

The Catholic Church of the
Immaculate Conception

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January 11, 2015

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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., 7:00 P.M.

Penance: For daily Mass goes 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 rfitzmor@diocese-sdiego.org.

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

12	8 AM	Weekday Priest's Intentions	MT
13	8 AM	St. Hilary † Roger M. Ibarra	RE
14	8 AM	Weekday Priest's Intentions	PR
15	8 AM	Weekday Priest's Intentions	PR
16	8 AM	Weekday Priest's Intentions	RE
17	8 AM	St. Anthony † Wilma Lopez	RE
18	5:15 PM	Priest's Intentions	MT
	8:30 AM	People of Immaculate Conception	GC
	10:00 AM	Priest's Intentions	GC
	11:30 AM	† William Kennedy	RE
	5:15 PM	Priest's Intentions	MT

APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

January: Intentions of the Holy Father
Universal: That those from diverse religious traditions and all people of good will may work together for peace.
Evangelization: That religious men and women may rediscover the joy of following Christ and strive to serve the poor with zeal.

PRAY: SEMINARIANS IN THEOLOGY

3rd	David Exner North American College Rome,
3rd	Brian Frice Mt. Angel Seminary OR
4th	Bernardo Lara Mt. Angel Seminary, OR
1st	Oscar Lopez, Mt. Angel Seminary OR
2nd	Nathan McWeeney Mt. Angel Seminary OR
1st	Eric Tamayo North American College Rome
3rd	Corey Tufford North American College Rome,
3rd	Derek Twilliger Mt. Angel Seminary OR
3rd	Billy Zondler, Mt. Angel Seminary, OR

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

12	Rev. Lauro Minimo
13	Rev. Duncan Monohan
14	Rev. Melchisedech Monreal
15	Rev. William Mooney
16	Rev. Cecilio Moraga
17	Rev. Jorge Moreno
18	Rev. Alfredo Moreno

PRAY THE SCRIPTURES

Monday: Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1-9; Mk 1:14-20
 Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2-9; Mk 1:21-28
 Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-9; Mk 1:29-39
 Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45
 Friday: Heb 4:1-11; Ps 78:3-8; Mk 2:1-12
 Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-15; Mk 2:13-17

PRAY FOR THE SICK

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

Bob Curry	Marguerite Vorst,
Joanne Daleo,	Floyd Watson,
Albina Farrie,	Marie Whitman,
Julie Fish	Martha Zamudio,
Esther Fitch	Carlos Amaya,
Lydia Castillo Herrera	Fred Levine,
Margaret Kelly,	Ed Oleata,
Patricia Kennedy,	Mike Rodriguez,
Dorothy Kleint,	Lisa Becerra,
Deena Marchiano,	Maguire Fitzpatrick
Dena Mendoza,	Tony Jenkins
Jean Miller,	Peter Nalwalker
Patricia O'Grady,	Bob Witt
Ellen Quigley,	Frank Garay
Lupe Riccio,	Connor Domsitz
Mary Jane Tiernan	Gustavo Sosa

PRAY FOR OUR DEPLOYED MILITARY

Jesus, protect all who serve our country.

Sgt. Ahmed John Alexander,	Robert Clinton Long, MC2;
Natalie Augustine,	Sgt. Adriana Matizel;
Major Jerry Bloomquist,	Wendell Miculob,
Col. Mike Bodkin,	LTJG Joe F. Morales, USN;
Danny Carpenter, USMC,	LCPL Matthew A. Pena;
LTJG Joseph Colangelo, USN;	Sgt. Richard Pierce;
Cpl. Samuel James Comer,	Sgt. William Paul Powers and
Daniel Dinglebeck, USN, PFC	Cinco,
David Eley, USMC,	CPL Wilson Santiago;
Micah Emery,	Alfred Tello;
Sgt. Christopher Escalona,	Ricky Thibeault;
Capt. Pedro Esquivel,	Tony Tulloss;
1Lt. Cortez Fabia,	PFC Travis Vliet; & 3rd
Juan Carlos Galazza;	Marine Aircraft Wing.
SSGT. Vincent Charles Lucario;	

†PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED†

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

Elizabeth Cantoni,	Robert McMahan,
Salvador Carrillo,	David Diaz
Stephen Falley,	Margie Gautier
Norm Henkels,	Patrick Piggot
Helen Kennedy,	Rodney Serrano
Jirair Khalatian,	Concepción Garza
Mary Lynch,	Richard Solís Moreno
Bette June Marciel,	Laura Marks
Kianna Meade,	Alvin Weaver
Julia M. Ocampos	William Bethel
Ernie Proo,	Lillian Sinclair
Joan Schmittin,	Olga Hritz
Karina Sosa,	Imelda Hoeckelmann
Clyde Southern, Jr.,	Angelina Olivarez
Mariana S. Tadana	Alice Perry
William Kennedy	Joseph Moreno

CHRISTIAN DIGNITY

FROM THE PASTOR

—*Pope Leo the Great*

Dearly beloved, today our Savior is born; let us rejoice. Sadness should have no place on the birthday of life. The fear of death has been swallowed up; life brings us joy with the promise of eternal happiness.

