



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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

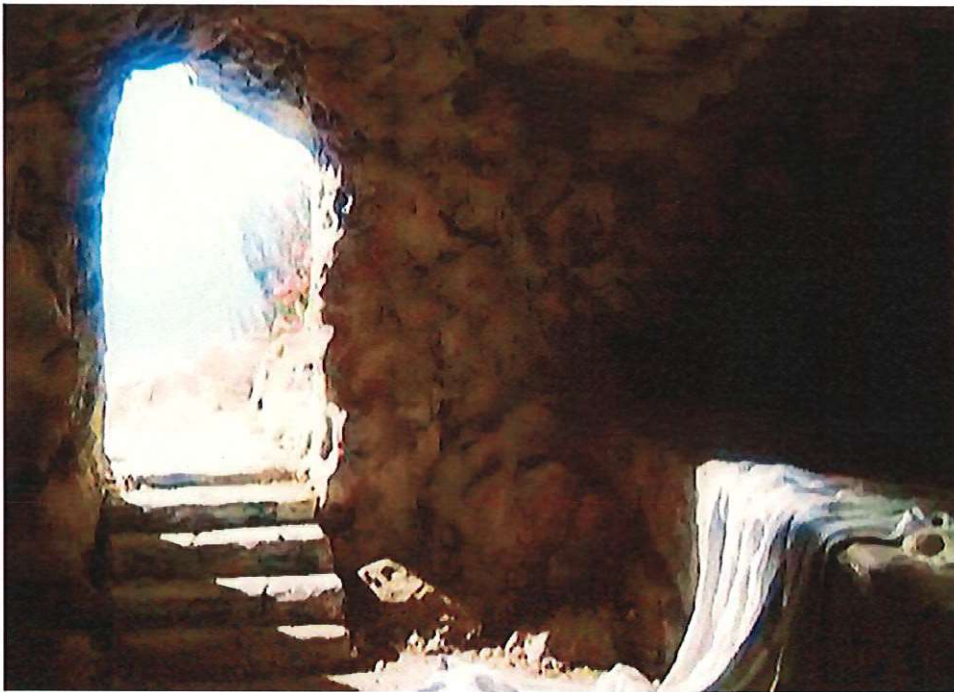
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Parish Family with: St. James Cathedral and Christ Our Hope

April 5, 2026

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



Reading 1: Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43

Responsorial Psalm: 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23(24)

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad"

Reading 2: Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Pray for our Parishioners

Healing Prayers for Kathy West-Evans, Sharon Pitre - Williams, Ann Imbert and Se'Vera Dowe.

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.

From the Pastor's Desk | April 5, 2026

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL | IMMACULATE CONCEPTION | CHRIST OUR HOPE

Dear Friends,
Happy Easter! Today we gather to celebrate the new life given us in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Our song today and throughout this Easter Season is ALLELUIA! This word that we have fasted from all throughout Lent means "Praise God!" And certainly we do that today as we gather to celebrate Jesus' victory over death.

We praise God for the Elect of our Church who were baptized at the Easter Vigil and for the renewal of our own life in Christ that was born in the waters of baptism. Our Lenten journey has led to this, has prepared us for this renewal and rebirth. During this time of preparation we have been invited to die to self and to live more and more for Christ and for others. As individuals and as a people of faith, it is that pattern of dying and rising that gives meaning to our lives and is the foundation of our faith. Today, as we gather to celebrate Easter, we are renewed in the new life that bursts forth from the tomb of Jesus.

In our parish and throughout the Catholic Church in Western Washington, we are engaged in another pattern of dying and rising called *Partners in the Gospel*. This strategic pastoral planning process is a call for our whole Church to be renewed in our mission to share the Good News that we celebrate today. And this process also involves a dying and rising in our life as individual parishes. We are becoming a new parish – the parish of St. James, rooted in three locations: First Hill (the Cathedral), Downtown (Christ Our Hope), and the Central District (Immaculate Conception).

