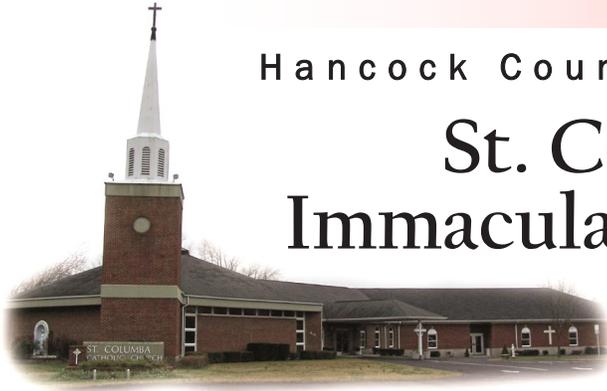


Hancock County Catholic Church St. Columba & Immaculate Conception



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Nationwide Mass Times

Call 1-734-794-2100 or www.masstimes.org

Opportunities for Life Hotline

Call (800) 822-5824 for help for those experiencing an untimely pregnancy.

Does Your Marriage Need Help?

Call 800-470-2230 or www.retrouvaille.org

Membership in the Parish

We give a hearty welcome to all new families moving into our Parish. Please register in the Parish Office as soon as possible. Families who plan to move from our parish community are requested to inform us.

Bulletin Articles

Deadline for submission of bulletin articles is on Monday.

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store

Phone 295-3494
Meetings are 3rd Wednesday at 4:30 pm
Store hours: M-F 10-4 pm, Sat. 10-2 pm
P.O. Box 391 • 8185 Hwy 60 W • Lewisport, KY 42351
For all of Hancock County

Cycles of Faith

The Ascension of the Lord

The Ascension is an interesting feast when you think about it. We celebrate Jesus leaving! Jesus' first departure from the earth was sudden and unexpected, at least to his followers. That Good Friday departure was characterized by sorrow, confusion, and loss. This departure has a different feel: anticipation.

Today's Gospel is full of the mighty deeds Jesus predicts for his followers. "In my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents [with their hands], and if they drink any deadly thing it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover." Mark's account of the Ascension is abrupt and succinct. "Then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven." Jesus ascends and the Apostles go. "But they went forth and preached everywhere." The real moment likely had a bit of lag time. Realistically, the Apostles had quite the task in front of them. Can you imagine those first few moments on the hilltop after Jesus disappeared, as the Apostles met each other's eyes? "This is it. He really is gone this time. It's up to us now."

Mark's abrupt transition from Ascension to action makes his meaning clear. The Ascension isn't just about Jesus. It's about us. Are we ready to go? Are we ready to be commissioned? This is the heart of the Ascension message -Jesus leaves so we can go. We might not "go into the whole world," but we all live in a corner of it. The command to "proclaim the Gospel" isn't a call for everyone to be formal preachers of the Word. We do, however, proclaim our beliefs with the way we live our lives. Do our lives proclaim Easter joy?



Celebration of the Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick • Celebrated twice a year at the weekend Masses. Anyone who is ill, infirmed or going to surgery may request the anointing by contacting Fr. Terry.

Baptism • Baptism takes place on Sundays during Mass or following Mass. Contact Fr. Terry to set a meeting to prepare for the sacrament and set a date. Baptism for older youths and adults occurs at the Easter Vigil or before marriage.

Reconciliation • Before Mass on Saturday at 4:30 pm, after any Mass, or by appointment with Fr. Terry. Communal services during Advent and Lent. First Reconciliation is celebrated during Advent.

Confirmation • Is celebrated in the seventh and eighth grades or at the Easter Vigil. The Bishop visits every two years and we alternate between the two parishes.

Eucharist • First Eucharist is celebrated during May each year with children in the second grade.

Holy Orders • Contact Fr. Terry if you are interested in the vocations of Priesthood or religious life.

Marriage • Contact Fr. Terry at least 6 months before setting a date for marriage. Couples are to attend Engaged Encounter or the Sponsor Couple Program.

Mass attendance is mandatory for those requesting Sacraments, Fr. Terry.



