

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH SPARKS, NV



6TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

“I say to you, whoever
is angry with his brother
will be liable to
judgment.” - Mt 5:22a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. ©LP

BAKE SALE FOR MARY'S CLOSET

TODAY in the Gathering Space

*In an effort to raise funds, Mary's Closet is hosting a
bake sale. Thank you for your support!*



February 12, 2023

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH 2900 NORTH MCCARRAN BLVD SPARKS NV 89431



MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of Immaculate Conception Parish, are called to be Holy, and to serve all people faithfully with compassion and respect.

OUR MOTTO

“Diversitas intra Unitatem”
“Diversity within Unity”

THE CHURCH

Pastor	Fr Philip George
Deacon	Ron Klonicke
Pastoral Assistant	Maria Hernandez
Bookkeeper	Suzanna Corral
Receptionist	Margarita Jauregui
Communications/Receptionist	Meredith Michel
Custodian	Rachel Dixon
Parish Office	358-5977
Fax	775-403-2174
Email	office@icsparks.org
Parish Website	icsparks.org
Diocesan Website	www.renodiocese.org
Office Hours	M-F: 9:30 am - 4:00 pm

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Fr. Philip George	Leo Carew	Malou Alano
Fran Harris	Joseph Allen	Tom Ball
Clay Vatikani	Theresa Currivan	
Cintia Teglia	Melissa Flores	

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Fr. Philip George	Judy Jennings
Lois Crook	William Sousa
Gilles Tousignant	

CORPORATE BOARD MEMBERS

Bishop Daniel Mueggenborg	William Sousa
Fr. Chuck Durante	Joseph Allen
Fr. Philip George	

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am, 2:00 (Spanish), & 5:00 pm

Weekdays: 9:00 am and 4:00 pm

Holy Day Masses: 4:00 pm (Vigil Mass), 9:00 am,
12:10 & 4:00 pm

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism We welcome all families with young children. The 1st step for the parents is to attend a class; they are held on the 1st Wednesday of every month at 6:00 pm. When choosing your child's Godparents, they must be baptized, confirmed, receive communion regularly in the Church, and if married, must be married in the Catholic Church. Must be registered in the parish.

Clases para Bautizo (Español) se imparten en el primer miércoles de cada mes a las 6:00 horas en la sala. Para obtener más información, por favor llame 358-5977. Necesita estar registrado en la parroquia.

Weddings Couples should allow 4-6 months or more for preparation prior to the anticipated wedding date. Call for appointment. Must be registered in the parish for 6 months prior to wedding.

Funerals A representative of the deceased should contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Confession Monday-Friday after 9:00 am Daily Mass;
Saturday 2:00-3:30 pm or by appointment.

CELEBRATIONS

Celebraciones Quinceaños

Necesita estar registrado en la parroquia. Para los arreglos, por favor llame 358-5977

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR OUR YOUTH

Elementary/Middle/High School Director

358-5989 ext 13

High School Confirmation Director

358-5989 ext 14

GIFT SHOP

Hours: Sunday after Mass

Manager: Sergio Cortes cortessergio765@sbcglobal.net

MASS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 12**Saturday, February 11**

9:00 am + Frank Russo

4:00 pm + Renato & Eva Guevarra

Sunday, February 12

7:30 am For the Healing of Rev. Philip George

9:30 am + Living & Deceased Members of the Davis and Laguna Families

11:30 am Stammer John

2:00 pm + Jesus Iniguez

5:00 pm Thanksgiving for Angel Tree Donors

Monday, February 13

9:00 am Special Intentions for Elizabette Hernandez and + Martin Banks-Hernandez

4:00 pm + James Hagala

Tuesday, February 14

9:00 am + Eric Anderson

4:00 pm + Elsie & Armando (Barney) Martini

Wednesday, February 15

9:00 am + Living & Deceased Members of the Glass & Saville Families

4:00 pm Antonette Hernandez Happy Birthday

Thursday, February 16

9:00 am + Jami Lynn Davis

4:00 pm Veronique Tousignant Happy Birthday

Friday, February 17

9:00 am + Therese & Georges Brouchu

4:00 pm + James Hagala

Saturday, February 18

9:00 am + Chidi Mark Ikeabbah, & Onyinye Geraldine Ikeabbah

4:00 pm + Margaret Currivan

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE****6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

