## The Catholic Church of the

# Immaculate Conception

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# August 17, 2014

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Parish Office Hours

Monday: Noon to 4:00 pm

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday: Closed

Mass Schedule

**Daily Mass:** Monday - Saturday at 8:00 am **First Friday Mass & Devotion:** 8:00 am

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 P.M.

Sunday Morning: 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A.M.

Sunday Evening: 5:15 P.M.

Holy Day Masses: 8 A.M., 5:30 P.M.

Penance: For daily Mass goers 7:30 AM, For Parish on

Saturday: 4:30 to 5:00 P.M., and by appointment

**Baptisms & RCIA**: *By appointment only*. Please email Deacon Fitzmorris at <a href="mailto:rfttzmor@diocese-sdiego.org">rfttzmor@diocese-sdiego.org</a>.

Weddings: By appointment only. Arrangements must be made at least one year in advance. Please contact the

office

Funerals: For arrangements, please call the parish office.



**History of Immaculate Conception Parish** 

It was here in Old Town that Father Junipero Serra celebrated his First Holy Mass in California on July 2, 1769, near the site of the present Immaculate Conception Church, and it was on the hill overlooking Old Town that he planted the cross which marked the site of the Mission and the Presidio.

In 1849, the first parish church was established in Old Town with the name of Immaculate Conception and was dedicated in 1858. It still stands and is known as the Old Adobe Chapel on Conde Street. The cornerstone to the present Immaculate Conception Church was laid in 1868 under the direction of Father Antonio Ubach. With the population swing toward the south, it was not until July 6, 1919, that the church was dedicated by Archbishop John J. Cantwell of Los Angeles.

# WE PRAY

	MASS INTENTIONS					
18	8AM	Weekday	RE			
		Priest's Intentions				
19	8AM	St. John Eudes	RE			
		Cordell Hipolito, SI				
20	8AM	St. Bernard	RE			
		Priest's Intentions				
21	8AM	St. Pius X	RE			
		Priest's Intentions				
22	8AM	The Queenship of the Blessed	RE			
		Virgin Mary				
		Priest's Intentions				
23	8AM	St. Rose of Lima, BVM	RE			
		†Helen Manning Lorch, RSCJ				
	5:15 PM	People of Immaculate Conception	WK			
24	8:30 AM	†Jacqueline DeCarlo Dege	RE			
	10:00 AM	†Emilio & Paola Pepperini	RE			
	11:30 AM	Priest's Intentions	SB			
	5:15 PM	Priest's Intention	SB			

#### MARRIAGE BANNS

• August 30-Sam Mason & Andrea Kavanaugh

#### APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

August Intentions of the Holy Father *Universal:* That refugees, forced by violence to abandon their homes, may find a generous welcome and the protection of their rights. *Evangelization* That Christians in Oceania may joyfully announce the faith to all the people of that region.

	PRAY: SEMINARIANS IN THEOLOGY
2nd	David Exner North American College Rome,
3rd	Bernardo Lara Mt. Angel Seminary, OR
2nd	Corey Tufford North American College Rome,
3rd	Derek Twilliger Mt. Angel Seminary OR
3rd	Billy Zondler, Mt. Angel Seminary, OR

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS					
18	Rev. Kenneth Del Priore				
19	Rev. Nicholas Dempsey				
20	Rev. Thomas Dermody				
21	Rev. Timothy Deutsch				
22	Rev. Malcolm De Weese				
23	Rev. Michael Diaz				
24	Rev. Ignatius Dibeashi				

#### PRAY THE SCRIPTURES

Monday: Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22 Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-36; Mt 19:23-30 Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16 Thursday: Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-19; Mt 22:1-14 Friday: Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40 Saturday: Ez 43:1-7; Ps 85:9-14; Mt 23:1-12

#### PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jesus, we ask you to bring your peace and healing touch to those who are ill, afraid or worried. Amen

Lisa Becerra,
Ann Bethel,
Ann Marie Bielicki,
Ismael Casanova,
Bob Curry
Joanne Daleo,
Albina Farrie,
Julie Fish
Esther Fitch
James Harris,
Margaret Kelly,
Patricia Kennedy,

Dorothy Kleint,
Deena Marchiano,
Dena Mendoza,
Jean Miller,
Patricia O'Grady,
Ellen Quigley,
Lupe Riccio,
Michelle Sullivan
Mary Jane Tiernan,
Marguerite Vorst,
Floyd Watson,
Marie Whitman.

