



# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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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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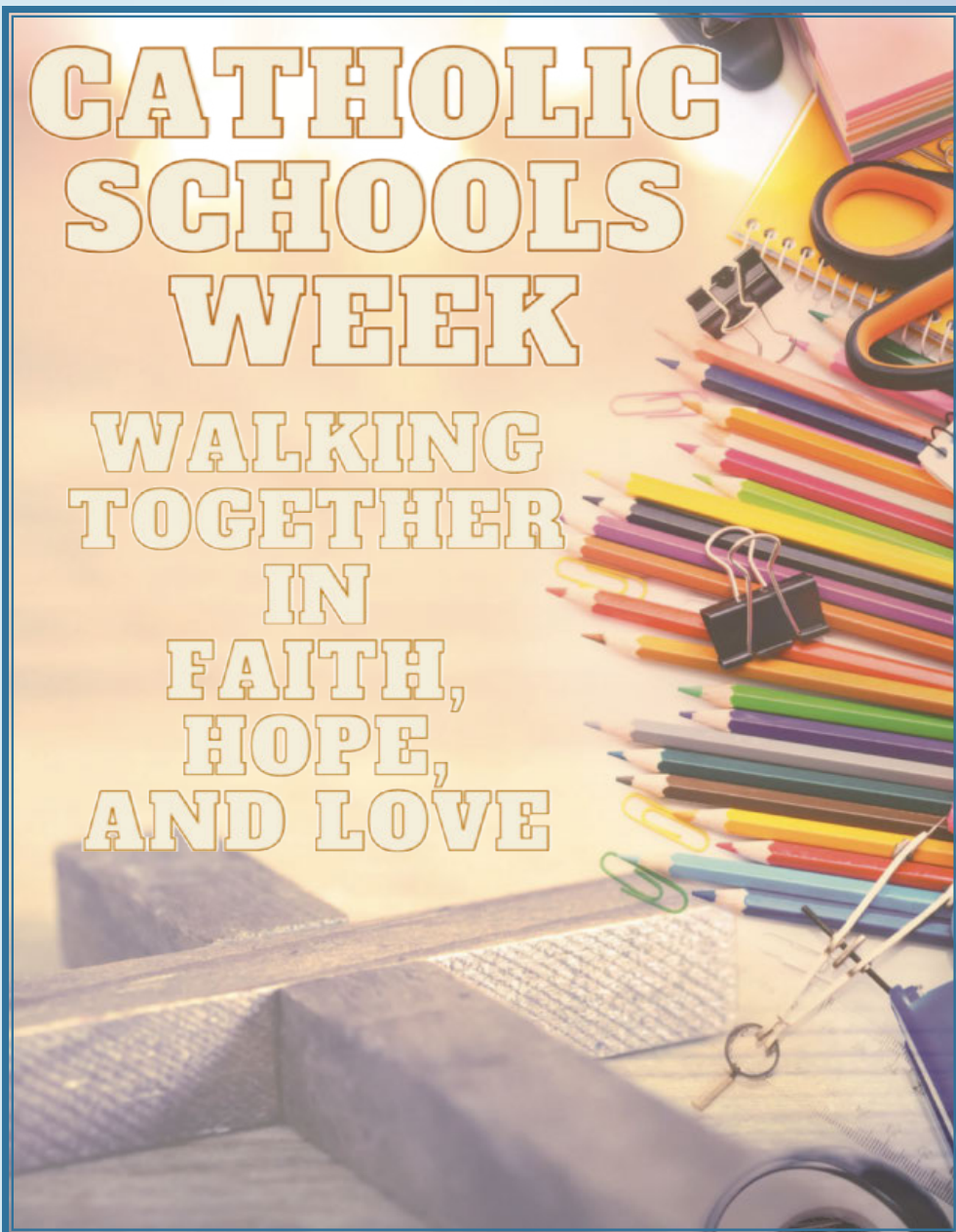
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### Parish Membership

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.



