

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

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

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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.

**I am a voice
crying out
in the desert**



*Make straight the
way of the Lord
- John 1:23*



Sts. Peter & Paul
 ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

936 South Front Street, Bellville, Texas 77418 – P.O. Box 808 (mailing address)
 Web Page www.stspbellvilletx.org

Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5:00 pm
 Sunday - 10:00 am

Tuesday & Thursday - 7:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:15 pm before Mass

Religious Education

Sun 8:30 - 9:45 am, Wed 7 - 8:30 pm
 Kimberly Harrelson - Director
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 (cynthiaq.luongo@stspic.org)
 979-865-3432

Cantor – Luann McCoy

Music Ministry / Organist - Chris Nava
Sts. Peter and Paul

Social Services Ministry
 979-865-2368

Liturgical Arts & Environment
 Bernice Harlan, Marilyn Zaskoda

Maintenance - Daniel Alanis

Finance Council
 Chuck Scianna, Justin Lischka,
 Keith Linseisen, Michele English,
 Kathy Husband

Pastoral Council
 Jamie Elick, Laurie Gaddy,
 Rose Coody, Gaby Avila



CATHOLIC CHURCH - INDUSTRY, TEXAS

15994 Highway 159 West, Industry, Texas 78944
 P.O. Box 808, Bellville, Texas 77418 (mailing address)

Mass Schedule

Sunday - 8:00 am
 Wednesday - 6:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By appointment only.

Parish Hall - 979-357-2831

Church - 979-357-2829

Religious Education

Sundays 9:15 am - 10:30 am
 Emma Jackson – Director
 (emma.jackson@stspic.org)
 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,
 Tomi Beth Drab, Steve Short

Finance Council
 Jamin Swantner, Pat Balke,
 Carol Bonaccorso, Mike Drab,
 Bernie Stephan

Pastoral Council
 Mable Meyers, Neely Vasicek,
 Matt Menefee, Georgianne Schmid,
 Chapo Castillo

Sts. Peter and Paul Minister Schedule

Saturday, December 19, 5:00 pm Mass

- Lector: Billy Shortner
- Eucharistic Ministers: Jackie Stewart
- Altar Servers: Derek Stolarski
- Hospitality: Hispanic Ministry Team C

Sunday, December 20, 10:00 am Mass

- Lector: Lois Coan
- Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Mewis
- Altar Servers: Lane Lischka
- Hospitality: Jenelle & Daniel Cerny, Laurie & Glenn Gaddy

Immaculate Conception Minister Schedule

Sunday, December 20, 8:00 am Mass

- Lector: Patricia Allee
- Eucharistic Ministers: Steve Short, Jacob Kolwes
- Altar Servers: To Be Announced
- Hospitality: Mike & Emma Jackson, Steve & Anthonette Short

To help at Mass as a Hospitality Minister, Altar Server, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Lector, or Choir Member, please call the Parish Office 979-865-2368.

This Week's Events

- Sunday, Dec 13 - 8 am, Industry, Mass
8:30 - 9:45 am, Bellville, CCE Group B - Advent
9:15 - 10:30 am, Industry, CCE, Retreat forms & fees due
- Tuesday, Dec 15 - 7:30 am, Bellville, **NO MASS**
- Wednesday, Dec 16 - 6:15 pm, Industry, Rosary
6:30 pm, Industry, **NO MASS**
7 - 8:30 pm, Bellville, CCE Group B
- Thursday, Dec 17 - 7:30 am, Bellville, **NO MASS**
- Saturday, Dec 19 5 pm, Bellville, Mass
- Sunday, Dec 20- 8 am, Industry, Mass
8:30 - 9:45 am, Bellville, CCE Group A - Advent
9:15 - 10:30 am, Industry, CCE
10 am, Bellville, Mass

Christmas Mass Schedules

Sts. Peter & Paul and Immaculate Conception Churches will hold Christmas services on Christmas Eve at the following times:

- Sts. Peter & Paul Church
4 pm and 10 pm
- Immaculate Conception Church
7 pm

There will be no Masses held on Christmas Day at either church.

