

# Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

## The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

June 23rd, 2019

### WHY THERE SHOULD BE SILENCE IN CHURCH

Holy Mother Church proclaims it to be so. Paragraph 45 of the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) states: "Even before the celebration itself, it is commendable that silence be observed in the Church, in the Sacristy, in the Vesting Room, and in adjacent areas, so that all may dispose themselves to carry out the Sacred Action in a devout and fitting manner." It is disrespectful. Talking in Church is considered disrespectful of Jesus Christ in the Most Blessed Sacrament. We are in the House of God, in the Presence of God Himself in the Tabernacle, not in a coffee shop. All our thoughts and words should be directed to Him.

It teaches disrespect. When children see adults talking, giggling, and laughing in Church, especially before, during and after the Holy Mass, instead of in prayer or in silent meditation it teaches them that it is acceptable behavior, thus further eroding respect for the Blessed Sacrament in the next generation. And it is hypocritical for parents to "shush" their children while they themselves continue to talk.

It is the Sacred and Holy of House of Almighty God. It is the Lord's Sacred House, which Jesus Christ taught was "a house of prayer" (Matthew 21:13) and thus should be used according to its purpose. It is unholy to turn the Holy House of God into a man-made place of socializing or gossiping. The Holy House of God, where dwells the Real and True Presence of God, must be treated with ongoing reverence. Talking in Church is a violation of justice against Almighty God, for Whom we should have the greatest reverence.

It is selfish. Talking while in the Church is a selfish act and it is a violation of the virtue of justice against neighbors who are trying to pray and meditate.

It is a violation of the virtue of Charity. Talking in Church is a violation of charity, since as Christians we should be going "out of ourselves" to look after others first. Unnecessary talk in the Church is a total disrespect for one's brothers and sisters in Christ who are trying to pray, and against the faithful who seek to grow in their spiritual lives. Talking in Church falls short of manifesting love, charity, kindness and self-control, which are fruits of the Most Holy Spirit. (Galatians 5:22) if a person crassly and knowingly disregards others trying to pray, or worst of all does so with malice or contempt, it could even be a mortal sin against charity.

*Pray for a return to respect and reverence in the Holy House of God*

### PROPER ATTIRE FOR THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

**Short pants, tank tops, flip flops, and tattered clothing are inappropriate for Sacred Worship of the Almighty Triune God.** Thank you for cooperating in the effort to teach and return to modesty and reverence in the Holy House of Almighty God. Please be attentive to children's attire; we must teach the youth the importance of Sacred Reverence. Adults and children must never wear revealing tops, shorts, or tattered clothing while in God's Holy House. **"Certain fashions will be introduced which will offend our Lord very much..."**

*Our Lady of Fatima in 1917*

<b>Monday – June 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>– 5:00 PM –</b>	<b>Rosary for Our Country</b>
	<b>– 6:00 PM –</b>	<b>Choir Practice</b>
<b>Tuesday – June 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>– 6:30 AM Mass –</b>	Special Intentions
<b>Wednesday – June 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>– 6:30 AM Mass –</b>	Special Intentions
	<b>– 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM –</b>	<b>Adoration</b>
<b>Thursday – June 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>– 6:30 AM Mass –</b>	Special Intentions
<b>Friday – June 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>– 6:30 AM Mass –</b>	Brian T. Ortego
<b>Saturday – June 29<sup>th</sup></b>		
<b>4:00 PM Mass –</b>	McKenzie Dupre, Claude & Lois Blanchard, J. Bailey, Jack Thibodeaux, Herman Hebert, M/M JB Hebert, M/M Albert Ortego, Sr., Aubrey Soileau, Charles Ruffino, Voorhies Brown, Poke Courvelle & Deceased Family, Mike Wartelle, Henry Pitre & Deceased Family,	
<b>Sunday – June 30<sup>th</sup> - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
<b>7:00 AM Mass –</b>	Clyde Soileau, Michael, Butsie, Buddy, & Jimmy Carriere, Carol C. Sodeika, Lillian Ainsworth, Janice Olivier,	
<b>9:00 AM Mass –</b>	For the People	
<b>11:00 AM (Holy Trinity)</b>		

<b>6/29/2019 (4 PM)</b>	<b>6/30/2019 (7 AM)</b>	<b>6/30/2019 (9 AM)</b>
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MIN</b>	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MIN</b>	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MIN</b>
Albert Ortego	Shirlene Matt	Don Simoneaux
Catherine Courvelle	Pauline Vidrine	Bonnie Darbonne
Clara Darbonne	Mary Alice Blanchard	Jerelyn Mayeux
<b>READER</b>	<b>READER</b>	<b>READER</b>
Ethel Landreneau	Norma Guillory	Katie Fontenot
<b>USHERS</b>	<b>USHERS</b>	<b>USHERS</b>
Merlin Valin	Nicky Dejean	Jessie Howard
Marcus Decou	Donnie Vidrine	Benny Howard
Raynold Soileau	Phillip Dardeau	Mike Vidrine
Volunteer	Allen Vidrine	Gregory Doucet
<b>ALTAR SERVER</b>	<b>ALTAR SERVER</b>	<b>ALTAR SERVER</b>
Matthew Vidrine	Elliot Landreneau	Michael Darbonne

### DIOCESAN & OTHER LOCAL PARISH EVENTS:

#### Codependent Recovery Meetings

Codependent Recovery Meetings are for men and women, 18 years of age and older, whose common purpose is to develop healthy relationships. The only requirement for membership is a desire for healthy and loving relationships. Meetings are held **each Thursday (except Diocesan holidays) from 12 Noon – 1:00 p.m.** at the Immaculata Center, Katharine Drexel Meeting Room, 1408 Carmel Drive in Lafayette. For more information contact Trista Littell at 337-261-5607.

