

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 19th, 2017



The Office will be closed Thursday, November 23rd & Friday, November 24th in observance of Thanksgiving.

- Monday – November 20th** 5:00 PM – Rosary for Country
Tuesday – November 21st 6:30 AM – No Mass
Wednesday – November 22nd 6:30 AM No Mass
No CCD Class
Thursday – November 23rd 8:00AM – Thanksgiving Day –
Brian T. Ortego, Butsie Carrier,
Buddy Carrier, Jimmy Carrier,
Mike Wartelle,
Curry Landreneau,
Russel & Bea Ardoin
Friday – November 24th 6:30 AM – No Mass
Saturday – November 25th
4:00 PM Mass - Brian T. Ortego, Ann Tate, Leonce Lalonde Jr.,
John L. Speyrer, Jude Thibodeaux, Aubrey Soileau,
Clyde Doucet, Clara Belle & Lionel J. Lafleur, Herman
Hebert, Lois & Claude Blanchard, Roy & Wilda Roberie,
Larry Roberie, Poke Courville & Deceased Family,
Godfrey Mayeux, Rodney Mayeux,
Sunday – November 26th
7:00 AM –Buster & Edna Plattsmier, Ashley Doucet Boyd, Alton
& Elizabeth Joubert, Vernon Joubert
9:00 AM – Mass for the People
11:00 AM (Holy Trinity) – Mass – Parishioners

STEWARDSHIP:
11/12: \$2,299.00
Thank you for your generosity!

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In today's Gospel, Jesus delivers the parable of the talents; using the example of money rather than abilities or skills. It's a story about investments, risks and returns. Stewards understand that God has given them an abundance of spiritual gifts. They know God doesn't want them to simply receive these blessings and bury them in fear, but to multiply them; to use these gifts to serve Him and others; to spread Christ's Good News; to go and make disciples of others. Good stewards invest what God has given them in the service of others and are prepared to render an account when the Lord returns. Reflect this week on how you are returning your own God-given gifts back to God with increase.

OC CORNER

OCS students and staff are on Thanksgiving break this week with classes resuming on November 27. OCS wishes everyone a "Happy Thanksgiving"! Opelousas Catholic will hold a "Student Visitation Day" on December 8th for any students (grades 6-12) who are interested in attending OCS in 2018-19. It will run from 8:30 am to 12 noon, beginning with a school mass. Parents should call 337-942-5404 ext. 105 to register children for attendance. See the many blessings OCS has to offer!

Congratulations to all participants in the OCS Social Studies and Science Fairs! The overall winner in Social Studies was the team of Anna Kate Emonet and Ella Eades; and the overall winning team in Science was Eli Guidroz and Jace Sloane. Further cheers go out to the Quiz Bowl Team for Junior Beta District Day who earned 1st place.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Saturday, December 2nd at 6:00PM the Washington Garden Club will be hosting a free Christmas Concert by BREVE "The Baton Rouge Early Vocal Ensemble" at St. John's Church on Church Street.



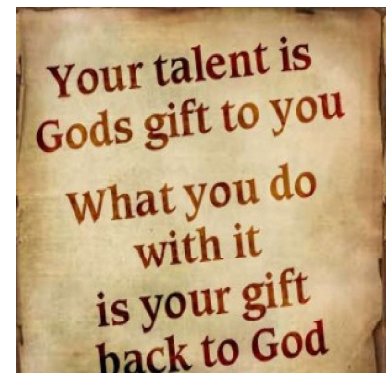
LIFE-CHANGING ADVENT

Do something life-changing for Advent. Sign up for free daily reflections at www.BestAdventEver.com. Beginning the first Sunday of Advent (December 3rd), you will receive daily emails with either a short 1-2 minute video, an inspirational quote, or coaching that will help you live out the great works of mercy during the Advent season.

11- 25 - 4:00 PM
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Ruth Montgomery
Catherine Courville
Vine Mayeux
READER
Janice Deshotel
USHERS
Marcus Decou
Merlin Valin
Herman Bidstrup
Raynold Soileau
ALTAR SERVER
Matthew Vidrine

11 - 26 - 7:00 AM
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Pauline Vidrine
Shirlene Matt
Winn Plattsmier
READER
Norma Plattsmier
USHERS
Phillip Dardeau
Allen Vidrine
Donnie Vidrine
Volunteer
ALTAR SERVER
Elliot Landreneau

11 - 27 - 9:00 AM
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Freida Dejean
Jim Soileau
Rick Ortego
READER
Pam Landreneau
USHERS
Jessie Howard
Tommy LeLeux
Nicky Dejean
Mike Vidrine
ALTAR SERVER
Michael Darbonne





CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

4th Sunday of Advent December 24th
8:00AM Immaculate Conception
10:00 AM Holy Trinity

Vigil Masses on Christmas Eve Sunday, December 24th
4:00 PM and 6:00 PM at Immaculate Conception
Christmas program 45 minutes before 4:00 PM Sunday Mass.

