

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
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For all of Hancock County

Cycles of Faith

The Gospels continue to challenge us to the core. This is especially true in the way our social relationships have developed. Feeling safe and secure in the world are not things that come easily these days. Actually, we may find ourselves feeling more reservation, caution, reluctance, and fear than ever before. In a moment's notice, life can drastically change. When someone has been intentionally and violently hurt, especially someone we love, we can all too easily find ourselves very attracted to the Old Testament philosophy of "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth."

Intellectually, we know this is not what Jesus wants us to do. But on some level it just seems to make practical or even political sense. After all, why should we allow someone to get away with a heinously violent act? Yet, Jesus cannot be any clearer than he is with this! Offer no resistance to one who is evil. Turn the other cheek as well. When pressed into service, go two miles. Do not turn your back on one who wants to borrow. Love your enemies. Now, take a moment to reflect on all of this. Consider a horrible act of violence committed against someone you love. Listen. Think. Be honest. Can you do as Jesus directs?

We want to be holy. But we are more comfortable with a definition of holiness that can keep us saying our prayers and on our knees in church. We are not comfortable with a definition of holiness that has something to say about to how we react to and negotiate life. We like to keep a sharp and strong line between the secular and the sacred. In fact, we would prefer that the doors between them be kept closed. God wants us to be holy as He is holy. If God sees this one way and we see it another, then where does this leave us on our journey to God?

Our minds like the practical, worldly, and secular answers to things. They are more black and white and at first glance appear to make more sense. Holiness wells up from our souls and is beyond reason. It cannot be explained. It is something we just simply know comes as a result of deep prayer. The truly contemplative eye knows inwardly that what Jesus asks is true and then willingly does it. It may not be easy.

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.



Sharing in the Mission of Christ

When Jesus walked and lived on this earth He made it clear that He had a job to do, that is, the will of His Father. He came to preach that His Father wanted all to know of His mercy, healing, and forgiveness. Jesus revealed this loving Father by the way He taught and lived His life. As Jesus taught His apostles for about three years He knew the day that they too would partake in this mission of proclaiming the gospel message. Today, Jesus is

counting on you and me to “fill those shoes” as we walk in our journey of faith. The strength of the Holy Spirit is still with us to give us hope and perseverance in our daily struggles. Like Jesus may we too be dedicated in doing the work of revealing God’s presence to all we meet in the coming week.

God Bless You! Fr. Terry



Your Help is Needed

Become more involved in your parish by helping with the ministries at Mass. We are in need of Choir members. Just like our grandmothers use to say; “Singing is like praying twice!” Contact Sharon Russelburg at IC and Pat Roberts at SC for more information about being a member of our beautiful choirs. We also are in need of other ministers such as Eucharistic Ministers who help with distributing communion, Lectors who read and proclaim the Sunday scripture, Hospitality who greet you at the door, Gift bearers who carry our gifts of bread, wine, water and collection to Fr. Terry, Cross bearer who leads the procession with the cross, Altar server who assist Fr. Terry at the altar, Vocation statue who prays for the vocations of priesthood and religious and Mass Coordinator who helps to make sure all of the ministries are met during Mass. If you are interested or need more information please contact Denise at the church office or call her at 270-929-7555. She will be glad to set up a training session and work you into the schedule.

Job Opportunity 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 approximately 19 hours per week. 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. Deadline to submit a resume is Mar.1st

Why Do We Do That? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Is Ash Wednesday a holy day of obligation?

Answer:

Despite the often packed churches, you may be surprised to hear that the answer is no! Holy days of obligation commemorate a particular event (such as the birth of Christ at Christmas) or celebrate particular people (such as Mary’s Immaculate Conception or the feast of All Saints). Ash Wednesday is a day of penance, fasting, and abstinence to begin the season of Lent. In a sense, it focuses on a *concept* rather than something particular and concrete. Of course, repentance ought to be reflected in particular, concrete ways! That’s one of the reasons that attending Mass on Ash Wednesday is a very good idea. It marks the beginning of a solemn season of penance. Despite all its comparisons to the desert, Lent can be very fruitful for our spiritual growth! Beginning this season with the celebration of Mass and the reception of ashes is a sign of our commitment to God and to spiritual growth.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, February 25

8:00 am † Zack Wardrip SC
By Jane Dewiitt

Wednesday, February 26

5:30 pm † Kay Johnson IC
By Mike and Shelia Ogle

Thursday, February 27

NO MASS SC
By Family

Friday, February 28

NO MASS IC
By Betty Nally

Saturday, February 29

5:00 pm † Otto Walz Fam. L&D SC
By Dorothy Jackson

Sunday, March 1

8:30 am † Mildred Riley SC
By Betty Allard
10:30 am People of the Parish IC

Readings for the Week of February 23, 2020

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 [8a]/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

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: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/2 Cor 5:20–6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 [cf. 3a]/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

Faith Sharing Question

Gospel Reading

In speaking about non-retaliation and love of enemies, Jesus challenges his disciples to “be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect.” Why do you think Jesus would issue such a seemingly impossible command?

Catholic Quotes

Speak little, Listen much.

—St. Ignatius of Loyola

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, February 23

9:30am No Adult Study SC
9:30am Mardi Gras Breakfast SC
11:30am Mardi Gras Breakfast IC

Monday, February 24

6:00pm Adult Study: Follow Me IC

Tuesday, February 25

7am -7pm Adoration IC

Wednesday, February 26

8:00am ASH Wednesday Mass SC
6:00pm NO Rel Ed K-12 IC
6:00pm NO Adult Study IC
6:00pm ASH Wednesday Mass IC

Thursday, February 27

7am -5pm Adoration SC

Friday, February 28

4-7pm Fish Fry—Youth night SC
4-7pm Stations of the Cross SC

Sunday, March 1

9:30am Adult Study: Follow Me SC
9:30am Donut Sunday SC

Changes to Religious Ed. Class

For Ash Wednesday, we will not have religious ed. classes but encourage everyone to attend the 6:00pm Mass at IC. Classes will resume Mar. 4th.

Liturgical Roles

Mar 1, 2020

St. Columba 8:30am

Eucharistic Min: Randy Miller
Judy Pate
Todd Payne

Lector: Bailey Poole

Server: Butch Meriwether

Cross Bearer: Gerald Davis

Gift Bearer: David Poole Family

Hospitality: David Poole Family

Vocation Statue: Lou Fleck

Immaculate Conception, 10:30am

Eucharistic Min: Aimee Lyday
Marilyn McCaslin
Trina Ogle

Lector: Angie Curry

Server: Jacob Hodge

Cross Bearer: Morgan Curry

Gift Bearer: Nathan West Family

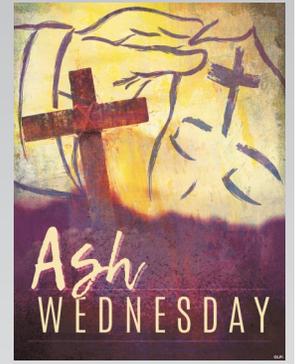
Hospitality: Nathan West Family
Jason Curry Family

Vocation Statue: Joan/David Wettstain

Lent Begins February 26, 2020

Lenten Opportunities for You!

- **Attend Ash Wednesday Mass** at SC 8am or IC 6pm
- **Join an Adult Study Group** on Sunday morning, Monday Evening or Wednesday Evening
- **Lenten Reading**—Browse next week thru the baskets with reading materials ranging from daily prayer to some outstanding books. Books are free, and we encourage you to pass them on to someone else after reading. Spend a little time every day preparing your mind and heart for Jesus this Lenten season.
- **Lenten Confessions**— Fr. Terry will be hearing confessions at IC—Wednesdays from 6:00-7:00pm on Mar 25, Apr 1 and at SC- Fridays from 6:00-7:00pm on Mar 13, 20, 27, Apr 3. You may also see Fr. Terry after Mass or make an appt
- **Pray the Stations of the Cross** at IC on Wednesdays at 5:00pm. SC will have stations on Tuesdays at 5:00pm and materials available for personal individual stations on Fridays 4-7pm.
- **www.icscchurch.org**—Look on our website for more Lenten resources or visit our Facebook page for additional information.
- **Give your pocket change**—Every Sunday our youth will be collecting pocket change in our Water with Blessing Buckets.
- **Attend the Fish Fry** at St. Columba on Fridays Feb 28-Apr 3 from 4-7pm.
- **Facebook Live Event “No Greater Love”**- Check out the Diocese of Owensboro Young Adult page to join in on this live event!
- **Attend Adoration**—Tuesdays at IC from 7am-7pm and at SC on Thurs 7am-5pm
- **Youth Fish Fry Night—February 28th** The Confirmation and High school youth will be helping at the St. Columba fish fry. Please come by, eat some fish, and say hi to the youth as they are volunteering!
- **Contribute to our Lenten Project**—“Give drink to the Thirsty”. Support Water with Blessings and help sponsor Water Women in Kenya. We are grateful to all who have joined in the important work of providing clean water for God’s thirsty children. Please consider helping us once again.
- **Participate in Holy Week** activities Beginning with Palm Sunday on April 5th, Christ Mass April 7th, Holy Thursday April 9th, Good Friday April 10th, Holy Saturday April 11th and Easter Sunday April 12th!



St. Columba Catholic Church Lenten Fish Fry

Every **Friday** of Lent

(February 28 to April 3)

Serving 4:00 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

Sunday Collections

Due to the Holiday the collection will be posted
in next weeks 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.