Local Food Pantry Collection

Last Sunday, Sts. Peter & Paul Church held a collection for the Bellville Christian Food Pantry and \$2,298.00 was raised to help the pantry provide food for local families.

- Dec 12 - 5 pm Bellville,
Harvey & Dessie Zaskoda ††
- Dec 13- 8 am Industry
Celestine Kucera †
10 am Bellville
Msgr. Gerry Cernoch †
- Dec 15 7:30 am Bellville
No Mass
- Dec 16 - 6:30 pm Industry
No Mass
- Dec 17 - 7:30 am Bellville
No Mass+
- Dec 19 - 5 pm Bellville
Harry Pawlak †
- Dec 20 - 8 am Industry
Delbertha Luedke †
10 am Bellville
Fr. Joe Koebel †

If you would like to honor a loved one with a Mass offered in their name, please call the Parish Office 979-865-2368.

Flowers and Red Roses

During Advent there are no Flowers or Red Roses in the church.

Immaculate Conception Church - We are currently compiling the Flower and Red Rose lists for next year. If you want to honor a loved one with flowers at Mass in 2021, please contact Neely Vasicek 979-357-4743 or see her after Mass.

Sts. Peter & Paul Church - Sheets are available in the Gathering Space to sign up for flowers or red roses to decorate the church during 2021. Sign up, then go to the florist of your choice to order the flowers, and have them delivered to the church for the date you selected. Contact Bernice Harlan for more information.

Bulletin Submissions

- To get an item published in the bulletin:
- Send it to our email -
"communications@stspic.org"
 - Call 979-865-2368 - select option 5
 - Fill out a form in the gathering space.
- All submissions are due by noon on the Tuesday before publication.

Weekly Collections and Attendance

Sts. Peter and Paul

- Collection: \$8,041.00
- Attendance: Dec 5 - 94 / Dec 6 - 124

Immaculate Conception

- Collection: \$3,496.00
- Attendance: Dec 6 - 84

Make Your Weekly Donation Online

Immaculate Conception Church and Sts. Peter & Paul Church now accept online donations. Visit the Sts. Peter & Paul website, <https://stspbellvilletx.org/> and click on the tab labeled "On-line Giving (Industry)" or "On-line Giving (Bellville)" and follow the prompts.

Fall Festival Collection

The Immaculate Conception Church Fall Festival for 2020 was canceled because of COVID19. To offset the loss of funds, Immaculate Conception held a special collection to raise funds. This collection raised \$11,125.00. Thanks to everyone who contributed.

Men's and Women's Retreats

Retreats are scheduled at the Holy Name Passionist Retreat Center in Houston. The women's retreat is February 26 – 28, 2021. Please contact Susan Huff for information. The men's retreat is January 22 - 24, 2021. Please contact Christophe Gay or Mark Husband for information. Visit "www.holynameretreatcenter.com" to register.

STUFFED BBQ BAKED POTATO DRIVE THRU ONLY FUNDRAISER

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
Industry Parish Hall

Wednesday, January 20, 2021
5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

\$10
PER
PLATE



BBQ Beef
Lg. Baked Potato
Cheese
Diced Green Onions
Sour Cream
Bacon Bits

Catered by Schovajsa

ADVANCED TICKET SALES UNTIL
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2021

PURCHASE TICKETS FROM:

P&S BUILDING SUPPLY	979-357-4478
STEVE SHORT	979-733-2493
JAMIN SWANTER	832-545-7526

Meal Tickets available every Sunday after Mass.

Fr. Tim on Retreat ...

Fr. Tim will be gone this week as he is going to be on Retreat. Please pray for him that it will bring him spiritual growth and emotional peace and return to us filled with renewal!



Ornaments for the Memory Tree

Sts. Peter & Paul will have a Memory Tree in the Gathering Space at the church this Christmas. The Memory Tree displays ornaments in memory of loved ones. There is a box in the Gathering Space for you to place an unbreakable ornament that will be hung on the memory tree. Please put the name and/or death date of your loved one on the ornament. The box will be out until December 20 to collect ornaments.

