



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.



“I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.” — John 13:34



Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted your Commitment Card to the church. For those parishioners who have not yet had the opportunity to submit their card, a letter will be mailed to you with a personalized Commitment Card. Each and every one of you is a vital member of our parish community and we want to hear from you! This is an opportunity to *reflect upon and renew* your sacrificial commitment to support the mission of Immaculate Conception Parish. For those who are able – there is an opportunity to make a one-time gift to the parish. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

For those of you who would prefer to fill out your Commitment Card online, please visit the parish website at www.icclarion.org.

Save the Date

**4th Annual
Immaculate Conception Parish School
Golf Scramble**

Sunday, June 12, 2022
Clarion Oaks Golf Club
Clarion, PA
Shotgun 9:00 AM

Sponsorships Opportunities Available!

For more information
Contact Nadine & Randy Cyphert
at
ncyphert@clarionichawks.net
or
814-226-8433 ext. 105

FOOD PANTRY — Please help Immaculate Conception Parish and School collect items for the food pantry sponsored by Community Action. For the month of May the collection is for **CANNED VEGGIES** and **FRUIT**. However, we welcome all non-perishable food items. Please place your donated items in the designated containers in the lobby of the church. Thank you for your continued support.



COFFEE KLATCH

Come join the conversation at the
COFFEE KLATCH
Friday morning, May 20 at 9:00 a.m.
in Our Lady of Clarion Center

CEMETERY NOTICE – Before you plant or place decorations on graves this month, please consult the Immaculate Conception Cemetery regulations. Regulations are clearly posted in the parish cemetery and on our website under Organizations → Cemetery Association. These regulations have been enacted to preserve the dignity of our parish cemetery and for the protection of cemetery employees.

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MONTY – Pope Francis will canonize Blessed Charles De Foucauld, considered to be one of the pioneers of interreligious dialogue, during a Canonization Mass in St. Peter’s Basilica on 15 May 2022. The Vatican website offers a brief biography of the Church’s newest saint:

“Blessed Charles de Foucauld, born in 1858, was a French aristocrat and religious, whose work and writings led to the founding of the Congregation of the Little Brothers of Jesus. During his adventurous life, he was a Cavalry Officer in the French Army, and then an explorer and geographer before becoming a Catholic priest and hermit who lived among the Tuareg in Algeria’s Sahara Desert. He lived a life of prayer, meditation and adoration, in the incessant desire to be, for each person, a "universal brother", a living image of the love of Jesus. On the evening of December 1, 1916, he was killed by bandits.”

The Holy Father has referenced Saint Charles in recent writings and remarks:

- “Blessed Charles directed his ideal of total surrender to God towards an identification with the poor, abandoned in the depths of the African desert. In that setting, he expressed his desire to feel himself a brother to every human being, and asked a friend to ‘pray to God that I truly be the brother of all’. He wanted to be, in the end, ‘the universal brother’. Yet only by identifying with the least did he come at last to be the brother of all. May God inspire that dream in each one of us. Amen.” (#287, Encyclical Letter *FRATELLI TUTTI*, 3 October 2020).
- Dear grandmother, dear grandfather, dear elderly friends, in concluding this Message to you, I would also like to mention the example of Blessed (and soon Saint) Charles de Foucauld. He lived as a hermit in Algeria and there testified to “his desire to feel himself a brother to all” (Fratelli Tutti, 287). The story of his life shows how it is possible, even in the solitude of one’s own desert, to intercede for the poor of the whole world and to become, in truth, a universal brother or sister. (Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for The First World Day For Grandparents And The Elderly, 25 July 2021).

FAITH FORMATION COUNCIL will have a reorganizational meeting in Our Lady of Clarion Center on Tuesday, May 17 at 7:00 p.m. A review of Council by-laws, staff reports, an update on the Oil City Deanery pastoral process and an update on the spiritual and temporal health of our parish will be on the agenda.

THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR this Sunday are given to the Greater Glory of God in loving memory of your deceased loved ones. Thank you for your generous support of the 2022 Easter Flower collection!

NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING – Training sessions for all Faith Formation students entering fourth, fifth or sixth grade in August, 2022 will be held soon. Call Father Monty to register or for more information.



JOB OPENINGS — Immaculate Conception Parish is seeking a full-time **Business Manager**. Responsibilities include Payroll, Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, Human Resources, Budgeting and Financial Reporting. Occasional evening and weekend work may be necessary. More details and a complete job description are available at www.icclarion.org. The applicant must have all necessary clearances to work in a parish environment. Proof of Covid vaccination required. Competitive pay and benefits available. Interested applicants should email cover letter and resume to kimkroh@comcast.net.



The parish is also seeking a part-time (2-4 hours per week) **cleaning person** for the Rectory/Offices. Responsibilities include vacuuming, dusting, mopping floors, cleaning restrooms, windows, emptying trash, etc. Interested applicants should contact Kim Kroh by email at kimkroh@comcast.net or by calling (814)226-8433, Ext. 101.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK FOR FAITH SHARING
Love One Another

Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." (John 13:34)

Question for Adults: When have you seen the power of love overcome a bad situation?

Question for Kids: Do you believe love is stronger than hate? Why?

THE GIFT: A LIFE IN THE SPIRIT COURSE — Are you hungry for more of God? THERE IS MORE! Join us for this Life in the Spirit course and experience "The Gift" God has for you!

St. Michael's, Parish — 807 Chestnut Street — Emlenton
Friday, May 20, 2022 6:00 - 9:00 pm and
Saturday, May 21, 2022 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

There is no charge for this course.
Online registration is required at:

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<https://nationalcatholicsingles.com/mission-possible-living-your-baptismal-vocation/>

MASS Intentions

Monday, May 16

8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of
Chuck Aaron's Family

Tuesday, May 17

8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of
Marlene and Mike Baker's Family

Wednesday, May 18 - Saint Pope John I

— NO MASS —

Thursday, May 19

11:00 a.m. Deceased Members of
Dawn and Brad Miller's Family

Friday, May 20 - Saint Bernadine of Siena

— NO MASS —

Saturday, May 21 - Saint Christopher Magallanes and Companions

4:00 p.m. Jesse Copenhaver (Madge Copenhaver)

Sunday, May 22 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:30 a.m. Stella Allio (Sally Doran)

8:30 a.m. RADIO MASS - Allen Frampton and
Deceased Members of the Frampton Family
(Betty Boroughs)

11:00 a.m. Tim Hockman (Susie and Jim Amato)

Readings for the week of May 15, 2022

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16
/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21
/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5
/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]
/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

"Receive Communion by making a throne: One hand under the other. Ready to receive our great King."

— Saint Cyril of Jerusalem



Addition to the Prayer List:

Greg Geyer



Thank you	May 7 - 8, 2022
Envelopes	\$ 8,306.00
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