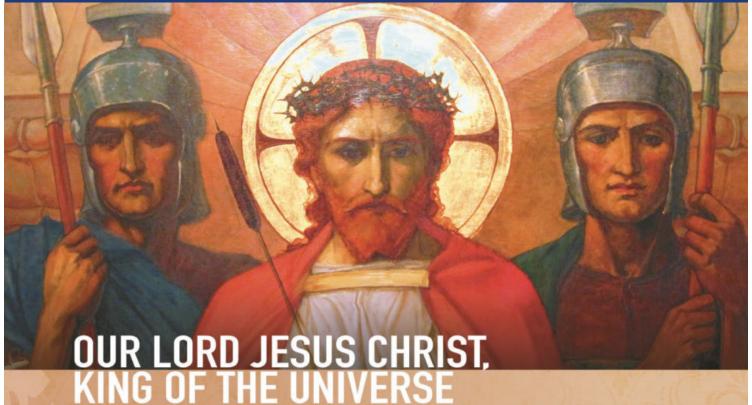


God CALLS us to be disciples and FORMS us by our Catholic Faith to

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The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God." - Lk 23:35

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

RECONCILIATION

Thursday: 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM Friday: 6:30 AM to 7:00 AM **Saturday: 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM**

or by appointment

ROSARY

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 AM

MASS TIMES

Monday: 9:00 AM Tuesday: 9:00 AM Wednesday: 9:00 AM Thursday: 9:00 AM Friday: 7:00 AM

Saturday: 4:15 PM (livestreamed)

Sunday: 8:00 AM | 10:00 AM







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SINTENTIONS

PASTOR'S REFLECTION

Monday **Nov. 21** 9:00 AM

† Tom Goodman † Evelyn G. Stieber

Tuesday Nov. 22 9:00 AM

† Daniel P. Aslin † John and Joan Higley

Wednesday Nov. 23 9:00 AM

† Tom Healy † Kenneth Thill

Thursday

† Earl Larson

Nov. 24 9:00 AM

† John, Myra, John Jr., & Linda Welsh

† Steve W. Makovec † Chuck Callahan

† Paul H., Darlene, Ron and Melvin

Freisinger

Friday Nov. 25 7:00 AM

† Betty Sullivan

† John and Janet Schwendinger

Saturday Nov. 26 4:15 PM

† Don Ruden † Dick Strub

† Bud Portz and Mary Mormann

† Maury Sturm

† Alvin & Alverna Koos, Orlin & Colletta Koos, and Wilbur Berger

† Jim McCrea

Sunday Nov. 27 8:00 AM

† Marie Merfield † Mike Barrett

Sunday Nov. 28 10:00 AM

Pro Populo † Barb Setter † Melvin Schuster "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise" (Luke 23:43). Can you imagine the solace the repentant thief felt when he heard those words? Not only is it a promise of paradise but Jesus promises a closeness to him in paradise. As our Saints have said, where Jesus is, there is paradise.

We conclude our Liturgical year with these powerful words and they become an invitation to us: To humbly call upon our Lord's mercy and to receive his promise.

My further prayer is to have the eyes of the repentant thief. When everything indicated the opposite, the repentant thief recognized Jesus as king. May we do the same.

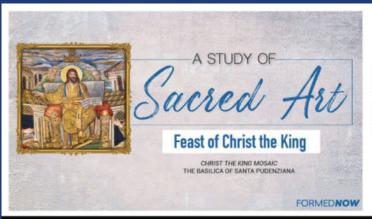
I wanted to give you a few practical updates as well:

- 1. We continue to work on "protecting" our church from the elements. Jackson Tucking Pointing is nearly done with the front of the church. Its work caught most things in time so that they could be repaired rather than replaced.
- 2. We continue to fight water coming into Presentation Hall. We have cut down the amount but have not yet eliminated it. It is a battle!
- 3. The fire alarm system for the church is going to be replaced. Two parishioner families recognized the shortcomings of our current system and are funding its replacement. This rose in priority for both safety and protection purposes.
- 4. We are in the midst of gathering the best data we can for decisions about our school. We are working with our various committees and councils, Holy Family, and the Archdiocese. The number of ideas processed over the past two years has been staggering and we have engaged multiple professionals to help us assess ideas. We are starting to focus on better ideas and we will keep reaching out more broadly.

Finally, we note that our budgeted giving is a bit behind normal and below last year at this time. We know there are a lot of financial unknowns and it makes people hesitant. Please know we are working hard on being good stewards of your gifts and would appreciate your support as we close out our calendar year.

In Christ,

In Dovid Schoty



FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Sacred Art

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they explore Catholic theology through the lens of Sacred Art. In this episode, they discuss the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

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PARISH NEWS

Ginter Thanksgiving Meal Service Opportunities

Our loose coin collection the weekend of November 6 brought in \$735.81 in contributions for the Ginter Family Thanksgiving meal a community tradition since 1962 that strives to ensure those in need have a meal on their table Thanksgiving Day. Thank you for your generosity! If you are interested in serving this mission further, please contact Deacon-candidate Mike DeMoully at 563-451-9950 or m.demoully@dbqarch.org. He is organizing our assistance.

