

# Saint Columbkille

CATHOLIC CHURCH



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

**ENCOUNTER** Christ · **EMBRACE** deeper faith · **EMPOWER** Christian action

*Welcome to the table of the Lord!*



*First Holy Communion*

Tiarnan Allen  
Arlo Althoff  
Cade Budden  
Lydia Burkart  
James Daly  
Patrick Flood  
Hadley Fuller  
Hunter Gansemer  
Taylor Kuhle  
Alaina O'Connor  
Jasmine Paraiso  
Ruby Portzen  
Caymin Reisner  
Levy Rowa  
Mason Sacco  
Daniel Schlitter  
Xavier Seipp  
Benjamin Thomas  
Ava Troutner  
Rowen Troutner  
Kailee Voss  
August Wertz

## 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

Children's Liturgy of the Word is  
celebrated during most 10 AM Sunday Masses

APRIL 23

2023

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## MASS INTENTIONS

## PASTOR'S REFLECTION

Monday  
**April 24**  
9:00 AM

† John and Joan Higley  
† Sr. Helen Strohman

Tuesday  
**April 25**  
9:00 AM

† Georgia Barry

Wednesday  
**April 26**  
9:00 AM

† Joan Higley

Thursday  
**April 27**  
9:00 AM

† Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Piekenbrock  
† Bert Tranel

Friday  
**April 28**  
7:00 AM

† Sally Schiffer

Saturday  
**April 29**  
4:15 PM

† Barbara Kruse  
† Nicholas and Grace Ervolino  
† Guy A. Gard, Jr.  
† Geraldine Goodman  
† Ray Vogt Family

Sunday  
**April 30**  
8:00 AM

† Helen Molo

10:00 AM

Pro Populo  
† Barb Setter  
† Roy and Millie Schlickman



Last Sunday and again this Sunday for 1st Communion we invited the children up around the Altar. It was not your usual quiet, solemn space to be in as Christ came to us there!

Being there was a unique experience for these boys and girls, and a thought-provoking one. I found it reminiscent of our actual family table of ten growing up. Happily nothing was spilled as was often the case for McDermott meals! But I was reminded of the energy and messiness of our lives that we offer to God at Mass. We share ourselves honestly at the family table and God wants the same as we give ourselves to Him, so He can give Himself to us. Jesus just wants us there regardless to "do this in memory of Me" so the Food we receive can keep us growing and alive.

Many university studies point to the real benefits of prioritizing family meals together. They include: "kids have higher grades and larger vocabularies; they also develop greater resilience and have lower rates of depression, substance abuse and obesity. Plus, they have better nutrition."

Life experience tells us the same benefits are even more true of "letting the children come to Me" at Mass as a family meal! Nothing is more nutritious for emotional and spiritual well-being than Christ's Body and Blood, and where else will one's vocabulary be stretched to include Greek words like "Eucharist?"

Jesus came, He said, that "we might have life, and have it to the full!" The family table reveals the messiness of life: it can be work to be there and a challenge to schedule. But its also where life's messiness is brought to Jesus for healing and hope, and the family reminds itself we are loved and welcome in each others' lives. Life to the full is helped by having family meals. None more-so than by the one we call The Mass. Thanks all for bringing your families!

*Fr. Tom McDermott*

### Through the waters of Baptism we have welcomed to our faith community:

**Carson Thomas O'Shea** January 8, 2023  
**Estelle Ann Beecher** January 14, 2023  
**Hazel Mary Koenig** January 15, 2023  
**Ruby Kay Skovronski** January 22, 2023  
**Edward Joseph Cavin** January 22, 2023  
**Simon James Pennington** January 22, 2023  
**Emma Marie Esch** February 4, 2023  
**Chloe Bea Ronning** February 4, 2023  
**Brooks Lee Digmann** March 11, 2023  
**Remi Ann Quillin** March 19, 2023  
**Fiorella Eileen Susmarski** March 19, 2023  
**Emma Monroe Rath** March 25, 2023  
**William James Keith** March 26, 2023  
**Addilyn Bodine Hoffmann** April 15, 2023  
**Esmé Constance Link** April 15, 2023  
**Olivia Ann Mueller** April 15, 2023  
**Jameson Bodine Wehling** April 15, 2023

BORN OF  
water  
AND THE  
Spirit



## PARISH NEWS

### Deacon Travis King Receives the 2023 St. George Award

We congratulate Deacon Travis King, honored as this year's 2023 recipient of the St George Award by the Boy Scouts of America. This is the highest religious award in BSA given to an adult for outstanding service to Catholic Scouting. We thank Deacon Travis for his service to fostering faith in the scouts entrusted to his leadership, and the example of prioritizing our faith within their family that he and his wife, Melissa, give as parents!

