

The Catholic Church of the
Immaculate Conception

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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: 8:30 AM, 10:00AM, 11:30 AM, 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@sdcatholic.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 Saint Junípero 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

20	8 AM	<i>Weekday</i> †Jean Miller	RP
21	8AM	<i>St. Peter Damian</i> †Martin Morris	RE
22	8 AM	<i>The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle</i> George Cruz, SI	RP
23	8 AM	<i>St. Polycarp</i> †Thomas Jakab	RP
24	8 AM	<i>Weekday</i> †Pacífico Millanes	RP
25	8 AM	<i>Weekday; BVM</i> †Martin Morris	RP
26	5:15 PM	†Thomas Jakab	RP
	8:30 AM	Bishop Robert McElroy, SI	RP
	10:00 AM	†Martin King	RE
	11:30 AM	†William Kennedy	RE
	5:15 PM	†George Arce	RP

APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

FEBRUARY: Intentions of the Holy Father

Comfort for the Afflicted: That all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.

PRAY: SEMINARIANS IN THEOLOGY

2nd	Manuel Del Rio, St. John's Seminary, Camarillo
1st	Josue Jiménez, Mt. Angel Seminary OR
3rd	Oscar Lopez, St. John's Seminary, Camarillo
4th	Nathan McWeeney, Mt. Angel Seminary, OR
2nd	Raymond Napuli, Mt. Angel Seminary, OR
2nd	Michael O'Connor, Mt. Angel Seminary, OR
3rd	Eric Tamayo, North American College, Rome
4th	Dcn. Billy Zondler, Mt. Angel Seminary, OR
PY	Antonio Morales, PY

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

20	Rev. Bernard Rapp
21	Rev. Michael Ratajczak
22	Rev. Michael Ravenkamp, SJ
23	Rev. Dickens Remy
24	Rev. Jovencio Ricafort
25	Rev. Pedro Rivera
26	Rev. Michael Robinson

PRAY THE SCRIPTURES

Monday: Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1-5; Mk 9:14-29
 Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-40; Mk 9:30-37
 Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 16:13-19
 Thursday: Sir 5:1-8; Ps 1:1-6; Mk 9:41-50
 Friday: Sir 6:5-17; Ps 119:12-35; Mk 10:1-12
 Saturday: Sir 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-18; Mk 10:13-16
 Sunday: Is 49:14-15; Ps 62:2-9; 1 Cor 4:1-5; Mt 6:24-34

PRAY FOR HEALING

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

Patricia Kennedy	Olivia Ingram
Dena Mendoza	Grace Mulvanity
Patricia O'Grady	Angelica Ortega
Mary Jane Tiernan	Barbara Driscoll
Marguerite Vorst	Lucille Miller
Martha Zamudio	Reginald Custodio
Tony Jenkins	Victoria Cardenas
Peter Nalwalker	John Hobbs
Socorro Pacheco	Robert Rolli
Amparo Valenzuela	Eleanor Anderson
Phyllis Altomare	Marie Whitman
Alicia Ambrose	Deirdre Rigney
Cosmo & Joan Busalacchi	Marie Wagner
Maria Casanova	Joanne Daleo
Mark Brandon	Dominic Castagnola
Jeanne Pontius	Arthur Acuna, Jr.
Esther Salazar	Frankie Diaz
Joane Anderson	Earl Jenkins
Yolanda Garcia	Shirley Ilog

PRAY FOR OUR DEPLOYED MILITARY

Jesus protect all who serve our country.

