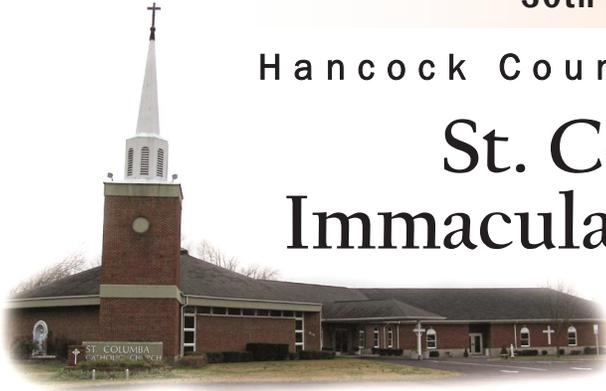


# Hancock County Catholic Church St. Columba & Immaculate Conception



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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  
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## Cycles of Faith

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Son of David, have pity on me!" Has the cry of Bartimaeus ever escaped your lips? Today's Gospel tells the story of a blind man with a difficult lot in life. He made a living by begging coins off passing travelers. When word reaches him that Jesus will be passing by, this is when he begins to shout for mercy. Jesus hears Bartimaeus' cry and beckons him forward.

"What do you want me to do for you?" Last week, Jesus asked a similar question to James and John. Their response was a clutch for fame. Bartimaeus' response is much humbler. "Lord, I want to see." How strange this interaction must have seemed to the onlookers. The man is blind! Of course he wants to see! But Jesus is always teaching us. By asking us what we want, Jesus reveals the dispositions of our hearts. God already knows them, but do we? By asking James and John to name their ambition, their selfishness is exposed to them and to the other disciples. By asking Bartimaeus to name his longing, his faith is exposed to the entire crowd. Jesus invites participation in our own redemption. He doesn't save us without us!

Take some time in silent prayer today. Place yourself in this story of Bartimaeus. Imagine yourself there on the dusty, crowded roadside. Jesus is calling you! When you stand before him, his focus is on you and you alone. "What do you want me to do for you?" he asks. Search your heart. How would you respond? What part of your heart is Jesus asking you to expose? He has come to heal and to restore. May we, too, be sent! "Go? your faith has saved you."



## 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 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 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**

**What do you want me to do for you?**

These words spoken by Jesus in today's gospel are so powerful because the man named Bartimeus knew his need and really believed that Jesus could heal his blindness. Sometimes we forget that we too are in need of Jesus' healing as He walks down the road of our lives. Like Bartimeus we must call out the name of Jesus, that is, to acknowledge Him and to tell of our need. Christ already knows our need, but He wants us to know it as well and to believe that he can change and heal us. When we speak of healing it can come in many forms: physical as well as spiritual. To be healed of past hurting memories, pride, selfishness, resentment, etc. Jesus wants us to know of His concern for us and His message to Bartimeus holds true for us too, "What Do You Want Me to Do For You?" Let us pray this week that we might have the courage to call out to Jesus and to believe that He can restore us too. Have a good week, 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.**

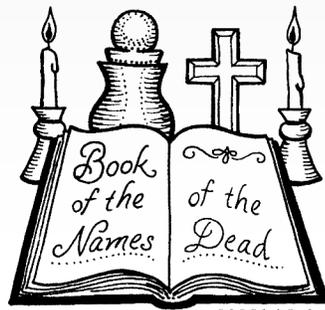


**LIVE THE LITURGY**

As Pope Francis has reminded us, it is in living the Beatitudes that we find the path to holiness. The Beatitudes are not a list of do's and don'ts. Rather, they are a road map to finding our way to others and to the kingdom of God. It is when we enter into the human condition with all of its pain and sorrow that we discover again the creative presence of God guiding us to greater wholeness. Being poor in spirit ? being meek and humble ? mourning our sorrow and losses and walking with others through theirs ? hungering and thirsting for righteousness ? being merciful ? maintaining a clean heart ? pursuing peace ? daily taking up the challenge of the Gospel. All bring us into the mystery of humanity and indeed into the mystery of God. The pathway to our relationships and the blueprint detailing our responsibilities are revealed. Are we ready to roll up our sleeves and get dirty?