## SPECIAL RITES THIS WEEK

**THE FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD** – Falling on Thursday, February 2, 2023—40 days after Christmas—this feast recalls Simeon's declaration that the Christ Child is "A revealing light to the Gentiles, the glory of your people Israel". The **11:00 Mass on Thursday**—the closing Mass for Catholic Schools Week—will begin with the blessing of candles carried by our parish school students and the candles that are used in the ceremonies of the liturgical year. Why not bring the candles you use in your home—dining table tapers, jar candles, birthday candles, votive and tea lights—to Mass to be blessed? Blessed Candles for home use will be available for purchase. February 2 is also the World Day of Consecrated Life—a worldwide day of prayer for religious women and men.

**THE ORDER FOR BLESSING THROATS ON THE FEAST OF ST. BLASE** – The traditional individual Blessings of Throats will be offered at the 8:30 Mass on Friday, February 3.

**SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK** – The Holy See has designated February 11—the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes—as World Day of the Sick. In the words of Saint John Paul II, it is "a special time of prayer and sharing, of offering one's suffering for the good of the Church and of reminding us to see in our sick brothers and sisters the face of Christ who, by suffering, dying and rising achieved the salvation of human kind."

**The Anointing of the Sick will be administered on Friday, February 10, the feast of Saint Scholastica, at the 8:30 a.m. Mass in observance of this global day of prayer.**



### 2023 WORLD WALK FOR EDUCATION

During Catholic Schools Week, the students of Immaculate Conception Parish School will participate in our World Walk For Education campaign. Students will walk 22 laps in the gym during Catholic Schools Week, Jan. 30th - Feb. 4th. We are attempting to finish our walk across China. The enthusiastic response of grandparents, faculty, alumni, parishioners and friends of our school families have had an impact far beyond the dollars raised. One thing will remain the same regardless of the condition of our world: students rely on the generous support of individuals like you. Your gift today allows current and future students to expand their rigorous academics with tools to adapt to their ever changing environment. If you are interested in making a donation to the 2023 World Walk for Education campaign, please visit the school office with your donation during regularly scheduled school hours. No donation is too small.

Collectively, more than 700 alumni, faculty, parents, family friends and parishioners contributed to the success of the 2022 campaign. Our 2023 campaign goal is \$10,000.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** will follow the 8:30 a.m. Mass on February 3, the first Friday of the month. Adoration will continue all morning and conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 12:10 p.m. The focus of our prayer is the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network intention for February 2023: **FOR PARISHES** -

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need".

**THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE** is scheduled for the following dates in February (or by appointment):

- Thursday, February 2 after the 11:00 a.m. Mass
- Saturday, February 4 at 3:00 p.m.
- Saturday, February 18 at 3:00 p.m.

**EUCHARISTIC VISITORS** – Our parish Eucharistic Visitors will be bringing Holy Communion to homebound parishioners in February. If you or a member of your family is unable to attend Sunday Mass to receive the Eucharist and would like a visit, please call the parish office this week.



### WINTERTIME FLOWER MEMORIALS –

The floral arrangement at the altar is given for the Glory of God, in honor of Catholic Schools Week and in memory of Stella Miller by the Immaculate Conception Parish Leadership Team.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2023** - Why not honor your loved ones by requesting a mass be said for them? Requests may be made by mail, email, using a mass request envelope found in the lobby of the church, or through the parish website (click Contact Us in the menu). Requests must be limited to **two (2)** per year per registered household. For the year following the death of a loved one, we are able to schedule three additional masses: a Month's Mind, a birthday or wedding anniversary and the first anniversary of the death. **For all other requests only one Sunday mass may be scheduled.** Masses for the following occasions are not available: "Birthday Memorials", Christmas Eve and Day, Easter Sunday, Mother's Day and Father's Day. You can also remember your loved ones with a mass broadcast on Radio Station WWCH. The suggested donation for a mass is \$10.00. The cost of a radio broadcast is \$45.00.

**SAVE THE DATE — PURSES & BLING**  
April 15, 2023



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Immaculate Conception Parish has been participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring since 2001. Due to the generosity of our parishioners, we have donated close to \$14,000 to local charities over the years.

