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The Most Rev. Glen John Provost, D.D., M.A.  
Bishop of Lake Charles

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
CATHEDRAL PARISH**  
Established December 8, 1869

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**CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**JULY 5, 2020**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday	4:00 PM (Anticipated)
Sunday	7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:15 AM
Monday—Friday	12:05 PM

**Extraordinary Form:**

Sunday	5:00 PM High Mass
Monday	5:30 PM Low Mass
Tuesday—Friday	7:00 AM Low Mass

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

Monday—Thursday 11:30 AM—Noon  
Friday 11:00 AM—Noon  
Saturday 3:00 PM—3:55 PM  
30 minutes before all Weekend Masses

**NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP**

Before 12:05 Mass on Tuesday

**HOLY HOUR OF REPARATION**

Thursday 11:00 PM—Midnight

Ordination 2020

By Pamela Seal, Diocese of Lake Charles

God’s call to five men overcame many twists and turns in recent months leading up to the Sacrament of Holy Orders on Saturday, June 27, in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

The ordinations of the Rev. Samuel Bond, Rev. Joseph Caraway, Rev. Andrew DeRouen and Rev. Levi Thompson to the priesthood — the largest number of priests to be ordained at one time in the 40-year history of the Diocese of Lake Charles — was a reminder that God’s grace always prevails, even amidst a pandemic. Joining these four men on his own priestly journey was Rev. Mr. Michael Beverung as he was ordained a transitional deacon. With God’s grace, he will be ordained to the priesthood in 2021.

His Excellency, The Most Reverend Glen John Provost, Bishop of Lake Charles, was the ordaining prelate for the invitation-only Mass that was streamed live on social media and through the diocesan website. In his homily, Bishop Provost stressed the importance of Wisdom from the Book of Sirach.

“A priest must be humble enough to admit his weakness, courageous enough to act on the truth, prudent enough to judge when he must speak, and patient enough to know when he must be silent,” he said. “All of this requires Wisdom, a Wisdom which you do not possess, that comes from God, and that remains a gift.

“A priest needs this Wisdom in abundance,” Bishop Provost continued, “especially in this challenging world. ... The greater the challenge, the more is required of your response. This is the work of Wisdom.”

He also reminded the ordinands of the important role prayer plays in their vocation. “As Pope Benedict in the Year for Priests reminded us, people look to the priest to be an expert in prayer,” said Bishop Provost. “Through his example of prayer and personal relationship with God, the priest informs us that God is not some philosophical abstraction but a deeply personal God who touches our hearts, minds, and souls.”

At the conclusion of his remarks, Bishop Provost expressed what a happy day it was for the Diocese of Lake Charles saying, “United with family and friends, bishop and priests, deacons and religious, we all rejoice in the graces that will flow at the opening of Wisdom’s arms and the embrace of Christ, the bridegroom of his Church.”

The collective gathering of priests, including several retired servants of God, was a visible reminder of their selfless vocation in service to others.

Bishop Provost expressed his congratulations to all the families of the newly ordained saying that the call to priest-

hood issues forth from family life by creating a fertile ground of prayer. He also acknowledged the clergy in the Diocese of Lake Charles thanking his brother priests for all their good work.

The four newly ordained priests offered blessings individually to Bishop Provost. They will each take up their assignments as parochial vicars effective July 1, as announced by the Very Rev. Ruben Villarreal:

- ◆ Father Bond at the Cathedral in Lake Charles
- ◆ Father Caraway at St. Henry Parish in Lake Charles
- ◆ Father DeRouen at St. Theodore Parish in Moss Bluff and St. Pius X Parish in Ragley
- ◆ Father Thompson at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish in Lake Charles
- ◆ Deacon Beverung will serve his diaconate internship at St. Philip Neri Parish in Kinder.



Bishop Provost is joined by the four priests and one transitional deacon he ordained during the June 27 Mass in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Shown, from left, are Rev. Andrew DeRouen, Rev. Levi Thompson, Bishop Provost, Rev. Joseph Caraway, Rev. Samuel Bond, and Rev. Mr. Michael Beverung.

