# Immaculate Conception

CHURCH & SCHOOL

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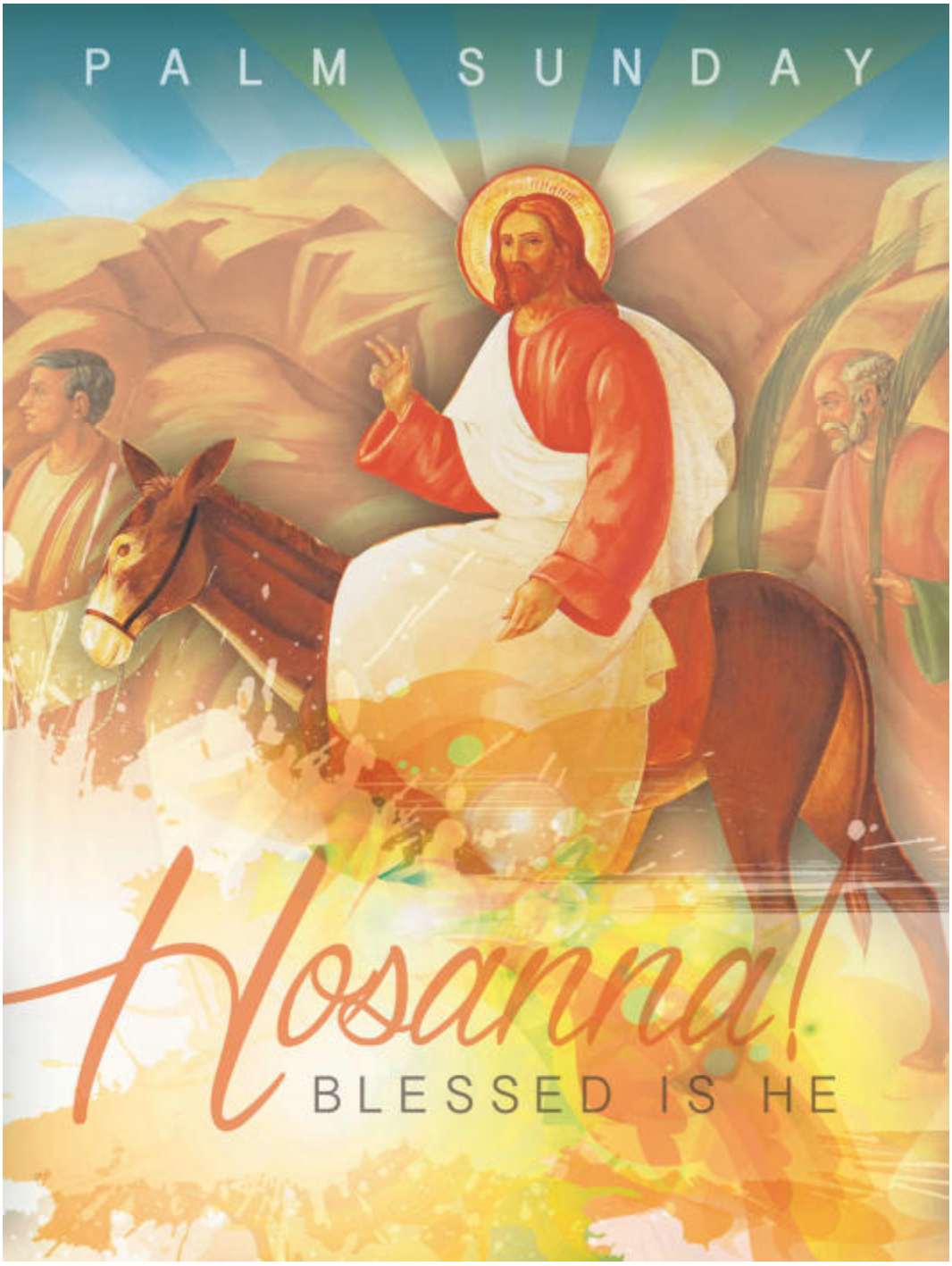
## MARCH 28, 2021 | PALM SUNDAY




