

*The Roman Catholic
Communities of
Sts. Peter and Paul,
in Bellville, and
Immaculate Conception,
in Industry*

Sts. Peter & Paul

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

BELLVILLE, TEXAS

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Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday:

8:00 am - 4:00 pm

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8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Sacrament of Marriage

Registration in the parish is required.
Please contact the parish office at
least six months prior to the
anticipated wedding day.

Sacrament of Baptism

Preparation and registration is
required for parents and
godparents. Please contact the
parish office.

Registration Information

We welcome you to come join us in
worship. Please call the parish office
to request a registration form. You
can return the form in in the Sunday
collection. If you have any questions
or if we can be of further service,
please call the parish office.

Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5:00 pm

Sunday - 10:00 am

Tuesday & Thursday - 7:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:15 pm before Mass

Parish Hall - 979-865-8500

Religious Education

Sundays 8:30 am - 9:45 am

Wednesdays 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Kimberly Story – Director

Cynthia Luongo - Youth Minister

979-865-3432

Music Ministry & Cantor - Tim Tlucek

Musician - Chris Nava

Sts. Peter and Paul

Social Services Ministry

979-865-2368

Liturgical Arts & Environment -

Bernice Harlan

Maintenance - Daniel Alanis

Finance Council -

Chuck Scianna, Bobby Pier,
Sammy Pierce, Justin Lischka,
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Pastoral Council -

Vic Perez, Jamie Elick,
Laurie Gaddy, Rose Coody,
Tom Stark, Michele English



Immaculate Conception

CATHOLIC CHURCH - INDUSTRY, TEXAS

15994 Highway 159 West, Industry, Texas 78944

Mass Schedule

Sunday - 8:00 am

Wednesday - 6:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By appointment only.

Parish Hall - 979-357-2831

Religious Education

Sundays 9:15 am - 10:30 am

Emma Jackson - Director

Tomi Beth Drab - Youth Minister

979-357-2830

Music Ministry & Cantor -

Peggy DuPont

Musician - Chris Nava

St. Vincent Society of

Immaculate Conception

979-357-2833

Liturgical Arts & Environment -

Neely Vasicek, Theresa Kopech,
Wava Jackson, Steve Short

Finance Council -

Jamin Swantner, Ed See, Bruce Pilcik,
Mike Drab, Bernie Stephan,
Richard Scalzitti

Pastoral Council -

Mable Meyers, Neely Vasicek,
Matt Menefee, Georgianne Schmid,
Andy Glueck, Chapo Castillo

Sts. Peter and Paul Minister Schedule

Saturday, December 23, 5:00 pm Mass

- Lectors: Barbara Litzmann, Vichelle Estell
- Eucharistic Ministers: Linda Spencer, Jackie Stewart
- Altar Servers: Matthias Litzmann, Zane Litzmann, Harrison Holcomb
- Hospitality: Harlan and Jackie Schrader

Sunday, December 24, 10:00 am Mass

- Lectors: Jeff Spencer, Rebecca Spencer
- Eucharistic Ministers: Alan Cloyd, Arlene Cloyd, Peggy Janicek, Ruth Dinges
- Altar Servers: Brett Linseisen, Blake Linseisen, Derek Stolarski, Ethan Wright
- Hospitality: Daniel and Janelle Cerny, Helen Gabig

Immaculate Conception Minister Schedule

Sunday, December 24, 8:00 am Mass

- Lectors: Eleanor Scalzitti, Cassie Malinowski
- Eucharistic Ministers: Bernie Stephan, Neely Vasicek
- Altar Servers: Jacob Kolwes, Miranda Kolwes, Lukas Sherrard, Levi Malinowski
- Hospitality: Mike and Emma Jackson, Anthonette and Steve Short

