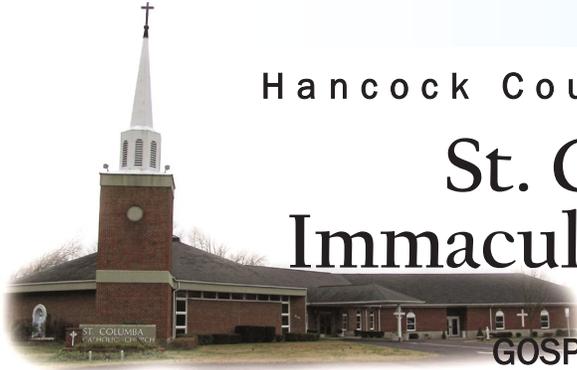


Hancock County Catholic Church

St. Columba & Immaculate Conception



GOSPEL MEDITATION

“You cannot serve both God and mammon.” Merriam-Webster defines mammon as material wealth or possessions, especially having a debasing influence. While God does not take issue with our need to use money for the business of our lives, there can be a problem with the attitudes we bring to it. We can easily become so preoccupied and obsessed with money that it becomes the real “god” we worship. Do we serve mammon instead of God? In their book, Wealth, Riches and Money, Craig Hill and Earl Pitts outline symptoms of mammon’s influence in our lives. Some of these are worry and anxiety over money, money mismanagement, fear over “never having enough,” an “I can’t afford it” mentality, impulse buying, stinginess, greed, debt, and discontent.

Many of the things on that list can consume us to the point that we are distracted from what we really need to be doing. Many people spend an inordinate amount of time worrying about money and it becomes the source of their worst fears. If we are honest with ourselves, we need to admit that we place far more emphasis on our material securities than we ought. In fact, we have actually convinced ourselves that we cannot live without it. Are we that certain about the presence of God? Many of the world’s problems, especially those involving inequity and injustice, result from conflicts about money. Many equate money with happiness. Those successful in accumulating large amounts of it quickly realize just how wrong they are.

“Your ultimate allegiance is not to the government, not to the state, not to nation, not to any man-made institution. The Christian owes his ultimate allegiance to God, and if any earthly institution conflicts with God’s will it is your Christian duty to take a stand against it. You must never allow the transitory evanescent demands of man-made institutions to take precedence over the eternal demands of the Almighty God (Martin Luther King, Jr.)” This is the point Jesus is trying to make. Unfortunately, when we look around our man-made kingdoms are far more prevalent than God’s kingdom. When we start seeing greater evidence of justice, equity, dignity, respect, opportunity, gentleness, holiness, solidarity, honesty, simplicity, care for creation, and a decrease in ambition, then we will know that God’s kingdom is being served. We will be doing what we are supposed to do.



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 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

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



## Spiritual Wittiness

In our gospel this weekend Jesus reminds us that we cannot serve both Him and other masters. In fact, Jesus challenges His followers to a deeper level of spiritual maturity. In the story of the “devious employee”, Jesus does not condone dishonesty, but simply gives the employee credit for being witty and intelligent, Jesus is not calling you and me to dishonesty, but rather that we use our talents and efforts to promote His

Kingdom here on earth. One way to accomplish this is through the advice of St. Paul, which is the power of prayer. Knowing that Jesus is our mediator and sits at the right hand of the Father, let us pray for spiritual wisdom and guidance in following Jesus and living out our faith. Have a good week!

Fr. Terry



### Tuesday, September 20

8:00 am † Roger Basham SC  
By Fritz and Sandy Basham

### Wednesday, September 21

5:30 pm † Hannah Boehman IC  
By Mary and Kenny Woodward

### Thursday, September 22

8:00 am † Stephen Emmick SC  
By Charlie and Linda Kamuf

### Friday, September 23

8:00 am † George Hagman IC  
By Debbie Smeathers

### Saturday, September 24

5:00 pm † Jeannie Hanks IC  
By Carl Gray

### Sunday, September 25

8:30 am People of the Parish SC  
10:30 am † Parker Ogle IC  
By George and Cheryl Gammon

## Faith Sharing Question

### Gospel:

In the parable of the dishonest steward, Jesus praises the steward for resolving his dilemma, in the end, with prudence. With his parable, Jesus teaches his disciples an important lesson on the dangers of monetary wealth. How do you avoid the trap of choosing money over God?



## CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

**Question:** What are the small vessels that hold the water and wine used at the Consecration called?

**Last Week's Answer:** The Litany of the Saints, prescribed by Saint Pope Gregory the Great in 590, it was first mentioned by Saint Basil in the 4<sup>th</sup> century



## Religious Education:

Helps to build a strong foundation

## Religious Ed Classes

Classes have started! Every Wednesday 6-7pm.

