



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

Church & School

814-226-8433

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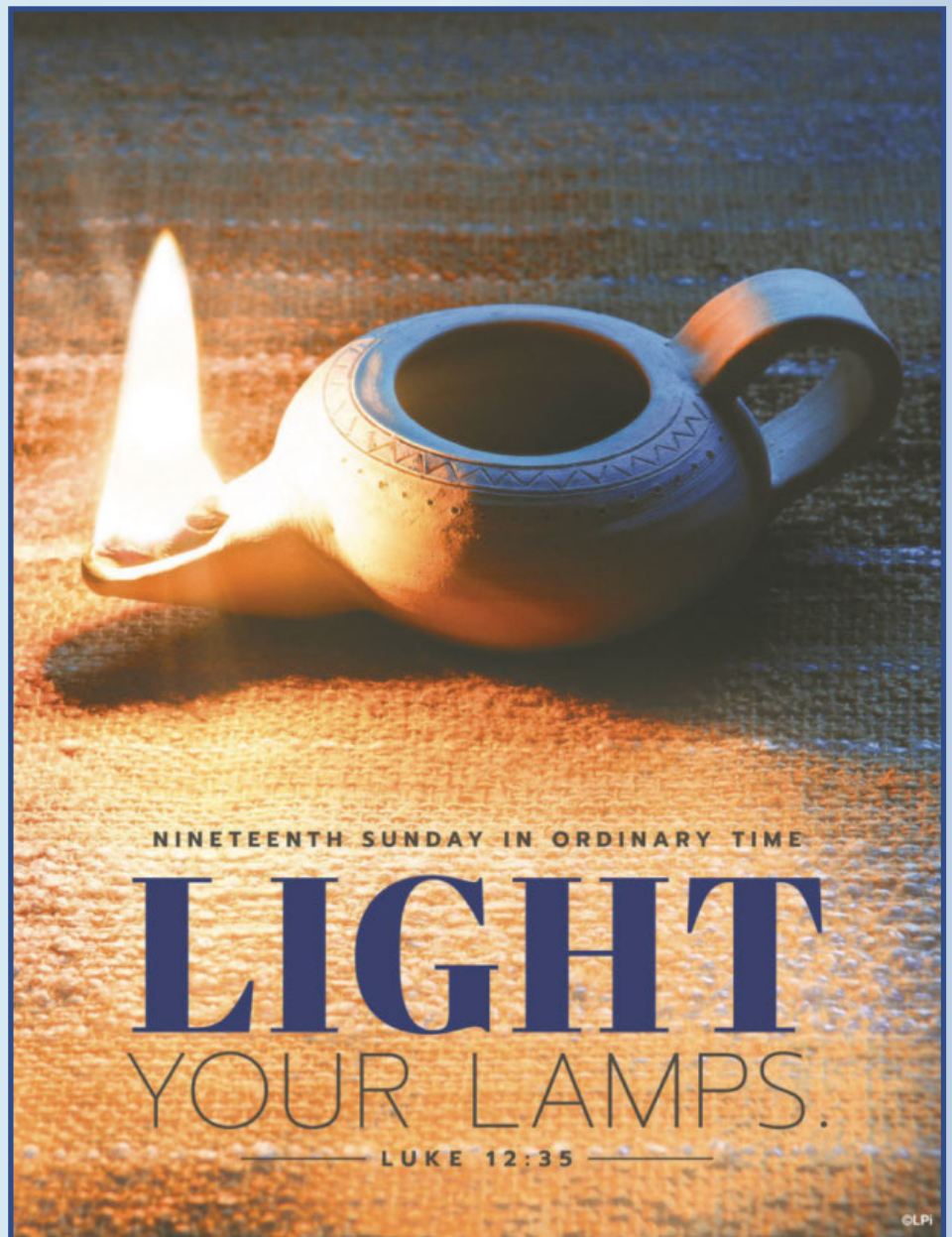
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Parish Membership

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.



A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP PERSICO – The Bishop writes from the Chancery about the annual appeal for the Church in Latin America.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Collection for the Church in Latin America is scheduled to take place in our Diocese on the weekend of August 16 and 17, 2025. This is one way to support the growth and strength of our Catholic faith in different parts of the world. Your participation in this collection is a meaningful and practical expression of solidarity with people in these regions.

Latin America is home to many Catholics, but it still experiences challenges in the work of evangelization. Shortages of resources, pastoral workers and poor infrastructure make simple things like attending weekly Mass difficult for many. As members of the same family of faith, we are called to help our sisters and brothers in Latin America and the Caribbean.

The proceeds of this collection are used in dioceses, parishes, religious congregations, seminaries and other Catholic institutions. The collection also assists in the formation of priests, religious, lay ministers, missionaries, catechists and youth ministers. I encourage you to be generous toward this collection. Take this opportunity to share your faith with our sisters and brothers in need. Your financial support, just as importantly as your prayers, will truly make a difference.

