



Immaculate Conception Church

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**Welcome to
Our Parish!**

Pastor:

Rev. John K. Antony

Assoc. Pastor:

Rev. Martín Amaro

Deacons:

Dc. Greg Pair, Dc. Charles Kuehl
Dc. César Villafranca

Church Office

479-783-7963

Fax Machine Number

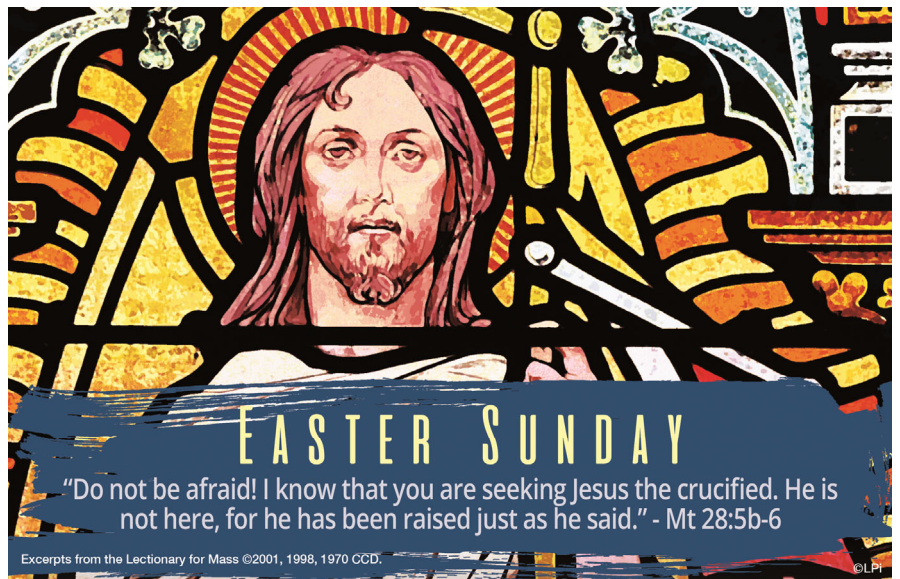
479-783-7865

I.C. School office

479-783-6798

**Short term prayers for the
Prayer Chain**

479-452-9464



Mass Intentions

Monday, April 13th

NO Mass

Tuesday, April 14th

NO Mass

5:00 pm Confessions
(screen only)

Wednesday, April 15th

NO Mass

Thursday, April 16th

NO Mass

5:00 pm Confessions
(screen only)

Friday, April 17th

NO Mass

Saturday, April 18th

NO Mass

3:30 pm Confessions
(screen only)

Sunday, April 19th

NO Mass

(Visit our Facebook page,
ICChurchFortSmith,
or our church website,
www.icchurch.com,
for live streaming of the Mass in
English and Spanish.)



The Resurrection
OF THE LORD

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"The mission of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church is to proclaim the gospel message of Jesus through Word, Sacraments and Works: to form our community in the traditions and teachings of our Catholic faith, to care for one another and the community at large and to bring others to know Jesus by our witness and example".



Easter Sunday

April 12th, 2020

When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory. — Colossians 3:4

Welcome to our Parish!



Become a part of our Church family!

We invite you to fill out a registration form! You can find one on our website, icchurch.com, or at the Church Office.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
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Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31



I.C. Church has a YouTube Channel!

You can now visit our YouTube channel, **IC Church Fort Smith**, to see the recorded Masses on your Smart TV or mobile device! Subscribe to our page to get notifications of the latest videos!



Online Resources during this Covid19 Crisis

Since Bishop Anthony B. Taylor announced the suspension of all public Masses and non-essential gatherings at parishes during the COVID-19 crisis, Arkansas parishes are working very hard to provide online resources to their parishioners to help them stay connected and continue to practice their faith from home. Please visit, <https://dolr.org/covid>, for a list of the options available in these parishes as well as other resources by popular Catholic ministries. This list will be updated frequently as new information becomes available. (dolr.org)



CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

We want to inform our church family and community that **the church office will remain closed until April 17.**

Once Bishop Taylor decides next steps on April 15, we will do the same. If you need to reach someone on the staff or in case of an emergency, you can call 479-783-7963, leave a message and someone will get back with you shortly.

