

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

We are hardwired for wholeness and crave it. When something is broken, we want it fixed. If a part of our body is not working properly, we want it healed. How often do we find ourselves saying, "I'm tired of struggling with this cold, I can't wait for my surgery to heal, or I want my treatments to make me better." Wholeness and healing restore our relationships and make us free to love as we desire. We know very well how our limitations, imperfections, and brokenness really limit us. They can easily prevent us from being and doing what we want to do.

Our physical and emotional wounds and maladies are easier to identify. If my back hurts, I feel it and know what part of my body needs attention. If I am feeling intense anger, I can identify the emotion and take necessary steps to uncover its cause. Being persistent often brings greater and quicker results. But will pursuing and even achieving our physical and emotional healings really be enough? We forget that there is a deeper healing that we seek and desperately need. As we look around at humanity, there are some physical and emotional wounds and scars that cannot be made whole. They are limitations that must remain and, for one reason or another, cannot be rectified. Does this mean that the wholeness and healing that my being longs for is not possible for me? Must I settle with less than what God promises?

The answer is no. Ultimately, there is a desire that goes deeper than the physical and emotional. It is a desire that resides in our soul. What we really seek and thirst for is healing and wholeness for our soul. Inner strength, conviction, focus, grounding, love, hope, faith, courage, determination, peace, and connectedness are all words that center us on eternity. They direct us to a presence we discover in our core, which is none other than the presence of God. In God, we are healed. When we are persistent in reaching out to and establishing our relationship with God, real healing and wholeness begin to happen.

There are some limitations and some of our brokenness with which we may simply have to live. This does not mean that we have to abandon our journey to wholeness and healing. If we have done our inner soul work, we have worked toward and acquired what and who we ultimately need and desire.



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



The Mercy of God

Our theme this weekend on the twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time is the mercy of God extended to every person and creature on this earth. Even when God's people rebelled in the Old Testament His mercy would not allow them to wander away from Him. In fact, He always kept loving and forgiving and never gave up on them. Our first reading from the prophet Isaiah foretells that the Church of God would consist of many peoples,

languages and customs. The Canaanite woman (a foreigner) was also praised by Jesus because of her faith and persistence. Jesus was also challenging His apostles to be more open not just to certain individuals but to all people who wanted God in their lives. On this Sunday, let us celebrate God's great gift of mercy that is always extended to us so, that we too can share the mercy and forgiveness with others.

Fr. Terry



Interested in the Catholic Faith?

Do you know someone who may be interested in joining the Church or perhaps you know someone who may be interested in learning more about the catholic faith? We invite them to come to our Inquiry Classes beginning September 12th at IC parish office. Please contact Fr. Terry

or the parish office if you know of someone interested in joining the church.

Catholic Faith

Question:

My neighbor is just beginning to explore the Catholic faith but was raised agnostic. I grew up believing in God, praying, and attending Mass. How does one start from scratch as an adult to develop a relationship with God?

Answer:

Start on a personal level! How did you and your neighbor become friends? How did you begin to discuss such a personal topic as faith? Communication, spending time together, and getting to know each other are essential to forming the bonds of a relationship. Personal prayer is essential to our relationship with God. We can't be close to someone we don't know! Invite your friend to explore the stories of Jesus in the Bible. Introduce them to the lives of the saints, especially ones you think they might be interested in. Your neighbor might also have questions about the Catholic faith that you don't know how to answer. If your friend hasn't yet enrolled in RCIA classes, invite them to Mass at your parish. Introduce your friend to the faith formation director to make a connection. Personal support can be helpful as well, especially if few of your neighbor's current friends are practicing their faith. Connect your neighbor to other people in your parish living their faith well. The good examples of other faithful people could help your neighbor to feel welcomed and supported. Our Church is vibrant and alive!



Faith Sharing Question

Gospel Reading

Jesus initially reacts negatively to the Canaanite (Gentile) woman in a manner familiar to most Jews of that day. But Jesus showed the disciples that faith in him transcends the historic divide between Jew and Gentile. When have you allowed your faith in Christ heal a division?



