



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

*Inspired by the Holy Spirit, We Live the Good News of Christ
Through Worship, Community, and Stewardship*

820 18th Ave. Seattle, WA 98122

www.icseattle.org

Parish Family with: St. James Cathedral and Christ Our Hope

December 7, 2025

Second Sunday of Advent



Reading 1: Isaiah 11:1-10

Responsorial Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17(7)
*"Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness
of peace forever."*

Reading 2: Romans 15:4-9

Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

Deepening Our Faith

On the second day of Advent, we light the Candle of PEACE, reminding us of the calm and trust that Christ brings into our hearts. As Mary and Joseph journeyed toward Bethlehem, God guided them every step of the way. Today's flame invites us to pause, quiet our minds, and open ourselves to God's gift of peace.

May this candle shine as a beacon of serenity and hope in your home and heart, guiding us all closer to the joy of Christams.

Pray for our Parishioners

For the eternal repost of the soul of Silverio Ordonez Sr. and Tito P. Andrada **Healing Prayers** for Leala Holden, Rita Wheeler Barquet, Marya Castellano, John Bergstrom, Sharon Pitre-Williams, Dolores Sibonga, and June Lombard-Allen.

Please contact the parish office at 206-322-5970 or bulletin@icseattle.org to add a parishioner's name or your family's name to our weekly prayer's list.

The Life of Our Community

ADVENT BLOOD DRIVE - St. James Cathedral is running another virtual drive **from Sunday Nov 30 to Sunday Dec 14** to help Bloodworks Northwest restore supplies, please give blood at ANY Bloodworks NW location during this timeframe. When you arrive to donate, provide the code SJC so we can track our impact. Register at this link <https://donate.bloodworksnw.org/donor/schedules/geo/> to give back to others in need during this season of Advent!

ADVENT REFLECTION SERIES - Christ Our Hope Church. This will be a small group four-week reflection for member of our parish family (Christ Our Hope, Immaculate Conception, and St James Cathedral). There will be four 60 minute small group sessions of prayer and reflection, focused on Scripture and readings from Pope Leo XIV. We will meet on Wednesdays from 11:00 am -12:00 pm, beginning Wednesday, December 3rd. For more information, please contact Deanna Tighe at dtighe@christourhopesattle.org or by calling 206-554-1224. Help us prepare both individually and as communities for the great feast of Christmas.

Britten's Saint Nicolas, Opus 7's Holiday Tradition Returns to St. James Cathedral - Sunday, December 7 at 7:30PM - 9PM. Tickets are still available (See bulletin board)

HEALTH & HUMAN CONCERNS COMMISSION on Earth Stewardship Activity -

Thank you to the 50+ ICC parishioners who signed the No Added Harm public comment letter last year. The public comment letter informed FAA of aviation impacted community concerns regarding added health, environmental, and climate harmful impacts from SeaTac Airport (STA) adding service capacity for 80,000 flight takeoffs and landings under the SAMP Plan. Unfortunately, FAA adopted STA's determination of "Finding of No Significant Impact" based on the federal administration reversal of National Environmental Act, Presidential Order on Environmental Justice and other environmental and health rules. The next step is the state environmental review of the SAMP Plan. Stay tuned. For questions, please contact Maria Batayola at mbjumpstart@msn.com

ST. VINCENT de PAUL - Christmas Giving Tree - The Giving Tree is a long standing tradition at Immaculate Conception sponsored by our St. Vincent de Paul conference. Gifts and donations support families in our community, who are struggling, with food and gifts for children. **This year's Giving Tree is up.** Tags will be on the tree with gift information, we ask that wrapped gifts, with tag attached, be **returned by Sunday, December 21.** Our SVDP conference can also accept monetary donations, checks should be made payable to SVDP - ICC Conference. If you are interested in volunteering please contact: Lori Chisholm-Cook at 206-854-0498 or lori.chisholm@gmail.com.

SUNDAY FELLOWSHP

Hospitality - Need sponsor for the 3rd Sunday. We are looking for **individuals, families, groups of friends, or ministries** to sponsor our **Sunday Fellowship** on the following dates: **Jan 4, Jan 18, and March 15.** This is a beautiful opportunity to build community by offering light hospitality after Mass. If you're interested or would like more information, please contact the parish office at office@icseattle.org or call **206-322-5970.**

Earth Stewardship and Fellowship Update - Immaculate parishioners are doing their part to be good stewards of our planet. We are almost 100% accurate when sorting Trash into Compost, Clean Recycle, and Garbage at Fellowship after Mass. As we continue to reduce waste, we ask that parishioners do not donate bottles of water or non-compostable dishes and cutlery. Thank you!

