



Immaculate Conception

Catholic Church † Mission of the Sacred Heart

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The Grapevine

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October 30, 2016

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil. 4:00 p.m.
Sundays . . 7 a.m., 9 a.m., 9a.m. (MSH), 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Monday-Wednesday-Thursday-Friday-8:30 a.m.
Tuesday . . 6:00 pm followed by Novena/Benediction
Holy Days. As announced

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 5:30-5:45 p.m.
Friday 8:00-8:20 a.m.
Saturday 2:45-3:45 p.m.
Other times as announced or by appointment.

BAPTISMS: Notify Parish Office during pregnancy. Instruction for parents and godparents is required.

MARRIAGE: Contact the Parish Office at least six months before desired date.

PRAYER LINE: (confidential ministry)
Contact Ms. Pat Pastor at 664-1097.

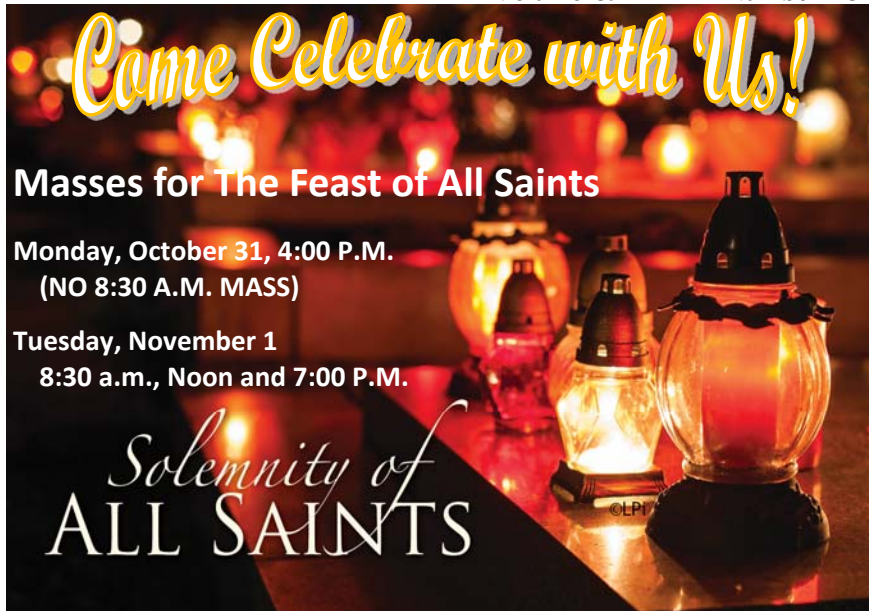
CARE OF THE SICK: Emergency calls answered immediately. Home visitation for the sick and shut-in weekly and upon request. Hospital visits weekly and upon request.

CHRISTIAN BURIAL: Please make arrangements by calling the Parish Office.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC

ADORATION CHAPEL: **TEMPORARILY CLOSED**
Open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
Contact Allison Renfrow at 665-1424.

Information or news for the Grapevine (published weekly) should be called in to the Parish Office at least two weeks prior to the event.

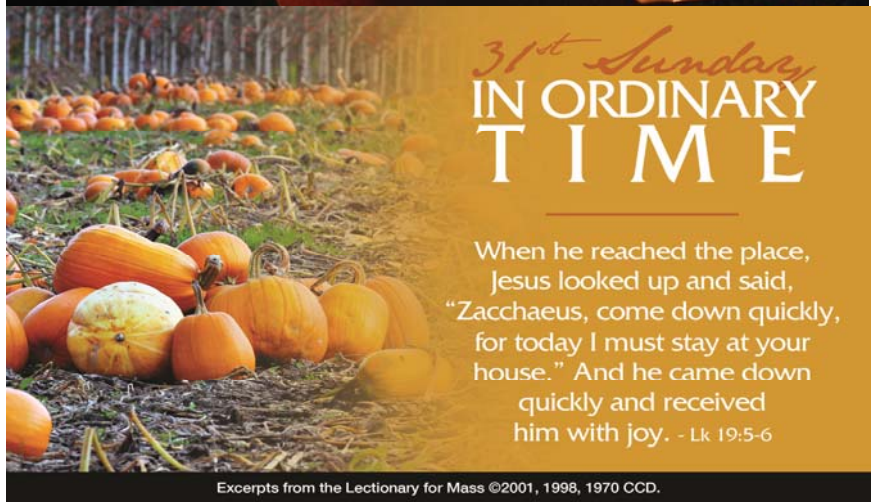
Come Celebrate with Us!

