

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

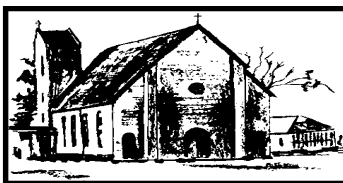
Sat. Vigil: 4:00 PM

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**

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: Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3;
Mt 5:1-12a
Wednesday: 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 Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016
Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10
Friday: Phil 3:17 — 4:1; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday: Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14; Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15; 2 Thes 2:16 — 3:5; Lk 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]

Your Stewardship

Collection \$8,439.50
Prop of Faith \$505.00

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, Adeline Bonaventure, 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 Ducote, 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, Dana Page, Frieda Parks, Mason Part, Corey Patin, Greg Patin, John Patin, Dottie Purpera, Brenda Tuttle, 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, 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 Morirs;; Lieutenant Stephen Burleigh, Jr.; MT2 Jacob Lamotte,

This Week at I.C.

- 10/31 Rel Ed Grades 6th-8th @ 5:15.
- 11/1 No Rel Ed Classes.
Parish Office Closed.
Masses 8am, 12Noon & 6pm.
KC Mtg @ 6pm.
- 11/2 Rel Ed Grades 3rd-5th @ 5:30p.m.
Baptismal Seminar @ 6pm Rm 2.
- 11/3 RCIA/RCIA-C @ 6pm.
Adult Confirmation 6pm Chapel.
- 11/6 Rel Ed Grades 9th-11th @ 9:30am.
Comfort Makers Fundraiser. See Article for more info.

Flowers

Flowers on the altar this weekend are in loving memory of all deceased members of Immaculate Conception Church Parish from the Altar Society.

Sympathy

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

Family of Adeline Bonaventure.

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

SATURDAY, OCT 29TH

9:00 CHENAL

LAKELAND IMMEDIATELY

FOLLOWING

SUNDAY, OCT 30TH

ST FRANCIS 8AM.

ST MARY'S 1PM.

FALSER RIVER 2:30PM.

ALL SAINTS DAY MASSES

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

In Christ,

We are at the end of October which means ghosts, ghouls, and *saints*. Many Christians find this season to be scandalous. I personally enjoy it. But there is something that should be pointed out. What we should enjoy about Halloween is NOT the gore and occultism. Rather what we enjoy is perfectly related to our faith that there is life after death. We are celebrating God's triumph over death by mocking death.

Many reject or embrace Halloween because it is or isn't Christian, Catholic, Pagan, etc. Really all of these are true. It started as a festival for the mythical Celtic lord of the dead. The Celts believed that the night before the feast the gates of the underworld were opened and that the dead were allowed to roam free. For protection the living would disguise themselves as the dead so that the agents of death would see them as allies and not hurt them. In addition to blending in with the dead, they would also offer them food and wine to appease them.

Eventually the Celts were converted to the Catholic faith. At this time the old Druid festival came to be associated with the night before All Saints' Day on November 1st. The pagan sacrifices were eventually replaced by charitable offering to the poor. This charity was twofold: the poor were assured a meal on this day and in return they were asked to pray for the dead relatives of their benefactors. The masquerading itself was also "Catholicized" when the Church authority encouraged the faithful to dress up as Christian angels or saints.

Throughout a long history of festivities the traditions of the feast have evolved. But one thing should still stand true for Catholics: we know *we* are alive and that the *dead* are living too. We are joyful that death has been overcome thanks to Jesus. And so we can say with St. Paul "Where, oh death is your victory?" (1 Cor. 15). Whether we dress up as saints in preparation for All Saints day, or just as the *living dead*, we are still mocking death because as Christians we are not afraid of it.

Consider this week how you will remember those who have died. Throughout November we will continue the practice of praying for the faithfully departed while we also celebrate the victory of the saints. This commemoration should include works of charity on behalf of our deceased who may still suffer in purgatory. And this charity also honors the lives of those who have overcome death in heaven.

Remember that we honor and ask for the prayers of the Saints on Tuesday, November 1st, which is All Saints Day. It is a Holy Day of Obligation for all Catholics. We have Mass in our Church at 8AM, Noon, and 6PM. And then on Tuesday, 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.

Totus Tuus
Fr. Todd Lloyd

Quilts & More

The Comfort Makers will have an open house and fundraiser on Sunday, Nov 6th from 8am-1:30pm at the St Martin de Porres house next to church. Handmade quilts, baby items, and much more will be sold just in time for Christmas. Funds raised will be used to continue our ministry of making quilts for sick children in our area. A "Cathedral Window" quilt will be raffled after 11am mass. Coffee and refreshments will be served.

**MEETING FOR ALL
COMMUNION MINISTERS
NOV 14TH @ 6PM. IN
CHURCH
ALL SHOULD ATTEND
MEETING**