

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

Life can easily spin us out of control. While there are so many wonderful opportunities before us, we can also get easily distracted and exhausted. There is always something to do, respond to, or check. The clutter of our lives can take us off course, and the best remedy for getting back on track is the experience of the desert. Here we can face our demons square on, resist them, and get back on course. We desperately need the season of Lent. This simple time of year forces us into greater awareness and grounds us in what is good and true.

What weighs you down and keeps you trapped? Maybe you are trying to do too much and please too many people. It could be that your fragile self-image is always pushing you to prove yourself and find success. Anxiety and worry, ultimately due to a lack of faith, can quickly tempt you with despair. It could be that you are listening to too many voices and allowing all of the negativity that is present erode the genuine goodness in your heart and in all of God's creation. Or maybe you struggle too much with fear. Perhaps so much so that you are far too preoccupied with your own agenda and goals and left with little psychological or spiritual room to consider and respond to the plight of your neighbor. Do anger, bitterness, stubbornness, and hatred have homes in your heart? How about greed, gluttony, pride, apathy, or lust?

For many, their passions and what can be found on the internet are their downfall, and they are robbed of their inner life and freedom. What is it, specifically, that tempts you away from a childlike trust in God? Define this and use the next few weeks to allow God to chart you a course away from them. Silence, being alone, grace, honesty, struggle, tears, and dryness are all found in the desert. You will also find God and your true self in this holy place. Ready to go?



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.

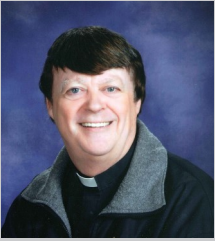
Confirmation • Is celebrated in the seventh and eighth grades or at the Easter Vigil. The Bishop visits every two years and we alternate between the two parishes.

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.



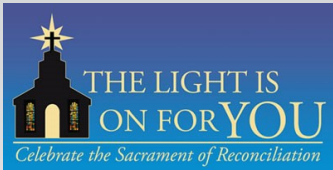
Temptation

As we read on this first Sunday of Lent that not even Jesus was spared by the temptations of the devil, our biggest challenge is to have the courage and willpower to say NO to the devil just as Jesus did. This season of Lent will give us the opportunity to prepare ourselves for the most holiest week of the year that will climax in the death and rising of Jesus Christ. The devil will have many opportunities to tempt us during this season of sacrifice, denial, practicing acts of love and charity. It is only by prayer and closeness to Jesus that we will be successful in rejecting the devil. Let us pray as we journey into these six weeks for the strength to reject the ways of evil and to put to death those things which keeps us in bondage and enslavement. Only with Jesus can we resist the temptations of the evil one and come to new life in the Lord. Have a good Lent!

Fr. Terry 

During Lent Donate for Easter Flowers

Donate for Easter flowers in memory of a loved one. You may do so by using the envelope in your giving packet and write the name or names of your loved ones on the envelope before dropping it in the collection. We will have a special bulletin insert on Easter Sunday with the names of all the loved ones noted.



Confessions During Lent

During Lent, Fr. Terry will be available for confessions at IC—Wednesdays from 6:00-7:00pm on Mar 25 and Apr 1 and at SC on Fridays from 6:00-7:00pm on Feb. 28, Mar 13, 20, 27, Apr 3. We invite all to come to confession during Lent. You may also see Fr. Terry

after Mass or contact him to 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 <https://owensborodiocese.org/>

Free Lenten Reading

Don't forget to browse thru the baskets with reading materials ranging from daily prayer books to some outstanding books. Pick something out! 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 during this Lenten season.

Stations of the Cross

Come and journey the Stations of the Cross during Lent every Wednesdays at 5:00pm at Immaculate Conception. St. Columba will also have group stations on Tuesdays at 5:00pm and the church will be open with materials available for personal individual stations on Fridays 4-7pm.

Pizza and Penance for the 2nd-6th grade

The Youth will once again have pizza and penance during Lent. The 2nd-6th grade will go to confession on Wednesday March 4th beginning at 6:00pm. They will have pizza in their classroom while taking the opportunity to go upstairs to the office waiting area to see Fr. Terry for confession. The High School and Confirmation youth will have pizza and penance on Wednesday March 11th from 6-7pm.

Celebrating Our Milestone Marriages

The Parish Life Committee wishes to Congratulate Jimmy and Carol Harper who are celebrating a milestone marriage anniversary of 58 years! Your commitment to each other is a beautiful witness to others. Congratulations also to all celebrating anniversaries and birthdays this month found on the back of our monthly calendar.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 3

8:00 am † Joe Bolin Sr. SC
By Susie Chaffin

Wednesday, March 4

5:30 pm † Pat Edge IC
By Bob Ogle

Thursday, March 5

8:00 am † Roger Basham SC
By Fritz and Sandy Basham

Friday, March 6

8:00 am † Eugene Johnson IC
By Noel Quinn

Saturday, March 7

5:00 pm † Martha Zoglemann SC

Sunday, March 8

8:30 am † Stephen Emmick SC
By Joyce and Dwayne Duncan
10:30 am People of the Parish IC

Readings for the Week Of March 1, 2020

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

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8-10, 15 [Jn 6:63b]/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/
Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [3a]/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

Faith Sharing Question

Gospel Reading

Jesus resisted the devil's temptations by remaining focused on his fidelity to the Father. What temptations are you willing to confront during the season of Lent?



**March 7th
Remember**
Set your clocks forward one hour before going to bed Saturday!!

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, March 1

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

Monday, March 2

6:00pm Adult Study: Follow Me IC

Tuesday, March 3

7am -7pm Adoration IC
 5:00pm Stations of the Cross SC

Wednesday, March 4

5:00pm Stations of the Cross IC
 6:00pm Rel Ed K-12 IC
 (Pizza & Penance 2nd-6thgr)
 6:00pm Adult Study: Follow Me IC

Thursday, March 5

7am-5pm Adoration SC

Friday, March 6

4-7pm Fish Fry SC
 4-7pm Stations of the Cross SC
 6-7pm Confessions SC

Sunday, March 8

9:30am Adult Study: Follow Me SC

Liturgical Roles

Sunday March 8, 2020

St. Columba 8:30am

Eucharistic Min: Ron Spalding
 Amy Allard
 Scott Basham

Lector: Dan Allard

Server: Courtney/Addison Thomason

Cross Bearer: Justin Basham

Gift Bearer: Adam Gregory/Lilly Ward
 & Bailey Poole/Keagan Adams

Hospitality:

Vocation Statue: Kevin Kurz

Immaculate Conception, 10:30am

Eucharistic Min: Bob Ogle
 Amy Severs
 Rita Taul

Lector: Debbie Muse

Server: Gavin/Daniel Herrmann

Cross Bearer: Falyn Stokes

Gift Bearer: Marcella Henderson Fam

Hospitality: John/Marlene Wheatley
 Jody/Dakota Wheatley

Vocation Statue: Marcella Henderson

In Sympathy

We extend our sympathy and prayers to the family of Rita Taul over the loss of her mother Lena Stevens. We also extend our sympathy to the family of Norman Newman for the loss of his mother, Joan Newman, and she was also the sister of Judy White, Jean Mattingly and Eddie Gray. May the Lord embrace them in His eternal Love.

Live the Liturgy—Inspiration for the Week

We desperately need the season of Lent. Have you ever found yourself running in all directions, tired, frustrated, and frazzled and yearning for the moment when you can stop, find some time for reflection and prayer, and get your head straight? Life pulls us in all directions. On top of that, the presence of sin in our lives gives us blurry vision and makes us forget who we really are. We can easily lose touch with God. Lent gives us the opportunity to return to simpler times and clear away some of life's clutter. We can change up our routines a bit and realize that Jesus is the one who can set us right with God and restore what was originally meant to be. Our task is to avoid the temptations that can weigh us down, distract us, and distort our vision. Are you aware of what things in your life do this to you? Over the next few weeks, you have an opportunity to avoid them.


Hancock County Food Pantry

The Hancock County Food Pantry is in need of Egg Cartons and Plastic bags. If you wish to donate any of the items you may bring them by the parish office.

**Spring Women's Retreat:
 "Women in Prayer" March 20-22**

"Women in Prayer: What the Bible Teaches Us About Deepening Our Relationship with God" is the theme of a March 20-22 spring women's retreat at Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center (12 miles west of Owensboro on Hwy. 56). During this weekend of prayer and reflection, retreatants are invited to experience prayer from a biblical perspective. The weekend includes opportunities for silent, meditative, liturgical, sung, and traditional prayer. The recorded prayers of women such as Hannah, Esther, Judith and Mary are explored, and retreatants can pray some of the Psalms and other Old and New Testament canticles. Celebrations of the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist are scheduled, along with the opportunity for abbreviated spiritual direction sessions for those who wish. The retreat leader is Sister Cheryl Clemons, OSU. The \$190 fee includes meals and accommodations. Commuters can attend for \$90. To register, call 270-229-0206 or email retreatcenter@maplemount.org or register online at ursulinesmsj.org/registration-form-for-sponsored-programs.

