

*Immaculate Conception Catholic Church*  
*Grand Prairie, Texas* *March 26, 2017*  
**Fourth Sunday of Lent:**



of Mar. 25 to April 2, 2017

WEEKLY CALENDAR

**SATURDAY, Mar. 25th :**  
**Readings: Is. 7:10-14, 8-10: Heb. 10:4-10:**  
**Lk. 1:26-38**  
 8:30 a.m. For the Consecration of Colombia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

**SUNDAY, Mar. 26th : 4th Sunday of Lent:**  
**Readings: 1 Sm. 16:1b, , 6-7, 10-13: Eph. 5:8-14:**  
**Jn. 9:1-41**  
 5:30 p.m. † Pat Ironside  
 8:00 a.m. † Lupita Gonzales  
 10:00 a.m. † Jim & Dorothy Gulde  
 12:00 p.m. † Julian Fragoso  
 2:30 p.m. Alicia Ramirez, birthday intention  
 5:30 p.m. Kevin Gutierrez, birthday intention

**MONDAY, Mar. 27th :**  
**Readings: Is. 65:17-21: Jn. 4:43-54**  
 6:00 p.m. Cynthia González, birthday intention  
 6:30 p.m. Rosary-Guadalupanos

**TUESDAY, Mar. 28th :**  
**Readings: Ez. 47:1-9, 12: Jn. 5:1-16**  
 6:00 p.m. † Rodolfo & Maria Medina  
 6:30 p.m. Parish Retreat - Church

**WEDNESDAY, Mar. 29th :**  
**Readings: Is. 49:8-15: Jn. 5:17-30**  
 6:00 p.m. † Rodolfo & Maria Medina  
 6:00 p.m. Parish Retreat - Church

**THURSDAY, Mar. 30th :**  
**Readings: Ex. 32:7-14: Jn. 5:31-47**  
 8:05 a.m. For I.C. Students and teachers  
 6:00 p.m. † Rodolfo & Maria Medina  
 6:30 p.m. Parish Retreat - Church

**FRIDAY, Mar. 31st :**  
**Readings: Wis. 2:1a, 12-22: Jn. 7:1-2, 10, 25-30**  
 6:00 p.m. Mass for the faithful  
 6:30 p.m. Rosary – Guadalupanos

**SATURDAY, Apr. 1st :**  
**Readings: Jer. 11:18-20: Jn. 7:40-53**  
 8:30 a.m. Mass for the faithful

**SUNDAY, April 2nd : 5th Sunday of Lent:**  
**Readings: Ez. 37:12-14: Rom. 8:8-11: Jn. 11:1-45**  
 5:30 p.m. For the health of Benito Jackson, Jr.  
 8:00 a.m. † Sal G. Quiñones  
 10:00 a.m. † Juanita Rodriguez  
 12:00 p.m. † Ivan Daniel Arellano  
 2:30 p.m. Carolina Ramírez, birthday intention  
 5:30 p.m. Souls in Purgatory

**SUNDAY, Mar. 26th :**  
 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Ministry Retreat – FLC & Gym  
 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Diaconate Formation - FLC 304  
 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Grupo de Oración - FLC,Gym,302,303,304

**MONDAY, Mar. 27th :**  
 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. RE - FLC & GYM-SCH Main Bldg.  
 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Grupo de Oración – POR 406  
 8:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. English Choir - FLC 301

**TUESDAY, Mar. 28th :**  
 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. BSA Troop 507- POR 406  
 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Parish Retreat - Church  
 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Neo-Catechum 6<sup>th</sup> Comm – POR 403  
 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. RCIA - FLC 302,303,304  
 7:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. St. John Paul II Youth – FLC 301  
 7:30p.m.-9:30 p.m. Neo Catechumenate 5<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Comm. - Gym  
 8:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Grupo de Oración - FLC 304  
 8:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Catechum 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Comm - FLC 303

**WEDNESDAY, Mar. 29th :**  
 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. RE - FLC 302  
 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Parish Retreat - Church  
 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Choir-Spanish 12 p.m.- FLC 301  
 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Neo-Catechumenate 4<sup>th</sup> Comm. – FLC 303  
 8:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Neo-Catechumenate 8<sup>th</sup> Comm. – FLC 304

**THURSDAY, Mar. 30th :**  
 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Parish Retreat - Church  
 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. RE - FLC & Gym  
 8:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. IC Men’s Group – FLC 304  
 8:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Spanish choir 5:30 p.m. – FLC 301

**FRIDAY, Mar. 31st :**  
 7:00 p.m.-9:15 p.m. Divine Mercy - FLC 304  
 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Grupo de Oración - FLC 302  
 7:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Spanish Choir 2:30 p.m. Mass - FLC 301  
 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Hispanic Lectors Practice - FLC 303

**SATURDAY, Apr. 1st :**  
 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Jóvenes – FLC 304 & Cafeteria

**May they Rest in Peace:** † Irene Stalets, Roberto García, Patricia Marie Ray, Rosanna Romo-Coronado, Raul Treviño, Jr. Pat Ironside, Robert J. Leahy, and Harris Hopkins

**Pray for those in special need:** Tom and Scott Stalets, Rosemary Oden, Leonel Rodríguez, Johnny Herrera, Raúl Samora, Hanna Rosenfelder, Dorothy Reeder, Dolores Muñoz, Amanda Mancilla, Carmen Rodríguez, Evie Goris, Carlos Aguilar, Elva Topete, Julián Escamilla, Doroteo Rivas, Roberto Herrera, Obdulia Prado, David López, Jr. Edgar Omar Gurrosquieta, Douglas Maconachie, Martha García, Trudy Bentle, Helen Méndez, Mercedes Salazar, María Soto, Francisco Gómez, María Narvarez, Maurice Herrera, Trino Reyes, Eduvina Tambunga Michael Vásquez, Eduardo Orellana, Antonio Guzmán, Elia Gutiérrez, and Don Newby



