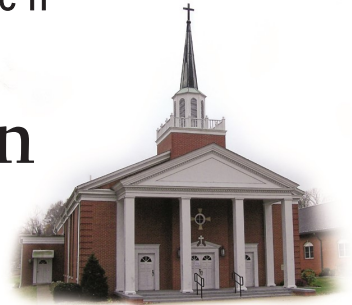


Hancock County Catholic Church St. Columba & Immaculate Conception



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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
P.O. Box 391 • 8185 Hwy 60 W • Lewisport, KY 42351
For all of Hancock County

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Using the best seeds doesn't always guarantee the best plants. An older Italian gentleman straight from Italy gave me these amazing tomato seeds that he claimed produced the best tomatoes ever grown. Without doubt, the fruit he shared with me was a testament to that fact. These tomatoes were amazing! I couldn't wait until the next growing season to plant these seeds and harvest my own tomatoes. The whole experiment ended up a failure. I did everything the gentleman said, but my fruit didn't even come close. What happened? At first I was perplexed, then some years later the light dawned. The problem wasn't the seeds, it was the soil!

You cannot sow seeds in any old place and in a haphazard way and expect them to be at their best. It doesn't work that way. Planting the seeds is the easiest part. Preparing the soil is the challenge. Tilling, mulching, enriching, and building up the nutrients are all required for good fruit. Then after the seeds are planted, more care is required in order to maintain that healthy, nutrient rich environment for those seeds to sprout, grow, and flourish. God happily sows the seeds of his Word. What do we do with them?

If we expect to be a passive bystander and have good fruit magically grow, we are mistaken. Bearing the good fruit of God's Word requires preparation and work. We have to cultivate the soil of our lives so that those seeds can find a proper home. This one thing alone takes a great deal of patience, time, and effort. What kind of preparation have we put into our lives so that we can be a recipient of God's seed? It takes a great deal of soul-searching and ego-checking to properly prepare. God is the ever faithful and persistent sower. If the seeds do not bear fruit the first time, God will come back time and time again, giving it another try.

If we have created a suitable bed for sowing, then once the seed is sown, we must properly maintain them. What is our maintenance plan for the seeds of God's Word? We need not only a source for water but a watering schedule. We need to weed, aerate the soil, nurture the young plants, protect them, and provide proper nutrients. What does our spiritual maintenance plan look like? If we have done all things well, imagine what the seeds of God's Word could produce in us!



Celebration of the Sacraments

Baptism • Baptism takes place on Sundays during Mass or following Mass. Please call Fr. Terry to schedule a date and for baptismal prep. Baptism for older youths and adults either occurs at the Easter Vigil or before receiving other sacraments.

Eucharist • First Eucharist is typically celebrated during May each year with children in the second grade.

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.

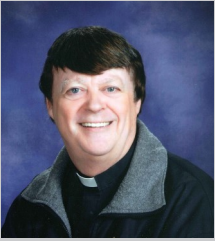
Holy Orders • Contact Fr. Terry if you are interested in the vocations of Priesthood or Religious Life.

Marriage • Contact Fr. Terry at least 6 mo before setting a date to begin marriage preparation. Couples may be asked to attend Pre Cana or Engaged Encounter.

Reconciliation • Before or after any Mass, or by appointment with Fr. Terry. First Reconciliation is celebrated during Advent.

Anointing of the Sick • Celebrated twice a year at the weekend Masses. Anyone who is ill, infirmed or going to surgery may request an anointing by calling Fr. Terry.

Mass attendance is mandatory for those requesting Sacraments per Fr. Terry



Responding to God's Word

In our first reading today from the prophet Isaiah and in our gospel about the parable of the sower the emphasis is on the WORD of GOD. Just as rain and snow has a purpose for falling on the earth so it is that the WORD of GOD has a purpose for falling on the ears of all believers and non-believers alike. The only thing that can hinder this would be our own decision to be reluctant in hearing and responding. Do we bother ourselves to open our ears, minds, and hearts to cooperate with Jesus or do we allow ourselves to remain deaf and fruitless in our relationship with HIM. Let us pray that we will have apposite response to Jesus and His Word in our lives. Have a great week!

Fr. Terry



Faith Sharing Question

Gospel Reading

Why do you think Jesus explains the parable of the sower to his disciples but not to the crowds?



Job Opportunity

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 Thursday for 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.

St Columba Celebrates First Communion

Immaculate Conception to Celebrate on July 19th

Congratulations to Ellen Meserve and Julia Taylor for receiving their First Communion and congratulations to our First Communicants, Carter Severs, Chance Lyday, Isabella Gilmore, and Sophia Greathouse who will be making their First Communion next week at IC. Thank you and God Bless Amy Severs and Beth Curry for the sharing of your faith and knowledge with the First Communicants this year in preparing them for this Sacrament. Due to the COVID 19 restrictions we will not be able to have a celebration for the children after Mass. Please take time to make it special by taking a moment to acknowledge and congratulate them. May the joy and peace of Jesus present in the Holy Eucharist be with them today and always!



