



# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

*Inviting—Uniting—Igniting*

720 Liberty Street  
Clarion, Pennsylvania 16214

## Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Morning - 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Holy Days - 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Weekdays - Consult the bulletin or phone the parish office

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### Parish Membership

Membership includes active participation in the sacramental life of the Church, involvement in the activities of the faith community and financial support of the parish. New members are welcome to register by calling the parish office.



“When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited by him.” - Lk 14:8

**WE WILL BE  
CLOSED ON  
LABOR DAY**

**THE PARISH AND SCHOOL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 IN OBSERVANCE OF THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY. THE**

**SCHOOL OFFICE OPENS AT 8:00 A.M. TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 WHILE THE PARISH OFFICE HOURS ARE 12:30 – 4:30 P.M.**

#### NEW VIDEO STUDY SERIES -

The Mass - Encountering Heaven on Earth

This series is presented by Bishop Robert Barron from Word on Fire ministries. Bishop Barron will walk you through the Mass to help you understand how to fully, consciously and actively participate in the Mass.

Two **bi-weekly sessions** are offered beginning the week of September 9. Meetings are Mondays at 7:00 pm and Wednesdays at 3:00 pm. Both sessions meet in Our Lady of Clarion Center.

Price is \$35.00 which includes a study guide.

Registration forms are available on [icclarion.org](http://icclarion.org) (to print), in the lobby of the church or email Linda Summerville at [linda.summerville62@gmail.com](mailto:linda.summerville62@gmail.com).

#### The 1st Immaculate Conception Parish School Community TREASURES and TRASH SALE



is Saturday, September 14th from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. Don't miss this opportunity to display your treasures from home decor, baby items, toys, clothing, household items, playhouses and more. Rent space with a table for \$15.00. Due to the number of tables available, each family is initially limited to two tables for rental. All sales belong to you! Immaculate Conception Parish School will take care of the advertising, the table set up and the promotion. Hurry in to the school office to reserve your table today. Make checks out to Immaculate Conception Parish School. But, there's more...Immaculate Conception Parish School will offer treasures for sale as well. Classroom desks, vintage basketball and cheerleading uniforms, books from the historic school library, wheel carts, props from school performances and more. This is your chance to get a little piece of IC Parish School's history for your home!



**WELCOME BACK ! AND BY THE WAY....** Take the time to fill out a CU Catholic registration card either at the Campus Ministry House or at a weekend Mass. Every student who completes a card will be entered into a drawing to win \$100 toward the purchase of textbooks.

**NYC, HERE WE COME...** CU Catholic is planning a one day pilgrimage to New York City on Sept. 28. More information can be found on Facebook or by contacting Ann at [acl726@hotmail.com](mailto:acl726@hotmail.com).



**A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MONTY** – In his book *Letter to a Suffering Church: A Bishop Speaks on the Sexual Abuse Crisis*, LA Auxiliary Bishop Robert Barron describes the events confronting the Catholic Church as “lacerating”. The book was written, he notes, for “my fellow Catholics who feel...demoralized, scandalized, angry beyond words and ready to quit”. Bishop Barron argues, however, “there is simply never a good reason to leave the Church. Never” (page 61). I will be preaching about six topics Bishop Barron identifies as the “treasures” of Catholicism on the five Sundays in September. Those topics are:

- The Church speaks of God;
- The Church is the Mystical Body of Christ;
- The Holy Spirit;
- The Trinity;
- The Sacraments;
- The Saints

**COPIES OF BISHOP ROBERT BARRON'S BOOK ARE AVAILABLE ON THE LOBBY BOOKRACK FOR \$1.00.**



**2019 LABOR DAY OBSERVANCE** - On Monday, September 2, there will be a Mass at Immaculate Conception Church at 8:30 a.m. Why not observe the last national holiday of the summer by attending Mass?

**EXPOSITION + ADORATION + BENEDICTION** – On Friday, September 6, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Adoration will continue throughout the day. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be at 5:30 p.m. At the urging of Bishop Persico, the focus of our prayer—silent and spoken—on First Friday will be for healing of victims of the clergy sexual abuse and for the Church betrayed by her priests' and bishops' sinful and negligent actions.