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

† PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED †

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

Denise Cooney	Janet Meyers
Joanne Mangiameli	Hector Morales
Edna Moore	Carol Raiter
Paul Ramirez	Albina Farrie
Maude Laracy	Stephanie Anzelone
Helen Peña	Fred Levine
Lydia Castillo Herrera	Eleanor Maycan
Bertha Lockwood	Ronald Monreal
Salvador Rivera	Mary Louise Fillet
John Cervantes	Inez Cerda Bull
Daniel Don	Bernice Lyons
Florence Messina	Elias Barajas
Arthur Wilbur Martinez	Robert F. Curry, Jr.
Jesse Benitez	Jean Miller
Margaret Kelly	Marie Rita Dubler
Martha Jane Hotchkiss	Gerry Lyons

DOMINUS IESUS

FROM THE PASTOR

8. The hypothesis of the inspired value of the sacred writings of other religions is also put forward. Certainly, it must be recognized that there are some elements in these texts which may be *de facto* instruments by which countless people throughout the centuries have been and still are able today to nourish and maintain their life-relationship with God. Thus, as noted above, the Second Vatican Council, in considering the customs, precepts, and teachings of the other religions, teaches that “although differing in many ways from her own teaching, these nevertheless often reflect a ray of that truth which enlightens all men”.²³

The Church's tradition, however, reserves the designation of *inspired texts* to the canonical books of the Old and New Testaments, since these are inspired by the Holy Spirit.²⁴ Taking up this tradition, the Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation of the Second Vatican Council states: “For Holy Mother Church, relying on the faith of the apostolic age, accepts as sacred and canonical the books of the Old and New Testaments, whole and entire, with all their parts, on the grounds that, written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit (cf. *Jn* 20:31; *2 Tim* 3:16; *2 Pet* 1:19-21; 3:15-16), they have God as their author, and have been handed on as such to the Church herself”.²⁵ These books “firmly, faithfully, and without error, teach that truth which God, for the sake of our salvation, wished to see confided to the Sacred Scriptures”.²⁶

Nevertheless, God, who desires to call all peoples to himself in Christ and to communicate to them the fullness of his revelation and love, “does not fail to make himself present in many ways, not only to individuals, but also to entire peoples through their spiritual riches, of which their religions are the main and essential expression even when they contain ‘gaps, insufficiencies and errors’”.²⁷ Therefore, the sacred books of other religions, which in actual fact direct and nourish the existence of their followers, receive from the mystery of Christ the elements of goodness and grace which they contain.


II. THE INCARNATE LOGOS AND THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE WORK OF SALVATION

9. In contemporary theological reflection there often emerges an approach to Jesus of Nazareth that considers him a particular, finite, historical figure, who reveals the divine not in an exclusive way, but in a way complementary with other revelatory and salvific figures. The Infinite, the Absolute, the Ultimate Mystery of God would thus manifest itself to humanity in many ways and in many historical figures: Jesus of Nazareth would be one of these. More concretely, for some, Jesus would be one of the many faces which the Logos has assumed in the course of time to communicate with humanity in a salvific way.

Furthermore, to justify the universality of Christian salvation as well as the fact of religious pluralism, it has been proposed that there is an economy of the eternal Word that is valid also outside the Church and is unrelated to her, in addition to an economy of the incarnate Word. The first would have a greater universal value than the second, which is limited to Christians, though God's presence would be more full in the second.

10. These theses are in profound conflict with the Christian faith. The doctrine of faith must be *firmly believed* which proclaims that Jesus of Nazareth, son of Mary, and he alone, is the Son and the Word of the Father. The Word, which “was in the beginning with God” (*Jn* 1:2) is the same as he who “became flesh” (*Jn* 1:14). In Jesus, “the Christ, the Son of the living God” (*Mt* 16:16), “the whole fullness of divinity dwells in bodily form” (*Col* 2:9). He is the “only begotten Son of the Father, who is in the bosom of the Father” (*Jn* 1:18), his “beloved Son, in whom we have redemption... In him the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him, God was pleased to reconcile all things to himself, on earth and in the heavens, making peace by the blood of his Cross” (*Col* 1:13-14; 19-20).

AROUND THE PARISH



2017 Baptism Schedule

March 7	Class
March 12	Baptism

Class is held in Serra Hall.

20 FEB --Presidents Day holiday

In observance of the holiday, the parish office and the gift shop will be closed on Monday, p will be closed on Monday, February 20.

