



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.

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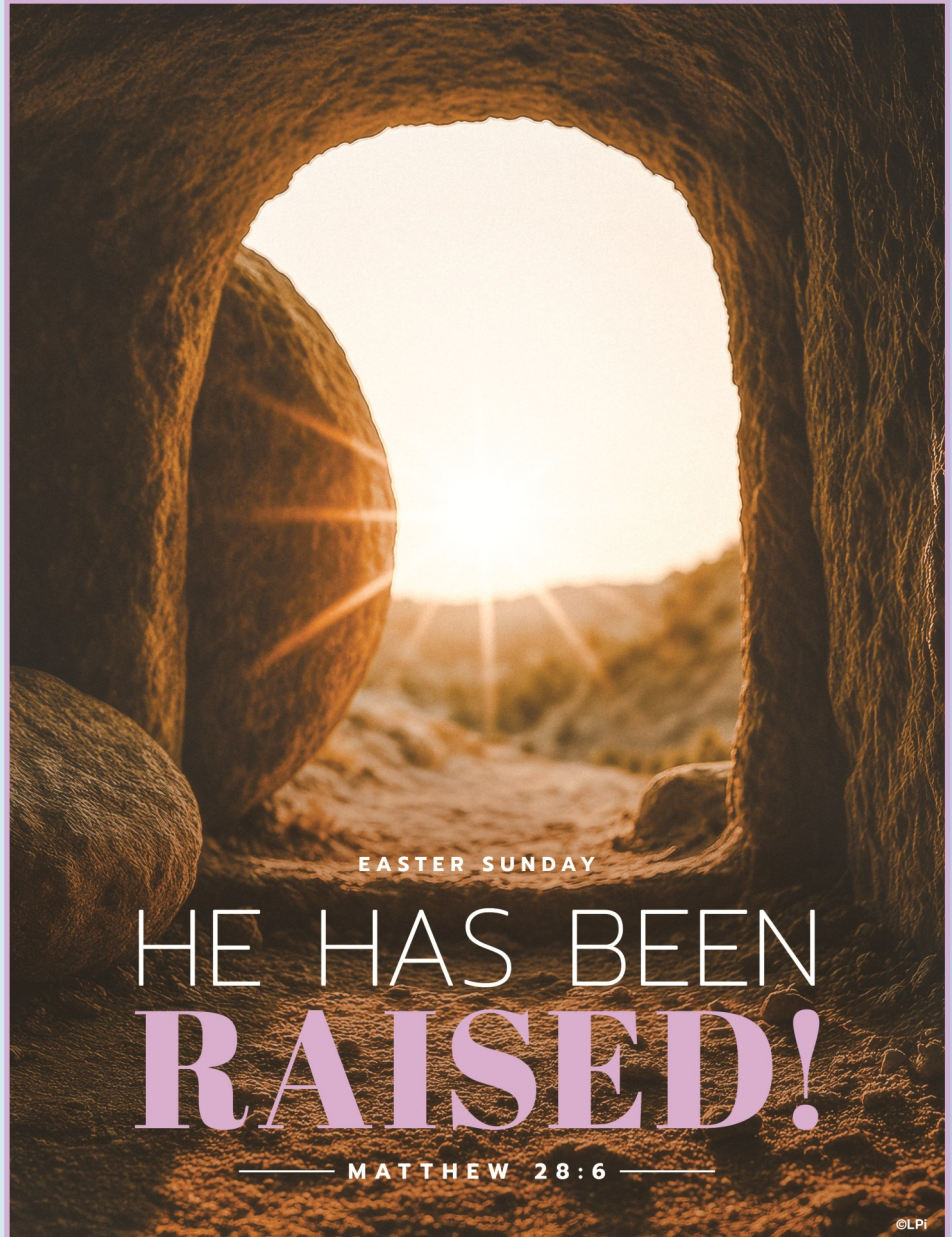
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Parish Membership

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.



EASTER SUNDAY

HE HAS BEEN RAISED!

MATTHEW 28:6

A VERY Blessed and Happy Easter Day to You! **He is Risen, Alleluia!** There are no better words that are more important to humanity than: He IS Risen! Why? Because they remind us that not even Death itself has the last say over us because of the Sacrifice of the Son who was obedient to the Father unto Death and guides us into that love through the gift of the Holy Spirit! These recent years have had their challenges, and that is why we need to be present to these words: He IS Risen! Our Lenten time of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving re-focused us on the importance of what this Day and its Season bring. We also hear and see this through this weekend's Gospel (Taken from Easter Vigil) that helps us to see that nothing can stand between the Love of God and Us; and that we are compelled to act on that Love. How can we do this? It reminds us every year, to not let the good of Lent fade. If you began a new Prayer Practice, keep it up! If you have been giving Alms, make it part of your life in some way! If you have been fasting from something bad, leave it! If you have built in a routine of fasting even from good things, again, make it part of your life in some way. I am not saying that we should live our life as a perpetual Good Friday, but if we have found the "Good" the Lord has offered us in our Lenten experience, we should make it part of our lives. Further, I offer the acronym: "T-I-R" (Thankful-Intentional-Renewal) to let Easter and its message of "He IS Risen" be part of our lives:

We can live the glory of Easter by being **Thankful** not only for our gifts, but for our Faith and letting that be our cause of Joy. This can be done by keeping our regular Prayer life through daily Prayer, the Sacraments (especially Eucharist and Confession), and inviting others on the journey. We are continuing to offer extra opportunities for the above including Adoration as well.

