

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

Even though we say that we believe, there is a part of us that doesn't. There are many times in our lives when we experience death, whether it be the physical death of someone we love, a failed relationship, the loss of a job, or a broken dream. As we are going through these death experiences, we can easily find ourselves reaching out to God to make it better and fix it! We think that the proper order of life is to maintain the things of this world, especially those things that are essential to our sense of well-being and security. We do not like change. The grieving that comes from our death experiences can keep us stuck and in despair. If we have lost something or someone of great value, the very meaning and essence of life is lost with them. We need gentle companions to lift us from despair and that is precisely who God desires to be in our life as well.

God calls us out of our tombs, where we have been closed up in fear and despair, and shouts, "Come out!" He desperately wants to show us the path to hope and the new life that is possible after loss and death. But our faith can be weak, and we still prefer to cling to the memory of what we had rather than the joyful possibilities of tomorrow. We sometimes live as if God is not real and that the transformative power of His resurrected presence is a story found in the Bible rather than a narrative unfolding in our lives.

God is the God of surprises, not our demise. God opens new possibilities, begins new chapters, creates new verses, and brings us to new heights! We spend so much time and energy ruminating over what we left behind yesterday that we are far too tired to see what can unfold tomorrow. Loving someone new doesn't negate our past loves. Embracing the love of a person, God, or life itself tomorrow doesn't diminish the love of yesterday. Each of our loves is different, and one cannot be replaced by another. They don't cancel each other out. God truly has tended to every detail of our lives, and if we listen to each detail, we find that they all lead us back to Him. Jesus wants us to come out of our closed-up tombs. Are we going to listen this time?

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.

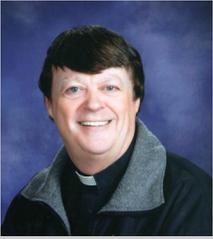
Confirmation • Is celebrated in the seventh and eighth grades or at the Easter Vigil. The Bishop visits every two years and we alternate between the two parishes.

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.



Life Over Death

Our theme on this 5th Sunday of Lent centers on the gift of life in contrast to hopelessness and death. The cold and bleakness of winter gives birth to the season of Spring and new life; the darkness of night passes over to daybreak and the light of a new day; the child in the mother's womb grows and is born and a new person enters the world; a person steeped in the darkness of sin repents and returns to the Lord who, offers new life and hope. All of these examples are a reality which, should give all of us in this Season of Lent the motive to turn away from those things which brings darkness and death to our spirits and to rise to new life as Lazarus did in our gospel today. The Sacrament of Reconciliation also restores us to new life and heals our brokenness. May our journey of Lent give birth to Easter—the celebration of the Risen Christ within each one of us.

Fr. Terry 

GUIDELINES ON ATTENDING ONLINE MASS

1. Prepare a table with appropriate cover, candles, cross and images of saints. Put yourself in the presence of God and focus on the Eucharist.



2. Dress up and participate as if you are physically present. Observe the proper gesture of standing and sitting.

3. Turn off other devices and drop everything. Recite the corresponding responses that is prayed in the mass. Instead of receiving Holy Communion recite the act of Spiritual Communion Prayer.



Public Masses Continue to be Suspended Indefinitely

With people participating in Mass via their TV or computer, many may wonder what they are suppose to do.

- Be actively involved by preparing your living room for Mass.
- Set up a table with a cross or crucifix and candles.
- Prepare your heart and spend a few minutes to prepare while you wait for the Mass to begin.
- Even though you are home don't attend Mass in your pajamas! Dress in appropriate clothing.
- Do not eat during Mass or use your cell phones during Mass.
- Participate in all the responses and at communion recite the Spiritual Communion prayer. For those with children this is a great teaching moment for the family!

Even though Bishop Medley has suspended all public Masses the celebration of Holy Week may be viewed by live streaming Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday from many of our area churches. Fr. Terry will continue to have a private Mass with the Mass intention of the day. He also invites you to call him or text him with any special prayers or Mass intentions and he will be glad to include them in his prayers for the Mass.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Confessions

Fr. Terry will continue confessions 6-7pm on Wednesday at IC and Friday at SC. He asks if you enter the church and someone is at confession, please step back outside until that person leaves. Fr. Terry will also be available for confessions by appointment. Feel free to call him to schedule an appointment.

