

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.

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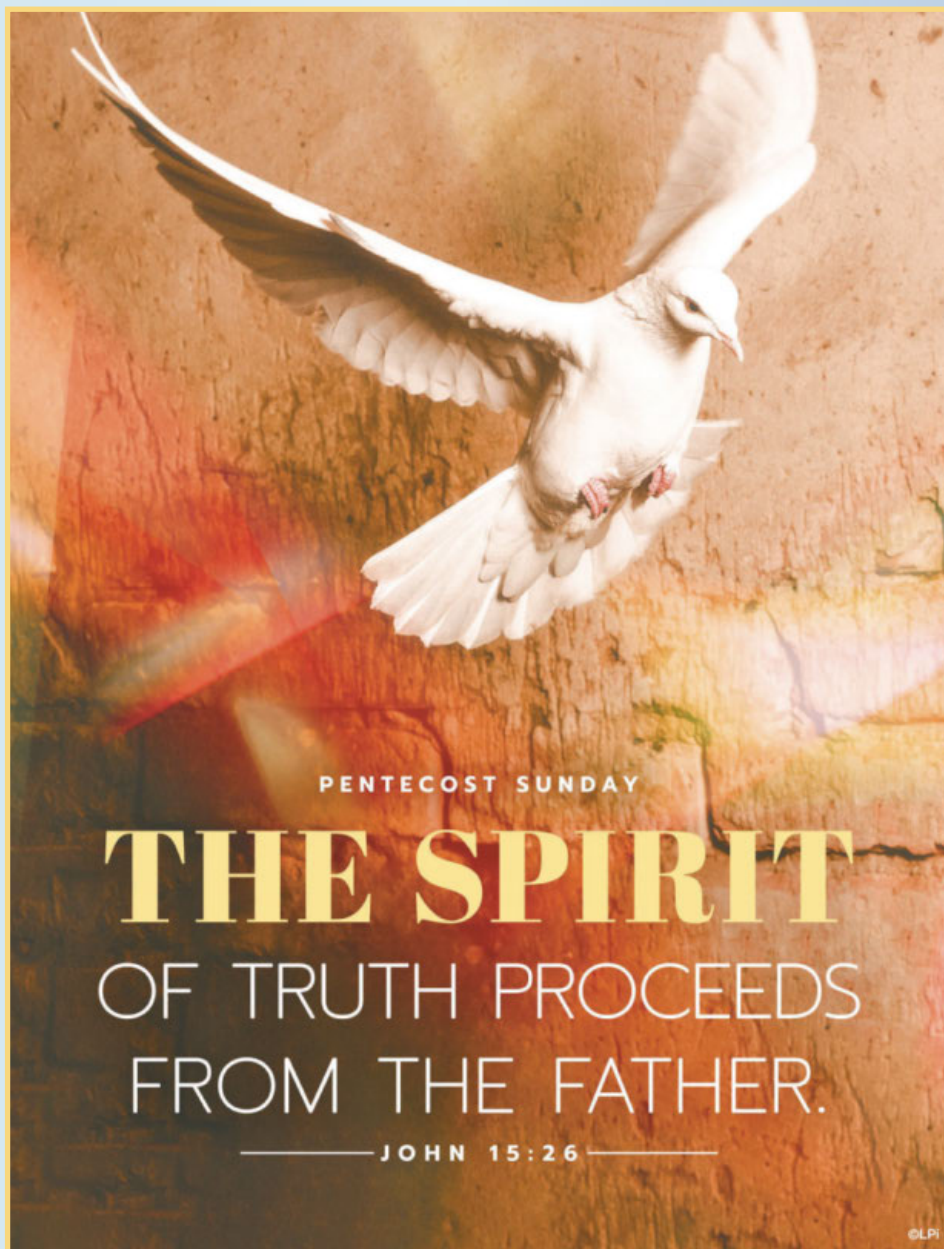
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Parish Membership

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.



PENTECOST SUNDAY

THE SPIRIT
OF TRUTH PROCEEDS
FROM THE FATHER.

— JOHN 15:26 —

*On Tuesday, May 21, 2024
At Seven o'clock in the evening
By the Invocation of the Holy Spirit,
Laying on of Hands and
Anointing with Sacred Chrism
the Sacrament of Confirmation
Will be Conferred by
The Most Reverend*

*Lawrence T. Persico, JCL, Bishop of Erie
On the Following Candidates
from Immaculate Conception parish at
Saint Joseph Church, Lucinda:*

<i>Noah Baumcratz</i>	<i>Sydney Baumcratz</i>
<i>Joseph Burke</i>	<i>Camden Coleman</i>
<i>Paul Craig</i>	<i>Raven Cunningham</i>
<i>Kingston Danner</i>	<i>Megan Fenske</i>
<i>Nathan Frederick</i>	<i>Olivia Gwin</i>
<i>Hayden Hindman</i>	<i>Julia Hoffman</i>
<i>Collin Hoke</i>	<i>Ian Hoke</i>
<i>Alex Hummel</i>	<i>William Kahle</i>
<i>Kaden Renninger</i>	

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MONTY – My Children’s Message on Pentecost Sunday has long featured a coloring page of Mary and the Apostles and a simple recipe for a Pentecost dessert using fresh strawberries that represent the Holy Spirit’s appearance as tongues of fire. I came across a recipe in Southern Living Magazine for a great strawberry dessert. You could pick up the ingredients today and have plenty of time to create this for Pentecost Sunday dinner. You can also dazzle guests at your next picnic or family reunion!

