

CHURCH *of the* HOLY CROSS

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

July 26, 2020

17th Sunday Ordinary Time

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY *in Ordinary Time*



*A*gain, the kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea, which collects fish of every kind. When it is full they haul it ashore and sit down to put what is good into buckets. What is bad they throw away.

Matthew 13:47-48

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENTS

The seven Sacraments of the Church were instituted by Christ to confer grace.

Sacrament of Baptism. Call the parish office to register for Parent Pre-Baptismal Instruction. For adults seeking to enter the Church and be Baptized, contact our Religious Education Office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Children in our religious education program and school are prepared for Confession at age seven as part of First Communion preparation.

Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Children in our religious education program and school are prepared for First Communion at age seven. Adults seeking First Communion should contact our Religious Education Office. To request a visitation for Holy Communion to the Sick, contact our parish office.

Sacrament of Confirmation. Young people in our parish are prepared for reception of Confirmation in the ninth grade (age 14). Adults seeking Confirmation should contact our Religious Education Office.

Sacrament of Marriage. Couples planning for Marriage are to contact a parish priest or deacon one year in advance to set the wedding date and plan for pre-Cana instruction.

Sacrament of Holy Orders. If you believe you have, or someone you know has, a vocation to the Priesthood or Diaconate, please contact one of our parish priests.

Anointing of the Sick. For the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, which is administered by a Priest, a person or an immediate family member must make the request. Late night requests may not be able to be answered until the next day.

Check out our websites

holycrossover.org
iccmaryl.org

- *Watch Masses from various sources*
- *Find spiritual readings*
- *Read about our latest updates*

Holy Cross Church is unlocked and available for private prayer. The doors will be open from 7 am to 7 pm Monday through Saturday, and 7 am to 7 pm on Sunday.

Immaculate Conception will be open daily 9 am to 7 pm.

See the current Mass schedule on the last page for both churches.

We are limiting access to the parish offices, so you can buzz when you stop by, or call and leave messages and we will get back to you.; or, you can email us.

We are scheduling baptisms now. If you already took the preparation class, please call the office and we can get your baby's baptism scheduled.

We are also allowing funeral Mass to take place in the church.

WEEKLY OFFERING (HC) ending July 19

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED	BUDGETED/ NEEDED	DIFFERENCE
Offertory	\$29,234	\$27,600	\$1,634
YTD	\$83,721	\$82,800	\$921
Needs	\$1,684	\$1,550	\$134

WEEKLY OFFERING (ICC) Ending July 19

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED
Offertory	\$2,482
Second	\$150

Thank you for your offering. It is with your continued support and the sharing of your time and talent that the ministries, programs, and activities of Holy Cross and ICC are made possible.

"Whatever you give to the Lord, He will return to you a hundred fold."

Please continue to mail in your contributions during this time that we cannot gather together at Mass. You can also Sign up for Faith Direct or call the office to leave your name and phone number if you wish to make your contribution by a credit card. We will call you back. Thank you for your continued support.

Dear Parishioner,

With airline flights final resuming in our summer skies, and people taking to the skyways once again, this week's column will likewise take us up, up, and away. The year was 1967, and actress Sally Field (who would go on to be an academy award winning star), landed the lead role in a series called "The Flying Nun." The premise of the show: Sr. Bertrille (Field) was a novice sister in a religious community in San Juan, Puerto Rico. The sisters wore a cornette-styled habit, similar to those worn by the Daughters of Charity. That style of habit features large starched pieces of white cloth that jut out like a wing on either side of the head.

Creature of Habit. When wearing her habit, Sr. Bertrille, who was small and lightweight, found that when the strong winds around San Juan kicked up, she was able, with the help of that stiff-starched habit, to rise up and fly. The theme song (as sung by Field in the first episode of the show) sums up the premise: "Who needs wings to fly? Certainly not I ... as long as there's a habit standing by, who needs things like wings to fly?" Ok. Yes, a ridiculous premise; but a show that is well-remembered by many. And the show was not a fly-by-night enterprise (ouch), but lasted three seasons on ABC.