For more information on the Church in Latin America and the many projects funded by the collection, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america. Be assured of my own prayers for you and your family.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, J.C.L.

Bishop of Erie

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PIRATE GAME OUTING

– Our annual family outing will be held on Sunday, August 24, 2025. The Pittsburgh Pirates will be playing the Colorado Rockies in a 12:05 pm game. That Sunday is a “Kids Day”, which features Family Fun Zone on Federal Street before the game. Children 14 years old and younger will receive a Sesame Street Big Bird Plush. All altar servers are invited to attend as guests of the Knights at no cost. For all others, tickets are available on a first come basis for \$45, which includes \$5 loaded value redeemable for food or merchandise and a hot dog picnic by our Council. You may sign up by calling

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PRESCHOOL AIDE POSITIONS – Immaculate Conception Parish School is accepting applications for two part-time Preschool Aide positions. Applicants must be a high school graduate, preferred having experience working with children.

Candidates must have all the current clearances for working in a school environment. Please send a cover letter, resume, three references and required clearances to:

Mrs. Laura Lauer, Principal
Immaculate Conception Parish School
729 Main Street, Clarion, PA 16214

Or email llauer@clarionichawks.net

Phone: 814-226-8433 ext. 104



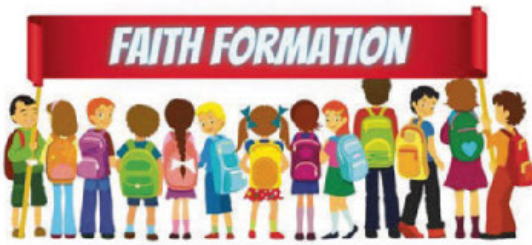
Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Tim Weir from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com.

Please call me. I look forward to making your business visible to this parish community.



Tim Weir
Cell Phone: 716-602-4588
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REGISTRATION IS OPEN

**Immaculate Conception Parish's
Faith Formation Registration
for children in grades Kindergarten – grade 9
is now OPEN.**

Go to our parish website

www.icclarion.org,

**select "Faith Formation" from the menu bar,
then select "Youth Faith Formation".**

Contact Teresa Frederick

tfrederick@icclarion.org

for more information.

CEMETERY MANAGER NEEDED — Immaculate Conception Cemetery Association is seeking a Cemetery Manager. Please visit the parish website for details about the duties of this position. Training will be provided with the current manager to learn the details and processes needed to carry out this position.

Interested parties should email resume and letter of interest to Pat Kahle at iccemetery1@gmail.com or mail resume and letter of interest to:

IC Cemetery Association, 720 Liberty Street, Clarion, PA 16214

MINI FAITH PILGRIMAGE THROUGH ELK COUNTY – If you are looking for a faith inspired staycation, consider taking a road trip through Elk County and visiting these stops along the way:

- **Jubilee of Hope pilgrimage site at St. Leo Magnus Parish**, 111 Depot St., Ridgway, open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. Adoration is from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tues. and Thurs.
- **1886 Convent Chapel** (renovated), 319 Church St., St. Marys.
- **The Benedictine Gift Shop/ St. Joseph Convent Museum**, 139 Church St., St. Marys, hours of operation: Tues. through Fri. from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sat. from 10 to 1 p.m., closed Sun., Mon. and Holy Days
- **Decker's Chapel**, Million Dollar Highway, St. Marys.
- **Elk sight-seeing through Weedville and Benezette**, PA Elk Visitor Center, 950 Winslow Hill Rd., Benezette. Open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily.
- **The Cross on the Hill**, 2041 Mt. Zion Rd., Weedville, open from dawn until dusk.

See the flyer at [Elk County Faith Pilgrimage](#) with all 6 stops listed.

MASS Intentions

Monday, August 11 thru Tuesday, August 12

— NO DAILY MASSES —

**Wednesday, August 13 – Saints Pope Pontian
and Hippolytus**

To Be Announced

Thursday, August 14 – Saint Maximilian Kolbe

To Be Announced

**Friday, August 15 – The Assumption of
the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:30 a.m. Ray and Dora Schrecengost (Yvonne Perry)

5:30 p.m. For the People

Saturday, August 16 – Saint Stephen of Hungary

4:00 p.m. Al and Gertie Hartle
(Bob and Kathy Smerkar)

Sunday, August 17 –

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. For the People

8:30 a.m. **RADIO MASS** – Mary Rose Ditz
(Father Monty Estate)

11:00 a.m. Ron Perry (Yvonne Perry)

Readings for the week of August 10, 2025

Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14
/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8/Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12
/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17
/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
/Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16
/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11
/Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)
/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

THE FOOD PANTRY – Please support the food pantry sponsored by Community Action this summer. Cereal, pasta, spaghetti sauce, mac-n-cheese, canned fruit, peanut butter, soup, canned meats and canned vegetables are always needed. Your donations can be placed in the containers in the lobby of the church. Thank you!



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