

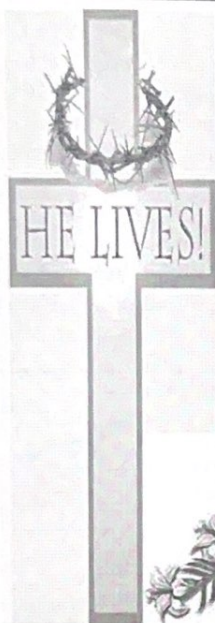
EASTER SUNDAY



APRIL 9, 2023

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

John 20:1-2



The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is the foundation of the Christian Faith. Without the resurrection, the belief in God's saving grace through Jesus is destroyed. When Jesus rose from the dead, he confirmed his identity as the Son of God and his work of atonement, redemption, reconciliation, and salvation. The Resurrection was a literal, physical raising of Jesus' body from the dead.



Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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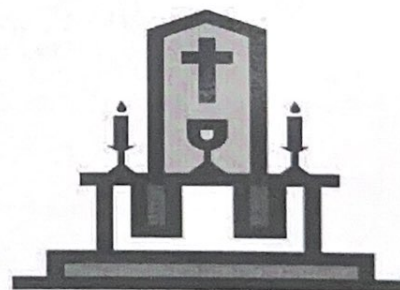
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*Immaculate Conception Church is a Black Catholic Church
serving the family of God and feeding the soul of the Community.*

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IN RESIDENCE: Father Fred Kammer, S.J.(225) 774-3241
SECRETARY: Juliet Betts(225) 775-7067
PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION:
COORDINATOR: Gloria DeRouen(225) 936-8162
ASSISTANT TO COORDINATOR: Kalli Gregory
RCIA COORDINATOR: Cathy Glover(225) 772-6099
MLK/SU CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER:
Joyce Johnson - Wilfred Johnson(225) 775-8691



Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 PM

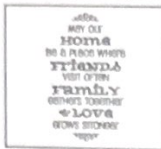
Sunday Mass: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Weekday Masses:

Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., 12:10 PM

Holy Day Masses:

Vigil Mass: 7:00 PM and 12:10 PM



Father Thomas F. Clark, S. J.



Oh Lord, You loved this world so much that you gave your one and only Son, that we might be called your children too. Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace of Easter Sunday every day. Let us have hearts of thankfulness for your sacrifice. Let us have eyes that look upon Your grace and rejoice in our salvation. Please help us to walk in that mighty grace and tell your good news to the world. All for Your glory do we pray, Lord, Amen.



EASTER GRATITUDE



Thank you to all who made our celebration of Holy Week and Easter so beautiful and so prayerful. Thank you to Walterine Whitfield and the Beautification Committee for decorating the sanctuary for each of the Holy Week services and so beautifully for Easter Sunday! Thank you to our Choirs: Traditional and Gospel, all our soloists, musicians, and directors. Thank you to Tara Winder for serving as cantor. Thank you to our altar servers, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, sacristan, ushers, and ministry of hospitality. Thank you to Cathy Glover and the RCIA team who walked with Teryn DeRouen on her journey to Baptism. Thank you to all the members of the parish who entered into the sacred space of this Holy Week to meet the Lord. May we all be blessed as we now begin 50 days of rejoicing!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED!



Congratulations to Teryn Derouen who was baptized, confirmed and received the Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Congratulations to Eryn Jenkins, Addison Jarrett, and Evryn Pate who will be baptized on this Easter Sunday morning.

SAVE THE DATES!



PARISH COUNCIL OF MINISTRIES: Tuesday, April 18, 6:30 AM
PARISH MINISTRY FAIR: Sunday, April 30 following the 10:30 AM Mass
THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Thursday, April 27, 7:00 PM
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Saturday, May 13, 10:30 AM

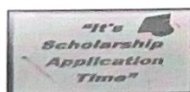


WILFRED B. RICARD COURT 116 EDUCATION ASSISTANCE AWARD



Wilfred B. Ricard Court 116, Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Peter Claver is accepting applications for their Education Assistance Award in the amount of \$1500.00. All female students of the Catholic faith that attend Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Baton Rouge, and who have completed 4 years of high school (a graduate of the class of 2023) and plan to continue their education are eligible to apply. Applications are available in the rear of the church and in the office of the church parish secretary. The deadline for submitting completed applications is May 30, 2023. Contact Barbara Dunbar at (225) 266-3354 if you have questions, or bdunbar2@cox.net to request an electronic copy of the guidelines and application.

WILFRED B. RICARD COUNCIL 116 KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER



Wilfred B. Ricard Council 116 of the Knights of Peter Claver is accepting applications for our 12th annual scholarship award. We will award this scholarship to a **MALE APPLICANT** from Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Applications for the scholarship can be picked up in the rear of the church, by contacting the parish secretary, or via email at monseigneurjai@gmail.com. The application deadline is May 5, 2023. Questions/comments regarding this request should be directed to Aubrey Jones, at 504.810.3555 or via email at monseigneurjai@gmail.com -- Sincerely, Aubrey Jones, M.Ed., LPP Advisor, Scholarship Committee



Happy Birthday

INDIA	ANDERSON	4/9
TREVOR	MCCRAY	4/9
GWENDOLYN	SMITH	4/9
DEBORAH	HUTCHIN	4/10
NICHOLAS	WELTON	4/10
MARY	BELLANGER	4/11
JOHNNY	JARVIS	4/11
DWINA	BUTLER	4/12
APRIL	BRUMFIELD	4/13
JIARA	STEPHNEY	4/13
TANESHA	JOHNSON	4/14
ALFRED	WIMS, JR.	4/14

WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH \$86,400.00?**SHARING
BRINGS JOY**
TO US. TO OTHERS. TO GOD.

A mentor asked her mentee, "What would you do if someone gave you \$86,400.00 each day with the condition that you had to spend it in that 24-hour time frame. Anything left over had to be given back. The mentee thought and said, "Well, I guess I would invest some of it so that I would get a greater return. I would give some of it away to help others." The mentor interrupted and said, "Just think, that happens every day. Each day you get 86,400 seconds. How will you use them? Will you waste them or invest in yourself? Will you think of others and their needs? Will you be generous to those who have shown you love and support? Will you let this wealth of time resonate with your purpose, your calling, and your best self? Thanks to Senator Cory Booker for this inspiring thought.

BLACK MATERNAL HEALTH WEEK

There will be a balloon release on the steps of the Louisiana State Capitol on Sunday, April 16, 2023 to mark Black Maternal Health Week. In Louisiana, Black women are four times more likely to die from a pregnancy-related cause than White women. **Come HONOR HER LIFE!** Submit names for the release to bit.ly/honorherlife. For more information contact: Brenda Smith

Mass Readings

April 9th - April 16th

Sunday**The Resurrection of The Lord**

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Psalms 118; Col 3:1-4

Gospel: Jn 20:1-9

Monday

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Psalms 16

Gospel: Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday

Acts 2:36-41; Psalms 33

Gospel: Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday

Acts 3:1-10; Psalm 105

Gospel: Lk 24:13-35

Thursday

Acts 3:11-26; Psalm 8

Gospel: Lk 24:35-48

Friday

Acts 4:1-12; Psalms 118

Gospel: Jn 21:1-14

Saturday

Acts 4:13-21; Psalms 118

Gospel: Mk 16:9-15

Sunday**Sunday of Divine Mercy**

Acts 2:42-47; Psalms 118; 1 Pt 1:3-9

Gospel: Jn 20:19-31



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Sacraments

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

Saturdays 3:00 PM and by appointment.

BAPTISMS: To arrange and prepare for the celebration of Baptism, please call the Pastor to schedule an appointment. Baptisms are usually celebrated on Sunday afternoon.

FUNERAL: Please call the parish as soon as possible to make arrangements for the Mass of Christian Burial.

VISITING THE SICK: If you or a family member are sick or in the hospital, please call the parish so that a pastoral visit can be arranged. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick may be celebrated in the parish before hospitalization. Please call also to arrange for a Eucharistic minister to bring Communion to the sick. If you would like to request prayers for someone who is sick, please call the parish so that the name may be placed in the bulletin.

MARRIAGES: Preparation must begin at least six months prior to the wedding. Please make arrangements with the parish before scheduling the reception.

ANNULMENTS/CONVALIDATION: Please arrange a meeting with the Pastor to begin the process of celebrating your marriage in the Church.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Catholics who would like to be registered as parishioners of Immaculate Conception and receive stewardship envelopes should call the parish secretary or fill out a form in the vestibule of the church.

RCIA: Adults who desire to explore the possibility of becoming a member of the Catholic Church should contact the RCIA (Rite for the Christian Initiation of Adults) team. Preparation usually begins in September and Baptism or Reception is celebrated at the next Easter Vigil.

TUITION ASSISTANCE: Some financial aid for tuition assistance to Catholic schools is available to registered members of the parish. This is a one time grant of no more than \$1,000.00 to needy families to assist them during a time of financial crisis. Eligible families should write a letter to the Pastor who will evaluate the request with the Financial Advisory Committee.

To Whom Do We Go

Adult Formation: Lovenia Watson.....	778-1977
Altar Servers: Bradley DeRouen	218-8292 / 284-5970
Child Protection Coord:.....	Andrea Toles
Eucharistic Ministers: Beulah Decuir.....	229-6076
Gospel Choir/Adult: Daphne Alex.....	936-4051
Gospel Choir/Youth: Tara Winder	428-5981
Hall Rental: Juliet Betts.....	775-7067
Ministry Council/Chair: Georgia Jenkins.....	775-5824
Pantry/Food and Vouchers.....	774-3661
Sacristan: Rogers Jackson, Jr.	362-0907
Traditional Choir: Deidra James Mackie.....	772-3401
Usher's Coordinator: Walter Ennis.....	(504)427-6459

 **HAPPY EASTER**

