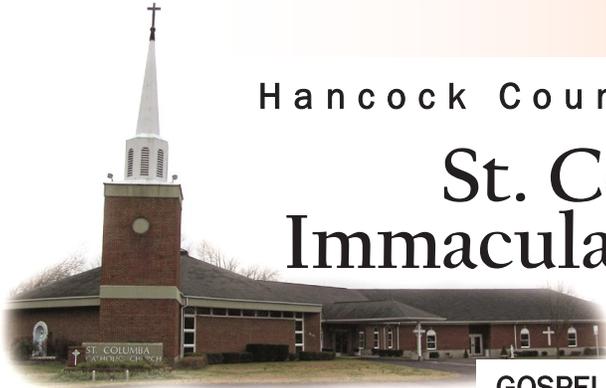


Hancock County Catholic Church

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

GOSPEL MEDITATION

It was a normal day by all accounts, but John just wasn't feeling himself. He was a little lightheaded and out of sorts. Later in the afternoon, he experienced a sharp pain in his chest and arm. Quick thinking and action brought John to the emergency department with a diagnosis of a significant heart attack. Surviving this ordeal, he found himself face to face with his cardiologist, having an honest conversation about things that needed to change. "I came close to death," John found himself thinking. Then came the remorse. He was a young man with a loving wife and children who were very close to facing life without him. John found himself with intense sorrow for living an unchecked and self-indulgent life that almost brought him to his demise. He wanted to change.

We all have our wake-up calls. We have experiences and encounters that force us to really think twice about choices we have made and directions we have taken.

Often, we find ourselves looking at those we have hurt square in the eye and wallowing in our foolishness. We regrettably realize that we have allowed our needs to lure us into making some cruel mistakes. We impulsively say things and flippantly do things that reveal our unredeemed and unhealed self. It is a self we stumble over and try to tame but can't quite seem to master and control. Help!

We spin our wheels, naively thinking that we will somehow, perhaps through persistence, get ourselves unstuck. But, we don't. We just get out of the car, feeling very helpless, and ignorantly look at the mess we got ourselves into. Did we ever think to ask someone for help? Or, taken the advice of One who is wiser and avoid this route altogether? "Come after me," are words that Jesus says to all of us. In order to heed his invitation, we must leave our ego-self behind and follow.

When we really see and understand the freedom, peace, justice, and love he offers, we find ourselves with such sorrow in our hearts for how foolish and silly we have been. All the misguided choices and sinful actions come full view and we see how risky our random impassioned behaviors really have been. Repentance is beautiful. When done with a sincere and contrite heart, it directs us to the glory that can be ours, ignites us with the challenge of living a life in service of others and reminds us that all is well.



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.

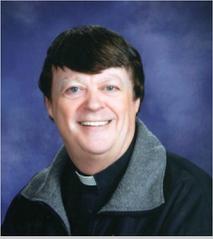
Holy Orders • Contact Fr. Terry if you are interested in the vocations of Priesthood or Religious Life.

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



Sharing in the Mission of Christ

When Jesus walked and lived on this earth, he made it clear that he had a job to do, that is, the will of the Father. He came to preach that His Father wanted all to know of His mercy, healing, and forgiveness. Jesus revealed this loving Father by the way he taught and lived his life. As Jesus taught his apostles for about three years he knew the day that they too would partake in this mission of proclaiming the gospel message. Today, Jesus is

counting on you and me to "fill those shoes" as we walk in our journey of faith. The strength of the Holy Spirit is still with us to give us hope and perseverance in our daily struggles. Like Jesus may we too be dedicated in doing the work of revealing God's presence to all we meet in the coming week.

God Bless You! Fr. Terry



Support Our Lenten Projects

This years Lenten Project finds us reaching out to help those locally as well as far away! COVID has affected everyone in every country. It is an illness that is devastating especially those who are vulnerable in poor health and living conditions such as the homeless, and those in economically deprived areas. For these reasons we are asking you to help support St. Benedicts Shelter in Owensboro and continue our support of Water Women thru Water with Blessings.

St. Benedict's Shelter has been in operation for 15 years and has grown to become a 24/7 shelter. The 500 or so men who receive services there each year come from 120 ZIP Codes across the Tri-State region. Besides the men's shelter in Owensboro, St. Benedict's operates four transitional homes for veterans and men who are recovering from substance use. Also, the nonprofit now operates a Women & Family Day Shelter and manages the St. Gerard Life Home, which gives moms in crisis pregnancies a safe place to live. During the cold winter months, St. Benedict's serves men, women and children when temperatures fall to 15 degrees and lower. Our support can ensure the most vulnerable residents in the region to have a warm bed, nutritious meals, counseling, and behavioral health services.

Water with Blessings provides clean water to families in over 45 countries by educating and sponsoring Water Women. The Water Women receive a Sawyer Point filter with the pledge to filter water for her family and 3 other families. The clean pure water reduces the amount of diseases like cholera, typhoid and parasitic infection in adults and children. Follow up studies have shown a 95% reduction of waterborne illness such as cholera, typhoid or parasites in children. Supporting Water with Blessings will give us healthier adults and children to fight COVID! Below are 2 ways you can support our Lenten Project!



Covid restrictions may have prevented us from having a Mardi Gras Party but we can still celebrate **FAT TUESDAY!** We will be selling Homemade Amish Cinnamon Rolls just in time for Fat Tuesday before we begin our Lenten Fast on Ash Wednesday. The huge rolls are 4 to a package for \$10.00. Pickup will be



Sunday February 14th at St. Columba Parish Hall from 9:30am-12:30pm. You may place your order by calling the church office, contacting Denise Long or Jill Frakes or message us on our parish Facebook page.

