

"And if farther on He says that He is *the door*, we must no again be disturbed, for he also calls Himself *Shepherd* and *Sheep*, and in different ways proclaims His dispensations. Thus, when He brings us to the father, He calls Himself a *door*, when He takes care of us, a *Shepherd*; and it is you may not suppose that to bring us to the Father is His only office that He calls Himself a *Shepherd*."

Saint John Chrysostom

May 3, 2020
Fourth Sunday of Easter



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Due to COVID-19 and Governor's Executive Order, church office is closed

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Mass Schedule - Horario de Misas

Saturday - Sábado	6:00 PM	Español Clinton
Sunday - Domingo	10:00 AM	English Clinton
Sunday - Domingo	12:30 PM	Español Clinton
Sunday - Domingo	6:00 PM	Español Ingold

Reconciliation - Confesiones

Saturday -Sábado, 4:00—5:30 p.m.
Daily Mass—As published inside bulletin.

Faith Formation - Catequesis

Immaculate Conception, Clinton

Primera Comunión -Año I y II (Español)
Saturday, 4:30 PM- 5:45 PM
First Communion Year I & II (English)
Sunday, 11:00 AM-12:15 PM
Confirmation - Year I
Wednesday, 6:00 PM-7:00 PM
Confirmation - Year II
Wednesday, 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

San Juan, Ingold

Primera Comunión - Año I y II
Sunday, 4:40 PM - 5:45 PM

Emergency phone: 910-594-0287

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 2

People of the Parish

Week of Sunday, May 3

Sunday, May 3

10 :00 AM + Anne Warren Montgomery

Monday, May 4

Omaira Reid

Wednesday, May 6

+ Zulma Marin

Thursday, May 7

+ Gwen Dupray

Friday, May 8

+ Ruth Bonner

Saturday, May 9

People of the Parish

Week of Sunday, May 10

Sunday, May 3

10 :00 AM + Fay & Melva Hunter

12:30 PM No intention requested

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4;
Jn 10:11-18

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6,
8; Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27;
Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19;
1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

All classes and meetings are canceled.

Please check our Facebook page:

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
for the live streaming of Sunday masses.



Act of Spiritual Communion

A Prayer by St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

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Prayer Book of Life

Please pray for all the intentions written in
our "Prayer Book of Life" located in the ves-
tibule. Anyone with any need is invited to
write prayer requests in the book.

"Let us pray for one another"

Please pray daily for our church community:

Chester Cukrowicz, Marie Stowers, Peggy Schoenleber, Katharine Crostic, Beth Malone, Levere C. Montgomery, Jr., Julia Moore, Tom & Vivian Gallagher, Joan Troublefield, Carlyle Williams, Theresa Williford, Pearl Bradshaw, Liz Wills, Warren Montgomery, Gene Settelaar, Londyn Marie Gwinn



Please call the church office if you wish to add a name to this list.

We have greatly improved our audio/visual presentation of the Sunday Mass for our weekly transmission via Facebook since Holy Week. We hope to be using three different cameras, and the sound is being extracted directly from the receiver. We also hope to offer an additional feed on our new YouTube Channel.

Hemos mejorado muchísimo la presentación audio-visual de la transmisión de la Misa Dominical aquí en el templo. Pensamos utilizar hasta tres cámaras y estamos extrayendo el sonido directamente del sistema (y no de la computadora). Esperamos introducir otra presentación audio-visual este Domingo mediante nuestro nuevo canal de YouTube.

Given the statewide stay at home order, below are links to other online resources:

[Diocese of Raleigh YouTube channel](#) - for stories, homilies, Masses and more

[Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral](#) - Daily Mass on Facebook, Monday-Friday, 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, 9:00 a.m.; Holy Hour and adoration, Tuesdays preceding Daily Mass

[Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral](#) - On Facebook, Misa diaria, Miercoles y jueves, a las 7:00 p.m. FMI check Diocese of Raleigh website.

