

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)
April 23, 2017

**Second Collection:
 Bishop's Services Appeal (BSA)**

Monday – April 24

6:00 PM (IC) – Rosary for Country

Tuesday – April 25

5:30PM (HT) – Mass

Wednesday – April 26

6:30 AM (IC) – Mass

6:00 PM – Confirmation Mass with
 Bishop Deshotel



Thursday – April 27

5:30PM (IC) Mass – Carlton J. and Mona F. Sylvester

Friday – April 28

6:30AM (IC) Mass – Emile Richard Family,
 Grace Richard

Saturday – April 29

4:00PM (IC) Mass – Brian T. Ortego, Claude and Lois
 Blanchard, Vernon "Peck"
 Fisher, Leonce Lalonde, Jr.,
 Aubrey Soileau, Poke Courville
 and Family, Mason Darbonne
 Family, Lisa Delafosse

Sunday – April 30

7:00 AM (IC) – Mass

9:00 AM (IC) – Mass

11:00 AM (Holy Trinity) – Mass – Parishioners

Stewardship:

4/16: (posted later)

Poor of the Parish: (posted later)

Thank you for your generosity!

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

In today's first reading, the four activities of the earliest church are introduced to us as priorities of the church: devotion to the teachings of the apostles, communal fellowship, the Eucharist and prayer. The early members of the church saw themselves as devoted stewards of these activities. These were not options. They were the fruits of a genuine conversion to a life in Christ. Sharing in the Eucharist was the most intimate expression of fellowship, while the most common expression of fellowship in the New Testament was that of sharing financial resources – giving. It was not a perfect community, but one that gave evidence of God's active presence in its midst. This early community offers us an excellent example of how to better exercise stewardship in our own parish families.

CONFIRMATION MASS

This year 28 students will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this Wednesday evening, April 26th at 6:00PM by Bishop Douglas Deshotel at Immaculate Conception. Students represent Holy Trinity and Immaculate Conception Church parishes in Washington and St. Peter in Grand Prairie. Please say a prayer that these students will continue to respond to the gifts of the Spirit which God will pour forth upon them.

APRIL CLEANING CREW

Sis Ortego, Ethel Landreneau, Kathleen DePrima, Belle Doucet, and Linda Doucet

MONDAY ROSARY at 6PM

All are invited to a group rosary every Monday **at 6:00 pm** at Immaculate Conception. Prayers will be offered for our country and an end to violence in the world.

4 -29 - 4:00 PM

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Jane Thibodeaux
 Ruth Montgomery
 Claudette Fontenot

READER

Carl Fontenot

USHERS

Merlin Valin
 Marcus Decou
 Herman Bidstrup
 Wallace Splane

ALTAR SERVER

Matthew Vidrine

4 - 30 - 7:00 AM

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Winn Plattsmier
 Pauline Vidrine
 Mary Alice Blanchard

READER

Norma Plattsmier

USHERS

Allen Vidrine
 Phillip Dardeau
 Donnie Vidrine
 Volunteer

ALTAR SERVER

Elliot Landreneau

4 - 30 - 9:00 AM

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Pam Landreneau
 Jessie Howard
 Rick Ortego

READER

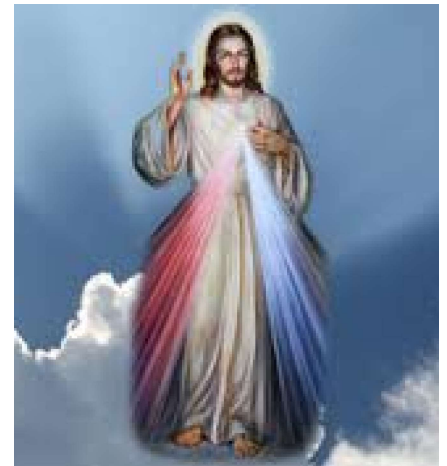
Evelyn Hanna

USHERS

Mike Vidrine
 Bruce Courvelle
 Gregory J Doucet
 Gary Wilson

ALTAR SERVER

Michael Darbonne



DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

In visions reported by Saint Faustina, Jesus asked that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a Novena to the Divine Mercy which would begin on Good Friday. He gave St. Faustina an intention to pray for on each day of the Novena, saving for the last day the most difficult intention of all, the lukewarm and indifferent. We have purchased copies of this novena and they are available on the back tables of the church for you. Feel free to start your own Divine Mercy novena today.



EWTN TRIP

The Altar Society at Immaculate Conception is planning an exciting trip on Tues day, July 11th through Thursday, July 13th to visit the shrine and tour EWTN studios. For more information, contact Bonnie at 945-2267 or bbwyble@bellsouth.net or call

Pam Landreneau at 351-1515. **Deadline to register is April 25th.**

SICK LIST

Mary LeDoux, Lyle Soileau, Baby Laura Savant, Mike Wartelle, 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, Lori Moreau, Connie Benoit, Desi LaPoint, Percy LaPoint, Mark Brown, Voorhies Brown



PRAYER BLANKET MINISTRY

The purpose of the Prayer Blanket Ministry is to cover the recipient in prayers. Members of this ministry sew blankets in their homes while praying for those who will be receiving them. The Prayer Blanket will be blessed by Father and is a reminder our parish's prayer for those who receive them. Blankets can benefit those suffering in body, mind, or spirit. For those interested in being part of a Prayer Blanket Ministry, please contact Jerry Mayeaux at 308-3325.

THE CHOICE WINE

The Choice Wine is a pathway to authentic marital happiness. Couples will learn how to virtually divorce-proof their marriages, experience the superabundant love and mercy of God and realize a foretaste of Paradise in their marriages and families. For a complete list of parishes participating in The Choice Wine or for more information, please visit <http://thechoicewine.org>.



NOVENA FOR MOTHERS

The novena of prayer for all mothers living and deceased will start on Saturday, May 6th through the Sunday of Mother's Day, May 14th. There will be a petition for mothers during the intercessions at each Mass. Pray with us for mothers during these 9 days. If you would like to have your mother remembered, please complete an envelope available at the Church entrance and return it in the collection basket or to the parish office **by Friday, April 28th**. During Mother's Day weekend we will include a bulletin insert with the names of the living and deceased mothers for whom we received a Mother's Day Mass Remembrance envelope. Any amount may be offered. Monies will be used for beautifying our church campus, because "moms like things looking nice."

EASTER EGG HUNT

Thanks to Mary Doucet and Shanna Bernard for organizing the Easter Egg Hunt and Coffee Social which followed the 9:00 AM Sunday morning Mass on April 23rd.

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.
