



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 5:30 p.m.

Weekdays - Consult the bulletin or phone the parish office

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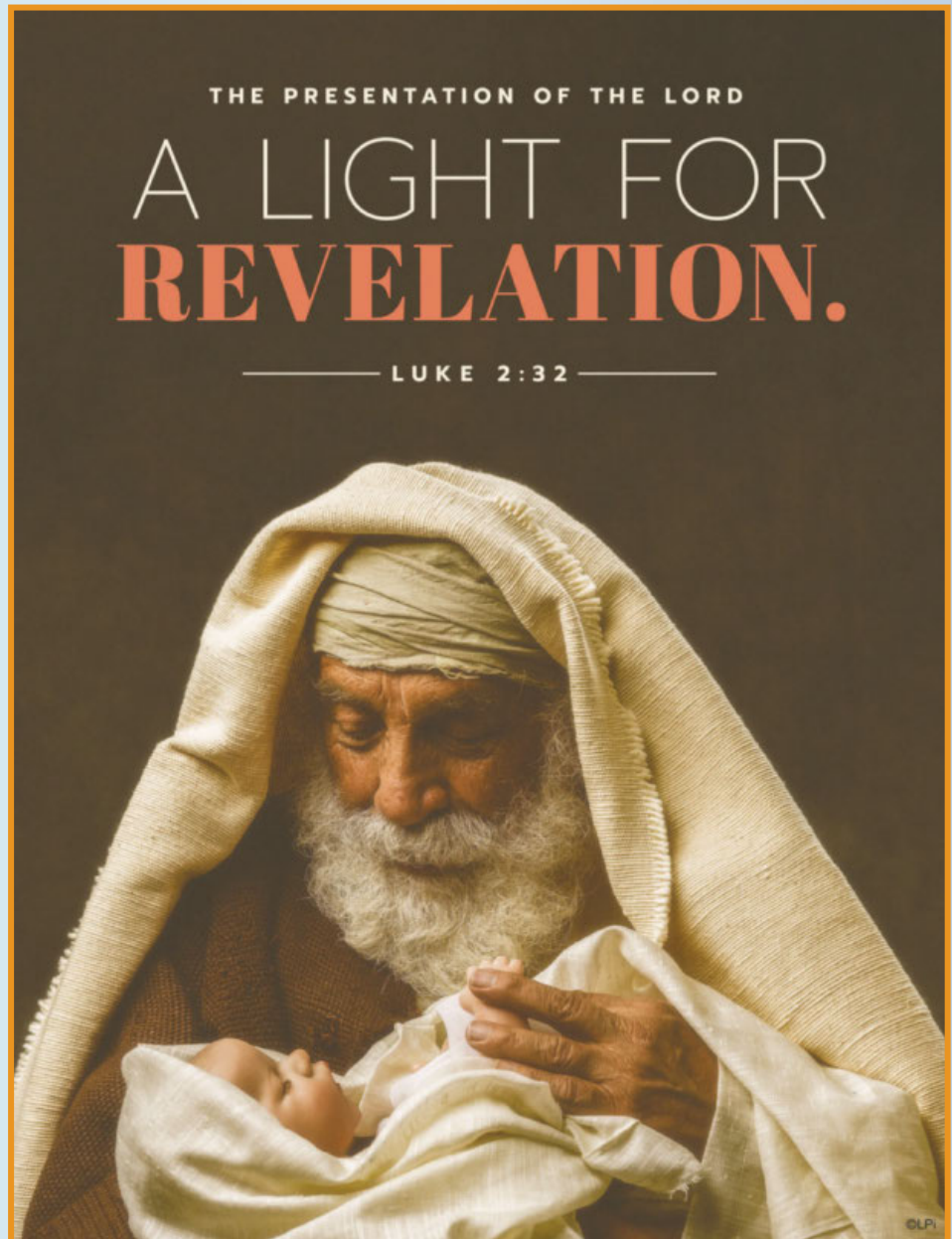
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Parish Membership

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.



Immaculate Conception Parish School's 11th Annual

PURSES AND BLING

MARCH 1, 2025



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EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will follow the 8:30 a.m. Mass on February 7, the first Friday of the month. Adoration will continue all morning concluding 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 2025: **For Vocations To The Priesthood And Religious Life**. Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

NO ORDER FOR BLESSING THROATS ON THE FEAST OF ST. BLASE – Since the Presentation of the Lord fell on a Sunday this year, on Monday, February 3 the liturgy for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time takes precedence. **There will be no individual blessing of throats Monday, February 3.** For pastoral reasons, the traditional blessing of throats in memory of Saint Blase took the place of the final blessing at Masses this Sunday.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK – The Holy Father has designated February 11—the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes—as World Day of the Sick. It is, in the words of Saint John Paul II, “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 Tuesday, February 11 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MONTY – Several years ago I offered a simple, down to earth spiritual exercise written by Rev. Ronald Rolheiser, OMI.