No one is shut out from this joy; all share the same reason for rejoicing. Our Lord, victor over sin and death, finding no man free from sin, came to free us all. Let the saint rejoice as he sees the palm of victory at hand. Let the sinner be glad as he receives the offer of forgiveness. Let the pagan take courage as he is summoned to life.

In the fullness of time, chosen in the unfathomable depths of God's wisdom, the Son of God took for himself our common humanity in order to reconcile it with its creator. He came to overthrow the devil, the origin of death, in that very nature by which he had overthrown mankind.

And so at the birth of our Lord the angels sing in joy: *Glory to God in the highest*, and they proclaim *peace to men of good will* as they see the heavenly Jerusalem being built from all the nations of the world. When the angels

on high are so exultant at this marvelous work of God's goodness, what joy should it not bring to the lowly hearts of men?

Beloved, let us give thanks to God the Father, through his Son, in the Holy Spirit, because in his great love for us he took pity on us, and *when we were dead in our sins he brought us to life with Christ*, so that in him we might be a new creation. Let us throw off our old nature and all its ways and, as we have come to birth in Christ, let us renounce the works of the flesh.

Christian, remember your dignity, and now that you share in God's own nature, do not return by sin to your former base condition. Bear in mind who is your head and of whose body you are a member. Do not forget that you have been rescued from the power of darkness and brought into the light of God's kingdom.

Through the sacrament of baptism you have become a temple of the Holy Spirit. Do not drive away so great a guest by evil conduct and become again a slave to the devil, for your liberty was bought by the blood of Christ.

AROUND THE PARISH

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

January 4, 2015
Total Collection: \$4,565.92
 Parishioners: \$3,252.00; Visitors: \$1,513.92
 Total contributing households: 95

5:15 Sat	\$ 916.46
8:30 Sun	\$1,278.90
10:00 Sun	\$ 802.43
11:30 Sun	\$ 667.45
5:15 Sun	\$ 655.68
Mailed	\$ 245.00

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Delicious pancake breakfast will be available after the 8:30 and 10:00 Masses today, January 11. Please join friends and parishioners in Serra Hall for good food and fellowship.

Only \$5 per person!

2015 CALENDARS

The calendars are scheduled to arrive the week of January 12 and will be available in the hall after the weekend Masses. Sincere apologies from the publisher for the delay.

EXPENSES
 12/29/14 to 01/02/15

Diocesan tax	\$4,840.56
Health Insurance	\$1,389.01
Music Ministry	\$1,205.12
Workers Comp	\$ 102.02

Total: \$7,536.71

FAMILY CATECHESIS

Continues on January 11 from 9:45 - 10:45. Immaculate Conception offers Family Catechesis in the brides' room of the hall to prepare children and parents the faith. Classes meet every two weeks

PARISH ENVELOPES

If you received your January-February envelopes, you may have noticed a change in your envelope number for 2015. Should you forget your envelope and complete a blank one for your Sunday donation, simply print your name on the envelope. Do not enter your former number.

If you did not receive new envelopes and wish to have a set mailed to you, contact the parish office by January 23.

 **2015 Baptism Schedule**

Feb 2 Class
Feb 8 Baptisms
 (see website for more dates)

2014 Contribution Letter

If you wish to receive a letter for your 2014 donations, please contact the parish office to request one. Call 619-295-4141 or email parish@ic-sandiego.org.

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.

NAME _____

STREET _____

CITY/ ZIP _____

PHONE _____

A MARIAN PILGRIMAGE TO SPAIN, FRANCE & PORTUGAL:
24 Registered: 16 Available

You are invited to join 40 Catholics on a once-in-a-lifetime 'Pilgrimage to Spain, France & Portugal,' 14-days, September 28 to October 11, 2015. Includes visits to Barcelona, Zaragoza, Lourdes, Santiago, Porto, Fatima, Lisbon & more! Only \$3,599 from San Diego (SAN), plus \$680 in airport taxes and \$165 in tips. Under the Spiritual Direction of Fr. Richard Perozich. To download the free color brochure and registration form, visit www.GoCatholicTravel.com/Perozich, or for more information, please contact Fr. Richard Perozich at (619) 295-4141 x11 or send an email to pastor@ic-sandiego.org. Space is limited. Register today. Info at parish office or on main page of IC's website: <http://www.ic-sandiego.org>.

