

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

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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: Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-33; Ps 128:1-5;
Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30
Thursday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3;
Mt 5:1-12a
Friday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9;
Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or
from the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-
1016
Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef;
Lk 14:1, 7-11
Sunday: Dt 6:2-6; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Heb 7:23-28;
Mk 12:28b-34

Your Stewardship

Collection	\$6,894.00
Building Fund	\$128.00
Electronic	\$345.00
Prog of Faith	\$368.00

Sick List

Janelle Amond, Gertrude Bonaventure, Inez Bueche, John David, Robert Geier, Jr., Alfred Gremillion, Deborah Fountain, Ferd Fabre, Earl Jarreau, Sr., Laura Jarreau, Reid LaComb, 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.

This Week at I.C.C.

- 10/28 Rel Ed Classes 9th-11th @ 9:30am.**
11th Grade Retreat @ 12:00pm.
Comfort Makers Fundraiser @ Quilt House after all masses.
- 10/29 Rel Ed Grades 6th-8th @5:15pm.**
- 10/30 No Rel Ed Classes.**
- 10/31 No Rel Ed Classes.**
Happy Halloween!!
- 11/1 All Saints Day Masses @ 8am, 12:00noon & 6:00pm.**
Bible Study @ 9am & 6pm.
- 11/3 Blessing Of The Graves @ 9:00am Chenal Cemetary. Lakeland immediately following.**

Sympathy

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

Family of Louis Dipuma.
Family of Louis Little.

All Saints Day Mass Schedule

Thursday , November 1st, is All Saints Day. It is a Holy Day of Obligation for all Catholics. We will offer All Saints Mass in our Church on Thursday 8am, 12 Noon and 6pm. Friday, November 2nd, the Church offers Masses for all the faithful departed on All Souls Day. Try to participate in a Mass that day and offer prayer for your dead loved ones who may still be in purgatory. Blessing of the Graves will be Saturday, November 3rd, starting with Chenal at 9am.

**Remember to Turn Back The
Clocks
Sunday, Nov. 4th**

In Christ,

One of the most important arts that contribute to liturgy, especially the Holy Mass, is music. The Second Vatican Council said “The musical tradition of the universal Church is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than that of any other art. The main reason for this pre-eminence is that, as sacred song united to the words, it forms a necessary or integral part of the solemn liturgy” (*Sacrosanctum Concilium 112*). For this reason it is important that attention be given to the quality of the sacred music of the liturgy. Pastors have a responsibility to see to it that the sacred music is appropriate to the liturgical action, and the music chosen ought to be inspired by the liturgy itself and the Church’s rich musical tradition.

Just as the Church assigns readings and prayers for every Mass, so too she has assigned proper music for parts of the Mass; for the entrance, offertory, and communion. Having these assigned proper chants means that, like the prayers and readings, every Catholic church around the world could be singing the same thing. When we sing them here in Lakeland, the same chants may be sung in New Orleans, or London, or Rome. These propers are usually scriptural and are typically sung in a chant form.

Unlike with the readings and the prayers, there is some flexibility with the use of these propers. Sometimes there are different options for text and melody for the chant; and there are options to use other texts, such as hymns. In our parish we have been singing at least one of the propers (eg. entrance, offertory, or communion) every Sunday. While the text and music chosen may vary, the council says, “The texts intended to be sung must always be in conformity with Catholic doctrine; indeed they should be drawn chiefly from holy scripture and from liturgical sources.”

In regard to the form or type of music sung, the Church always prefers Gregorian chant. This is a type of music often described as a “sung prayer.” It is not a performance art. It also has other characteristics, such as a being sung a cappella (literally “in chapel” – without an instrument), and *free rhythm*, which means it does not have a repeating and predictable beat like most modern popular music. Vatican II said that “The Church acknowledges Gregorian chant as specially suited to the Roman liturgy; therefore, other things being equal, it should be given pride of place in liturgical services.” Though other types of music can be used, liturgical music should always look to Gregorian chant as the model, as St. Pope Pius X wrote, and St. John Paul II quoted again in 2003, “The more closely a composition for church approaches in its movement, inspiration and savor the Gregorian form, the more sacred and liturgical it becomes; and the more out of harmony it is with that supreme model, the less worthy it is of the temple.”

Please make an effort to join us in singing the parts of the Mass that pertain to the congregation, which are the parts of the Mass repeated every Sunday (eg. *Gloria, Holy Holy, Lamb of God, Memorial acclamation*, etc.). When the text is provided, please also join in singing during the entrance, offertory, and communion. We are intentionally using music that does not require excessive musical talent; but like any good thing, it does require effort. Put in the effort to sing during the Mass. These are prayers, and to join in singing them is to join in the worship of God as a community of believers.

Finally, I am so grateful for the choir and musicians of our parish. Our Masses are accompanied by some powerful and beautiful music that lifts the mind up to God in worship. They have worked hard to learn and sing more traditional music inspired by Gregorian chant, and their hard work has bore fruit and certainly helps make our participation in the Holy Mass fuller. I look forward to hearing more of what they are working on. It would be a big help to the choir and parish as a whole if more of our parishioners would join the choir. Please prayerfully consider this invitation: *you* are invited to join the choir. You do not have to be a musical master. You do not even have to be able to read music. All that is required is an ability to hold a note and a desire to help the congregation pray the Mass well. If you can sing in the car or the shower, then you can sing in the church. Young and old, men and women, all are invited to contribute your voices to the praise and glory of God.

St. Cecilia, pray for us!

Totus Tuus,
Fr. Todd Lloyd

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

SATURDAY, NOV 3RD

9:00 CHENAL

LAKELAND IMMEDIATELY

FOLLOWING

ALL SAINTS DAY MASSES

THURSDAY, NOV 1ST 8AM, 12NOON, & 6PM.

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