

## 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: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38;  
Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Mt 3:13-17  
Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28  
or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9;  
Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28  
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39  
Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45  
Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12  
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17  
Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; I Cor 1:1-3;  
Jn 1:29-34

## Your Stewardship

Collection	\$11,488.17
Building Fund	\$2,630.16

## Sick List

David Pete Aguiard, 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, Ronnie Barlow, Rebecca Beard, Butch Beauvais, Linda Beauvais, Racheal Bello, Chad Bellelo, Andrea Bergeron, Mary Grace Bernard, Chestin Boudreaux, Cheryl Bouquet, Hannah Boutee, Liz Breaud, Inez Bueche, Donald Butcher, Dorothy Butler, Peggy Cazayoux, Connie Cearley, Carl Chenevert, Henrietta Chenevert, Earl Chustz, Gwen Chustz, Charles Chustz, Jean Chustz, Benedict Cline, Kristy Cobb, Mabel Collette, Sadie Collins, Sherry Comeaux, Lee Comeaux, Brittany Costello, Sam Costanza, Barbara Coutrado, Jake Coutrado, Gary David, Nancy David, Grant Joseph Delatte, Gary Denson, Betty Dickerson, Felton Dickinson, Luke Dickinson, Deanna Lieux Ducoite, 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, Nathaniel Hill, Betty Honore, Margaret Hooper, Shirley, Hymel, Bert Jarreau, Jr. Earl Jarreau, Jr., Emmett Jarreau, Sr., Helen Jarreau, James Robert Jarreau, Jessie Jarreau, Laura Jarreau, Mary Jarreau, Noah Jarreau, Patricia Olinde, Ronald Jarreau, Wanda Jarreau, Larae Lewis Johnson, Judy Jones, Marie King, Kayla Kinler, Black Lalonde, Ida Langlois, Avery Laurent, Antoinette LeBlanc, Jeffrey LeBlanc, Marilyn LeDuff, Jacob Laiche, John E. Landry, Eva Lalonde, Larry Lee, Kay Lee, Randy Levi, Anthony Lopinto, Margie Marioneaux, Hartense Manchester, Aaron McLemore, Breanna McDonald, Alan Meadow, Ralph Mezat, Cheyenne Michalsky, San Juana Moreno, Danielle Moses, Katherine Myers, Anthony Olinde Sr., James Olinde, Jonathan Olinde, Shane Roy Olinde, Frieda Parks, Mason Part, Corey Patin, Greg Patin, John Patin, Dottie Purpera, Brenda Puttle, Christina Quigley, Joyce Ricard, Donald Richard, Joseph Richardson, Barbara Rizet, Mary Roubique, 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, Lydia Vancal, Tracy Viola, Joyce York.

## Prayer Request

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

*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 Moriris;; Lieutenant Stephen Burleigh, Jr.; MT2 Jacob Lamotte,*

# This Week at I.C.

- 1/10 Rel Ed Grades K-2nd @ 5:30pm.
- 1/11 Rel Ed Grades 3rd-5th @ 5:30pm.  
Bereav Grp Mtg @ 5:30pm.
- 1/15 RCIA/RCIA-C.  
KC Appreciation Gumbo 12Noon.

## 2017-2018

## PRESCHOOL

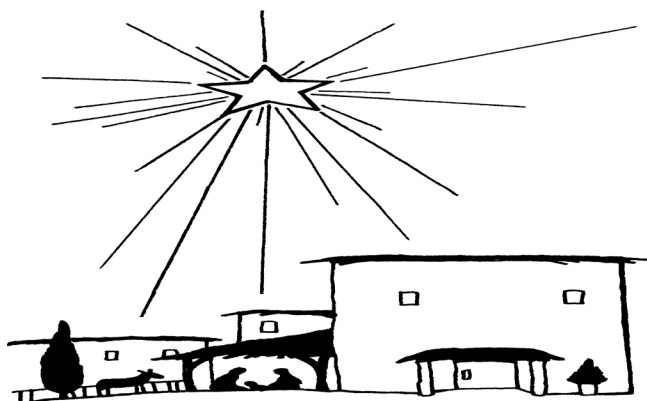
## REGISTRATION

**Deadline: February 6, 2017**

Immaculate Conception Preschool Learning Center will be taking applications for the upcoming 2017/2018 preschool year. The program offers a “hands-on”, age appropriate pre-k curriculum for children ages 3, 4 & 5. (children must turn 3 before Dec. 31, 2017)