Masses for The Feast of All Saints

Monday, October 31, 4:00 P.M.
(NO 8:30 A.M. MASS)

Tuesday, November 1
8:30 a.m., Noon and 7:00 P.M.

Solemnity of
ALL SAINTS



31st Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. - Lk 19:5-6

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MISSION STATEMENT

Immaculate Conception Church Parish and the Mission of the Sacred Heart is a welcoming community, centered in the Eucharist, rooted in faith, growing in fellowship, and sharing in unity the mission Christ entrusted to us.

—Directory—

Church Office-665-5359; (Hours: M-F, 8 a.m. 5 p.m.)

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St. Vincent de Paul—665-1623

Readings For The Week of October 30

Sunday: Wis 11:22--12:2/Ps 145: 1-2, 8-11, 13-14/2 Thes 1:11--2:2/Lk 19:1-10
 Monday: Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1-3/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 Rom 6:3-9/ Jn 6:37-40
 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 112:1-2, 5-6, 8-9/Lk 16:9-15
 Next 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 or 20:27, 34-38

Parish News:

St. Vincent de Paul News: Due to the flooding of so many in our community and of our facility in Denham Springs, we are not able to provide the Holiday Gift Basket/ Toy Drive Program this year. Our building located on Tower Drive in Denham Springs is now open for food distribution on the first and third Mondays of the month from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Discount Available for Flood Victims: Sherwin Williams is offering a 40%+ discount on paint and primer for parishioners of Immaculate Conception Church. Please call Jason Porcia at 225-445-1833.

Threads of Love Sewing Ministry and Young at Heart: Will begin in January 2017.

Schedule for Blessing of the Graves

Sunday, October 30, 2016

Old/New Red Oak—10 a.m.
Denham Springs Memorial—2 p.m.
Beech Ridge—3 p.m.
Milton/Palmetta—3:30 p.m.
Evergreen Memorial—4 p.m.



Brothers and sisters, listen to the words of the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians: *4:13-18. We shall stay with the Lord for ever.* We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep. Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, console one another with these words.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

—Administration—

October 22/23, 2016



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| Identified offertory givers: | \$ 14,488.00 |
| Visitors/unidentified: | \$ 2,018.11 |
| All Saints: | \$ 7.00 |
| Religious Education: | \$ 10.00 |

Total Collected: \$ 16,523.11

JULY 1, 2016 TO DATE

ACTUAL INCOME: \$ 414,491.74

JULY 1, 2016 TO DATE

ACTUAL EXPENSE: \$ 438,369.95

Surplus/Deficit \$ -23,878.21

St. Vincent de Paul: \$1,256.00

Building & Maintenance: \$ 630.00

Propagation of the Faith: \$ 474.00

ON-LINE GIVING AVAILABLE



iccmsh.weshareonline.org



CONSIDERATION OF OUR CHRISTIAN COMMITMENT: ORDINARY TIME GLORY TO GOD

The Scriptures this Sunday speak of God's call, and God's desire to make us worthy of that call. In our second reading Paul speaks of the good God who makes us worthy of his call and brings to fulfillment our every good desire and effort, that he may be glorified in us. To be described as "the glory of God" sounds prideful, but isn't that why the loving God created us, and redeemed us? So that we might be his glory. Our first reading speaks of how God loves all things that are, and Jesus in the Gospel calls Zacchaeus that he might share with him the salvation which he had come to lovingly share.

The month of November will begin this Tuesday with the celebration of All Saints Day, the opportunity to give thanks for God's call which so many of our family members and friends both heard, and with God's help, responded to. Some saints of God have been known and recognized by Christians for centuries, others may only be known and recognized by a small circle of family and friends. But the common denominator they all share is being called by God, the desire to respond to that call, and to receive all the good Lord came to share. Thus we begin the wonderful month of Thanksgiving, thanking God first for his loving call which brings us life and helps us be "the glory of our God and Father."

THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE Christian



Communities remember the names of their dead. These names are heard in the Prayers of the Faithful during the Eucharist, and in the chanting of the Litany of the Saints at the Easter Vigil. Their names are seen on memorial cards, tombs in the Catacombs of ancient days and on the graves and mausoleums of today.

Especially in the month of November are our deceased family and friends remembered in prayer. During the month of November, we have the custom of giving a place of honor to a Book of Remembrance in which we write the names of our deceased relatives and friends. Beginning the weekend of October 29/30, the book will be placed on a stand near the baptismary for the convenience of those who wish to begin writing names of their deceased in it. Beginning November 1, and until the beginning of Advent, the Easter Candle will be burning near the book and flowers will be placed by it. Those whose names are written in the Book of Remembrance, will be remembered at the Eucharistic celebrations through the month of November. For the convenience of those who participate in the Sunday

Eucharist at the Sacred Heart Mission, pages from the book will be available to sign beginning October 30. The presence of the Book of Remembrance in the church at Thanksgiving will be especially meaningful as we give thanks not only for the blessings of the earth, but the blessing of family, friends and eternal life.

As we move through this month of November we may see some activity on the south side of our parish campus.

You may have heard, but our church parish entered into a contract with the Livingston School Board, allowing the School Board to move temporary classroom buildings, and build a road and campus for Denham Springs Elementary School. Presently Denham Springs Elementary School is badly damaged, and may need rebuilding, and its approximately 500 students, many of them parishioners, are being transported to three different schools. It is hoped that this temporary arrangement (for two years with the option to extend it another year as needed), will bring the students back together with friends and classmates and help them have a good and strong foundation. Prior to 1964 when our present campus was purchased and the parish church was on Range Avenue, our young parishioners attended PSR, religion classes, on the Denham Springs Elementary Campus. The School Board graciously made their facilities available to our young parishioners and their families. We now have the opportunity and privilege to return the favor and make some of our campus available to them. Their temporary campus is designed that it will not be more invasive to Fall Festival grounds than necessary, and perhaps even provide improvements to our campus via some grounds which will be cleared and a road which will be built connecting Maple St. with Hatchell Lane for the school buses. This move has the unanimous support of the Parish Finance Council as well as of the Diocese. As I write this, the final contracts have not been signed, but by the time you read this, perhaps they will have been.

Work continues on the parish campus. Work continues to bring to completion the rooms associated with worship in the church building. We received word from Belfor construction that perhaps we may be moving back into the offices by Thanksgiving Week. Work continues to progress on the E.L.C. buildings, Adoration Chapel, and Youth Building. As work is finished on these buildings, work will move ahead with the rectory. Again, we hope and pray things are moving ahead for you and your families, that this month which began offering thanksgiving for God's call in our lives and in the lives of others, may conclude with a special celebration of Thanksgiving Day in our homes and larger community. Let us pray for each other. Love,

Father [Signature]