## WELCOME

### Sunday Obligation Masses

4:30 pm (Vigil) Saturday
Sunday
8:00 am | 11:00 am
1:00 pm (Spanish)
4:30 pm
9:00 am (Vietnamese - 2nd Sunday and 7:00 pm Last Sunday of the Month in the Chapel)
3:00 pm (Korean - Last Sunday Month in the Chapel)

### Weekday Masses

Monday (Chapel) 9:00 am
Tuesday (Chapel) 9:00 am
Wed (Main Church) 11:00 am
6:30 pm (Main Church) (Spanish)
Thursday (Chapel) 9:00 am
Friday (Main Church) 9:00 am
6:30 pm (Main Church) (Spanish)
Saturday (Chapel) 9:00 am

### Office Hours

Open only for appointments, emails and phone calls
Monday - Friday
8 am - 12 pm / 1 pm - 4 pm

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**Address:** 709 Franklin Street
Clarksville, Tennessee
37040-3347

**Parish Office:** 931-645-6275
**Parish Fax:** 931-552-0331
**Email:** icsecretary@immaconception.org

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# WELCOME

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

## SACRAMENTS

### Baptism
Baptism preparation for parents & Godparents of children meets on the last Monday of each month at 6:30 pm downstairs in the St. Joseph Center. Please call the office for more information, to sign up for the class or to schedule the Baptism.

### First Communion
Children are prepared for First Communion by participating in the Sunday Religious Education or Immaculate Conception School program.

### Reconciliation
Confessions are available in the Chapel on Saturdays at 9:30 am & 4:00 pm or anytime by appointment.

### Confirmation
Preparation classes are conducted through Religious Education, or Immaculate Conception School program.

### Matrimony
Please contact the Parish Office at least four months before the proposed date. To reserve the chapel or church, contact Nancy Garza, ext. 104

### Anointing of the Sick
The sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is appropriate for anyone who is seriously ill, aged, infirm, dealing with a challenging chronic illness, facing surgery, or in danger of death.
A very convenient time can be at the Baptismal Font after a Vigil or Sunday Mass. In an emergency call 931-645-6275.

### La Quinceañera
**Los padres de la quinceañera tienen que estar registrados en la parroquia y presentarla por lo menos seis meses antes de la ceremonia.** La candidata debe haber recibido los sacramentos del bautismo, reconciliación, comunión, y estar por lo menos preparada para la confirmación. **Además ella tiene que asistir al curso especial para esta ceremonia, por favor llame a Carmen Oñate al 931-801-7132.** También es necesario reservar la capilla y si lo desea, el salón del Family Life Center y pagar la cuota necesaria con anticipación. Para más informes, contacten la oficina de la parroquia al 931-645-6275.

## PARISH CONTACTS

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| Rev. Jacob Dio, M.S.F.S. ext. 102 | Pastor |
| Rev. Javier Suarez ext. 121 | Associate Pastor |
| Deacon Dominick Azzara ext. 103 | Deacon |
| Deacon Tim Winters | Austin Peay Newman Club |
| Deacon Bob Berberich | Chaplain, I.C. School |
| Deacon Juan Garza ext. 119 | Director of Religious Education |
| Deacon Juan Manuel Martinez | Deacon |
| Deacon Orin Rovito | Deacon |
| David Swalgren ext. 105 | Facilities Director |
| Kathy McDonough ext. 106 | Office Manager, Accounting |
| Nancy Garza ext. 104 | Parish Secretary |
| Mary Obringer ext. 107 | Pastoral Asst. / Safe Env. Coordinator |
| Venus Newhouser ext. 101 | Receptionist |
| Mary Hoffpauir | Sacramental Records |
| Pam Loos ext. 117 | Pre-School Director, Dean of Students |
| June Esquilin | Liturgical Music |
| Cinthya Angeles | Director of Youth Ministries |

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| Pat Paszek / Pat Riley | R.C.I.A. |
| Catholic Charities | Counseling Services 615-354-9506 |
| Runyon & Runyon | Parish Attorneys |

### Parish Pastoral Council
Patty Pierce | Pat Paszek | Lisa Meeks Ed Wilson | Kathie Schuler | Selene Anderson | Elizabeth Ramos | Parish Clergy

### Parish Finance Board
Mike O'Malley | Maggie Kulback | Scott Donnellan | Raby Nance | Len Stolz

### Steering; Maintenance Committee
Maggie Kulback | Tom Vaughn | Rick Catignani | Roger Voorhis | Len Stolz Steve Baird | David Swalgren | Parish Clergy

