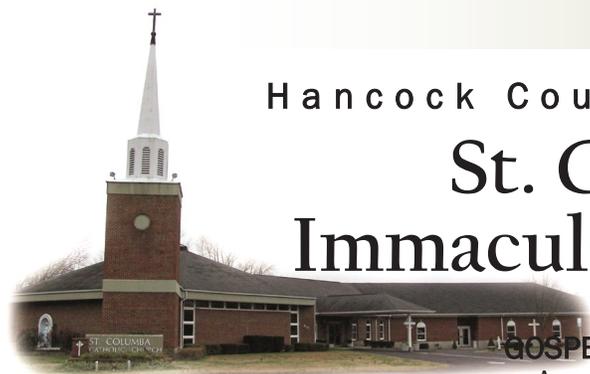


Hancock County Catholic Church St. Columba & Immaculate Conception



GOSPEL MEDITATION

As we look at our lives and world events, do we ever find ourselves wondering if God is sleeping? After all, maybe God's patient, unconditional love has run its course and He is finally fed up with humanity's reluctance to accept the truth about who we are. God really can't be that patient! All throughout human history, many have prayed to God for intervention or for particular needs. Because their prayers were not answered in the way they wanted or anticipated, they felt that God may have abandoned them. Were they right? It seems that we are continuing, at a rapid rate, down a path of destruction. Do you not care, God, that we may be perishing? When the boats of our lives are rocking and the seas tumultuous, we want to know that we have God's attention. Even more so, we want God's intervention.

Maybe the storms and the waves are necessary. If we listen, they can teach us valuable lessons. Without them, we would never learn that we have the strength to endure, understand the uselessness of fear and worry, or develop the ability to really trust. If God immediately rushed in and simply calmed things down before they got difficult, what good would that really be? We would miss opportunities to learn how to drink more deeply of life, treasure its complexity, irony, and beauty and fully engage ourselves in surrendering to the love of our Creator. It is easy to walk on the surface of life without immersing ourselves in its messiness. Life has to burn its way through us in order to bring us to a place of secure trust. It's unfortunate that some prefer a shallower journey.

That's the balancing act that comes with faith. It is not God's job to prevent us from encountering the torrential rains and winds of life. Many believe that if faith is done the right way, that God will provide for smooth sailing. That's not how it works. God permits us to ride out the difficult stuff knowing that the storm will eventually be calmed. Do we not have faith that God will do this? True faith trusts in the steadfastness of God's love when the seas are calm and when they are choppy. God's unconditional loving presence shines through all of it and endures forever. Knowing this allows us to put our boats out into uncharted waters without hesitation. Knowing that we prefer the comfort and safety of what we know to be still waters, how do we feel when Jesus says, "Let us cross to the other side"?



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

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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

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Jesus' Presence in the Storms

We have all been amazed at the power of huge thunderstorms and are aware of the damage that they can produce. Usually as the storms pass there is a feeling of peace as the sun returns to remind us that all things (even storms) do not last forever. In order for nature to produce the rainbow there must be rain as well, as so it is with our faith. The storms of life, with their darkening clouds, will pass and Jesus assures us that we do not stand alone to face the storms of life, but that His eternal presence will always be with us. All of us have experienced various storms, (sickness, loneliness, loss and separation, death of a loved one, fears of all sorts) but Jesus is still in our midst challenging our faith and reminding us that we are not alone. Let us pray for a faith that really believes that Christ never abandons us in the situations and storms of life.

God Bless You, Fr. Terry



Faith Sharing Question

Gospel:

Early in their following of Jesus, the disciples' witness of the miracle of Jesus calming the storm at sea led them to ask: "Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?" How would you explain to others who wonder about the divinity of Jesus?



Thank you

Thank you to all of our Disinfecting Teams during the COVID Crisis. Recent updates allow us to return to our normal schedule of cleaning and disinfecting and will be handled by our maintenance staff. Though no longer required, hand sanitizer and mask will continue to be available for your use as you enter church. We Thank All of our Disinfecting Teams for your courage and vigilance in keeping us safe during the COVID pandemic! We also wish to send out a

BIG THANK YOU to our team of ushers who repeatedly served week after week to help us social distance, reminded us to wear our mask and volunteered in various ministries during Mass. We could not have held Mass without your help. God has blessed us with a wonderful parish family! Even though we return to a more normal life, please continue to pray for the end of the pandemic. As Fr. Terry says, "there is a light at the end of the tunnel" but let us remain vigilant in prayer and our care for each other until the pandemic ends.

Bishop Reinstates Mass Obligation

"The general obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation (including the Saturday/Vigil Mass) is to be reinstated (CIC, can. 1247). This will take effect in the Diocese of Owensboro the weekend of June 12-13, 2021. This date was chosen because as of June 11, there is no state-mandated restrictions, including capacity restrictions on gatherings. As has always been the case, those who have a serious reason are exempt from attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2181). This includes those who are ill, have significant health risk factors or care for someone who is immuno-compromised or ill, as well as those who have significant fear or anxiety of contracting the coronavirus in a large group of persons. Nevertheless, these persons should observe the Lord's Day (CIC, can. 1247) and are encouraged to spend time in prayer on Sunday, meditating on the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection. Kindly consult your pastor with any specific questions regarding the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation."



We extend our sympathy and prayers to the family of Linda Atwood with her recent passing. May the Lord embrace her in His eternal Love.