23 FEB ... ST. CHARLES BORROMEO ACADEMY ...

... Open house Thursday, February 23rd from 5:30 to & 7:00pm--Come Join Us!. Hot chocolate and classroom tours will be available to all interested families. If your interested in quality, Catholic education for your children, visit us.

Please visit the SaintCharlesAcademy.com to RSVP.

26 FEB ... Family Catechesis ...

...for parents with their children 6 years and older and for adults who need sacraments continues on February 12 in the parish hall at 9:45 am sharp, after the 8:30 Mass.

10 MARCH ... PARISH LENTEN RETREAT

The retreat begins with 8:00 a.m. Mass and ends at 2:00 p.m. Continental breakfast and lunch provided.

Topics:
 Biblical foundations for the Mass
 Jesus Christ as the only Savior of the World
 The Christian in today's world.
 RSVP to ssullivan@sandiego.edu

FLOWER POWER

If you have a knack for flower arrangements, the Immaculate Conception Flower Committee invites you to volunteer to help with flowers for Sunday Masses and other liturgical celebrations in the church.

Please contact Georgiana Ottenheimer, 619-291-8316, if you are interested.

26 FEB ... QUARTERS & CANS SUNDAY

Please drop your Quarters and Cans envelopes in the regular collection next Sunday. Money collected will be used to assist those who come to us in need and to support other Catholic programs. 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 ...

for your continued support of these important programs

AUTHORITY FOR DOCTRINE

In the church today, isolated truths are being used as slogans to change doctrine and practice: "God is Mercy", "The Eucharist is not a reward for saints, but mercy for sinners."

In guiding the faithful, God has revealed Himself and His ways for us in Sacred Scripture. Therefore when any pope or bishop proclaims something to the faithful, the hierarchy of truths has to be first in light of the Bible, the Sacred Tradition from the beginning of the church right up to the current day. People cannot be accommodated in sin as Moses did regarding divorce and remarriage simply because they threaten to leave the church or because a bishop feels bad for them. There is no faith without the truth of Christ who comes from the Father.

AROUND THE PARISH

Gifts of Treasure

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

February 12, 2017

Total Collection: \$4,141.95
Envelopes: \$2,679.00 Plate: \$1,462.95,
Total contributing households: 87

5:15 Sat	\$ 525.98
8:30 Sun	\$ 936.96
10:00 Sun	\$1015.51
11:30 Sun	\$ 653.26
5:15 Sun	\$ 876.25
Mailed	\$ 134.50

EXPENSES

February 6-10, 2017

Maintenance Supplies	\$482.15
Music	\$625.00

Annual Catholic Appeal
Goal: \$24,000
Paid Pledges-ytd: \$7651.00

THE HEAVIEST LOAD

A chip on the shoulder is the heaviest load anyone can carry.
 --Anonymous

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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AMORIS LAETITIA
ON LOVE IN THE FAMILY
OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS

75. In the Church's Latin tradition, the ministers of the sacrament of marriage are the man and the woman who marry; by manifesting their consent and expressing it physically, they receive a great gift. Their consent and their bodily union are the divinely appointed means whereby they become "one flesh". By their baptismal consecration, they were enabled to join in marriage as the Lord's ministers and thus to respond to God's call. Hence, when two non-Christian spouses receive baptism, they need not renew their marriage vows; they need simply not reject them, since by the reception of baptism their union automatically becomes sacramental. Canon Law also recognizes the validity of certain unions celebrated without the presence of an ordained minister. The natural order has been so imbued with the redemptive grace of Jesus that "a valid matrimonial contract cannot exist between the baptized without it being by that fact a sacrament". The Church can require that the wedding be celebrated publicly, with the presence of witnesses and other conditions that have varied over the course of time, but this does not detract from the fact that the couple who marry are the ministers of the sacrament. Nor does it affect the centrality of the consent given by the man and the woman, which of itself establishes the sacramental bond. This having been said, there is a need for further reflection on God's action in the marriage rite; this is clearly manifested in the Oriental Churches through the importance of the blessing that the couple receive as a sign of the gift of the Spirit seeds of The Word and imperfect situations.