### The Knights of Columbus Thank You for Your Support

The St. Columbkille Knights of Columbus Council 15813 would like to thank all the parishioners for putting your faith in action and supporting our recent Save the Baby Ultrasound Breakfast. It was a tremendous success! 325 people were able to gather and celebrate life. Your generous financial donations enabled us to send a check to \$3,500 to the Iowa Knights of Columbus to be used toward the purchase of the next ultrasound machine to be placed in the state of Iowa. Vivat Jesus!



**Next Sunday, April 30, the loose coin collection goes to Mary's Inn.**

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Full Time Positions Available at St. Columbkille School

St. Columbkille Elementary School has a full time music position and a full time 5th grade position available for the 2023-2024 school year. Please apply through Teach Iowa. Feel free to contact Sister Catherine at 563-582-3532 if you have questions.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### "Living the Resurrection" Online Women's Prayer

How do we live the resurrection in today's world? Who gives you hope and inspiration? Gather online with Presentation Sisters and other women of faith for a time of prayer and sharing on April 30 at 5:00 p.m. Let us encourage one another on the journey of faith. Open to single women aged 18-45 seeking prayer and faith sharing. To RSVP, visit [dbqpbvms.org/living-the-resurrection](http://dbqpbvms.org/living-the-resurrection).

### Spring Clean Up for Mt. Calvary and Mt. Olivet Cemeteries

The annual Spring clean up will be Monday, April 24 through Friday, April 28. Please remove all items and decorations you wish to save no later than Sunday, April 23. All items not removed will be discarded. Cemetery Management requests that no decorations or plantings be placed on grave sites until Saturday, April 29. Please check cemetery regulations before placing decorations to avoid losing items that do not conform.

### Hospice of Dubuque Tree of Life Memorial Service

As certain flowers bloom in the spring, we hold the memories of loved ones in our hearts. Join us at the Annual Tree of Life Memorial Service on Tuesday, May 23 at 7 p.m. in Washington Park where we will gather as a community to honor those we love. All are welcome to attend. Please bring lawn chairs due to limited seating. Visit [hospiceofdubuque.org/tree-of-life](http://hospiceofdubuque.org/tree-of-life).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday

**April 24**

**Cub Scouts**

6:00 P.M. | Presentation Hall

**Girl Scouts**

6:00 P.M. | Convent Building, 2nd floor

**Families Anonymous**

7:15 P.M. | Fogarty Hall

Tuesday

**April 25**

**Holy Family Wrestling Practice**

3:00 P.M. | Convent Building

**Pastoral Council Meeting**

6:00 P.M. | Fogarty Hall

Wednesday

**April 26**

**Boy Scouts**

6:00 P.M. | Convent Building, 2nd floor

Thursday

**April 27**

**Eucharistic Adoration With Students**

12:05—2:15 P.M. | Church

*All are welcome to join our students!*

**Catholic Charities Circle Meeting**

4:30 P.M. | Convent Building, 2nd floor

Sunday

**April 30**

**RCIA**

11:00 A.M. | Presentation Hall

**Save the date!**



Sunday

**Aug. 27**

**Brewers vs. Padres Bus Trip**

St. Columbkille Parish will be sponsoring a baseball trip to beautiful American Family Field in Milwaukee to see the Brewers vs. the San Diego Padres on Sunday, August 27, 2023. The cost is just \$75.00 per person. This price includes your bus fare and Loge Outfield Box seat ticket to the game. For more details, please contact Kirk Fitzgerald ([kirkfitzdbq2@gmail.com](mailto:kirkfitzdbq2@gmail.com) or 564-8209) or Mike Specht ([mikespecht2@gmail.com](mailto:mikespecht2@gmail.com) or 608-630-5615).

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## STAFF CORNER

It is so beautiful that we will hear the Gospel reading of the two disciples on the Road to Emmaus for our First Communion Mass this weekend. We reflected on the Road to Emmaus at our First Communion retreat. This passage is a concrete example of how God calls us and forms us, with all aspects of our parish mission:

Encounter Christ: "Jesus himself drew near and walked with them..."

Embrace Deeper Faith: "Were not our hearts burning within us while he... opened the scriptures to us?"

Empower Christian Action: "So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven..."

This passage has it all, including the important emphasis on the Eucharist! As soon as Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it and gave it to them "their eyes were opened and they recognized him." May we all approach the Eucharist with the same excitement and enthusiasm every Mass that our First Communicants have felt receiving Him for the first time!



**Jessica Rauen**  
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Embracing Deeper Faith  
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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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:t.tranel@dbqarch.org).

**THE STAFF OF ST. COLUMBKILLE WELCOMES YOU!**

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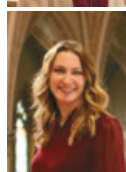
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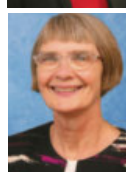
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