Super Saints. One may snicker at the idea of a "Flying Nun," but I tell you: snicker-no-more! There has been, in our Catholic tradition, an actual flying nun, and dare I say, several other Saints who rose to the challenge — possessing the power to levitate or fly. This is the topic of this article: Saints who flew. Back in 1978, when "Superman — the Movie" was advertised, its tagline was "You will believe a man can fly." It is my hope that this article has that same effect on your belief!

Wi-Fly? Why would a saint fly, you may ask? Good question. The miraculous actions and deeds that are attributed, throughout history, to the Saints, are outward manifestations of God working through one of His servants. So, when a saint, for example, is said to fly, it is God at work; He is working through the saint to make known His pres-

ence and power in our world. Or more simply put: the transcendent reality of God exists outside of time and space, and when a human comes in contact with that reality, in even some small dose, that person may find themselves in a miraculous mode of being: having an ecstasy, flying, healing, etc. But no matter what the miraculous action: It is God working through that holy person.

Meanwhile back on the tarmac of this article, the question may remain: Who are these Flying Wallendas of faith? Well, there are too many to cover in one column, so I will limit myself to a handful of whisking wonderkinds.

St. Teresa of Avila. She was the original flying nun. St. Teresa of Avila (1515-1582) was a nun in the Carmelite Order. She wrote that during moments of spiritual rapture she would experience levitation. One of her fellow Carmelites, Sr. Anne of the Incarnation, said that she saw St. Teresa levitate for some thirty minutes, staying airborne about a foot and a half off the ground. Sometimes these incidents took place during Mass, one time it occurred just after Communion at a Mass

St. Alphonsus of Liguori. It is said that during the preaching of a homily at Foggia, St. Alphonsus (1696-1787) levitated several feet off the ground in front of all of the folks in the crowded Church. I guess it was a very uplifting homily. The story is told by one writer as follows: On the day set apart for the sermon on the Blessed Virgin, Alphonsus was trying to excite his hearers to recommend themselves to her in all their wants, spiritual and temporal, when suddenly, as if inspired, he exclaimed: 'You have not sufficient confidence in your Mother. You do not know how to pray to her with all your heart; but I am going to pray for you.' Then while he was putting his whole soul into ardent supplications a ray of light from the picture of Mary on the right of the pulpit darted upon the preacher's face. We beheld him then with his countenance aflame, his eyes fixed in ecstasy, and his body raised almost two feet above where he stood, as if about to wing his flight for the

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skies! The rapture lasted more than five minutes, during which an indescribable emotion seized on the congregation, whose sobs were mingled with the exclamation, 'miracle!' 'miracle!' from all parts of the church"

St. Joseph of Cupertino. When it comes to the topic of flying Saints, St. Joseph of Cupertino (1603-63) is the most prolific in aeronautical activity. He experienced so many levitations, and flew so often, -- all witnessed by fellow Franciscans, and by many others -- that he is noted as the Patron Saint of Airplane Passengers (perhaps he should also be the Patron Saint of Frequent Flyer programs). His superiors prohibited him from being in Processions or Choir, as his proclivity for levitation proved distracting to his brother Franciscans as well as to visitors. In his formal beatification (and canonization) process, the Church documented some 70 levitations and flights. One such incident found St. Joseph of Cupertino, processing to the main altar for Mass in mid-air down the length of the main aisle. Several of his levitations occurred during ecstasies (profound encounters with God), and lasted six to seven hours -- with many witnesses. There were some doubters of the airborne prowess of St. Joseph; among them were Pope Urban VIII, and the leaders of the Court of the Inquisition. During a visit to Rome with the Superior of the Franciscan Order, St. Joseph knelt before the Pope prayerfully, and suddenly rose airborne while still in kneeling posture. During a challenge in Naples by the Court of the Inquisition, St. Joseph was ordered to say Mass in their presence. He came to the Church of St. Gregory where the officials were; once there he flew to the altar, he remained standing in the air with his arms spread in the form of a cross. He returned to the floor unharmed and said Mass. He was ordered to be kept in seclusion and was for most of the rest of his life. There are many, many writings about the flying and levitating of St. Joseph of Cupertino, more than could fit in this column. His holy status wasn't "up in the air," by 1767 he passed through the canonization process with flying colors!

