander, Rudolph P Antoine, Clarence Armand, Russ Armand, Julie Ashtin, Gary Aucoin, Verna Bankston, Ronnie Barlow, Rebecca Beard, Butch Beauvais, Linda Beauvais, Racheal Bello, Chad Bellelo, Mary Grace Bernard, Adeline Bonaventure, Chestin Boudreaux, Cheryl Bouquet, Hannah Boutee, Inez Bueche, Donald Butcher, Dorothy Butler, Peggy Cazayoux, Connie Cearley, Carl Chenevert, Earl Chustz, Gwen Chustz, Charles Chustz, Jean Chustz, Leroy Chustz, Violet Chustz, Benedict Cline, Kristy Cobb, Mabel Collette, Sadie Collins, Lee Comeaux, Brittany Costello, Sam Costanza, Barbara Coutrado, Jake Coutrado, Gary David, Grant Joseph Delatte, Gary Denson, Betty Dickerson, Luke Dickinson, Deanna Lieux Ducote, Mrytis Duhe, Delta Dugas, Stacie Eirick, Wilfred Fleming, Daniel Firmin, Rachel Gaudin, Jerome Fontenot, Angie Fulmer, Zane Gabor, Theresa Gautro, Carmella Genusa, Alfred Gremillion, Charles Gremilion, Moise Galtier, Randy Gremillion, Erin Gross, Cindy Gueho, Celeste Guidroz, Leo Guidroz, Marilyn Guidroz, Dana Guzzardo, Brooklyn Hebert, Betty Honore, Margaret Hooper, Bert Jarreau, Jr. Helen Jarreau, James Robert Jarreau, Jessie Jarreau, Laura Jarreau, Noah Jarreau, Ronald Jarreau, Wanda Jarreau, Larae Lewis Johnson, Judy Jones, Marie King, Kayla Kinler, Black Lalonde, Ida Langlois, Avery Laurent, Antoinette LeBlanc, Jeffrey LeBlanc, Roderick LeBlanc, Marilyn LeDuff, Jacob Laiche, John E. Landry, Eva Lalonde, Larry Lee, Kay Lee, Randy Levi, Anthony Lopinto, Margje Marioneaux, Hartense Manchester, Aaron McLemore, Breanna McDonald, Alan Meadow, Ralph Mezat, Cheyenne Michalsky, Jacqueline Molina, Bernadine Moore, San Juana Moreno, Danielle Moses, Anthony Olinde Sr., James Olinde, Jonathan Olinde, Shane Roy Olinde, Frieda Parks, Mason Part, Corey Patin, Greg Patin, John Patin, Paul K. Patin, Mark Patin, Tren Patin, Sr., Jeff Plauche, Tricia Plauche, Haley Ponthieux, J.O. Porche, Gladys Porche, Irvis Pourciau, Leon Prevot, Jr., Brenda Puttle, Christina Quigley, Joyce Ricard, Barbara Rizet, Mary Roubiqueynn Rusk, Brenda Singletary, Lonnie Shasse, Angel, Raven and Amil Snell, Martin Smiley, Melanie Spears, Eric Stone,, Connie Rozarto, Emily Taylor, Hank Ryan, Qwen Trabeaux, Brenda Tuttle, Debbie Wheeler, Bobby Williams, Jalen Williams, Joyce York.

## This Week at I.C.

- 3/1 **Rel Ed Grades K-2nd @ 5:30pm.**  
**Altar Society Mtg @ 10am Rm 2.**  
**KC Mtg @ 6pm.**
- 3/2 **Rel Ed Grades 3rd-5th @ 5:30pm.**  
**Choir Practice @ 6pm.**  
**Baptismal Seminar @ 6pm. Rm 2.**
- 3/4 **Stations 6pm.**
- 3/6 **RCIA/RCIA/C.**

## CHENAL CEMETRY

On Saturday March 12, 2016, the church landscaping committee will be cleaning up Chenal Cemetery in preparation for Easter. 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 invite all parishioners to join us as we work to keep our cemetery looking neat and clean.

## PRE-K FUNDRAISER

**FRIDAY, MARCH 4TH**  
**LUNCH 11:30-1PM**  
**DINNER 4:30PM-6PM.**

**\$7 PER PLATE**  
**CHURCH HALL**

## Prayer Request

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

*Timothy Harleaux, Marines; Lance Corporal Metoyer, Marines; P.F.C.; SPC ; Timothy J. Loucks, Corporal U.S. Marine; Lance Corporal Gary R. Major, Jr., Corporal; Private First Class; Captain Jordan Morirs;; Lieutenant Stephen Burleigh, Jr.; MT2 Jacob Lamotte., Sgt. Greg Silva, Army*

In Christ,

Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia's funeral Mass was celebrated last Saturday. The celebrant for the funeral Mass was Justice Scalia's son, Fr. Paul Scalia. His homily for the funeral was excellent. It had a clear structure, based on a verse from Scripture, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever." The homily had three parts: reflection on the past in thanksgiving; being in the present moment of sorrow and petition; and acknowledging our own mortality. I'd like to touch on these three points.

First, at funeral Masses we can't help but remember the life of the deceased person with thankfulness. The first point that Fr. Scalia touched on was a good one as it recognized that any good in the life of his father was not of his own design or doing, but that of our Father in heaven. He thanked God for these blessings in his father's earthly life. And what should we be most especially thankful for in the life of Christian? Fr. Scalia thanked God for the work of the sacraments in his father's life. These are the means by which we receive grace, and therefore they are what we ought to be most thankful for. In remembering and thanking God for them, we are also imploring that they be effective in death.

Fr. Scalia's second point, sorrow and petition in the present moment, helped to avoid the common mistake made at many funerals of canonizing the deceased person. Many like to refer to funerals as a "celebration of life." This is wrong. The primary purpose for a funeral is to pray for the dead. We never assume that someone is in heaven unless the pope has declared them a saint. Fr. Scalia acknowledged that his father, a faithful man, was an imperfect man, "And only those in whom Christ is brought to perfection can enter heaven." At the funeral Mass then, we are praying that the soul be perfected and swiftly taken into heaven. "Let us not show him a false love and allow our admiration to deprive him of our prayers," Fr. Scalia asked.

Finally, he touched on our own mortality and standing with God. If we go away from a funeral Mass without any consideration of our own pending death, then something was not done right. Even as we pray for the dead, we should be mindful of our selves, reminded of the thin veil between this moment of living and the possible moment of death. It should move us to examine the state of our own souls, consider if we are attached to sin, and to work and pray for holiness in life. Fr. Scalia said, "It makes no sense to celebrate God's goodness and mercy to dad if we are not attentive and responsive to those own realities in our own lives. We must allow this encounter with eternity to change us, to turn us from sin, and towards the Lord." In this way as Christians even as we mourn and pray for the dead, we also have hope, trusting that God can, if we cooperate, perfect us and join us again to our loved one.

Totus Tuus,  
Fr. Todd Lloyd

## **GOOD FRIDAY'S PASSIONATE WALK MARCH 25, 2016**

BIG CHANGES TO THIS YEAR'S WALK. WE ARE BEGINNING THE WALK AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH AND WALKING TOWARDS IMMACULATE CONCEPTION'S CHURCH. PLEASE GO TO WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION.  
[WWW.APASSIONATEWALKWITHJESUS.COM](http://WWW.APASSIONATEWALKWITHJESUS.COM)

## **FAIR NEWS**

**Craft Fair Reminder:** To all who would like to make crafts for the craft booth. Please drop off at church office or contact Connie Carrier @ 225-287-9636. Thanks for your support.