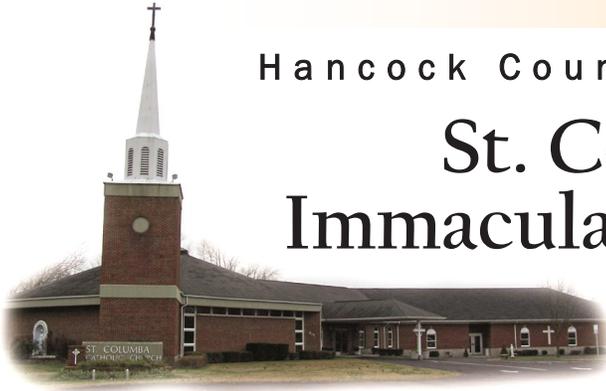


Hancock County Catholic Church St. Columba & Immaculate Conception



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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

Pentecost Sunday

Today we celebrate the "birthday of the Church!" Pentecost is described in the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles. But before the great driving wind and tongues of fire empowering the Disciples, the Holy Spirit had already arrived. The Gospel for today's Mass during the day is from John 20. Jesus appears to the fearful disciples after his resurrection. He first speaks a message of calm. "Peace be with you." The apostles "rejoiced when they saw the Lord." When the enthusiastic response settles down, Jesus "breathed on them and said to them 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'"

This action is Trinitarian, and it has happened before. If you turn your Bible back to the beginning, you'll read: "The Lord God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life, and so many became a living being" (Genesis 2:7). In the Garden of Eden, we see God's first, original covenant with man. The breath of life signifies that original indwelling of grace, the special state of likeness and friendship with God before the Fall. Here now, in this locked room, the Apostles receive the long-awaited promise: the very breath of God, new life, a new covenant.

In the pairing of these two readings-the Pentecost experience in Acts and the breath of Jesus in John's Gospel -we see that the coming of the Holy Spirit is not only an empowering, it is an indwelling. We have each received the breath of grace in our baptism. It is confirmed, strengthened, and deepened in each reception of the sacraments. If we persevere in virtue, the Spirit of God is alive in us, inspiring our actions of love. This Pentecost Sunday, how is the breath of God alive in you?



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

Come Holy Spirit

On this Sunday, we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit, which was promised by Jesus just before His Ascension into heaven. The Holy Spirit, which flows from the love of both Father and Son, is a gift which enables all Christians to do the work that Jesus call them to do. Being faithful to our baptismal promises in our world today might be a struggle, but the Spirit enables and encourages us not to give up but to persevere. The Holy

Spirit not only leads us, He also gives us the ability to recognize and acknowledge the talents and gifts in ourselves and within others in building up the Kingdom of God. The Holy Spirit also challenges us to be peacemakers and helps us to become more Christ-like in our dealings with others. Come Holy Spirit and enkindle in us the fire of Your love and help us to renew the face of the earth. Have a good week, Fr. Terry

LIVE THE LITURGY

"Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth!" We only know that the wind exists because of what it does. A gentle breeze felt on our face or watching a tree swaying or swirling snowflakes all prove the existence of "something" causing these things to happen. But, apart from its effects, we cannot see the origin or substance of wind. The Holy Spirit is the wind of God. Watching an early Church emerge, people coming to believe, disciples of Jesus change the way they live and conduct their affairs-all give witness to the presence of the Holy Spirit. Observing the courage and conviction of those who have found faith, working for justice, feeding the poor, seeing how wounds are healed-all point to something greater than ourselves working and living among us. How do our lives give witness to the Spirit?

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 a 2:00 pm at the Shrine which is located one mile east of the St. Meinrad Archabbey.

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.

Thank you

Thank you to our fathers who prepared a scrumptious Mother's Day breakfast at St. Columba. It was so nice and much appreciated.

Heritage Festival

The youth will be selling ice cream at the Heritage Festival this year. Stop by and show your support to the youth by purchasing a cone of ice cream!

Job Opportunity

Immaculate Conception and St. Columba have a job opportunity for a Part -Time Youth Minister that is passionate about leading youth into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. Candidates must be a practicing Catholic in good standing, involved in a parish community, and have had previous experience working with youth and/or young adults. Must be able to work flexible hours including evenings and weekends, have a valid driver's license and successfully complete a criminal background check. College Degree or a High School diploma with certification or equivalent experience in religious education. All interested applicants may submit a resume and cover letter to: Immaculate Conception P.O. Box 219 Hawesville Ky 42348

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, May 22

8:00 am † Bob Payne SC
By Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, May 23

5:30 pm † Paul & Anastasia Johnson IC
By Marilyn McCaslin

Thursday, May 24

8:00 am † Dot Bratcher SC
By Ron Spalding

Friday, May 25

8:00 am † June Fowler IC
By Kay Adkins

Saturday, May 26

5:00 pm † David Sterett IC
By Jo Ann Mattingly

Sunday, May 27

8:30 am † Anna Payne SC
By Denis & Martha Wheatley
10:30 am People of the Parish IC

Readings for the Week

May 20, 2018

Sunday: 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

Monday: Jas 3:13-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [9a]/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10/Ps 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23 [23a]/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17/Ps 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11 [Mt 5:3]/Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Jas 5:1-6/Ps 49:14-15ab, 15cd -16, 17-18, 19-20 [Mt 5:3]/Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Jas 5:9-12/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12 [8a]/Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Jas 5:13-20/Ps 141:1-2, 3 and 8 [2a]/Mk 10:13-16

Next Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16 20

Faith Sharing Question

First Reading

We hear today about the descent of the Holy Spirit onto the Apostles and the birth of the Church. What do you think the miracle of Pentecost means for believers today?