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St. Francis Xavier. St. Francis Xavier (1506-1552), a great saint, missionary and evangelist, would begin his day on his knees praying for guidance by God for what lay ahead for him that day. His time in prayer was followed by celebrating Mass at dawn with a small group of the faithful. During Mass, St. Francis Xavier was often ecstatically focused on the mystery of the bread and wine becoming the Body and Blood of Christ. As one of those faithful in that small group at Mass once noted: "Frequently the Father (St. Francis Xavier) seemed transfigured at his Mass. Especially at the elevation [of the host], when he himself was seen raised in the air, and a radiant light streamed about his head." Reference is made by many in their writings about St. Francis Xavier of his frequent levitations at Mass. His is also said to have levitated, feet coming of the floor, during the distribution of Holy Communion.

St. Pio of Pietrelcina. Padre Pio (1887-1968) was another humble saint who was gifted in many supernatural ways. There are miracles attributed to him, he was known to have the power to bilocate (being in two places at one time). However, regarding flying, the story is told that once, while waiting for St. Pio to hear their confessions, a group of penitents saw him walking in the air above their heads. One of the astonished parishioners asked him what it was like to walk on the air. St. Pio answered, "I can assure you, my child, it's just like walking on the floor." I would hope that his witty response didn't go over their heads.

Next week, I will continue with more of these flying saints of faith.

Yours in Christ,

James S. Lentini
Pastor

MASS INTENTIONS

JULY/AUGUST

27 MONDAY

HC 6:30 am

HC 8 am

Barbara Crowell

28 TUESDAY

HC 6:30 am

HC 8 am

Mary Mahan

29 WEDNESDAY

HC 6:30 am

HC 8 am

Steven Mitchler

30 THURSDAY

HC 6:30 am

HC 8 am

ICC 6 pm

John P. McGlynn

For the People

31 FRIDAY

HC 6:30 am

HC 8 am

Peter Bell

1 SATURDAY

HC 8 am

HC 5 pm

Bev Bresnahan

Joseph Wynne

2 SUNDAY

HC 7:30 am

ICC 8:30 am

HC 9:30 am

ICC 11:00 am

HC 11:30 am

ICC 1 pm

Joseph Arlotta

Marge Messner

Maya Seelig (LI)

Shirley Schuck

Robert Cassidy

For the People

(LI = LIVING INTENTION)

MASS INTENTIONS

Any intentions listed at a time where we do not have a public Mass, will be honored by the priests as they say their private Masses. On the weekend, the priests will be saying other private Masses to cover all of the intentions that occur on the weekend when we do not have a public Mass. Your loved ones will still be remembered in prayer.

CATHOLIC FORUM

Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday morning at 11:00 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, August 1st, learn how the Catholic schools of the diocese are planning to continue to provide excellent faith-filled education to students in the fall, when Lou De Angelo, Superintendent of Schools is the guest. After it airs, listen online anytime at www.cdow.org/CatholicForum, or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts.

DIRECTORIES (HC)

The Parish Directories have been in the Parish Office for the past few months. Unfortunately we have not been able to distribute them due to the COVID situation. We hope to arrange for a weekend in the near future. If you would like to stop by the office to pick up your copy, please call ahead of time and we will get your copy and have it for you to pick up. Please do not just show up to pick up your copy. We need to know ahead of time since we are limiting access to the office area. Sorry for this inconvenience.

RETURNING TO MASS

At present, we have the following guidelines to help keep everyone safe:

- Attendees are to **wear a face covering** when inside the Church (those under 13 do not have to wear a covering, and those 2-and-under are advised not to wear a covering).
- Pews have been marked off to accommodate social distancing.
- Hand sanitizer is available as you enter the church.
- **When receiving Holy Communion, please remember to stay socially distanced.** We encourage you to receive Holy Communion in your hand, but **if you wish to receive on the tongue, you are asked to be at the end of the Communion line.** There will be no Cup distributed at this time.
- As you leave the church, please **do not gather in the Gathering Space** or parking lot.