#### PRAY FOR OUR DEPLOYED MILITARY

Jesus, protect all who serve our country.

Sgt. Ahmed John Alexander,
Natalie Augustine,
Major Jerry Bloomquist,
Col. Mike Bodkin,
Danny Carpenter, USMC,
LTJG Joseph Colangelo, USN;
Cpl. Samuel James Comer,
Daniel Dinglebeck, USN, PFC
David Eley, USMC,
Micah Emery,
Sgt. Christopher Escalona,
Capt. Pedro Esquivel,
1Lt. Cortez Fabia,
Juan Carlos Galazza;
SSGT. Vincent Charles Lucario;

Robert Clinton Long, MC2;
Sgt. Adriana Matizel;
Wendell Miculob,
LTJG Joe F. Moralez, USN;
LCPL Matthew A. Pena;
Sgt.Richard Pierce;
Sgt. William Paul Powers and
Cinco,
CPL Wilson Santiago;
Alfred Tello;
Ricky Thibeault;
Tony Tulloss;
PFC Travis Vliet; &
3rd Marine Aircraft Wing.

#### †PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED †

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace Amen.

Brandon Blaine Bielicki, Mary Lynch, Georgene Bielicki, Bette June Marciel, Elizabeth Cantoni, Robert Mcmahon, Salvador Carrillo, Kianna Meade, David Diaz Julia M. Ocampos Stephen Falley, Ernie Proo, Norm Henkels, Joan Schmitten, Helen Kennedy, Karina Sosa, William Kennedy Clyde Southern, Jr., Jirair Khalatian, Mariana S. Tadena

# PRAYER CONQUERS GOD

#### FROM THE PASTOR

Prayer is the offering in spirit that has done away with the sacrifices of old. What good do I receive from the multiplicity of your

sacrifices? asks God. I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams, and I do not want the fat of lambs and the blood of bulls and goats. Who has asked for these from your hands?

What God has asked for we learn from the Gospel The hour will come, he says, when true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. God is a spirit, and so he looks for worshippers who are like himself.

We are true worshippers and true priests. We pray in spirit, and so offer in spirit the sacrifice of prayer. Prayer is an offering that belongs to God and is acceptable to him: it is the offering he has asked for, the offering he planned as his own.

We must dedicate this offering with our whole heart, we must fatten it on faith, tend it by truth, keep it unblemished through innocence and clean through chastity, and crown it with love. We must escort it to the altar of God in a procession of good works to the sound of psalms and hymns. Then it will gain for us all that we ask of God.

Since God asks for prayer offered in spirit and in truth, how can he deny anything to this kind of prayer? How great is the evidence of its power, as we read and hear and believe.

Of old, prayer was able to rescue from fire and beasts and hunger, even before it received its perfection from Christ. How much greater then is the power of Christian prayer. No longer does prayer bring an angel of comfort to the heart of a fiery furnace, or close up the mouths of lions, or transport to the hungry food from the fields. No longer does it remove all sense of pain by the grace it wins for others. But it gives the armor of patience to those who suffer, who feel pain, who are distressed. It strengthens the power of grace, so that faith may know what is gaining from the Lord, and understand what it is suffering for the name of God.

In the past prayer was able to bring down punishment, rout armies, withhold the blessing of rain. Now, however, the prayer of the just turns aside the whole anger of God, keeps vigil for its enemies, pleads for persecutors. Is it any wonder that it can call down water from heaven when it could obtain fire from heaven as well? Prayer is the one thing that can conquer God. But Christ has willed that it should work no evil, and has given it all power over good.