Sunday Collections

Immaculate Conception	St. Columba
Weekly Goal\$3,385.00	Weekly Goal.....\$2,500.00
Collection 2-16-20 \$3,615.00	Collection 2-16-20 \$1,688.00
Difference over \$230.00	Difference under \$812.00
Mass Attendance 153	Mass Attendance 38/98
Weekly Goal\$3,385.00	Weekly Goal.....\$2,500.00
Collection 2-23-20 \$2,067.00	Collection 2-23-20 \$1,834.00
Difference under\$1,318.00	Difference under \$666.00
Mass Attendance 118	Mass Attendance55/115
Week # 35 of 52	Week # 35 of 52
Fiscal YTD Goal.....\$118,475	Fiscal YTD Goal \$87,500
Fiscal YTD Actual\$110,963	Fiscal YTD Actual..... \$95,522
	
SC Building Repair Fund	
Total Families Pledged	58
Total Amount Pledged	\$51,518
Total Paid 2-23-20	\$50,262

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.

YOUNG ADULT HOLY HOUR

With Bishop William F. Medley

Monday, March 9, 2020 | 6 PM

St. Stephen Cathedral, Owensboro



Bishop Medley to Lead March 9th Young Adult Holy Hour

All young adults 18-39 are invited to attend a Young Adult Holy Hour with Bishop Medley at St. Stephen Cathedral on Monday, March 9 at 6 PM. Confession will be available for those who are interested. Please join us for dinner and community afterwards at a local restaurant. To learn more, contact Robin Tomes in the Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry: robin.tomes@pastoral.org or visit Facebook.com/OwensboroYoungAdult or contact Denise at the parish office. Event sponsored by the Diocese of Owensboro's Young Adult Ministry.

Lenten Day of Quiet March 12 or April 9

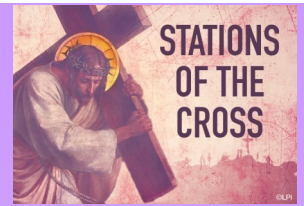
All are invited to the Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center for a Lenten Day of Quiet on Thursday, March 12 and/or Thursday, April 9. Come enjoy a day of prayer and silence to be with the Lord. Participants can join the Ursuline Sisters for prayer at 6:55 a.m. or Mass at 7:15 a.m. or evening prayer at 4:45 p.m. You will be given a bedroom to use for the day. Materials will be available in our library such as meditation CDs, the Shrine Walk CD, and mandala pages to color. The Gift Shop will be open, and the peace of the grounds are always available to enjoy. There is an option to meet with a spiritual director. Check in begins at 8 a.m. and the doors close at 5 p.m. The cost is \$30 which includes lunch. The Center is located at 8001 Cummings Road (12 miles west of Owensboro on Hwy. 56.) To register, call 270-229-0206 or email retreatcenter@maplemount.org or register online at ursulinesmsj.org/registration-form-for-sponsored-programs.

“Come and Be” Weekend for Single Catholic Women March 13-15

The Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph invite single Catholic women ages 18-40 to a “Come and Be” weekend March 13-15 on their campus located at 8001 Cummings Road, Maple Mount, 12 miles west of Owensboro. Attendees are invited to “be our guest” and step aside from the noise of life to spend time in prayer and silence while exploring the beautiful Motherhouse grounds and chapel. They will also be invited to join the Ursuline Sisters at Mass, prayer and meals. Overnight accommodations and meals will be provided at no charge. The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Friday and end at 1 p.m. on Sunday. This is a weekend experience to pray, relax, explore, and reflect. It's also a time to meet and relate to women who have followed God's call to be Ursuline Sisters. To request a brochure or to register, contact Sister Monica Seaton, Director of Vocation Ministry: 270-229-0601 or monica.seaton@maplemount.org.

The Living Stations of the Cross at Blessed Mother

Blessed Mother Parish will present “The Living Stations of the Cross” on Friday, March 20th at 6:00 pm and again on Sunday, March 22nd at 2:00pm. You are invited to enter into a visual experience of the fourteen steps Jesus took to Calvary and to leave as a witness to what our Lord has done for us.



Water with Blessings Lenten Project

The 2020 Lenten Season has begun and we once again ask you to give to our project to sponsor new Water Women with *Water with Blessing* in Kenya.

Last year our two parishes together raised and donated to Water with Blessings \$5220.27. That is 87 filters which translates to 348 families in Kenya receiving safe clean drinking water. We can do that again! The Mardi Gras Breakfast and Craft Show raised \$2101.25. Thank you to everyone who cooked, decorated and donated! What a great start!! Then beginning this Sunday our youth will be happy to relieve you of the heavy burden of change in your pockets and purses! They will be collecting any and all pocket and purse change every week at Mass during Lent. Please feel free to give any time. All money collected will be sent to Water with Blessings to equip and educate Water Women in Kenya. Thank you to the Sisters of Hope for continuing the mission to educate and distribute the filters to those in need!!! Those of you who so patiently knit, and crochet filter socks please keep up the good work. The socks are continuously needed! Follow the link Crochet for a Cause on our website for updates and additional patterns! For more information about Water with Blessings please check out their website www.waterwithblessings.org or their Facebook page.

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