### Choir Information
June Esquilin at 931-552-3015

### For ICC Updates
Text ICCUPDATES to 84576 or go to www.immaculateconception18.flocknote.com

### IC School
1901 Madison Street, Clarksville, TN 37043-5001 | 931.645.1865
Stephanie Stafford, Principal

### IC Pre-School
740 Franklin Street, Clarksville, TN 37040 | 931.647.9276
Pam Loos, Director, ext. 117

### Immaculate Conception School Board
Lisa Meeks, Chair | Christine Bryant, Sec. Kevin Buchanan | Irene Buck | Gary Harmon | Richard Meeks | Frankie Ramos | Donna Sabash | Michele Wieber

### Bulletin; Website notice?
email Nancy Garza
Deadline is 10 days in advance of date you wish it to appear.
icsecretary@immaconception.org

### IC Radio Station
94.9 FM ; "WGIC"

### Ministerio Hispano

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| Coordinadora del Ministerio Hispano | Elizabeth Ramos | 931-801-0733 |
| Secretaria de la Comunidad | Yitzel Baker | 931-801-4353 |
| Tesorera de la Comunidad | María Self | 931-217-3272 |
| Clases de Bautismo | Jose Hernandez | 931-302-1562 |
| Sacramento del Matrimonio | Diac. Manuel Martínez | 931-206-7371 |
| Ministerio de la Eucaristía | Valentina Fernández | 931-494-4748 |
| Ministerio de la Palabra | Jose Hernandez | 931-302-1562 |
| Ministerio de Bienvenida | Lissette Bencosme | 931-802-4118 |
| Ministerio de Monaguillos | Jeni Noveron | 931-302-5145 |
| Ministerio de Música | Elizabeth Ramos | 931-801-0733 |
| Ministerio de Sociales | Agustín Lopez | 931-581-9980 |
| Catecismo y Educación Religiosa | Deacon Juan Garza | 931-645-6275-Oficina |

# WORSHIP

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PRAYING BELIEVERS

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, March 28, Saint Cyril the Deacon,** Seminarians of the Diocese

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| 8:00 am | ✞ Richard & Mary Lon Losiewicz | *By Donna Sutton* |
| 11:00 am | Deceased Members of the Parish | |
| 1:00 pm | People of the Parish | |
| 4:30 pm | | |

**Monday, March 29, Saint Constantine of Monte Cassino,** Rev. Rodolfo Rivera

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| 9:00 am | ✞ Mary Claudio | *By Claudio Family* |

**Tuesday, March 30, Saint John Climacus, Abbott of Sinai,** Rev. Michael Roak

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| 8:00 am | | |
| 9:00 am | | |

**Wednesday, March 31, Saint Balbina,** Rev. Louis Edward Rojas

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| 8:00 am | ✞ Carol Buchanan | *By McGuire Family* |
| 11:00 am | ✞ Carol Westman | *By Astrid Buchanan* |
| 6:30 pm | | |

**Thursday, April 1, Saint Hugh, Bishop of Grenoble,** Rev. Mark Sappenfield

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| 7:00 pm | Mass of the Lord's Supper |

**Friday, April 2, Saint Francis of Paola, Hermit** Rev. Marneni "Bala" Showraiah

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| 7:00 pm | Passion and Veneration of the Cross |

**Saturday, April 3, Saint Sixtus I, Pope,** Rev. Mark Simpson

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| 7:00 pm | For the RCIA Candidates Received Through the Church |

**Sunday, April 4, Saint Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church,** Bishop Mark Spalding

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| 8:00 am | Intentions of Fundamental Rights | *By Pope Francis* |
| 11:00 am | ✞ Lee Scott | *By Kathy Burney* |
| 1:00 pm | ✞ Jerry Villarreal | *By Claudio Family* |
| 3:00 pm | Vietnamese Mass Intentions | |
| 4:30 pm | People of the Parish | |

We have Mass Intentions *Available.*

If you would like to offer a Mass for your loved ones please call the Church Office at 931-645-6275.

## CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST
## APRIL 3 & APRIL 4

| | Sat 4:30 pm | Sunday 8:00 am | Sunday 11:00 am | Sunday 1:00 pm | Sunday 4:30 pm |
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| ALTAR SERVER | | | | | |
| READERS | | | | | |
| EMOHC | | | | | |
| GREETERS | | | | | |
| ROSARY | Charles | Gary | Irene | | |

**ATTENTION ALL MINISTERS:** Please log into the ministry scheduler or call the church office to sign up for any and all Holy Week Masses. There will also be a sign up sheet in the Sacristy. Thank you!

## READINGS

### March 28 - April 4

**Sunday:** Mk 11:1-10 Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17 -20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1—15:47
**Monday:** Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]; Jn 12:1-11
**Tuesday:** Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
**Wednesday:** Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
**Thursday:** Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
**Friday:** Is 52:13—53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1—19:42
**Saturday:** Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Rom 6:3-11; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7
**Next Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9

## EARTH ANGELS PRAYER LINE

Prayer requests are taken by this group Monday - Friday, and passed by phone and emailed to both daytime and nighttime prayer line parishioners who pray for these needs. The prayer request line is 931-645-6275 ext 101

## FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

### From 9:30 am - 5:45 pm in the Main Church

Adoration intentions this Friday are for the RCIA Candidates. A Rosary at 9 am, Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3 pm and Mass at 6:30 pm are offered that they may come to know Jesus in the Holy Eucharist and for strength in their spiritual journey.

*Jesus waits for you. Come let us adore Him!*
*Jesus te espera!*

For more information contact Marcia at 515-571-8272.

# GOSPEL MEDITATION

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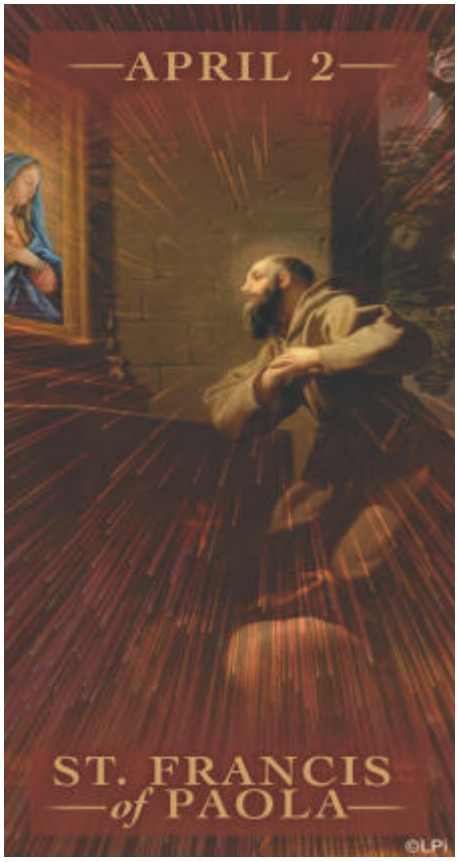


## SAINT FRANCIS OF PAOLA, HERMIT

Born 1416, at Paola in Calabria, Francis lived as a hermit. He attracted many followers by his piety and holiness. He founded a congregation of hermits, which became the Order of Minims. He died at Tours in France in 1507.

## PRAYER

Father of the lowly, you raised Saint Francis of Paola to the glory of your saints. By his example and prayers may we come to the rewards you have promised to the humble. Through Christ our Lord, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Many struggle with Jesus. Some who consider themselves faithful hail him in their churches but still struggle to figure out what to do with him on our streets. The message is somehow more palatable when it echoes pious renderings and sentiments and involves singing hosannas during worship. It becomes a bit trickier when it gets to the part about changing the way we conduct the business of our lives, becoming more sensitive to the disadvantaged, poor, and marginalized, and living as servants of our Loving Creator. Ultimately, it is a struggle between wanting to be God ourselves and letting God be God as God is. That's why it's so easy to become hypocritical. We, like those who hailed Christ as he arrived in Jerusalem and sent Christ to the cross to die, also talk out of both sides of our mouths. We entertain what suits us at the time and walk away from the rest.

