

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

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

For St. Columbkille parishioners who died between October, 2022 and October, 2023:



WANDA REMAKEL

BRIAN GOCKEL

MARY PUSATERI

MICHAEL McCARRON

GUY GARD, JR.

THOMAS BRADLEY

PATRICK SULLIVAN

HELEN MOLO

GERI GOODMAN

PEG KIRCHER

JANAAN HANCOCK

CHARLOTTE HOLLAND

CAROL ENDER

ELIZABETH HAAS

PENELOPE SHULTZ

PHILLIP SCHMERBACH

STEVEN SCHUELLER

LOIS DREXLER

HELEN STEELE

SUSAN MILLER

LUCY PORTER

MARIAN KRAUS

REGINA ANKRUM

CAROL BURKART

LOLA NOONAN

GERALD ARENSDORF

JOHANNA KETOFF

LaVon HAXMEIER

HELEN ANN LATTNER

THOMAS KNEPPER

LUANNE LYTLE

ELIZABETH FLAVIN

ROBERT EMRICH

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

OCTOBER

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2023

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MASS INTENTIONS

PASTOR'S REFLECTION

Monday
Oct 30
9:00 AM

† Robert E. Molo & Helen T. Molo

Tuesday
Oct 31
9:00 AM

† Dorothy Heitzman

Wednesday
Nov 1
7:00 AM

† Regina Ankrum



9:00 AM

† Bob & Betty Sullivan and
Alice Freyaldenhoven

6:00 PM

† Helen Ann Lattner
† Lester, Betty, & Lenny Pope
† Harry & Mary Schiltz
† Thomas, Joe, Joe Jr., & Ruth Graham
† Lester & Tereasa Bishop

Thursday
Nov 2
9:00 AM

† John, Myra, John Jr. & Linda Welsh
and Daisy Stabenow

6:00 PM

† LaVern & Mary Schiltz
† Leonard & Letha Pope
† Ed & Ann Graham

Friday
Nov 3
7:00 AM

† Susan Miller
† Gavin Myers

Saturday
Nov 4
4:15 PM

† Gina Danner
† Jack, Pat, & Mary Lou Anglin
† Bill Huss
† Guy A. Gard, Jr.
† Ron Ruden
† Brian Oliver
† Ed & Ann Graham
† LaVern & Mary Schiltz
† Leonard & Letha Pope
In honor of Joe & Connie Link's
60th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday
Nov 5
8:00 AM

† Gerald, Susan, & Kathy Wild
† Betty Hemmer

10:00 AM

Pro Populo
† Matt Cusack & Millie & Roy Schlickman
† Lester, Betty, & Lenny Pope
† Lester & Tereasa Bishop
† Thomas, Joe, Joe Jr., & Ruth Graham
† Harry & Mary Schiltz

5:00 PM

† Lucy Porter

Do you want to become a saint? As we prepare to celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints as a Holy Day of Obligation this Wednesday, that is a worthy question.

I was reminded of that while visiting with a young couple preparing for marriage. In response to: "Why is he the guy to marry?" the bride-to-be responded: "I read Therese of Lisieux's Story of a Soul and was convinced *I will become a saint*. My fiancé is a good man who will help me in that." Of all the answers to that question I've received over the last 26 yrs, "S/he will help me become a saint" is quite rare.

Too bad! Ultimately *to help me become a saint* is a helpful stance from which to receive anyone God sends into my life—be they a great challenge or a clear blessing. Everyone can be of help when what they ask of us, or offer us, is met with my simple, small actions of loving them.

St. Therese's "Little Way" of becoming a saint is just that: performing what she calls "little virtues"—little acts of kindness, selflessness, generosity, or sacrifice for the good of my neighbor.

Well aware of her "littleness" compared with the great saints whose images surround us at St. Columbkille, and her inability to do the heroic and inspiring things they did for Jesus, St. Therese practiced this Little Way of becoming Christ-like. For the last 100 yrs. she has been inspiring countless others—like this young bride—that if we want to, we can become saints, too.

Pope Francis issued an apostolic exhortation "It is Confidence" last week to bring St. Therese's "Little Way" to our attention again. At a time of great complexity in human relationships, he notes: she can help us rediscover the importance of simplicity, the absolute primacy of love, trust and abandonment (to God's taking care of us).

It is confidence that God will help us if we risk to love in simple ways, that gives confidence we can become a saint. What in the end is more important than that?

Fr. Tom McDermott



Our Faith STO
a School Tuition Organization

**Would You Like to Save Money on
Your 2023 Iowa Income Taxes?**

The state of Iowa provides the Our Faith School Tuition Organization (STO) almost \$6 Million in incentivized tax credits. They do this because they recognize the value of the education received in our accredited non-public schools and wish to keep them strong. As an Iowa taxpayer, you can help qualifying families choose Catholic education while saving big on your taxes. To see how an STO donation can minimize or even eliminate your Iowa income tax bill, a sample tax scenario is available on our website at www.OurFaithSTO.org. The STO is good for families, and good for you! For more information, talk to your tax professional or financial advisor, or call Steve Kane, Our Faith STO Director, at 563-552-0297.

October 29, 2023

PARISH NEWS

Celebrating All Saints of St. Columbkille!

Join us as we learn the stories and symbols of the saints of St. Columbkille Church after the 6:00 p.m. Mass on All Souls Day, Thursday, November 2 in Presentation Hall. Saint windows and paintings will be displayed on the large screen for easy viewing. A family-friendly presentation will be followed by interactive activities and discussion for all. Come celebrate the beautiful saints that adorn our church! Scan the QR code for a sneak peek of our Virtual Saints Tour!