#### Fete-Dieu du Teche

F te-Dieu du Teche, a Eucharistic Boat Procession down the Bayou Teche, will take place on the Feast of the Assumption, **Thursday, August 15, 2019!** Join us as we celebrate the 254th Anniversary of the Arrival of the Catholic Faith to Acadiana and the 202nd Anniversary of St. Martinville! To sign up to participate or to get more information call Father Michael Champagne at 337-394-6550 or visit [www.fetedieuduteche.org](http://www.fetedieuduteche.org)

#### Saint Pio Comes to the Diocese of Lafayette

The relics of St. Pio of Pietrelcina, affectionately known to Catholics as Padre Pio, are on tour in the United States and will make a stop in the Diocese of Lafayette. Padre Pio's relics will be at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Lafayette, La. on **Sunday, October 6, 2019.** Bishop Douglas Deshotel will celebrate Mass in honor of Saint Pio at 8am. Veneration of the Relics will be from 10am until 6:30pm.

#### Men of Jesus Retreat

Men of Jesus Retreat is a silent retreat presented by Father Michael Champagne and the Community of Jesus Crucified November 1-3, 2019, at Our Lady of Sorrows in St. Martinville. This retreat is specially designed to help men better understand and grow in their relationship with Jesus. The retreat is silent and will include meditations on the men in Jesus' life as presented in the Bible: St. Joseph, St. John, St. Peter, St. Paul, and others. There is no cost for the retreat but register early as space is limited. Call 337-526-1812 for more information.

### THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

From the rich Eucharistic themes to be drawn from today's second reading, one stewardship theme stands out: The Eucharist is Christ's gift to us. Good stewards are grateful for this gift and realize that no matter their station in life, they are welcome to come to the table and receive the body and blood of Christ. If Jesus could break bread with his betrayer, Judas, his denier, Peter, and the other ten who deserted him, then he will welcome us. Do we truly appreciate what a tremendous gift it is to approach the Lord's Table? Do we realize that the Holy Spirit means to transform us by the gift of Christ's body and blood?

### 2019 - 2020 CATECHISM SCHOOL YEAR

Registration forms for the 2019 - 2020 school year are now available. You will find the forms on the back table in Church or on our website [immaculate-conception-washington.org](http://immaculate-conception-washington.org)

#### Please Note:

All 1st through 9th grade classes will meet **Wednesday evenings**

(6:00 - 7:00PM) in the Hall

The 10th grade class will meet **Wednesday evenings**

(6:30 - 7:30PM) in Church office

Confirmation class (11th Grade) will meet on **Sunday evening** (6:00 - 7:00PM)

#### Volunteers Needed

Our Religious Education Program relies on our dedicated volunteers who serve as Catechists and Aides in our weekly classes. We currently need volunteers for the 2019-2020 School Year. If you can help or would like more information, please contact Katie Fontenot at 337-826-7396

### CHURCH PRAYER BOOK

We have new prayer books in Church. These are to stay in Church for your prayer time. If you would like one we have some available in the Church office for a \$3.00 donation. For those who would like a larger quantity call the office to make an order.



## OUR PARISH LIFE:

### Monday's at 5:00 PM - 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.

### Monday's at 6:00 PM - Church Choir Practice

Do you love to sing? Join our Choir! Enjoy friendship with others as you serve our parish. We need you and welcome you both "veterans" and new members! Come for a practice or two and give us a try!



### Every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the Month at 1:00 PM - Rosary Making Class

The purpose of the Rosary Making Ministry is to make beaded cord rosaries, have Father bless them, and give them to ill people at the Opelousas General Hospital, the men's shelter, the local nursing homes, and for the second grade communion students, at both Immaculate Conception Church and Holy Trinity. Ruth Montgomery and Pauline Vidrine will oversee the rosary making at Immaculate Conception Church.



### Wednesday's at 6:00 PM - Weekly Eucharistic Adoration

Join us every Wednesday evening for Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament From 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM.



### Weekly Come, Lord Jesus! Groups Come, Lord Jesus!

Is a weekly journey to study and meditate on the Sunday Gospels.

We are blessed at Immaculate Conception to have four thriving Come, Lord Jesus! Groups already formed. Everyone is welcome and there is always room for additional people to join.