It's often said that the Catholic Church lays heavy rules on her members, rules that can almost seem impossible. Mass every Sunday? No lying ever? Sexual purity all the time? I recently said to some non-Catholic friends that more than fifty adults were baptized at my parish at the Easter Vigil. One responded spontaneously with shock, "Why would anyone do that?" In other words, why would someone willingly place themselves in a system with such demanding and rigorous rules?

Of course, no one in the history of religions is more demanding and rigorous than Jesus himself. In the Sermon on the Mount, he says you have to be holier than pharisees or you're out. He says if you call someone a fool, you go to fiery Gehenna. He says you can't even look at a woman with lust or you're guilty of adultery (which was punishable by death). To top it all off, he says you can't even get divorced and re-married. Doesn't he know these are basically impossible demands? What world is he living in?

The new one, actually. He is the new world. Jesus' words aren't meant to condemn. They are meant to signal something new, a restored humanity. Jesus doesn't just give external laws; he gives us his Holy Spirit to internalize the law through love. He wants to fill us with his love. That's what the Church exists to do. Love demands extraordinary things. The "demands" of the Church only make sense because she is filled with Jesus' love. That wildly demanding love is why we are Catholic. — Father John Muir ©LPi

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is offering a weekend experience for couples and religious. We will be having a weekend in here in Reno on March 25th and 26th. It will be held at St. St Albert the Great Gathering Room. It is a non-residential experience which means the couples will go home on Saturday evening and come back on Sunday. This is a time to Restore, Rekindle and Renew your relationship with your spouse. We say that not everyone needs a weekend, they deserve a weekend. Go to wwme.org for more information. To register go to sacramentowwme.org. If you have any questions you can also contact Jim and Mary Carr at 775-742-1123.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION TRUCK**February 23rd 1:30pm - 3:00pm**

If you or someone you know is in need, Catholic Charities will have a food truck in the church parking lot on the last Thursday of every month.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SAFETY AWARENESS TEAM (ICSAT)



Safety is Everybody's Business

Mission Statement: To develop church safety and emergency preparedness procedures for the Parish through awareness education of our parishioners in order to mitigate, prepare, respond, and recover from unexpected events by promoting personal, family, and parish preparedness resulting in a culture of safety and preparedness awareness for the individual and the Immaculate Conception family. For more information, please contact the Parish Office

BAPTISM CLASS

The next **Baptism Class** for parents of infants will be Wednesday, May 3, 2023 at 6:00 pm in the hall.

Clases para Bautizo (Español) :

La clase será el Miercoles, 3 de Mayo, 2023 a las 6:00 pm en la sala.



PARISH MINISTRIES

Please call the Parish Office to have a Ministry Leader contact you.

Prayer Groups

ICC Filipino Ministry/BLD Charismatic Group

Malou Alano

Padre Pio Ministry

Meets every third Thursday at 6:00 pm in the parlor

Disciples of Jesus & Mary Jeannie Keyes, Michele Jenkins

Divine Mercy Committee Maria Hernandez

Grupo de Oracion Maria Hernandez

Lay Carmelites Eileen Dana

Prayer and Life Workshop Maria Hernandez

Prayer Tree Laurie Jones, George Mankowski

Social Groups

Comité Guadalupano Vicky Camacho

Meets 4th Monday of the month at 6:00 pm in the parlor.

Tongan Community Clay Vatikani lvatikani@hotmail.com

Youth Group youthgroup@icsparks.org

Parish Outreach Groups

Hospital visits Please call the Parish Office

Martha Mary Ministry Call if you are homebound, death in family, senior rides to Mass, home from the hospital, etc.

Karol Davis, Connie Reid

Mary's Closet Wednesdays 12:00 - 4:00 pm or by appointment in the parish office for those who need information/support for choosing life for their babies. We have pregnancy information, resources, small baby items, and a supportive listening ear for women and men facing a difficult situation or who just need information. Donations for Mary's Closet can be brought to the parish office.

Respect Life Committee Toni Berry

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Ladies Guild President Gloria Salcido

Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm in the social hall.

All ladies of the parish are welcome.

Knights of Columbus Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month in

the hall. 6PM Rosary, 6:30PM to 7PM Business Meeting,

7PM to 8PM "Into the Breach" **(All Men are welcome)**

Grand Knight Leo Carew III carewiii@yahoo.com

LEARN YOUR FAITH/RCIA

An Invitation for Conversion & Full Initiation into the Church

If you are someone or do you know someone who . . .

- ◇ has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- ◇ was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated Confirmation & Eucharist?
- ◇ would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith?
- ◇ Everyone is welcome to attend!
- ◇ For more info or to register and receive your books, contact Theresa Currivan, Director - rcia@icsparks.org



BULLETIN BLOOPERS (NOT OURS)

- ◆ Let us join David and Lisa in the celebration of their wedding and bring their happiness to a conclusion.
- ◆ Eight new choir robes are currently needed, due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.
- ◆ For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs. © LPi

UPCOMING FIRST AID CLASSES

(American Red Cross Certification)

First Aid and CPR/AED for Adult and Infant

Upcoming Class

Saturday, February 18, 2023, 8 AM to 1:30 PM

Cost: \$55.00

Faith Formation Building (East end of the parking lot)

Full or partial scholarships are available for Employees,

Ushers, and Catechists. Payment is made in cash and

checks only on the day of class. Make checks payable to

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church at time of

class. Contact icsafetyministry@gmail.com to register

or

for more information. Please register no later than 3

calendar days before class. A class will be canceled if

less than 3 participants register.

Email: To: icsafetyministry@gmail.com

Subject: First Aid

Your name, email address, and phone number

Date of Class you would like to attend



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>Monday, February 13</u>	6:00 am - 10:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 am & 4:00 pm Mass
<u>Tuesday, February 14</u>	6:00 am - 10:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 am & 4:00 pm Mass
<u>Wednesday, February 15</u>	6:00 am - 10:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 am & 4:00 pm Mass
<u>Thursday, February 16</u>	6:00 am - 10:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 am & 4:00 pm Mass
<u>Friday, February 17</u>	6:00 am - 8:30 am Saturday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 am & 4:00 pm Mass
<u>Saturday, February 18</u>	4:00 pm Sunday Vigil Mass
<u>Sunday, February 19</u>	7:30, 9:30, and 11:30 am, 5:00 pm Mass 2:00 pm Spanish Mass

TRAINING FOR VOLUNTEERS



Thank you to all of our new and current volunteers! If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please come to the parish office to give us your information. It is the policy of the Diocese of Reno that all paid personnel of the Diocese and all volunteers who have any contact with minors in the performance of their duties must submit a background check and complete the Virtus Protecting God's Children Program. After completion of the Awareness Session, you are required to read bulletins and complete a Re-certification Review. If you need to complete the Safe Environment requirements please go to: <https://www.virtusonline.org> to register for the online training or live training. If you have any questions, please contact Elda Juarez at 775-326-9445 or Lizzy Ramos at 775-326-9420.

Upcoming Training
February 13, 2023 at 5:30 pm (Spanish)
March 6, 2023 at 5:30 pm (Spanish)
March 8, 2023 at 5:30 pm

DONATIONS FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES

The Ladies Guild will be collecting specific donations each month for Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada. **February: Sleeping Bags, Tarps, Scarves, Gloves, Knitted Caps, Socks, Hand Warmers** Please bring your donations to the Parish Office. Thank you for your support!

RELICS OF THE PASSION TOUR

Friday, March 3rd



The Apostolate for Holy Relics will be presenting their program, Call from the Crucified Heart: A Program with Relics from the Passion, after the 9:00am Mass on March 3rd. A total of 8 reliquaries, containing relics from the Passion of our Lord, will be in the Worship Space with a presentation immediately following the Mass and concluding with Veneration. All are welcome!

VESTMENT COLORS

Question:

What do the colors of the priest's and deacon's vestments mean?

Answer:

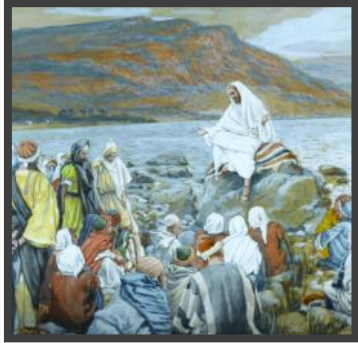
In the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church, the colors of the vestments evolved over the course of several centuries and there was wide variation both in the colors used, and in the feasts and seasons associated with particular colors. It was Pope Innocent III (d. 1216) who gave us the basic outline that was later prescribed by Pope Saint Pius V in 1570. The various colors remind us of the dominant themes of a particular season or celebration.

- White: Used for the seasons of Christmas and Easter and in celebrations of the Lord, of Mary, the angels, and saints who were not martyrs. This color is also used in Masses for the dead, at baptisms, weddings and other festive celebrations.
- Red: As the color of both blood and fire, red is used on Palm Sunday and Good Friday, as well as Pentecost and special celebrations of the Holy Spirit. Moreover, red is used on the feasts and memorials of the Apostles and those saints who died as martyrs.
- Violet: The color for Advent and Lent. Violet may also be used in Masses for the dead and on All Souls Day (November 2).
- Green: A color of life and hope, green is used throughout Ordinary Time.
- Other colors: Rose may be used on the Third Sunday of Advent and the Fourth Sunday of Lent, black may be used in Masses of the dead and on All Souls Day, gold or silver may be used on solemn occasions in place of white, red, or green. ©LPi

MASS READINGS

For the Week of February 12

Monday: Genesis 4:1-15, 25; Mark 8:11-13
Tuesday: Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Mark 8:14-21
Wednesday: Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22; Mark 8:22-26
Thursday: Genesis 9:1-13; Mark 8:27-33
Friday: Genesis 11:1-9; Mark 8:34-9:1
Saturday: Hebrews 11:1-7; Mark 9:2-13
Sunday: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18; 1 Corinthians 3:16-23/
 Matthew 5:38-48



YOUTH NIGHT



February 19th

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

All youth, grades 6-12 are invited to our Youth Night. The event will be held in the church hall after the 5:00 pm Sunday mass.

PARENTS YOUTH GROUP

Parents - you're invited to Parent Youth Group!

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

The first Sunday of every month in the nursery. Grow in community and discuss the last 2 topics of youth group. For questions email youthgroup@icsparks.org or text 916-572-4597

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



Children's Liturgy will be offered during the Sunday 11:30 am Mass.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday - Thursday 6:00 am - 10:00 pm

Friday 6:00 am - 8:30 am Saturday

Please sign the sheet each time
you visit with our Lord.

ADORACIÓN DEL SANTÍSIMO

Lunes-Jueves 6:00 am - 10:00 pm

Viernes 6:00 am - 8:30 am Sábado

Por favor firme la hoja cada
vez que visite con
nuestro Señor



PROJECT RACHEL

A Post-Abortion Healing Ministry

Project Rachel is a post-abortion healing ministry, a non-judgmental and confidential Catholic outreach to women and men of all religions who have experienced the trauma of abortion. Anyone who has emotional, mental, and spiritual pain can find truth and healing. Project Rachel is named after the Old Testament figure Rachel, who weeps inconsolably for her children "who are no more" until God came to her, offering hope for her future (Jeremiah 31:15-17). God is all loving, forgiving, and merciful, and in His name the Church reaches out to you with compassion and hope. Please find out more about us at www.renodiocese.org

VOCATIONS



Catholics believe marriage to be a sacrament. By this we mean that the faithful love of husband and wife is a sign of Christ's lasting love for us. On this World Marriage Day, let us pray that those who are married seek to bring each other closer to heaven each day. Contact the Parish Office at (775) 358-5977. Los católicos creen que el matrimonio es un sacramento. Con esto queremos decir que el amor fiel de marido y mujer es una señal del amor duradero de Cristo por nosotros. En este Día Mundial del Matrimonio, oremos para que los casados busquen acercarse cada día más al cielo. Para mas información, favor de llamara la oficina de la parroquia (775) 358-5977.

Vocation Prayer Crosses are in the gathering space. Bring a cross home to pray for vocations for 1 week and then return.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Adoration

Emily Robbins

Adult Choir

Andrea Santos

Family Choir

Joe Mudd

Filipino-American Choir

Leo Molino

Multicultural Choir

Teresa Bouldin / Liuaki Tausinga

5:00 pm Tongan Choir

Liuaki Tausinga

Altar Servers

Gloria Salcido

Eucharistic Minister Coordinator

Please call the Parish Office

Homebound Eucharistic Ministers

For parishioners who are homebound or in a nursing home and cannot attend Mass.

Lector Coordinator

Maria Reames

Debbie Havey

Sound/Video Coordinator

Himanshu Patel

Usher Coordinator

Dalene Melzer

*Please call the Parish Office to have a
Ministry Leader contact you*

PRAYER LIST

Your prayers are needed for the recovery . . .



John Dively, Ken Dixon, Sandra-Wayne Families, Julieta D. Gonzales, Donna Strong, Charlie Becerra, Allan Lucas, Tina Pacheco, Mary Farias, Gabriel Nerey, Bernie Cendana, Jean Cracraft, Melanie Cooper, Lupito Espinoza, Mary Salas, Jaime Rodriguez, Rachel Rapier, Marge DeCarbonel, John Peschetti, Don B, Mary Ward, Justin Siaz, Sylvia Jauregui, Jose Refugio Barajas Heredia, Jose Carlos Barreiro, Maurice O'Brien, Rosario Cervantez, Jennifer Gomolka, Carolyn Brock, Maria Bautista, Martha Antonia Pena, Diana Arelano, Fatima de la Riva Gallegos, Jamie Phelps Fam, Alexander Alonzo Halangahu, Amelia Orozco, Nick Becerra, John Harn, Sally Ann Milburn Fam, Carusso Family, Mary Janet Kennedy, Dennis Thompson, Gloria Lorelli, George Kuz, Richard Mann, Arturo & David Orozco, Jodi Blambury, Heriberto Morfin Rodriguez, Rafaela Rivera, Angela Rivera, Christine M, Phillip Heath, Pablo Detimofeev, Donna Macabee, Brent Erichsen, Phyllis Erichsen, Yesenia Quinonez, Liz Kuhn, Carla Beier, Jeffrey & Rafael Lemus, Jim & Leota Madding, John Menicucci, Susan Song, Jessica Linde, Michel Linde, Lisa Salcido, Gerardo & Maria Ojeda, Glen Heywood, Janet Grauvogel, Larry Madera, Bob Teixeira, John Bilka, Abraham Bravo Pena, Marie Mazza, Sean Wilkins, Mary Carter, Bob Whalen, Trini de Leon, Elosia Cervantes, Cervantes Family, Devon Bodine, Sam Maccaluso, Berta Lou Kelley, Bea Daccardi, Elena Anaya, Dominique Dufur
Please call when they recover ...

MILITARY PRAYER LIST



Navy: Max McGuire, Julian Carrillo, Joe Amper, Alex Foster

Air Force: Joshua Cox, Lucas Cusato, Chad Gogle, Nelida Mendoza, Richard Martinez, Jesse Roy Ladaban

Marines: Hunter DeFabrizio, Patrick McGuire, Mariano Liano, Christian Monarrez

Army: Ryan Long, Anthony Ross, Adonis Oldenburg, Spencer Stockton

Coast Guard: Mason Misqueuz

Please pray for their safe return . . .

MASS TIMES WHEN TRAVELING
 Visit www.masstimes.org
 for church locations and worship times
 anywhere in the world.