YES! YES! YES! Shogun will be in our neighborhood for **FAT TUESDAY** on February 16th at Bills IGA in Hawesville from 11:00am to 2:00pm. Stop by and grab a bite to eat. Take it to work for lunch and take some home for dinner! We will receive a percentage of all sales. Profits from both fundraisers will support our Lenten project!



Mass Intentions

Wednesday, January 27

5:30 pm † Lena Stevens IC
By Noah and Melissa Powers

Thursday, January 28

8:00 am † Roy Wheatley SC
By Clifton Banks

Saturday, January 30

5:00 pm People of the Parish SC

Sunday, January 31

8:30 am † George Allard II SC
By Jack and Imogene Allard Fam

10:30 am † Betty Brickey IC
By Denis and Martha Wheatley

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Date January 24, 2021

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18

Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28



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, January 24

Taking orders for Cinnamon Rolls

Tuesday, January 26

7am -7pm Adoration

IC

Thursday, January 28

7am -4pm Adoration

SC

Sunday, January 31

Taking orders for Cinnamon Rolls



Wednesday January 27 5:30 pm

Immaculate Conception

Lector: Volunteer

Hospitality/Usher: Woodward Family

Disinfecting Team: Marilyn McCaslin,

Thursday January 28 8:00am

St. Columba:

Lector: Volunteer

Hospitality/Usher: Volunteer

Disinfecting Team: Volunteer

Saturday January 30 5:00pm

St. Columba

Lector: Volunteer

Hospitality/Usher: Dot Pooser

Disinfecting Team: Fr. Terry

Sunday January 31

St. Columba 8:30am

Lector: Steve Allard

Cross Bearer Shelby Basham

Hospitality/Usher: Randy Miller

David Emmick

Disinfecting Team: Nicole Quinn

Ron Spalding,

Immaculate Conception 10:30am

Lector: Bob Ogle

Cross Bearer Volunteer

Hospitality/Usher: Lyday Family

Disinfecting Team: Charles Shadwick

Nathan Powers

Faith Sharing Question

Gospel:

In Mark's account of the call of the first disciples, Simon (Peter), Andrew, James, and John immediately answer Jesus' call to follow him. How would you describe your response to Jesus' call in your life?



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Question: Do Catholics always need to receive communion in wafer form, or can it be different kinds of bread?

Answer: In the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church, the most common form for the eucharistic bread is the small white communion "wafer" that is a ubiquitous part of the Catholic

Mass. The instructions of the Church have been very specific regarding the make-up of the bread used in the Mass: "The bread used in the celebration of the Most Holy Eucharistic Sacrifice must be unleavened, purely of wheat, and recently made ... it follows therefore that bread made from another substance, even if it is grain, or if it is mixed with another substance different from wheat to such an extent that it would not commonly be considered wheat bread, does not constitute valid matter for confecting the Sacrifice and the Eucharistic Sacrament" (see Redemptionis Sacramentum by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, no. 48).

The Church's tradition of using a wheat-based bread is based on the bread that Jesus would have used at the Last Supper and is considered to be an essential part of the "matter" of the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

As we consider the question of whether a "wafer" — which is properly called a "host" — should be used, we also must keep in mind that in the Eastern Rites of the Catholic Church, leavened (i.e. "raised") bread is more often used. And so, while the thin, white "wafer" is most commonly used in the Roman Rite of the Church, the full expression of the Catholic tradition does allow for a more substantial form of bread to be used, but the tradition of using a simple wheat bread with no other additions or additives is considered essential.



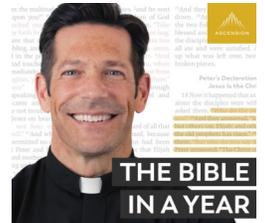
The Word 2021 Feb 11-13

Sign up for a free online Bible Conference that promises a Unique Experience ! Watch 70 of the most trusted and inspirational Catholic Bible experts in the Church today. Sit in on talks by Dr. Scott Hahn, Jeff Cavins, Fr. Mike Schmitt or Dr Edward Sri to name only a few. These nationally known Bible experts will show you how to confidently and quickly approach the Bible for answers, hope, and peace in your day-to-day challenges and struggles. Visit the website

<https://www.cardinalstudios.org/catholic-bible-summit-home> to sign up and for more info!

The Bible in a Year!

The Bible in a Year is a 20-25 minute podcast with Fr. Mike Schmitz and Jeff Cavins. **Fr. Mike Schmitz** walks you through the entire Bible in 365 episodes, providing commentary, reflection, and prayer along the way. With this podcast, you won't just read the Bible in a year ... you'll finally understand how all the pieces of the Bible fit together to tell an amazing story that continues in your life today! For more info visit our church website, Facebook page or go to <https://media.ascensionpress.com/category/ascension-podcasts/>



Sunday Collections

Immaculate Conception		St. Columba	
Weekly Goal	\$3,173.00	Weekly Goal	\$2,500.00
Collection 1-17-21	\$1,860.00	Collection 1-17-21	\$2,125.00
Difference under	\$1,313.00	Difference under	\$375.00
Mass Attendance	72	Mass Attendance	32/41
Week # 29 of 52		Week # 29 of 52	
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$92,017	Fiscal YTD Goal	\$72,500
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$97,737	Fiscal YTD Actual	\$64,944

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.