

# SAINT COLUMBKILLE

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 15, 2021

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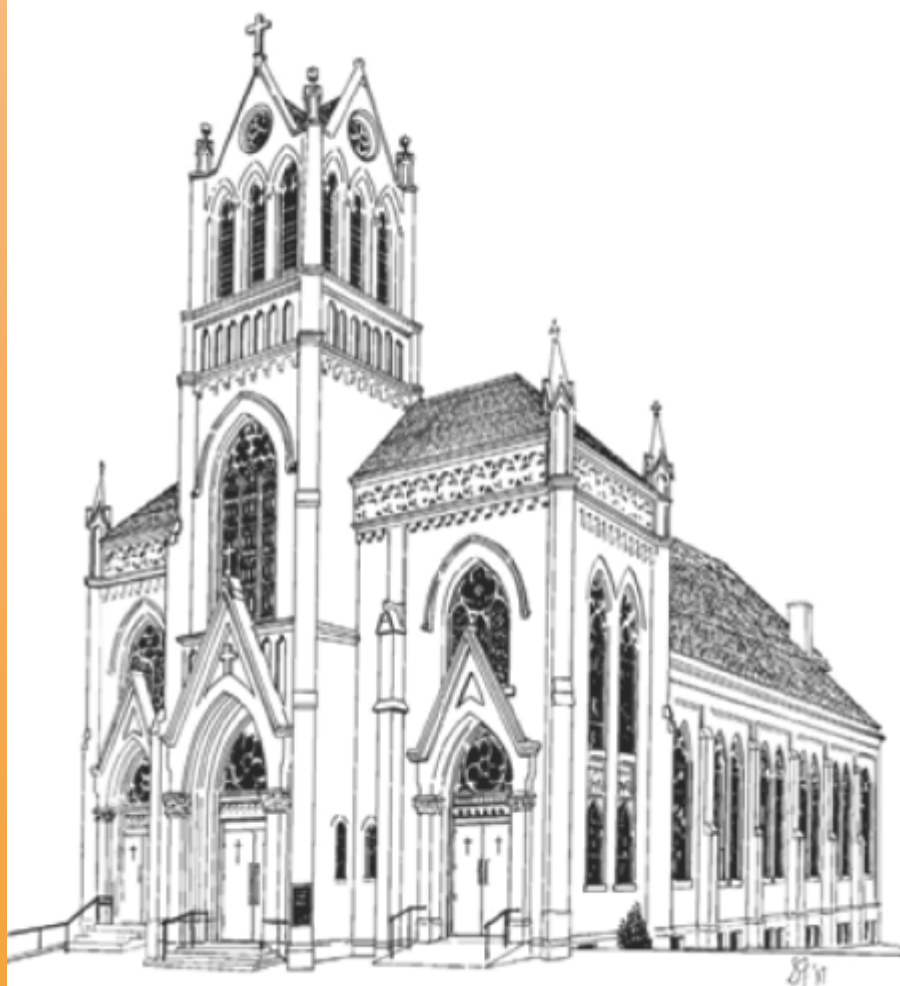
### Mission Statement

**God CALLS us to be disciples and  
FORMS us by our Catholic Faith to  
ENCOUNTER Christ**

**EMBRACE deeper faith and  
EMPOWER Christian action.**

Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3 pm

Thursday Evenings at 6 pm



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## ENCOUNTER: Mass Intention and added prayers for:

Monday, August 16

9:00 am † **Merlin Fuller**

Tuesday, August 17

9:00 am † **Dorothy Heitzman**

Wednesday, August 18

9:00 am † **Velma Healy**

Thursday, August 19

9:00 am † **Gary Anglin**

Friday, August 20

7:00 am † **Tom Feltes**

Saturday, August 21

4:15 pm † **Albert, Earl & Dorothy Cady & Family**

\* Tom Goodman

\* Robert Borley

\* Dave Cushman Family In Thanksgiving

\* Don Ruden

\* Doris & Art Trausch

Sunday, August 22

8:00 am **Pro Popolo**

\* Marie Merfeld

\* Fr. Joseph Hauer

10:00 am **Ray & Millie Schlickman**

\* Jerry Hosch

## EMBRACE: This Week

**Monday, August 16th**

6:00 pm Cub Scouts—PH

7:15 pm Families Anonymous

**Tuesday, August 17th**

6:00 pm Choir—Church

**Wednesday, August 18th**

6:00 pm Boy Scouts—Convent

6:00 pm Finance Committee—Fogarty

6:30 pm KCs—PH

**Thursday, August 19th**

9:45 am Coffee with Friends—Locust Hy-Vee

6:00 pm Reconciliation—Center Vestibule

**Friday, August 20th**

5:00 pm Smith/Newman-Caro Rehearsal

**Saturday, August 21st**

2:00 pm Smith/Newman-Caro Wedding

4:15 pm First Reconciliation/Communion—Ch/PH

**Sunday, August 22nd**

10:00 am 1st Reconciliation/Communion—Ch/PH

**Volunteer with Catholic Charities—You can make a difference!** Catholic Charities is looking for enthusiastic, service-oriented, and dedicated individuals to join our team as volunteers. Our Jail & Prison Reentry Services is seeking mentors and members of Circles of Support groups. Please visit our website to complete the online application. For Volunteers in the Dubuque area, please contact Karen Hoeger, [k.hoeger@dbqarch.org](mailto:k.hoeger@dbqarch.org) or 563-552-0203.