Since we are returning to Mass, we will no longer tape Mass at Holy Cross for viewing on youtube. If you still do not feel comfortable attending any of the Masses offered, you can still view the Diocesan Mass ([youtube.com/DioceseofWilm](https://www.youtube.com/DioceseofWilm)) or other video Masses offered on youtube or the television.

RETROUVAILLE:

REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of August 14 - 16 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

PRO LIFE CORNER

- During this difficult time of Coronavirus Disease, abortion procedures continue throughout the U.S. and in Dover. Abortion providers such as Planned Parenthood are classified as ESSENTIAL SERVICES! You can save lives in Dover by praying with Holy Cross and other local church groups on Friday mornings from 9 AM – noon at Planned Parenthood of Dover or by praying at home. If you pray at Planned Parenthood, please follow Governor Carney’s Social Distancing Guidelines.
- Also, remember to pray for the most vulnerable and seniors who are most susceptible to the Coronavirus

MEN OF HOLY CROSS (NEW HIGH TECH VIDEO-CONFERENCE MEETINGS)

Are you a male between the ages of 18 and 99? Do you wish to learn more about prayer, faith and your vocation? Do you want to become a stronger father, husband or son? Do you want to build lasting friendships with catholic faith minded men? Join the Men of Holy Cross for our weekly meetings: Since the Corona virus and social distancing we have been meeting on Zoom Teleconference and it has been working out great. Just type in or click on the following link and it will automatically guide you through the Zoom Meeting application, set up and joining the meeting. <https://zoom.us/j/930861480> Wednesday mornings at 6:30 AM for prayer, gospel reflections, Church teachings and timely discussions. If you want more information please contact us at 302-313-6935 or email MenOfHolyCross@gmail.com.

READINGS FOR AUGUST 2 18TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME FIRST READING: ISAIAH 55:1-3

The Lord invites us to come to him and our soul will live.

SECOND READING: ROMANS 8:35, 37-39

Nothing can ever come between us and the love of God made visible in Christ.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 14:13-21

Jesus feeds all those who come to him abundantly.

SAMARITAN FOOD NEEDS (HC)

The Samaritan Food Pantry is collecting items to help with the great demands being placed on them during this crisis. Please leave perishable items in the freezer by the Samaritan pick up door and non perishable items can be left there also. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



The Samaritans also appreciate any monetary donations that have been sent in. Thank you for thinking of your needy brothers and sisters.

VOCATIONS

Holiness is a challenge for us all, whatever our specific vocations. We are called to be holy in all aspects of our lives. This is an ongoing process, often slowed by setbacks. When the saints were

alive, they did not regard themselves as saints; rather, they knew they were sinners — and they strived to be saints. The process of becoming holy is, even for saints, painful and filled with struggle. Know you are a sinner; strive to be a saint.

Serra for priestly and religious

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Marriage comes with plenty of occasions to complain and be irritated. Think of one criticism you have of your beloved. Imagine how an understanding heart would handle that criticism.

PARENTING POINTERS

No parent is perfect, but I bet you keep trying to be a good parent. Ask your child what they think is the hardest part of being a parent?

- Reanudación de las Misas Dominical con un horario temporal de 11:30 de la mañana en la parroquia de Holy Cross y a la 1:00 de la tarde en la parroquia de la Inmaculada Concepción, donde también se ofrece misas en español los martes y jueves a las 6:00 de la tarde, confesiones los sábados de 9:00 a 11:00 de la mañana en español.
- Si desea bautizar a su hijo (a) por favor llame a la oficina parroquial para hacer una cita para las clases pre-bautismales. Si no hace la cita no podrá tomar las clases.
- Ya están disponibles las aplicaciones para la Educación Religiosa 2020-2021. En la página de la parroquia, entre y descargue una aplicación, o vaya a la oficina de Educación Religiosa y recoja una aplicación. Si su hijo está en edad escolar y no está asistiendo a la escuela católica, los padres tienen la responsabilidad de que su hijo se forme y conozca sobre su Fe que un día ustedes profesaron por él o ella.
- NUEVA INSCRIPCIÓN PARA EL 2020-2021: Las inscripciones para el año escolar está disponible en el sitio web o puede llamar o enviar un correo electrónico a la oficina para que se lo envíen. Por