This Week's Events

- Sunday, Dec 17 - 8:00 am Industry, Mass
No CCE Bellville
9:30 - 10:45 am Industry, CCE
10:00 am Bellville, Mass
11:30 am - 2:00 pm Bellville, Confirmation Session 3
6:00 pm Bellville, Fuchs Hall, Los Posadas Novena
- Monday, Dec. 18 - **No Women's Bible Study** Bellville
6:00 pm Bellville, Fuchs Hall, Los Posadas Novena
- Tuesday, Dec. 19 - 7:30 am Bellville, Mass
6:00 pm Bellville, Fuchs Hall, Los Posadas Novena
- Wednesday, Dec. 20 - 6:00 – 7:00 pm Bellville, Youth Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm Bellville, Fuchs Hall, Los Posadas Novena
6:15 pm Industry, Rosary
6:30 pm Industry, Mass
No Women's Bible Study Bellville
- Thursday, Dec. 21 - 7:30 am Bellville, Mass
6:00 pm Bellville, Fuchs Hall, Los Posadas Novena
- Friday, Dec. 22 - 6:00 pm Bellville, Fuchs Hall, Los Posadas Novena
- Saturday, Dec. 23 - 5:00 pm Bellville, Mass with Youth Choir
6:00 pm Bellville, Fuchs Hall, Los Posadas Novena
- Sunday, Dec. 24 - 8:00 am Industry, Mass
10:00 am Bellville, Mass
4:00 pm Bellville, Christmas Vigil Mass
7:00 pm Industry, Christmas Vigil Mass

Holiday Breaks

- No Women's Bible Study in Bellville Dec. 18, 2017 – Jan. 1, 2018
- No CCE classes in Bellville Dec. 17, 2017 – Jan. 3, 2018

Mass Intentions for the Week

- Dec. 16 - Alice Hoesel †
Dec. 17 - 8:00 am Industry
Charles Balke Sr. †
10:00 am Bellville
Ike Brzymialkiewicz †
Dec. 19 - Msgr. Francis Wearden †
Dec. 20 – Frank and Gladys Broz †
Dec. 21 - Peggy Dilorio †
Dec. 23 - Carolyn Pierce †
Dec. 24 - 8:00 am Industry
Mary Machinsky †
10:00 am Bellville
Agnes Bashinski †

Flowers and Red Rose

No Flowers or Red Roses during Advent, December 3 - 23.

Proper Undertaking

Never undertake anything for which you would not have the courage to ask the blessings of heaven.

-- Georg C. Lichtenberg.

Catholic Radio at 1430 AM

When you are driving down the road, you can listen to Catholic Radio 24/7 on the Guadalupe Radio Network on 1430 AM.

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent

Thursday: St. Peter Canisius;
Winter begins

Saturday: St. John of Kanty



Bulletin Submissions

To get an item published in the bulletin:

- Send it to our email – communications@stspic.org
- Call 979-865-2368
- Fill out a form in the gathering space and place it in the box.

All submissions are due by noon on the Tuesday before publication.

Weekly Collections and Attendance

Sts. Peter and Paul

- 1st collection - \$ 5,447.00 / 2nd collection \$1,867.00
- Attendance: Dec. 7 - 105 / Dec. 9 - 149 / Dec. 10 – N/A

Immaculate Conception

- 1st collection - \$2,510.00 / 2nd collection \$825.00
- Attendance: Dec. 8 – 134 / Dec. 10 - 162

Christmas Tree of Giving in Industry

The Christmas Tree of Giving is a local Austin County organization formed by Immaculate Conception Church and Industry United Methodist Church. It distributes Christmas gifts to low-income families with children under the age of 15 who live in the West End area of Austin County and attend Bellville ISD. It is staffed entirely by volunteers and relies completely on donations of money, gifts and time.

If you would like to sponsor a child or to partner with friends and adopt a family, the gift tags will be on the Christmas tree in the back of Immaculate Conception Church. Instructions on how to fill out tags will be on the tree. Please remember to leave top portion of tag in the basket by the tree. Place unwrapped in gift bags with the tag by Monday, December 18, 2017. If you would like to donate money or volunteer your time, contact Emma Jackson.

Pre-Christmas Bake Sale a Success

A special thank you to everyone who helped with or purchased goods at the Industry Pre-Christmas Bake Sale on December 2. With your participation the bake sale was a success.

Sts. Peter and Paul Anniversary Preparations

Jeff Spencer is collecting material to help celebrate the upcoming 50th anniversary of the April 21, 1968, dedication of the current church and rectory. If you have any old photographs or other historic information regarding the early years of the current Sts. Peter and Paul church, or earlier church buildings, please contact Jeff. All submitted materials will be copied and returned.

Industry CCE Classes

There will be CCE classes in Industry on December 17.



Have You Considered Going on Retreat?

The men and women of Immaculate Conception and Sts. Peter and Paul parishes are invited to go on retreats at the Holy Name Passionist Retreat Center in Houston. The women's retreat will be February 23 – 25, 2018. Please contact Susan Huff for information. The men's retreat will be January 19 – 21, 2018. Please contact Christophe Gay or Mark Husband for information.

