

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 17, 2016**

It is [Christ] whom we proclaim,  
admonishing everyone and teaching  
everyone with all wisdom, that we may  
present everyone perfect in Christ.—  
*Colossians 1:28b*



**Immaculate Conception Catholic Church**

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**Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00 P.M.  
Reconciliation Service at 4:30 P.M.**

**Sunday Mass at 9:00 A.M.  
Reconciliation at 8:30 A.M.**

**Daily Masses**

**Monday thru Friday, Mass at 12 Noon**

**Adoration - every 1st Friday of the month  
from 11 a.m. to 12 noon.**

**Anointing Mass - every 3rd Friday of the  
month at 12 noon.**

**CCD Classes, Sunday at 10:00 a.m.**

**CYO, Wednesday at 6:00 P.M.**

**OFFICE HOURS**

**Tuesday -Thursday: 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.**

**Home Phone for Lynn Kyle 662-242-1829**

**For Virginia Johnson 662-605-0323 (new no.)**

**Program for the Year of Mercy**

During the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis reminds us that the Church as a whole is called to mercy. He said, "I am convinced that the whole Church will find in this Jubilee the joy needed to rediscover and make fruitful the mercy of God, with which all of us are called to give consolation to every man and woman of our time."

The 10 Acts of Mercy are 1) Feed the hungry; 2) Care for the sick and the elderly; 3) Help the homeless; 4) Welcome the stranger; 5) Visit the prisoner; 6) Accompany the dying; 7) Comfort the suffering; 8) Invite others to discern; 9) Offer forgiveness; and 10) Pray for each other.

The Liturgy Committee of our Parish proposes the following for the Year of Mercy:

- 1: Special insistence on the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- 2: Special pilgrimage to churches where the Holy Doors of Mercy are open.
- 3: Prayer of Mercy to be said after receiving the Holy Communion in every Mass.
- 4: A Special drive to bring back the fallen Catholics of our Church.
- 5: Identify the needy of our parishioners and provide them material and spiritual help.

Therefore we are called by Pope Francis to be active participants by doing works of mercy for those in need. We have several members of our parish who need our prayers and help as they are currently going through difficult times.

Special offerings envelopes for parishioners in need are provided in the pews. Next week we will have a second collection for the needy. If you want to specify whom you would like to help you may do so, otherwise the funds will be used as the needs arise. Please be generous, not only with your gifts of charity, but with your prayers as well.

Also if you are aware of any parishioners that need our help and prayer, please notify Father Basani or the office.

**Collections July 9th & 10th, 2016**

Regular Collection	\$2386.80.
Parishioner Needs	\$ 42.00

**Lay Ministers**

**Servers for Mass July 23rd & 24th**

**Lector: Cathy Johnson**

**Altar Servers: Aidan Hanson, Drake Flowers,**

**Communion: Susan Portera, Debra Brock,**

**Mary Frances Waldrep**

**Ushers: Joe Portera, Joe Waldrep**

**Gift Bearers: John & Ann Smith**

**Lector: Debbie Cunningham**

**Altar Servers: Elliott Shaw,**

**Victoria McTaggart**

**Communion: Kathy Elliott, Theresa Jolly**

**Ushers: Gary Cunningham, Vance Bristow ,**

**Gift Bearers: The Doug Shaw Family**

For: Jamie & Laura Long  
July 18

For: Mrs. Ethyl Mitchener  
& Jacob Pongetti

July 19

By: Kathy Knighten



**PASTOR'S CORNER:**

A special thanks for Frank and Maryann Pokorny for preparing the laminated prayer cards for the Year of Mercy. God bless them for their commitment to our Church.

**Don't Forget the Poor**

**PRAY DAILY**

Each Christian needs half an hour of prayer each day, except when we are busy; then we need an hour.

—St. Francis de Sales

*JULY BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES*

Madison Collier	1	Clark Cliett	20
Debbie Cunningham	1	Anna Raley	22
Lillian Cothren	2	Favian Lemus	23
Ana Sanchez	4	Kay Beggerly	24
Judson Bristow	7	Aidan Henson	25
Molly Mitchener	8	Susan Lummus	25
John Robert Wilbourne	8	Christena Moreno	25
Drake Flowers	10	Becky Dimino	27
Carson Collier	19	Jose Lemus	31

*ANNIVERSARIES*

*James & Sue Thigpen July 3  
Vance & Stephanie Bristow July 13  
Major & Omega Larkin July 23*

*Coming Events*

**Father Basani will be in Tupelo for Deanery meeting on Thursday, July 21st. There will be no Mass that day.**

**The Young at Heart will meet for a covered dish meal on July 23 after Mass in the parish hall. Those interested in attending, please call Debbie Dichiara at 295-3439.**

**WATCH YOUR POSTURE**

Our posture is often a tip-off to our hospitality and reverence for the Lord. Note the actions of Abraham as he greeted the Lord in the presence of three men who appeared near his tent. He ran from the entrance of the tent to greet them. He bowed to the ground as he met them. He and Sarah, his wife, hastened to prepare a meal and bring food and water to their guests.

In the Gospel story, Jesus' friend Mary sat at his feet in order to listen to him speak.

How do we welcome and reverence the Lord? What do our actions show? Do we remember the Lord's presence in the Blessed Sacrament? How do we welcome the Lord in the scripture readings? How do we acknowledge his presence in our brothers and sisters, both at Mass and afterwards?

Whether we kneel, stand, or sit in the Lord's presence, may our hearts and minds always be attuned to him.

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