favor inscríbese antes del 1 de agosto, para que podamos hacer los planes necesarios para el año y ordenar libros, materiales y suministros. A medida que trabajamos en el plan para el nuevo año escolar, estamos trabajando para garantizar la seguridad de todos los estudiantes y sus familias, y los actualizaremos a todos cuando tengamos nuestro plan.

- Un aviso sobre VBS Escuela Bíblica de Verano también estará disponible..
- Las reglas de la pandemia siguen en vigor y todos tenemos la responsabilidad de protegernos y proteger a nuestros hermanos y hermanas en Cristo. Todos tenemos que poner de nuestra parte y seguir las regulaciones gubernamentales de usar mascarillas en lugares públicos, distanciamiento social, lavarnos las manos con frecuencia, si está enfermo quédese en casa y si respetamos estas reglas, juntos podremos salir adelante y superar como iglesia, como comunidad los grandes desafíos que nos presenta el Coronavirus, si muchos dicen que ya acabaron con el coronavirus, pero recuerda que el coronavirus no ha acabado con nosotros, está muy presente. Protegemos nuestra salud y la salud del hermano especialmente los más vulnerables.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR THE 2020-2021 (HC)

Registration for the 2020-2021 Religious Education Program is now open. The registration forms are attached below. Please complete the forms and either email them back to tkorosec@holycrossdover.org or drop them off in the Parish Office. Please note that payment is NOT due at the time of registration. We would appreciate the forms back by July 31st so we may have adequate time to plan for the new year. Because of Covid, the class formats may change. We will update with any changes as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (HC)

Unfortunately due to Covid 19, we will be unable to hold our usual Vacation Bible School this summer. However, we are excited to offer an At-Home Vacation Bible School called "Discovering Our Family Treasures" for our Pre-K through 5th graders!

This is a creative opportunity for you and your child(ren) to discover together the hidden treasures that faith brings to your family. We will be presenting this program to you as a Vacation Bible School in a Bag!! We have 6 sessions that will be packaged with some "treasures" for your child(ren) to enjoy!

Each Session includes:: Opening Song and prayer, Bible Story, Enrichment Activity , Related Craft, Saint Witness, Snack Idea

We will have the the "VBS Bags" ready for pick up August 3rd. As we get closer to that date we will publish "drive through" times for pickup.

We will accept the first 100 registrants who register by July 24th. Just send an email to tkorosec@holycrossdover.org to register. Please include the age and name of each child and a contact phone number. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions at tkorosec@holycrossdover.org or (302) 674-5787 extension 122.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION (HC)

Registration forms for Confirmation 2021 have been emailed to families. They are also available on the Parish website under Religious Education - Sacramental Preparation - Confirmation. Please return them to the office as soon as possible. It will help in our planning for this coming year.

FROM THE DRE'S DESK: (ICC) VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

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Each Session includes: **Prayer, Bible Story, Enrichment Activity , Related Craft, Saint Witness and Snack**

We will accept the registrants who register by July 24th, so that we have time to prepare the bags. Just send an email dre@iccmmarydel.org or call 410-482-8939 to register. Please include the age and name of each child and a contact phone number.

We will have the "VBS Bags" ready for pick up August 2nd. We will publish "drive through" times for pickup.

NEW REGISTRATION FOR THE 2020-2021 (ICC)

New Registration for the 2020-2021 school year are available on the website or you can call/email office for them to be sent to you.

We will have a registration drive on Sundays following Masses in the grass area next to the parking lot, and we are asking that you please register by August 1, so we are able to make necessary plans for the year and order books, materials, and supplies.

As we work on the plan for the new school year, we are working to ensure the safety of all students and families, and will update you all when we have our plan in place.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions to Alicia Poppiti at dre@iccmmarydel.org or 410-482-8939.