AROUND THE PARISH

Parish Calendar

January

11	Parish Breakfast9:30 a.m.
13	Gentle Stretch Class	5:00 p.m.
14	Choir Practice RCIA	5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
19	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Parish Office closed- Serra Gifts open	
20	Gentle Stretch Class	5:00 p.m.
21	Choir Practice RCIA	5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
22	Day of Prayer and Penance	
27	Gentle Stretch Class	5:00 p.m.
28 -	Choir Practice RCIA	5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
30	Latin Mass	10:00 a.m.

February

02	I.C. Seniors Luncheon	11:00 a.m.
03	Gentle Stretch Class Pastoral Council (members)	5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
04	Choir Practice RCIA	5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
08	Parish Registration Sunday Parish Breakfast Family Catechesis	9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.
10	Gentle Stretch Class	5:00 p.m.
11	Choir Practice RCIA	5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
16	President's Day Parish Office closed - Serra Gifts open	
17	Gentle Stretch Class	5:00 p.m.

Centering Prayer

The Immaculate Conception Centering Prayer Group welcomes newcomers to attend and learn the method of Christian contemplative prayer.

Thursday Evenings-January 15 and 29
Immaculate Conception—Serra Hall
7:00-8:30 pm

HOLY ORDERS: SUMMARY

1591 The whole Church is a priestly people. Through Baptism all the faithful share in the priesthood of Christ. This participation is called the "common priesthood of the faithful." Based on this common priesthood and ordered to its service, there exists another participation in the mission of Christ: the ministry conferred by the sacrament of Holy Orders, where the task is to serve in the name and in the person of Christ the Head in the midst of the community.

1592 The ministerial priesthood differs in essence from the common priesthood of the faithful because it confers a sacred power for the service of the faithful. The ordained ministers exercise their service for the People of God by teaching (*munus docendi*), divine worship (*munus liturgicum*) and pastoral governance (*munus regendi*).

1593 Since the beginning, the ordained ministry has been conferred and exercised in three degrees: that of bishops, that of presbyters, and that of deacons. The ministries conferred by ordination are irreplaceable for the organic structure of the Church: without the bishop, presbyters, and deacons, one cannot speak of the Church (cf. St. Ignatius of Antioch, *Ad Trall.* 3,1).

1594 The bishop receives the fullness of the sacrament of Holy Orders, which integrates him into the episcopal college and makes him the visible head of the particular Church entrusted to him. As successors of the apostles and members of the college, the bishops share in the apostolic responsibility and mission of the whole Church under the authority of the Pope, successor of St. Peter.

1595 Priests are united with the bishops in sacerdotal dignity and at the same time depend on them in the exercise of their pastoral functions; they are called to be the bishops' prudent co-workers. They form around their bishop the presbyterium which bears responsibility with him for the particular Church. They receive from the bishop the charge of a parish community or a determinate ecclesial office.

1596 Deacons are ministers ordained for tasks of service of the Church; they do not receive the ministerial priesthood, but ordination confers on them important functions in the ministry of the word, divine worship, pastoral governance, and the service of charity, tasks which they must carry out under the pastoral authority of their bishop.

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www.catholicscomehome.org

PARISH & COMMUNITY

St. Vincent De Paul School Open House Dates

Sunday, January 25 from 10:00am until noon.

Wednesday, January 28th from 9:00 until 11:00.

St. Vincent De Paul School empowers its students, Pre-kindergarten through Eighth Grade, with an integrated curriculum, infused with Catholic Christian values to live the gospel message and to face with confidence the spiritual, academic and social challenges of life in a changing world.

Come tour the school, meet the teachers and talk with the students.

LORD, TEACH ME TO PRAY

On Tuesday, January 13, 2015 we will begin a twelve week course of Ignatian Prayer entitled 'Lord, Teach Me to Pray.' This wonderful opportunity is open to men (the women's section is already full) to learn a special form of deeper prayer taught by Saint Ignatius of Loyola. Wives, daughters, girlfriends, and friends tell the men in your lives about this wonderful opportunity.

Over the twelve weeks your prayer life will improve by leaps and bounds and I really ask you to consider taking part in this wonderful spiritual opportunity. It is such a wonderful opportunity that I actually recommend that if you already are in my weekly Bible study and only have time to do one of these faith formation programs over the next several weeks that you choose the Ignatian Prayer course (of course you can do both if able!!!). After this instruction in prayer you'll return to Bible study that much more able to focus on the Word.

To join the course you must contact the facilitator Michael Burke, to sign up at micheldeberg@gmail.com There is no cost to this program--all the materials are provided for you. Please sign up quickly for we can only take a limited number.

Chris O'Donnell, bsp
Director of Catechetical Ministry
San Rafael

Natural Family Planning! Sympto-thermal method.

Moral, healthy, and 99.6% effective in preventing pregnancy. Couples are encouraged to attend together/ 4 classes are needed. . Instructors: Dave & Cheryl Ross.