From Father's Desk

Ascension Sunday

The Ascension completes Christ's earthly ministry. Entrusting His work to the disciples, Christ continues to work through them, even though He has physically left them. As Christians on earth we still have work to do. The great hope that Christ has shared with us must lead to action. We are called to be apostles. During our proclamation of faith at Mass, we recall that Christ will come again. Meanwhile, our responsibility as

members of Christ is to be sharers in His ongoing work for others. Have a good week, Fr. Terry

Happy Mother's Day

On this day we give thanks to our mothers, both living and deceased, and to all who are like mothers to us. Where would we be without them? On this day give thanks to God for our Moms and please tell them that you love them. Fr. Terry

LIVE THE LITURGY

We are called to be missionaries. Jesus said to his disciples: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature." Proclaiming the Gospel means looking out at my brothers and sisters and choosing to walk with them on their journey of life. It means having a listening, loving presence that allows the Holy Spirit to work in and through us. In this way we can show them-not only in speech, but in action-the difference a relationship with God and a life of faith really makes. Even though Jesus has ascended to the Father, he still remains with us helping us proclaim the mission of the Gospel. Are we willing to allow him to do so?

Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp

Put some adventure in your summer. Sign up for camp today. Dates are filling up fast! You can go to www.gasperriverretreatcenter.org and register online. Scholarships are available by contacting Denise at the church office.

Catechist Appreciation Dinner

Religious ed classes are over for the summer and we invite our catechist and a guest to a special dinner in appreciation for your months of service and sacrifice. Please join Fr. Terry and Denise at Bill and Dave's Smokin Pit on Wednesday May 16th at 6:00pm. We look forward to spending some time with you. Thank you again for all that you do to make our religious ed program a success. Our catechist and helpers are Cassandra Durbin, Amy Volocko, Amy Severs, Beth Curry, Sarah Hermann, Mary Woodward, Margaret Hodge, John Ogle, Aimee Severs, Jamie Ward, Berrie Clark, Christal Riley, Rhonda James, Denny Long, Denise Long, Margaret Powers and Lou Fleck.

Mass for Graduates

Next week we will honor our graduates during Mass at St Columba and Immaculate Conception morning Mass times. Please join us as we celebrate and pray for the following youth as they journey forward in life. From Immaculate Conception: Emily Woodward, Nathan Gily, Tommy Puckett and Ty Durbin. From St. Columba: Grayce Emmick, Grace Pate, Sara Hendricks, Shelby L Winchell, Heather Tucker, Kelsey Rumage and Celina Dunnigan.

Immaculate Conception Picnic Coming Up July 7th

Please remember our upcoming picnic as you begin your Spring cleaning. The Kid's Games will be in need of new or gently used stuffed toys, McD's toys, coloring books, etc. Country Store items can be handcrafted items, kids prizes, home décor, etc. These items can be dropped off at the parish office anytime between now and July 7th. We will not need "flea market" items this year.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, May 15

10:00 am † Ora Roby HV
By Bob & Mary Johannemann

Wednesday, May 16

5:30 pm † Joseph Lee Nally IC
By Betty Nally

Thursday, May 17

8:00 am † Theresa Rose McCarty SC
By Terry & Mavis Blandford

Friday, May 18

8:00 am † Bob Gray IC
By Bob Ogle

Saturday, May 19

5:00 pm People of the Parish IC

Sunday, May 20

8:30 am † Mary & David Brickey SC
By Betty Bolin

10:30 am Children, Grandchildren & Godchildren IC
By Noel Quinn

Readings for the Week

May 13, 2018

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/

Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13
or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

Monday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/Jn 15:9-17

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab [33a]/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [7b]/Jn 21:20-25

Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 /Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13

or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Faith Sharing Question

First Reading

The opening scene to the Acts of the Apostles is the ascension of Jesus into heaven with Jesus' departing words to the Disciples. How well have you responded to Jesus' command to evangelize others?

Second Reading

Paul tells the Ephesians, "Grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift." Where do you see God's grace in your life?

Gospel Reading

The final episode in the Gospel of Mark is the ascension of Jesus. What do you find most interesting in Mark's account of the ascension?

Immaculate Conception Mission Statement

As people chosen by God through our baptism, the parish of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church is called to make Christ visible in our family, community and the world. We proclaim God's word in worship, through the sacraments, in hospitality, teaching, repentance, forgiveness and service.

Our goal is that all people may come to know and share in the salvation of Jesus Christ.

