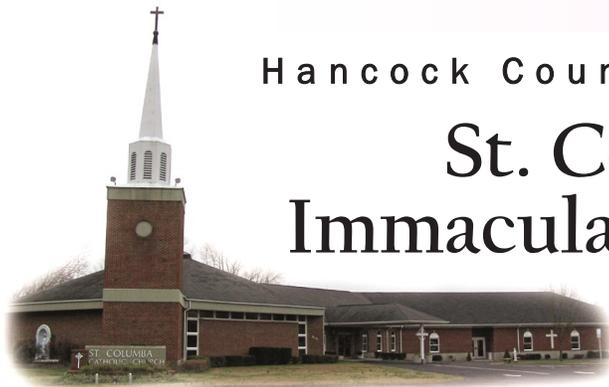


Hancock County Catholic Church St. Columba & Immaculate Conception



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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 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

We all face obstacles in life. Perhaps it's a lost job, the death of a loved one, a sudden accident that places an unexpected dent in our finances. Sometimes the challenges are of our own making. Perhaps we've developed patterns of sin in our personal lives or our family relationships. We've all felt the jolting shock of, "This is all my fault." How do these things affect our relationship with God? Or, perhaps more poignantly, how do we now view God's relationship to us?

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus' words to us are encouraging ones. "No one can take them out of my hand." Did you catch that? In case you didn't, Jesus reemphasizes the point again a few verses later. "My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand." God's grip of providential care and mercy is so strong that nothing can separate us. We might think things take us out of God's hand - life circumstances, tragedy, our lukewarm attitudes towards faith - but Jesus tells us otherwise. Nothing, no one, can take us out of the Father's hand, and we can't take ourselves out! We can't remove ourselves from Him, not entirely. Even when grievous sin hardens us to grace, His love is still sustaining us in existence. And His mercy is always awaiting our repentance.

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." This Sunday, let us heed the voice of the Good Shepherd. Whatever we feel might take us from God's hand, we can turn back to Him. God is always inviting us to follow Him and to trust in His care and be sustained by His hand.



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

I Am the Good Shepherd

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we acknowledge the fact that we are totally dependent on our Lord for everything. Jesus proclaims in the gospel "I know my sheep and mine know me." Yes, Jesus does know us through and through like a book—but do we really know Him? Do we keep Him at a distance being afraid that He will call us to change our lives? Jesus also says "my sheep hear my voice and they follow me." Again on this

Good Shepherd Sunday let us examine our hearts and ask our selves—do we really hear and follow Jesus or do we find our ears listening to worldly ideas and philosophy and following the false shepherds of this world? Today let us commit ourselves to Jesus who leads us through the dark valleys to greener pastures. Have a good week, Fr. Terry



World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Today, Good Shepherd Sunday, is the 56th anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, which was instituted by Pope Paul VI during the Second Vatican Council. The entire Church, including lay people, is charged with the work of fostering priestly and religious vocations. Please pray that young people, especially those from our parish, will be open to God's call in their lives!

Catechist Appreciation Dinner

Religious Education classes have come to the an end for the summer and we invite our catechists and a guest to a special dinner in appreciation for your months of service and sacrifice. Please join Fr. Terry, Jill and Denise at Bill and Dave's Smokin Pit on Wednesday May 15th at 6:00PM. Thank you for all your dedication in making this program such a success. Our catechist and helpers are Amy Volocko, Donna Hagman, Amy Severs, Mary Woodward, Sarah Herrmann, Mary Hodge, Connie Wheatley, Denny Long, Aimee Lyday, John Ogle, Angie Curry and Berrie Clark.

Birthright Thank You

Birthright wishes to thank the members of Immaculate Conception and St. Columba for your generous donation which is very much appreciated. With your help they will continue this much needed ministry of love in the area. Terri LaHugh, Director of Birthright, said, "Thank you for supporting and believing in young women and their babies. May the Lord Bless you and your family!"

Mass for our Graduates

Join us next Sunday as we celebrate and bless our graduates at the 8:30am and 10:30am Mass times at St. Columba and Immaculate Conception.

Young Adult Retreat Day

Make plans to attend the next Young Adult Retreat Day on Saturday, July 27 at the Mount Saint Joseph Retreat Center. More information to come. Keep up to date on Young Adult happenings on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/OwensboroYoungAdult/

Young Adult Holy Hour

Please join us for a Young Adult Holy Hour this month hosted at [Sts. Joseph & Paul Catholic Church](http://Sts.Joseph&PaulCatholicChurch) on Monday, May 13 (the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima) from 6:15-7:15 p.m. Fr. Basilio Az Cuc, associate pastor of Sts. Joseph & Paul, will lead the holy hour. This holy hour is open to ages 18-39, and you don't have to be a parishioner to attend! You're welcome to come for the whole hour, stop in for a few minutes, come alone or bring friends. We'll provide programs with prayers and songs to help guide you through the holy hour experience. The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) will be available for those who are interested. Join us for dinner afterwards at a local restaurant. To learn more, contact Denise Long at 270-929-7555 or Robin Tomes in the Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry: robin.tomes@pastoral.org. Learn more at Facebook.com/OwensboroYoungAdult.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, May 14