Next NFP set starts January 17 , 2015 (all Saturday mornings) Classes 2, 3 & 4 are 1/31 , 2/21 and 3/21; From 8:30 – 11:30 AM at the Pastoral Center

To register davidandcheryross@gmail.com or call (619)-279-3735. Cost is \$100 per couple.

EVANGELII GAUDIUM- Pope Francis

35. Pastoral ministry in a missionary style is not obsessed with the disjointed transmission of a multitude of doctrines to be insistently imposed. When we adopt a pastoral goal and a missionary style which would actually reach everyone with- out exception or exclusion, the message has to concentrate on the essentials, on what is most beautiful, most grand, most appealing and at the same time most necessary. The message is simplified, while losing none of its depth and truth, and thus becomes all the more forceful and convincing.

36. All revealed truths derive from the same divine source and are to be believed with the same faith, yet some of them are more important for giving direct expression to the heart of the Gospel. In this basic core, what shines forth is the beauty of the saving love of God made mani- fest in Jesus Christ who died and rose from the dead. In this sense, the Second Vatican Council explained, "in Catholic doctrine there exists an order or a 'hierarchy' of truths, since they vary in their relation to the foundation of the Christian faith". This holds true as much for the dogmas of faith as for the whole corpus of the Church's teaching, including her moral teaching.

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THANK YOU

THE CHALLENGE: SEEKING GOD—*Rebecca Hagelin*

Moses wanted more of God. He wanted to understand him, to know him intimately. So he prayed, “If it is true that you look favorably on me, let me know your ways so I may understand you more fully and continue to enjoy your favor.” And God, pleased by Moses’ request, replied, “I will indeed do what you have asked, for I look favorably upon you, and I know you by name.”

Then Moses, perhaps encouraged by God’s paternal reply, stepped boldly into the depth of his desire and made a wild plea: “Then show me your glorious presence” (Exodus 33:13-18).

Moses didn’t yet understand that God’s presence would be too much for him. Romans 3:23 says, “For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.” Like the stars high in the heavens, God is too powerful, too bright, too glorious for us to handle up close. Moses wouldn’t have been able to survive a face-to-face encounter with the force that created the universe.

So like a father providing fire for his children without allowing them to fall headlong into the flames, God met Moses’ need. He hid him safely between the rocks and covered his eyes as his blinding presence passed by. And as the glory faded, Moses looked, and beheld, and believed.

The Hope: Behold, the Manger

If you desire to understand God, to experience him and encounter his glory like Moses did, know that he wants that for you even more than you do. And he won’t make you hide between the rocks on a mountain to catch a terrifying glimpse. He’ll meet you in a manger.

God condensed his character into a living, breathing person. He made himself as approachable as an infant, as relatable as a rejected man. Jesus Christ was “all the fullness of God in a human body” (Colossians 2:9). He was “the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature” (Hebrews 1:3). He showed up defenseless, in a dirty room, in a rough town, as *one of us*. He came to show us the glory.

We have all sinned and fallen short, tried to satisfy ourselves with destructive addictions and selfish behaviors that have left us fragile and broken. Weak as we are, an encounter with the weight of Godly glory outside of Jesus would kill us. But rather than letting us die in our fallen world without ever knowing the glory, Jesus took the weight of the world on his shoulders and gave up

his life. He traded in his strength for our weakness, his glory for our shame.

“For God in all his fullness was pleased to live in Christ, and through him God reconciled everything to himself. He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ’s blood on the cross. This includes you who were once far away from God...He has brought you into his own presence, and you are holy and blameless as you stand before him without a single fault” (Colossians 1:19-22).

With our weaknesses replaced by the strength of Jesus, we can now enter “right into the presence of God with sincere hearts fully trusting him” (Hebrews 10:22). We can walk right into the glory.

On the night of the first Christmas, an angel appeared to a group of shepherds as they kept watch over their sheep. “Don’t be afraid!” he said. “I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people. The savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David! And you will recognize him by this sign: You will find a baby wrapped snugly in strips of cloth, lying in a manger” (Luke 2:10-12).

When the shepherds heard the news, they said, “Let’s go to Bethlehem! Let’s see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about” (Luke 2:15). And they hurried to see Jesus, God’s glory covered in skin, and they were filled with great joy.

Like those shepherds, you have been invited; we have all been invited to open the Bible, to see Jesus for ourselves, to decide for ourselves whether or not we will believe him.

“If you believe, you will see the glory of God” (John 11:40).

When Moses finally returned to the Israelites he was leading after seeing God’s glory, they were taken aback by his appearance. “He wasn’t aware that his face had become radiant because he had spoken to the Lord” (Exodus 34:29). He was so filled from his encounter with God that he was downright joyful, literally glowing.

“Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you... you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy” (Isaiah 60).

Don’t celebrate Christmas this year without running to the manger to see Jesus for yourself. You might just encounter the glory of God.