Thank you for helping us grow in fellowship and faith!

2026 Mardi Gras - Save the Date Friday, February 13th, 2026

So start looking for your masks, beads and fans! More to come in the weeks. If you'd like to be part of the Planning Team, please see Deacon Joseph Connor or Toni Hall.

Upcoming Events

Dec 7 (Sun) - 11AM	ADVENT II Mass
Dec 7 (Sun) - 7:30PM	Britten's <i>Saint Nicolas</i> - Opus 7's Holiday Tradition returns to St. James Cathedral (see flyer)
Dec 8 (Mon) - 6PM Mass only	Feast of the Immaculate Conception at Immaculate Conception
Dec 13 (Sat) - 11AM - 12:30PM	Simbang Gabi Mass in the Jubilee Year at St. James Cathedral
Dec 13 (Sat) - 2PM-3:30PM	Advent Penance at Immaculate Conception
Dec 14 (Sun) - 11AM Mass	ADVENT III & Feast of the Immaculate Conception Multicultural Celebration & Reception at Immaculate Conception (see flyer)
Dec 20 (Sat) - 9AM - 12PM	Beautification of Immaculate - Volunteers needed, sign-up sheet on the back table. Bring your bucket and rags (or see Fred Verzosa)
Dec 20 (Sat) - 2PM - 3:30PM	Advent Penance at St. James Cathedral
Dec 21 (Sun) - 11AM Mass	ADVENT IV & Simbang Gabi Mass - begins at 10:30AM with Holy Rosary, Parol Processions then followed by 11AM mass at Immaculate Conception (see flyer)
Dec 24 (Wed) - 5PM Mass	Christmas Eve at Immaculate Conception
Dec 25 (Thu) - 11AM Mass	Christmas Day at Immaculate Conception

Job Opening

Volunteer Coordinator - Immaculate Conception is looking for a Volunteer Coordinator is responsible for recruiting, training and managing volunteers with the church, ensuring their effective participation in various ministries and events. The Volunteer Coordinator implements all volunteer programs, fosters a culture of volunteerism and ensures the church's mission is carried out through volunteer efforts. Please contact Alice Davis at paa@icseattle.org for questions. For full job description, please visit www.archseattle.org/careers.

Receptionist - Christ Our Hope is seeking a Parish Receptionist to join our team. This part-time position (24 hours per week) plays a vital role in creating a welcoming and hospitable environment for our parishioners and visitors. The ideal candidate will have a friendly and professional demeanor, providing excellent hospitality and support to all who visit or call the parish office. We especially welcome candidates who are bilingual in English and Spanish, as this role includes assisting our 5 p.m. Spanish-speaking community by answering calls and providing support as needed. If you are interested—or know someone who may be a great fit—please contact Deanna Tighe at dtighe@christourhopeseattle.org for the full job description and salary information.

Ofrenda Table Notice

The Ofrenda table has now been respectfully cleared. Please kindly pick up your loved ones' photos from the back table.

Thank you for honoring their memory with us. May God bring peace and comfort to all.

MASS SCHEDULE:

6:00 PM WEDNESDAYS Rectory Chapel

11:00 AM SUNDAYS (10:30 Holy Rosary)

Also live streamed at

<https://www.facebook.com/ImmaculateConceptionSeattle>

8:00 AM SUNDAYS – Eritrean Community

Pastor – The Very Reverend Gary F. Lazzeroni

Parochial Vicars – Rev. Francis Thumbi &

Rev. Sylvester Chanda

Pastor Emeritus - Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan

Deacon Joseph Connor deacon@icseattle.org

CONTACT INFORMATION

Office Hrs: M-F 9 AM to 3 PM or By Appointment.

Please call (206) 322-5970

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Grace Neri x601 office@icseattle.org

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Pastoral Council Chair Maria Batayola, Connor Trapp,

Deacon Joe Connor, Fred Verzosa, Marisa Harvey, and

Sharon Pitre-Williams.