Welcome to our Cathedral Family, Father Sam Bond!



Hello Cathedral Parish! I am so excited to begin my priestly ministry at this parish. Over the years I have really grown attached to this parish serving here while in the Vianney House, staying in residence while taking Summer classes, serving during my diaconate internship, and finally beginning my priestly ministry here! I can’t wait to see what the next few years will bring.

Please continue to pray for me that I fulfill the work that God is calling me to with the vigor, excitement, and fidelity God is calling me to!

In loving memory...

**Kelvin Ray Brown,**  
father of Randy Wilfer,  
died on June 17, 2020

**Wilhelmina "Willie" Derby,**  
mother of Theresa Barnatt,  
died on June 27, 2020

We pray that they will find peace and joy in the presence of Our Lord. We extend our sincere sympathy to their families and to all who mourn their deaths.



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn the month of July for **Sister Clare Cramer, O.Carm. Dr. Charles D. "Chick" White**



We encourage those who wish to join our Parish to complete a Family Registration form. You can download the form from our website ([immaculateconceptioncathedral.com](http://immaculateconceptioncathedral.com)), or call the church office (436-7251) and one will be mailed to you.

Active membership for school subsidy, wedding fees, etc. is determined by your registration status, faithful attendance at Mass, and support of our parish through your contributions.

### Confirmation Preparation 2020-2021

If your child is entering the 11<sup>th</sup> Grade and desires Confirmation, please follow the link here:

<https://forms.gle/ZoXmPhc2BHxRDbrQ7>

to enroll your student. The fee for the year is \$20.00 to cover the cost of the book. Make checks payable to Immaculate Conception Cathedral and write "Confirmation 2020-2021" on the memo line. You may also pay online at [immaculateconceptioncathedral.com](http://immaculateconceptioncathedral.com) and note Confirmation 2020-2021. If you mail or drop off your envelope, please notate "Confirmation Attn: Deacon Fontenot". Please enroll by or before July 31, 2020 so that we may plan accordingly.

### Adult Confirmation...Still not Confirmed?

If you are an adult and wish to learn more about the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact the Cathedral office at 337-436-7251 or email [iccathedral@structurex.net](mailto:iccathedral@structurex.net).



Come over to the Ave Maria Hall today after all the Masses this weekend and meet our new Associate Pastor, Father Sam Bond!

Our assisted listening devices will soon be available for use in the church. We are missing a few so if you have one of them at home, please return it to the Cathedral office.



We would like to determine how many people will be in need of the device. If you would like one, please call the office at 436-7251 and give your name and phone number or email us at [iccathedral@structurex.net](mailto:iccathedral@structurex.net).

Due to COVID-19, we will provide the base device and have the ear buds for sale so that you can safely use them over and over. More information will follow once we have the system operational.

### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

The Cathedral office will close at noon on Fridays until September 4.



**Thank you to the many families who signed up for our Online Giving at our website:**

**[immaculateconceptioncathedral.com](http://immaculateconceptioncathedral.com)**

If you manage your bills online, we're sure you'll like the convenience of online giving. It's safe and secure, and you decide exactly when your gift is made and where it goes!

During these uncertain times you may also mail your donations to 935 Bilbo Street, Lake Charles, LA 70601 or drop them in the mail slot on our office door.

### Offertory Collections:

June 21, 2020...\$9,873.66

(Collection—\$6148.66) (Online...\$3725.)

The second collection this weekend will be for the Building Fund.





If you would like to add someone to the list please email their name(s) to: [iccathedral@structurex.net](mailto:iccathedral@structurex.net). You may include their rank and branch of service.

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SAINT MARIA GORETTI (1890-1902)  
 July 6



Does anything match a mother's pride in her children? First Communion, confirmations, graduations, weddings: how these delight a mother's heart!