**SEPTEMBER COMMUNION CALLS** – Father Monty and Eucharistic ministers will be distributing Holy Communion to parish shut-ins on first Friday, September 6. If a family member is in need of a visit, please call the parish office by Noon on Thursday, September 5.

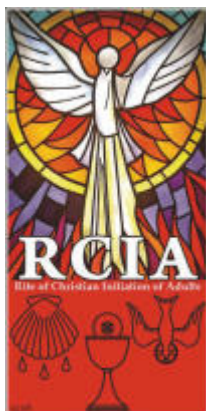
**2019 CATHOLIC EDUCATION COLLECTION** - The 2019 Catholic Education Collection will take place the weekend of September 14-15. This important collection supports lifelong faith formation for all generations throughout our diocese. Please give generously and know that half of what you give will remain here at Immaculate Conception Parish to support our own religious education and faith formation programs.



**FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mary Jane Miller by her family.



**RCIA – RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS** — Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Were you baptized Catholic as a child, but have not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of the Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season.



You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm, accepting setting. Weekly sessions begin on Sunday, September 8, 2019, from 9:30 to 10:45 am. For information, contact Linda Summerville at [linda.summerville62@gmail.com](mailto:linda.summerville62@gmail.com) or 814-226-5864.

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**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS** — CD of A's next meeting will be at St Mary Parish, Crown, Monday, Sept. 9 at 6:30 PM. Need a ride? Contact Karen McDade at 814-764-3610.

**CATHOLIC QUOTES - WORDS TO INSPIRE THE FAITHFUL** — I used to think you needed to be special for God to use you, but now I know you simply need to say yes. — Bob Goff

**CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS  
DIOCESAN CHILD PROTECTION POLICIES:**

The Diocese of Erie, along with all other dioceses in the United States, has policies and procedures in place to address the national problem of child abuse and to aid in maintaining safe environments. The diocese is committed to promptly reporting any suspicions of child abuse directly to ChildLine or law enforcement. The diocese is committed to on-going screening and training of all personnel, paid or unpaid, who have regular contact with our children and youth under the age of 18. The diocese is also committed to the yearly safe environment training of our children, youth and parents regarding touching-safety and safe environments. To read the policy and see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments, visit

<https://www.eriecd.org/childprotection/>



**Monday, September 2 - Labor day**

8:30 am Clyde Allio, daughters Suzanne and Kathy (Stella Allio and Family)

**Tuesday, September 3 - Saint Pope Gregory the Great**

8:30 am Dennis and Mary Ochs (Ruth Ochs)

**Wednesday, September 4**

5:30 pm Jane Collett (Kathy Morrison)

**Thursday, September 5**

8:30 am Maureen Sayers (Father Monty)

**Friday, September 6**

*Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
9:00 am till 5:30 pm. Benediction at 5:30 pm.*

8:30 am David Aaron (Kate Aaron)

**Saturday, September 7**

4:00 pm Bill and Bernadette Huefner (Mike and Marlene Baker and Family)

**Sunday, September 8 - Twenty-third Sunday in**

**Ordinary Time**

8:30 am Donald Kahle (Rose Marie Kahle and Family)

8:30 am RADIO MASS — John and Helen Stahlman (Estate)

11:00 am For the People

**Readings for the week of September 1, 2019**

**Monday:** 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30

**Tuesday:** 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13] /Lk 4:31-37

**Wednesday:** Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44

**Thursday:** Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2] /Lk 5:1-11

**Friday:** Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39

**Saturday:** Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5

**Next Sunday:** Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 [1]/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

**BAPTISM**

**BAPTISM MINISTRY** — IC is looking for families to join our Baptism Formation Ministry. Families meet twice a year with first time parents to discuss what it means to be a Catholic family and offer support to new parents. Interested families must be in a valid Catholic marriage and actively participate in parish life including attendance at Sunday and Holy Day liturgies. Please contact Linda Summerville at [linda.summerville62@gmail.com](mailto:linda.summerville62@gmail.com) or by telephone at 814-226-5864 for more information.



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September 3  
Team 4**

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