PARISH & COMMUNITY

Parish Calendar

FEBRUARY

20	Presidents Day Holiday Parish Office and Gift Shop closed	
22	Choir Practice	6:00 PM
25	Quilting Group	9:30 AM
26	Quarters & Cans Sunday Family Catechesis Blessing of the Animals (State Park)	9:45 AM 1:00 PM
28	Choir Practice (note change of day)	6:30 PM

MARCH

01	Ash Wednesday	
03	Lenten Soup Dinner (No charge) Stations of the Cross	5:30 PM 7:00 PM
04	Quilting Group	9:30 AM
08	Choir Practice	6:00 PM
10	Lenten Retreat Day Lenten Soup Dinner (No charge) Stations of the Cross	8:00 AM 5:30 PM 7:00 PM

FROM FAMILIARIS CONSORTIO
- Pope John Paul II 1981

ON THE ROLE OF THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY IN THE MODERN WORLD 1981

THE PLAN OF GOD FOR MARRIAGE AND THE FAMILY

... 22. In creating the human race "male and female," God gives man and woman an equal personal dignity, endowing them with the inalienable rights and responsibilities proper to the human person. God then manifests the dignity of women in the highest form possible, by assuming human flesh from the Virgin Mary, whom the Church honors as the Mother of God, calling her the new Eve and presenting her as the model of redeemed woman. The sensitive respect of Jesus towards the women that He called to His following and His friendship, His appearing on Easter morning to a woman before the other disciples, the mission entrusted to women to carry the good news of the Resurrection to the apostles—these are all signs that confirm the special esteem of the Lord Jesus for women. The Apostle Paul will say: "In Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith.... There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus."

Women and Society

23. Without intending to deal with all the various aspects of the vast and complex theme of the relationships between women and society, and limiting these remarks to a few essential points, one cannot but observe that in the specific area of family life a widespread social and cultural tradition has considered women's role to be exclusively that of wife and mother, without adequate access to public functions which have generally been reserved for men.

THE TOMORROW PROJECT

When thinking of meat-less options for simple Lenten suppers, remember Catholic Charities/The Tomorrow Project's vegetarian based gourmet food products. You can order online at www.tomorrowproject.org, stop by the storefront (in the pink building) at 1777 Fifth Avenue, or call us at (619) 230-1151.

"We have to remember that man lives in a triple dimension: physical, psychological and spiritual. The dimension of a purely physical life makes us slaves to nature and all its demands: cold, heat, illness, instincts and death. The psychological dimension makes us subject to the highs and lows of feelings and sensations. We are never entirely free. Nevertheless, if we live in the spiritual dimension, the soul transcends itself and reaches God. This is the life of pure faith, which leans on nothing other than God Himself. It is the life of infallible hope, which seeks no other support than in Him. It is a life of boundless charity, which doesn't capitulate when faced with evil. In this dimension, no trial can disturb the soul and take away its innermost peace. It may be a "black" peace as the mystics call it, given that on the physical and psychological levels the soul may experience abandonment and trials, but it doesn't capitulate. It experiences a peace that transcends all suffering".

- Don Divo Barsotti

MARTYRDOM FOR THE FAITH IN OUR TIMES

His Eminence Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke

The obedience which is fundamental and essential to the new evangelization is also a virtue acquired with great difficulty in a culture which exalts individualism and questions all authority, except the self. Yet, it is indispensable if the Gospel is to be taught and lived in our time. We must take example from the first disciples, from the first missionaries to our homeland, and from the host of saints and blessed who gave themselves completely to Christ, calling upon the help and guidance of the Holy Spirit to purify themselves of any rebellion before God's will and to strengthen them to do God's will in all things.

spiritual writer of the fourth century

MAY YOU BE FILLED TO THE COMPLETE FULLNESS OF CHRIST

Those who have been considered worthy to go forth as the sons of God and to be born again of the Holy Spirit from on high, and who hold within them the Christ who renews them and fills them with light, are directed by the Spirit in varied and different ways and in their spiritual repose they are led invisibly in their hearts by grace.