Today's Readings

First Reading — As a garden makes its growth spring up, so will GOD make justice spring up before all the nations (Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11).

Psalm — My soul rejoices in my God (Luke 1:46-50, 53-54).

Second Reading — Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophetic utterances. Test everything; retain what is good (1 Thessalonians 5:16-24).

Gospel — I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord (John 1:6-8, 19-28).

Sts. Peter and Paul Youth Choir – Grades 5-12

- Next Rehearsal: Wednesday, December 20th
 - Time: 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
 - Location: Sts. Peter & Paul Church Choir Area
- For more information, contact Luann McCoy, Director.

Come Join Us!

Christmas Mass Schedule



Sts. Peter & Paul – Bellville

- December 23, Saturday - 5:00 pm
- December 24, Sunday - 10:00 am
4:00 pm Vigil Mass
- December 25, Monday - 9:00 am
- December 30, Saturday - 5:00 pm
- December 31, Sunday - 10:00 am
4:00 pm Vigil Mass

Immaculate Conception – Industry

- December 24, Sunday - 8:00 am
7:00 pm Vigil Mass
- December 31, Sunday - 8:00 am
6:00 pm Vigil Mass

Clergy Corner –

Bring Joy into Our Lives

Recently, I asked the question of someone... "How is it going?"

The response was much more than expected..... "It's going wonderfully".

They continued: "I just saw a manger scene with Jesus, Mary and Joseph, and the Shepherds and sheep nearby.

It was placed in a very conspicuous location in the center of town —a surprising location —and visible day and night"

It has led me to believe that people may be bringing Christ back INTO Christmas.

The biggest impact was not only what they said...but how they said it. There was joy in their voice with a big smile to go with it.

In the midst of all the craziness, chaos, and confrontation, they had found the essence of the Christmas Season — The Joy of the coming of Christ.

The Gospel last week was about John the Baptist, who was "preparing the way" for Christ. The Manger Scene was uplifting in its effect, and helps to "prepare the way" in our own hearts.

As we encounter others during this time of the Advent Season, let us also help them by preparing the way by showing them JOY in our hearts.

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From all of the Clergy we wish you JOY as you prepare for the celebration of Christ's birth.

Deacon Fred

Tidings of Comfort and Joy

Isaiah proclaims truly good news to us! God's coming brings not sadness, guilt, fear, wrath, or condemnation. No, God's coming is a source of comfort and joy. Saying it once is not enough, for today's readings are full of joy. We are urged to rejoice and give thanks, because the coming of the Lord brings joy, healing, liberty, release, vindication. It makes the very earth spring up with new life! Good tidings to all!

Celebrate Christmas with Mary and Joseph

Sts P&P Hosts Bellville's - An Evening at LAS POSADAS
Saturday, Dec. 23rd
6:30pm on the Church grounds.

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE

The Posadas re-enact Mary and Joseph's cold and difficult journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem in search of shelter; in Spanish, the word means "lodging."

Guests gather outside with children dressed as shepherds, angels, Mary and Joseph. An angel leads the procession, followed by Mary and Joseph. The "pilgrims", holding candles, sing a song asking for shelter, and the hosts sing a reply, finally opening the doors to the guests and offering festive foods.

Rosary will be said in English and Spanish. Abuelita (Mexican Hot Chocolate) and Pan Dulce to follow in Fuchs Hall. Party ends with a piñata in the shape of the Christmas star.

Las Posadas is a wonderful way to help children – and all of us – keep the focus of the season on whom and what Christmas celebrates.

The Next Confirmation Session

- Fuchs Hall, Sts. Peter and Paul
- Sunday, December 17th
- 11:30 am – 2:00 pm
- Students Only

Treasures from Our Tradition

Many people think that Saint Francis originated the Christmas crèche, but its origins go far back. The Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome has housed what is said to be relics of the cradle of Jesus since the seventh century. In time, every year during the Christmas season the reliquary (container for relics) was surrounded by an increasingly grand three-dimensional scene of the place of Jesus' birth.

Rocks and trees, houses, streams, figurines of villagers going about their daily tasks were all included. It was a very dramatic presentation. If you have ever seen an elaborate model train installation, you get the idea. The proper term for this depiction is *presepio*, from the Latin word for "surround" or "hedge."

The oldest surviving *presepio* is in St. Mary Major and dates from the thirteenth century, although many pieces have been broken or lost.