Learn more about your faith through FORMED!

FORMED is a website/platform with something movies, video studies, an audio bible, audiobooks, testimonies and other inspiring talks, and e-books! I.C. Church purchased a subscription and we want to share it with all our parishioners! All you have to do to is visit formed.org, enter access code **WKYVGQ** and register!

Adoration Chapel



The St. Boniface Adoration Chapel is closed for the time being. However, you are welcome to come in to any of the Catholic churches in Fort Smith for prayer and adoration.

St. Boniface Church hours:

Monday – Friday 9:00am to 3:30pm
And Sunday 8:00am to 2:00pm

Christ the King Church hours:

Monday – Friday 8:00am to 6:00pm

I.C. Church hours:

Sunday—Saturday 6:00am to 7:00pm

Father John's Homilies!

Enjoy some of Fr. John's homilies and share them with your family & friends! Visit our website



www.icchurch.com, click on "Fr. John's Homilies" for audio or "Fr. John's Blog" for a written version!

Ladies Auxiliary Cookbook



Ladies Auxiliary Cookbooks are here!

For only \$20 you can purchase this great book filled with 50 years of history, service and recipes. The cookbook contains more than 200 recipes shared by our Ladies Auxiliary. For more information please contact Shelly Gilker at 479-806-3910 or come to the church office.

CHRIST HAS RISEN

Where is your sting, O death? Where is your victory, O hell? Christ has risen, and you are overthrown. Christ has risen, and the demons have fallen. Amen.

—Byzantine Pentekostarion



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 12th: EASTER SUNDAY
NO CLASSES, MEETINGS OR REUNIONS

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This week, we want to recognize,
I.C. School Staff
For preparing the Lenten meal after the
Stations of the Cross on March 6th.
Thank you for everything you do for our Parish!

GOSPEL MEDITATION

When we awoke this morning, we found ourselves blessed with another day. It is Easter Sunday. As that thought crossed our minds, did we find ourselves saying "so what" or "alleluia"? For many, today is truly a day of alleluia. For others, it is just another day of "so what." Faith makes a huge difference. It not only makes a difference in how we understand today and the significance of what we celebrate, it also makes a huge difference in terms of how we understand ourselves.

Succeed, live well, be productive, find your niche, follow your dreams, make money, protect your social status, be politically correct, and keep your preferences to yourself are pretty good examples of the messages our secular life wants us to hear. In and of themselves, they don't sound all that harmful. But when really examined, they are. The life of resurrection embodied in the Gospel tells us a much different story.

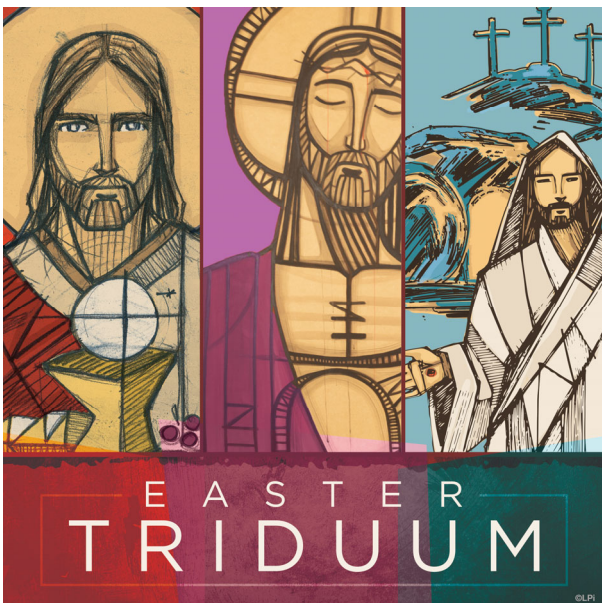
Sadly, we live as if the grave is the end. While we may give the wonder of heaven a blink now and then, its glory really doesn't impress us or matter all that much. It's all about the here and now and what I need to do today to get where I want to be tomorrow. We tend to put off considering the one significant "tomorrow" that will come the millisecond after we take our last breath. When that happens, will we want to be thinking "so what?" or "alleluia"?