*The Sanctuary Light*  
*For next week,*  
*Is offered by Jesus Mendoza*  
*For the Hispanic*  
*Ministers of the Eucharist*

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:

### Office Hours- Monday, Wednesday and Thursday

9:00 - 12:00 noon and 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

### Tuesday

9:00 - 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

### Closed on Friday

972-264-8385

We are in need of Catechists. If you think God is calling you to announce the Gospel and share your faith with your neighbors, don't wait any longer. The time is now. Please stop by or call the office.

#### Are you:

- \* A person who has not been baptized and would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, with the possibility of becoming Catholic?
- \* A Baptized Christian of another denomination who would like to learn about and possibly join the Catholic faith?
- \* A Baptized Roman Catholic who has not received Eucharist or Confirmation and would like to become a full participant in the life of the Church?
- \* A child over the age of seven who has never been baptized?

Is there someone you know who has been away from the Catholic Church?

Is there someone you know interested in becoming Catholic?

We invite you to experience the welcoming process into the Church – the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) or Children (RCIC). If this is you, why wait any longer to join the largest family in the world? Learn more about Jesus and His plan for you. To know, love and serve Him. We miss you and welcome you back with open arms! Questions? Please contact Immaculate Conception: RCIA Director Cecilia Tanaka, phone 972-264-8385 ext. 21 email - ctanaka@icgrandprairie.org or visit [www.icgrandprairie.org](http://www.icgrandprairie.org).

## NO PARKING IN HANDICAP SPACES

Please note there is no parking in handicap spaces on Sundays unless you have a permit. The police will be giving tickets for unauthorized parking in handicap spaces.

## The Beginning Experience

Are you, or is someone you know, struggling after the loss of a marriage partner? The Beginning Experience is a peer ministry for widowed, separated, or divorced individuals. It is a weekend program to help move from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning of hope for the future. Rooted in the Catholic tradition, this ministry is open to men and women of all faiths. The next weekend retreat will be held April 21-23, 2016 at the Catholic Conference and Formation Center in Dallas. To register please call or text our voicemail number at (682) 233-3946, or e-mail the DFW Beginning Experience Team at [beginningexperiencedfw@gmail.com](mailto:beginningexperiencedfw@gmail.com). Additional information can be found at [www.beginningexperiencedfw.org](http://www.beginningexperiencedfw.org).

## Parish Lenten Retreat

Tuesday, March 28 – Thursday, March 30th  
Starting with the 6:00 p.m. Mass

## Alms Giving during Lent

Please remember Fr. Joseph's suggestion about giving \$1.00 a day during Lent for those in need. This will be collected at Easter Vigil and all the Masses on Easter Sunday.

## Immigration workshop:

We will be offering an Immigration workshop for those who are seeking permanent residence, adjust status or for any questions that you might have about immigration. This will be on April 4, 2017 from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. in the Gym.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL

You can make a difference reaching out to others. St. Vincent de Paul suggests as part of your Corporal Mercy, bringing a can of food each time you come to Mass.

You can be the difference in our parish. Spread the word and also reap the benefits of a joyful heart.

**Our pantry is open for food distribution on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month.**

**Hours of operation are 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

The person must live within the zip codes 75050 and 75051  
(Closings will be posted on the door of the pantry.)



### PLEASE NOTE:

**For the Month of April The St. Vincent De Paul Pantry will be opened on the 8th of April only.**

All donations for St. Vincent de Paul should be dropped off on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at the St. Vincent de Paul portable.

Thank you for your help.

I.C. Hospitality/Bereavement Committee serves our parish by providing food for funerals and in emergency situations (fire, surgery, etc). Please prayerfully consider signing up to serve our brothers and sisters at I.C. We need you! Please contact Rhonda Benavides to sign up, you can call, text or e-mail. 817-715-8235 – Rhondaalrachel@yahoo.com

## Lenten Fish Fry Dinners

Lent is upon us and we will be selling the tickets for Lisa's Chicken and Seafood at \$10.00 a ticket. Tickets for the dinner on Friday, March 24th will be sold today. Dinners for the upcoming Fridays will be sold every Sunday during Lent. Fish Fry tickets must be purchased in advance starting today. No purchases at the door.

There will be a Come and See weekend at Holy Trinity Seminary for men 17+ years old on March 30-April 2, 2017. This is an opportunity for men who wish to discern their vocation more seriously by experiencing the daily life of a seminarian. They will experience the seminary's routine of prayer, classes, meals and brotherhood with other men seeking after the Lord's will in their life. Please contact the Office of Vocations for more information 214-379-2860

<b>Week of:</b> Mar. 18 & 19	<b>Weekly Collection</b> \$ 8,773.55	<b>Adj. Year to Date</b> \$ 340,565.04
<b>Week of:</b> Mar. 18 & 19	<b>Children's Collection</b> \$ 157.61	<b>Adj. Year to Date</b> \$ 5,377.91
<b>Week of:</b> Mar. 18 & 19	<b>Capital Improvement Fund</b> \$ 16.00	<b>Adj. Year to Date</b> \$ 55,002.93
<b>Week of:</b> Mar. 18 & 19	<b>Catholic Relief Services</b> \$ 1,096.21	

## Sponsor of the Week:

