

Hancock County Catholic Church

St. Columba & Immaculate Conception



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For all of Hancock County

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.

Cycles of Faith

31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over." Zacchaeus was serious about following Jesus. Maybe at the start he was just curious when he ran ahead to scale that sycamore tree. But that curiosity developed into a life-changing experience when Jesus called him by name. At that moment, when the Lord chose Zacchaeus to be his host for the evening, the rich tax collector "came down quickly and received him with joy." And shortly thereafter came his promise of conversion and penance. Not only would he change his ways; he would make up for his former ones. And thus Jesus declared, "Today salvation has come to this house."

Penance isn't a popular concept in our modern era. We like to think about God's great mercy and forgiveness, but it's not so fun to think about the lingering effects of our sin. When Zacchaeus stole money, people suffered, especially the poor. His conversion to the ways of God wouldn't make up for the suffering he had inflicted on people. But his choice to go back and set things aright could make a difference. Sometimes, we are called to do something similar. Of course it is not always possible to go back and directly restore the relationships or situations that we have damaged through our sins. However, it IS always possible to offer a kind of sacrifice--often called "making reparation"--for our sin. We can do something virtuous and offer it to God as a kind of deposit in the universal "bank" of goodness to make up for the unjust withdrawals we have previously made. In this way, we too can show that we are serious about following the Lord.



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.

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

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.

Eucharist • First Eucharist is celebrated during April 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 months before setting a date for marriage. Couples are to attend Engaged Encounter or the Sponsor Couple Program.

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



From Father's Desk

Love - the Key to Jesus
 There has been probably thousands of books, poems, songs, and stories written about the topic of love. Talking about it and reading about it is one thing, but experiencing it is much deeper. Whenever we consider our love for parents, children, and neighbor let us always remember that all love flows from the first source, which is God. We will never be able to comprehend the love that God has for each one of us, because sometimes we see our failures and limitations as making us un-lovable. Jesus does not love the sin, by the still loves the sinner and never gives up on us. Today in our gospel Jesus invites us to follow in His foot steps and to imitate His ways of love calling us to be gentle, kind, non-judgmental, merciful, and forgiving. The great commandment of loving God first in our lives and our neighbor as ourselves is the primary point this weekend. Only in loving ourselves can we love other and follow in the footsteps of our Lord. Since the love of God is a pure gift, may we pass that gift on to those who are in most need of it. God Bless you! Fr. Terry



Thank You Fr. Terry for your ministry and for all that you do. We appreciate your presence with us. May God bless you in your priesthood. You are in our prayers.

LIVE THE LITURGY

God loves all things and people he has made and rejects none of his creation, even the worst of sinners. We remain who we are and life continues because God wills it. His imperishable Spirit is in all things. God has mercy on all.

WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

Question: If someone is interested in becoming a priest, how does he go about it?
 Answer: Discerning a vocation can happen in any number of ways. Sometimes it is a gradual process, other times it is as quick and bright as lightning. Regardless of how it starts, a vocation to the priesthood or religious life requires a process of discerning, testing, and preparing. The best place to begin would be with lots of prayer, receiving the sacraments, and attending daily Mass whenever possible. Then talk to your pastor, or a priest you know and trust. Your diocese may have a vocation director who can provide you with guidance and information. The Serra Club is also a great resource for information and contacts to help you discern if indeed God is calling you. Remember that many Catholic men have considered the priesthood. Some are ordained, and others realize this is not their calling. However, we are ALL called to be of service to others as we practice our faith. The church needs priests. If God calls you to ordained service in the church, he will provide the grace, direction, and support you need. Just listen and respond with all your heart, mind, and soul.

Liturgy Planning Meeting

The Liturgy Planning Committee will meet Tuesday November 1st 8:45am at St Columba. We will be planning for the Advent and Christmas Season.

1st Sunday Potluck

Immaculate Conception will not be having a potluck on November 6th. It will start back up on the first Sunday in December.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, November 1

All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation)

8:00 am	† Dot Bratcher By Ron Spalding	SC
6:00 pm	People of the Parish	IC

Wednesday, November 2

5:30 pm	† Billy Bruce Mattingly By Bob Ogle	IC
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Thursday, November 3

8:00 am	† Delma McManaway By Eddie & Rachel Gray	SC
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Friday, November 4

8:00 am	† Kevin Hanks By Denis & Martha Wheatley	IC
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Saturday, November 5

5:00 pm	People of the Parish	SC
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Sunday, November 6

8:30 am	† Roger Basham By Butch & Peggy Meriwether	SC
10:30 am	† Bethany Payne By Bob Ogle Family	IC

Readings for the Week

October 30, 2016

Sunday: Wis 11:22-12:2/Ps 145: 1-2, 8-11, 13-14/2 Thes 1:11-2:2/Lk 19:1-10
 Monday: Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1-3/Lk 14:12-14
 Tuesday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
 Wednesday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-6/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40
 Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-7/Lk 15:1-10
 Friday: Phil 3:17-4:1/Ps 122:1-5/Lk 16:1-8
 Saturday: Phil 4:10-19/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 8-9/Lk 16:9-15
 Next Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15/2 Thes 2:16-3:5/Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38

Faith Sharing Question

Luke 19:1-10

How do you imagine the crowds reacted to Jesus' defense of Zacchaeus?

