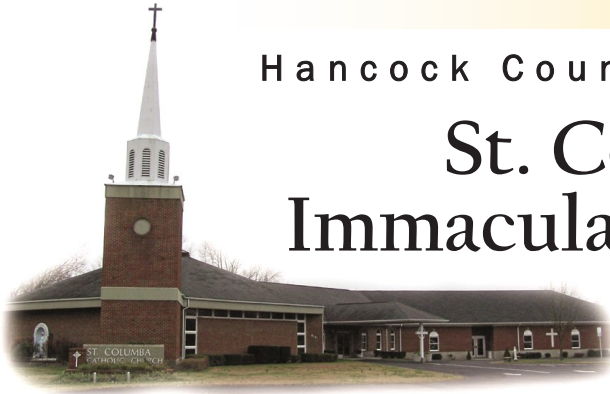


# Hancock County Catholic Church St. Columba & Immaculate Conception



## 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 ..... 270-295-3494  
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

As we march through Lent, it can be easy to think it's all about sacrifice. No chocolate, no alcohol, no meat on Fridays. Yet here, only in the second week of Lent, we have the story of the transfiguration. This reading reminds us of the "why" behind what we do. We don't fast from dessert to lose weight. We don't donate money or serve others because it's merely a nice thing to do. Lent is about transformation!

Peter, James, and John trudged up the mountainside behind Jesus. This must have been a difficult hike, because when they reached the top, "Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep." Despite our best efforts, perhaps we, too, can be asleep to the deeper meaning of the Lenten season. Jesus is transfigured while they slumber, but eventually they become "fully awake, [and] they saw his glory and the two men standing with him."

This is no small thing! The disciples witness Jesus in his divine splendor and see the miraculous apparitions of Moses and Elijah. The entire mountain becomes a spiritual breakthrough. "A cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud." These symbols are present in the Old Testament. They are present on Mount Sinai when Moses prayed alone and received the 10 Commandments. Elijah had a similar experience when he prayed alone before God. But here are ordinary men, former fishermen, who have been drawn up into an adventure beyond their wildest expectations. Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah, the fulfillment of all that came before. But Christianity is not the religion of the elite, where only the select few are allowed to participate. We are all invited into spiritual transformation. Lent is a privileged time for this!



## 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

#### Season of Change:

Today in our gospel the theme deals with change and transformation. As Jesus is transfigured on Mount Tabor before His apostles He reveals to them that pain, sorrow and death will not be the ultimate victor, but that His death will lead to a change that is centered on new life and glory. We too are called to the change during this Season of repentance and denial and to die to those things which keeps us from the new

life that God wishes us to have. Again it is not a forced obligation on God's part, but rather a loving invitation to be considered. Let us re-examine our Lenten journey since Ash Wednesday and ask ourselves an important question, "Will I feel closer to the Lord and to others this coming Easter, or again will I fail to take Lent seriously?" May our Season of Lent give birth to new life and resurrection in the coming weeks. May God Bless you. Fr. Terry

#### Pizza and Penance for the HS and Confirmation Youth

The HS youth will have pizza and penance this Wednesday during Lent. They will have pizza in their classroom from 6-7pm while taking the opportunity to see Fr. Terry for confession.

#### No Greater Love - 5 Week Lenten Study

The No Greater Love five - part video Lenten series is beginning this week at Immaculate Conception. Check out the days and times below and join us on this biblical journey in the Holy Land focusing on Christ's Passion.

Wednesday mornings at IC church office at 10:00am beginning March 20- April 17

Wednesday evenings at IC church office at 6:00pm March 20-April 17

Contact Denise at the church office for more information.

#### Substitutes List for Adoration

We are also looking to establish a substitute list for Adoration. Spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Pray, Read and Listen for an hour in an environment of peace, quiet and serenity. If you would like to volunteer as a substitute, please let us know. Contact Denise or Jill for more information. St Columba is still in need of one more person at 1:00pm before beginning Adoration. Please consider participating in this wonderful prayerful opportunity.

#### Altar Server Training

We will be having training for Altar servers next weekend March 23/24 after Mass at both St Columba and Immaculate Conception. This is for new servers and those needing a refresher course. Contact Denise at the church office if you have any questions.

#### Lenten Confessions

During Lent, Fr. Terry will be available for confessions at Immaculate Conception on Wednesdays from 6:00pm-7:00pm and at St. Columba on Friday, February 16h & 23rd and March 16th & 23rd, from 6:00pm-7:00pm. We invite all to come to confession during Lent. You may also contact Fr. Terry and set up an individual time for confession if the above schedule does not allow you the opportunity to participate. Also opportunities for confession are available in other parishes throughout the Diocese. You may check the websites of other parishes by going to [www.rcdok.org](http://www.rcdok.org)

#### DASK (Divorced and Separated Koinonia)

Mount St. Joseph Retreat Center | April 5-7th, 2019

Many people have encountered Jesus during Koinonia retreats in parishes throughout the Diocese of Owensboro. DASK is a Koinonia specifically for those who are divorced or separated. Several members of the Owensboro Koinonia community are collaborating with Springfield, Ill Koinonia to bring DASK to our Diocese for the first time. This will be an overnight, spiritual retreat focused on the resurrection and new life. Participants can register for DASK on the Diocese website at [owensborodiocese.org/dask/](http://owensborodiocese.org/dask/). The cost to attend is \$150, which includes lodging and meals. Scholarships are available upon request.