Preschool hours: 8:30-2:00 Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Application forms can be found near side door of Office of Christian Formation and must be received by Feb. 6, 2:00pm. For more information contact Skye Johnston in the Office of Christian Formation at 627-5819.



In Christ,

Last week, at the start of the year and as we observed the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God I mentioned in my homily that 2017 is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima. These apparitions are unique in that they have been affirmed by a miracle and by historical fulfillment.

Three young children, Jacinta, Francisco, and Lucia, were visited by the Mother of Jesus six times in the region of Fatima, Portugal between May 13<sup>th</sup> and October 13<sup>th</sup>, 1917. At that time, the First World War was ending and the Western world was devastated. At the time, the appearances of Our Lady generated both controversy and fascination. Our Lady's message was fundamentally one of peace, but she warned of serious consequences if people did not turn more wholeheartedly to her Son, repent of their sins, and pray for peace.

She explained that war is a punishment for sin and warned that without our repentance, God would further castigate the world for its disobedience. She indicated that we would experience the wretched fruits of our sins through war, hunger, and the persecution of the Church, the Holy Father, and the Catholic faithful. The Blessed Mother prophesied that although the First World War was ending, without our repentance, a second and worse war would arise and that Russia would be God's chosen instrument of chastisement, spreading the "errors" of atheism and materialism across the earth, fomenting wars, annihilating nations, and persecuting the faithful everywhere.

She further prophesied that a final warning would be given before the outbreak of a new war: *When you see a night illumined by an unknown light, know that this is the great sign given you by God that he is about to punish the world for its crimes.* Indeed, a large display of the Northern Lights occurred in January 1938 throughout the Northern Hemisphere and reaching into the Southern Hemisphere, making headlines internationally. Shortly thereafter, the Second World War was underway. Germany occupied Czechoslovakia in 1938 and invaded Poland in 1939.

As a verification of her appearances, Our Lady promised a miracle at the final apparition. With as

many as 70,000 people in attendance, the miracle of the sun took place on October 13, 1917. Those gathered both marveled and feared as the sun danced and moved about in the sky on what had been a rainy day.

The third prophecy of Fatima, kept secret until the year 2000, spoke of a great period of suffering for the Church, including the martyrdom of the Pope. A bishop dressed in white climbs a mountain near a ruined city toward a cross. He passes the corpses of many martyrs and many others who have suffered. At the top of the mountain, near the cross, he himself is killed by armies. Pope John Paul II saw his near-assassination on May 13, 1981 (anniversary of the first apparition at Fatima) as the fulfillment of this prophecy and indicated that he only escaped death as a merciful intervention by Our Lady in response to prayer.

One additional aspect of the Fatima apparitions was given that same year. Sister Lucia, the lone surviving visionary, wrote to Monsignor (now Cardinal) Carlo Caffara at the Vatican of something she heard from Our Lady: *The final battle between the Lord and the reign of Satan will be about marriage and the family. Don't be afraid ... anyone who works for the sanctity of marriage and the family will always be fought and opposed in every way, because this is the decisive issue. ... however, Our Lady has already crushed its head.* And here we are in modern times, desperately confused about the nature of marriage, sexuality, and the family. Many who stand up for what has always been taught and believed are called intolerant, backward, and/or bigoted.

As we move through what could potentially be a significant year we should take time to reflect on Our Lady of Fatima's messages and examine our prayer life. Throughout the year I will be emphasizing the need to pray the rosary and plan to lead communal rosaries especially on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of the months of the apparitions, May-October.

"Say the Rosary every day, to bring peace to the world and an end to the war." – Our Lady of Fatima

Totus Tuus,  
Fr. Todd Lloyd