10:00 am † Kay Johnson HV
By Tony Johnson

Wednesday, May 15

5:30 pm † Delma McManaway IC
By Mike & Sheila Ogle

Thursday, May 16

8:00 am † Bill Yancy SC
By Layman & Mary Hawkins

Friday, May 17

8:00 am Children, God Children, Grandson IC
By Noel Quinn

Saturday, May 18

5:00 pm People of the Parish IC

Sunday, May 19

8:30 am † Joe Bolin Sr SC
By Joann & Homer Mattingly
10:30 am Denis Wheatley Family IC
By Denis & Martha Wheatley

Readings for the Week

May 12, 2019

Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c]/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3, 43:3, 4 [cf. 3a]/Jn 10:1-10

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

Wednesday: Acts 12:24-13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 [4]/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab [7bc]/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 14:7-14

Next Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 1]/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Faith Sharing Question

First Reading --Luke records in Acts how and why Paul and Barnabas took their gospel message of the crucified and resurrected Messiah to the Gentiles. How do you imagine history would have changed if the Jews had accepted Paul's gospel message?

Second Reading --John's vision speaks of the eternal and heavenly rewards for those who suffer for the faith. To whom should you communicate this saving message?

Gospel Reading --In what ways do you find Jesus' metaphor of the sheep and shepherd appealing?

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 12

Mother's Day

6:30 pm Knights of Columbus IC

Tuesday, May 14

Adoration - IC 7am to 7pm

Wednesday, May 15

6:00 pm Catechist Dinner

Thursday, May 16

Adoration - SC 7am to 7pm

6:00 pm SC New Roof Meeting SC

Save the Date!!

Immaculate Conception

Annual Picnic Saturday, July 13th

It is time to start thinking about IC's picnic. We are going to try something different this year. We would like to have home-made items in our Country Store. If you are a wood worker, crafter, painter, wreath maker, crocheter, knitter, etc. can you please donate an item. If you do not fit into a category, we would ask you to please donate \$5-\$10 gift cards to any establishment you choose.

Liturgical Roles

Sunday, May 19

St. Columba, 8:30 am

Eucharistic Min: Amy Allard

Scott Basham, Sandra Davis

Lector: Dan Allard

Server: Steve Basham

Cross Bearer: Justin Basham

Gift Bearer: Dan & Amy Allard

Shelby & Sherry Basham

Hospitality: Dan & Amy Allard

Shelby Basham

Alexis Basham

Vocation Statue: Shelby & Sherry Basham

Immaculate Conception, 10:30 am

Eucharistic Min: Heath Stokes

Marilyn McCaslin, Trina Ogle

Lector: Debbie Muse

Server: Drew & Carter Lyday

Cross Bearer: Falyn Stokes

Gift Bearer: Marcella Henderson Family

Hospitality: Jason Curry Family

Vocation Statue: Marcella Henderson

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

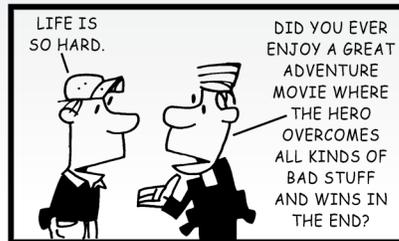
When I was little, I would always cling to the same routine each night before going to bed. I would say to my parents, "Good night." They would respond, "Good night." I then would say, "See you tomorrow, okay?" I would await their response, and if they did not respond, I would say it again louder, "See you tomorrow, okay?" I somehow felt that if they did not assure me that I would see them tomorrow, it would possibly not happen. What would happen to me if I awoke and no one was there? It seems silly now, but to a small boy, it was very serious.

In our lives, many of us have somehow bought into the notion that there is so much in the world that can take us away from God. We believe that worldly values, immorality, or evil itself can take us away from God's love and protection. But there are few greater lies than this. The reality is that if we find ourselves far away from God, the only force that carried us away was our own choices.

In John's Gospel, Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me... No one can take them out of my hand." Yes, we are tempted at every side, but no temptation can take us away from him. Unfortunately, sometimes after initial choices, we find ourselves in addiction or dependency, making our reconciliation with God impossible without the help of friends and loved ones. But make no mistake, no one or nothing can take those who are His sheep away from God.

When you think about this, you realize the importance of your actions. The power of your stewardship is great, because by utilizing your gifts, you determine if you will draw closer to or wander away from God. The world can't do that. The devil can't do that, nor can the wishful words of a little boy in the night. -Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



SC Fish Fry Report

\$21,042.47 Deposits
 - \$10,181.49 Expenses
 \$10,860.98
 - \$1,810.00 1/6th donated to NCYC youth
 \$9,050.98 Final profit

SC Easter Ham

Sales Profit
 \$1,794

Sunday Collections

Immaculate Conception	
Weekly Goal	\$3,208.00
Collection 5-05-19	<u>\$3,179.50</u>
Difference under	\$28.50
Mass Attendance	63/158
Week # 45 of 53	
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$144,360
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$138,029



St. Columba	
Weekly Goal	\$2,264.00
Collection 5-05-19	<u>\$2,764.00</u>
Difference over	\$500.00
Mass Attendance	127
Week # 45 of 53	
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$101,880
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$105,689
SC Building Repair Fund	
Total Families Pledged	58
Total Amount Pledged	\$51,518
Total Paid 5-05-19	\$46,841

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.