Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church

A Roman Catholic Community of African American Tradition

"We've Come This Far By Faith"



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Mission Statement: The Parish of Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's is a Roman Catholic faith community whose worship reflects and celebrates the cultural gifts and diversity of its members. We welcome all believers to worship God, love one another, evangelize the good news of Jesus Christ and serve those in need.

June 18, 2023 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time



The kingdom of heaven is a hand.

God's heart has been moved with pity for us throughout salvation history. God sees us in our wanderings, like sheep without a shepherd. Our readings today weave together a tender saga of God's loving care as he works to gather us back unto himself.

Sunday Mass ~ 9:00 a.m.

Holy Days: Consult bulletin or call the office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: By Appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage: Pre-Cana is a Diocesan Requirement. Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance.

Baptism: Please call the office to make arrangements.

Catechumenate: Adults interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church, please call the office.

Sunday, June 18, 2023

Mass Intentions

For All Living & Deceased Fathers



Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl & Phyllis Barnes, Fr. Robert Bradler, Fr. Giles Conwill, Tom Degnan, Morris Doucette, Tom Fugate, Denise McGowan, Carolyn Walker, Alice Walters

Bible Readings for Sunday, June 18, 2023

Exodus 19:2-6a Romans 5:6-11 Matthew 9:36—10:8



Bible Readings for Sunday, June 25, 2023

Jeremiah 20:10-13 Romans 5:12-15 Matthew 9:36-10:8

LECTOR SCHEDULE

<u>Sunday, June 18, 2023</u> Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

<u>Sunday, June 25, 2023</u> Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver



A Father's Day Prayer

We give thanks, God, for the fathers in our lives. We ask you to bless our fathers for the many times they reflected

your love, strength, generosity, wisdom, and mercy to their children. Bless those men who have "fathered" us in their role as mentors and guides. Bless those men who are about to become fathers; may they openly delight in their children. And bless those fathers who have died but live on in our memory and whose love continues to nurture us. Amen!

Offerings for June 11, 2023

Attendance: 59

Online Giving: \$170

Offerings: \$2,644

Online Givers: 3

Catholic Communications Campaign: \$335

Thank you for your generous support.

June

Sun. June 18	Father's Day
Mon. June 19	Juneteenth—Office Closed
Sat. June 24	St. Joseph's House of Hospitality

June Christian Action

Appreciate your father, grandfather, brother, son, male colleague, neighbor, etc.



Show them your love in a special way.



Mass Intentions can be scheduled for 2023. Please call or stop by the office to schedule Mass Intentions. The offering is \$10.



Thank You for Supporting the CMA!

The 2022-2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal has closed. We achieved 140.67% of our CMA Goal, raising \$12,660 from 38 donors. Special thanks to all the Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's parishioners who supported the CMA this year with their gifts and prayers. Through you, Christ's light is shining bright on our parish and in our Diocese!

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God Bless Fathers! Happy Father's Day



The parish office will be closed on Monday, June 19th in observance of the Juneteenth Holiday.

Celebrate Juneteenth!

Corn Hill Arts Festival

Saturday, July 8, 2022 ~ 10 am—6 pm Sunday, July 9, 2022 ~ 10 am—5 pm

Juneteenth

In 1863, during the American Civil War, Pres.<u>Abraham Lincoln</u> issued the Emancipation Proclamation, which



declared more than three million slaves living in the Confederate states to be free. More than two years would pass, however, before the news reached African Americans living in Texas. It was not until Union soldiers arrived in Galveston, Texas, on June 19, 1865, that the state's residents finally learned that slavery had been abolished. The former slaves immediately began to celebrate with prayer, feasting, song, and dance.

The following year, on June 19, the first official Juneteenth celebrations took place in Texas. The original observances included prayer meetings and the singing of spirituals, and celebrants wore new clothes as a way of representing their newfound freedom. Within a few years, African Americans in other states were celebrating the day as well, making it an annual tradition. Celebrations have continued across the United States into the 21st century and typically include prayer and religious services, speeches, educational events, family gatherings and picnics, and festivals with music, food, and dancing.

Juneteenth became a state holiday in Texas in 1980, and a number of other states subsequently followed suit. In 2021 Juneteenth was made a federal holiday. The day is also celebrated outside the United States, being used by organizations in a number of countries to recognize the end of slavery and to honor the culture and achievements of African Americans.

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