#### Mass Intentions

##### Tuesday, March 19

10:00 am † Ora Roby HV  
By Dolina Roby

##### Wednesday, March 20

5:30 pm † Regina Walz IC  
By Janet Nix

##### Thursday, March 21

8:00 am † Billie Bunch SC  
By Mary Belle Hamilton

##### Friday, March 22

8:00 am Denis & Martha Wheatley IC  
By Connie Wheatley

##### Saturday, March 23

5:00 pm † Frances Ballard SC  
By Philip & Jeanetta Ballard

##### Sunday, March 24

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

#### Readings for the Week

March 17, 2019

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14[1a]/Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

#### Faith Sharing Question

First Reading

Abraham's trust in the covenantal promises of the Lord was deemed an act of righteousness. When have you had to completely trust the Lord?

Second Reading

Paul urges believers in the Philippian community to see him and Timothy as models of faith in Jesus Christ. To whom do you model your faith in Christ?

Gospel Reading

In the transfiguration, the divinity of Christ was revealed to Peter, John, and James. Why do you think the apostles initially told no one what they had seen?

#### 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, March 19

Adoration - IC 7am to 7pm

5:00 pm Rosary SC  
5:00 pm SC Finance SC  
5:30 pm Stations of the Cross SC  
6:00 pm SC Pastoral SC

### Wednesday, March 20

6:00 pm Relig. Ed. K-Adult IC  
HS Pizza & Penance IC  
6:00 pm Lenten Confessions IC

### Thursday, March 21

Adoration - SC 7am to 7pm  
5:30 pm Stations of the Cross IC  
5:30 pm RCIA IC

### Friday, March 22

4:30 pm Lenten Fish Fry SC  
6:00 pm Lenten Confessions SC



## Liturgical Roles

### Sunday, March 24

#### St. Columba, 8:30 am

**Eucharistic Min:** Judy Pate

Denny Long, Mary Masterson

**Lector:** Rosemary Emmick

**Server:** Bailey Poole

**Cross Bearer:** Justin Basham

**Gift Bearer:** George & Donna Bozarth

**Hospitality:** George & Donna Bozarth  
Rosemary & John Neff

**Vocation Statue:** Larry & JoAnn Roby

#### Immaculate Conception, 10:30 am

**Eucharistic Min:** Dan Hagman

Marilyn McCaslin, Faly Stokes

**Lector:** Rachael Gily

**Server:** Jacob Hodge

**Cross Bearer:** Andrew Lyday

**Gift Bearer:** Jason Curry Family

**Hospitality:** Jason Curry Family

**Vocation Statue:** Lynn Powers

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Where do you live? I live in North Carolina. There I pay taxes, own a home, and belong to a parish. North Carolina is in the United States, so I also abide by federal laws, pay taxes, and vote for candidates in all sorts of elections. I identify as an American and try my best to meet certain expectations placed on me by the government, state, and fellow Americans. I do certain things because of my identity.

Paul wrote to the Philippians, "Our citizenship is in heaven." Being a U.S. citizen living in North Carolina places certain requirements on me. How many of us "citizens of heaven" take seriously the expectations and requirements of that citizenship? Sometimes we act like nothing is truly required of us.

Stewardship as a way of life requires us to take seriously what it means to be a citizen of heaven. We are called to follow the laws of the land we live in on this earth, but we are called to adhere to an even greater authority. Whether it be our call to act with charity and love or to follow the precepts of the Church, we must take seriously our status as citizen.

Unfortunately, many don't take seriously their citizenship on this earth either. People have given their very lives so that we may have to freedom to be citizens of our country and our state. Of course, many people have died for the citizenship of heaven as well. So it comes down to the question, who are you and to whom do you belong? -Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## Safe Environment

To report suspected abuse, call the Kentucky Child Protection Hot Line: 1-877-KYSAFE1 or 1-877-597-2331 (Toll Free) or contact your local Commonwealth Attorney. To report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church, call Louanne Payne, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (English) at 270-852-8380, or Nuria Elizondo, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (Spanish) at 270-880-8360. You may also visit the Office of Safe Environment ([owensborodiocese.org/safe](http://owensborodiocese.org/safe)) for more information.

## Easter Ham

St. Columba is taking orders for smoked Easter Hams! Cost is \$35 and payment must be made at time of the order. All orders must be turned in by April 9th. Hams will be ready for pickup on Palm Sunday, April 14th. Contact Mike Fallin or the church office if you wish to place an order.

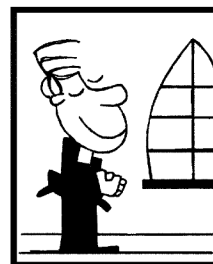
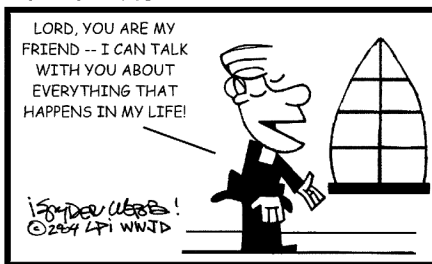
## Lose For Lent

It's not too late to join our group of walkers M-F at North Hancock Elementary around 5:00pm to walk and reflect. Join us as often as you want and for how long you want to walk. We are having a great time!

St. Columba Catholic Church  
**Lenten Fish Fry**  
Every **Friday** of Lent  
(March 8 to April 12)  
**Serving 4:30 to 7:00 pm**  
COME JOIN US! for ALL YOU CAN EAT  
Catfish Fillets, Coleslaw, Cornbread,  
Hushpuppies, Macaroni & Cheese, Beans,  
French Fries and a Drink.  
All for just \$11.00 for Adults  
\$5.00 for Children 6-11  
5 yrs and under free  
**Bring your Family & Friends!**  
(Call 270-295-3682 for Carry-out orders )  
815 Pell St. in Lewisport



2ND SUNDAY OF LENT



## Sunday Collections

Collection information will be in next week's bulletin.

## 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.