Immaculate Conception Picnic Canceled

Due to COVID 19 the parish picnic has been canceled. Since the picnic is a large contributor to the budget Fr. Terry and the Finance council are asking the parishioners to assist by prayerfully considering what they can give to help support the loss of the picnic income. Anytime during the month of July we ask you to place a second giving in the collection basket marked picnic. You may also mail your donation in to the church office. We pray for all who have been affected by the coronavirus and for the end of the pandemic. God Bless You as we move forward in these uncertain times and gradually strive to return to some form of normal in our parish. Please contact Fr. Terry or the staff if you have any questions, concerns or needs.

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, July 15

5:30 pm Godchildren, Children, Grandson
By Noel Quinn IC

Thursday, July 16

8:00 am † Lena Stevens SC
By Noah and Melissa Powers

Saturday, July 18

5:00 pm † Bob Payne IC
By Eddie and Rachel Gray

Sunday, July 19

8:30 am People of the Parish SC
10:30 am † Wayne Buck IC
By Dennis and Martha Wheatley

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Date July 12, 2020

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14 [Lk 8:8]/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Monday: Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8 [cf. 9d]/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15 [14a]/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21 [20b]/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16 [cf. 17b]/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14 [12b]/Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 [5a]/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30



A listing of online Mass locations and times are listed on our website

www.icscchurch.org

Join St Columba Facebook Live on Sundays 8:30am

TV Channels for other Masses

DirecTV CH 370
Dish CH 261
Antenna CH 45 at 6:00am FOX

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, July 12**
8:30am First Communion SC
- Tuesday, July 14**
7am -7pm Adoration IC
- Thursday, July 16**
7am -5pm Adoration SC
- Sunday, July 19**
10:30am First Communion IC



Liturgical Roles

With the temporary changes in the Mass the following ministers will be scheduled. If you can help please contact Denise

- Lector
- Hospitality/Usher
- Disinfecting Team

Wednesday July 15 5:30pm

Immaculate Conception

Lector: Volunteer
Hospitality/Usher: Woodward Family
Disinfecting Team: Marilyn McCaslin, Margaret Hodge

Thursday July 16 8:00am

St. Columba:

Lector: Volunteer
Hospitality/Usher: Judy Pate/Gerald Davis
Disinfecting Team: Judy Pate, Sandie and Gerald Davis

Saturday July 18 5:00pm

Immaculate Conception

Lector: Volunteer
Hospitality/Usher: Charles/Peggy Howard Brenda Adkins
Disinfecting Team: Charles/Peggy Howard Brenda Adkins

Sunday July 19

St. Columba 8:30am

Lector: Tim Heavrin
Hospitality/Usher: David Emmick Butch Meriwether
Disinfecting Team: Nicole Quinn Ron Spalding,

Immaculate Conception 10:30am

Lector: Loretta Stokes
Hospitality/Usher: Lyday Family
Disinfecting Team: Connie and Laura Wheatley



Who Are Our Parish Council Members

Currently serving on our councils from St. Columba Joe Hagman, John Neff, Michelle Gregory, Nicole Quinn and we are in need of 3 nominations. From Immaculate Conception Charles Shadwick, Connie Wheatley, Mary Hodge, Rob McCormick and Russel Newton and we are in need of 2 nominees. Please pray as you consider who to nominate to serve. You may complete the nomination form

in the pew and place it in the collection basket or you may call the church office with your nomination. We wish to thank the following council members who have served. Thank you for your sacrifice and commitment. From St. Columba: Shelby Basham, Jerry Buck and Todd Payne. From Immaculate Conception Cheryl Gammon and Angie Curry

July Birthdays This Week

Happy Birthday to the following persons. May you have a wonderful birthday celebration!

- 12 Madison Riley, Brandon Wheatley, Mary Beth Basham
- 14 MacKensie Basham, Carol Harper
- 16 Gloria Gray
- 17 Joey Frakes, John Bolin, Mary Johannemann, Dot Pouser
- 18 Mike Fallin, Amy Allard, Janice Shelton



Happy Anniversary!

Thank you for being a wonderful example of love and commitment to each other. Congratulations!

July	13	Kevin & Jamie Ward	18 yrs
July	14	Joey & Jill Frakes	8 yrs
	14	Rob & Lisa McCormick	36 yrs
	14	Joe Lee & Tina Wheatley	30 yrs
July	15	Jesse & Amy Volocko	3 yrs

Catholic Quote

“The things that we love tell us what we are”

—St. Thomas Aquinas

Sunday Collections

Immaculate Conception		St. Columba	
Weekly Goal	\$3,385.00	Weekly Goal	\$2,500.00
Collection 6-28-20	<u>\$2,730.00</u>	Collection 6-28-20	<u>\$1,540.00</u>
Difference under	\$655.00	Difference under	\$960.00
Mass Attendance	12/51	Mass Attendance	47
Weekly Goal	\$3,173.00	Weekly Goal	\$2,500.00
Collection 7-5-20	<u>\$3,150.00</u>	Collection 7-5-20	<u>\$2,170.00</u>
Difference under	\$23.00	Difference under	\$330.00
Mass Attendance	18/63	Mass Attendance	46
Week # 1 of 52		Week # 1 of 52	
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$3,173	Fiscal YTD Goal	\$2,500
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$3,150	Fiscal YTD Actual	\$2,170

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.