Wednesday, June 23

5:30 pm † Lois Johnson IC
By Bob Ogle

Thursday, June 24

8:00 am † Sr. Veronica SC
By Betty Allard

Saturday, June 26

5:00 pm † Phyllis Emmick IC
By Mike and Shelia Ogle

Sunday, June 27

8:30 am † James Cecil SC
By Robert Cecil & Charlotte Payne
10:30 am People of the Parish IC

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Date June 20, 2021

Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/ Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 [1b]/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41

Monday: Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22 [12]/Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1b]/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: *Vigil:* Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17 [6b]/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17
Day: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15 [14a]/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [4]/Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53, 54-55 [cf. 54b]/Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 [2a]/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43



A listing of online Mass locations and times are on our website: icscchurch.org
You may also join St Columba Live on our Facebook page on Sundays at 8:30am.

TV Channels for other Masses

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

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.

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Sunday, June 20

9:30am Father's Day Breakfast SC
After Mass



Altar Server training after 8:30/10:30am Mass

Monday, June 21

Mower of the Week-Ron Spalding SC

Tuesday, June 22

7am -7pm Adoration IC
5:00pm IC Finance Council IC Hall
6:00pm IC Parish Council IC Hall

Thursday, June 24

7am -4pm Adoration SC

Sunday, June 27

SC/IC
Mass Ministry Refresher/Training after the 8:30/10:30 Mass

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Mass Ministers

Beginning in July we will resume all ministries except for Ministers of the Cup. Denise is using a new scheduling program and needs your help to obtain your info. She will be passing out an info form next week during Mass. Please complete the form and return it to her or drop it in the collection. All Mass ministers please notify Denise if you no longer wish to continue to serve. Also if anyone is interested in serving as a Lector, Altar Server, Hospitality/Usher, Eucharistic Minister or Gift Bearer please let Denise know. She will be happy to walk you through the steps and get you on the schedule! Saturday night ministries will continue as volunteer. Please help Fr. Terry by volunteering to minister.

Sunday June 20

St. Columba 8:30am

Cross Bearer Scott Basham
Lector: Pat Roberts
Eucharistic Min: Volunteer
Hospitality/Usher: Randy Miller
Scott Basham

Immaculate Conception 10:30am

Cross Bearer Volunteer
Lector: Loretta Stokes
Eucharistic Min: Volunteer
Hospitality/Usher: Lyday Family



Why Do We Do That?

Question: What do the colors of the priest's and deacon's vestments mean?

Answer:

In the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church, the colors of the vestments evolved over the course of several centuries and

there was wide variation both in the colors used, and in the feasts and seasons associated with particular colors. It was Pope Innocent III (d. 1216) who gave us the basic outline that was later prescribed by Pope Saint Pius V in 1570. The various colors remind us of the dominant themes of a particular season or celebration.

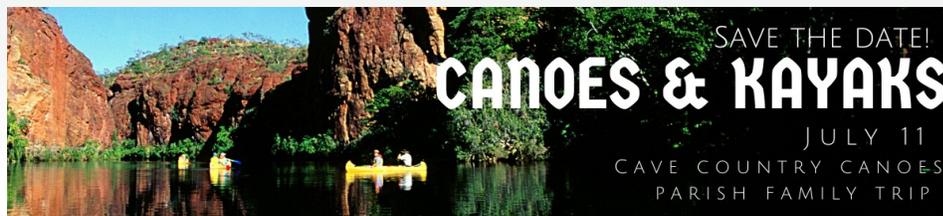
White: Used for the seasons of Christmas and Easter and in celebrations of the Lord, of Mary, the angels, and saints who were not martyrs. This color is also used in Masses for the dead, at baptisms, weddings and other festive celebrations.

Red: As the color of both blood and fire, red is used on Palm Sunday and Good Friday, as well as Pentecost and special celebrations of the Holy Spirit. Moreover, red is used on the feasts and memorials of the Apostles and those saints who died as martyrs.

Violet: The color for Advent and Lent. Violet may also be used in Masses for the dead and on All Souls Day (November 2).

Green: A color of life and hope, green is used throughout Ordinary Time.

Other colors: Rose may be used on the Third Sunday of Advent and the Fourth Sunday of Lent, black may be used in Masses of the dead and on All Souls Day, gold or silver may be used on solemn occasions in place of white, red, or green.



Parish Family Canoe Trip

Come canoe with us on the Blue River! We are planning a half day 2-4 hour Canoe Trip followed by a cookout on Sunday, July 11th at Cave Country Canoes in Milltown, Indiana. We will leave at 12:00 noon from IC church parking lot and should return by 8:30pm. Due to current COVID regulations, each family is recommended to drive separately. Cost is \$15 per person for canoe and \$22 for kayak which includes kayak/canoe rental and cookout. If river conditions and water levels allow, 1 child under 12 years old may ride in the middle of canoe free. Please contact Nicole at the church office, Jill or Fr. Terry to sign up. We ask that everyone sign up so appropriate forms, waivers and trip info can be sent to you. Please sign up in the back of church or by contacting Jill before July 4th

Sunday Collections

Immaculate Conception

Weekly Goal\$3,173.00
Collection 6-13-21\$2,847.00
Difference under \$326.00
Mass Attendance43/92

Week # 50 of 52

Fiscal YTD Goal.....\$155,650
Fiscal YTD Actual.....\$162,978

St. Columba

Weekly Goal.....\$2,500.00
Collection 6-13-21\$1,496.00
Difference under \$1,004.00
Mass Attendance 81

Week # 50 of 52

Fiscal YTD Goal\$125,000
Fiscal YTD Actual.....\$123,780

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.