

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.

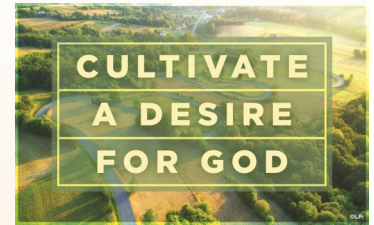
St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store

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For all of Hancock County

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Grace and sin, belief and unbelief, good and evil all exist together. While we wrestle with these two dimensions of reality inwardly, they are also witnessed in the actions and words of others. Many, all too often, beat themselves up because of their sin. We are also all too quick to pass judgment on others whom we perceive to be in error and walking down a wrong path. God does not make rash judgments, nor should we. Patience is the order of the day as is an understanding that God is ultimately the caller of the shots.

Our faith tells us that while God allows the wheat and the weeds to coexist, the wheat will always triumph. As long as we can cultivate even a little faith and a small measure of desire for God, He can produce abundant blessings and good things. Even when the weeds seem to have triumphed, there still may be a small measure of faith remaining that can be cultivated and grown. It doesn't take much! Unless a person totally allows the weeds to reign, there is always to be found at least a small measure of faith, good, light, and love. With even this small portion, God can produce abundant growth.



Admittedly, it is easy to give into the weeds, and they grow very quickly. Any gardener knows this to be true. Sometimes, the weeds even seem more attractive and vibrant. Dealing with weeds can quickly become a losing battle, and they can look healthier and grow faster than the very plants we are trying to protect. It's easy to give into them and let them win. While God will deal with all things in due time, we are responsible for keeping things in check in the short term. It is our task to keep our eyes fixed on God's presence and mercy. We are asked to avoid judgment. And, it is not our responsibility to deal with the weeds in someone else's garden, only our own. One garden is enough responsibility for anyone.

Weeds have power. We have to realize this. While they can appear attractive and healthy, they can quickly choke us off from God's presence. Our task is one of maintenance and cultivating a desire for God. Even the smallest kernel of faith can grow into something wonderful. In God's time, the eternal harvest will come, and we will no longer have to worry about the weeds.

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.

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.

Reconciliation • Before Mass on Saturday at 4:30 pm, after any Mass, or by appointment with Fr. Terry. First Reconciliation is celebrated during Advent.

Eucharist • First Eucharist is typically 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 mo before setting a date to begin marriage preparation. Couples may be asked to attend Pre Cana or Engaged Encounter.

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



The Good and Bad

In our gospel today Jesus continues to preach in parables. He reminds us that His loving mercy and care extends to all—the good as well as the bad. In our own lives we are called to see the good in others and to remember that despite different opinions and personalities we are to acknowledge that God still loves all those He has created. Our first reading this weekend from the Book of Wisdom clarifies that God does care for all and that He alone is judge. If God is indeed our source of strength and sovereignty let our prayers this week help us in living in harmony with all—despite one's religious background, political view, race, and so on. Jesus also told His followers that the Kingdom of God was with each one of them, so by our actions may His Kingdom become a reality in our midst! Have a great week!

Fr. Terry



PARISH PICNIC

St. Columba Picnic Meeting

With the recent COVID 19 restrictions there are many questions concerning the

upcoming parish picnic in September. To help determine our options and alternatives the parish council is planning to have a parish picnic meeting next Sunday July 26th following the 8:30am Mass. The meeting will be held in the church immediately following Mass. All are invited to come with your ideas and suggestions.



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.



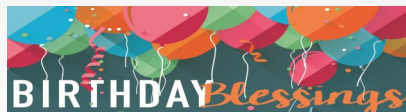
Immaculate Conception Picnic Canceled

Please consider giving an extra donation during the month of July to help support the loss of the

picnic income. You may place your donation in the picnic collection basket as you enter church. Thank you.



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| July 19 | Tim & Dian Heavrin | 46 yrs |
| | Steve & Aimee Lyday | 17 yrs |
| July 20 | Joe & Donna Hagman | 7 yrs |
| July 21 | Nathan & Courtney West | 8 yrs |
| July 24 | Wayne & Cathy Boswell | 27 yrs |
| July 24 | Jacob & Erin Hardy | 16 yrs |
| | William & Tanis Lewko | 27 yrs |



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| July 20 | Rosemary Emmick, Monty Quinn, Kyleigh Wiseman |
| July 21 | Judy White, Gunnar Ballard, Logan Wheatley |
| July 22 | Ashlyn Madden, Ava Ballard, Jenna Lewko |
| July 23 | Karen Long |
| July 24 | Todd Payne, Abigail Curry |
| July 25 | Jared Taylor, Stacey Roberts, Dan Emmick, Billy Ogle, Norman Wheatley |

