



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK  
**Father Thomas F. Clark, S. J.**

# VOTE!

## VOTE! VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!

Early voting has begun and lasts until October 30. Election Day is Tuesday, November 6. Please make it your number one priority to vote in this important election. Prepare for voting by making yourself familiar with the ballot and reviewing the referendum questions before you go to the polls. You can get information about the referendum questions at

<https://www.sos.la.gov/ElectionsAndVoting/PublishedDocuments/ProposedConstitutionalAmendments2018> and at <https://www.lwvofla.org/>

### RESTORATION OF VOTING RIGHTS

In Louisiana, the right to vote is automatically restored upon completion of your sentence of imprisonment, probation, or parole. Once an offender has completed a sentence of imprisonment or supervision, they will receive documentation from the facility where they were incarcerated or from the probation officer stating that they have completed the sentence (if this document is lost, an ex-offender will need to contact the P&P District Office where they were supervised or the Clerk of Courts Office). The ex-offender will take this documentation to the Registrar of voters' office with a completed voter registration form, where their name will be restored to the voting rolls.

### WE APPRECIATE YOU!

#### WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

GRATITUDE  
THANKFULNESS  
APPRECIATION

We are grateful to you for your extraordinary generosity to your parish church. Immaculate Conception Church has done an amazing job in raising money for the church renovation as well as the Sunday Offertory that supports our operating expenses. During the time of renovation, your contribution will be even more important. We appreciate your faithfulness to the Sunday Offertory even when you are not able to be present in church. Please do your best to maintain the same level of giving that you did last year. Remember, you can contribute on line at [www.immaculateconceptionbr.org](http://www.immaculateconceptionbr.org)



**Love. Grow. Serve.**

# Announcements and Upcoming Events

## BLESSING OF THE GRAVES AT SOUTHERN MEMORIAL GARDENS



We will have our annual Blessing of the Graves at Southern Memorial Gardens on Sunday, October 28 at 2:00 PM. We will meet near the offices and have a communal blessing prayer. Each person will receive a small vial of holy water and a prayer sheet with which they may bless their family grave. There will be a reception following the blessing in the cemetery office.

## ALL SAINTS DAY: NOVEMBER 1 HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION



Thursday, November 1, is the Solemnity of All Saints, a holy day of obligation. Mass will be celebrated on the vigil of the feast on Wednesday, October 31, at 7:00 PM in the church and Thursday, November 1, at 12:10 PM at the MLK Catholic Student Center on campus.

## TRICK OR TRUNK CELEBRATION



The Junior Daughters will sponsor the annual Trick or Trunk celebration on Sunday, October 28 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the Parish Activity Center. There will be refreshments, games, and lots of fun for everyone. Prizes will be given for the best costumes.

## SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY GOSPEL CHOIR CONCERT



The Southern University Gospel Choir will be in concert at Immaculate Conception Church on Saturday, November 3 at 6:00 PM. Please make sure that you do not miss hearing this talented and exciting choir! They not only sing, but they also worship and praise God to the highest. You will be lifted up! Please invite your friends. Admission is free but a free will offering will be taken up to support the choir and the MLK Catholic Student Center.



# Happy Birthday

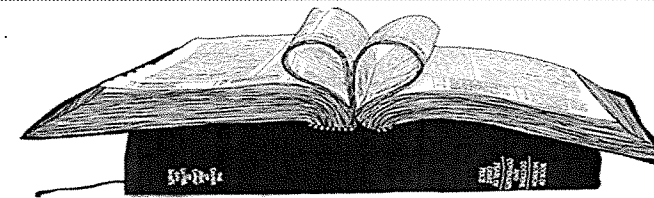
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NICOLE	MARTIN	10/29
JOYCE	PATIN	10/29
DYLAN	RICHARD	10/29
MARY	HANEY	10/30
ALBERT	HERD	10/30
NORMA	LEWIS	10/30
GERALDINE	CHAVIS	10/31
WALTER	LEDOUX	10/31
KIMBERLY	STEVENSON	10/31
CAROLYN	DAIGRE	11/1
KEVIN	GILLIE	11/1
PAULINE	DARJEAN	11/1
MONICA	WILTZ	11/1
QUIARA	COLLOR	11/2
ROBERT	GREIG	11/2
JANICE	HIGGINBOTTHAM	11/2
HARRY	MINOR	11/2
BELVA	ROBERTSON	11/2
MARY	WASHINGTON	11/2
LILLIAN	WHITE	11/2
JACQUES	COLEMAN	11/3
CLIFTON	BELL, JR.	11/3
KIMBERLY	MARSAW	11/3
JOYCE	STAFFORD	11/3

## GETTING READY FOR THE CHURCH RENOVATION



We are moving forward to the beginning of our church renovation which we expect to begin in January. During the expected ten months of renovation, we will be celebrating Sunday Mass in an alternate site.

During the month of November we will be conducting a survey of the parishioners to determine your preferences with the options that are available to us. Please make sure that you fill out one of the surveys as honestly as you can. The survey will be available on line as well as in hard copy. Your input will be very valuable in our making the best decision that we can. The renovation will require sacrifice and some inconvenience for us all. Please be as supportive of your parish church as possible during this time, especially by your presence. You are important to us!



## Mass Readings

### October 28th - November 4th

#### Sunday

Jer. 31:7-9; Psalm 126; Heb. 5:1-6  
Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

#### Monday

Eph. 4:32--5:8; Psalm 1  
Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

#### Tuesday

Eph. 5:21-33; Psalm 128  
Gospel: Luke 13:18-21

#### Wednesday

Eph. 6:1-9; Psalm 145  
Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

#### Thursday

Solemnity of All Saints  
Rv. 7:2-4, 9-14; Psalm 24; 1John 3:1-3  
Gospel: Matt. 5:1-12a

#### Friday

### The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

Wis. 3:1-9; Psalm 23; Rom. 5:5-11  
Gospel: Matt. 25:31-46

#### Saturday

Phil. 1:18b-26; Psalm 42  
Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-11

#### Sunday

Dt. 6:2-6; Psalm 18; Heb. 7:23-28  
Gospel: Mark 12:28b-34

## 2018-2019

### BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL



The Bishop's Annual Appeal for 2018-19, a celebration of that incredible truth, has begun. With our time, talent and treasure we can be the hands and feet of Jesus to help usher in the lost. May the Lord stir your heart to pick up your staff and follow Him.

Like the Good Shepherd, we are granted the opportunity to serve those in need in each of our communities, seeking the lost and ministering to the hurting. A pure commitment of charitable generosity, the Bishop's Annual Appeal connects parishioners like you and those neighbors in need through your support of essential diocesan ministries. A total of 38 members from our family of faith, Immaculate Conception, participated in this past year's campaign and contributed a total of \$4,719.00. Please plan to take part in this year's effort, and offer your generous support once again.