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.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 31

† Elizabeth Fischer SC
By Denny and Denise Long

Wednesday, April 1

† Wayne Buck IC
By Denis and Martha Wheatley

Thursday, April 2

† Elizabeth "Libby" Lucas SC
By Denny and Denise Long

Friday, April 3

† Troy Russelburg IC
By Ellis and Sharon Russelburg

Saturday, April 4 (Vigil)

† Ora Roby IC
By Jim and Debbie Peters

Sunday, April 5 Palm Sunday

People of the Parish SC
† Lucas and Walz Fam. IC
By Denis and Martha Wheatley

Readings for the Week of March 29, 2020

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [4ab]/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 [cf. 7]/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

Faith Sharing Question

Gospel Reading

John tells us that after Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, many "began to believe in him." On what grounds do you believe in Jesus as our Lord and Savior?

Catholic Quotes

God will carry you

—Isaiah 46:4

Bulletin Board

Tuesday, March 31

7am -7pm Adoration

IC

Thursday, April 2

7am-5pm Adoration

SC



April

2

Larry & Ellen Gaynor—43 yrs

6

John & Marlene Wheatley— 47 yrs

8

Brad & Michelle Gregory—25 yrs

15

Clayton & Gloria Gray—58 yrs

23

Jody & Alisha Wheatley—15 yrs

27

Matthew & Berrie Clark—18 yrs

28

Randy & Melody Miller—8 yrs

28

Charles & Lisa Zogelman—36 yrs

29

Kasey & Rachael Emmick—14 yrs

Blessing for Married Couples

Almighty and eternal God,
you have so exalted the unbreakable
bond of marriage
that it has become the sacramental sign
of your Son's union with the Church
as His spouse.

Look with favor on these married couples,
whom you have united in marriage,
as they ask for your help and the
protection of the Virgin Mary.

They pray that in good times and in bad
they will grow in love for each other;
that they will resolve to be of one heart
in the bond of peace.

Lord, in their struggles let them rejoice
that you are near to help them;
in their needs let them know that you are
there to rescue them;
in their joys let them see
that you are the source and completion
of every happiness

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
AMEN

A Message from Fr. Terry

Dear Friends in Christ

Due to the coronavirus outbreak, our lives and our schedules have truly been changed. We know that God's Love and Presence in our lives remains the same and will always be endless. Even though we may feel alone and apart from others because of social distancing, we can be assured that Jesus is always present. As I celebrate the Holy Eucharist at the Mass, I recognize that being by myself without a congregation is something that I am not used to. I miss you, the body of Christ, as your absence make me sad! Please know that I am remembering all of you at the daily Mass and I will be overjoyed when all of us will celebrate the Eucharist together.

God Bless you All!
Love Fr. Terry

Donate for Easter Flowers

Even though we will not be able to celebrate Easter together in our church we will still take donations for flowers in memory of a loved one. When we are allowed to attend Mass together once again let us fill the church with beautiful flowers in celebration!! If you wish to give 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. You may then mail your collection envelope to the parish office.



Water with Blessings Lenten Project

As Lent progresses remember to keep collecting your change and once we are able to gather for Mass you may drop it in the Water with Blessing bucket as you leave church. Please help support water women in Kenya!

Cemetery Policy Reminder

It is almost time to begin mowing the cemetery. Just a reminder that the policy is: All flowers and ornaments must be attached to the headstone. Shepherd's hooks with single hooks will be allowed for the purpose of hanging baskets only. If items or mementoes are left on the grass they will be gathered up and discarded. No item may be left in the way of the mower. Please pass this word along to your family and friends. Thank you for your cooperation.

No Religious Ed classes until Further Notice

With the recent school closures we will also follow the school schedule and cancel religious ed classes. To assist parents in continuing their religious education at home, Jill and Denise have prepared resources for the parents as well as utilizing our Facebook pages and website. Please see the mailed letter from Fr. Terry for additional information. Please pray for all affected by this virus and for the end the pandemic!

