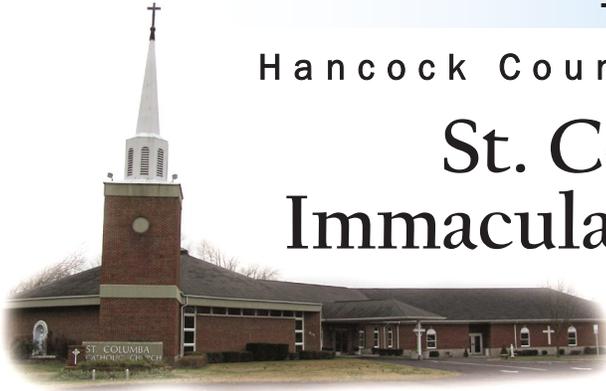


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Nationwide Mass Times

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

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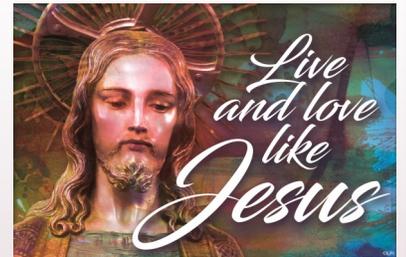
For all of Hancock County

Cycles of Faith

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Now what?" It's a difficult thing to hear, isn't it? The train comes late, a child unexpectedly cries, and the latest public policy debate flares up in the news. Life throws us curveballs, and we have no choice but to adapt. Jesus and the Apostles find themselves in that exact situation in today's Gospel.

The Apostles have returned from their two-by-two missionary journey. As Jesus hears all of their stories, he knows they need time to recover and refresh. "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." Their wilderness retreat is short-lived, however, as eager crowds discover their location. Jesus is well aware of the needs of his disciples. Still, as he looks out at the crowd, "His heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd." The rest break is over. "He began to teach them many things."



For those of us who have experienced a taste of much-needed relaxation only to have it taken away abruptly, perhaps we surmise what the Apostles might have been feeling in that moment. But Jesus isn't being inconsiderate of the Apostles needs. He offers them - and us - a lived lesson. St. John Paul II wrote, "The whole of Christ's life was a continual teaching: his silences, his miracles, his gestures, his prayer, his love for people, his special affection for the little and the poor, his acceptance of the total sacrifice on the Cross for the redemption of the world" (On Catechesis in Our Time, 9). In Jesus' choice to teach, we see all of these things: sacrificial love, concern for the marginalized, and priority of people's needs over personal preference. These aren't abstract ideals. They're lived realities as we strive to live and love like Jesus. When a new obstacle confronts you in your life, how do you respond?

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

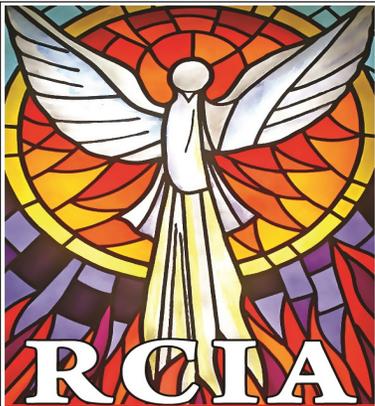
To Bind and To Heal

This Sunday's theme is about God's concern for His people "for they were like sheep without a shepherd". In our first reading from the prophet Jeremiah, the people of God are reminded that another shepherd (Jesus Christ) will come and rule over them. Unlike earthly rulers who sometimes rule for their own benefit, Jesus' kingdom would bind and heal the brokenhearted, oppressed, and the downtrodden. His

Kingdom is a special invitation for all of us who sometimes feel like lost sheep without the trusting guidance of Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd. May the Lord bless us this coming week and may we surrender our lives to the one who has come into the world to heal, to bind, and to recover what was lost. God Bless You, Fr. Terry

LIVE THE LITURGY

The many images we have of God help frame our relationship with Him. Have we ever imagined Jesus so deeply moved with emotion and engulfed with pity for us? We often are sheep without a shepherd who are lured by the emptiness of worldly attractions and superficial desires. We become lost. God, in the depth of His being, is deeply moved by our pain, loneliness, and heartache. God does not judge or condemn. He loves and is mercy itself. He knows firsthand the pain that comes with being lost and alone and desires to teach us about His merciful love. Do we want to be taught? Listen to God's word and be open to God's presence in the Eucharist.



RCIA

RCIA stands for the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* and is the process by which adults are prepared to enter into the Catholic Faith. This process is open to anyone who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith. You do not have to join the Church to attend these sessions and there is absolutely no pressure to commit. If you know of anyone who may be interested or who may have questions about our faith, please contact Fr. Terry at 270-860-0924. Classes start in September.

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>).