Finance Council Chair Jane Powers jpowers@ewingandclark.com



⚠ Email Scam Alert: Messages Pretending to Be Father Lazzeroni

We've been made aware of recent emails sent to parishioners **falsely claiming to be from Father Lazzeroni**. These messages often ask for help, money, or urgent replies. Please remember that Father will **never** request gift cards, financial assistance, or personal information by email.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Reverend Gary Lazzeroni <requestoffice008@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Nov 21, 2025 at 5:36 PM

Subject:

To: <office@icseattle.org>

Blessings,

You got spare time for a request?

If you receive a message that seems unusual or suspicious, **do not reply or click any links**.
When in doubt, please contact the church directly at office@icseattle.org.

Your caution helps keep our parish community safe.

Stewardship: Caring for Our Church and Community

Year-to-Date Collection Stewardship of Treasure Report

As of 11.30.2024 - \$68,044.72

As of 11.30.2025 - \$56,613.29

Blessings and Thank you!

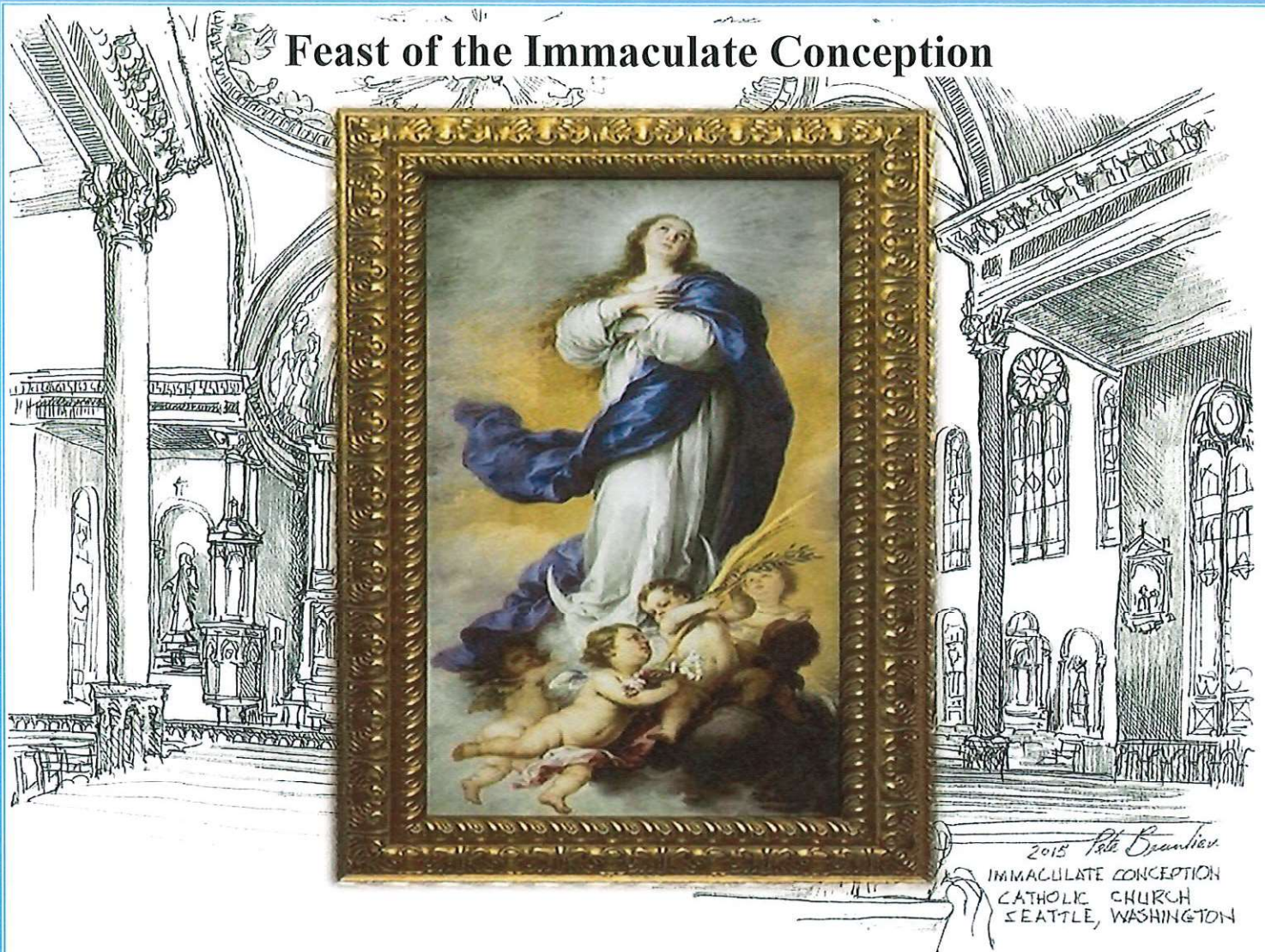
REPORTING ABUSE

Helpline 800-446-7762 helpline@seattlarch.org

protectandheal.seattlearchdiocese.org. Report any suspicion of abuse by any church personnel to the local law enforcement. Call the Helpline if you know of sexual abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy, an employee, or volunteer of the Archdiocese of Seattle. The Archdiocese of Seattle has a longstanding commitment to transparency, accountability, and assistance to persons sexually abused by clergy or anyone working on behalf of the church. **For children's safety and victim assistance see**

<https://preventionusccb.org/resources>

Feast of the Immaculate Conception



Join Us for the Celebrations of the Feast of Immaculate Conception

Novena Celebration - Nine (9) days of prayer and devotion

Begins on Saturday, November 29 at 6PM

Continues through December 7

In-person at Immaculate Conception Church

Feast Day Mass

Monday, December 8th at 6PM