Many neglect God's beautiful creation because they prefer what humans have made instead. Progress isn't seen in preserving and enhancing what God has made but replacing it with something we believe is better and more useful. The earth, flowers, and animals are all expendable if they stand in the way of the "more" we want to achieve. We seek to remove as many obstacles and hurdles as possible in search of the easiest, quickest, and most efficient path we can find. We have created drugs and laws that preserve our free choice, even though it may mean setting aside God's vision and example. Why suffer when we can easily be put to rest? Why endure insult or injury when we can retaliate, eliminate or subdue? Why accept life when it is acceptable to choose otherwise? We want to be God and resist accepting the fact that our real Creator has already given us the blueprints for the life we need to live in the Beatitudes and in the example of his Passion. We don't like being stewards and managers and really want the power to do as we wish and desire. We want to create our own way.

Where has the true, effective Christian voice been through all of the wars and violence, prejudice and unjust conquests, abuse of human beings and attempted extinctions of nationalities, the establishments of procedures and protocols that serve only a few and not the many and all of the injustices and exploitations that are a part of our human history? A few courageous prophets have stood up and out throughout all of the comings and goings of our human journey with many receiving the same fate as the Crucified One we hail this week. Some still walk among us as shining stars showing us how it really can be. How would Jesus' journey have ended if he lived life as we do? Unless we encounter the good with the bad, the just with the unjust, the grace with the sin, the glory with the cross, the death with the life we most certainly risk rendering God obsolete. After all, haven't we already convinced ourselves that we can do better? ©LPi

### FOMENTANDO UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA

En este Domingo de Ramos, mientras se bendicen las palmas cantamos con gusto: *"¡Hosanna al Hijo de David! ¡Bendito sea el que viene en nombre del Señor! ¡Hosanna en lo más alto de los cielos! (Mateo 21:9).* Toda la ciudad estaba de fiesta, estaba alborotada por Jesús. La alegría de esta celebración queda también plasmada en la liturgia de hoy. La oración de la bendición de las palmas ayuda y aumenta el gozo en nuestros corazones: *"Aumenta, Señor Dios, la fe de los que esperan en ti, escucha con bondad las suplicas de quienes te invocan, para que, al presentar hoy nuestros ramos a Cristo victorioso, demos para ti en él frutos de buenas obras. Él, que vive y reina por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.*

También, escuchamos la Pasión del Señor de acuerdo a San Marcos. Así, da comienzo la Semana Santa o Semana Mayor. Toda la celebración nos prepara para el Triduo Pascual. Nuestros *catecúmenos* serán bautizados y daremos comienzo a la cincuentena Pascual. Tomemos conciencia de los dos triunfos de Jesús --- La entrada triunfal a la Ciudad de Jerusalén y su triunfo de la resurrección --- En esta semana vamos a conocer la gran capacidad del amor de Dios, al ver de lo que es capaz Jesús por todos nosotros. El reto, es de qué somos capaces nosotros por demostrar el amor a los demás, especialmente en este tiempo tan incierto que vivimos. Reflexionemos, en la palabra "triunfar", analicemos lo que significa el triunfo de Jesús en la cruz. Pidámosle al Señor fortaleza para ser fuertes en los momentos de prueba. ©LPi

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Days remains in effect *until further notice.*

# Holy Week Schedule

## March 28 - April 4

**Palm Sunday - *Passion of the Lord***

4:30 pm Vigil / 8 am / 11 am / 4:30 pm English

1 pm Spanish / 3 pm Korean / 7:30 pm Vietnamese

**Holy Thursday - *Mass of the Lord's Supper***

7 pm - Live-Streaming on Facebook

**Good Friday - *Passion, Veneration of the Cross***

3 pm - Stations of the Cross

7 pm - Live-Streaming on Facebook

**Holy Saturday - *Easter Vigil***

7 pm - Live-Streaming on Facebook

**Easter Sunday**

8 am / 11 am / 4:30 pm English

1 pm Spanish

All Masses are in the Main Church

Face mask is required

# a dozen reasons
## to choose Catholic Schools

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

### RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

**Walk Every Step with Christ**

Holy Week is a week for being mindful. We must set loose the baggage of Lent, and not be deterred by the dazzling sunrise of Easter morning beckoning in the distance.

It's okay for us to be excited for Easter. We've waited so long, after all. In my opinion it's one of the best feelings there is: the yearning we have in our hearts for the Resurrection as we embark on Palm Sunday. And in a purely logical sense, many of us have Easter celebrations for which we are preparing, and practical considerations to contend with. It's going to be a busy week, one likely full of happy distractions.