**Next Sunday, August 22, the Loose Coin Collection goes to Dominican Sisters—Fr. Vu.**



**Visit** [www.stcolumbkille.net/formed](http://www.stcolumbkille.net/formed) to find “pick of the week” material offered by FORMED, and to learn more about this free online resource of videos, audio books, reflections and more.

## JOY of Columbkille Events:

- **Knights of Columbus Open, Saturday, August 28, 2021** – 4-person Big Cup Best Shot Shotgun Start at 3 pm at Timberline – \$50 per person includes 9-hole event, cart, and famous KC Dinner.
- **St. Columbkille Picnic, Sunday, September 19** – begins with outdoor Mass at 10 am.



## Through The Waters of Baptism We Welcome Into the Family of God:

- Miles Parker son of Michael & Jennifer Conlon
- Maximilian Kolbe son of Charles & Nicole Sisler
- Adelaide Clare daughter of Tyler & Meredith Willman
- McKinley Gina daughter of Christoph and Ashley Esch

**RCIA:** Do you know someone who is interested in adult faith formation? RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults for: Someone who wants to begin the journey toward baptism, baptized Christians who want to enter full communion in the Catholic faith, baptized Catholics who wish to complete the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation. New program beginning this fall. For more information, please call Jessi Rauhen at 563-583-9117.



**Adoption Law Updates:** Attention Birth Parents: If you or someone you know placed a child in an adoptive home and you desire to remain anonymous, please read the following information carefully. Per the Iowa Department of Public Health: Bureau of Health Statistics, adoptees may now receive a noncertified copy of the certificate of birth prior to adoption. **If you want to remain anonymous, this requires your immediate attention.** Call the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) Bureau of Statistics at 515-281-7689. Catholic Charities also has a resource page with more information, including FAQs.

Dear Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption, a feast flowing from Tradition with a capital "T". In our Catholic faith, we speak of "Sacred Tradition and Sacred Scripture, then, are bound closely together, and communicate one with the other" (Catechism, 80). We do not have direct Scriptural evidence of Mary's Assumption into heaven and the dogma of the Assumption was not proclaimed as definitive until 1950. Yet, the wide held belief, evidence of this belief, and a wide demand for further investigation caused Pope Pius XII to confirm this ancient and universal teaching.

As you finish reading this paragraph and yawn, you may wonder why I think this matters today. For all of its messiness, the church is a reflection of the human person's attempt to accept our redemption in Jesus Christ. As the church functions by both scripture and tradition, so does the human being. We know that what we say has to impact what we do. I can say my own words of scripture, "I am going to eat a healthy diet" but if my tradition leads me to chocolate ice cream, Doritos, and eating at 9 pm, my words do not have much meaning.

Yet, we live in a culture that wants to absolutely reject all tradition. Listening to a podcast about the novel, *Jane Eyre*, an 1847 novel by Charlotte Brontë, a commentator noted the orphan forced the family traditions to be broken and the novel moved forward only by the orphan (Jane, in this case) reinventing herself (The orphan genre was widespread during this time.) In stating why these old novels have meaning for us today, she said, "We are all attempting to live as orphans today." What is the problem with rejecting tradition?

While it is a problem for the church, it is a greater problem for the human being. While purification of our traditions is constantly in need, the thought that we can reject tradition without consequence to ourselves is naïve as well. Without recognizing it, we begin to create our own traditions that change our scriptures without full awareness. It is manifested in subtle ways: how we spend our time—scrolling through Facebook, consumed by Pinterest, clicking on a pornographic website, or playing video games. These actions range from immoral to benign from a content (scripture) point of view. However, the act of spending hours online doing these things changes the function of our lives (tradition). No matter how hard we try to reject tradition, we will pass traditions on to the next generation. Will they be good traditions?

The traditions of the church try to reflect upon this very reality and today the church holds up the Tradition of Mary's assumption into heaven as a tradition that is meaningful for understanding our own lives and our ultimate end. God gives us the virtue, example, and promise of Mary as a tradition worthy of emulation. We do not have to do this on our own!

God knows human beings live well when our traditions are well formed by the words we live by. Mary heard the Word (Jesus, bore the Word, embraced the Word, suffered with the Word, and received the reward of the Word. We are not orphans, we are sons and daughters of this same Word. I pray we can do two things, First, may we be more aware of the traditions we are creating. Second, may we embrace the traditions that unite us more closely to the Word like Mary did.

In Christ,

**Fr. David**

## ENCOUNTER: Readings for the Week Week of August 15, 2021

Sun: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56  
Mon: Jgs 2:11-19/Mt 19:16-22  
Tues: Jgs 2:11-24a/Mt 19:23-30  
Wed: Jgs 9:6-15/Mt 20:1-16  
Thurs: Jgs 11:29-39a/Mt 22:1-14  
Fri: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Mt 22:34-40  
Sat: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Mt 23:1-12  
Next Sun: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32/Jn 6:60-69

## Parish Prayer Chain:

There is power in united prayer. Jesus said: "Again I tell you, if two of you join your voices on earth to pray for anything whatever, it shall be granted you by my Father in heaven." Matthew 18:19 This is a reminder that we have a group of dedicated parishioners ready and willing to pray for your personal, family, or other intentions. To take advantage of this gift of intercessory prayer, please call or e-mail your request to: Laverne Anglin—845-7085, Connie McCoy—556-1581, or Julie Kouba—557-1986; [julianakouba@gmail.com](mailto:julianakouba@gmail.com).



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