Christmas Mass on Monday, December 25th
8:00 AM at Immaculate Conception
10:00 AM at Holy Trinity

DAY OF RECOLLECTION

A day of recollection for men and women considering a vocation to the Consecrated life will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows retreat house in St. Martinville on Saturday, November 25th from 9 am to 3 pm. For more information contact Fr. Michael Champagne (337)394-6550.

ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Silence & Waiting: LEARNING FROM MARY

Advent Day

Saturday, December 2, 2017

9:00am - 3:00am

Our Lady of Sorrows Retreat Center, St. Martinville, LA

Mater Dolorosa Chapel

No Cost and No Registration Required

Mass at Noon

Confessions Available

Please Bring a Brown Bag Lunch

Parking

103 Railroad Ave. St Martinville

For More Information, Call

Fr. Champagne at (337)394-6550

SICK LIST

Mary LeDoux, Lyle Soileau, Baby Laura Savant, Leslie Deroche, Mitzi Valin Brooks, Shane Richard, Patricia Ann Richard, Peter Merritt, Gage Bihm, Vern Dvorak, Donald Johnson, Clyde Soileau, Dannie Ardoin, Patricia Fontenot, Dirk Soileau, Juanita Stelly, Christopher Joubert, Mcall Thibodeaux, Betty Sparks, Ken Miller, Jimmy Bertrand, Connie Benoit, Desi LaPoint, Percy LaPoint, Mark Brown, Voorhies Brown, Diane Fontenot, Phillip Pastorick, Rogers Louviere, Russell Humphries, Rickey Doucet, Tristan Estis, Dr. Amy Franchebois Bainsfather, J.L. Pitre, Mrs. Jimmy Martin, Bernard Marks, Frieda Mayeux, Frankie Fontenot, Donald Robertson

PRAYER BLANKET MINISTRY

Prayer Blankets can benefit those suffering in body, mind, or spirit. For those interested in being part of this ministry, please contact Jerry Mayeux at 308-3325 or Jane Dupre at 945-6881. If you have fabric you'd like to donate, it would be appreciated. *If you or a loved one would like a prayer blanket please call the ladies mentioned above or the church office.*



GROUP ROSARY

All are invited to a group rosary every Monday at 5:00 pm in church at Immaculate Conception. Prayers will be offered for our country and an end to violence in the world. Invite your friends and family.

SURVIVOR OF SUICIDE

The Jacob Crouch Suicide Prevention Services and the Office of Marriage and Family Life are forming a support group especially tailored for survivors of suicide. This group will provide a safe place for those who have lost a loved one to suicide to share their struggles, experiences, and pain as they struggle to regain hope and strength. The group will be facilitated by a licensed counselor and is open to all survivors of suicide over the age of 18. The group will meet on two evenings a month. Please call Kelley Chapman at 337 261 5653 for more information or to register.



Month of November:
Ethel Landreneau, Gail Valin, Lee Valin,
Joy Pitre, Helen Sylvester

ARE YOU A NEW PARISHIONER?

Welcome to all new parishioners! We'd like to get to know you better. Please call or come by the office to complete a census form at your convenience. We look forward to serving you!

PARISH BULLETIN INFORMATION: Contact the bulletin editor (parish secretary) or bring information to the rectory. All information must be in by Monday. If your family or business would like to help support the bulletin by taking an ad, or remember a loved one "In Memoir" Please call: John or Peter Watson at 985-868-6804.



LOCAL BIBLE STUDY

Come, Lord Jesus! Is a weekly journey to study and meditate on the Sunday Gospels.

We are blessed at Immaculate Conception to have three thriving Come, Lord Jesus! groups already formed. Everyone is welcome and there is always room for additional people to join. Please call the office with any questions you may have.

Our meeting times are as follow:

Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM – In the parish Hall
5:00 PM to 6:00 PM – In the parish Hall
Thursday morning at 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM at Ms. Jane Dupre's home you can reach her on her cell phone for directions at 337-945-6881