There is only one Jesus, one mission, and one resurrection. There is also only one of us. Have you ever pondered what one solitary, humble human life can do? Faith, not our world, tells us how special we are. We are not robots. We are not replaceable. We have one shot. There are no do-overs. Love is at our core and unites us together as one with the God of love who so desperately wants us to be with Him forever. This may not match our secular agenda, but it ought to make our true inner agenda leap for joy. There doesn't need to be an end. I can live forever. Alleluia! ©LPi



When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. — Jn 20:6-8

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass 02001, 1998, 1970 CCD.



3 Steps to keep yourself and others healthy

We are cautioned to be especially careful during the Coronavirus outbreak. Here are some simple ways to keep sickness away.



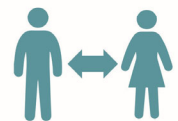
WASH YOUR HANDS

Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds using soap and water. If you can't wash your hands, use hand sanitizer frequently.



DON'T TOUCH YOUR FACE

Especially around the eyes, nose and mouth. If you must sneeze, use a tissue or your arm.



KEEP YOUR DISTANCE

Practice social distancing during this epidemic and stay away from large groups. Instead, call, email or check up on family and friends using social media.

Long Term Prayer List. John Armstrong, Harold Willie, Jean Hendricks, Betty Garth, Peggy Sutterfield, Evelyn Wofford, Wally Russell, Nadine Long, Elvin Frick, Dana Seaton, Dick Schwartz, Jan Udouj, Lawrence Charves, Janet Hodgins, Mary Jean Loy, Alice Traynor, Marilyn Newman, Caylee Cross, Anne Udouj, Tom Loy, Lynda Ledet, Frances Schneider, Nelta Sugg, Bob Wells, Bonnie Thatcher, Melinda & Steve, Gary Orendorff Family, Pat Fuhrmann, Antoinette Beland, Tom Phillips, Jim Foldvary, Sofia Hurtado, Jane Myrick, Amy Graham, Amy Valley, Christopher James Capilo Leonhardi, Cecilia Stringer, David Korkames, Mary Josephine Thomas, Mary Allen, Gus Weisenfels, Tom Wagner, Maria Alexandra Ramirez, David Bond, Roswitha Goodman, Guy Ann Bartley, Joan Reif, Bob Rhodes, Kathy Furstenberg, Cheri Bell, Carl Dougherty, JJ Seiter, Joe Zelasko, Ann Marie Richards, Mary Mommolo, John Gaffney, Kathy Bowen, Angela Miller, Christine Lamb, Sr. Macrina Wiederkehr, Pete and Donna Luebbers, Jim Myrick, Rosella Boerner, Shandy and Steve Mizner, Ben Baumann, Alice Aboloc, Lily Flores, Lawrence Komp

Attention Trinity Alumni!

Our graduating seniors are eligible to apply for the John Paul Spradlin Memorial Scholarship! The due date for applications is Friday, April 24, 2020 at 4 p.m. You can find the link on our website, www.trinitycatholicicj.org, under the Alumni tab. The application may be submitted electronically, by mail, or it can be hand delivered to the school office. The John Paul Spradlin Memorial Scholarship is a one-time \$1,000 college scholarship to be awarded to assist the recipient financially as he/she attends the college/university of his/her choice. Funding will be directed to the institution of higher learning at the beginning of the Fall semester.



Summer intern

College students are invited to apply for Arkansas Catholic's summer internship. The intern would get firsthand experience in journalism



and communication. This position is unpaid, but college credit is possible. Qualified applicants must be Catholic, at least 18 years old and working on a degree in English, journalism or communications or seeking a career in a communications field. Interns must be able to work at least 10 hrs/week at St. John Ctr. in Little Rock and have a valid driver's license. To apply, call editor Malea Hargett at (501) 664-0125, text to (501) 554-9595 or email mhargett@dolr.org. The deadline is April 24.

2020 Summer Care Program

I.C. School and Preschool are now enrolling for their 2020 Summer Care Program! Our program provides a structured yet relaxed atmosphere offering a wide range of activities for all interests. Preschool Summer Care accepts 18 months - 4-year-old and will enjoy play time, arts and crafts, music time, and VBS (Pre-K 4 only). Children entering grades K-6 will enjoy 1st Serve, Art Camp, Bowling, Chuck E. Cheese, Creekmore Park FS Public Library, Gymnastics, Monkey House, Nature Center, Putt-Putt, Skating, Swimming, VBS and more. Students may enroll as full-time or part-time.