**Tuesday:** 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM – In the parish Hall  
**Wednesday:** 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM – In the parish Hall  
**Thursday:** 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM – Mrs. Jane Dupre's Home contact her at 337-945-6881



### For Parent Intercessors & CLJ Youth

**Thursday:** 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM – Katie Fontenot's home contact her at 308-3541

\* The youth group meets separately from the adults. If you have a teen who would like to join or Just come by to see what it's all about give Katie Fontenot a call at 308-3541



### 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 of our parish's prayer for those who receive them. Blankets can benefit those suffering in body, mind, or spirit. 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.



### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO ARE SICK...

Warren Soileau, Melissa Fontenot, Greg Billeaudeau, Liz Bourque Constantino, Emma Fontenot,



### REAL MEN PRAY THE ROSARY

An apostolate based in southern Texas called **Real Men Pray the Rosary** (RMPTR) promotes praying the Rosary "in the light of Scripture, in harmony with

the liturgy, and in the context of your daily lives" Founded in March 2009 by David Calvillo, a lawyer in McAllen, and his wife Valerie, RMPTR has flourished online – over 87,000 "likes" for its Facebook page to date – and continues as a vibrant movement with the publication of *Real Men Pray the Rosary: A Practical Guide to a Powerful Prayer*. RMPTR serves as a resource and as a catalyst to encourage praying the Rosary and for honoring our Blessed Mother.

Check out their Face Book page Real Men Pray the Rosary and webpage <http://realmenpraytherosary.org/> for more information.



**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.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE PRIESTS THIS WEEK

**Sunday:** Rev. Wayne Due  
**Monday:** Rev. Willard Dugas  
**Tuesday:** Rev. Edward Duhon  
**Wednesday:** Rev. Jacob DuMont, LC  
**Thursday:** Rev. Nicholas DuPré  
**Friday:** Rev. Gilbert Dutel  
**Saturday:** Rev. Dan Edwards

*Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them, heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE SEMINARIANS THIS WEEK

**Sunday:** Pier Zeringue  
**Monday:** Dylan Allen  
**Tuesday:** Reed Bellingham  
**Wednesday:** Rev. Mr. John Joseph, CJC  
**Thursday:** Alex Cormier  
**Friday:** Myles Creek  
**Saturday:** Brent Didier

*Father, in your plan for our salvation you provide shepherds for your people. Fill your Church with the spirit of courage and love. Raise up worthy ministers for your altars and eager but gentle servants of the gospel. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

### DEVOTION FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE – The Sacred Heart of Jesus

The devotion to the Sacred Heart (also known as the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, *Sacratissimum Cor Iesu* in Latin) is one of the most widely practiced and well-known Roman Catholic devotions, taking the heart of the resurrected Body as the representation of the love by Jesus Christ God, which is "his heart, pierced on the Cross", and "in the texts of the New Testament is revealed to us as God's boundless and passionate love for mankind". This devotion is predominantly used in the Roman Catholic Church, followed by the high- church Anglicans, Lutherans and Eastern Catholics. In the Roman Catholic Church, the liturgical Solemnities of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is celebrated the first Friday after the octave of Corpus Christi, or 19 days after Pentecost Sunday. The devotion is especially concerned with what the Church deems to be the long-suffering love and compassion of the heart of Christ towards humanity. The popularization of this devotion in its modern form is derived from a Roman Catholic nun from France, Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, who said she learned the devotion from Jesus during a series of apparitions to her between 1673 and 1675, and later, in the 19th century, from the mystical revelations of another Roman Catholic nun in Portugal, Blessed Mary of the Divine Heart, a religious of the Good Shepherd, who requested in the name of Christ that Pope Leo XIII consecrate the entire world to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Predecessors to the modern devotion arose unmistakably in the Middle Ages in various facets of Catholic mysticism, particularly with Saint Gertrude the Great.

#### Prayer:

*Hail! O Sacred Heart of Jesus, living and quickening source of eternal life, infinite treasure of the Divinity, and burning furnace of divine love. Thou art my refuge and my sanctuary, O my amiable Savior. Consume my heart with that burning fire with which Thine is ever inflamed. Pour down on my soul those graces which flow from Thy love, and let my heart be so united with Thine, that our wills may be one, and mine in all things be conformed to Thine. May Thy divine will be equally the standard and rule of all my desires and of all my actions. Amen.*

"Saint Gertrude"



### CLEANING COMPANY

Our dedicated scrubbers for the month of June include: Lorraine LeBlanc, Clarise Deshotels & Betty Stelly. Thank you everyone! If you're interested in being on a monthly rotation cleaning crew, Please contact the office or Mrs. Ethel Landreneau.



Welcome to our Church

### WELCOME NEW PARISHIONER! Welcome to Immaculate Conception Church!

We are very glad you are here and pray that you become active in our vibrant church community where we love God, one another, our community, and our world with our thoughts and actions. If you are new to the parish, please complete a registration form which can be found on our website [immaculate-conception-washington.org](http://immaculate-conception-washington.org) under "About, Contact Us" or you may come into the office. Please return the form either in the collection basket or to the parish office.