In that becoming, we are leaving something behind. We are dying, as it were, to what was in our individual and separate parishes. This is not easy. We fear losing what is essential to who we are. Such fear does not mean we lack faith. Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane is our model of facing fear and relying on God's strength to see us through. For just as Jesus left that garden and faced his greatest fear as he dies, seemingly alone on the cross, God has the final say.

Jesus' trust, even in the midst of his fear, opens him to the new life that God the Father has in store for him. The new life of the

Resurrection which we celebrate this day and for the next fifty days of Easter, affirms that God is with us inviting us into new and deeper life with him. So while it is natural for us, as we come together as a new parish, to fear losing that which is essential to the identity of each of our three parishes, today's great feast reminds us that God will bring what is essential into the newness to which we are being called.

In the coming weeks we will hear in the Gospel accounts stories of the Risen Christ encountering his disciples. Often they don't recognize him at first. There is something brand new about his body. He now lives a new life, a life transformed by his victory over death. But then there is something about his words or actions – and they realize that it really is him and that he brings with him all that they shared while he was with them.

My friends, that is the pattern of our own lives as we move deeper and deeper into relationship with God through the little deaths we experience in this life. If we are willing to give ourselves over more and more to these deaths – whether it is the actual physical death we face, or the death of someone we love, or the death-like experiences of the loss of a relationship, of our health, or of a move to an unfamiliar place, or any other kind of human experience that feels like death and loss, God wants to give us new life out of these dying experiences. God also wants to reassure us that in this necessary pattern of life, death and resurrection we are never alone and we never lose what is essential of who we are in relationship to our loving God.

It is that pattern that is also at the heart of *Partners in the Gospel* and our coming together as one new parish. In the coming months may the Risen Lord strengthen us for the dying that this process necessarily involves, and prepare us for the new life that will burst forth in our parish just as surely as it burst forth that first Easter morning. Alleluia!

Happy Easter!!



Father Gary Lazzeroni
Pastor

Catechesis 101

Did you know that the Sacred Paschal Triduum, which we just celebrated, beginning with Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and then the Easter Vigil, is ONE Solemn Liturgy?

“Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ’s Paschal Mystery.” We began the triduum by marking ourselves with the sign of the cross on Holy Thursday, and we departed without the usual dismissal by the priest or deacon saying “go forth, the Mass is ended, or go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.” Then we continued on Good Friday in silence, with the priest and deacon going to the Altar and prostrating themselves. On Good Friday, we received the Eucharist consecrated on Holy Thursday, and we departed in silence. The Easter Vigil began outside the Church with a fire, then the Paschal Candle, leading us into the Church. The Triduum concluded with the double alleluia “Go in peace, alleluia, alleluia.” And we responded, “Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.” And here we are on Sunday, celebrating the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, and we have 50 days until Pentecost to celebrate what God has done for humanity through his Son, Jesus!

~Fr Chanda

The Life of Our Community

SAVE THE DATE: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION 2026-27 LITURGICAL AND EVENTS

CALENDAR MEETING - Saturday, May 30th, 2026 - 10AM at IC Jean Moran Hall. All parishioners who are planning to host events or celebrate feast days at Immaculate Conception are invited to attend. Join us as we coordinate and plan for the upcoming liturgical year!

YOUTH MASS - Calling all youth, we NEED YOU to help us make our youth mass awesome! Whether you're into reading (lectoring), helping with gifts, singing in the choir, ushering, or even altar serving, we want YOU to be part of the Mass. This is a great opportunity to get involved and serve God. If you want to join us, please complete the online form -

<https://archseattle.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/7459/responses/new> or scan the QR code *or* going to www.icseattle.org under parish life -> ministries to sign up and let us know how you'd like to help. **Youth masses - May 31, August 30 and November 29.**



SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP Hospitality - Need sponsor for the 3rd Sundays. We are looking for **individuals, families, groups of friends, or ministries** to sponsor our **Sunday Fellowship** on the following dates: **May 17 and Jun 14**. 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**.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - Diaper Drive coming on April 26