Please call the I.C. School office for more information on **grades K-6:** (479)783-6798/(479)414-1582 or e-mail Anabel.Garcia-agarcia@icschoolfs.org **Preschool:** 479-783-6798 or email Sharon Blentlinger sblentlinger@icschoolfs.org

A non-refundable \$60.00 registration fee for k-6/\$75.00 registration fee for preschool per child is **due by April 17th**. Registration fee increases to \$100.00 after that date.

I.C. Church E-Newsletter



If you would like receive our weekly e-newsletter please send an email to Cecilia Garcia at churtado@icchurch.com.

Looking for an interesting book to read?

Over the last few years, Father John Antony has published 3 distinctive books to help raise funds for various campaigns to support Catholic education. All 3 books are available at the I.C. church office! For more information or to purchase a book, please contact Cindy McNally at 479-783-7963 or email at cmcnally@icchurch.com.



1st bk: Oh, For the Love of God
2nd bk: Oh, For Heaven's Sake
3rd bk: Oh, Lord, Have Mercy!

OZARK CATHOLIC ACADEMY INTRODUCES A NEW TUITION RATE



Continuing Catholic Education

OCA is introducing a new tuition rate that rewards continuous Catholic school education starting with the 2020-21 school year. To learn more, go to ozarkcatholic.org and click on the *Continuing Catholic Education* logo on the homepage. If you have any questions please email CCE@ozarkcatholic.org.

Automatic Contributions Program



This program allows you to make your contributions to the church even when you are unable to attend Mass at IC. For details, contact the Church Office 479-783-7963 or visit our website, www.icchurch.com.

Job Opportunity: Choir Director

I.C. Church, a historic and diverse congregation, with over 2,000 families and a strong tradition of choral and organ music, **seeks gifted and experienced Choir Director to lead the English-speaking adult choir.** The ideal candidate will have a passion for traditional Catholic organ music, and draw on the talents of our diverse congregation. This is a part-time position and applications are being accepted by mailing a résumé and cover letter to: Fr. John K. Antony, Pastor, to Immaculate Conception Church, P. O. Box 1866, Fort Smith, AR, 72902, attn. Fr. John K. Antony.



The Catholic Diocese of Little Rock is committed to protecting children and young people. If you are aware of abuse or have been abused by Clerics, Church volunteers or Church workers, please contact the State of Arkansas Hotline for crimes against Children at 1-800-482-5964 and the Chancellor for Canonical Affairs Dcn. Matthew A. Glover at the Diocese of Little Rock at (501)664-0340 ext. 361. For Pastoral Assistance, please contact: Diocese of Little Rock Victim Assistance Coordinator Laura Gottsponer (501) 664-0340 ext. 425.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION — 04/05/2020

Due to an early deadline, we were not able to include the Financial Information for April 5th by the close of this bulletin edition. For the latest financial information, please visit our website www.icchurch.com or sign-up to receive our weekly newsletter by emailing Cecilia Garcia at churtado@icchurch.com. We apologize for the inconvenience, Immaculate Conception Church





Domingo de Palmas

12 de Abril del 2020

Cuando se manifieste Cristo, vida de ustedes, entonces también ustedes se manifestarán gloriosos, juntamente con él. — Colosenses 3:4

Bienvenidos a Nuestra Parroquia!

BIENVENIDOS

¿Eres nuevo en Fort Smith? ¿Nunca te has registrado en la parroquia? ¡Regístrate en nuestra parroquia! Visita nuestra página web icchurch.com/EnEspanol o ven a la Oficina Parroquial para una forma de registro.

Esta semana queremos reconocer a,
El Personal de la Escuela Inmaculada Concepción
Por preparar los alimentos después de las
estaciones de la Cruz el 6 de Marzo.
¡Gracias por todo lo que hacen por nuestra parroquia!