Imagine, then, Assunta Goretti, the only mother ever to attend her child's canonization! In poverty-stricken rural Italy, widowed Assunta tended fields for the Serenelli family, whose eighteen-year-old son, Alessandro, propositioned her barely twelve-year-old Maria; then, when she resisted,

crying, "It is a sin! God forbids it!" he stabbed her fourteen times. As she lay dying, Maria assured the attending priest, "Yes, I forgive Alessandro! I want him to be in Paradise with me someday."

Imprisoned, unrepentant, Alessandro changed after dreaming that a radiant Maria had offered him fourteen lilies. "I've kept my promise," she smiled. "You'll be here with me someday." Upon release, he rushed to beg Assunta's forgiveness. "Jesus has forgiven you," she replied, "my Maria, too. How can I refuse?" Next morning, mother and murderer walked arm in arm to church and knelt side by side for Communion.

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**ATTENDING MASS DURING THE PANDEMIC RESTRICTIONS/REMINDERS/SUGGESTIONS**

- ◆ Per Bishop Provost: "The dispensation from the obligation to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligations remains in effect. Those experiencing symptoms should seek medical attention and remain at home."
- ◆ If you are not feeling well, or if someone in your family is ill, please do not attend Mass.
- ◆ Holy water is provided in small containers at each entrance. Please limit one per family so that everyone may get one.
- ◆ To adhere to social distancing, do not sit in the roped off pews.
- ◆ It is highly recommended, but not mandatory, that a mask be worn.
- ◆ Please avoid touching the pews or other church surfaces unnecessarily (*ushers/volunteers must thoroughly disinfect after each Mass*).
- ◆ There will be separate communion lines for receiving in the hand or on the tongue.
- ◆ No singing by the congregation is allowed.
- ◆ No missalettes.
- ◆ The sign of peace is temporarily suspended.
- ◆ Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are not to distribute Communion.
- ◆ Do not use the drinking fountain in the foyer of the day chapel.

Given the circumstances, Bishop Provost is providing this prayer for the use of the faithful:

**An Act of Spiritual Communion**

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

(You may make this Act of Spiritual Communion anytime you need it and as often as you need it.)

# Friendly Reminders



## Happenings in the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Our Cathedral Parish is blessed to have many active ministry and service groups. However, with our limited meeting space it is very important that you call the Cathedral office to have your activity put on our official church calendar. Please don't assume that there is an available space for your activity!

Please remember that while you are on vacation you may make your donations to the Cathedral online ([immaculateconceptioncathedral.com](http://immaculateconceptioncathedral.com))

The Cathedral's website donation link now has a comment section. You may let us know if your donation should be applied to a collection other than the offertory.



If you haven't been receiving our Flocknotes, please email : [help@flocknote.com](mailto:help@flocknote.com) and they will make sure you get back on!

If you haven't signed up for the Cathedral's Flocknote yet, we urge you to register **so that you can keep up with our news, latest developments and more.** You can either visit [flocknote.com/iccathedral](http://flocknote.com/iccathedral) or text **ICCATHEDRAL** to **84576** from your cell phone to subscribe. Then follow instructions from there. Flocknote is free, safe, secure, and your personal information will not be sold to 3rd parties. You can unsubscribe at any time, but please give it a try!

**Formed is a valuable resource for your homeschooling, religious ed, study and entertainment!** Don't forget to access [formed.org](http://formed.org), the Cathedral's gift to you! Go to [formed.org](http://formed.org), enter our parish code on the homepage: **J8M3GP**, create a personal account with your email and password. Start enjoying inspiring movies and video series, Catholic ebooks, and audio presentations. The best Catholic content is all in one place...and it's free!



Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

**Home School & Public School Parishioners:** We are proud of all our students who are parishioners of the Cathedral and we want to include them in our bulletin! If you have any news to share, please send it to us by Tuesday afternoons as we have to submit the bulletin to the publisher on Wednesday mornings. Email it to: [iccathedral@structurex.net](mailto:iccathedral@structurex.net) or drop it by the church office.