Represent St. Columbkille Parish With Logo Wear!

An online store has been set up for parish-branded apparel. You can help represent St. Columbkille Church through your service in our parish and community. Please note: although youth sizes are offered, the parish-branded apparel is not part of Holy Family's dress code for school. To best ensure orders are received in time for Christmas gift-giving, the online store will close on November 27. See the link and QR code below to order!

Christmas Poinsettias in Memory of a Loved One

Our worship space will once again be decorated with poinsettias for the Christmas season. If you would like to contribute in memory of a loved one, or to the fund in general, please send a check payable to St. Columbkille in the amount of \$15, or submit your request and payment online at:

stcolumbkille.net/Christmas-poinsettias. The deadline for inclusion in the Christmas bulletin is December 5.



Next Sunday, November 27, the loose coin collection goes to Birthright.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Continental Stage of the Synod: Listening Session

You are invited to a discussion on what you want to recommend to our good Pope Francis for discussion and decision at his October 2023 Synod meeting in Rome. The discussion will be held at Cathedral of St. Raphael Center on Monday, November 21, 6:30-7:30 p.m. The Pope hopes to receive your input regarding three questions: 1) What attracts you to the Catholic faith and to be active in your parish? 2) What Church teaching or practice makes you feel unwelcome, alienated, or angry? 3) What topics should the Pope discuss and decide at his October 2023 Synod meeting in Rome? Archbishop Jackels and/or Kim Hermsen (Director of Pastoral Planning and Leadership Development) will be present to lead the discussion and record your responses.

Wahlert 50th Annual Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot

The annual Turkey Trot at Wahlert Catholic High School is a family Thanksgiving tradition! Participants age six and up may choose between a two-and-a-half-mile or five-mile course. Registration is \$15, and long-sleeved t-shirts are available for \$20. A certificate for a frozen turkey will be awarded to the first-place finisher in each age division. Visit holyfamilydbq.org/turkeytrot for more information and to register online.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday **Nov. 21**

Holy Family Agriculture Club 3:00 P.M. | Presentation Hall

Cub Scouts

6:00 P.M. | Presentation Hall **Boy Scouts**

6:00 P.M. | Fogarty Hall

Families Anonymous

7:15 P.M. | Fogarty Hall

Tuesday

Nov. 22

Holy Family Wrestling Practice 3:00 P.M. | Convent Building

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 6:00 P.M. | Convent Building

Thursday

Nov. 24

Thanksgiving Day

9:00 A.M. Daily Mass | Church (The parish office is closed)

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Saturday

Nov. 26

Carlson Baptism 4:15 P.M. | Church

Sunday

Nov. 27

Kraciun Baptism 11:00 A.M. | Church



STAFF CORNER

"Knock! Knock!"

"Who's there?"

"It's your neighbor, Grace!"

Back in the day I remember well all the neighbors that lived in my neighborhood. Do you recall the times when your next-door neighbors came to your rescue? What would life be like without our good ole neighbors nearby?

Neighbors are the people who will let us bend their ears over a cup of joe, snow blow that mountain of white stuff blanketing our sidewalks, give us a lift when our worn-out beater is in the shop, and, lo and behold, after twisting their arms enough times finally give in with an... "Alright, okay, yes I will help you celebrate turning over the hill." Good neighbors are bountiful blessings.

The icing on top of the cake though, wait for it, is that we do not even need to be technologically savvy!!!! All it takes is a simple hello, which, in return, forms a long-term comforting, reassured, and healthy sense of belonging.

Thankful for the good neighbors we have, let us intentionally better our own health and well-being by being "grace", especially to our elderly neighbors.



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SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Baptism is the basic Sacrament of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit, and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. With the new birth through water and the Word, we are freed from sin and regenerated as sons and daughters of God. We ask expecting couples to visit our website or contact Serena Freisinger at s.freisinger@dbqarch.org during pregnancy to help prepare for the baptism of their child.

First Reconciliation & First Communion

These sacraments are typically celebrated when a child is 7 or 8 years old, or in second grade. At. St. Columbkille, we have a firm belief that since Reconciliation and Communion are part of everyday Catholic living, preparing for these sacraments at home within the family is essential. We are guiding families in a way that not only provides parents with the tools they need to prepare their child, but also walking with them to learn how to use those tools in their daily Catholic family life. If you are looking for more information in regards to these exciting Sacramental firsts, please contact Jessica Rauen at j.rauen@dbqarch.org.

Marriage

The sacred covenant in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony is a symbol of the union between Christ and his Church, and we would love to celebrate it with you at St. Columbkille. Please contact the parish office at least 6-12 months prior to the intended wedding date. For more information, visit our website or contact the parish office at 563-583-9117.

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

The RCIA process is open to those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, even though they may not be ready to make a commitment at this time. It typically involves someone ready to take the next step in their faith journey. For more information, visit our website or contact Tricia Tranel at t.tranel@dbqarch.org.

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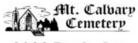
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