



# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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

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

**August 10, 2025**

## **MASS SCHEDULE:**

**6:00 PM WEDNESDAYS**

**Rectory Chapel**

**11:00 AM SUNDAYS**

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

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## **REPORTING ABUSE**

**Helpline** 800-446-7762 [helpline@seattlarch.org](mailto:helpline@seattlarch.org)

[protectandheal.seattlarchdiocese.org](http://protectandheal.seattlarchdiocese.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>



## **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Reading 1:** Wisdom 18:6-9

**Responsorial Psalm** 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22

**"Blessed the people the**

**Lord has chosen to be his own."**

**Reading 2:** Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

**Gospel:** Luke 12:32-48

## **MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS**

For the repose of the soul of Salvacion Luna on her birthday. Continued healing prayers for Marya Castellano, Elvira Estrella, Maria "Mitts" Israel, Sr. Georgia Yianakulis. Sharon Pitre-Williams, Marielle Heiser, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Brandon Castro, Janet Morris, Sandra Pisano, Donna Ceniza, Ramona Rucker, Francis Castellano, Brenda Fuller, Rudesinda Arreza, June Lombard-Allen, Leala Holden, Roberta Miller, Aida Soria, Remy Edwards, Katherine Drake, Rita Wheeler Barquet, Henry Alazas, Hector Caroselli, Tony Israel, and Gail Osborne

## **Upcoming Events:**

**Aug 15, Fri** The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Mass:** 8AM, 12:10P at St. James Cathedral &

12:10PM, 6PM at Christ Our Hope

**September 14, Sun 10AM** at St. James Cathedral

Mass of Installation of Father Gary F. Lazzeroni

## Deepening Our Faith



### Pope: May the Hiroshima anniversary serve as a call to pursue peace!

By Vatican News

“Nuclear arms offend our shared humanity and betray the dignity of creation, whose harmony we are called to safeguard” Pope Leo XIV said in a message addressed to Bishop Alexis Shirama of Hiroshima, and read by the Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Francisco Escalante Molina during the celebration of Mass for Peace in Hiroshima.

Marking 80 years since the nuclear bombing by US forces of the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki during World War II, in which between 150,000 and 246,000 people died, the Pope said the “the two cities remain living reminders of the profound horrors wrought by nuclear weapons.” He expressed his respect for the survivors – the *hibakusha* – whose stories he said, “are a timely summons to all of us to build a safer world and foster a climate of peace.”

The Pope recalled the reiterated appeal of his predecessor, Pope Francis: “War is always a defeat for humanity” and noted that true peace demands “the courageous laying down of weapons, especially those with the power to cause an indescribable catastrophe.”

“Nuclear arms offend our shared humanity and also betray the dignity of creation, whose harmony we are called to safeguard,” he said.

Illusion of security founded on mutually assured destruction

Quoting Pope Francis, the Pope said that in a time “of mounting global tensions and conflicts”, Hiroshima and Nagasaki stand as symbols of

memory that, he said, “urge us to reject the illusion of security founded on mutually, assured destruction.”

Instead, he continued, “we must forge a global ethic rooted in justice, fraternity and the common good.”

#### Appeal to international community

The Holy Father concluded expressing his prayer that this anniversary may serve as “a call to the international community to renew its commitment to pursuing lasting peace for our whole human family – “a peace that is unarmed and disarming.”



### Walking Together for Peace

In partnership with the Archdiocese of Santa Fe, Hiroshima and Nagasaki, a group of pilgrims prayed and dialogued together for world peace during a Pilgrimage for Peace in Japan in August 2023. On August 9, 2023, the bishops of these four arch/dioceses signed a **declaration expressing their intention to create a partnership** with the aim of realizing a world without nuclear weapons.

In August 2025, during the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the atomic bombings on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, four bishops, including Archbishop Etienne, are travelling to Japan to participate in another Pilgrimage of Peace.

**READ Archbishop Etienne's  
Aug 6, 2025 Reflection at Hiroshima: Weapons of Peace: A Call to Personal and Communal Peacemaking**

**JOIN IN PRAYER FOR PEACE – AUGUST 14  
Day of Fasting & Prayer**

**<https://www.uisg.org/en/news/prayer-peace-august-14-prayer-fasting-2025/>**



## Stewardship: Caring for Our Church and Each Other

### Fiscal Year 7-1-24 to 6-31-25

#### Stewardship of Treasure Report

As of 06-30-25, we collected \$257,044

As compared to last year's \$240,858

That's an increase of \$16,186.

### ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (ACA)

**OUR GOAL - \$26,883.00.** As of August 7th, 2025, total Pledges were **\$30,883.52**. Any rebate funds received from here on will support security cameras. **THANK YOU for your generosity!**

### ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH?

Many who attend Immaculate Conception church regularly and consider the ICC their parish have never officially registered. We strongly encourage you to register. Registered parishioners receive important mailings from the church, are able to celebrate their wedding at ICC, and their children may attend any of the Catholic Rainbow Schools at Parishioner rates. To register, visit [www.icseattle.org](http://www.icseattle.org) or use the QR code.



### Get Involved – We Need You!

Looking for a way to serve, grow, and connect with others in our parish community? Now is the perfect time to get involved!

We are invite volunteers for various ministries and parish activities.

No experience needed – just a willing heart! Training and support are provided.

Please sign-up by scanning the QR code.  
Questions: email [office@icseattle.org](mailto:office@icseattle.org).



**Your time and talents are a gift to  
Immaculate Conception Church Seattle!**

## About Our Community



## MASS OF INSTALLATION OF FATHER GARY F. LAZZERONI

**Sunday, September 14, 2025**  
**10:00am Mass | St. James Cathedral, Seattle**

All are invited to gather at St. James Cathedral on the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, as Archbishop Etienne formally installs Father Gary Lazzeroni as pastor of St. James Cathedral, Immaculate Conception, and Christ Our Hope. This will be an important moment to gather as a parish family.

**11AM Mass at ICC will be canceled on Sept 14, 2025**

## Hospital Ministry

AN INFORMATION SESSION FOR  
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

**Saturday, September 13, 2025**  
**10:00am – 12:00pm**

Isaac Orr Room of the Archdiocese of Seattle,  
910 Marion Street, Seattle

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are needed to serve patients at several hospitals, including Providence Swedish First Hill and Cherry Hill campuses, and Virginia Mason.** Through this special ministry, we bring the sacrament of Christ's Body and the love and care of the Christian community to people who are sick, preparing for or recovering from surgery, and to those who are dying.

Presented by **Chris McNabb**, hospital chaplain for the South Seattle Deanery, **Corinna Laughlin**, Pastoral Assistant for Liturgy at St. James Cathedral, and **Tim Foutz**, Chaplain at Providence Swedish Hospital.

*"Because the sick are prevented from celebrating the eucharist with the rest of the community, the most important visits are those during which they receive holy communion. In receiving the body and blood of Christ, the sick are united sacramentally to the Lord and are reunited with the eucharistic community from which illness has separated them" (Pastoral Care of the Sick, 51).*



## 48th Annual Lu'au

**Mahalo nui loa for blessing us with your support and making the 48th Annual Lu'au a wonderful success!**

Thank you to everyone who attended, volunteered, and supported Immaculate Conception's 48th Annual Lu'au. Your generosity and kindness made this event truly special. We're pleased to share that **net proceeds exceeded \$18,000**, which will support our parish programs and community services.

A heartfelt thanks to our generous vendor partners for their In-Kind donations:

Cakes of Paradise, Classics Sports Bar, Flowers on 15th, Georgetown Brewery, Hyatt Regency Lake Washington, La Costa Mexican Restaurant, and The Seattle Fish Guys.

We are deeply grateful to the volunteers who cooked, cleaned, served food, bartended, managed recycling, and handled hall setup and takedown — your dedication brought this celebration to life. Special thanks also to our church staff for their ongoing support.

Thank you to Halau Hula Ke Liko A'e O Lei Lehua E Kapuaokalanania for the beautiful performance, and to Cliff Holland for providing wonderful DJ services that enhanced the spirit of the event.

Finally, our deepest gratitude to outgoing Lu'au Chairs, Fred and Thelma Verzosa, whose many years of leadership and love have shaped this cherished tradition and strengthened our parish community.

Mahalo nui loa and God bless you all!