Angel Tree Program

The Angel Tree Program for 2020 is a local Austin County organization formed and staffed entirely by volunteers from Immaculate Conception Church and Industry United Methodist Church, with the assistance from ISB-New Ulm Branch. The purpose of this organization is to distribute Christmas gifts to low-income families with children under the age of 15, who live in the West End area of Austin County and whose children attend school in Bellville ISD. The program also services families in need that are active members of any of the participating Angel Tree parishes. We rely completely upon donations and gifts from individuals within the Community. Your help and contributions continue to be critical. This year we are requesting gift cards. Our ultimate goal is for each child to receive a gift card for \$50 and each family to receive a \$100 gift card for groceries. Please contact Emma Jackson for more information.



Gifts of Stock to Your Parish

Many parishioners prayerfully make their end of year gifts at this time. Gifts of stock are a popular form of end of year gift and are welcome. The office of Development at the Downtown Chancery is available to assist our parish and community with these transactions. The Letter of Intent form, which is the necessary document to initiate a donation of stock and to allow proper donor identification and parish benefit, is available from the Archdiocesan website: <https://www.archgh.org/ways-to-give> Please direct inquiries about gifts of stock to your parish to Michael Schillaci (713-652-4418) or Michelle Munoz (713-652-8242) for the proper procedures.

Today's Readings

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

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

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

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

Readings for the 3rd Week of Advent

Monday: NM 24:2-7, 15-17a; PS 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; MT 21:23-27

Tuesday: ZEP 3:1-2, 9-13; PS 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19, 23; MT 21:28-32

Wednesday: IS 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; LK 7:18b-23

Thursday: GN 49:2, 8-10; PS 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17; MT 1:1-17

Friday: JER 23:5-8; PS 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; MT 1:18-25

Saturday: JGS 13:2-7, 24-25a; PS 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; LK 1:5-25

Sunday: 2 SM 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; PS 89:2-5, 27, 29; ROM 16:25-27; LK 1:26-38

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent

Monday: St. John of the Cross

Proper Undertaking

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

Rejoice

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. Mary's Magnificat substitutes for our psalm today, and our second reading encourages us to rejoice, to give thanks and praise.



This is the root meaning of the Greek word for Eucharist. 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!

The Shepherd Speaks: Deacon Gerald DuPont

Dear Holy People of God,

Several people have asked that I share the 10 Commandments of Forgiveness from last Sunday's homily. Remember, these are how we can strengthen our unity through dialogue as a people of Communion (Common-union) rather than leading to disunity within our community. So here they are.



1. *Forgiveness is not easy. (No cheap grace. It takes time)*
2. *Forgiveness is not forgetting. (It is not denial or pretending nothing happened)*
3. *Forgiveness does not overlook Evil. (It is not accepting injustice or wrongs)*
4. *Forgiveness is not indifference. (It is not going back to business as usual)*
5. *Forgiveness is not the same thing as approval. (Can disagree with respect and dignity, never name calling)*
6. *Forgiveness recognizes that people are always bigger than their faults (Never define a person by their mistakes)*
7. *Forgiveness allows a person to start all over again. (We all need to start anew)*
8. *Forgiveness recognizes the humanity of the wrongdoer (As well as our part that contributed to the problem)*
9. *Forgiveness surrenders the right to get even (Revenge is bitter & destructive)*
10. *Forgiveness wishes the offender well (We wish them the Best)*

My Dear People, we all want forgiveness – we all need forgiveness. But, as we find in the Gospels, we have to be able to give it first. That is the scary part. No forgiveness for others, no forgiveness for us. The Gospel start off with the desire for God's forgiveness at Advent and ends with bestowing it at Easter. But in between, as a necessary connection, a necessary condition to be a Christian stands the 10 Commandments of Forgiveness. So important, because it is how we can achieve Unity in our world, nation, and community. It is how we, this Advent, Prepare the Way of the Lord.

Grace & Peace, Gerald W. DuPont

"Do not quench the Spirit," Paul tells the Thessalonians. "Test everything; retain what is good." Like the bearer of glad tidings in the Book of Isaiah, let me bring what is uplifting to those around me. Taking my cue from John the Baptist, I want to do this with humility, remembering whose messenger I am.