Your donation of diapers or pull-ups will support families in need. Drop-off diapers before or after Mass at Immaculate Conception on April 26. Future diaper drives will be in July, and October

NAMI FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP - Open to anyone who has a family member with a mental illness, meets **online on 1st Sat of the month and in person on 3rd Sat of the month** at St James Pastoral Outreach Center, 1:30-3pm. *Registration: helpline@namiseattle.org*

APRIL

Is Child Abuse Prevention Month



April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. During this month, Archbishop Etienne is encouraging everyone to increase our awareness, to educate ourselves and our communities, and to pray for healing for those who have been tragically impacted by the scourge of child abuse.

For Archdiocese safe environment standards, go to <https://archseattle.org/for-parishes/safe-environment/>. To learn more about the Archdiocese's commitment to transparency and helping victims of abuse, go to <https://protect-seattlearchdiocese.org>

A PRAYER FOR HEALING VICTIMS OF ABUSE

God of endless love,
ever caring, ever strong,
always present, always just:
You gave your only Son
to save us by his blood on the cross.



Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace,
join to your own suffering
the pain of all who have been hurt
in body, mind, and spirit
by those who betrayed the trust placed in them.



Hear the cries of our brothers and sisters
who have been gravely harmed,
and the cries of those who love them.
Soothe their restless hearts with hope,
steady their shaken spirits with faith.
Grant them justice for their cause,
enlightened by your truth.



Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts,
heal your people's wounds
and transform brokenness into wholeness.
Grant us the courage and wisdom,
humility and grace, to act with justice.
Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labors.
Grant that all harmed by abuse may find peace in justice.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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Upcoming Events

Rectory Office will be closed on Monday, April 6th.

April 12 (Sun)	11AM	Last day to turn in CRS Rice Bowl
April 26 (Sun)	11AM	St. Vincent de Paul 2nd Diaper Drive
May 10 (Sun)	11AM	Flores de Mayo and Crowning of Mary
May 24 (Sun)	11AM	Pentecost Sunday
May 30 (Sat)	10AM	2026-27 Liturgical and Events Calendar Planning Meeting - Jean Moran Hall

MASS SCHEDULE:

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

Pastoral Care Request - If you would like to request a house blessing, Communion, or the Anointing of the Sick, please contact Fr. Chanda directly at schanda@stjames-cathedral.org.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Office Hours: M-F, 9 AM to 3 PM or By Appt. - call (206) 322-5970

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Sharon Pitre-Williams.

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**Stewardship:
Caring for Our Church and Community**

Year-to-Date Collection

Stewardship of Treasure Report

As of 03.30.2025 - \$123,971.17

As of 03.15.2026 - \$137,113.90

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>

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 or use the QR code.