**All Souls**

November being the month of All Souls, a "Book of Remembrance" is provided in Church to write the names of those for whom you want the Community of Faith to remember in prayer. Also, as a beautiful way of remembering our loved ones, we invite you to bring photographs of those who have died and place them around the Church. On Sunday, November 4th Fr. Terry will also have a special candle lighting inviting family members to come forward and light a candle in memory of those beloved parishioners listed here. Following that Fr. Terry will invite anyone who has lost a family member this past year to come forward to light a candle. Eternal rest O God....



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**November 2017 to October 2018**

**St. Columba**

- Bob Payne, November 1, 2017
- James Bittel, November 30, 2017
- Eva Howard, January 5, 2018
- Joseph Bolin, Sr., August 23, 2018
- Mildred Riley, September 24, 2018

**Immaculate Conception**

Joseph Marvin Payne, June 10, 2018

**Mass Intentions**

**Tuesday, October 30**

8:00 am † Ora Roby SC  
By Mary Johannemann

**Wednesday, October 31**

No Mass

**Thursday, November 1**

**All Saints Day - Holy Day of Obligation**

8:00 am People of the Parish SC  
6:00 pm † Bob Bulleit IC  
By Larry & Judy White

**Friday, November 2**

8:00 am † The Forgotten IC  
By Noel Quinn

**Saturday, November 3**

5:00 pm † Anna Payne SC  
By John Payne

**Sunday, November 4**

8:30 am People of the Parish SC  
10:30 am † Mary Agnes & Coy Ogle IC  
By Pat & Donna Ogle

**Readings for the Week**

October 28, 2018

Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

Monday: Eph 4:32-5:8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Eph 5:1]/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-32/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [1a]/Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/Lk 13:22-30

Thursday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Friday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1 or 4ab]/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40

Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef/Lk 14:1, 7-11

Next Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

**Faith Sharing Question**

First Reading

Around 600 B.C., the prophet Jeremiah foreshadowed the Lord's deliverance of Israel's exile in Babylon. What do you think Jeremiah is teaching us about God's mercy and providence?

Second Reading

Hebrews speaks of Jesus as the eternal high priest who intercedes to God on our behalf. What would be your intercessory prayer to Jesus today?

Gospel Reading

Jesus attributes his healing of the blind man, Bartimeus, to the depth of the man's faith. Who are the people in your life with strong 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**

**Wednesday, October 31**

No Relig. Ed. Class  
Trail of Treats at Vastwood

There will not be a 1st Sunday Potluck due to the upcoming Thanksgiving Potluck on November 11th.

**Liturgical Roles**

**Sunday, November 4**

**St. Columba, 8:30 am**

**Eucharistic Min:** Butch Meriwether  
Rosemary Emmick, Amy Allard  
**Lector:** Steve Basham  
**Server:** Lawson Ward  
**Cross Bearer:** Jordan Bozarth  
**Gift Bearer:** Joe & Donna Hagman  
**Hospitality:** Denny & Denise Long  
Lula Marsch, Tina Nelson  
**Vocation Statue:** Bobbie & Alice Fallin

**Immaculate Conception, 10:30 am**

**Eucharistic Min:** Aimee Lyday  
Marilyn McCaslin, Cheryl Gammon  
**Lector:** Yvonne Booty  
**Server:** Hunter Severs, Abby Walz  
**Cross Bearer:** John Wheatley  
**Gift Bearer:** David Price Family  
**Hospitality:** Eva Bulleit, Bob Ogle  
Ellen Gaynor Judy Powers  
**Vocation Statue:** David & Joan Wettstain

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**

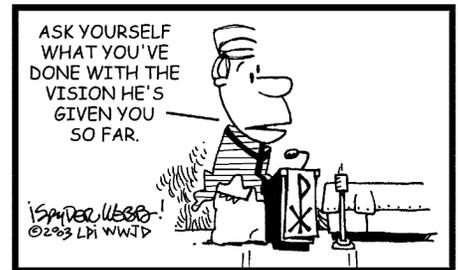
It was many years ago, but I remember it as if it was yesterday. Before most good basketball players left college early for the NBA draft, the Duke Blue Devils won back-to-back championships in men's basketball. The morning after the second championship, I drove to the campus bookstore in order to be one of the first to purchase commemorative T-shirts: one for me and several more for my parents and wife. A crowd was at the door of the store when I arrived, long before it was open for business. When I finally walked inside, I looked around and saw one shirt in particular I liked. I walked over to it, and as I got close to reaching out to pick it up, a little old lady literally ran into me, spun me around, grabbed the shirt, and shrieked, "It's mine!" As if there was only one shirt in the entire store!

Neither of us were entitled to that shirt. In fact, we aren't entitled to much in this life. Rather than searching to get what we think we deserve or trying to beat out others for a better position in this world, our God calls us to focus on helping others to experience the many gifts available to them in this life. We are called to serve instead of be served. Our mission is to sacrifice ourselves and what we desire on this earth for the Kingdom of God. If we are willing to essentially assault someone to get to a T-shirt, what will we do when the stakes are higher? After my initial shock, I wasn't really angry with that lady at Duke. After all, I would like to think that if she simply asked me for it I would have given it to her. At least, I hope I would have. --Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

**IC/SC Thanksgiving Potluck and Birthday Celebration**

Join us for a Thanksgiving Potluck on Sunday, November 11th 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 cakes and pies. SC is asked to bring vegetables and salads. For more information on dishes to bring call Mary Masterson at 270-315-4549 or Sharon Russelburg at 270-314-1748.

30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**Sunday Collections**

**In Need of Special Prayer**  
Phyllis Emmick, Kevin Gearlds,  
Gloria Gray  
**Homebound or Nursing Homes**  
Joan Peak, Betty Brickey, Frances Storm,  
Mary Hinton, Lillie Lanham  
Dorothy Beauchamp,  
Thomas Flood, Shirley Mobley,  
Carl Pendley, Gene Toler  
**Please call the Parish Office to add or  
remove names from this bulletin prayer list.**

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| <b>Immaculate Conception</b> |                   |
| Weekly Goal .....            | \$3,208.00        |
| Collection 10-21-18 .....    | <u>\$2,386.00</u> |
| Difference under .....       | \$822.00          |
| Mass Attendance .....        | 180               |
| Week # 17 of 53              |                   |
| Fiscal YTD Goal .....        | \$54,536          |
| Fiscal YTD Actual .....      | \$47,391          |



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| <b>St. Columba</b>             |                   |
| Weekly Goal .....              | \$2,264.00        |
| Collection 10-21-18 .....      | <u>\$1,504.00</u> |
| Difference under .....         | \$760.00          |
| Mass Attendance .....          | 53/58             |
| Week # 17 of 53                |                   |
| Fiscal YTD Goal .....          | \$38,488          |
| Fiscal YTD Actual .....        | \$37,757          |
| <b>SC Building Repair Fund</b> |                   |
| Total Families Pledged         | 58                |
| Total Amount Pledged           | \$51,518          |
| Total Paid 10-21-18            | \$42,706          |

**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.*

## WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

Question: I wonder if there's anything I can do to influence my friends to get involved in church--and even go more often? Can you help?