2020 Diocesan One-Day Marriage Preparation Workshop

Inviting all engaged couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony to attend a One-Day Diocesan Marriage Preparation Workshop. At this workshop you will deepen your relationship with your fiancé as you prepare to begin living out the sacrament of marriage. Topics for the day include: Theology of Marriage, Communication and Conflict Resolution, Finance & Stewardship, Intimacy and Natural Family Planning, and Living a Sacramental Marriage. Remember to talk with your pastor before signing up. Registration and a list of dates and locations can be found at: <https://raldioc.configio.com/go/mpw2020>.

Additional details: Rebekah.tolson@raldioc.org, 919-821-9753.

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE 2020 WORLD DAY OF VOCATIONS

(May 3, 2020)

Words of Vocation

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

On 4 August last year, the 160th anniversary of the death of the Curé of Ars, [I chose to write a letter to all those priests](#) who daily devote their lives to the service of God's people in response to the Lord's call.

On that occasion, I chose four key words – *pain, gratitude, encouragement* and *praise* – as a way of thanking priests and supporting their ministry. I believe that today, on this 57th World Day of Prayer for Vocations, those words can be addressed to the whole people of God, against the backdrop of the Gospel passage that recounts for us the remarkable experience of Jesus and Peter during a stormy night on the Sea of Galilee (cf. *Mt* 14:22-33).

After the multiplication of the loaves, which had astonished the crowds, Jesus told his disciples to get into the boat and precede him to the other shore, while he took leave of the people. The image of the disciples crossing the lake can evoke our own life's journey. Indeed, the boat of our lives slowly advances, restlessly looking for a safe haven and prepared to face the perils and promises of the sea, yet at the same time trusting that the helmsman will ultimately keep us on the right course. At times, though, the boat can drift off course, misled by mirages, not the lighthouse that leads it home, and be tossed by the tempests of difficulty, doubt and fear.

Something similar takes place in the hearts of those who, called to follow the Teacher of Nazareth, have to undertake a crossing and abandon their own security to become the Lord's disciples. The risk involved is real: the night falls, the headwinds howl, the boat is tossed by the waves, and fear of failure, of not being up to the call, can threaten to overwhelm them.

The Gospel, however, tells us that in the midst of this challenging journey we are not alone. Like the first ray of dawn in the heart of the night, the Lord comes walking on the troubled waters to join the disciples; he invites Peter to come to him on the waves, saves him when he sees him sinking and, once in the boat, makes the winds die down.

The first word of vocation, then, is *gratitude*. Taking the right course is not something we do on our own, nor does it depend solely on the road we choose to travel. How we find fulfilment in life is more than a decision we make as isolated individuals; above all else, it is a response to a call from on high. The Lord points out our destination on the opposite shore and he grants us the courage to board the boat. In calling us, he becomes our helmsman; he accompanies and guides us; he prevents us from running aground on the shoals of indecision and even enables us to walk on surging waters.

Every vocation is born of that gaze of love with which the Lord came to meet us, perhaps even at a time when our boat was being battered by the storm. "Vocation, more than our own choice, is a response to the Lord's unmerited call" ([Letter to Priests](#), 4 August 2019). We will succeed in discovering and embracing our vocation once we open our hearts in gratitude and perceive the passage of God in our lives.



MENSAJE DEL SANTO PADRE FRANCISCO PARA LA 57 JORNADA MUNDIAL DE ORACIÓN POR LAS VOCACIONES

Las palabras de la vocación

Queridos hermanos y hermanas:

El 4 de agosto del año pasado, en el 160 aniversario de la muerte del santo Cura de Ars, quise ofrecer una [Carta a los sacerdotes](#), que por la llamada que el Señor les hizo, gastan la vida cada día al servicio del Pueblo de Dios.

En esa ocasión, elegí cuatro palabras clave —*dolor, gratitud, ánimo y alabanza*— para agradecer a los sacerdotes y apoyar su ministerio. Considero que hoy, en esta 57 Jornada Mundial de Oración por las Vocaciones, esas palabras se pueden retomar y dirigir a todo el Pueblo de Dios, a la luz de un pasaje evangélico que nos cuenta la singular experiencia de Jesús y Pedro durante una noche de tempestad, en el lago de Tiberíades (cf. *Mt* 14,22-33).

Después de la multiplicación de los panes, que había entusiasmado a la multitud, Jesús ordenó a los suyos que subieran a la barca y lo precedieran en la otra orilla, mientras El despedía a la gente. La imagen de esta travesía en el lago evoca de algún modo el viaje de nuestra existencia. En efecto, la barca de nuestra vida avanza lentamente, siempre inquieta porque busca un feliz desembarco, dispuesta para afrontar los riesgos y las oportunidades del mar, aunque también anhela recibir del timonel un cambio de dirección que la ponga finalmente en el rumbo adecuado. Pero, a veces puede perderse, puede dejarse encandilar por ilusiones en lugar de seguir el faro luminoso que la conduce al puerto seguro, o ser desafiada por los vientos contrarios de las dificultades, de las dudas y de los temores.

También sucede así en el corazón de los discípulos. Ellos, que están llamados a seguir al Maestro de Nazaret, deben decidirse a pasar a la otra orilla, apostando valientemente por abandonar sus propias seguridades e ir tras las huellas del Señor. Esta aventura no es pacífica: llega la noche, sopla el viento contrario, la barca es sacudida por las olas, y el miedo de no lograrlo y de no estar a la altura de la llamada amenaza con hundirlos.

Pero el Evangelio nos dice que, en la aventura de este viaje difícil, no estamos solos. El Señor, casi anticipando la aurora en medio de la noche, caminó sobre las aguas agitadas y alcanzó a los discípulos, invitó a Pedro a ir a su encuentro sobre las aguas, lo salvó cuando lo vio hundirse y, finalmente, subió a la barca e hizo calmar el viento.

Así pues, la primera palabra de la vocación es *gratitud*. Navegar en la dirección correcta no es una tarea confiada sólo a nuestros propios esfuerzos, ni depende solamente de las rutas que nosotros escojamos. Nuestra realización personal y nuestros proyectos de vida no son el resultado matemático de lo que decidimos dentro de un "yo" aislado; al contrario, son ante todo la respuesta a una llamada que viene de lo alto. Es el Señor quien nos concede en primer lugar la valentía para subirnos a la barca y nos indica la orilla hacia la que debemos dirigirnos. Es El quien, cuando nos llama, se convierte también en nuestro timonel para acompañarnos, mostrarnos la dirección, impedir que nos quedemos varados en los escollos de la indecisión y hacernos capaces de caminar incluso sobre las aguas agitadas.

Toda vocación nace de la mirada amorosa con la que el Señor vino a nuestro encuentro, quizá justo cuando nuestra barca estaba siendo sacudida en medio de la tempestad. «La vocación, más que una elección nuestra, es respuesta a un llamado gratuito del Señor» ([Carta a los sacerdotes](#), 4 agosto 2019); por eso, llegaremos a descubrirla y a abrazarla cuando nuestro corazón se abra a la gratitud y sepa acoger el paso de Dios en nuestra vida.



We wish to congratulate our Graduates from Elementary and High School, as well as those who are graduating from an Institution of Higher Education,



We desire to recognize this event, publishing a picture and including some data as to your future aspirations.

We ask the those who have achieved this goal to please contact us so as to honor your accomplishment.

Please send info to inri@icclintonnc.org

Edith Bradshaw Scholarship

The 18th Annual Edith Bradshaw Scholarship is available to high school seniors at IC in Clinton, OLOG in Newton Grove and STMA in Mount Olive. Interested students should submit a RESUME to Michael Mozingo by Friday, June 5, 2020. Please include any honors, awards, and extracurricular activities involving your church, school, and community. A \$1500 award will be presented this summer. Interviews will be held at Immaculate Conception in Clinton. The resume should not exceed two pages.

Please send your resume to Mr. Mozingo: honeyhushlife@gmail.com.

FMI, you may call/text Mr. Mozingo at (910)935-0021.



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Maria Jimenez - May 10

Rosemary Hunter - May 15

Lila Maxwell - May 19

Chester Cukrowicz - May 22

Bob Mello - May 26

Sister Theresine - May 29

Sally DeMay - May 31

Please contact the church office at iri@icclintonnc.org or 910-592-1384 to have your name and birthdate included in the monthly birthday list in the bulletin.

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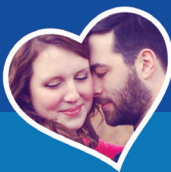
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