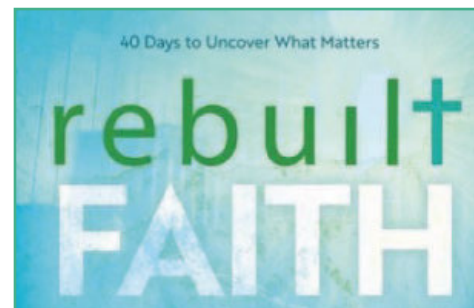
A spiritual exercise, for example, occurs in a temptation situation, when you resist and walk away, or when you forgive instead of fighting. Walking in the spirit—instead of in the flesh—is a spiritual exercise. Reading, praying and practicing the Word of God is a spiritual exercise. The more you feed and exercise you soul, the stronger your inner self becomes.

Father Rolheiser learned a particular exercise at a retreat when his director told him: “Try to pray in such a way that sometime in your prayer—perhaps not today, but sometime—you are open to hear God say to you ‘I love you!’ These words, coming from God, are the most important words you will ever hear because before you hear them, nothing is ever completely right with you; but after you hear them, something will be right in your life at a very deep level.”

Father Rolheiser concluded his observation noting, “In the end, this is God's deepest, standing invitation to us: try to open yourself up in such a way that you can hear God say to you, individually, “I love you!”

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

- Thursday, February 6 after the 11:00 a.m. Mass
- Saturday, February 15 at 3:00 p.m.



SPIRITUAL CAMPAIGN — Are you looking to dive deeper into your Catholic faith this Lent? Would you like to explore your relationship with Jesus and how the Catholic Church can support your faith journey? Then join fellow parishioners in a small faith sharing group this Lenten season. Through these faith sharing groups, we will dive into our Christmas gift book, **REBUILT FAITH** where we will discuss how our faith can build up our church and community. Think of small groups as "Friends in Faith" who will work together to help each other "stretch" their Catholic faith.

Small Group Leader Training - Anyone interested in leading a small group is asked to attend a leader training on February 9 from 9:30 to 10:45 am in the parish faith formation office. You can form your own group or give us a time that you can be available to lead a group and we will advertise your group. A member of our Evangelization team will be available to help and answer questions throughout the **REBUILT FAITH** spiritual campaign. For more information, contact Linda Summerville at

lsummerville@icclarion.org.

Small group sign-up information coming soon.

February Faith Formation Events

SUN 02	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4TH & 5TH GRADE RETREAT 9:00-12:00 • PURPOSE 9:30-10:55
SUN 09	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EDGE 9:30-10:45 • PURPOSE 9:30-10:55
SUN 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PURPOSE 9:30-10:55 "DONUT MISS MASS"
SUN 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EDGE 9:30-10:45 • PASSAGES SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

For more information: tfrederick@icclarion.org

FOOD PANTRY — Please help support the food pantry sponsored by Community Action. In February, the parish and school are collecting donations of **Box Food (such as Pasta), Sauces, and Soup**. Any other non-perishable food items are also always greatly appreciated. Please place donated items in the designated containers in the lobby of the church. Thank you for your kindness.

GET READY TO DONATE!

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

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DATE: Feb. 9th, 2025

TIME: 4:00pm, 8:30am and 11:00am

LOCATION: Immaculate Conception Parish

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2024 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS
If you would like to receive a statement for your 2024 offertory contributions, please email abish@icclarion.org or call 814-226-8433 ext. 100.

AROUND THE AREA — Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner
February 8 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the St. Joseph Social Hall in Lucinda.
Mac 'n cheese and hotdogs will be available for the kids.
Adults - \$10.00 11 & under - \$5.00 Preschoolers - Free

MASS Intentions

Monday, February 3 – Saint Blaise and Saint Ansgar
— NO MASS —

Tuesday, February 4
11:00 a.m. Pearl Frampton (Betty Boroughs)

Wednesday, February 5 – Saint Agatha
— NO MASS —

Thursday, February 6 – Saint Paul Miki and Companions

11:00 a.m. Ann Love (Anonymous)

Friday, February 7
Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 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. James Hartle (Sandy Zamudio)

Saturday, February 8 – Saint Jerome Emiliani and Saint Josephine Bakhita

4:00 p.m. Rose Balbo (Father Monty)

Sunday, February 9 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time World Marriage Day

8:30 a.m. Barb Wigton (Jim and Susie Amato)

8:30 a.m. **RADIO MASS** – Deceased Members of the Delaney and Bowser Families (Ann Troese and Amy Bish)

11:00 a.m. For the People

Readings for the week of February 2, 2025

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: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11/Mk 6:7-13

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 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 (1c)/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

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