STRAWBERRY-FRUIT TOSS

- 1 (16 oz.) container fresh strawberries, sliced**
- 1 cup chopped fresh pineapple***
- 2 kiwi fruit peeled and chopped**
- ¼ cup sugar***
- ½ Tbsp. chopped fresh mint***
- ½ tsp. lime zest**
- 1 Tbsp. fresh lime juice**

Combine ingredients and let stand 15 minutes, gently stirring after 7 minutes. Serve over short cake, pound cake, angel food or ice cream and top with fresh whipped cream! Remember: Life is too short NOT to eat fresh whipped cream at least once a year!

(* I have used a small can of pineapple rings, cutting each ring into 8 sections. I leave out the mint—too expensive unless you grow your own! I have tried using less sugar but ¼ cup seems to enhance the lime flavor.)



THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR
this Pentecost Sunday are given for the Greater Glory of God and in honor of our Confirmation candidates. Thank you for your generous support of the 2024 Easter Flower collection!

On Friday, May 24, 2024
The Sixth Grade Class of the
Immaculate Conception Parish School
will participate in their
Commencement Liturgy



**Ra'id Bhatti
Emmitt Hummel
Teagann Marshall
Rielle Miller
Harper Miles
Trey Ramsey
Landon Walker**

Congratulations to these “Hawks” as they soar on to seventh grade in new schools with new opportunities for learning!

Immaculate Conception Parish School

Golf Outing

Sunday, June 9, 2024
Clarion Oaks Golf Club
Registration at 8:00 a.m.
Shotgun Start at 9:00 a.m.

Sponsorship Opportunities Available!

For more information or to become a sponsor
Contact Julie Smith at
icpsgolfouting@gmail.com or
by phone at 814-590-4610

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
SAINTLY SOJOURN
OCTOBER 15-17, 2024**

We will be visiting:

- ❖ Sorrowful Mother Shrine, Bellvue, OH
- ❖ Notre Dame University, South Bend, IN
- ❖ Our Sunday Visitor (OSV), Huntington, IN
- ❖ National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, OH
- ❖ A few other stops along the way!

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For more information or to reserve your seat, please contact Kim at (814) 221-0241 or kkroh@live.com



YOU DON'T HAVE WHAT IT TAKES — BUT YOU WILL by Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
Those of us in ministry love this saying: God doesn't call the equipped. He equips the called.

We all know that sort of queasy feeling we get in the pit of our stomachs when it becomes clear what we're supposed to do, in any situation. It's that feeling of: Oh, no. Not me. Not now. I can't.

We've all got our list of reasons why not, don't we? We do it for everything, from big life problems to small everyday choices. I'm not going to invite my neighbor to church because I don't want to come across as pushy. I'm not going to make amends with my cousin because she'll just walk all over me again. I'm not going to say a Rosary tonight because I'm tired and it'll just stress me out.

However, even if we all put our lists of "reasons why we can't" together, I don't think any of us have reasons quite as valid as the apostles. Their job was to convert the nations — and here they are, a bunch of fishermen who haven't been out of Judea, who speak only their own languages. Were they supposed to preach the Gospel via a particularly compelling game of charades?

But even that big, giant, stop-you-dead-in-your tracks Reason Why We Can't was nothing, because God had a plan. He didn't call a bunch of equipped men. He called them, and He equipped them. Cue the tongues of fire!

God doesn't call us to do His will because we have what it takes. He calls us because He's ready to give us what it takes. Being a good steward is to answer the call of Christ knowing he will provide.



Monday, May 20 – Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

8:30 a.m. Allen Frampton (Betty Boroughs)

Tuesday, May 21 – Saint Christopher Magallanes and Companions

8:30 a.m. Regis Huefner (Carol Huefner)

Wednesday, May 22 – Saint Rita of Cascia

———— NO MASS ————

Thursday, May 23

8:30 a.m. Ron Heasley (Kim and Clay Kroh)

Friday, May 24

10:30 a.m. Wendy Sayers (Father Monty)

Saturday, May 25 – Saint Bede the Venerable, Saint Pope Gregory VII, and Saint Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi

4:00 p.m. Bill and Millie Schmader (Karla and Chuck Beichner)

Sunday, May 26 – The Most Holy Trinity

8:30 a.m. For the People

8:30 a.m. **RADIO MASS** – Allen Frampton (Betty Boroughs)

11:00 a.m. Frank and Linda Wolbert (Frank and Nancy Wolbert)

Readings for the week of May 19, 2024

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14

/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10/Ps 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23

/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17/Ps 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11

/Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Jas 5:1-6/Ps 49:14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-18,

19-20/Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Jas 5:9-12/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12/Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Jas 5:13-20/Ps 141:1-2, 3 and 8/Mk 10:13-16

Next Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 (12b)/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

**Parish Picnic
AUGUST 4, 2024**

Come, *Holy Spirit*,
fill the hearts of your
faithful and kindle in
them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit
and they shall be created,
and you shall renew the
face of the earth.

O God, who have
taught the hearts
of the faithful by the
light of the Holy Spirit,
grant that in the same
Spirit we may be truly
wise and ever rejoice
in his consolation.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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