Immaculate Conception Church October 30 — November 12, 2016

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 30 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Mass/C 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Mass/C 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Mass/MSH 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Mass/C 12:00 AM - 1:00 PM Memorial Service/ C 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM 2nd Grade Reconciliation Retreat/MH 4:00 PM - 5:45 PM Youth Choir/C 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Sunday Mass/C 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Patriotic Rosary/C | 31 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Mass/C 9:15 AM - 2:00 PM ELC/TBldgs. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM AA Meeting/ FFC-110 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Vigil Mass-All Saints/C | 1 NOVEMBER Feast of All Saints Holy Day of Obligation Church Office Closed 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Mass-All Saints/C 9:15 AM - 2:00 PM ELC/TBldgs. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM AA Meeting/FFC -110 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Mass-All Saints/C 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Mass-All Saints/C | 2 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Mass/C 9:15 AM - 2:00 PM ELC/TBldgs. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM AA Meeting/FFC- 110 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM PSR-1-5 Grade/ FFC 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM PSR-1-5 Grade/ FFC 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM PSR 1-8/MSH | 3 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Mass/C 9:15 AM - 2:00 PM ELC/TBldgs. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM AA Meeting/FFC- 110 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM RCIA Session/ FFC-211 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM RCIA-C/FFC-105 | 4 8:00 AM - 8:25 AM Reconciliation/C 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Mass/C 9:15 AM - 2:00 PM ELC/TBldgs. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM AA Meeting/FFC -112 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Charismatic Prayer/C 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM AA/FFC-110 | 5 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM AA Meeting/FFC-112 2:45 PM - 3:45 PM Reconciliation/C 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Sunday Mass/C |
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Patriotic Rosary for our Nation—Join us to pray a rosary for our nation every Sunday in the Church after the 6:00 p.m. Mass. *“And if my people, upon whom my name has been pronounced, humble themselves and pray, and seek my presence and turn from their evil ways, I will hear them from heaven and pardon their sins and revive their land.”* 2 Chronicles 7:14

PR MASS (10/29/16-11/06/16)
Saturday: 10/29/16—4 p.m.
 INTENTIONS Virgil & Mary Brown†; Michael Nugent†; Kenneth Badeaux†; Karen Matherne†; Charles Sullivan, Sr.†; Greg Coco†; Gladys Sanders†; Brenda & Raleigh Richards†; Douglass Fuentes; Staff of ICC. **Sunday: 10/30/16—7 a.m.** Parishioners. **9 a.m.**—Alex Theriot, Jr.†; Evelyn Theriot†; John Gentile†; Kert Guidry†; Phillip John Bilski†; Mary Guidry†; Donald Lavigne & Jeremy Berthelot†; JoAnn Martrain. **9 a.m.**—(MSH) Milbern Zeigler†. **11 a.m.** Butch Calmes†; Mark Andrew Smith†; Matthew Gerald†; Janet & Ron Lindsey. **6 p.m.** Lucille O’Neill†; Laura Diaz†.

Monday: 10/31/16—4:00 p.m. M/M Henry Pulizanno.
Tuesday: 11/01/16—8:30 a.m. Dane Bananno†; **12 p.m.** M/M Lachney, Sr.†; **7 p.m.** Robert Adams, Jr.†.

Wednesday: 11/02/16—8:30 a.m. M/M Lachney, Jr.†.
Thursday: 11/03/16—8:30 a.m. Lucille O’Neill†.
Friday: 11/04/16—8:30 a.m. Open Intention.
Saturday: 11/05/16—4 p.m. Edgar Durand†; Montrell Jackson†; Viola Hondroulis†; Ron Rinker†; Sam Guzzardo†; Susan Burns†; Brooklynn LeBlanc†; Thanksgiving; Karen Matherne†; Jerry & Dee Sibley†; Keith David Budde, Sr.†.
Sunday: 11/06/16—7 a.m. Lloyd deGeneres†; Lucille O’Neill†; Donald Lavigne & Jeremy Berthelot†; Leo & Linda Ware. **9 a.m.**—Parishioners. **9 a.m.**—(MSH) Victor Silvio†. **11 a.m.** Chuck Sturm†; Dane Bananno†; Mark Andrew Smith†; Ashley Nicole Purpera†; Butch Calmes†; Janet & Ron Lindsey; Douglass Fuentes. **6 p.m.** Phillip John Bilski†; Laura Diaz†; Lacey LeBlanc†.

CHURCH SANCTUARY LAMP: 10/30/16—11/05/16
 burns in memory of **JERRY VALENTINE, SR.**



Please consider the wonderful ministry of being a sponsor to someone who is interested in joining the Catholic Church. To be a sponsor, you must be over 18 years old, currently receiving the sacraments, and eager to share your love of the Catholic Church. You don't have to be an expert on Catholic teachings, just willing to discuss your faith as well as offer your support to make your candidate feel comfortable.

Contact Judy Graphia at the Church office, 665-5359, if you would like more information.

Parish School of Religion News Dates to Remember!

