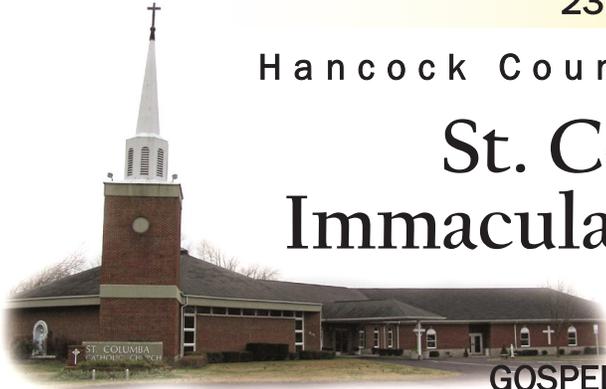


Hancock County Catholic Church

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 call the Parish office to register 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

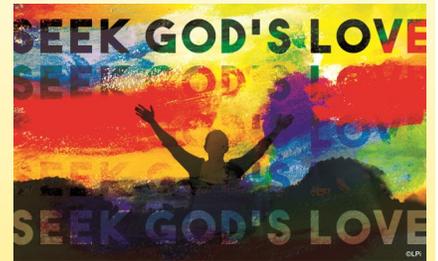
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GOSPEL MEDITATION

What virtue is the cornerstone of discipleship? Love. Jesus preached about it, lived it, and summarized his greatest commandment featuring it. Love is in our DNA. To follow Jesus, then, is to follow the path of love. While this may appear to be an attractive and easy option, it most assuredly is not. Authentic love always comes with sacrifice. It is the complete giving of oneself to another. The sacrificial character of love always requires that we leave something aside and pursue something else. This is at the heart of self-denial. Love asks us to make choices that are often difficult.

There is a reason Jesus asks that the love of God come first. "Charity is the right attitude of mind which prefers nothing to the knowledge of God. If a man possesses any strong attachment to the things of this earth, he cannot possess true charity (St. Maximus the Confessor)." "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple." A devoted disciple must be single-minded in her quest for God. She cannot allow anyone or anything to have more power over her soul than God. When any earthly attachments become more important than Love, we can get ourselves into trouble.

The Gospel calls us to walk boldly into the darkness, confusion, and emptiness of the world clothed in the mantle of love. We are asked to walk with others on their journey, offering a supportive, healing, challenging, and faithful presence. Ours is not to judge. To walk this sacrificial journey means that I must put myself aside and focus on the needs of others. "A sacrifice to be real must cost, must hurt and must empty ourselves (St. Teresa of Calcutta)." Love helps us walk straight and focus to see things more clearly and help others to do so as well. Many folks struggle to find joy and meaning in life. People may simply need someone with the freedom to sit with them in their pain, so they don't feel so alone. Through acts of kindness, gestures of acceptance, and words of compassion, burdens can be lightened. Believe in God's love and seek it above all other things!



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 Price We Pay:

There is an old saying that “nothing is free anymore” and that there is a price we have to pay. Even following JESUS requires a cost which includes detaching ourselves from things and possessions that sometimes get in the way. JESUS also speaks of the reality of the cross and that the Christian must pick it up daily if he/she claims to be a true follower. Although these expectations of JESUS are not easy and the cost of discipleship

is high, He reassures us that the reward is great. Let us pray for the strength to persevere. Have a great week!

Fr. Terry



Faith Sharing Question

Gospel:

Jesus teaches the crowds that true discipleship demands one to “renounce all (your) possessions.” In other words, one’s ultimate concern should be solely the possession of the gift of salvation. Why do you think this is not self-evident to many?



CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

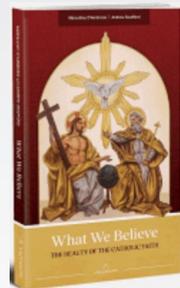
Question: Who was the first American bishop to achieve sainthood?

Last Week’s Answer: Coif

RCIA starts Saturday, September 10th

Our first gathering for RCIA is Saturday September 10th at 10:00am at the Parish office in Hawesville. RCIA stands for the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* and is the process by which adults are prepared to enter into the Catholic Faith.

