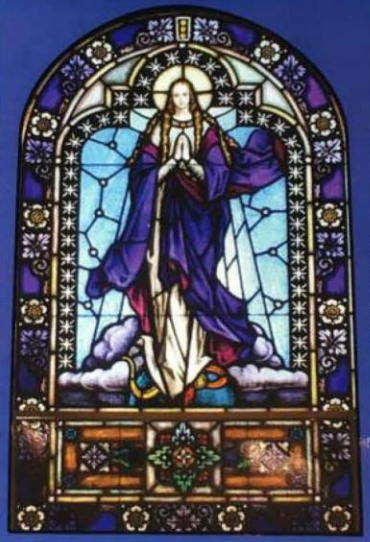


IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

CATHOLIC TRADITION IN
THE HEART OF GEORGIA



PASTOR

Rev. Jude T. Shayo, AJ

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Rev. John Stephen Ariko, AJ

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the faith community of Immaculate Conception, exist to worship God through prayer, good works, the sacraments, and to be one in Christ in Celebration of the Holy Eucharist. We are ambassadors of the Catholic tradition in the heart of Georgia. Our call is to nurture our individual spiritual growth and form one another in the values of the Gospel, with a sense of unity and hope, as we build the Kingdom of God.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

You enter this church not as a stranger but as a guest from God. We hope you will find a loving Christian community, and we look forward to benefiting from your uniqueness. Please contact the church office to register.

CHURCH: 1559 Hwy. 441 N., Dublin, Georgia 31021

PHONE: 478-272-0266

WEBSITE: www.immaculate-conception-church.net

EMAIL: iccdublin@immaculate-conception-church.net

OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday: 8:00AM - 1:00PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday thru Thursday: 8:30AM

Friday: 8:30AM & 12:10PM

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM

Sunday: 10:00AM

Spanish Mass:

12:45 pm (Fall and Winter)

Holy Days: To be announced

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM
& by appointment

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

September-May, Pre-K (4 year olds) thru 8th grade.
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM

ST. WILLIAM MISSION

CHURCH: 301 S. Smith Street, Sandersville, Georgia 31082 **PHONE:** 478-272-0266

MASS SCHEDULE: Wednesday, 6:00 PM, Sunday, 7:30 AM

HOLY DAYS: Mass times to be announced

CONFESSIONS: Wednesday, 5:00PM

HOLY REDEEMER

17 Telfair Ave, McRae, Georgia 31055 **PHONE:** 478-272-0266

MASS SCHEDULE: Sunday, 8:30 AM (bilingual)

CONFESSIONS: Sunday 10:45 or by appointment

ST. MARK

1687 Hawkinsville Highway, Eastman, Georgia 31023 **PHONE:** 478-272-0266

MASS SCHEDULE: Sunday 11:30 AM (bilingual)

CONFESSIONS: Sunday 10:45 or by appointment

The Baptism of the Lord January 10, 2021

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 9 8:30 a.m. @ ICC
+Beverly Atkinson (ICC Staff)
5:00 p.m. ICC

Dr. Jose Balbona

Sunday, January 10 7:30 a.m. @ SWC

8:30 a.m. @ Holy Redeemer
10:00 a.m. @ ICC

Dr. Kevin & Tiffany Taylor (Ruella Ricaza)

11:30 a.m. @ St Mark

1:00 p.m. @ ICC

Pro Populo

Monday, January 11 8:30 a.m. @ ICC

Dr. Jose Balbona

Tuesday, January 12 8:30 a.m. @ ICC
Johnathan Rogers (Happy Birthday # 19)

Wednesday, January 13 8:30 a.m. @ ICC
Dena Hunt (Ruella Ricaza)

6:00 p.m. @ St William

6:00 p.m. @ Holy Redeemer

Thursday, January 14 8:30 a.m. @ ICC
Tara Doyle (Ruella Ricaza)

6:00 p.m. ICC Vespers only

6:00 p.m. @ St. Mark

Friday, January 15 8:30 a.m. @ ICC

+Nicanor Torres (Nilo & Bernie Torres)