### Office of Vocations Events at Camp Karol

**Fuse** will be a one-day event held at Camp Karol to introduce **young men in high school** to tools for discerning a vocation to the priesthood. Priests and seminarians will be present to share their experiences. Mass, Adoration and the Liturgy of the Hours will all be celebrated. We'll also have a chance for some recreation and competition.

**Who:** Guys in high school

**When:** July 20, 2020 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

**Silence, A Day of Reflection**, will be a one day silent retreat held at Camp Karol to assist **young male adults** in discerning a vocation to the priesthood. Priests and seminarians will be present to share their experiences and guide the conferences. Mass, Adoration and the Liturgy of the Hours will all be celebrated.

**Who:** Young male adults 18+

**When:** July 21, 2020 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

**There is no cost to attend either event and lunch will be provided. Register at [lcvocations.com](http://lcvocations.com).**



The Office of Family Life of the Diocese of Lake Charles is helping the *Ruth Institute* to promote its **Third Annual Awards Dinner and Summit for Survivors of the Sexual Revolution**. It will take place at Treasures of Marilyn's in Lake Charles on July 17-18, 2020.

These three main issues will be covered:

Pornography: confronting porn at home and in public policy; Confronting the Gender ideology: dealing with gender dysphoria and same sex attraction; Childhood sexual abuse: facts and recovery.

For more information and registration please visit: [ruthinstitute.org/summit-2020](http://ruthinstitute.org/summit-2020)

**Catholic Charities: For food assistance**, visit Catholic Charities from 9 a.m. to noon Monday – Thursday, at 1225 Second Street, Lake Charles. **For other assistance** including rent, utilities, funerals or medication, call the office on Mondays at 337-439-7436 to apply. **To make a monetary donation**, mail to 1225 Second Street, Lake Charles LA 70601 or visit the website at [www.catholiccharitiesswla.com](http://www.catholiccharitiesswla.com) and click on the Donate Now button. **Food donations** are accepted between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday – Thursday. If you would like to donate food for the pantry, please consider ordering from their Amazon Wishlist or dropping off cans directly to Catholic Charities, 1225 2nd Street.

**Salus Populi Romani**  
**Protectress and Health of the Roman People**  
**Prayer against the Coronavirus**

*O Mary, you shine continuously along our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.*

*We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the Cross were near to the pain of Jesus, keeping your faith firm.*

*You, Salvation of the Roman people, know what we need, and we trust that you will provide for those needs so that, as at Cana of Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us, He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and took up our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.*

*We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.*

**Prayer for Safety in Hurricane Season**

*O God, Master of this passing world, Hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of the land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy and overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season, we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem where stormless eternity awaits us. Amen*

**+The Most Reverend Maurice Schexnayder**  
**2nd Bishop of Lafayette**

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

A Pre-Baptism class must be attended before the celebration of Baptism. These classes are held the 4th Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September and November. Arrangements for celebration of Baptism may be made by calling the parish office after having attended the Baptism Class.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Arrangements should be made at least six (6) months before the wedding date by calling the parish office. An appointment must be made for a pre-marriage interview.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS.**

An ongoing process of formation and education is provided for anyone who is interested in inquiring into the Roman Catholic faith. The RCIA process is available throughout the year to those who are seeking initiation into the church as well as for those non Catholics seeking more information about the Roman Catholic church. Information concerning participation in the RCIA process may be obtained through the parish office.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**July 6—12**

Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-9; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-10; Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-7; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16; Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17; Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33

Sunday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10-14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 [1-9]



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**SATURDAY, July 4...(4:00 p.m.)**—Gladys & Delma Devillier; Julie Stutes Moon; Rita & Jessie Stutes; Hidalgo & Fazio Families (living & deceased); Annette Pronia; Leneta Boudreaux.

**SUNDAY, July 5...(7:30)**—"Pro Populo" (For the People)

**(9:30)**—Dena & Fred Nodier; Concetta & Curtis Cardone, Sr.; Curtis Cardone, Jr.; Bev Wise; Larry Miller; Valma & Dalbert Burleigh; Emmadell Bodin Hay; Erlinda & Joselito Tolentino; L. D. Gervais; Edgar Gervais; Alex Miller; Enos Miller; Dulva Derouen; John Derouen; Ursan Miller; Edgar Gervais; R. A. Stoma; Butras Stoma; H. R. Stoma Family.