SEMILLAS DE FE

Hay una brevedad, una cierta concisión en las lecturas del Domingo de Pascua. El discurso de Pedro en Hechos está construido con frases directas y al punto. Las cartas de Pablo se basan en declaraciones directas como credos. Hasta el relato del Evangelio sólo narra brevemente lo que resultará ser uno de los sucesos más notables de la historia humana –la Resurrección de Jesús de entre los muertos. Los agentes publicitarios llaman a estos resúmenes “puntos para destacar”. Los biblistas los llaman kerigma o las “semillas” de nuestra fe. En realidad, “semillas” o granos son buenos términos para estas afirmaciones, puesto que durante todo el tiempo de Pascua, oiremos en los Hechos de los Apóstoles, en las cartas de Pablo y en los relatos del Evangelio sobre los días que siguieron a la Resurrección, exactamente cómo ese kerigma comienza a florecer, cómo continúa creciendo en la vida de la nueva Iglesia. Que estas “semillas” pascuales de fe sirvan un propósito similar para nosotros también, para que la vida de Cristo Resucitado florezca en nosotros y mediante nuestro testimonio en los días que siguen. -Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Horario para rezar el Santo Rosario

Por el momento no tendremos el Santo Rosario pues no tendremos Misa hasta nuevo aviso.

Si deseas rezar el Rosario en los próximos meses llama a Mariella Araujo al (479)785-7978.



Capilla de Adoración



La Capilla de Adoración de la Iglesia San Bonifacio estará cerrada por el momento por el mandato del Obispo Taylor por precaución del coronavirus, COVID-19.

Las Iglesias estarán abiertas durante el día para los que gusten venir y orar.

Horario de la Iglesia de San Bonifacio:

Lunes a Viernes de 9:00am a 3:30pm y el domingo de 8:00am a 2:00pm

Horario de la Iglesia de Cristo Rey:

Lunes a Viernes de 8:00am a 6:00pm

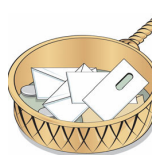
Horario de la Iglesia Inmaculada Concepción:

Domingo a Sábado de 6:00am a 7:00pm

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Hch 2:14, 22-33; Sal 16 (15):1-2a, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15
Martes: Hch 2:36-41; Sal 33 (32):4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
Miércoles: Hch 3:1-10; Sal 105 (104):1-4, 6-9; Lc 24:13-35
Jueves: Hch 3:11-26; Sal 8:2ab, 5-9; Lc 24:35-48
Viernes: Hch 4:1-12; Sal 118 (117):1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14
Sábado: Hch 4:13-21; Sal 118 (117):1, 14-21; Mc 16:9-15
Domingo: Hch 2:42-47; Sal 118 (117):2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pe 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

Programa de Contribuciones Automáticas



Haz tu ofrenda aún ahora que no puedas asistir a Misa. Ayuda a la iglesia a planear el presupuesto y a ahorrar recursos al no enviar sobres mensuales. Los formatos están disponibles en la Oficina Parroquial o en nuestro sitio web icchurch.com/

EnEspanol.htm ¿Preguntas? Llama a Oficina Parroquial al 479-783-7963.



“No teman. Ya sé que buscan a Jesús, el crucificado. No está aquí; ha resucitado, como lo había dicho. Vengan a ver el lugar donde lo habían puesto. Y ahora, vayan de prisa a decir a sus discípulos: ‘Ha resucitado de entre los muertos e irá delante de ustedes a Galilea; allá lo verán’. Eso es todo”. — Mt 28, 5-7

Leccionario 1 © 1976 Comisión Episcopal de Pastoral Litúrgica de la Conferencia del Episcopado Mexicano.

Sociedad de Santa Ana

Las parroquias del condado de Sebastián trabajan juntas bajo el nombre Sociedad de Santa Ana para ayudar a las personas de bajos recursos en nuestra comunidad.

¿Quieres ayudar a la Sociedad de Santa Ana?

Dona a la Caja de los Pobres -

Las cajas de los pobres están ubicadas en las entradas de la parroquia. Les pedimos a las familias que donen \$1 por semana a la caja de los pobres.

Clóset de Santa Verónica - Actualmente, el closet necesita:

Desodorante (mujer/hombre), jabón de baño, crema para el cuerpo y para manos, crema para afeitar, papel sanitario, detergente de ropa y artículos femeninos.