At times, they are like men who mourn and lament over their fellow men, and pouring forth prayers for the whole human race, they plunge into tears and lamentation, on fire with spiritual love for mankind.

At other times they are enkindled by the Spirit with love and exultation that, were it possible, they would clasp in their embrace all mankind, without discrimination, good and bad alike.

Sometimes they are cast down below all mankind in lowliness of spirit, so that they reckon theirs to be the lowest and most abject of conditions.

And sometimes they are held by the Spirit in ineffable joy.

At one time they are like a brave man who puts on the king's full armor and goes down into battle; he fights bravely against the enemy and defeats them. In like manner, the spiritual man takes up the heavenly arms of the Spirit and marches against the enemy and engaging in battle tramples the foe beneath his feet.

At another time the soul is at rest in deepest silence, tranquility and peace, existing in sheer spiritual pleasure and in ineffable repose and a perfect state.

Again, the soul is instructed by grace in a certain understanding in the ineffable wisdom and the inscrutable knowledge of the Spirit on matters which neither tongue nor lips can utter.

Then again, the soul becomes like any ordinary man.

In such varied ways does grace work within them and many are the means by which it leads the soul, renewing it according to God's will and training it in different ways so that it may be set before the heavenly Father pure and whole and blameless.

We, too, therefore must make our prayer to God and entreat in love and in great hope that he may bestow upon us the heavenly grace of the gift of the Spirit. We pray that we, too, may be guided by that Spirit and that he may lead us into the fullness of divine will and refresh us with the varied kinds of his repose, that by the help of this guidance, exercise of grace and spiritual advancement, we may be considered worthy to attain to the perfection of the fullness of Christ, as the Apostle says: *that you may be filled to the complete fullness of Christ.*

(Ad gentes, nn. 23-24) Church's Missionary Activity

WE MUST BOLDLY PROCLAIM THE MYSTERY OF CHRIST

Every disciple of Christ is responsible in his own measure for the spread of the faith, but Christ the Lord is always calling from among his followers those whom he wills, so that they may be with him and be sent by him to preach to the nations.

Through the Holy Spirit, who distributes gifts as he wills for the good of all, Christ implants in the hearts of individuals the vocation to be a missionary, and at the same time he raises up in the Church institutes which make their own the task of spreading the Gospel that belongs to the whole Church.

A special vocation marks out those priests, religious and lay people who are prepared to undertake the missionary task in their own country or abroad, and have the right natural disposition for it, with suitable gifts and talents. Sent by lawful authority, they go out in obedience and faith to those who are far from Christ. They have been set apart for the task to which they have been called as ministers of the gospel, to make the Gentiles an acceptable offering, sanctified in the Holy Spirit.

Those whom God calls must answer his call in such a way that, without regard for purely human counsel, they may devote themselves wholly to the work of the gospel. This response cannot be given except with the inspiration and strength of the Holy Spirit.

The person who is sent enters into the life and mission of him who emptied himself, taking the nature of a slave. He must be ready therefore to be true to his vocation for life, to deny himself, renouncing all that he had before, and to become all things to all men.

In preaching the Gospel to the nations he must boldly proclaim the mystery of Christ, whose ambassador he is, so that in Christ he may have the courage to speak as he ought, and not be ashamed of the scandal of the cross. He must follow in the footsteps of his Master, who was gentle and humble of heart, and reveal to others that his yoke is easy and his burden light.

By a life that is truly according to the Gospel, by much endurance, by forbearance, by kindness and sincere love, he must bear witness to his Lord, even, if need be, by the shedding of his blood.

He will pray to God for strength and courage, so that he may come to see that for one who experiences great hardship and extreme poverty there can be abundant joy.