But my friends, we simply must keep our feet on the ground. Let's not "skip" Holy Week. Resist the urge to flip to the last page of the book, to fast -forward to the final scene of the movie. Don't rob yourself of the journey. This week is a blessed opportunity. It is this week that teaches us who we are. In the span of the Triduum, we have the birthday of the priesthood, the institution of the Eucharist, the sacrifice on Calvary and so many other vivid and meaningful scenes.

It may sound strange, to advise someone to savor the moments of Holy Week. There are so many violent and heartrending moments, after all. But this is the valley of tears, remember — we are not in Heaven yet. And here, in our fallen, sin-filled world, it is the heartrending moments that seem to matter the most. These are the moments that define us as Catholics. Live them. Cherish them. Be present for each one. — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*
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## LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD DIARIA

### RECONOCER A DIOS EN LOS MOMENTOS ORDINARIOS

**Camine cada paso con Cristo**

La Semana Santa es una semana para estar atento. Debemos soltar el equipaje de la Cuaresma y no dejarnos desalentar por el deslumbrante amanecer de la mañana de Pascua llamándonos en la distancia.

Está bien que estemos emocionados por la Pascua. Después de todo, hemos esperado tanto. En mi opinión es uno de los mejores sentimientos que hay: el anhelo que tenemos en el corazón por la Resurrección al embarcarnos en el Domingo de Ramos. Y en un sentido puramente lógico, muchos de nosotros tenemos celebraciones de Pascua para las que nos estamos preparando y consideraciones prácticas con las que lidiar. Será una semana ocupada, probablemente llena de distracciones felices.

Pero amigos míos, simplemente debemos mantener los pies en el suelo. No nos "saltemos" la Semana Santa. Resiste la tentación de pasar a la última página del libro para avanzar rápidamente a la escena final de la película. No te robes el viaje. Esta semana es una oportunidad bendecida. Es esta semana la que nos enseña quiénes somos. En el lapso del Triduo, tenemos el nacimiento del sacerdocio, la institución de la Eucaristía, el sacrificio en el Calvario y tantas otras escenas vivas y significativas.

Puede sonar extraño, aconsejar a alguien que saboree los momentos de la Semana Santa. Después de todo, hay tantos momentos violentos y desgarradores. Pero este es el valle lágrimas, recuerdas, todavía no estamos en el cielo. Y aquí, en nuestro mundo caído y lleno de pecado, son los momentos desgarradores los que parecen importar más. Estos son los momentos que nos definen como católicos. Vívelos. Aprécialos. Estate presente para cada uno de ellos. - *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* — ©LPi

## NEWS

### Religious Education

### April 17

**Confirmation Retreat**
**at 10 am - Main Church**
**Retiro de Confirmación**
**A las 10 am - Templo Principal**

**In the event of inclement weather, classes may be cancelled. When this happens, we'll note the *cancellations* on our Facebook page:**
***"ICC Religious Education"***

### LOW GLUTEN COMMUNION

Low gluten Communion is available. If you need low gluten Communion, please let the clergy or an usher know before Mass. Please stand at the end of the priest's line to receive this.

The Church is looking for a Sacramental Records Keeper and Office Assistant.

Position is 22.5 hours per week with benefits.

Send resume and cover letter to the Church Office by Friday, April 9, 2021.

Attention:
Kathy McDonough or email to icaccounts@immaconception.org

Positon Requirements

* Legible Handwriting
* Knowledge of basic accounting principles
* Ability to use various computer soft ware programs (Microsoft Office...)
* Ability to learn Church Software Programs (PDS)
* Ability to use various office machines
* Ability to meet deadlines
* Ability to maintain confidentiality
* Must have a high school diploma or equivalent
* Previous bookkeeping experience

# STEWARDSHIP

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SERVING STEWARDS

Palm Sunday is never just "Palm Sunday." It also always includes the Lord's Passion. By juxtaposing both of these Gospel scenes in the same Mass, the Church is forcing us to consider a hard truth: we are a fickle people. Just as the people of Jerusalem praised Jesus, only to turn on Him a few days later, we too might claim Jesus as our Lord, but constantly turn from Him through our sins and self-centeredness. For many of us, we get a heavy dose of our weakness during Lent, when we begin with bold resolutions but so often come up short.

