

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

**Deacon:** Bob McDonner

**Religious Education:**

Rachel Christ

**Music Coordinator:**

Jody Doucet

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

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

**Daily Masses:**

**Wed-SAT** 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**

**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. Please contact the Parish Office during early months of pregnancy. Baptism preparation is required.

# Scriptures for the Week

Monday: Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 17:1-6  
Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29;  
Lk 17:7-10  
Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-6; Lk 17:11-19  
Thursday: Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25  
Friday: 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18;  
Lk 17:26-37  
Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8  
Sunday: Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5, 8-11; Heb 10:11-14,  
18; Mk 13:24-32

# This Week at I.C.C.

- 11/12 Rel. Ed Grades 6th-8th @ 5:15pm.**
- 11/13 Ladies Altar Society @10am. No Rel. Ed Grades 1st & 2nd. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting @ 6:30pm.**
- 11/14 No Rel. Ed Grades 3rd-5th. Peer Bereavement Support Group @ 5:30pm Rm 2. First Reconciliation @ 6:00pm.**

## Your Stewardship

Collection	\$ 8,316.00
Building Fund	\$ 1,574.00
Electronic	\$ 1,275.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 645.00

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## Sick List

Janelle Amond, Gary Aucoin, Gertrude Bonaventure, Inez Bueche, John David, Robert Geier, Jr., Alfred Gremillion, Deborah Fountain, Ferd Fabre, Earl Jarreau, Sr., Laura Jarreau, Reid LaComb, Kay Lee, Larry Lee, Kaci McCamy, Gail Metz, Linda Olinde, Dottie Purpera, Lou Sherman, Gwen Trabeaux, Sonny Trabeaux.

## -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 Morirs;; Lieutenant Stephen Burleigh, Jr.; MT2 Jacob Lamotte., Sgt. Greg Silva, Army; Jules Craig Cifreo Air Force.; Samuel Edward Guidroz, Navy.*

## In Christ

Usually a feast day commemorates the saints, events, or mysteries in the life of Christ. But the feast of this past Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, celebrated the dedication of a church building: The Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome; aka. St. John Lateran.

One might wonder, “Who is St. John *Lateran* and why is his church so important?” Well actually there is no such saint as St. John Lateran. *Lateran* refers to the location and land on which this church stands. An elite Roman family by the name of Lateranus owned the land and palace where the Basilica now stands. The land and palace came into possession of the Roman Emperor Constantine who in turn gave it to the bishop of Rome (i.e. the pope). Because Constantine had made it legal to be Christian in 313, Christians could begin to build public places for worship. Naturally the palace at the Lateran became the residence of the pope and construction was underway to build a church on the same property. The Lateran remained the main residence of the pope and central administrative office of the Church for almost 1000 years.

Around 324 Pope Saint Sylvester I celebrated the dedication of the church and named it “Most Holy Savior.” After renovations and rededications it has also been dedicated to Sts. John the Baptist and Evangelist, which is where the “John” comes from. The basilica church of St. John Lateran became and still remains the cathedral church of Rome.

With all this now in mind one can understand why we celebrate a feast day for this church. St. John Lateran is a magnificent physical structure because of its beauty and age. It is the oldest church in the west at 1600 years old! It is an important building because of its significance in the Church as the pope’s cathedral, which makes it the “Head and Mother Church” of all churches in the world. But we do not so much celebrate the physical stones of a church as much as we do the spiritual stones of *the* Church. This basilica which presides over all others represents the reality that Christianity has been propelled into the world by the providence of God and sustained under the Church of Rome. Christ has built his Temple out of spiritual stones

and made it grow from its very roots from Jerusalem and Rome to the ends of the earth. St. John Lateran, our Holy Father’s cathedral, is the point from which all Christians receive their unity.

Remember to pray daily for our Holy Father, Pope Francis, and for the uniting of all Christians to the bishop of Rome.

Totus Tuus,  
Fr. Todd Lloyd

## FOOD BANK THANKSGIVING

The ICC Food Bank is making preparations for Thanksgiving. Each year we give the Food Bank participants a special Thanksgiving box that has a turkey. Anyone wanting to donate a turkey or money, please contact Kris Chustz at 620-7507, by November 20th. Your help is greatly appreciated.

## Nursing Home Donations Needed

Our 1st and 2nd graders will hold an annual drive to collect socks for the nursing home residents. They are asking for your help to collect plenty of warm socks.

Please drop off socks at the Office of Christian Formation by Sunday, December 16, 2018. If you are interested in making a monetary donation instead, please place in an envelope labeled Nursing Home and drop off in the mail slot at the Office of Christian Formation.