History of Mount Saint Joseph Ursuline Sisters Aug. 7

The history of the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph will be told on Tuesday, Aug. 7. Sister Catherine Marie Lauterwasser, OSU, will talk about that rich history which goes back to the 16th century when Saint Angela Merici started the Company of Saint Ursula. At the request of Father Paul Joseph Volk, five Ursuline Sisters came from Louisville in 1874 to establish a school in western Daviess County. The dinner and presentation is from 5 p.m.—6:30 p.m. at Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center. The cost is \$20. Preregistration is required by contacting Sister Mary Matthias Ward at 270-229-0200 or mary.ward@maplemount.org or register online at ursulinesmsj.org

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, July 24

8:00 am † Bob Payne SC
By Becky Horn

Wednesday, July 25

5:30 pm † William Yancy IC
By Knights of Columbus

Thursday, July 26

8:00 am † Dot Bratcher SC
By Ron Spalding

Friday, July 27

8:00 am † Garry Bickett IC
By Bob Ogle

Saturday, July 28

5:00 pm † Charlotte Anne Boling IC
By Denis & Martha Wheatley

Sunday, July 29

8:30 am People of the Parish SC
10:30 am † Alice Devine IC
By Mike & Sheila Ogle

Readings for the Week

July 22, 2018

Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34
Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [5]/Mt 20:20-28
Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11 [10a]/Mt 13:10-17
Friday: Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Mt 13:18-23
Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11 [2]/Mt 13:24-30
Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

Faith Sharing Question

First Reading

The prophet Jeremiah informs "the shepherds" (the religious leaders of Judah) of God's disapproval of their neglect of and apathy toward His people. How well do you treat the needy in your midst?

Second Reading

Paul speaks to the Ephesians how the cross of Christ is meant to bring unity to all believers. Where do you see this unity in the Church today?

Gospel Reading

Jesus taught his disciples the importance of rest. How does rest bring about spiritual renewal for you?

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

**The Parish Office
will be closed
July 24-27th**

**Liturgical Roles
Sunday, July 29**

St. Columba, 8:30 am

Eucharistic Min: Mary Beth Emmick
Sandra Davis, Judy Pate

Lector: volunteer

Server: Mary Masterson

Cross Bearer: Dan Allard

Gift Bearer & Kevin & Jamie Ward

Hospitality: David & Shelley Poole

Vocation Statue: Patricia Wardrip

Immaculate Conception, 10:30 am

Eucharistic Min: Emily Woodward
Aimee Lyday, McKensie Severs

Lector: volunteer

Server: Jacob Hodge, Abby Walz

Cross Bearer: Ty Durbin

Gift Bearer: George & Cheryl Gammon

Hospitality: Ellen Gaynor, Jeanie Winchell
Eva Bulleit, David Wettstain

Vocation Statue: Joan Wettstain

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

My daughter can easily become overwhelmed by having so much to do. She recently graduated from high school, and many times during those four years, she found herself going crazy from being involved in so many things. Sports, drama, youth group, homework, friends, and more all demanded a slice of her attention. Sometimes the slice of time that remained wasn't much and one does have to sleep!

A good everyday steward can get caught up in doing so much and giving so much that he or she loses sight of the fact that you cannot give what you do not have. If you have no time left, you cannot give that. If you have no energy left, you cannot give that. Finally, if you find yourself agitated and overwhelmed, you cannot give that which others benefit from the most: YOU!

Even when we plant seeds in a garden after tilling and watering the soil, we must rest and wait for there to be growth. If we do not take time to rest and recharge, we are not allowing time for God's grace to bring forth new life in us. We fear that things will suffer without us, but the truth is that no one is benefiting from our fatigue. We can think we are giving but really we are empty. Take some time and rest in your God. Retreat and recharge. Then you will be able to share once again. -Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

16th Annual Rural Life Celebration

Sunday, August 12, 2018, 5:00 pm @ Owensboro Convention Center

You are invited to a celebration of rural life in the air conditioned comfort of the Owensboro Convention Center on West Second St and Locust St. A free meal will be served start at 5:00 pm with a short program. This year, special recognition will be given to the lives of service of Jerry & Vicky Morris with the first "Be Like Rick" Award, Sylvester Fischer with the Lifetime Achievement Award and an audio visual salute of the life work of Tom Curtsinger. Come help us honor their contributions to our community.

Event sponsored by the Diocese of Owensboro Rural Life Committee.

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Sunday Collections

In Need of Special Prayer
Phyllis Emmick, Patricia Meyers,
Joan Peak, Betty Brickley,
Frances Storm, Beverly Snyder,
Bill McBrayer, Pat Edge, Kevin Gearlds
Homebound and Heartland Villa
Mary Hinton, Lillie Lanham
Dorothy Beauchamp,
Thomas Flood, Shirley Mobley,
Carl Pendley, Gene Toler
**Please call the Parish Office to add or
remove names from this bulletin prayer list.**

Immaculate Conception	
Weekly Goal	\$3,208.00
Collection 7-15-18	<u>\$3,155.00</u>
Difference under	\$53.00
Mass Attendance	71/127
Week # 3 of 53	
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$9,624
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$7,919

St. Columba	
Weekly Goal	\$2,264.00
Collection 7-15-18	<u>\$1,842.00</u>
Difference under	\$422.00
Mass Attendance	?
Week # 3 of 53	
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$6,792
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$5,693
SC Building Repair Fund	
Total Families Pledged	58
Total Amount Pledged	\$51,518
Total Paid 7-15-18	\$41,013

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.