This process is open to anyone who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith. You do not have to join the Church to attend these sessions and there is absolutely no pressure to commit. If you know of anyone who may be interested or who may have questions about our faith, please contact Fr. Terry at 270-860-0924.



The What We Believe: The Beauty of Our Catholic Faith

Will begin September 11th at both St. Columba (after Mass) and Immaculate Conception (6PM). If you've signed up, see Neena or stop by the office to pick up your materials. If you don't have time to get your materials before the first session, that's ok. Session One will begin with basics and we'll go deeper from there. If you didn't order materials but would like to join, you're more than welcome. We have a few extra copies available.

Coalition for Life

The next HC Coalition for Life meeting is September 12 at 6pm. In an effort to get more in our community engaged, we are going to rotate the location of the meetings. Revive Community Church will host in September. Their building is located downtown Hawesville next to the post office.



Altar Linens

St. Columba is in need of someone to clean and press our altar linens, corporals, purificators and finger towels. Please contact Neena or Denise if you can help with this ministry.



Tuesday, September 6

8:00 am † Bill & Phyllis Emmick SC
By Butch & Peggy Meriwether

Wednesday, September 7

5:30 pm † Hagman Family IC
By Faye Wettstain

Thursday, September 8

8:00 am † Beverly Snyder SC
By Susie Chaffin

Friday, September 9

8:00 am † Jean Mattingly IC
By James & Jimmylou Vandgrift

Saturday, September 10

5:00 pm † Mary Young IC
By Pat and Carol Dornburg

Sunday, September 11

8:30 am † Harmon Long SC
By Denny and Denise Long
10:30 am † People of the Parish IC

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Date September 4, 2022

Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10



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, September 4
9:30am Coffee and Donuts SC

Monday, September 5
Mower of the Week—David Emmick SC



Tuesday, September 6
8 am -7pm Adoration IC

Wednesday, September 7
6:00pm Religious Ed K-12 IC
6:00pm Adult Scripture Study IC

Thursday, September 8
7am -4pm Adoration SC

THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Saturday, September 10
10:00am RCIA IC office

Sunday, September 11
9:30am Adult Class SC
What We Believe
6:00pm Adult Class IC office
What We Believe

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Sunday September 11

St. Columba 8:30am
Mass Coord Judy Pate
Lector Peggy Meriwether
Eucharistic Min 1)Debbie Smeathers
2)Judy Pate
3)Linda Hamilton
Altar Servers Scott Basham
Cross Bearer Shelby Basham
Greeter/Usher: Randy Miller
Dennis Long
Gift Bearers David Emmick Family

Immaculate Conception 10:30am

Mass Coord Eva Bulleit
Lector: Ashley Haycraft
Eucharistic Min 1)Trina Ogle
2)Wade Gaynor
3)Judy Hamilton
Altar Servers Aiden Haycraft
Kamiah Haycraft
Cross Bearer Chance Lyday
Greeter/Usher: Eva Bulleit
Marilyn McCaslin
Gift Bearers Eva Bulleit
Marilyn McCaslin



Why Do We Do That?

Question: Why do Catholics light candles in church?

Answer: Candles have been part of the Church's worship from the earliest times. In the days before electricity, candles and oil lamps were the ways that people lighted buildings. Even today,

we often still depend on candles during power outages, relying on their flickering flames to bring light into the dark. Like our ancestors, we also light candles on special occasions. Think about a festive family meal or a romantic dinner for two — there will often be candles on the table, special objects for a special event. We light candles on birthday cakes and carry them in processions. We also place candles at makeshift memorials that appear when there has been an accident or act of violence. In these moments, their light casts aside a different kind of darkness — the darkness of grief, fear, and death. The custom of the early Christians lighting candles and lamps at the tombs of the martyrs gave way to the practice of having candles at Mass, honoring the sacredness of the celebration. As Christians decorated their worship spaces with statues and icons, they would burn candles in front of sacred images and the relics of the saints, basically “shining a light” on what they held to be sacred. When pilgrims would visit these shrines, they would often bring candles to light before the image or relic. These candles came to be a symbol of the person, and their prayer and the burning these candles came to be understood as an extension and continuation of the prayer that was offered. What began as a practical way to provide light has come to be a symbol of the hopes, desires, loves, losses, fears, and faith of everyday Christians offering their prayers to God and his saints.