- 2nd grade Reconciliation Retreat for Monday classes, Sunday, October 30 from 1-3 p.m.; Main Hall
- 2nd grade Reconciliation Retreat for Wednesday classes, November 6 from 1-3 p.m.; Main Hall
- First Reconciliation, November 9 @ 4:30-5:30 & 6:30-7:30 p.m.; November 11 @ 4:30-5:30 & 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Confirmation Classes: 11/19/16—11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; 11/22/16—6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Confirmation Day of Prayer: Sunday, January 8 at St. Joseph Cathedral—Mass at noon
- Confirmation Practices: Monday, January 16-7:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.; Wednesday, January 18-7:00 p.m.-8:45 p.m.
- Confirmation: Thursday, January 19 at 7:00 p.m.; Friday, January 20 at 7:00 p.m.

Remind is a quick and easy communication tool. **Remind is only for middle and high school students and all catechists.**

Text @icc6 to 81010 for 6th grade
 Text @icc7 to 81010 for 7th and 8th grade
 Text @icc9 to 81010 for 9th grade
 Text @icc10 to 81010 for 10th grade
 Text @iccon to 81010 for 11th grade Confirmation
 Text @icccat to 81010 if you are a classroom Catechist

Please consider volunteering to be a catechist or aide. Because of the many changes in our lives and community, as well as our new schedule, some of our faithful, long time catechists will not be able to return.

Religious Education Office Hours

2nd and 3rd Sundays: 12:00 noon—4:00 p.m.
 Monday and Wednesday: 12:00 noon—7:30 p.m.
 Tuesday: 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Years ago, we began having students at our parish school dress up like saints of their choosing in anticipation of All Saints' Day. It was a more worthwhile learning experience than dressing up as superheroes and cartoon characters for Halloween. You would have those who would bring aluminum swords as St. Michael, bottles of water so they could try to baptize everyone like John the Baptist, and rubber snakes to drive out of Ireland like St. Patrick. The most creative might come to school covered in ash for St. Joan of Arc, or with fake eyeballs on a plate for St. Lucy.

For a day, they put on the dress and persona of a saint that had gone before us in faith. It was a learning experience, but also an exercise in spirituality. What attributes of the saint could they try to incorporate into their life? What kind of example were they to us all in our Christian walk?

As Christians, the fact is that every day we "put on Christ" and should be walking around as imitators of our Lord. To be Christian is not to just be like Christ. We are called to BE Christ to a world that needs to hear the good news. A stewardship way of life serves as an example to others of the transformative power of being a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Our prayer is that we live in such a way that those around no longer see us, but instead, Jesus. This is not costume contest or an opportunity for a school party. This is real life. Let us put on Christ each and every day and boldly play the role of a lifetime.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



\$500 Community Service Scholarship Award Sponsored by: Catholic Daughters Court Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha #2331

This scholarship will be awarded in the Spring of 2017 to a graduate attending an accredited college or university. Area High School seniors are encouraged to apply (male or female). Applicant must be a member of Immaculate Conception Church/Sacred Heart Mission in Livingston. Deadline for submitting applications is January 15, 2017. For application or information, please contact: Alice Tassin at 225-686-2433 or JoAnn Martrain at 225-324-2904.

Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over." — Lk 19:8

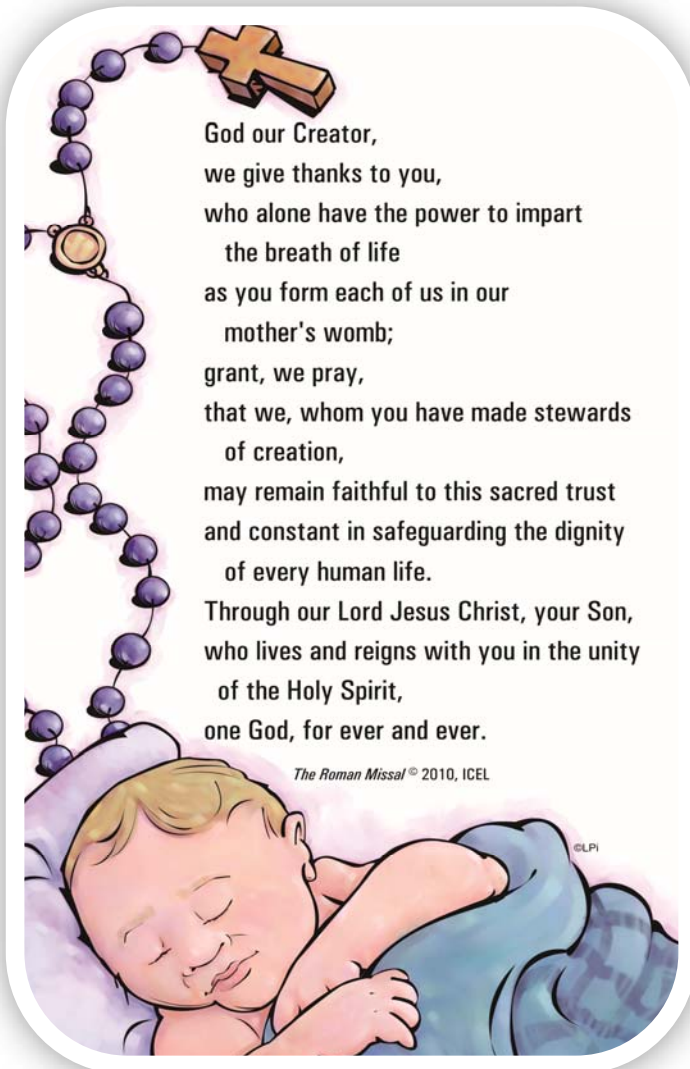
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Please Join Us for a Visit with the Schoenstatt Auxiliary Shrine
2:00 p.m. Sunday, November 13, 2016
Mission of the Sacred Heart—Livingston
29589 S. Poplar Street



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Annual Recommissioning of Coordinators
Rosary, Talks, and Refreshments
PLEASE BRING YOUR PILGRIM MTAs!

R.S.V.P. Mary Lynn Womack (225) 665-3505 by November 7.
For more information visit: SchoenstattLA.com.



God our Creator,
we give thanks to you,
who alone have the power to impart
the breath of life
as you form each of us in our
mother's womb;
grant, we pray,
that we, whom you have made stewards
of creation,
may remain faithful to this sacred trust
and constant in safeguarding the dignity
of every human life.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity
of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

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RICHEAUX.

We express our sympathy and prayers
to Cathy Reynerson on the death of
her father, **CHARLES L. TINGLE**;
and to the family and friends of **JOHN**

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Luke 19:1-10

How do you imagine the crowds reacted to Jesus' defense
of Zacchaeus?

Catholics Care. Catholics Vote.

"We need to participate for the common good. Sometimes we hear: a good Catholic is not interested in politics. This is not true: good Catholics immerse themselves in politics by offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern."

- Pope Francis, 9/16/13

The Catholic bishops of the United States are pleased to offer once again to the Catholic faithful *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship* (*en Español*), our teaching document on the political responsibility of Catholics. This statement represents our guidance for Catholics in the exercise of their rights and duties as participants in our democracy. We urge our pastors, lay and religious faithful, and all people of good will to use this statement to help form their consciences; to teach those entrusted to their care; to contribute to civil and respectful public dialogue; and to shape political choices in the coming election in light of Catholic teaching. The statement lifts up our dual heritage as both faithful Catholics and American citizens with rights and duties as participants in the civil order. Go to: <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/index.cfm> for more information.



Do not be afraid...

...to go out on the streets and into public places, like the first Apostles who preached Christ and the Good News of salvation in the squares of cities, towns and villages. This is no time to be ashamed of the Gospel (cf. Rom 1:16). It is time to preach it from the rooftops (cf. Mt 10:27).

Do not be afraid to break out of comfortable and routine modes of living, in order to take up the challenge of making Christ known in the modern "metropolis". It is you who must "go out into the byroads" (Mt 22:9) and invite everyone you met to the banquet which God has prepared for his people. The Gospel must not be kept hidden away in private. It has to put on a stand so that people may see its light and give praise to our heavenly Father (cf. Mt 5:15-16).

—St. John Paul the Great