Easter Flower Offering



Offerings by	In Memory of
Editha/Jeanette Gutierrez	Dennis Gutierrez
Ernest Elmore & Kelli Bodenberger	Keri Stanley, Betsy Bates, Gert Curry, Bobby Rogers, and RV Bobby
Deacon Joseph & Barbara Connor	Connor, Lawrence, and Sexton Family
Vivian Luna and Ceasar Pizano	Rosendo Luna Sr, Salvacion Luna, Rosendo Luna Jr., All deceased members of the Luna, Israel, Barruga, Pizano, Rojas and Escarella Families. Auntie Gussie Jagod, Carolyn Priestley, Fr Vic Olvida, Uncle Fred Cordova, Leo Hummell, and M. Francisco Brass.
Maurice and Rosalyn Fournier	Roscoe - Zee Bass and Midge - Maurice Fournier
Neri Family	Pompeyo Neri, Norma Neri, Nemesio Neri. Carisma Cortedano, All departed members of the Lladoc Family, All departed members of the Neri Family, All departed members of the Agdeppa Family, and All departed members of the Olog Family
Andres and Josie Bueno	Modesto & Pacienca Mauricio
Selamawit Teklemariam	Neitz Wlgeorgis, Teklemariam Hadgu, Solomon Teklemariam, and Dawit Teklemariam
Brenda Mirasol-Stallings	Jose and Mattie Mirasol, and Elisha Stallings
Carolyn Ladd	Helen Ladd
Joseph and Doris Boutain-Fletcher	Queen Fletcher and Ora Wiley
Rudesinda Arreza & Michelle Coronado	Simeon M. Arreza, Jr.
Tessie Era	Francis T. Era, Caridad T. Era, Lino M. Dantes, Stevens Collins, and Rosita Dantes. Delia Cacdac Vita, LuzVizMin Sibal, Wavelyn Cacdac Aragon, Corazon and Joselito Coronado
Fred & Thelma Versoza	Zoilo Versoza, Rosario Verzosa, Gaudencio Tan, Butan Tan, and Fr. Jaime Tolang
Denise Pavageau	Grace Holden and Paul Pavageau
Gloria Johnson	Irma, Everett, Maurice Burd, Richard Johnson and Robert Steele
Marilyn & Raymond Cummings	The Cummings and Pike Families
Josie Dean	Fred Dean, Anita Gomes, and Emidio Gomes

Celebrate the 2026 Easter Season



Solemnity of Easter
4/5



Feast of Saint Mark
4/25



Feast of Saint Matthias
5/14



Solemnity of the Ascension
5/17



Solemnity of Pentecost
5/24

As Catholics, we celebrate the Easter Season from Easter Sunday through Pentecost. This year, the Easter Season is marked by three solemnities and two feasts. We also observe the month of Mary in May. Learn more about these great feasts and ways to celebrate all Easter season at archseattle.org/easter.



Our Synodal, Diaconal Church

An Evening with Deacon Geert
De Cubber, Synod Delegate



APRIL 13
7-8:30 pm

Explore the future of our synodal, diaconal church with Deacon Geert De Cubber of Belgium, the only Roman Catholic deacon to serve as a voting member in the 2023-2024 global Synod Assembly.

Registration encouraged:
<https://bit.ly/47nWgAO>

St. James Cathedral Hall
912 COLUMBIA STREET, SEATTLE



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Ten Warning Signs of Alzheimer's and other Dementias

An education program presented by the Alzheimer's Association, hosted by St. James Cathedral



What you Will Learn

Alzheimer's and other dementias cause changes in memory, thinking and behavior that interfere with daily life. Join us to learn about 10 common warning signs and what to watch for in yourself and others. The program covers: Typical age-related changes, common warning signs of Alzheimer's, how to approach someone about memory concerns, early detection, the benefits of a diagnosis, the diagnostic process and Alzheimer's Association resources.

Pastoral Outreach Center
907 Columbia St.
Seattle, WA 98104

April 18th, 2026
11:00 am -12:00 pm

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Call to Register: 800-272-3900

Program Code:
190_TWS_26APR18



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Theology on Tap With Bishop Frank Schuster

April 21 | 7pm

Kells Irish Restaurant & Pub

St James Cathedral Seniors
are invited to a

Spring
Sing-a-long!

Please join Angela Petrucci,
St. James musician

April 29, 2026 11am - 1pm

**Refreshments and a light
lunch will be served
following the event!**

Please RSVP by 4/24/26 to Anisa Ralls 206-382-4269 or
aralls@stjames-cathedral.org

**At The Pastoral Outreach Center,
907 Columbia St.**



May 9

**Disability Inclusion
Mass & Dance**

A celebration of diversity in our
Catholic faith community

Mass | 11am
St. James Cathedral

Social | 12pm
St. James Cathedral Hall
907 Columbia Street, Seattle

Everyone is welcome.

The Archdiocese of Seattle's Disability Inclusion Ministry serves and works collaboratively with our parishes and schools to promote the inclusion and meaningful participation of people with disabilities in the life of our Catholic faith community.



For any questions, please
contact Miguel Smith at
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Learn more and register