Its only art is to call back the souls of the dead from the very journey into death, to give strength to the weak, to heal the sick, to exorcise the possessed, to open prison cells, to free the innocent from their chains. Prayer cleanses from sin, drives away temptations, stamps out persecutions, comforts the fainthearted, gives new strength to the courageous, brings travelers safely home, calms the waves, confounds robbers, feeds the poor, overrules the rich, lifts up the fallen, supports those who are falling, sustains those who stand firm.

All the angels pray. Every creature prays. Cattle and wild beasts pray and bend the knee. As they come from their barns and caves they look out to heaven and call out, lifting up their spirit in their own fashion. The birds too rise and lift themselves up to heaven: they open out their wings, instead of hands, in the form of a cross, and give voice to what seems to be a prayer.

What more need be said on the duty of prayer?
Even the Lord himself prayed. To him be honor and power for ever and ever. Amen. - *Tertullian, Priest* 

#### **ANALYSIS**

WHAT IS PRAYER? Prayer then is a spiritual sacrifice of adoration, contrition, thanksgiving, and supplication to the God who gives us everything that is good.

HOW DO WE PRAY? Prayer is offering of thoughts, feelings, and actions with all the emotion in us, in belief that God hears and answers us most effectively when we do what He commands as good and right, are innocent of sin and live according to our creation as men and women in purity and charity; but also when we obey God through the good works he commands and in a community of psalms and song before Him.

WHY DO WE PRAY? We are priests by our baptism with the right and obligation to bring sacrifices to God, united to the perfect sacrifice of Jesus, the Mass, with the privilege of addressing Him personally for all our needs.

WHO SHOULD PRAY? Tertullian says the art of prayer calls back souls of those dead in sin, strengthens those who are weak to sin, heals sick, exorcises the possessed, opens prison cells spiritually and temporally, frees innocent people from chains imposed on them by the guilty, cleanses from sin, drives away temptation, comforts those who are cowardly while giving strength to those who are courageous, brings travelers safely home, calms waves, confounds thieves, fees the poor, conquers the rich and powerful, raises up those who have fallen into sin, supports those who are are falling, and sustains us when we stand firm. All of us should pray always.

WHAT TO EXPECT OF PRAYER? In times of old it resulted in great miracles to stop hunger and death. Now in Christ in whose life we are living our own lives, it gives patience when we suffer, feel pain, or are distressed, when God chooses not to remove the difficulties. Prayer also strengthens faith so that we know what we are getting from the Lord and what we are suffering for our love of God. It is offered for persecutors and enemies.

WHERE DO WE PRAY? Always and everywhere. We dedicate prayer with all our emotions. We make it bigger and stronger with our belief that God hears and answers. We stir it up constantly by doing God's will, the truth. We keep it pure by remaining innocent from sin and by the successful integration of our sexuality in chastity. We crown it with acts of charity. We bring it before God with psalms and hymns at Mass and at other times in our day.

This is prayer in Spirit which conquers God and moves His heart to grant to us what He has decided to give to us out of His love for us so that we can live in, through and with Jesus our Lord and Savior.

# AROUND THE PARISH



# Gifts of Treasure August 10, 2014

With gratitude for the gifts we have received, parishioners and visitors made a joyful return to the Lord.

#### **Total Collection...\$4,871.22**

Envelope: ......\$2,755.44 Plate: .....\$2,115.78

Total contributing households: 100 Total registered households: 440

\$ 686.35 5:15 Sat 8:30 Sun \$1452.23 10:00 Sun \$1253.95 \$ 747.00 11:30 Sun 5:15 Sun \$ 332.25 Mailed in 399.44

#### **EXPENSES** (week of August 4-8)

Hall Supplies \$ 169.42 Landscaping 275.00 \$ 577.58 Music Ministry Office Supplies 91.12 Payroll (incl. tax) \$4,937.69

TOTAL: \$6,058.81

#### NIGHT FEVER OF EVANGELIZATION

06 SEP ... "Night Fever. Let's Evangelize!" Our Parish will be wide open 7-10pm inviting passers-by to come see, sit in contemplation, listen to music, and pray. Help is needed. INFO: Michael Camacho at 619-565-8301.