On February 12, Super Bowl Sunday, please bring a \$1.00 donation for this worthwhile campaign.



**Catholic Schools Week  
Events Calendar**

January 29, 2023 – February 3, 2023



**Walking Together in Faith, Hope, and Love**

**Sunday, January 29**

***Celebrating our Parish***

- ◇ Dress Attire: Prayer House Saint Shirt
- ◇ CSW Kick-off 8:30 am Mass. Prayer House Banners on Display
- ◇ ICPS: Vocal Performance at Mass
- ◇ Parish Invitation to Participate in Our World Walk for Education Campaign

**Monday, January 30**

***Celebrating our Community***

- ◇ Dress Attire: Regular Dress Code
- ◇ Community Prayer Service with Mrs. Frederick (Parish Event Center 9:00 am)
  - Prayer House New Members Induction
- ◇ Scholastic Book Fair Preview Day (PreK thru 6th)

**Tuesday, January 31**

***Celebrating our Nation***

- ◇ Dress Attire: School Spirit Day - Blue & White Gym Clothes
- ◇ World Walk Around China during Gym Classes
- ◇ Spelling Bee (Grades 4, 5, 6) 1:30 pm (Parish Event Center)

**Wednesday, February 1**

***Celebrating our Students***

- ◇ Dress Attire: Regular Dress Code
- ◇ Sister Tina and Sister Marian (Catholic Rural Ministry)
- ◇ Scholastic Book Fair Open House 4:45 pm - 5:45 pm
- ◇ Talent Show: 6:00 pm (Parish Event Center)

**Thursday, February 2**

***Celebrating Vocations***

- ◇ Dress Attire: Your Best Dress-Up Clothes
- ◇ Mass—11:00 am: Presentation of the Lord
- ◇ Felt Mosaic Cross Frame for Patients at Clarion Cancer Center

**Friday, February 3**

***Celebrating our Faculty, Staff, and Volunteers***

- ◇ Dress Attire: Dress Code B
- ◇ Planetarium Visit: 1:00 - 2:00 pm (PennWest Clarion)
- ◇ Teacher/Staff Potluck — all lunch periods
- ◇ Student Council Book Donation Clarion Free Library/ Graduating Class of 2023

**Immaculate Conception Parish School**

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[www.icclarionschool.org](http://www.icclarionschool.org)



Additions to the Prayer List:

Deshawn Miranda  
Karen Hulings  
Alice Reiner  
Patricia Boyles  
Wes Summerville



**Monday, January 30**

8:30 a.m. Kathy Schmader (Joni Spagno)

**Tuesday, January 31 – Saint John Bosco**

8:30 a.m. Stella Miller (Skeet and Penny Kunselman)

**Wednesday, February 1**

NO MASS

**Thursday, February 2 – The Presentation of the Lord**

**World Day for Consecrated Life**

11:00 a.m. Special Intention of Christmas Gift Donors (Father Monty)

**Friday, February 3 – Saint Blaise and**

**Saint Ansgar**

*Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.*

*Adoration will continue all morning and conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 12:10 p.m.*

8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Delaney Family (Amy Bish)

**Saturday, February 4**

4:00 p.m. Bill and Millie Schmader and son Billy (Charles and Karla Beichner)

**Sunday, February 5 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 a.m. Arthur and Donna Moyer (Marla McCleary)

8:30 a.m. RADIO MASS – Elwood Steele (Lisa and David Fitschen)

11:00 a.m. For the People

**Readings for the week of January 29, 2023**

**Monday:** Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24 /Mk 5:1-20

**Tuesday:** Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32 /Mk 5:21-43

**Wednesday:** Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a/Mk 6:1-6

**Thursday:** Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18 /Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

**Friday:** Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc/Mk 6:14-29

**Saturday:** Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 /Mk 6:30-34

**Next Sunday:** Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a) /1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

Offertory	Jan. 14 - 15	Jan.21 - 22
Envelopes	\$ 8,219.00	\$ 5,702.00
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Spread the Faith		1,771.00
Online Giving	814.83	297.57
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