

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



PENTECOST SUNDAY

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." - Jn 20:21

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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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MASS INTENTIONS

PASTOR'S REFLECTION

Monday
May 29
9:00 AM

† Dave Lammer
† Geraldine Goodman
For a lost soul

Tuesday
May 30
9:00 AM

† Joan Higley
† John C. Welter
† Janet Schwendinger
† Sr. Helen Strohman

Wednesday
May 31
9:00 AM

† Dorothy Heitzman

Thursday
June 1
9:00 AM

† Helen Molo



Friday
June 2
7:00 AM

† John and Joan Higley

Saturday
June 3
4:15 PM

† Bill Huss
† Earl Larson
† Bob Wahlert
† Elizabeth B.J. Haas
† Guy A. Gard, Jr.

Sunday
June 4
8:00 AM

† Gerald, Susan, and Kathy Wild
† Fr. Joseph Hauer

10:00 AM

Pro Populo
† Roy and Millie Schlickman
† Bill Huss
† Debbie Menadue

Memorial Day weekend was long a symbol for me and my family. It marked the beginning of summer, the first weekend of the pool opening, and the breaking free from school. Crossing that Memorial Day threshold just seems to bring with it that inherent freedom found in summer. It flips a switch in my mind that makes me think of sweet corn, cook-outs, and summer adventures.

As a Church we are also crossing one of those thresholds that leads us into a whole new way of life - one of gifted freedom and energy, one that changes everything about our life. During the Easter season we have heard in the Scriptures about a whole new way of living that the disciples have begun. We see a newly confident Peter, who instead of running away now proudly stands up to the Jewish authorities. We see great healings, a missionary spirit, we see even the biggest sinners come to startling and powerful conversions. Something new has happened to these people.

Each of these stories takes place after Pentecost. After Jesus gives the gift of the Holy Spirit to His Disciples. Today we celebrate Pentecost, not as a memory, but as a living act of Jesus. Jesus bestows the gift of the Holy Spirit upon us today so that we might be freed from the prison bars of death and be transformed into bold evangelical disciples like Peter, Paul, and so many others.

The Holy Spirit bears gifts for each of our lives - principally that we each might know that we are sons and daughters of God and that nobody can take that identity away from us. That we are disciples of Christ, journeying together to better love God and neighbor. That each of us is a special and unrepeatable instance of God's love. The gift of the Holy Spirit is a life transformed and on fire for the heart of Jesus.

Yet as we dwell in this new age of the Holy Spirit we all too often pass these gifts by and rather rely on our own initiative and strength. We are forgetful that God has made us into temples of the Holy Spirit. So we pray together that ancient prayer of the Church, "Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love." May the Holy Spirit come down upon all of us today as at Pentecost! Let us cross this threshold together and invite the Holy Spirit to transform our lives and banish out fear and doubt. Jesus is alive, and the world needs Him - the world needs you to let the Holy Spirit in!



– Fr. Casey Flack
*Ordained to the Priesthood
on Saturday, May 27, 2023*



PARISH NEWS

Communion in the Cup Returning Next Weekend

Beginning next weekend (June 3/4), our ministers of Communion will be offering the Precious Blood in the Consecrated Wine at all weekend Masses. To learn more and to prepare members of your family for whom this will be new, go to the homepage of our parish website at www.stcolumbkille.net for a short video introduction.



Pastoral Council Elections

We had two openings on the Pastoral Council this spring. Be sure to thank Charlie Sisler and Jane Specht for their years of service as they step down from the council and into other ways of building up parish life! After seeking candidates to take those seats, two accepted nomination: Nicole Schmidt and Laura Keehner. With the same number of candidates as open seats, we elected them by acclamation at Masses last weekend rather than a ballot. Thank you to Nicole and Laura, and all in parish leadership roles, for your willingness to serve!



Next weekend, the loose coin collection goes to St. Stephen's River Bend Food Bank.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Prayer Service for New Archbishop | May 31

Join fellow Catholics from the area as we pray for the next Archbishop of Dubuque and those involved with his selection. On Wednesday, May 31 after the usual 5:15 p.m. Mass at the Cathedral of St. Raphael, we'll pray the rosary and Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary for this important intention. On this feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we ask our Lady to intercede for us. All are welcome and if you cannot worship at Mass, still participate in the Marian devotions around 5:45 p.m.

DCRTL Equipped for Life Course

Dubuque County Right to Life presents the *Equipped for Life* seminar which provides a fresh approach to the dialogue about abortion. This method is developed from many conversations with pro-choice people. The seminar will help you have charitable dialogues with anyone regardless of their religious or political beliefs. We will meet at the DCRTL Office (2205 Carter Road, Dubuque) on Tuesdays, June 6th - July 18th (except for July 4th) from 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. **Please register by June 5th** by calling the DCRTL office at 563-556-5960, or email dcrtl@dcrtl.org.

Totus Tuus | July 30—August 4

Nativity Parish is hosting Totus Tuus from July 30 to August 4. Children going into grades 1-6 are invited to the day program which is Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.—2:30 p.m. Teens going into Grades 7-12 are invited to the evening program which is Sunday through Thursday, 6:30—8:45 p.m. For more information or to sign up online, visit nativitydbq.org/totus-tuus-2023.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday

May 29

MEMORIAL DAY

Weekday Mass

9:00 A.M. | Church

The parish office will be closed for the holiday.

Tuesday

May 30

Holy Family Wrestling Practice

3:00 P.M. | Convent Building

Thursday

June 01

Hospitality Committee Meeting

12:00 P.M. | Parish Office

Saturday

June 03

Book Study Group

6:30 A.M. | Convent Building, 2nd floor

Ameche Baptism

5:15 P.M. | Church

Sat./Sun.

June
03/04

Food on the First—Blue Bag Donations

Donations can be left inside the church during the weekend Masses to help stock the St. Vincent de Paul Voucher Center.

Save the date!

Sunday

Aug. 06

Joy of Columbkille Golf Outing

Bunker Hill Golf Course

Saturday

Aug. 26

Knights of Columbus Golf Outing

Timberline Golf Course

Sunday

Aug. 27

Brewers vs. Padres Bus Trip

St. Columbkille Parish will be sponsoring a baseball trip to Milwaukee to see the Brewers vs. the San Diego Padres on Sunday, August 27. 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 / 564-8209), or Mike Specht (mikespecht2@gmail.com / 608-630-5615).

Sunday

Sept. 17

Joy of Columbkille Parish Picnic

10 A.M. Outdoor Mass followed by picnic

STAFF CORNER

“And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit...” - Acts 2:4

As we celebrate Pentecost this weekend, it seems like a great time to ask you to pray for our Confirmation candidates! Students have been preparing for Confirmation this school year by gathering to celebrate Mass together, listening to parishioners present on a topic each month, hearing young adult witness talks, and also reflecting on scripture passages with the pastors.

We also have six group leaders that guide small groups of students in discussion time each month. They are an important piece of our preparation as they walk with the students through this time of learning about what it means to develop in their own faith journey.

Our goal is not only for students to learn about the faith, which is so important, but also to model what it means to be Catholic - Mass, praying with Scripture, life-long learning and sharing our faith with our neighbor - ENCOUNTER, EMBRACE and EMPOWER!

Come, Holy Spirit, come!



Jessica Rauen
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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.

THE STAFF OF ST. COLUMBKILLE WELCOMES YOU!

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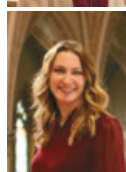
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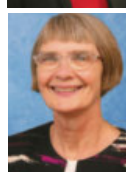
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