Second Reading

Paul implores the Christians in the region of Galatia to "live by the Spirit." Where do you see your faith community living by the Spirit?

Gospel Reading

Once again this Sunday we hear from Jesus' farewell discourse to the Disciples where Jesus foreshadows the coming of the Holy Spirit. Why do you think Jesus refers to the Holy Spirit as our "Advocate" and "the Spirit of truth"?

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

Tuesday, May 22

5:00 pm SC Finance SC
6:00 pm SC Pastoral SC

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.

Liturgical Roles

Sunday, May 27

St. Columba, 8:30 am

Eucharistic Min: Eddie Gray

Dot Pooser, Judy Pate

Lector: Dan Allard

Server: Lawson Ward

Cross Bearer: Steve Basham

Gift Bearer: Tim & Dian Heavrin

Hospitality: Butch & Peggy Meriwether

David & Shelly Poole

Vocation Statue: Tina Nelson

Immaculate Conception, 10:30 am

Eucharistic Min: Lexi Hodge

Emily Woodward, McKensie Severs

Lector: Falyn Stokes

Server: Carter Lyday, Jacob Hodge

Cross Bearer: Hunter Severs

Gift Bearer: Jason Curry Family

Hospitality: Jason Curry Family

Vocation Statue: George & Cheryl Gammon

In Need of Special Prayer

Dexter Marsch, Phyllis Emmick, Joan Peak, Betty Brickey, Frances Storm, Eddie Gray,

Bill McBrayer, Pat Edge, Judy Pate

Homebound and Heartland Villa

Mary Hinton, Dorothy Beauchamp,

Larry James, Marjorie Merimee,

Shirley Mobley, Lillie Lanham,

Carl Pendley, Gene Toler

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

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

On this Pentecost Sunday, if you come to Mass at my parish you will see a sea of red all around. The choir, the lectors, the extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, the people in the pews, and of course the celebrant and our deacon, will all be wearing red. We are one of those parishes that strive to reflect the color of the liturgy in our dress. It can be a sight to see.

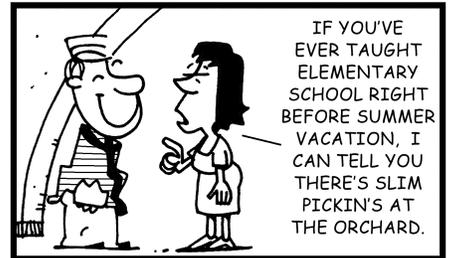
What we put on our bodies serves only as a reminder of what is really important during these liturgical celebrations. At Pentecost, it was the Spirit of God that filled those in the first Christian community. We wear red to call to mind that very Spirit, often depicted as a fire or flame. However, if we just use red as a reminder of the power of the Spirit without letting it change us, then our actions become merely sentimental.

We are filled with the Holy Spirit through the sacraments of the Church. God touches us and enters into us in a profound way, just like in that upper room at Pentecost. That first powerful movement of the Spirit led to a Church that grew and flourished and remains alive today. What is the movement of the Spirit within calling you to do today? Do we allow God to move us and do great things through us? Red is a bold color to wear at any time. But our actions should be even bolder. --Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Cemetery Policy Reminder:

It is mowing season for the cemetery. Just a reminder that the policy is: All flowers and ornaments must be attached to the headstone. Shepherd's hooks with a single hook will be allowed for the purpose of hanging baskets only. If items or mementoes are left on the grass they will be gathered up and discarded. No item may be left in the way of the mower. Please pass this word along to your family and friends. Thank you for your cooperation.

PENTECOST



Sunday Collections

Immaculate Conception

Weekly Goal\$3,269.00

Collection 5-13-18\$2,448.00

Difference under\$821.00

Mass Attendance 56/116

Week # 46 of 52

Fiscal YTD Goal.....\$150,374

Fiscal YTD Actual\$148,212



St. Columba

Weekly Goal.....\$2,308.00

Collection 5-13-18\$2,751.00

Difference over.....\$443.00

Mass Attendance 194

Week # 46 of 52

Fiscal YTD Goal\$106,168

Fiscal YTD Actual\$114,216

SC Building Repair Fund

Total Families Pledged 58

Total Amount Pledged \$51,518

Total Paid 5-13-18 \$40,063

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.