Feast Celebration

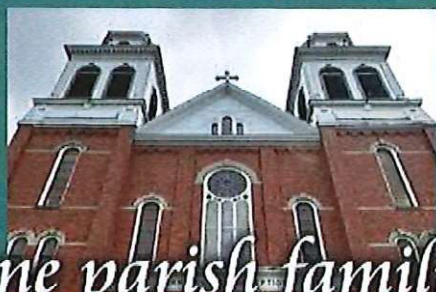
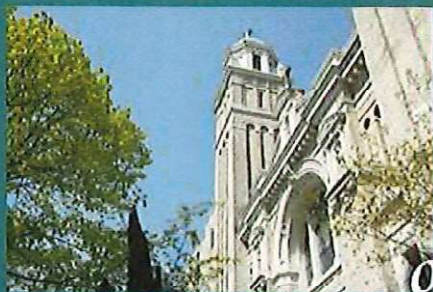
Sunday, December 14th after 11AM Mass

Multicultural Celebration and Reception

Immaculate Conception Church

820 – 18th Avenue, Seattle, WA

For more information: Contact Fred Verzosa at 206-953-3954



one parish family

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL, IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, CHRIST OUR HOPE

ADVENT

All-Family Penance Service



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13 - 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Immaculate Conception Church

820- 18th Avenue Seattle, WA 98112

FREE Parking - Parking lot behind the church

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20 - 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

St. James Cathedral

804 - 9th Ave Seattle, WA 98104

FREE Parking - O'Dea Parking Lot



DECEMBER 21, 2025
SIMBANG-GABI

10:30 AM - HOLY ROSARY,
PAROL PROCESSION

11:00 AM - MASS
FOLLOWED BY A RECEPTION

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

820 - 18TH AVENUE
SEATTLE, WA 98122



BRING YOUR PAROL FROM THE PAROL MAKING AND
JOIN THE PROCESSION IN THE BEGINNING OF THE MASS

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

FRED VERZOSA
FRED_VERZOSA@YAHOO.COM - 206-953-3954



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Parish Family of St. James Cathedral, Immaculate Conception, and Christ Our Hope



ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL 804 9th Avenue, Seattle

Wednesday, December 24 **Christmas Eve**
4:30pm MASS
9:00pm *Carol Service*
10:00pm MASS

Thursday, December 25 **Christmas Day**
MASSES 8:00am, 10:00am, Noon, 5:30pm
Solemn Vespers at 4:00pm



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION 820 18th Avenue, Seattle

Wednesday, December 24 **Christmas Eve**
5:00pm MASS

Thursday, December 25 **Christmas Day**
11:00am MASS



CHRIST OUR HOPE 1902 2nd Avenue, Seattle

Wednesday, December 24 **Christmas Eve**
5:00pm MASS

Thursday, December 25 **Christmas Day**
9:00am MASS