Once we make **Thankfulness** part of our everyday Easter Joy, that will challenge us to be **Intentional**. Therefore, I am hoping and praying for us to continue to be "intentional" in our relationship with Jesus as has been one of our focuses through these last forty days. Take time to slow down and get your "why's" answered. A fantastic way to do this is through the FORMED App (instructions elsewhere in the bulletin). It can be accessed by anyone as you do not need to be a parishioner to utilize it.

Then that leads us to **Renewal**. That is what happens at every celebration of the Mass and can be part of our daily life. This can only happen when we first give thanks and are intentional in our relationship with God.

Don't worry if this is much for us to take in. Easter is also a reminder to not over complicate our faith and our life in general. We have fifty days of Easter joy to help us make this a reality. More than a day to celebrate, so keep going! This is also why we are continuing to offer various **Mass, Adoration, Confession, Small Group, and Scripture Study** opportunities in the coming weeks.

Another wonderful way to enter this Season is by receiving his invitation anew and sharing his Easter glory with others by extending that invitation. Remember, the disciples did not journey alone; nor should we. If you have not seen someone in a while, reach out to them and make

sure they are doing okay. Also, invite others to encounter the Easter glory with you in worship. Further, keep the good of Lent in your lives into Easter. If you have given up a sin or habit, try to keep it going. If you began a good prayer habit or alms practice, keep it up. Remember the Church and Jesus are here to journey with us and help us. Enjoy the new life that he offers and extend that reality to others. As we begin our celebration of the Easter Season, I would like to thank everyone who has helped to make our Lent and Holy Week so special as I am grateful for all of our Altar Servers, Ushers, Lectors, Cantors/Musicians, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Decorators, and all of you for being part of this great parish community. I am also grateful for our high schoolers (and our Knights of Columbus) that fed us last weekend at their Palm Sunday Breakfast. Thank you as well to all who joined us for the "Bible in a Day" seminar. Again, my hope is to offer more opportunities like this so we can continue to grow in knowledge and community with our Lord. Also a word of thanks as we navigate this time of helping our Brothers and Sisters to the south. Your presence and dedication help us to encounter the meaning of Resurrection and Joy in our lives. For that I am grateful.

Congratulations to Randy and Cheryl Fye who were welcomed into the Church last night as well! If entering the Church/Receiving the Sacraments is something on your heart, please contact us so we can help you. Again, a thank you to Linda Summerville and our OCIA Team for their continued witness and help to us!

I hope that you can continue to join us throughout the Easter Season and beyond in the many ways to stay involved and be part of our community. **I hope that you can join us next weekend as our Easter Celebration continues with the Divine Mercy Celebration at 3 pm.**


In the meantime, a warm welcome to all guests and visitors, and a very hearty wish of a Joyous Easter Day and Season to all of you! Please know I love being assigned here and look forward to getting to know you even more as we journey into the first Spring together. If there is anything I can do for you, please ask. Remember, He IS Risen, Alleluia!

With every good wish of the Easter Season,
I remain yours in Christ,
Father Jason R. Feigh
Pastor

NOW HIRING – Immaculate Conception Parish School is looking for a long-term substitute teacher (from now until the conclusion of the 2025-2026 school year). Anyone interested should submit the following:


- A letter of interest
- Resume
- PA Standard Teaching Application
- A copy of PA Certificate
- Clearances
- 3 letters of reference

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Mrs. Laura Lauer, Principal
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April 18, 2026 at Immaculate Conception Parish in Clarion, from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. RSVP by April 13.
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30th ANNUAL ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH SPAGHETTI DINNER

Support this fundraiser by enjoying a homemade spaghetti dinner (dine in or take out) on **SUNDAY, APRIL 19** from 11:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. in the St. Nicholas Church Social Hall at 3028 Shannondale Rd, Mayport, PA. Tickets are \$10. Half of the proceeds support A.J. Smathers' fight against Ewing Sarcoma. The event includes a basket raffle, quilt raffle, 50/50, and country store. For more information and questions, contact Karleigh Aaron at (814) 715-1942.



FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY – Immaculate Conception's Fellowship Ministry is in need of volunteers to assist with set up and cleanup, greet parishioners and make them feel welcome. Fellowship is at each Mass on the third weekend of each month.

Why not make it a family activity? Gather your friends or sign up solo and make new ones! All supplies are provided. Volunteers prepare the coffee and other beverages and bring on the smiles! Ask a volunteer how to sign up or add your name to the clipboard at the fellowship table.



FOOD PANTRY — Please help support the food pantry sponsored by Community Action. For the month of April the parish and school will collect paper products such as **Paper Towels,**

Tissue, & Toilet Paper. Non-perishable food items are always welcome. Please place your donated items in the containers in the lobby of the church. Thank you for your help!

In particular, cereal, pasta, spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, canned meats, canned vegetables, peanut butter, and soup need to be replenished regularly.

An Easter Blessing

Dear Lord,
 Where there has been death, bring new life!
 Renew and redeem the sorrow in our stories with
 Your goodness and grace. Bless our hearts and homes
 this Easter and always. Amen. ©LPi

MASS Intentions

Monday, April 6 – Friday, April 10

NO MASSES

Saturday, April 11 –

Saturday within the Octave of Easter

3:00 p.m. to 3:40 p.m. CONFESSIONS

4:00 p.m. Jim Amato (Mark and Tricia Shingledecker)

Sunday, April 12 – Second Sunday of Easter

(Divine Mercy)

8:30 a.m. For the People

8:30 a.m. **RADIO MASS** – Don Kahle (Rose Marie Kahle and Family)

11:00 a.m. Gordon Rice (Dorothy Rice)

*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction
 Wednesday, April 8 from 6 to 7 pm.*



Readings for the week of April 5, 2026

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 /Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22 /Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 /Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 /Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a /Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 /1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31



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