Bulletin Board

Sunday, May 13

6:30 pm Knights of Columbus IC

Tuesday, May 15

5:00 pm IC Finance IC

6:00 pm IC Pastoral IC

Wednesday, May 16

6:00 pm Catechist Appreciation Dinner
At Bill & Dave's BBQ

Sunday, May 20

Pentecost Sunday

Mass to Honor HS Graduates

Liturgical Roles

Sunday, May 13

St. Columba, 8:30 am

Eucharistic Min: Rosemary Emmick
Denny Long, Mary Masterson

Lector: Peggy Meriwether

Server: Bailey Poole

Cross Bearer: Shelby Basham

Gift Bearer: Joe Hagman Family

Hospitality: Joe Hagman Family

Vocation Statue: Faye Wettstain

Immaculate Conception, 10:30 am

Eucharistic Min: Amy Hess

Trina Ogle, Alisha Wheatley

Lector: Cassandra Durbin

Server: Laura Wheatley, Abby Walz

Cross Bearer: John Wheatley

Gift Bearer: Steve & Ronna Ogle

Hospitality: Mike & Sheila Ogle

Ellen Gaynor, Adrian Mattingly

Vocation Statue: Lori Ogle

In Need of Special Prayer

Dexter Marsch, Phyllis Emmick, Joan Peak,
Betty Brickey, Frances Storm, Eddie Gray,
Bill McBrayer, Pat Edge

Homebound and Heartland Villa

Mary Hinton, Dorothy Beauchamp,
Larry James, Marjorie Merimee,
Shirley Moble, Lillie Lanham,
Carl Pendley, Gene Toler

**Please call the Parish Office to add or
remove names from this bulletin prayer list.**

Sophia Award

It's that time of year again when we turn our attention to the Sophia Award which is presented to an outstanding senior citizen, must be age 65 or over, in our parish. The person must be a good Catholic role model and can be physically active, homebound or in a nursing home. The person can be nominated on past good works or could be nominated posthumously. Only one nomination per person. Deadline for nomination is July, 16th. To nominate a person please send the information explaining why your are nominating the person: Cathy Hagan, Catholic Pastoral Center, 600 Locust Street Owensboro, KY 42301

Sophia Award Past winners were:

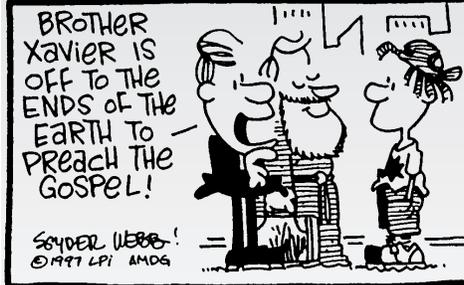
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1999 Martha Gammon	Ben & Lou Fleck
2000 Dan & Shirley Hagman	Norbert Danhauer
2001 Denis & Martha Wheatley	Rose Froehlich
2002 Isabel Crenshaw	Eileen Basham
2003 Vic & Barbara Hagman	George & Betty Allard
2004 Francis & Diddy Hagman	Frank & Dot Pooser
2005 Maxine Beavin	Jack & Imogene Allard
2006 Betty & Huston Brickey	
2007 Bob & Jo Ann Ogle	Eva Marsch Howard
2008 Pat & Donna Ogle	Clyde & Georgene Poole
2009 Leonard & Linda Thomas	Stewart & Joyce Howard
2010 Shirlene Quinn	Jim & Lillie Lanham
2011 Jean Mattingly	Bobby & Alice Fallin
2012 Eva Bulleit /Mike & Sheila Ogle	
2013 Bill & Phyllis Emmick	Faye Wettstain
2014 Margaret Powers	Bob & Patty Durbin
2015 Sharon Russelburg	Dwayne & Joyce Duncan
2016 Roy & Gayle Ogle	Pat Roberts



Server Training

Next weekend, Fr. Terry will be offering Server Training after each Mass. Those interested in Serving can stay after Mass for a short training session.

ASCENSION



Sunday Collections

Immaculate Conception

Weekly Goal	\$3,269.00
Collection 5-06-18	<u>\$2,622.41</u>
Difference under	\$646.59
Mass Attendance	57/158
Week # 45 of 52	
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$147,105
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$145,464

St. Columba

Weekly Goal	\$2,308.00
Collection 5-06-18	<u>\$2,520.00</u>
Difference over	\$212.00
Mass Attendance	121
Week # 45 of 52	
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$103,860
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$111,465



SC Building Repair Fund

Total Families Pledged	58
Total Amount Pledged	\$51,518
Total Paid 5-06-18	\$40,008

St. Columba Mission Statement

We, St. Columba Parish, are a living family of God committed to deepening and sharing our faith. We immerse ourselves deeper in our baptism to reach out to those in need, call people to recognize their talents and pray for guidance to lead all people to experience the light of Christ.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

We are told in Scripture that in the early Church, as the first disciples went about preaching the Good News, their words were confirmed by "accompanying signs." Miracles such as healings, prophecies, and the like occurred so that others might see and believe. Jesus' disciples now continued the ministry that Jesus had begun while he walked the earth in the flesh.

