

*Immaculate Conception Catholic Church*  
*Grand Prairie, Texas* *March 19, 2017*  
*Third Sunday of Lent:*



of Mar. 18 to March 19, 2017

WEEKLY CALENDAR

**SATURDAY, Mar. 18th : St. Cyril of Jerusalem**  
**Readings: Mi. 7:14-15, 18-20:Lk. 15:1-3**  
 8:30 a.m. Mass for the faithful

**SUNDAY, Mar. 19th : 3rd Sunday of Lent:**  
**Readings: Gn. 12:1-4a: 2Tm. 1:8b-10: Mt. 17:1-9**  
 5:30 p.m. † Rosa Samora  
 8:00 a.m. † Candelaria Gomez  
 10:00 a.m. † Juanita Rodriguez  
 12:00 p.m. † Gregorio Granados  
 2:30 p.m. † Nicolas Ramirez  
 5:30 p.m. † Juana Alvarado

**MONDAY, Mar. 20th :**  
**Readings: 2Sm. 7:4-5a, 12-14a-16: Rom. 4:13, 16-18, 22: Mt. 1:16, 18-21, 24a.**  
 6:00 p.m. In thanksgiving for graces received  
 6:30 p.m. Rosary-Guadalupanos

**TUESDAY, Mar. 21st :**  
**Readings: Dn. 3:25, 34-43, Mt. 18:21-35**  
 6:00 p.m. Crecencio Alvarez, Jr. birthday intention  
 6:30 p.m. Rosary-Guadalupanos

**WEDNESDAY, Mar. 22nd :**  
**Readings: Dt. 4:1, 5-9: Mt. 5:17-19**  
 6:00 p.m. Mass for the faithful

**THURSDAY, Mar. 23rd :**  
**Readings: Jer. 7: 23-28: Lk. 11: 14-23**  
 8:05 a.m. For I.C. Students and teachers  
 6:00 p.m. Mass for the faithful  
 6:30 p.m. Divine Mercy – Adoration

**FRIDAY, Mar. 24th :**  
**Readings: Hos. 14:2-10: Mk. 12:28-34**  
 6:00 p.m. † Lazara Navarro  
 6:30 p.m. Rosary – Guadalupanos

**SATURDAY, Mar. 25th :**  
**Readings: Is. 7:10-14, 8-10: Heb. 10:4-10: Lk. 1:26-38**  
 8:30 a.m. For the consecration of Colombia to The Immaculate Heart of Mary

**SUNDAY, Mar. 26th : 4th Sunday of Lent:**  
**Readings: 1 Sm. 16:1b, , 6-7, 10-13: Eph. 5:8-14: Jn. 9:1-41**  
 5:30 p.m. † Pat Ironside  
 8:00 a.m. † Lupita Gonzales  
 10:00 a.m. † Jim & Dorothy Gulde  
 12:00 p.m. † Julian Fragoso  
 2:30 p.m. Alicia Ramirez, birthday intention  
 5:30 p.m. Kevin Gutierrez, birthday intention

**SUNDAY, March 19th :**  
 1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Guadalupanos FLC Room 303  
 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Grupo de Oración - FLC-Gym 302-03-04

**MONDAY, March 20th :**  
 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. RE FLC & GYM-SCH Main Bldg.  
 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Grupo de Oración POR Room 406  
 8:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. English Choir FLC Room 301

**TUESDAY, March 21st :**  
 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. BSA Troop 507- POR Room 406  
 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Neo-Catechum 6<sup>th</sup> Comm – POR 403  
 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. RCIA-FLC Rooms 302,303,304  
 7:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. St. John Paul II Youth – FLC 301  
 7:30p.m.-9:30 p.m. Neo Catechumenate 5<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Comm. Gym  
 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Grupo. De Oración-Adoration-Church  
 8:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Grupo de Oración- FLC Room 304  
 8:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Catechum 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Comm - FLC 303

**WEDNESDAY, Mar. 22nd :**  
 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. RE-FLC- Room 302  
 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Parish Reconciliation-Church  
 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Choir-Spanish 12 p.m.- FLC 301  
 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Neo-Catechumenate 4<sup>th</sup> Comm. – FLC 303  
 8:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Neo-Catechumenate 8<sup>th</sup> Comm. – FLC 304

**THURSDAY, Mar. 23rd :**  
 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. RE FLC-GYM-SCH.101-2,3,4,5,6,7,8,110  
 8:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. IC Men’s Group – FLC 304  
 8:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Spanish choir 5:30 p.m. FLC-R-301

**FRIDAY, Mar. 24th :**  
 7:00 p.m.-9:15 p.m. Divine Mercy - FLC Room 304  
 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Grupo de Oración FLC Room 302  
 7:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Spanish Choir 2:30 p.m. Mass Room 301  
 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Hispanic Lectors Practice- FLC Room 303

**SATURDAY, Mar. 25th :**  
 8:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Ministry Retreat FLC-GYM  
 10:00 a.m.-12:00p.m. Spanish Baptisms - Church  
 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Jóvenes-FLC-Cafeteria-Room 304

**May they Rest in Peace:** † Rosanna Romo-Coronado, Raul Treviño, Jr. Pat Ironside, Robert J. Leahy, and Harris Hopkins

**Pray for those in special need:** Leonel Rodríguez, Johnny Herrera, Raúl Samora, Amanda Mancilla, Carmen Rodríguez, Carl Meira, Evie Goris, Carlos Aguilar, Elva Topete, Julián Escamilla, Doroteo Rivas, Roberto Herrera, Obdulia Prado, David López, Jr. Edgar Omar Gurrosquieta, Douglas Maconachie, Martha García, María del Rosario Pérez-Garza, Trudy Bentle, Helen Méndez, Mercedes Salazar, María Soto, Francisco Gómez, María Narvarez, Maurice Herrera, Trino Reyes, Eduvina Tambunga Michael Vásquez, Eduardo Orellana, Antonio Guzmán, Elia Gutiérrez, and Don Newby



*The Sanctuary Light*  
*For next two weeks*  
*Is offered by Jesus Mendoza*  
*For the Hispanic*  
*Ministers of the Eucharist*

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:

### Office Hours- Monday, Wednesday and Thursday

9:00 - 12:00 noon and 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

### Tuesday

9:00 - 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

### Closed on Friday

972-264-8385

We are in need of Catechists. If you think God is calling you to announce the Gospel and share your faith with your neighbors, don't wait any longer. The time is now. Please stop by or call the office.

