**Immaculate Conception Parish celebrates First Communicants**

**Immaculate Conception choristers sing at classmates’ First Communion Mass**

**PICO-UNION DISTRICT, Los Angeles, Calif**. \_ Immaculate Conception choristers sang at their own and classmates’ First Communion Mass, Saturday, April 30, 2022.

The Immaculate Conception School singers, also default members of the Escolania Pacifica and First Communicants themselves, ranging in age from 7- to 12-years-old, sang *Come, O, Jesus, Come into my Heart,* A hymn written by Escolania founder Fr. Ted Ley, SM, specifically for young First Communicants.

“I intended the song to be better understood by children than music often used in the United States as First Communion music,” the Marianist priest has said.

A Gregorian *Kyrie Eleison* was sung in the Mass celebrated by [Immaculate Conception Church](https://inmaculadaconcepla.org/) associate pastor Fr. Abdias Gonzalez Gonzalez, C.O.R.C. Fr. Ted played the Yamaha keyboard and the Schola’s tenor and the students’ choirmaster and vocal music teacher Vicente Bastidas-Elizondo conducted the music. Two eighth-grade girls from [Immaculate Conception School](https://www.ics-la.org/) led the congregation music, serving as cantrices.

Berthier’s *Taize Laudate* was sung in a three-part round. Also sung: Mozart’s *Dona Nobis Pacem* canon and Bach’s *Jesu Joy of All Desiring.*