Labor Day Prayer

Good and Gracious God,
You created human beings in Your image and likeness

And gave us dominion over creation to be stewards of the land and co-creators of Your Kingdom.

Jesus, You became one of us and labored as a carpenter. You ask all people -- whatever our state of life -- to follow you faithfully.

Holy Spirit, bless all workers this Labor Day.

May all our actions be animated by Your love, as we do all things for the glory of God.

Amen.



Sunday Collections

Immaculate Conception

Weekly Goal\$3,462.00
Collection 8-28-22\$2992.00
Difference under \$470.00
Mass Attendance 43/109

Week # 9 of 52

Fiscal YTD Goal\$31,158
Fiscal YTD Actual\$35,219

St. Columba

Weekly Goal\$2,788.00
Collection 8-28-22\$1457.00
Difference under \$1331.00
Mass Attendance 94

Week # 9 of 52

Fiscal YTD Goal\$25,092
Fiscal YTD Actual\$22,680

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.

Religious Education:

Helps to build a strong foundation

Back to Religious Ed Night!

Come join us **Wednesday, September 7th** to kick off our Religious Ed year! We will be starting the year off a little different than usual with a Whole Family Night. We will be celebrating the Blessed Mother Mary's birthday! There will be pizza, games, activities, and of course Birthday Cake! Parent packets may be picked up the first night of class on September 7th.



"CATECHISTS ARE PEOPLE WHO KEEP THE MEMORY OF GOD ALIVE; THEY KEEP IT ALIVE IN THEMSELVES AND THEY ARE ABLE TO REVIVE IT IN OTHERS."
- POPE FRANCIS

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Catechetical Sunday September 11th

Please join us next Sunday to recognize and bless our catechists and helpers for their willingness to share their time and faith with our children this religious education year!



LOVE
OR
LUST?
WHY SAVE SEX FOR MARRIAGE?

Parents of High School and Confirmation Youth,

For class on Wed. Sept 14th, the confirmation and high school youth will be attending a chastity presentation by Jason Evert at the Horn Community Center at St. Mary of the Woods in Whitesville. We will provide supper in the Parish Hall at 6:00pm, leave from IC Church parking lot at 6:45pm and return at 9:15pm. Parents are invited to attend a parent session "Parenting for Purity" at 6:00pm at the Horn Center. This session will help you talk to your teen about living a chaste life. Parents wishing to attend the parent session are welcome to attend on their own. Youth will attend a "Love or Lust?" presentation at 7:30 PM, which parents are also invited to join. Please contact Nicole if you can volunteer to help drive the youth or with any questions about the event.

Get Ready For An Action Packed Night! Tickets are on sale NOW!

Buy your tickets as you leave Mass or contact the church office. Families may reserve entire tables of 8!! Business Sponsors get to name the horses for one race and receive special seating and Free Advertising during the night. Contact the office if you want to be a sponsor!!

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
CHURCH
PRESENTS



A NIGHT AT THE RACES 2022

Saturday, October 22nd | 6:00pm

CATERED DINNER | BEER & WINE | MUST BE 21 AND OVER TO ATTEND

Admission is \$25
Races start at 7:00pm
\$2 ticket minimum per race

LIVE Dessert Auction!
Proceeds to support Eastern Kentucky
Flood Victims

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LOVE
OR
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WHY SAVE SEX FOR MARRIAGE?

SCARE TACTICS, GUILT TRIPS, AND TEEN PREGNANCY RATES DON'T INSPIRE ANYONE TO LOVE.

Discover the difference between love and lust while getting straight answers about dating, relationships, and sexual purity.



JASON EVERT
is a bestselling author of more than fifteen books, and has brought the message of chastity to more than one million people on six continents. He and his wife Crystalina run the ministry Chastity Project and its website, chastity.com

September 14, 2022 at 7:30PM
Assembly for Catholic students in our public schools.

September 15, 2022 at 9:30AM
All Catholic school students.

Horn Community Center
10458 Main Cross St., Whitesville, KY 42378

Please RSVP with Joe Bland at joe.bland@stmarywoods.com or contact St. Mary of the Woods Parish Office at 270-233-4196. RSVP's must be received by Wednesday, August 31, 2022.

 **CHASTITY.COM**