But our shortcomings aren't the focus of the readings today. Instead, the focus is on the steadfast love and constancy of Jesus Christ. Jesus knows we are fickle. Just like He knew that by coming into Jerusalem, despite the people's praises, He was handing Himself over to death. And yet, in the words of the Prophet Isaiah, he set his face "like flint" and was obedient to His mission of self-giving love. He knew that so many would abandon Him, and yet He chose at every moment to persist, all the way to Calvary. Jesus also knows that you and I fail. That we turn our backs on Him in ways little and small. And yet He continues to make His love available to us today, holding back nothing.

As we enter into Holy Week, let this be our focus: that no matter how many times we've failed this Lent, and no matter how often we turn away from Christ, His Love for us is as constant and pure as it was when He first took up the Cross. During these days leading up to Good Friday, let's experience contrition for our sins, remorse for our mistakes, but also incredible gratitude for Christ's saving Love. And let's show our gratitude by picking up our Cross and following Him in the way of self-giving love. One way we can do so, as Lent comes to a close, is to consider supporting the ***Bishop's Annual Appeal for Ministries*** as a final act of Lenten almsgiving.

Immaculate Conception Church has a Goal of 119,090.00
- Gifts and Pledges: $47,069.00 is 39% of our goal.

*Thank you for your support!*

## ONLINE GIVING

Parishioners who use the service are pleased with how easy it is to set up and manage. If you have not yet signed up for Online Giving, please consider this option. This is a perfect tool for anyone who shops online! By using Online Giving you are helping the parish improve our operational efficiency. See our parish bulletin or visit our parish website at www.immaconception.org and select Online Giving or visit osvonlinegiving.com/4241

Thank you for using Online Giving!

### Weekly Generosity 3/14/2021

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| IC School Support | $342.00 |
| Major Maintenance Reserve | $247.00 |
| Chiapas | $103.50 |
| Haiti | $308.50 |

| Donations | Total Received | Contrib. Families | Average Contrib. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Contributions Received by Mail or Dropped Off | $4,246.00 | 39 | $108.87 |
| Loose Currency | $2,115.21 | ?? | ?? |
| Envelopes Containing Cash or Checks | $6,308.43 | 114 | $55.34 |
| E-Tithing | $6,953.00 | 120 | $57.94 |
| Totals | $19,622.64 | 273 | |

*If you have recently moved, please make sure the church office has your new address.

Thank you for your Generosity!

St. Vincent de Paul Donations
Please make them payable to: St. Vincent de Paul

"Stewardship...Living Gracefully"

## IC MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

| FEBRUARY 2021 | Parish | School | Preschool | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Income | $97,582.96 | $49,901.14 | $30,863.00 | $178,347.10 |
| Expenses | $82,221.64 | $79,761.06 | $26,956.53 | $188,939.23 |
| Budgeted Commitment | ($10,300.00) | $10,300.00 | | |
| Net Income (Loss) | $5,061.32 | ($19,559.92) | $3,906.47 | ($10,592.13) |

# DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY CHAPLET

## April 11, 2021
## in the Chapel at 3 pm

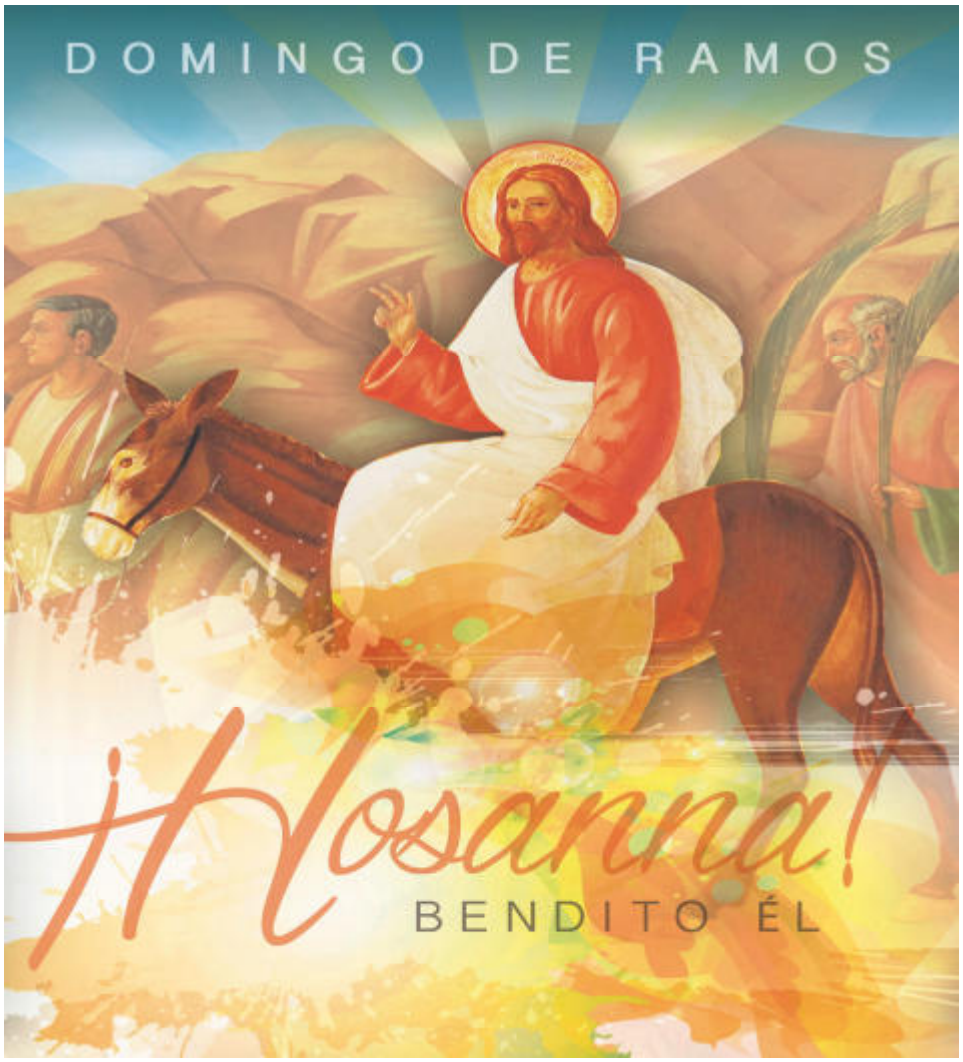
*Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday, March 28, 2021*

**We have Divine Mercy Novena and Chaplet brochures in the Main Church, Chapel and Church Office.**
**Please join us to pray the Novena at 3 pm in the Chapel or you can pray this novena in your home daily until Divine Mercy Sunday.**

## CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT

*Mary Hoffpauir,* our Sacramental Clerk, is retiring this month from her employment as a church office staff member. She has been a registered member of the parish since 1946, attended St. Mary's Catholic School and is a graduate of Clarksville High School and APSU. Mary has been employed by ICC since 1997. She is also an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist. Mary has three daughters, six grandchildren and one great grandchild. She has been a member of the Downtown Artists Co-op (DAC) in the Clarksville community for 20 years.

*Thank you Mary for your many years of serving the members of Immaculate Conception Church.*



## WHY DO WE DO THAT?
**Catholic Life Explained:**

**Question:**
Why haven't Catholic Churches gone the way of disposable cups for wine distribution?

**Answer:**
If a Catholic has ever attended a Protestant worship service and saw the communion service that was offered for that community, one of the things that might have stood out was the use of small, disposable cups for distributing the wine or grape juice. This is in stark contrast to the precious metal chalices used in Catholic churches during the Mass. Although practices for Protestant Christians can vary (ranging from large shared chalices, to personal-use cups, to dipping the bread in the wine/grape juice), the norms governing Catholic practices are fairly direct: "Sacred vessels are to be made from precious metal. If they are made from metal that rusts or from a metal less precious than gold, then ordinarily they should be gilded on the inside. In the Dioceses of the United States of America, sacred vessels may also be made from other solid materials that, according to the common estimation in each region, are precious ... they are to have bowls of nonabsorbent material" (nos. 328-330). Rather than being a commentary on the beliefs or practices of those other communities, these rules are intended to highlight the reverence that Catholics have for the bread and wine consecrated at Mass, which become the Body and Blood the Lord.

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