#### R.C.I.A.

Be Catholic--Be Happy--Have Hope Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The ongoing formation process begins on

Wednesday, September 3 7:00-8:30 pm in the Parish Hall

and continues every Wednesday until Easter 2015

Come or call Deacon Robert Fitzmorris 858-490-8332 rfitzmorris@diocese-sdiego.org



## 2014 Baptism Schedule

# Class: September 15 Baptism: September 21

The Baptism preparation classes are held in Serra Hall on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm.

The Baptisms take place in the church on Sunday afternoons at 2:00 pm.

Please contact Deacon Bob Fitzmorrris at rfitzmor@diocese-sdiego.org

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### **FAMILY CATECHESIS**

Beginning September 7 from 9:45 - 10:45 Immaculate Conception will offer Family Catechesis in the brides' room of the hall to prepare children and parents in the faith. Classes will meet every two weeks.

The lessons are geared to all age levels: Catholics formed in their faith, adults, children who need to prepare for sacraments. The only cost will be the \$10 fee for the book.

# Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer is a method of silent prayer that prepares us to receive the gift of contemplative prayer. This method of prayer is both a relationship with God and a discipline to foster that relationship. Thursday Evening-August 28—Serra Hall 7:00-8:30 pm

# AROUND THE DIOCESE

August 8, 2014

Dear brother priests,

As part of the process of ongoing recovery from the stroke I had in mid-April, I have concluded that it would be good for me to spend some time at the rectory of Our Lady of Angels Cathedral in Los Angeles where I can receive continuing treatment and support. I thank Archbishop Jose Gomez for his friendship and extension of hospitality and ask you my brothers to pray for me during my weeks in Los Angeles.

During the time of my absence from the diocese, I have entrusted to Msgr. Steve Callahan the responsibility of ordinary diocesan administration. I am very grateful for your prayers and expressions of care and support. I continue to pray for all of you in your service to our diocese.

In Christ our Savior,

† Most Reverend Cirilo Flores Bishop of San Diego

... from the Office of Young Adult Ministry



# Theology on Tap

#### Mondays in August at Off Shore Grill—Bay Park (2253 Morena Blvd, 92117)

Grab dinner at 6:30-7:30pm and the speaker will start at 7:30pm-8:30pm.

Mon, Aug 18th: Prayer in the FAST LANE! "Quiet moments to connect with God." With Deacon Chris Hulbert

Mon, Aug 25th: A crash course through the BIBLE! 'Get the amazing, big picture of scripture!" with Katie Patrizio

**Diocesan Young Adult Retreat** Sept 19-21 at Whispering Winds Details to come!

## WELCOME TO **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION!**

To register at the parish, please fill out the form below, and drop it in the basket or call the office at 295-4141.

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1368 The Eucharist is also the sacrifice of the Church. The Church which is the Body of Christ participates in the offering of her Head. With him, she herself is offered whole and entire. She unites herself to his intercession with the Father for all men. In the Eucharist the sacrifice of Christ becomes also the sacrifice of the members of his Body. The lives of the faithful, their praise, sufferings, prayer, and work, are united with those of Christ and with his total offering, and so acquire a new value. Christ's sacrifice present on the altar makes it possible for all generations of Christians to be united with his offering.

In the catacombs the Church is often represented as a woman in prayer, arms outstretched in the praying position. Like Christ who stretched out his arms on the cross, through him, with him, and in him, she offers herself and intercedes for all men.

1369 The whole Church is united with the offering and intercession of Christ. Since he has the ministry of Peter in the Church, the Pope is associated with every celebration of the Eucharist, wherein he is named as the sign and servant of the unity of the universal Church. The bishop of the place is always responsible for the Eucharist, even when a *priest* presides; the bishop's name is mentioned to signify his presidency over the particular Church, in the midst of his presbyterium and with the assistance of deacons. The community intercedes also for all ministers who, for it and with it, offer the Eucharistic sacrifice:

Let only that Eucharist be regarded as legitimate, which is celebrated under [the presidency of] the bishop or him to whom he has entrusted it.