We certainly do believe that miracles still occur in our world, but few of us see amazing healings and works of wonder with our own eyes. We read of a time of frequent miracles, and we wonder what it must have been like to be there during those events. We can easily fall into the trap of seeing biblical times as something far removed from ourselves and in the distant past.

However, in the places we go and to the people we meet in this world, we are the signs. We give testimony to the power of the Good News, and we serve as living examples of God's work in the world. When others hear about how God has changed your life and they see the evidence of a profound love that many around them do not exhibit, they can find themselves wondering what made you this way. What made you that way is the power of Jesus Christ and that is as real now as it was 2,000 years ago. –Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Providing a Safe Environment

The Diocese of Owensboro seeks to help all people who have been sexually abused, especially those abused by a person working, either paid or unpaid, for the Church. If you need to make a report of abuse, from either the past or present, please contact the Pastoral Assistance Coordinator at this confidential phone line (270-852-8380). The diocesan sexual abuse policy describes the diocese's response to sexual abuse concerns, and can be found in the back of church, in the parish office and also on the diocesan web site:

<https://owensborodiocese.org/safe>).

Stories of Hope & Healing: Rebuilding After Divorce

Attendees will hear short witness stories from a panel who have gone through the pain of divorce and the process of healing. Please let Charlotte Hedges know you are coming. The Tribunal Office will hold information sessions, as a follow-up to the panel discussions, to address specific questions and issues regarding Declarations of Invalidity (Annulments).

Locations: St. Romuald | Tuesday, May 15 | 6:30 PM &
Our Lady of Lourdes | Tuesday, June 5 | 6:30 PM

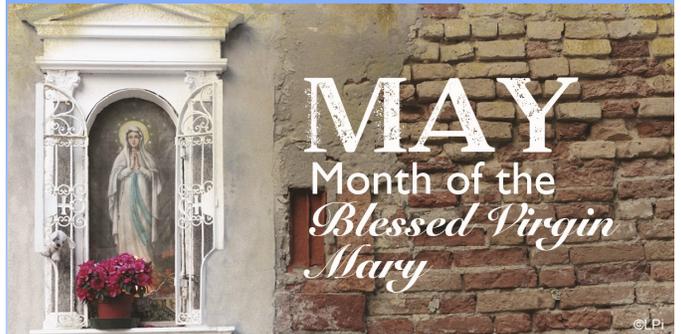
Corpus Christi 2018

Bishop William F. Medley will lead a procession through the streets of Owensboro on Saturday, June 2, starting at Brescia University's Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel at 10 AM and ending at St. Stephen Cathedral at approximately Noon. This is in honor of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, also known as Corpus Christi. Everyone from across the diocese is invited to attend. In case of inclement weather, a Holy Hour will take place at St. Stephen Cathedral at 10 AM.

Our Lady of Monte Cassino Shrine

Parishioners are invited to attend the Sunday afternoon Pilgrimage services in May in honor of Our Blessed Mother. Pilgrimage services begin at 2:00 pm at the Shrine which is located one mile east of the St. Meinrad Archabbey.

May is the special month of Mary. In a recent encyclical dedicated to the Blessed Virgin, the late Pope John Paul II described Mary's life as an image of obedience and freedom, a model of "femininity with dignity" and an inspiration to Christian unity. She is a guide for the Church and a point of reference for all humanity. Her mediation is intimately linked with her motherhood, but this mediation in no way diminishes the unique mediation of Christ. Let us take time to especially remember Mary this month through our prayers and devotions.



May: The Month of Mary

As we begin the month of May we honor Mary the mother of Jesus. Mary can teach us so much about her Son, Jesus and how she responded to Him. She invites us to say yes as she did, and to trust in Him no matter what happens. In fact, her advice is "do whatever He tells you to do." In this season of Easter and Resurrection, the month of Mary reminds us that nature is doing her art to proclaim new life—the budding of flowers and dogwood trees, warmer and longer days, etc. Hopefully this season is bringing out the best in us too. May our lives proclaim that the Resurrection of Jesus has changed us and that we too are proclaiming that Jesus is alive in us too. May Mary our mother watch over us and guide us in the footsteps of her Son. Have a good week, Fr. Terry.