We extend our sympathy and prayers to the Family of Pat Ogle. May the Lord embrace him in His eternal Love.

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, August 19

5:30 pm † Sarah Katherine Herzog IC
By Karl Herzog

Thursday, August 20

8:00 am † Pat Edge SC
By Joe Edge

Saturday, August 22

5:00 pm † Inez Rhodes IC
By Charles and Peggy Howard

Sunday, August 23

8:30 am People of the Parish SC
10:30 am † Leon Rhodes IC
By Mike and Shelia Ogle

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Date: August 16, 2020

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

Monday: Ez 24:15-24/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab [39c]/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [Ez 36:25]/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [1]/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 [8bc]/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20



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

Tuesday, August 18

7am -7pm Adoration

IC

Thursday, August 20

7am -5pm Adoration

SC

6:00 pm Confirmation with
Bishop Medley

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 Aug 19 5:30pm

Immaculate Conception

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

Thursday Aug 20 8:00am

St. Columba:

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

Saturday August 22 5:00pm

Immaculate Conception

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

August 23

St. Columba 8:30am

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

Immaculate Conception 10:30am

Lector: Angie Curry
Hospitality/Usher: Curry Family
Disinfecting Team: Amy Severs Family



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

The Giving of Treasure

Question:

Why are Catholics required to give money to the Church?

Answer:

Offering money and other goods to God and the Church is, before all else, a statement of gratitude. We see this when we look at how our spiritual ancestors showed their gratitude to God for the gifts they had received (e.g. Genesis 14:18-20 and Genesis 28:16-22). One of the ways they offered thanks to God was through a practice called "tithing," in which 10 percent of a person's goods (crops, livestock, money, etc.) were given back to God.

Today, the practice of tithing — giving 10 percent — is still common in many Protestant communities, but it is not required for Catholics. Instead, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches us that, "The faithful also have the duty of providing for the material needs of the Church, each according to [their] own abilities" (no. 2043). This means that, although we are not bound to practice "tithing" in the traditional sense, we do share a responsibility to share our money or other resources with our parish communities. Like our spiritual ancestors, we give as a sign of our gratitude for the many gifts that God has given to us. Beyond this, we also share our resources with other Catholic organizations to help them finance their ministries, to continue and grow their outreach to the poor and the needy, and to provide just wages for their employees.

How much we give depends on our individual circumstances, but since we share a responsibility for the programs, outreach, and health of our parish communities and Catholic organizations, this question gives us a wonderful opportunity to ask some important questions about the quality of our giving and what our priorities are. Remember, we are only stewards of our time, talents, and treasures and as the First Letter of Peter reminds us, "As each one of you has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied graces" (4:10).



August



- 16 David Emmick, Shirlene Quinn
Lexi Hodge, Andrew Hagman
Madyson Higdon
- 17 Emmitt Meserve
- 18 Kevin Ward, Pat Wheatley,
- 19 Jeanette Taylor, Mike Mattingly,
- 22 Bob Johannemann, Owen Estes, Marcella Henderson

- 16 John & Lynn Powers 23 yrs
- 21 Jason & Anna Toler 21 yrs



We welcome Bishop Medley our candidates and their families to Immaculate Conception Thursday August 20th 6:00pm to celebrate this special sacrament. Please pray for our candidates, their sponsors and families. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, seating is limited to sponsors and immediate family.

Sunday Collections

Immaculate Conception	St. Columba
Weekly Goal\$3,173.00	Weekly Goal.....\$2,500.00
Collection 8-09-20\$3,607.00	Collection 8-09-20\$2,325.00
Difference over\$434.00	Difference under\$175.00
Mass Attendance 38/?	Mass Attendance 60
Week # 6 of 52	Week # 6 of 52
Fiscal YTD Goal.....\$19,038	Fiscal YTD Goal\$15,000
Fiscal YTD Actual\$17,775	Fiscal YTD Actual.....\$12,877

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.