



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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Parish Membership

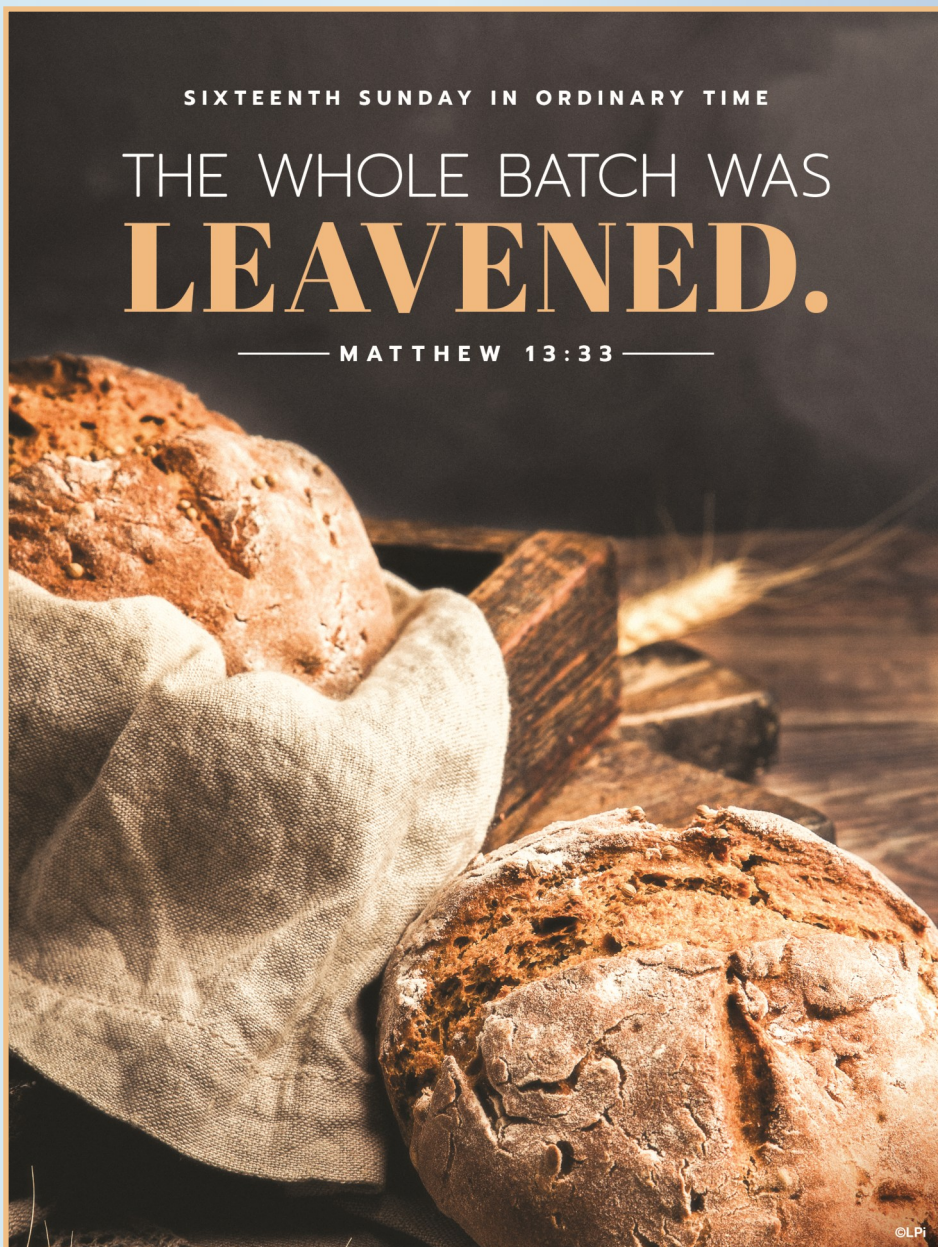
Membership includes active participation in the sacramental life of the Church, involvement in the activities of the faith community and financial support of the parish.

New members are welcome to register by calling the parish office.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE WHOLE BATCH WAS
LEAVENED.

MATTHEW 13:33



A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR – I hope that you are having a fantastic July! Thank you for your prayers last weekend as I was helping to lead the Divine Mercy Encounter (DME) Retreat. As I mentioned in the article a few weeks back, this retreat program is open to anyone from a freshman in high school to 95 years old! Here is a more thorough explanation from their website:

DME is a three day retreat program. Each day has a different focus: Friday is the Day of Invitation, focusing on how God is inviting us into relationship. Saturday is the Day of Encounter, where we encounter God through the sacraments, Adoration, and others. Sunday is the Day of Commission, where we as a community are empowered to evangelize and share our faith. The weekend includes talks, exposure to different types of prayer, Mass, community, and much more. The weekend runs from 10 am on Friday to 5 pm on Sunday, and retreat participants stay onsite for the weekend. Held five times/year, the next DME retreat will be held in St. Mary's on August 7, 8, and 9! I first made this retreat when it was Divine Mercy TEC #37 in April 2005 and have found it to be a great tool for community and encounter of the Lord and helping others to do the same and it is a PHENOMINAL opportunity for our high school students as well as I have journeyed with many students in my many years in high school ministry come to the Lord from this! I invite you to be part of this and hope our parishioners get involved in this program! Please talk to me if you have any questions on this! Opportunities like this help us to understand the Gospel this weekend (and last weekend as well) as Jesus is challenging us to not let the weeds of life choke off the potential fruit of the harvest. Let him be the "weed killer" by his grace, forgiveness, sacraments, and relationship with him! Then in due time, the fruit will be ripe! Further, let us find consolation that he calls us to a big life rooted in small faith in him like the mustard seed.....but we must let him nurture us in our smallness so he can do great things!

Another way to let the Lord "kill the weeds" in our lives is by spending time in his presence. Please continue to take advantage of the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Opportunities as well as the open church times to come and pray. This week we have Adoration of the blessed Sacrament available from the conclusion of Mass on Monday until noon as well as Thursday from 5:30p-6:30p!

One more way to let the Lord grow with you is through the gift of technology. If you have not had the opportunity to explore FORMED yet, please take time to do so as you peruse your summer schedule. Remember it is free! (Instructions are found in the bulletin). **ALSO MAKE SURE YOU HAVE DOWNLOADED MYPARISHAPP TO RECEIVE THE LATEST INFORMATION** (and use the prayer resources offered as well). I hope that you are getting excited for the parish picnic on August 2! Please remember that it begins right after Mass and promises to be a fine time had by all!

Finally, please read the information that follows I shared with our brothers and sisters at Sts. Charles and Eusebius last weekend. Have a great week and continue to let the lord help you bear fruit!

Have a great week! Fr. Jason

(For More information or to sign up for Divine Mercy Encounter: www.divinemercyencounter.com)

Special Announcement for St. Charles and St. Eusebius Parishes on Sunday, July 12, 2026

Dear Parishioners and Friends of

St. Charles and St. Eusebius Parishes,

On behalf of Bishop Lawrence Persico and our Administrator Fr. Jason Feigh we have some news to share:

- *Bishop Persico has accepted the resignation of Fr. Sam Bungo as Pastor of St. Charles Parish, New Bethlehem, and accepted his request to retire from active ministry.*
- *Bishop Persico has appointed Fr. Kevin Holland as pastor of St. Charles Parish, New Bethlehem, and St. Eusebius Parish, East Brady. He will reside at the St. Charles rectory.*
- *These new assignments are effective on July 29.*
- *We thank Fr. Bungo for his generous and faithful service as pastor.*
- *We thank Fr. Jason Feigh for his leadership as Parochial Administrator, and we thank Fr. Alan Grote, Fr. Brandon Kleckner, and Fr. John Nwankwo for their generous sacramental service to the parishes.*
- *We congratulate Fr. Holland for his appointment as Pastor and offer our prayers for him as he begins his new ministry in Clarion County.*
- *Please stay tuned for more information coming in the following days and remember that Bishop Persico asks us to continue supporting our priests and to pray for vocations to the priesthood for the Diocese of Erie.*

In the Lord,

Fr. Jason Feigh

Parochial Administrator

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 during the week of **August 17**. 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.

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The IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH PICNIC is coming up on **Sunday, August 2**. Make plans to be there for the fun, food, prizes, games, and music. It all starts after the 11 am mass and continues to 3 pm. The whole family is invited. If you have a regulation-size cornhole set (boards must be 48" X 24"), please consider bringing it to lend it to us for the tournament.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS and ROTARY PIRATE GAME OUTING – Our annual family outing will be held on **Sunday, August 16, 2026**. The **Pittsburgh Pirates** will be playing the **Boston Red Sox** in a **1:35 pm** game.



All altar servers are invited to attend as our guests at no cost. For all others, tickets are available on a first come basis for \$50, which includes \$5 loaded value redeemable for food or merchandise and a hot dog picnic by our Council. Please bring a covered dish to share at the tailgate party. You may sign up by calling or texting

Rick Tote at 1-814-229-2018 or

Randy Cyphert at 1-814-229-6421

Thanks and Hope to see you there!

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 - ❖ Turn on notifications (optional)
5. Start scanning your receipts and/or link your Walmart account to your Box Tops account.
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MASS Intentions

Monday, July 20 – Saint Apollinaris

7:30 a.m. Joseph and Rita Reed (Kathy McElravy)
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from the conclusion of mass until noon.

Tuesday, July 21 – Saint Lawrence of Brindisi

8:30 a.m. Gene and Jean Heinrich
(Kristi and Jerry Wolbert)

Wednesday, July 22 – Saint Mary Magdalene

7:30 a.m. Mary Jane Gatesman (Mary Jane Gatesman)

Thursday, July 23 – Saint Bridget

8:30 a.m. Jane D. Cyphert (Estate)
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Friday, July 24 – Saint Sharbel Makhlūf

—NO MASS—

Saturday, July 25 – Saint James

3:00 p.m. – 3:40 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:00 p.m. Mark and Esther Lutz (Family)

Sunday, July 26 – Seventeenth Sunday

in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. For the People

8:30 a.m. **RADIO MASS** – Father Tom Hartle
(The Zacherl Family)

11:00 a.m. John and Eva Jane Bolents and Family
(Jacky Bolents)

Sanctuary Candle:

for Father Monty Sayers and Father Tom Hartle
by Dave and Theresa Aaron

Readings for the week of July 19, 2026

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8 /Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11 /Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 /Mt 20:20-28

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46



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