Wisdom 11:22-12:2

In what ways are you comforted by the words of this Jewish sage?

2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

How are modern Christians deceived into believing falsehoods spread about our faith?

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, November 1

All Saints Day

9:00 am Liturgy planning meeting IC

Wednesday, November 2

All Souls Day

6:00 pm Relig. Ed. K-Adult

IC

Thursday, November 3

6:00 pm RCIA

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Check out our new Website at:

icscchurch.org

Liturgical Roles

Sunday, November 6

St. Columba, 8:30 am

Eucharistic Min: Mary Beth Emmick
Dian Heavrin, Sandra Davis

Lector: Maria Reine

Server: Lawson Ward/Bailey Poole

Cross Bearer: David Emmick

Gift Bearer: Chad & Katie Herrmann

Hospitality: Dan Allard Family

David Payne, Denny Long

Vocation Statue: Larry & Jo Ann Roby

Immaculate Conception, 10:30 am

Youth Sunday

Eucharistic Min: High

School
Youth

Lector:

Server: Ministries
performed by

Cross Bearer: Confirmation Youth

Gift Bearer:

Hospitality:

Vocation Statue: Jody & Alisha Wheatley

Children's Liturgy: Alisha Wheatley

In Need of Special Prayer

Anna Payne, Phyllis Emmick, Tim Heavrin,
Joan Peak, Whitney Emmick,
Stephen Emmick

Homebound and Heartland Villa

Mary Hinton, Dorothy Beauchamp,
Barbara Grant, Christina Hagan,
Olivia Murphy, Frances Payne,
Geneva Glasscock, Wilbur Jarvis, Shirley
Mobley, Florence Roby, Lillie Lanham
Clay Quinn, Regina Walz, Frances Storm

Please call the Parish Office to add or
remove names from this bulletin prayer list.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

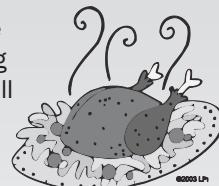
My wife is on the shorter side so she has always had a great love for the story of Zacchaeus, the wealthy tax collector that was too small to see Jesus over the crowd so he climbed a tree in order to see better. For many years she was a catechist and loved telling that story to children because by their age alone they were short. My wife and Zacchaeus are proof that good things come in small packages. But Zacchaeus' size is not why Jesus showed him favor. It was his faith in Jesus and his eagerness to serve him.

Climbing a tree is not always a safe way to gain a better vantage point to see. But if you were really moved to see someone very important, you might risk it. Hosting someone in your house that you admire or want desperately to please can be nerve-racking. But the chance to be near that person and show your love makes it all worth it. And it is not an easy commitment to change one's entire life and become a new person. But if you believed that the one asking you was the source of all life, the commitment might be seen as a necessity.

We should pray every day for the desire and excitement of Zacchaeus when it comes to our relationship with Jesus Christ. If we are intentional disciples, we have had an encounter with the Lord much like Zacchaeus. However, our decision to live a stewardship way of life can sometimes be delayed. If we are like Zacchaeus, our sheer love of Christ will propel us to give all we have to him and resolve to live transformed lives of generosity. No matter how small we are it is the enormity of our love for God, and his love for us, that makes all the difference. -Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

IC/SC Thanksgiving Potluck and Birthday Celebration

Join us for a Thanksgiving Potluck on Sunday, November 20 at 12:30 pm at the St. Columba Hall. We will also be celebrating Fr. Terry's birthday. We will be cooking turkeys and hams for the meal. IC is asked to bring salads and cakes. SC is asked to bring vegetables and pies. For more information on dishes to bring call Mary Masterson at 270-315-4549 or Sharon Russelburg at 270-314-1748.



Marriage Retreat

The Diocese of Owensboro's Family Life Office is hosting "Living the Gift of Marriage," a diocesan-based retreat integrating Catholicism and marriage counseling tips, on March 25-26, 2017 at Lake Barkley. This marriage retreat is being led by Mario Sacasa, a licensed marriage and family therapist and director of counseling services at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans, LA. Sacasa uses humor, story and lecture to engage couples to see the great gift God has given them in their marriage and practical ways to love their spouse in their day-to-day encounters. Whether you are looking for something to bolster your marriage or need tangible skills to help through some troubled times, this is the event for you. Register online at: owensborodiocese.org/marriage-retreat/.

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Sunday Collections

Collections report will be in November 6th 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.