Answer: Evangelization is always a delicate balance. Faith itself is a gift, yet it needs to be nourished. So any influence you have needs to be the kind that encourages and invites deeper commitment, stronger faith, and a desire for God. Being preachy or overly pious often has the exact opposite effect. In the Gospel Jesus says you will know a tree by its fruit. Show others the fruit of the church's work and ministry. Look for activities, service projects, special events, outreach programs, etcetera, that you can invite them to. Introduce them to the priest and pastoral staff. Use personal contact to make others feel welcome and comfortable. The best way to be a witness to the faith is by doing. When your friends, cradle Catholics or not, see what you do and what the community of faith does to live and spread the Gospel, they'll want to be part of it. People are drawn to be part of something that is good, helpful, and makes their lives better. You just have to show them that the church is more than just Sunday Mass or a stop-over for Christmas. Jesus called the apostles with little more than "Come and see!" You can too.

## Fulfilling the Promise, Renewing the Pledge | Listening Sessions with Bishop William F. Medley

You are invited to join Bishop Medley, and a few members of the Diocesan Review Board, for an opportunity to share your concerns and thoughts regarding the recent clergy abuse scandals. Bishop Medley wants to listen to you at one of his four sessions:

- Monday, October 29th at Sts. Peter & Paul Parish in Hopkinsville from 6:30 – 8 pm
- Thursday, November 8th at St. Thomas More Parish in Paducah from 6:30 – 8 pm

Note: Out of respect for attendees, who may themselves be victims of abuse, and to encourage honest and open communication, audio and visual recordings will not be allowed. Thank you for your understanding.

## Trail of Treats Candy Donation

The confirmation youth will be handing out candy to the children during the Trail of Treats on Oct 31st. We are asking for donations of candy. If you would like to donate candy you can drop it off at the parish office before Halloween. Thank you for helping our Confirmation youth.



Thank you to everyone who bought blueberries or helped at the Sorghum Festival booth. What a great show of support on our Youth fundraisers.

## November is called the month of All Souls. More recently it has been called the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. Can you tell us more about this feast and the remembrances of this month?

November 2, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, dovetails with November 1, the feast of All Saints. The saints, our models of Christian living, are one with God in heaven. All the faithful departed are those who have died with hope and trust in a loving God who calls us to greater growth and development, even beyond death. This growth and development occurs in a state of being that we have traditionally called purgatory.

While the Western Church has emphasized the cleansing and purifying nature of purgatory, the Eastern Orthodox Church has emphasized the growth and development aspect of it. Today, belief in purgatory allows one who has died in Christ to continue growing and developing before meeting God face-to-face. God continually invites communion with these loved ones, but some feel the need to continue growing and developing before entering into full communion with God.

These November feasts vividly remind us of the rich reality known as the communion of saints. This belief stresses the strong affirmation that the church is always one in Christ. Death does not sever any of the bonds that unite us in Christ. That is why it is a fitting practice to pray for the dead and to ask them to pray for us. Just as we do that for each other when we are alive, so, too, do we continue that bond and concern for each other even beyond death. © 2011 Liturgical Publications Inc

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## Visiting the Cemetery

Because we know that death is not the end of life, it is not morbid for us Christians to visit the graves of our loved ones when the church celebrates the communion of saints and looks forward to that harvest at the end of time when all will be gathered into the new Jerusalem. We decorate the graves of our loved one because we believe that in baptism they have died with Christ and thus Christ will raise them up. So we place on the grave an evergreen wreath—the ancient crown of victory over death and a reminder of the eternal life promised to us in the first sacrament. Or we light vigil candles, keeping one lit throughout November—a reflection of the light of Christ given to each one of us on our baptism day, and a reminder of the wise bridesmaids who kept their lamps lit while waiting for the groom to come so that the wedding can begin. Remember Mary Magdalene and the other two Marys going to visit Jesus' tomb. Confident that what they found you will one day find, make pilgrimages to the graves of your loved ones this month.

Use the prayer at each grave:

*Eternal rest grant unto (name), O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him/her. May his/her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen*