

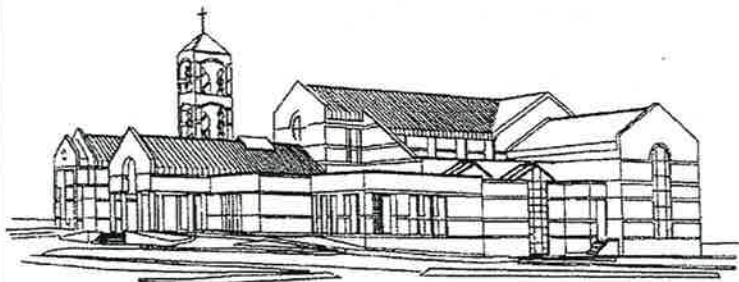
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## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD May 17, 2026

### Message from Fr. Shaiju

My dear brothers and sisters, today, as we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord, we hear the final words of Jesus to His disciples, words that continue to echo even to us: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations... And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." The Ascension reminds us that Christ now reigns in glory. Though Jesus ascends into heaven, He does not depart from us. His promise endures: "I am with you always." We are never alone in our daily spiritual struggles and battles, for the Lord walks with us and strengthens us each day. He remains close to us through the presence of the Holy Spirit in the Church, and in apostolic succession, through its threefold mission of guiding, teaching, and sanctifying. Our mission as disciples today is to remain close to the Church and to live the Gospel with courage, to witness with joy, and to bring the light of Christ into the world around us. As we celebrate this feast, may we rediscover our calling as missionary disciples rooted in faith, guided by hope, and strengthened by love. Have a blessed week ahead.

*Cari fratelli e sorelle, Oggi, mentre celebriamo la Festa dell'Ascensione del Signore, ascoltiamo le ultime parole di Gesù ai Suoi discepoli: "Andate dunque e fate discepoli tutti i popoli... Ed ecco, io sono con voi tutti i giorni." L'Ascensione ci ricorda che Cristo regna nella gloria, ma non ci abbandona mai. La Sua promessa rimane viva: "Io sono con voi sempre." Nelle difficoltà e nelle lotte spirituali quotidiane, il Signore cammina accanto a noi e ci dona forza. Egli continua ad essere presente attraverso lo Spirito Santo nella Chiesa e nella sua missione di guidare, insegnare e santificare. Come discepoli, siamo chiamati a vivere il Vangelo con coraggio, testimoniare con gioia e portare la luce di Cristo nel mondo. Celebrando questa festa, riscopriamo la nostra vocazione ad essere discepoli missionari, radicati nella fede, guidati dalla speranza e sostenuti dall'amore. Vi auguro una settimana benedetta.*

~Fr. Shaiju Ponmalakunnel

### Second Collection: Papal Charities THIS WEEKEND!

There will be a second collection, **this weekend for the Pope's Pastoral Works**. These funds are passed on to the Holy Father for immediate response in countries stricken by war, famine and natural disasters.

*Oggi ci sarà una seconda colletta per le Opere Pastorali del Papa. Questi fondi vengono consegnati al Santo Padre per un intervento immediato nei paesi colpiti da guerre, carestie e calamità naturali.*

### Pentecost Prayer Vigil

All are warmly invited to attend our Three-Day Pentecost Vigil with praise and worship, prayer and reflections as we prepare for Pentecost on:

- **Wednesday May 20, 2026 at 7:30pm**
- **Thursday May 21, 2026 at 7:30pm**
- **Friday May 22, 2026 at 7:30pm**

Come and be renewed and filled with the power of the Holy Spirit through these evenings of faith! Everyone is encouraged to wear something **RED**.

### Office Closed

The parish office will be closed on **Monday May 18, 2026** for the Victoria Day long weekend.

*L'ufficio parrocchiale rimarrà chiuso lunedì 18 maggio, 2026 per il Victoria Day.*

### CWL Meeting

The Catholic Women's League of the Parish will be having the monthly general meeting on **Tuesday May 19, 2026 at 7:30pm** in the parish hall.

## Upcoming Baptisms

Our parish is delighted to welcome the following children to the Christian community through the Sacrament of Baptism:



*Luke Andrea Peluso  
Celeste Victoria Bouchier  
Veronica Maria Hope Pinto  
Charlotte Francesca Di Leo  
Celeste Ashleigh Hosko  
Emma Michelina Suppa  
Marco Tavernese  
Michele Cosimo Femia*

Congratulations to their parents and godparents.

## 2026 Golf Tournament

The 19<sup>th</sup> Immaculate Conception Parish Charity Golf Tournament in support of ShareLife and parish needs will be held on **Thursday June 4, 2026 at Glen Eagle Golf Club.**

## 2026 Summer Camp

The **Immaculate Conception Parish Summer Camp** will take place from **July 6 -10, 2026!** Open to children ages 4-12. The registration fee is \$100. **Only a few spots are left!**

## Pellegrinaggio a Fatima (USA)

*La nostra parrocchia organizza un pellegrinaggio a Fatima (USA) accompagnato da P. Shiaju, sabato 30 maggio, 2026. Contattate Assunta Antenucci al 905-851-7207 per prenotazioni.*

## Immaculate Conception School “The Digital Reset” Presentation

Immaculate Conception School Community warmly invites you to a special evening at our school where we are featuring guest speaker Lucy Colangelo, student success coach. Join us on the evening of May 21st at 7pm. Lucy will present **The Digital Reset**, a timely and practical talk for parents about growing up in the digital age and staying safe online. Please note: children cannot attend the event.

## Save the Date! 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Immaculate Conception Parish

Please mark your calendars for **September 26, 2026**, when we will gather in gratitude for 40 years of faith.

*Segnate in calendario il 26 settembre 2026, quando ci riuniremo con per celebrare 40 anni di fede.*

## Weekly Mass Intentions

### Monday May 18

7pm

### Tuesday May 19

7pm

Gaspere Provenzano

8pm

Paolo Mazzitelli

### Wednesday May 20

7pm

7:30pm

*Pentecost Vigil*

### Thursday May 21

7pm

7:30pm

*Pentecost Vigil*

### Friday May 22

7pm

7:30pm

*Pentecost Vigil*



**AMOUNT TO DATE: \$39,880**

**PARISH GOAL: \$106,000**

**Through ShareLife, you support human connection**

On the 60th World Day of Social Communication, we are invited to pause and connect with each other—for the Church, for the world, and for the future we are helping to shape together. In this moment, one truth remains clear: the Church endures because of the strength and love of parishioners like you.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Mother's Day fundraiser!

**May 31, 2026 is ShareLife Sunday.  
Please give generously.**

***Il 31 maggio è la domenica di ShareLife.  
Per favore, dona generosamente.***

## Evening Rosary

During the month of May we are praying the rosary on Monday's in English and from Tuesday to Friday in Italian at 7:30pm in the Chapel.

*Durante il mese di maggio preghiamo il rosario il lunedì in inglese e dal martedì al venerdì in italiano alle 19:30 nella cappella.*