St. Columbkille to Sponsor St. Pat's Meal | November 8

St. Columbkille Church is sponsoring the St. Pat's meal on Wednesday, November 8. This service provides approximately 200 people who are in need in our local community with a hot meal each Wednesday night. Do you have an hour or two to help prepare and deliver food, serve the meal, or clean up? The meal is served at approximately 5:00 p.m. Please call Deb and Marty Huseman at 563-556-8667 to volunteer.



Next Sunday, November 5, the loose coin collection goes to the **Ginter Family Thanksgiving Dinner Fund**. With food prices high and food pantry stocks low, your generosity of funds for this meal and food items in the blue bags are especially needed. Thank you for your generosity.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Bereavement Support Offered by Hospice of Dubuque

To celebrate National Hospice & Palliative Care Month, Hospice of Dubuque is offering the following upcoming programs:

HOLIDAY HELP

This is a supportive program, in partnership with Egelhof, Siegert & Casper Funeral Home, providing information, encouragement, and hope as you journey through the upcoming holiday season. Jim Jelinske will present on Thursday, November 2, from 5:30—6:30 p.m. at the funeral home located at 2659 JFK Road. This presentation is available to anyone needing support after the death of a loved one.

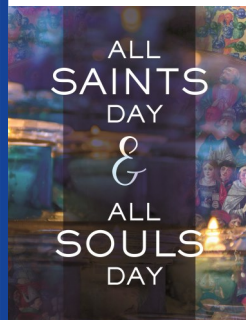
BOOK READING AND SIGNING

Hospice nurse and author, Diane Fasselius, will share excerpts from her recently published book, entitled Moments that Matter: Finding the Grace in Living, Dying, and Surviving Loss. This event is open to the public on Thursday, November 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Hospice of Dubuque's Theisen Education Center located at 1670 JFK Road.

St. Anthony Parish Used Book Sale | November 3—5

The St. Anthony Parish used book sale will be held this week in O'Malley Hall on Friday, Nov. 3 from 8 a.m.—5 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 4 from 8 a.m.—6 p.m.; and Sunday, Nov. 5 from 8 a.m.—1 p.m. All sales are a free will donation and the proceeds will fund a Take Away Hunger food packaging event. There will be a wide variety of books, CDs and DVDs for all ages!

UPCOMING EVENTS



All Saints Day

Wednesday, November 1

7:00 & 9:00 A.M. & 6:00 P.M.

Holy Day of Obligation

All Souls Day

Thursday, November 2

9:00 A.M. & 6:00 P.M.

Reconciliation to follow after Mass

Monday

Oct. 30

Cub Scouts

6:00 P.M. | Presentation Hall

Boy Scouts

6:00 P.M. | Fogarty Hall/Convent, 2nd floor

Wednesday

Nov. 1

Knights of Columbus Meeting

6:30 P.M. | Presentation Hall

Youth Choir Rehearsal

8:00 P.M. | Fogarty Hall

Thursday

Nov. 2

Eucharistic Adoration With Students

11:55 A.M.—2:00 P.M. | Church

All are welcome to join our students!

Hospitality Committee Meeting

12:00 P.M. | Parish Office

Parent Association Meeting

12:00 P.M. | Fogarty Hall

Holy Family After School Programming:

Rockin' Reptiles

3:15 P.M. | Presentation Hall

Saints of our Church:

Presentation and Virtual Tour

7:00 P.M. | Presentation Hall

Saturday

Nov. 4

Book Study Group

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

Cody/Krogmeier Wedding

2:00 P.M. | Church

Sunday

Nov. 5

RCIA

11:00 A.M. | Presentation Hall

Confirmation Preparation (Teaching) Mass

5:00 P.M. | Church

All are welcome to join our students for Mass and learn about the Liturgy of the Word.

Stay up to date and support our school campaign by visiting:

stcolumbkille.net/our-future-in-christ

**OUR FUTURE
IN CHRIST**



STAFF CORNER

Greetings from Principal Willman

A Hello from Saint Columbkille Catholic Elementary School! As we conclude our student led conferences this week, we celebrate the end of our 1st quarter of school. This quarter has been marked with an extremely successful school fundraiser in our annual walkathon, an all school rosary, field trips, reading goals, grandparents' day, class masses, and community building. Our 4K students have begun their lessons in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in a beautiful Atrium thanks to many of your generous donations of materials. It has been an exciting and eventful year already.

I wanted to take the opportunity, on behalf of the students and staff of the school, to thank you all for your continued prayers for our sweet students and school community. They are felt daily. We also want to express our excitement for the plans for our school renovation. Through your support we will have a school that is safer, larger, and full of more students that desire a Catholic education.

Please know of our sincere gratitude for this amazing opportunity. We will continue to pray for the intentions of the St. Columbkille parishioners and will count on yours as well. Please visit us some time at our Wednesday school masses. This Wednesday, November 1st, we will be dressed as Saints in celebration of the Solemnity of All Saints.

May the Lord bless you always, through the intercession of Saint Columbkille,

Mrs. Meredith Willman



Meredith Willman
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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.

THE STAFF OF ST. COLUMBKILLE WELCOMES YOU!
Parish Office Hours: Mon.—Thurs., 9:00 AM—3:30 PM



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