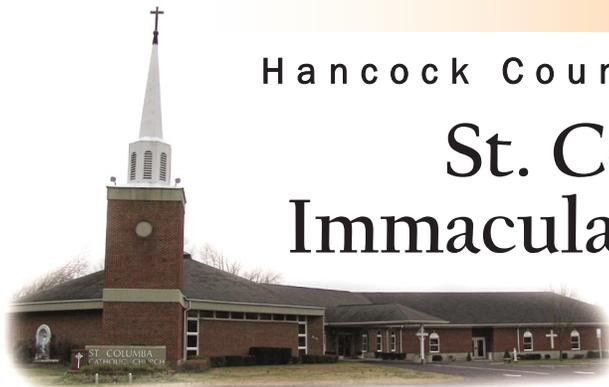


Hancock County Catholic Church

St. Columba & Immaculate Conception



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Church Web Page: icschurch.org
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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

What is the most common image you've seen of the Ascension? It's typically Jesus hovering above the earth surrounded by brilliant light. The Ascension is a beautiful feast, but it's about more than the distant glory of God. It's about the blessing of God and the transformative power of trust.

"You are witnesses to these things." Before he ascends, Jesus reminds the disciples of the basic message of the Gospel and of the disciples' own important role. They are to proclaim the Gospel message by their personal witness to the saving power of God. "I am sending the promise of my Father upon you... clothed with power from on high." Jesus promises to equip the disciples for this important mission. Not only are they receiving a command, but they're receiving the empowerment they need to move. "He... raised his hands, and blessed them." Even now, though the fulfillment of Pentecost is still to come, Jesus gives them a parting gift before he ascends into heaven. Finally, "They... returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God."

The disciples faced an unknown future. Their teacher had left them, and the political and religious authorities weren't exactly thrilled about Jesus and his growing movement. But the memory of our Father's redemptive love, the promise of the Holy Spirit, and the blessing of Christ sustained them. Jesus trusted them to act in his name. They could trust him in return. Do you face uncertainty in your own life? Remember, we are all called to be disciples and witnesses. We have received the indwelling of the Holy Spirit at our baptism. We are blessed by Christ beyond imagining in the sacraments. This Ascension feast, we too can trust in God! With this firm trust, we too can return to our daily lives, praising God with great 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

IC Picnic Meeting after Mass June 2nd

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 homemade 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.

Job Opportunity working in the Church Office

Immaculate Conception and St. Columba are seeking a qualified candidate for the position of part-time bookkeeper and secretary. Applicant should have good organizational skills, telephone skills, bookkeeping skills and general office skills. Candidate will need to have knowledge of Microsoft programs, basic office functions and accounting software. This position consists of working Monday thru Friday for approximately 19 hours per week.

This position will start August 1, 2019. Interested candidates may email a resume and cover letter to Fr. Terry Devine, at terry.devine@pastoral.org or mail to Immaculate Conception Church, PO Box 219, Hawesville KY 42348.

Mass Ministers Needed

Have you ever asked yourself the question, "I want to be a Mass minister what do I do?" Thank you for your willingness to serve at Mass. We do have a need for ministers in all areas. There are various ministers at Mass. Hospitality, Gift bearers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, Cross Bearers, Mass Coordinators. You may contact Denise Long our Director of Adult Ministry, fill out a Time, Talent and Treasure brochure or tell Fr. Terry. Denise will contact you and make arrangements for your training and scheduling.

Water with Blessings Thank You!

Thank you for your generous donations to Water with Blessings in support of adding Water Women in Kenya thru the Sisters of Hope. Your donation of \$3,312.75 will add 55 water women in Kenya which means 220 families will receive clean safe drinking water. As of January 1, 2019, there are over 86,000 water women in 47 countries! Thank you for adding more water women and thank you for giving drink to the thirsty children of the world. God Bless.