**(11:15)**—Hayley, Andrew & Arthur Yearby (living).

**(5:00 P.M. Extraordinary Form)**—Robichaux & Robert Families.

**MONDAY, July 6... (12:05)**—Vickie Denison (living).

**(5:30 p.m., Extraordinary Form)**—Stuart Caraway (living).

**TUESDAY, July 7...(12:05)**—Eleanor & James "T-Boy" Johnson.

**WEDNESDAY, July 8...(12:05)**—Flora Belle, Alvin & Donnell Trahan.

**THURSDAY, July 9...(12:05)**—Sister Clare Cramer, O.Carm.

**FRIDAY, July 10.....(12:05)**—Sue & Joseph Scurria.

**SATURDAY, July 11...(4:00 p.m.)**—Ione "Tookey" Vincent; Joy Gaspard; E. J. Gaspard; Kenny Loane; Tarry Franck; Ragan Gaspard & Family (living); Keri Burke & Family (living); Souls in Purgatory.

**SUNDAY, July 12...(7:30)**—"Pro Populo" (For the People)

**(9:30)**—Enos Miller Family; Ryan Skrnich; Gauthreaux, Gremillion, Percle & Woods Family; L. D. Gervais Family

**(11:15)**—Blake Broussard (living).

**(5:00 P.M. Extraordinary Form)**—Matthew Wyninger.

## PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS WHO ARE ILL

Sondra Abraham; Rosa Adams; Sam Ange, Jr.; Jenna, Aden, Grace, David Babcock; James M. Bailey; Gloria Bennett; Charles Benoit; June Benoit; Donald Blanchard; Robert Boudreaux; Melanie Bowles; Chandra Broussard; Dean Broussard; Kylan Broussard; Stephen Broussard; Turner Brumby; Jerry Cain; Emily Carleton; Teresa Chapoy; Ada Cochran; Denise Collette; Thad Crouch; Betty Daigle; Wade Davis; Vickie Denison; Claudia Dyle; Charles Elter; Dee Elter; Bill Ferguson; Lamont Francisco; Carolyn Gauthreaux; Ty Griffen; Diane Hagerty; Gabriel Hardy; Michelle Hart; Mary Hebert; Stephanie Hinton; Brenda Hoback; Emery Hooper; Anne Hoyer; Jessica Hulin; Georgia Ieyoub; Mary Jeffers; Gary Johnson; Brice Jones; Darrel Jones; Hattie Kadlubar; Janet LaBiche; Cheryl Lecompte; Helen Lecompte; Sarah LeCompte; James Leger; Michael Lee; Della Lemaire; Melanie Lupo; Elizabeth Louviere; Judy Marcantel; Jules Maust; Brett McCaughey; Barbara McCombs; Ray Miles; Elaine Morrow; Betty Mueller; Kenneth Newman; Larry Parker; Chris Percle; Ben Perry; Clifford Raleigh; Oliver "Rick" Richard; William P. Richard; Taylor Rock; Marian Rome; Lathan Russell; Rene Russell; Michael & Marie Scimemi; Cammie Shaddock; Sue Spears; Jaxson Spikes; Chris Stemmann; Rob Stephens; Beau Styron; Darrell Sullivan; Theresa Theriot; Warren Thomas; Betty Trahan; Charlie Viccellio; David Walsh; Aly and Riley Wilkins; Gay Young; Martha Young.

***If you would like to add or remove a name, please call the church office at 436-7251.  
Please let us know if your loved one has recovered or is deceased.***

### **Prayer Intentions for July:**

#### **Pope Francis: Our Families**

We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

#### **Bishop Provost:**

For the recovery of the sick, the comfort of the dying in their final moments, and the reward of everlasting life for the deceased, we pray to the Lord.