Confirmation for 2020-2021 school year: forms are being mailed out to those youth that will be preparing this year.

Please fill out forms and mail back as soon as possible so that we can prepare our plan and materials for the year.

FROM THE PRINCIPALS DESK

The meeting began a few minutes after 9:00 am. In keeping with the times, it was a virtual meeting. The attendees were all administrators of Catholic schools. These are weekly meetings where the Catholic school principals have the opportunity to discuss concerns, share ideas, voice opinions, ask questions, and on occasion debate points of common interest. All of the above occurred during our meeting held last Friday morning. I think it fair to say that had this meeting been held 365 days previous, the overall tone would have been much lighter. We all bear the weight of the responsibility for the reopening of our schools after what will be an unprecedented six month closure, and each of us realizes that God has placed us in our respective positions and we go forth in the belief and faith that He will take us by the hand and walk us through each day.

September 1st is the day we are all so excited for; and we are all of one accord in our thinking; there is much to be done and we wish we had more information to guide us in our decision making.

We go forth in the faith and belief.....

A long time ago I came to the stark realization that in almost all situations, or predicaments in life, prayer is all we have. All we can do is pray and know that God always has a plan. In the Catholic Church we believe that prayer can be in different forms. The basic forms of prayer are praise, supplication, intercession, and thanksgiving. In the past months my prayers have taken all forms.

I *praise* God for the gift of Catholic education and I praise Him for the children, the parents, for Holy Cross School.

I plead for the resumption of normal. I beg for a cure for the pestilence, I pray that another school closure can be avoided. I

pray for wisdom.

My intercessory prayers are for all those whose heart and home have been impacted by the pandemic, for our children who are trying to find their way through a time that was not foreseen on the horizon.

Every day I give thanks to God for those who serve on the frontline, the first responders, and I thank God for our Holy Cross teachers. I offer prayers of thanksgiving to God for placing me in a position to which I never aspired.

In the Catholic Church we believe that the communion of saints in heaven do not cease to intercede on our behalf; that, in and of itself is a great source of comfort. The patron saint for the Catholic schools in the Diocese of Wilmington is St. Francis de Sales. Our Friday morning meeting opened with a prayer attributed to this great saint.

Do not look forward in fear to the changes and chances of this life;

Rather, look to them with full confidence that, as they arise,

God, to whom we belong will in His love enable us to profit by them.

He has guided us thus far in life, and He will lead us safely through all trials; And when we cannot stand it, God will bury us in His arms.

Do not fear what may happen tomorrow; The same everlasting Father who cares for us today will take care of us every day.

He will either shield us from suffering, or will give us unfailing strength to bear it.

Be at peace then, and put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations.

Amen.

We go forth in faith and belief...

holy cross school and more this & that

REGISTRATION FOR HOLY CROSS SCHOOL - SIGN UP NOW!!

Holy Cross School is accepting applications for the 2020 - 2021 school year. Please contact the school. Our website is holycrossdover.org/school. Download an application form and mail it into the parish office. You may also call 302-674-5787 x111 or x 113; please leave your name and phone contact and we will call you back.

A Catholic education is one of the greatest gifts you can give your child, your family. Join us for the 2020-2021 school year!! We are making plans to open in September and look forward to having the children back in the school. You will be glad you decided to attend Holy Cross.

Sunday Mass is taking place at Holy Cross and Immaculate Conception.

We have a modified schedule in effect through the end of August.

Holy Cross Schedule

SUNDAY MASSES (Weekend)

- Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m. (note: no confessions before Mass)
 - Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m (Spanish)

WEEKDAYS

- Monday thru Saturday 8:00 a.m.
- ##### CONFESSIONS
- Saturday morning 8:45-10:00 a.m.

Immaculate Conception Schedule

SUNDAY MASSES

- Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m (Spanish)

WEEKDAYS

Thursday 6:00 p.m. (Spanish)
Saturday 9:00 am (Spanish)

CONFESSIONS

- Saturday morning 9:30-11:00 a.m.



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