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, July 22

5:30 pm † Leo Howard IC
By Vic and Barbara Hagman

Thursday, July 23

8:00 am † Roy Wheatley SC
By Clifton Banks

Saturday, July 25

5:00 pm People of the Parish IC

Sunday, July 26

8:30 am † Phyllis Emmick SC
By Butch and Peggy Meriwether

10:30 am † Walz and Lucas Families IC
By Dennis and Martha Wheatley

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Date July 19, 2020

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

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2]/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11 [10a]/Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [5]/Mt 20:20-28

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 [97a]/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46



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

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| 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 19

10:30am First Communion IC

Tuesday, July 21

7am -7pm Adoration IC

Thursday, July 23

7am -5pm Adoration SC

Sunday, July 26

9:30am SC Picnic Mtg SC



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 22 5:30pm

Immaculate Conception

Lector: Volunteer

Hospitality/Usher: Woodward Family

Disinfecting Team: Marilyn McCaslin,
Margaret Hodge

Thursday July 23 8:00am

St. Columba:

Lector: Volunteer

Hospitality/Usher: Judy Pate/Gerald Davis

Disinfecting Team: Judy Pate, Sandie and
Gerald Davis

Saturday July 25 5:00pm

Immaculate Conception

Lector: Volunteer

Hospitality/Usher: Charles/Peggy Howard
Brenda Adkins

Disinfecting Team: Charles/Peggy Howard
Brenda Adkins

Sunday July 26

St. Columba 8:30am

Lector: Joseph Quinn

Hospitality/Usher: Denny Long
Scott Basham

Disinfecting Team: Nicole Quinn
Ron Spalding,

Immaculate Conception 10:30am

Lector: Kenny Woodward

Hospitality/Usher: Curry Family

Disinfecting Team: Charles Shadwick
Nathan Powers



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Question:

Why do Catholics eat fish on Friday?

Answer:

For centuries, meatless Fridays were the norm for Catholics throughout the world. Friday was chosen because that was the day on which Jesus died, and Christians wanted to find a way to honor that day

with special prayers and acts of penance and self-denial. The practice of abstaining from meat on Fridays — under pain of sin — grew out of that desire, and it became an official part of Church teaching until the time of the Second Vatican Council.

In the 1960s, there was a shift in the Church's thinking, in large part because there was a recognition that differences in cultures and economic realities meant that eating or not eating meat had different meanings for different peoples. For example, in cultures that were largely dependent on seafood or a vegetarian diet, abstaining from meat was no sacrifice at all. While in other places, eating fish and other kinds of seafood was actually something rare and special and not a sacrifice. This was all part of a basic reflection on "why we do what we do" among the Church's pastors.

Today, Catholics throughout the world are still instructed to abstain from meat on the Fridays of Lent. The bishops of some countries, such as in England and Wales, ask Catholics to abstain from meat every Friday, continuing the older tradition. The Bishops of the United States have taken a slightly different approach, encouraging Catholics to honor Friday as a special day by abstaining from meat every Friday or by taking on some other work of penance or charity for the sake of others.

Regardless of what we choose to do, the real value in all of this is to see a reflection of Good Friday in each Friday, to remember the self-giving love of Jesus, and to honor that love through some sort of sacrifice or act of mercy.

Congratulations To Our First Communicants

Congratulations to Ellen Meserve and Julia Taylor for receiving their First Communion last week at St. Columba and Congratulations to our First Communicants receiving today at Immaculate Conception. Carter Severs, Chance Lyday, Isabella Gilmore, and Sophia Greathouse!. May the joy and peace of Jesus present in the Holy Eucharist be with them today and always! Thank you Amy Severs and Beth Curry for sacrificing your time and sharing your faith with these little ones as you helped them prepare for the sacrament. You are both a blessing!



Faith Sharing Question

Gospel Reading

We hear today a series of parables describing aspects of the kingdom of heaven: the parable of the weeds among the wheat, the parable of the mustard seed, and the parable of the yeast. What do you think makes Jesus' parables such an effective method for teaching about the mystery of the kingdom of heaven?



We extend our sympathy and prayers to the family of Eileen Basham for the loss of her sister and to the family of Betty Brown with her recent passing. May the Lord embrace them in His eternal Love.

Sunday Collections

The collection will be 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.