

Hancock County Catholic Church St. Columba & Immaculate Conception



Cycles of Faith

We give the definition of ourselves over to so many things. We allow our society, friends, family, work, social groups, ethnicity, and even institutions define, classify, and color how we perceive ourselves. When we listen predominantly to the voices of others, we lose touch with what is happening within our own inner voice. If we listen carefully within, we can easily discover that we are in want and need. We know our incompleteness and also know that loneliness, sadness, and self-images can propel us outward in attempts to fill those gaps. We can become not only victims of our own prejudices but can find ourselves overly self-indulgent in things that can only satisfy for a short time, if at all.

It is no wonder that money and power are things that are so fervently sought after. As long as we can keep a steady supply going, the illusion of fulfillment and satisfaction can falsely persuade us as craftily as a master magician's act. We live with illusions not truth. It is no wonder, then, that some of the wealthiest folks are also really the unhappiest. Whether we admit it, the lies we live and pursue will ultimately expose our superficiality. We all have to wrestle with who we are and what gives our lives purpose and meaning. Learn to listen more deeply, not to what others are saying about you, but to what God is echoing in your heart.



We can easily get confused and misunderstand, not only about who we are but who God is. Even the disciples and the Samaritan woman at the well missed the point Jesus was trying to make. There is only one Person who can satisfy the deepest yearnings and longings of our hearts — Jesus the Messiah. It is not the work of corporate America that will lead us to happiness or greatness but the work of the soul. We continue to resist acknowledging this and are happier in our world of misunderstanding and illusion. The life-giving water we truly need doesn't come from the source of a well but from the Source of Life. Only God can reveal the truth of our sinfulness, the superficiality of our pursuits, and the illusions we hold so dear. Only Jesus can save us from ourselves and give us what we really need. If only our heads can catch up with where our hearts know they need to be, then will we find real contentment and life!

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.

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


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Store hours: M-F 10-4 pm, Sat. 10-2 pm
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For all of Hancock County



The Living Water

This Sunday we hear the story about the Samaritan woman who was in need of water. Instead of receiving the ordinary water she thirsts for—she found Jesus Christ. Like the Samaritan woman with her many faults, we too are often searching and looking for many things in life and Christ is always drawing us closer and deeper to His heart which is our peace. Just like the woman at the well we too can receive the fullness of Christ in our lives and

proclaim all the good things that He has done for us. The gift of inner peace and conversion in today's gospel also reveals that Christ shown no favoritism despite the fact that the Jews and the Samaritans disliked one another. On this third Sunday of Lent may we too thirst for the living water so that our thirst may be satisfied—the living water who is Jesus Christ.

God Bless You, Fr. Terry 

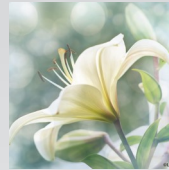


Confessions During Lent

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 Mar 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/>

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.



Anointing of the Sick

Next weekend, March 21st/22nd, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick during Mass. Reach out and invite all who are sick in body or spirit to come to Mass next weekend for this healing sacrament.



AED Training

Immaculate Conception and St. Columba will be offering another training opportunity on the use of our new AED on Tuesday March 24th at 6:00pm at St. Columba Parish Hall. The training will last approximately 1hr. We also wish to offer certification for CPR providing we have enough to sign up. If you are interested in CPR training and certification please contact Denise

at the church office or sign up on the list as you enter church. The cost for CPR training is \$25 and the class will last approximately 3hrs.

Save the Date March 29th

For a Lenten evening with Fr. Tony Shonis at Immaculate Conception Parish Hall at 6:00pm. More information in next weeks bulletin!

Summer Help Needed

St. Columba is looking for volunteers to help with mowing. Please contact Mike Fallin if you can help.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 17

NO MASS

Wednesday, March 18

NO MASS

Thursday, March 19

NO MASS

Friday, March 20

NO MASS

Saturday, March 21

5:00 pm † People of the Parish SC

Sunday, March 22

8:30 am † Ora Roby SC

By Rearden Family

10:30 am † Roy Wheatley IC

By Mike and Shelia Ogle

Readings for the Week of March 15, 2020

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 [cf. Ps 42:3]/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 [12a]/Mt 5:17-19

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

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hos 6:6]/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Faith Sharing Question

Gospel Reading

Jesus revealed himself as the Messiah to the Samaritan woman. Why do you think Jesus chose her for this revelation?

