

## 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: I Pt 1:3-9; Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9-10c;  
Mk 10:17-27  
Tuesday: I Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1-4; Mk 10:28-31  
Wednesday: I Pt 1:18-25; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;  
Mk 10:32-45  
Thursday: I Pt 2:2-5, 9-12; Ps 100:2-5; Mk 10:46-52  
Friday: I Pt 4:7-13; Ps 96:10-13; Mk 11:11-26  
Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25; Ps 63:2-6; Mk 11:27-33  
Sunday: Gn 14:18-20; Ps 110:1-4; I Cor 11:23-26;

## Your Stewardship

Collection \$8,522.50  
Building Fund \$235.00

## 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, Ronnie Barlow, Rebecca Beard, Butch Beauvais, Linda Beauvais, Racheal Bello, Chad Bellelo, Mary Grace Bernard, Adeline Bonaventure, Chestin Boudreaux, Cheryl Bouquet, Hannah Boutee, Liz Breaud, Inez Bueche, Donald Butcher, Dorothy Butler, Peggy Cazayoux, Connie Cearley, Carl Chenevert, Earl Chustz, Gwen Chustz, Charles Chustz, Jean Chustz, Leroy 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, Felton Dickinson, 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, Shirley, Hymel, Bert Jarreau, Jr. Helen Jarreau, James Robert Jarreau, Jessie Jarreau, Laura 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, 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, Bernadine Moore, San Juana Moreno, Danielle Moses, Katherine Myers, Anthony Olinde Sr., James Olinde, Jonathan Olinde, Patricia 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, Dottie Purpera, Brenda Puttle, Christina Quigley, Joyce Ricard, Donald Richard, Joseph Richardson, 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, Tracy Viola, Joyce York.

## 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*

# This Week at I.C.

- 5/22 **KC Veterans Home Fundraiser** in Hall.  
See Article for more information.
- 5/25 **Choir Practice @ 6pm.**
- 5/27 **Parish Office Closed.**

## Sympathy

*The Sympathy Of Immaculate Conception Church Parish Family is extended to:*

Family of Verna Bankston.

## Flowers

Flowers on the altar this weekend are donated by Joe & Jean Porche, James & Mary Alice Robert and members of Mes Bon Amis Club in memory of their parents.

## BAPTISMS

*We welcome to our Parish Community:*

**Bristol Lane Trabeaux**, child of Bradly & Brandy Trabeaux.

## MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

**JULY 22ND-24TH & OCT 14TH-15TH  
AT BISHOP ROBERT TRACY CENTER  
BATON ROUGE  
For more info: LAMS.WWME. Org**

In Christ,

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity. We celebrate the revelation that God is a Divine community of three equal Persons sharing one Being. One of the important words there is "equal." For the past few decades we have become a society that strives (obsessively) for egalitarianism above all else. But there is some confusion in language. Equal does not mean "identical." By definition, according to Google's dictionary, equal means "a person or thing considered to be the same as another in status or quality." *In status or quality* being the relevant points. For the three holy Persons of the Holy Trinity, they are indeed equal in status and quality. They have the same divine dignity and one is not greater than the other in that divine dignity. None the less, they are different; different, but equal. This can also be said about the sexes.

Human beings are indeed created with a sex which is determined by a sole factor: biology. At the beginning of life, at conception, we are given our sex, and at the end of time, after the universal judgment, there will be a resurrection of the body, and we will still be that sex. When God created humanity, "male and female he created them," he had no intention of us ever shedding that sex, or the identity that comes with it.

The reality is the two sexes complement one another, just as the three Persons of the Trinity do. That which distinguishes them most from one another is how they relate to one another. The Father is father to the Son, who is son, and the love between them is the Holy Spirit. The Son has his origin from the Father (eternally), and the Spirit from both of them (eternally). There is something similar in the complementarity of the sexes. Woman has her origin in Man (Gen. 1), and when they share the love between them their love can literally become a third person, called a child. I believe there is no physical way in which humanity can better image God than this complementary nature of man and woman in love.

Men and women do indeed share the same human dignity, just as the three Persons share the same Divine dignity. We should always recognize the equal human dignity of both men and women. But this does not mean that we ought to consider them to be the same. The only way to show true respect to the human dignity of a man is to acknowledge his dignity as man, and a woman as woman. One of the greatest lies of the past century still affecting us today is that

a woman's dignity is not respected unless she is treated like a man. In truth this is a disrespectful treatment and heaps impossible expectations upon her; just as would be the same to expect a man to become more like a woman. To demand that human beings become androgynous is irrational, and contrary to science and human nature. It is a hope for the impossible and would lead to a weakening, not strengthening, of human dignity.

This is a matter not only in society, but also in the Church. We should rejoice in the different roles men and women have in Christ's Body, not work to destroy them. Different roles do not indicate inequality, but highlights the complexities that define and compliment us.

Totus Tuus,  
Fr. Todd Lloyd

## Jackson Veterans Home Fundraiser

Knights of Columbus, Council 8878 Lakeland (3<sup>rd</sup> Degree) in conjunction with Antoine Blanc Assembly Lakeland, Jackson, St Francisville, New Roads and Morganza (4<sup>th</sup> Degree) will be selling Chicken & Spaghetti Lunches on May 22<sup>nd</sup> after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. masses. Lunches can be picked up in the Immaculate Conception Parish Hall for a cost of \$8.00 (take-out or dine in).

The Knights started Sponsoring this Fund-Raiser several years ago to help provided needed supplies for the Veterans that the government does not supply. Items such as shaving cream, nick-picks, aftershave lotion, deodorant, etc. are supplied to the Veterans every 3 months until the money runs out. We are in need of funds to keep this much needed program ongoing.

We also cook Jambalaya Dinners for the Veterans twice a year. Our Ladies Auxiliary also visits this Veterans Home in Jackson Louisiana and Sponsors Bingo for the Veterans.

Thank you in advance for your continued support. Without your generous contributions this important event would not be possible.

God Bless  
Knights of Columbus and our Veterans