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 website www.icscchurch.org or Facebook page: www.facebook.com/OwensboroYoungAdult/

Mass Intentions

No Weekday Masses while Fr. Terry is on Vacation

Saturday, June 8

5:00 pm † Raphael & Agnes Elder IC
By Bob Ogle

Sunday, June 9

8:30 am People of the Parish SC
10:30 am † Philip Johnson IC
By Noel Quinn

Readings for the Week

June 2, 2019

Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab [33a]/Jn 16:29-33

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 [cf.7b]/Jn 21:20-25

Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/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 Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

Faith Sharing Question

First Reading - Why do you think Luke opens the Acts of the Apostles by narrating the ascension of Jesus into heaven? Second Reading - Paul speaks of Jesus' resurrection and ascension into heaven as the source of divine wisdom for the unity of the Church. How do you think Jesus' ascension unifies the Church? Gospel Reading - The final episode in the Gospel of Luke is Jesus' ascension into heaven. Luke tells us the disciples "returned to Jerusalem with great joy" on their way back from Bethany, about 1.5 miles away. What do you imagine the disciples talked about on this brief journey home?

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, June 4

Adoration - IC 7am to 7pm

Thursday, June 6

Adoration - SC 7am to 7pm

St. Columba Picnic Meeting

St. Columba will be having a picnic meeting on Sunday June 9th following the 8:30am Mass. The meeting will be held in St. Joseph's classroom. All are invited to come and help with the planning. We ask those from the following booth to especially be present. The cooking team, meat sales, drive thru sales, kitchen, dining, cake stand, cake and ice cream booth, raffle, sandwich stand and silent auction are asked to be present. Let us work together to make this a wonderful community event!

Save the Date

Family day at Gasper is coming soon. Save the date - August 25, 2019 to bring your family to Gasper. More info to come. Keep watch on our website www.icschurch.org.

Liturgical Roles

Sunday, June 9

St. Columba, 8:30 am

Eucharistic Min: Denny Long
Randy Miller, Judy Pate

Lector: Rosemary Emmick

Server: Joseph Quinn

Cross Bearer: Shelby Basham

Gift Bearer: Joe Hagman Family

Hospitality: Joe Hagman Family

Vocation Statue: Jerry Buck

Immaculate Conception, 10:30 am

Eucharistic Min: Dakota Wheatley
Jody Wheatley, Mary Woodward

Lector: Lori Ogle

Server: Laura Wheatley

Cross Bearer: Sam Walz

Gift Bearer: Nick Severs Family

Hospitality: David / Joan Wettstain
John / Lynn Powers

Vocation Statue: David / Joan Wettstain

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

I travel a good bit, which means I am away from my wife and children for decent periods of time. But what makes it easier for me, besides being able to share the Good News of Jesus with people all over, is that I know I will not be gone forever. I will return, and then all will be well again. I have been called by God to be away from them at times, but God always brings me back to them.

Each liturgical year, we celebrate Jesus' ascension into heaven. The feast speaks much to who Jesus is theologically. But in a very practical way, we also acknowledge that he has gone to be with the Father, but will return someday. Just as I return after a conference or visit with a parish to those God has entrusted to me and I love, Jesus will return to those entrusted to him and whom he loves.

But just like when I am away, there are things to be done. Life goes on for my wife and children with school, work, activities, and the basic responsibilities of family. In good stewardship, they are called to give generously to each other and devote themselves to God. Without them tending to things, upon my return I would find everything in turmoil and disarray. Then when I return, we become one again, and we are about the Lord's work together.

The Lord ascended into heaven, but we are not to sit by quietly awaiting his return. Much needs to be done. He has entrusted much to us, expecting us to be good stewards. If you think that you have all the time in the world to complete the tasks at hand, think again. His return will be when we least expect it. It is time to be about our Father's work. -Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

National Catholic Youth Conference -NCYC- November 21-23, 2019

Who's ready to go to NCYC in Indianapolis? A 3- day youth conference full of great music, awesome speakers and lots of fun! If you are in high school, then you are invited! For more information contact Jill at the parish office!

ASCENSION



Sunday Collections

Immaculate Conception

Weekly Goal\$3,208.00
Collection 5-26-19\$3,112.00
Difference under \$96.00
Mass Attendance 66/130

Week # 48 of 53

Fiscal YTD Goal.....\$153,984
Fiscal YTD Actual\$146,625



St. Columba

Weekly Goal.....\$2,264.00
Collection 5-26-19\$1,168.00
Difference under\$1,096.00
Mass Attendance 109

Week # 48 of 53

Fiscal YTD Goal\$108,672
Fiscal YTD Actual.....\$113,079

SC Building Repair Fund

Total Families Pledged 58
Total Amount Pledged \$51,518
Total Paid 5-26-19 \$47,026

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.