Catholic Quotes

What really matters in life is that we are loved by Christ and that we love Him in return

—St. John Paul II

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 15

9:30am Adult Study: Follow Me SC

Monday, March 16

6:00pm Adult Study: Follow Me IC

Tuesday, March 17

7am -7pm Adoration IC

5:00pm Stations of the Cross SC

5:00pm SC Finance Council SC

6:00pm SC Parish Council SC

Wednesday, March 18

5:00pm Stations of the Cross IC

6:00pm Rel Ed K-12 IC

6:00pm Adult Study: Follow Me IC

Thursday, March 19

7am-5pm Adoration SC

Friday, March 20

4-7pm Fish Fry SC

4-7pm Stations of the Cross SC

6-7pm Confessions SC

Sunday, March 22

9:30am Adult Study: Follow Me SC

Liturgical Roles

Mar 22, 2020

St. Columba 8:30am

Eucharistic Min: Butch Meriwether

Todd Payne

Diann Heavrin

Lector: Joseph Quinn

Server: Lawson Ward

Cross Bearer: Jerry Buck

Gift Bearer: Wes Poole Family

Hospitality: Tina Nelson/David Payne
Bob Durbin/Joey Frakes

Vocation Statue: Trish Wardrip

Immaculate Conception, 10:30am

Eucharistic Min: Mary Woodward

Jody Wheatley

Dakota Wheatley

Lector: Bob Ogle

Server: Carter Lyday/Izzie Volocko

Cross Bearer: Gavin Herrmann

Gift Bearer: Lee Greathouse Fam

Hospitality: Leonard/Linda Thomas
John/Lynn Powers

Vocation Statue: John/Lynn Powers

In Sympathy

We extend our sympathy and prayers to the family of Cheryl Gammon for the passing of her sweet Mother and to Alisha Wheatley for the passing of her dear Father. May the Lord embrace them in His eternal light and Love.

News from the

Marriage and Family Life Office at the Diocese.

Did you know the Diocese of Owensboro offers marriage counseling at a reduced rate to members of any parish in the Diocese? There is also a retreat for struggling marriages called Retrouvaille. For more information you may check out the website at <https://owensborodiocese.org/marriage-retreats/> or contact the McRaith Pastoral Center at 270-683-1545.

Save the Date: April 27 | 6:30 PM

Join Bishop Medley for an Evening Prayer for Protection and Healing during National Child Abuse Prevention Month at Sts. Joseph & Paul Parish in Owensboro on April 27 at 6:30 PM.

Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp & Retreat Center

Summer Camp registration is now open at Gasper River for grades 3 - 12 and we encourage parents to registers their child soon as camps fill up fast. The registration process for summer camp has been updated and improved! All forms are now completed online, so no more printing and mailing forms. Camp descriptions and promo videos for each camp can be found on the site as well. To register your child please visit <http://www.gasperriverretreatcenter.org/> Scholarship assistance is available by contacting Jill at the church office.

Joy Camp | April 18, 2020

The Diocese is pleased to announce Joy Camp, a one-day camp experience, for 5-12th graders with intellectual or mild physical disabilities at Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp & Retreat Center on Saturday, April 18, 2020 from 10:00 AM till 4:00 PM. The event, which is co-sponsored by Gasper River and the Diocesan Disabilities Awareness Committee, will include Adoration, activities, hayrides, a talent show and Olympics, as well as a closing Mass with Fr. Jamie Dennis. The cost of the camp is \$30, however a generous donor is covering the cost of the first 20 registrants! Every child needs to be accompanied for the whole day by a responsible adult, 18 years or older, preferably a parent, guardian or dedicated caregiver for the child. The registration deadline is March 31, 2020. Online registration is available by visiting gasperriverretreatcenter.org.

The Living Stations of the Cross | 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 2:00 pm. 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.

Parish Mission St. William and St. Lawrence

St. William and St. Lawrence Parishes are having a Parish Mission March 22-25 at 6:30pm with Fr. John Mark Ettensohn OMI. Please see the bulletin board at church for more information. All are welcome.

Sunday Collections

Immaculate Conception

Weekly Goal.....\$3,385.00

Collection 03-08-20\$3,099.00

Difference under\$286.00

Mass Attendance 127

Week # 37 of 52

Fiscal YTD Goal.....\$125,245

Fiscal YTD Actual\$116,658

St. Columba

Weekly Goal.....\$2,500.00

Collection 3-08-20\$2,116.00

Difference under\$384.00

Mass Attendance 67/75

Week # 37 of 52

Fiscal YTD Goal\$92,500

Fiscal YTD Actual\$101,976

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.