Through the ministry of priests the spiritual sacrifice of the faithful is completed in union with the sacrifice of Christ the only Mediator, which in the Eucharist is offered through the priests' hands in the name of the whole Church in an unbloody and sacramental manner until the Lord himself comes. 192

1370 To the offering of Christ are united not only the members still here on earth, but also those already in the glory of heaven. In communion with and commemorating the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, the Church offers the Eucharistic sacrifice. In the Eucharist the Church is as it were at the foot of the cross with Mary, united with the offering and intercession of Christ.

1371 The Eucharistic sacrifice is also offered for the faithful departed who "have died in Christ but are not yet wholly purified,"193 so that they may be able to enter into the light and peace of Christ:

Put this body anywhere! Don't trouble yourselves about it! I simply ask you to remember me at the Lord's altar wherever you are. 194

Then, we pray [in the anaphora] for the holy fathers and bishops who have fallen asleep, and in general for all who have fallen asleep before us, in the belief that it is a great benefit to the souls on whose behalf the supplication is offered, while the holy and tremendous Victim is present. . . . By offering to God our supplications for those who have fallen asleep, if they have sinned, we . . . offer Christ sacrificed for the sins of all, and so render favorable, for them and for us, the God who loves man.195

# AROUND THE COMMUNITY

### **New Paths to Healing Divorce Support Group**

Free 14-week support group for the separated and divorced will meet on Tuesday at 6:30pm from September 9 through December 9.

Series includes a session on Surviving the holidays and meets at the Ministry Center of Sacred Heart Church, 655 C Avenue, Coronado CA 92118

For information, call Martha at 619-435-6136 or Tom at 619-437-6689.

# HOLY HOUR FOR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS

You Are Invited!
All Ages are Welcome
Prayer and Fellowship

# 3rd Wednesday of every month

7:30pm – 9:00pm at the Diocesan Pastoral Center 3888 Paducah Drive, San Diego, CA 92117

### EVANGELII GAUDIUM- Pope Francis

6. There are Christians whose lives seem like Lent without Easter. I realize of course that joy is not expressed the same way at all times in life, especially at moments of great difficulty. Joy adapts and changes, but it always endures, even as a flicker of light born of our personal certainty that, when everything is said and done, we are infinitely loved. I understand the grief of people who have to endure great suffering, yet slowly but surely we all have to let the joy of faith slowly revive as a quiet yet firm trust, even amid the greatest distress: "My soul is bereft of peace; I have forgotten what happiness is... But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning. Great is your faithfulness... It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord" (Lam 3:17, 21-23, 26).

# Quarters and Cans Sunday

August 24, 2014

During our second collection next Sunday, all money collected will be used here at Immaculate Conception to assist our brothers and sisters who come to us in need. Your generous donations will continue to be used to help feed, and in some cases assist those who are in need of our help with rent and utilities. The parish also provides gas and grocery cards. Resource information is also available so people can access public and private agencies that can help with their needs.

Food items collected will be taken by our volunteers to the Catholic Charities Food Resource Center. Please make sure these items are in non-breakable containers, unopened, and the dates have not expired. There is always a need for the following items:

- Canned goods including vegetables, fruit, chili, tuna fish, spam, chicken, beef, beans, soups, and spaghetti sauce
- Peanut butter, jelly, and honey
- Cereals, pasta, rice, and beans
- Any paper goods such as toilet paper, paper towels, paper plates, cups, napkins, Kleenex tissues, baby wipes,
- Hygiene items such as shampoo, soaps, toothpaste, tooth brushes, dental floss, mouthwash, disposable razors, shaving cream, lotions and feminine products.
- Plastic, paper or reusable grocery bags for carrying the above

#### Thank You

On behalf of the entire Quarter and Cans Committee, and Father Richard, we thank you for your continued support of these important programs as we try to follow Our Lord's command to put the Holy Gospel into action.

# SAMPLE PRAYER CATEGORIES

(cut out, make copies, fill in names)

Friends	Sick	Church	Deceased	Needy	Other