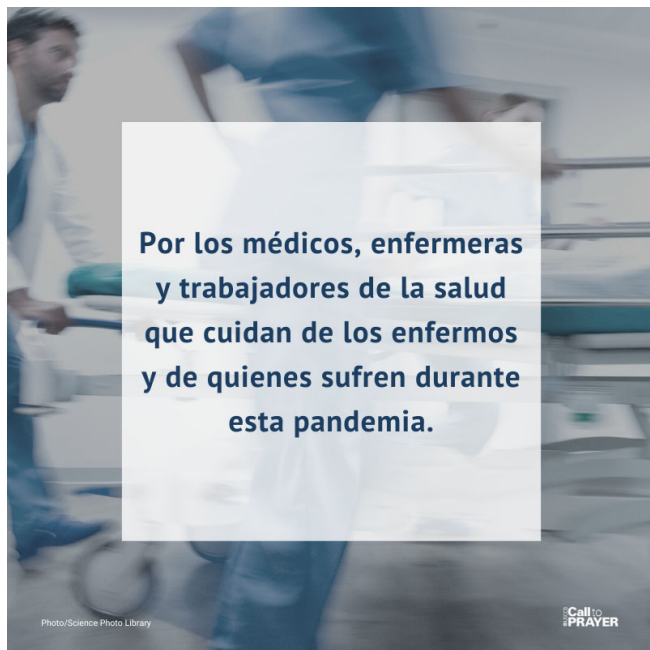
Donaciones pueden ser depositadas en los contenedores de Santa Ana ubicados en las entradas de la Iglesia o pueden dejarlas en la Oficina Parroquial.



FORMED.org!

Formed es una plataforma que contiene películas, estudios, audio Biblia, audio libros, testimonios y mucho mas para todas las edades y en español. Regístrate con la contraseña, **WKYVGQ** y ¡Listo! ¡Ve que contenido en Formed.org te puede ayudar en esta Cuaresma!

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Por los médicos, enfermeras y trabajadores de la salud que cuidan de los enfermos y de quienes sufren durante esta pandemia.

LA DIOCESIS DE LITTLE ROCK ESTA COMPROMETIDA A PROTEGER A LOS NIÑOS Y JOVENES. Si estás enterado de algún abuso o has sido abusado por clérigos, voluntarios o funcionarios de la Iglesia, por favor contacta a la Línea de Ayuda del Estado de Arkansas para crímenes contra niños al 1800-482-5964 y con el Canciller de Asuntos Canónicos Dcn. Matthew A. Glover en la Diócesis de Little Rock al (501)664-0340 ext. 361. Para asistencia pastoral, por favor contacta a la Coordinadora de Asistencia para Víctimas de la Diócesis de Little Rock Laura Gottsponer al (501)664-0340 ext. 425

La Oficina Parroquial Permanecerá Cerrada

Se les informa a nuestra familia parroquial y a la comunidad que la oficina parroquial permanecerá cerrada hasta el 17 de Abril. Una vez que el Obispo Taylor tome una decisión el 15 de Abril sobre el siguiente paso a tomar, nosotros haremos lo mismo.

Si necesitas localizar algún miembro del personal o en caso de emergencia, favor de llamar al 479-783-7963 y dejar mensaje. Alguien te llamara en la brevedad posible.

Página Web y Facebook

Visita nuestra página web en ESPAÑOL

icchurch.com/EnEspanol.htm

Donde podrás encontrar mas información sobre pasos a tomar y cambios en nuestra parroquia durante este tiempo crucial.

¡Búscanos en FACEBOOK!
"ICChurchFortSmith"



Ahora puedes visitar nuestro canal de YouTube, **IC Church Fort Smith**, para ver Misas grabadas en tu Televisor o celular! ¡Suscríbete a nuestro canal para recibir notificaciones de nuestros videos!

¡ALÉGRENSE!

Alégrese también nuestra madre la Iglesia revestida de luz tan brillante; resuene este templo con las aclamaciones del pueblo.

—Exsultet (Pregón Pascual),
Vigilia de la Pascua, Misal Romano