Sunday Collections

Immaculate Conception

Weekly Goal \$3,385.00
Collection 03-22-20..... **\$100.00**
Difference under \$3,285.00
Mass Attendance 1

Week # 39 of 52

Fiscal YTD Goal \$132,015
Fiscal YTD Actual \$122,952

St. Columba

Weekly Goal..... \$2,500.00
Collection 3-22-20 **\$320.00**
Difference under \$2,180.00
Mass Attendance 1

Week # 39 of 52

Fiscal YTD Goal \$97,500
Fiscal YTD Actual..... \$104,352

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.

Don't forget our Parish Website
www.icscchurch.org

Channels to Watch Mass

DirecTV CH 371
Dish CH 261
Antenna CH 45 at 6:00am FOX

Live Stream Mass Opportunities

Please check the Diocesan Website for updates

<https://owensborodiocese.org/covid-2019/>

St. Stephen Cathedral Sundays at 9 AM:
www.facebook.com/ststephencathedral/live

Brescia University Sundays at 10 AM; Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday & Friday at 9 AM:
<https://livestream.com/accounts/19227302/bresciamass>

St. Joseph in Leitchfield Sundays at 11 AM:
<https://stjosephch.org/live-streaming>

St. Thomas More in Paducah Sundays at 9 AM:
<https://www.stmore.org/online-mass>

St. Mary in Franklin Sundays at 11 AM:
<https://www.facebook.com/St-Mary-Catholic-Church-Franklin-KY-466339790185934/>

St. Michael in Sebree: Monday through Friday at 9 AM;
Saturday at 5 PM; Sunday at 10:30 AM (English) and
12:00 PM (Misa en español):
<https://www.facebook.com/smsebree/>

Blessed Mother in Owensboro at
<https://www.blessedmotherchurch.com/> or
YouTube channel.

Immaculate Parish in Owensboro Saturdays at 4 PM:
<https://www.facebook.com/events/2881698688575849/>

St. Joseph in Central City Monday through Thursday at
12 Noon and Sundays at 11 AM:
<https://www.facebook.com/stjosepgcc>

Sts. Joseph & Paul in Owensboro Saturdays at 4:30 PM in
English; domingos 12pm (Español):
<https://www.facebook.com/stjpcc/>

Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph Sundays at 11 AM
<https://www.facebook.com/ursulinesmsj/>

St. Agnes in Uniontown Tuesday through Friday and Sun-
days at 10 AM:
<https://www.facebook.com/St-Agnes-Roman-Catholic-Church-370425936471392/>

Non-diocesan:

Local EWTN Mass times can be found here:

<https://www.ewtn.com/tv/channel-finder>

<https://www.watchthemass.com/>

<http://www.catholicstv.org/masses/catholicstv-mass>

<https://thesundaymass.org/>

<https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/>



April

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Emily Woodward, Marita Bozarth, Jean Mattingly,
Dan Murphy, Elise Fallin
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Bruce Roby
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Margaret Hall
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April Madden, Betty Jo Bolin, Rachel Gray, Debbie Hawes,
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Jaxon Bolin, Hunter Greathouse,
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Patty Durbin, Norman Newman,
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Jane Quinn, Andrew Butcher, Martha Scroggins,
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Bryan Snyder
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Margaret Powers, Garrett Basham
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Eddie Gray, Donna Hagman, Carter Severs,
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Freya Gilmore
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Kristen Emmick, Dana Gross,
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Bo Hanks
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David Henderson, Jason Morris
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Leah Fallin Knight
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Jessalyn Curry
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Angela Curry
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Greg James
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Rodney Gross, Kasey Emmick, Samuel Snyder
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Connie Wheatley, Shelby Stokes
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Tanis Lewko, Amy Severs, John Brown, Patricia Wardrip
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Lou Fleck, Charles Hagman, Marlow Edwards, Leah Clark
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Samantha Mosby
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Lauren Clark, Jo Ann Roby