#### Are you:

- \* A person who has not been baptized and would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, with the possibility of becoming Catholic?
- \* A Baptized Christian of another denomination who would like to learn about and possibly join the Catholic faith?
- \* A Baptized Roman Catholic who has not received Eucharist or Confirmation and would like to become a full participant in the life of the Church?
- \* A child over the age of seven who has never been baptized?

Is there someone you know who has been away from the Catholic Church?

Is there someone you know interested in becoming Catholic?

We invite you to experience the welcoming process into the Church – the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) or Children (RCIC). If this is you, why wait any longer to join the largest family in the world? Learn more about Jesus and His plan for you. To know, love and serve Him. We miss you and welcome you back with open arms! Questions? Please contact Immaculate Conception: RCIA Director Cecilia Tanaka, phone 972-264-8385 ext. 21 email - ctanaka@icgrandprairie.org or visit [www.icgrandprairie.org](http://www.icgrandprairie.org).

**The Reconciliation date for the Confirmation students has been changed. It will be on Wednesday, March 22nd. Please try to arrive at 5:00 p.m. to receive your name card.**

### NO PARKING IN HANDICAP SPACES

Please note there is no parking in handicap spaces on Sundays unless you have a permit. The police will be giving tickets for unauthorized parking in handicap spaces.

### The Beginning Experience

Are you, or is someone you know, struggling after the loss of a marriage partner? The Beginning Experience is a peer ministry for widowed, separated, or divorced individuals. It is a weekend program to help move from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning of hope for the future. Rooted in the Catholic tradition, this ministry is open to men and women of all faiths. The next weekend retreat will be held April 21-23, 2016 at the Catholic Conference and Formation Center in Dallas. To register please call or text our voicemail number at (682) 233-3946, or e-mail the DFW Beginning Experience Team at [beginningexperiencedfw@gmail.com](mailto:beginningexperiencedfw@gmail.com). Additional information can be found at [www.beginningexperiencedfw.org](http://www.beginningexperiencedfw.org).

On Ash Wednesday, we passed out the Rice Bowls. We ask that everyone take a Rice Bowl home and use your cardboard CRS Rice Bowl to motivate your Lenten journey of prayer fasting and almsgiving. If you did not take yours please ask the ushers for one. Thank you for your cooperation.

### Alms Giving during Lent

Please remember Fr. Joseph's suggestion about giving \$1.00 a day during Lent for those in need. This will be collected at Easter Vigil and all the Masses on Easter Sunday.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL

You can make a difference reaching out to others. St. Vincent de Paul suggests as part of your Corporal Mercy, bringing a can of food each time you come to Mass.

You can be the difference in our parish. Spread the word and also reap the benefits of a joyful heart.

**Our pantry is open for food distribution on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month.**

**Hours of operation are 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

The person must live within the zip codes 75050 and 75051 (Closings will be posted on the door of the pantry.)



### PLEASE NOTE:

**For the Month of April The St. Vincent De Paul Pantry will be opened on the 8th of April only.**

All donations for St. Vincent de Paul should be dropped off on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at the St. Vincent de Paul portable.

Thank you for your help.

I.C. Hospitality/Bereavement Committee serves our parish by providing food for funerals and in emergency situations (fire, surgery, etc). Please prayerfully consider signing up to serve our brothers and sisters at I.C. We need you! Please contact Rhonda Benavides to sign up, you can call, text or e-mail. 817-715-8235 – Rhondaalrachel@yahoo.com

### Lenten Fish Fry Dinners

Lent is upon us and we will be selling the tickets for Lisa's Chicken and Seafood at \$10.00 a ticket. Tickets for the dinner on Friday, March 17th will be sold today. Dinners for the upcoming Fridays will be sold every Sunday during Lent. Fish Fry tickets must be purchased in advance starting today. No purchases at the door.

There will be a Come and See weekend at Holy Trinity Seminary for men 17+ years old on March 30-April 2, 2017. This is an opportunity for men who wish to discern their vocation more seriously by experiencing the daily life of a seminarian. They will experience the seminary's routine of prayer, classes, meals and brotherhood with other men seeking after the Lord's will in their life. Please contact the Office of Vocations for more information 214-379-2860

| <i>Week of:</i> | <i>Weekly Collection</i>        | <i>Adj. Year to Date</i> |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Mar. 11 & 12    | \$ 10,151.94                    | \$ 331,788.59            |
| <i>Week of:</i> | <i>Children's Collection</i>    | <i>Adj. Year to Date</i> |
| Mar. 11 & 12    | \$ 96.17                        | \$ 5,220.30              |
| <i>Week of:</i> | <i>Capital Improvement Fund</i> | <i>Adj. Year to Date</i> |
| Mar. 11 & 12    | \$ 142.00                       | \$ 54,986.93             |

### Sponsor of the Week:

In Loving Memory of  
Deacon

Fernando Argumanis

from His wife & family