Youth K-7 will meet in IC office basement.

Highschool grades 8-12 will meet in IC Upper Room. Adults will meet in the conference room in the main floor office. Youth registration packets may be picked up in the classroom

## What We Believe:

Class has started but it is not too late to join us! You may choose to attend class at St. Columba (after 8:30am Mass) or Immaculate Conception at 6PM. You're more than welcome. We have a few extra books available.



## 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.

This year begins our 2 year Confirmation Program for our 6th/7th graders this year! We will be having a Confirmation Candidate and Parent Meeting on Wednesday, September 21st at 6:00pm in the IC Parish Hall.



## Feast Day Our Lady of the Rosary

To celebrate Our Lady of the Rosary Feast Day we invite you to walk and pray with us. We will meet at Vastwood Park's Beach House on Friday October 7th at 5:30pm to walk the trail and pray the Rosary. All are welcome!

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### September 18, 2022

**Sunday:** Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

**Monday:** Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 8:16-18

**Tuesday:** Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21

**Wednesday:** Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

**Thursday:** Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc/Lk 9:7-9

**Friday:** Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22

**Saturday:** Eccl 11:9–12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/Lk 9:43b-45

**Next Sunday:** Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31



A listing of online Mass locations and times are on our website:

[icscchurch.org](http://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 18

9:30am	Adult Class	SC
	What We Believe	
6:00pm	Adult Class	IC office
	What We Believe	

### Monday, September 19

Mower of the Week - Katie Herrmann SC

### Tuesday, September 20

8 am -7pm Adoration IC

### Wednesday, September 21

6:00pm	Religious Ed K-12	IC
6:00pm	Adult Scripture Study	IC
6:00pm	Confirmation Candidate	
	Parent Meeting	IC Hall

### Thursday, September 22

7am -4pm Adoration SC

### Saturday September 24

10am RCIA IC office

### Sunday, September 25

9:30am	Adult Class	SC
	What We Believe	
6:00pm	Adult Class	IC office
	What We Believe	

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

### Sunday September 25

#### St. Columba 8:30am

Mass Coord	Linda Hamilton
Lector	Steve Basham
Eucharistic Min	1)Randy Miller 2)Dian Heavrin 3)Debbie Smeathers
Altar Servers	Aubrey Poole
Cross Bearer	Volunteer
Greeter/Usher:	Joyce Duncan Denny Long
Gift Bearers	Linda/Thomas Hamilton

#### Immaculate Conception 10:30am

Mass Coord	Aimee Lyday
Lector:	Neena Gaynor
Eucharistic Min	1)Ashely Haycraft 2)Paul Haycraft 3)Wade Gaynor
Altar Servers	Sebastian Meserve Josey Gaynor
Cross Bearer	Wiley Gaynor
Greeter/Usher:	Bob Ogle Marilyn McCaslin
Gift Bearers	Marilyn McCaslin Eva Bulleit



## Why Do We Do That?

**Question:** Why do we celebrate Catechetical Sunday?

**Answer:** The mission of the church reflects the mission of Jesus to teach, preach, heal, and forgive. Through these acts, Jesus shares the good news of salvation and invites all people

to share in the life and love of God. The church continues this mission in all its ministries, but especially, and perhaps most importantly, through catechesis. Catechetical Sunday is celebrated on the third Sunday of September. The task of handing on the Gospel is entrusted to the whole community, who by word and example, form young and new members in the way of the Gospel. Parish programs assist parents in teaching the basics of faith through liturgical experience, instruction, and faith formation. This ministry is essential for the parish to grow, for individuals to develop as believers, and for the ongoing spiritual formation of the whole community. It reminds the church that preaching the Gospel and growing in faith are essential to our sacramental practice and our liturgical prayer.

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

Buy your tickets as you leave Mass or contact the church office. Only 200 tickets will be sold! Friends and Families may reserve entire tables of 8!!

Groups/Families and Businesses may Sponsor a race for \$250. Sponsors receive 8 tickets, 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 or buy your tickets!!

## Sunday Collections

### Immaculate Conception

Weekly Goal	\$3,462.00
Collection 9-11-22	<u>\$3573.00</u>
Difference over	\$111.00
Mass Attendance	39/120

Week # 11 of 52

Fiscal YTD Goal	\$37,082
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$43,742

### St. Columba

Weekly Goal	\$2,788.00
Collection 9-11-22	<u>\$1041.00</u>
Difference under	\$1747.00
Mass Attendance	74

Week # 11 of 52

Fiscal YTD Goal	\$30,668
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$26,545

## 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.