12:10 p.m. @ ICC

Gerry & Beverly Trevisol and Family

Saturday, January 9, 2021

Come & pray the Rosary 30 minutes before

Mass 5:00 p.m. Vigil @ ICC

Ushers: Nilo Torres & Matthew Jacks

Lector: Ed Fitzgerald

Sunday, January 10, 2021

Come and pray the Rosary 30 minutes before

Mass @ 10:00 a.m. @ ICC

Ushers: Glenn Johnson, Jim Caldwell, Bob
Wallace, Harold McLendon

Lector: Patrick Mimbs

1:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish

Saturday, January 16, 2021

Come & pray the Rosary 30 minutes before

Mass 5:00 p.m. Vigil @ ICC

Ushers: Nilo Torres & Matthew Jacks

Lector: Johnathan Rogers

Sunday, January 17, 2021

Come and pray the Rosary 30 minutes before

Mass @ 10:00 a.m. @ ICC

Ushers: Glenn Johnson, Jim Caldwell, Bob
Wallace, Harold McLendon

Lector: Vivian Thompson

1:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish

ICC Parish Ministries

Parish Council President - Garrett Cannon

Finance Council - Tony Ingrando

Bereavement Committee - Tiffany Taylor

Fellowship/Receptions - Ruella Ricaza

Knights of Columbus - Patrick Mimbs, GK

Dir. of Religious Education - Leanna Magluilo

Altar Guild Coordinator - Vivian Thompson

Lectors - Mary Louise McRae

Usher/EM of Communion - Lorraine Ackerson

Youth Ministry Chairperson - Helen Martin

Hispanic Ministry Coordinator - Alice McLendon

Weekly Contributions and Expenses
(Expenses for 07/2020 thru 07/2021)

Immaculate Conception

(296 Registered Families)

Weekly Expense	\$5,435.98
Offertory	\$7,483.81
Parish Center Campaign	\$1,490.00
ACA Goal for 2020	\$23,380.00
Memory Candles	\$40.00
Total Given:	\$17,032.29

We are \$6,400.00 away from our goal- we need to meet this before 12/31/20 in order to keep our status

St. William Mission

(39 Registered Families)

Weekly Expense	\$1,134.56
Offertory	\$117.00
Maintenance Fund	\$0.00

Holy Redeemer

(45 Registered Families)

Weekly Expense	\$656.56
Offertory	\$221.25
Year to Date	\$5,712.57

St Mark

(93 Registered Families)

Weekly Expense	\$1,013.63
Offertory	\$1,323.76

Religious Education

We have CCD every Sunday after 10:00 a.m. Mass CCD Classes will resume this weekend.

Parents whose children are enrolled in the 1st Communion and Confirmation preparation programs for this Religious Education school year are required to present a copy of their Baptismal Certificate. Contact the baptizing church now to get your copy if you don't already have one.

Please check with the Church Office to make sure that you are registered with ICC or one of the Mission Parishes. This is a requirement before you receive any Sacraments.

Additional classes:

Confirmation: Thursdays @ 5:30-6:30 p.m.

First Communion: Wednesdays @ 5:30-6:30 p.m.

A medida que continuamos adhiriéndonos a las Pautas de Covid establecidas por la Diócesis de Savannah, ofreceremos dos clases adicionales de educación religiosa este año en la Iglesia:

Confirmación: jueves alas 5:30-6:30pm.

Primera Comunion: miércoles a las 5: 30-6: 30 pm

Baptismal Classes are scheduled for the 4th Tuesday of each month in the Narthex at ICC.

You must contact the Church Secretary to begin the registration process for Baptism. **Next class will meet on January 26th**

We will be streaming 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass in English live on Saturday. The recorded version will be available on YouTube on Sunday.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

will meet every Sunday @ 2:30 p.m. in the Narthex. We invite anyone interested in learning more about their faith, and sharing their faith with others. This program will help families understand and build the "Domestic Church". Please let Julie know if you wish to attend.

Abuse Hotline Number

To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline number at 888-357-5330 or the Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, 912-201-4074. You can read the diocesan policy on sexual abuse of minors by going to www.dioschildyouthprotection.

January 2021

happy
birthday

- 09- Harold McLendon, Guadalupe Cardenas
- 10- Jesús' Ibarra
- 12- Diana Loera, Johnathan Rogers
- 13- Becky Caralla
- 16- Bill Hoyt



There are no Anniversaries this week.

Upcoming Events

Gold & Silver Jubilee Mass

Sunday: February 7, 2021 - 3:30 p.m.

Check out brochures on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Forms are available in the office.

9 Days for Life---January 21 -29, 2021

Sponsored by the U.S. Conference of Bishops.

9 Days for Life is a "digital pilgrimage" of prayer and action focused on cherishing the gift of every life. A multi-faceted novena highlights a different intention each day.

Join to receive the novena through the 9 Days for Life app, daily emails, or daily texts at

www.9daysforlife.com

The Novena for Life and Senor Santo Nino began on January 8th. Participants will meet at ICC at 7:00 p.m. Ruella Ricaza and The Knights of Columbus will be leading this Novena.

"Jesus Says Come to Me"

CONFESSIONS @ ICC

Thursday evenings @ 6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Saturday afternoon @ 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

MISSION CHURCHES BY APPOINTMENT

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION @ ICC

Thursday Evening @ 6:30 p.m.

Friday Morning @ 10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration for the Hispanic Community is available the 1st Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

SAINT WILLIAM

Every 1st Friday Eucharistic Adoration
1:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.



Altar Flowers are a lovely way to remember special occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, birth of a child, baptism, in memory of a deceased love one. Please contact the office at 478-272-0266, Monday thru Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. to schedule your Altar Flower donation. All flower arrangements must be made and confirmed with Julie Brooks, the church secretary. This will ensure that we will have flowers and that there are no overlaps.

Is God calling you? Our Parish is looking for someone to video Mass and upload to social media. If you are interested, please speak to Fr. Jude, Fr. John Stephen or call the Church office at 478-272-0266.

POPE'S INTENTION for January: Human fraternity. May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

Immaculate Conception Church Sacramental Policies

Baptism

*** Parents must be registered at Immaculate Conception or one of our mission churches and attend Mass for 3 months before preparation.**

* Parents must attend Baptism Prep Class so, please call the office to register for class! *

Godparents are invited to attend Baptism class. *** At least one godparent must be Catholic.**

* Out of town godparents must provide a letter from their pastor as to their suitability to exercise this office.

Marriage – Couples must:

* Contact the pastor at least 6 months (or more) prior to desired wedding date.

* Complete FOCCUS inventory

* Participate in a pre-Cana course or marriage-prep weekend.

* NO wedding date is guaranteed until ALL Diocesan and Parish requirements are fulfilled.

First Communion and Confirmation

*** Family must be registered at Immaculate Conception or one of our mission churches.**

* Preparation = two years of classes. * Children must be at least 7 years old to receive First Communion and at least 13 years old for Confirmation

We are attempting to update our prayer list, please look over the prayer list and let us know if you want your loved one to remain. We will be deleting those that have been listed for several months. You may also want to add others. Just let us know at the office and we will make changes.

For those who are serving our country:

Maj. Robert H. Gregory, Jr., Lance Cpl. Luis Guerrero, Salvarado & Alice Upshaw, Johnny & Anna Sweat, Lloyd Bane, Brian & Poua Sweat, Matthew Ueltzen, John Scott Adams, Zane Brown, Christopher Covington, Austin Adair (Mike & Pat Worley's grandson), Michael & Jose Reyes Palaypaylon, Jennifer Brooks Caputo, Patrick & Rebecca Lyons, Oren Ackerson, Martin Wilkins, John Lynn, Alex Brooks

Adam & Maggie Tews (grandchildren of Sue & Bud Schultz), Pat & Carol Thigpen, Bobby & Karen Garza, and Brian Coleman (Marie Coleman), Daniel Myler, Joseph Dejunco, Roy Kirkland, Rusty Whitehead, June Fillion, Tiffany Taylor, Janet O'Brien, Gary Bourscheski, Mary Szydoski, Sharrod Szydoski, Pam & Gerald Beard, Willie Dumas, Mary McEnrue, Bernie Torres, Barbara Kennedy, Jean Graham, Clyde McCook, Katlyn Johnston, Dr. Manny Vega

Pandemic Prayer

For an end to the Coronavirus pandemic. For the safety of medical workers, first responders, and all who are working. For all victims of the pandemic including the repose of the souls of the deceased. For the health and wellbeing of those who are ill, those suffering financial difficulty, and those whose lives are disrupted. We pray to the Lord. Amen

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you are already there, and I unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Prayer to Saint Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen



The “Year of St Joseph”

With the Apostolic Letter “*Patris corde*” (“With a Father’s Heart”), Pope Francis recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a “Year of

The decree said that Francis had established a Year of St. Joseph so that “every member of the faithful, following his example, may strengthen their life of faith daily in the complete fulfillment of God’s will.”

It added that the pope had granted special indulgences to mark the year.

The Dec. 8 decree was issued by the Apostolic Penitentiary, the dicastery of the Roman Curia that oversees indulgences, and signed by the Major Penitentiary, Cardinal Mauro Piacenza, and the Regent, Msgr. Krzysztof Nykiel.

In addition to the decree, Francis issued an [apostolic letter](#) Tuesday dedicated to the foster father of Jesus.

The pope explained in the letter, entitled *Patris corde* (“With a father’s heart”) and dated Dec. 8, that he wanted to share some “personal reflections” on the spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

“My desire to do so increased during these months of pandemic,” he said, noting that many people had made hidden sacrifices during the crisis in order to protect others.

“Each of us can discover in Joseph -- the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence - - an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble,” he wrote.

“St. Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation.”

Pope Pius IX proclaimed St. Joseph patron of the Universal Church on Dec. 8, 1870, in the decree *Quemadmodum Deus*.

In its decree Tuesday, the Apostolic Penitentiary said that, “to reaffirm the universality of St. Joseph’s patronage in the Church,” it would grant a plenary indulgence to Catholics who recite any approved prayer or act of piety in honor of St. Joseph, especially on March 19, the saint’s solemnity, and May 1, the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker.

Other notable days for the plenary indulgence are the Feast of the Holy Family on Dec. 29 and St. Joseph’s Sunday in the Byzantine tradition, as well as the 19th of each month and every Wednesday, a day dedicated to the saint in the Latin tradition.

The decree said: “In the current context of health emergency, the gift of the plenary indulgence is particularly extended to the elderly, the sick, the dying and all those who for legitimate reasons are unable to leave the house, who, with a soul detached from any sin and with the intention of fulfilling, as soon as possible, the three usual conditions, in their own home or where the impediment keeps them, recite an act of piety in honor of St. Joseph, comfort of the sick and patron of a happy death, offering with trust in God the pains and discomforts of their life.”

The three conditions for receiving a plenary indulgence are sacramental confession, the reception of Holy Communion and prayer for the pope’s intentions.

In his apostolic letter, Pope Francis reflected on the fatherly qualities of St. Joseph, describing him as beloved, tender and loving, obedient, accepting, and “creatively courageous.” He also underlined that he was a working father.

The pope referred to the saint as “a father in the shadows,” citing the novel “The Shadow of the Father,” published by the Polish author Jan Dobraczyński in 1977.

He said that Dobraczyński, who was declared [Righteous Among the Nations](#) by Yad Vashem in 1993 for protecting Jewish children in Warsaw in World War II, “uses the evocative image of a shadow to define Joseph.”

“In his relationship to Jesus, Joseph was the earthly shadow of the heavenly Father: he watched over him and protected him, never leaving him to go his own way,” the pope wrote.

Francis said that the contemporary world required examples of true fatherhood.

“Our world today needs fathers. It has no use for tyrants who would domineer others as a means of compensating for their own needs,” he wrote.

“It rejects those who confuse authority with authoritarianism, service with servility, discussion with oppression, charity with a welfare mentality, power with destruction.”

“Every true vocation is born of the gift of oneself, which is the fruit of mature sacrifice. The priesthood and consecrated life likewise require this kind of maturity. Whatever our vocation, whether to marriage, celibacy or virginity, our gift of self will not come to fulfillment if it stops at sacrifice; were that the case, instead of becoming a sign of the beauty and joy of love, the gift of self would risk being an expression of unhappiness, sadness and frustration.”

He continued: "When fathers refuse to live the lives of their children for them, new and unexpected vistas open up. Every child is the bearer of a unique mystery that can only be brought to light with the help of a father who respects that child's freedom. A father who realizes that he is most a father and educator at the point when he becomes 'useless,' when he sees that his child has become independent and can walk the paths of life unaccompanied. When he becomes like Joseph, who always knew that his child was not his own but had merely been entrusted to his care."

The pope added: "In every exercise of our fatherhood, we should always keep in mind that it has nothing to do with possession, but is rather a 'sign' pointing to a greater fatherhood. In a way, we are all like Joseph: a shadow of the heavenly Father, who 'makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust' (Matthew 5:45). And a shadow that follows his Son."

Pope Francis has promoted devotion to St. Joseph throughout his pontificate.

He began his petrine ministry on March 19, 2013, the Solemnity of St. Joseph, and dedicated the [homily](#) at his inauguration Mass to the saint.

"In the Gospels, St. Joseph appears as a strong and courageous man, a working man, yet in his heart we see great tenderness, which is not the virtue of the weak but rather a sign of strength of spirit and a capacity for concern, for compassion, for genuine openness to others, for love," he said.

His coat of arms features a spikenard, which is associated with St. Joseph in Hispanic iconographic tradition.

On May 1, 2013, the pope [authorized a decree](#) instructing that St. Joseph's name be inserted into Eucharistic Prayers II, III, and IV.

During an apostolic visit to the Philippines in 2015, the pope explained why he kept an image of the saint on his desk.

"I would also like to tell you something very personal," he [said](#). "I have great love for St. Joseph, because he is a man of silence and strength."

"On my table I have an image of St. Joseph sleeping. Even when he is asleep, he is taking care of the Church! Yes! We know that he can do that. So when I have a problem, a difficulty, I write a little note and I put it underneath St. Joseph, so that he can dream about it! In other words I tell him: pray for this problem!"

At his general audience on March 18 this year, he urged Catholics to turn to St. Joseph in times of adversity.

"In life, at work and within the family, through joys and sorrows, he always sought and loved the Lord, deserving the Scriptures' eulogy that described him as a just and wise man," he [said](#).

"Always invoke him, especially in difficult times and entrust your life to this great saint."

The pope concluded his new apostolic letter by urging Catholics to pray to St. Joseph for "the grace of graces: our conversion."

He ended the text with a prayer: "Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen." (CNA)