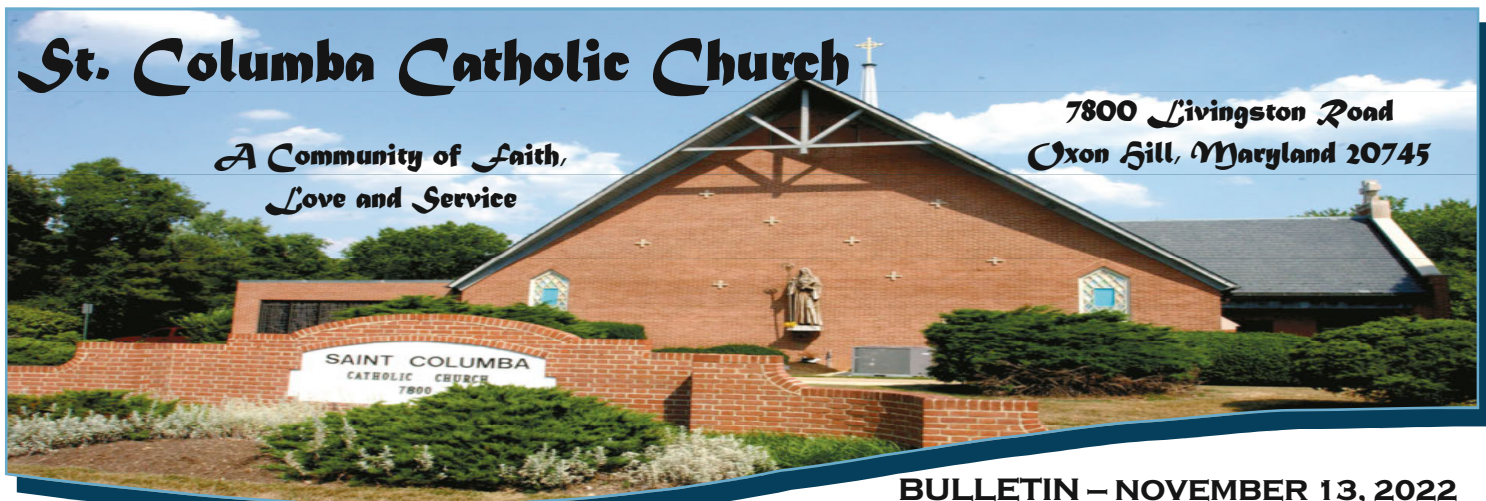


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BULLETIN – NOVEMBER 13, 2022



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil

5:00 p. m.

Sunday

8:00 & 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

**First Saturday
Tagalog (Filipino)**
(no Mass)

Weekdays

Monday—Friday
(No Mass on Wednesday
Morning)

8:15 a.m.

Saturdays

9:00 a.m.

Mass and Novena

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Wednesdays

7:00 p.m.

First Friday

8:15 a.m.

7:00 p.m. (no Mass)

Adoration

Wednesdays

6:00—6:45 p.m.

First Friday

9:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

Confessions

Saturdays

3:30—4:30 p.m. or by
appointment

Rosary

Monday—Friday
7:25 a.m.

**No Coffee Social at this
time until further notice**

Parish and School Staff

Pastor

Rev. Gary T. Villanueva

Deacon

Deacon Robert Villanueva

Parish Accountant

Diane Alexander

Parish Admin. Assistant

Leah Flores

**Parish Youth Ministry
Coordinator/Admin. Asst.**

Sr. Emily Bautista, MCST

**Parish School of Religion
Coordinator:**

Sr. Luzviminda Domingo,
MCST

**Director of Music
Ministry**

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Fr. Dewan Hall

Coordinator

TBA

School Principal

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Nicole Vickers

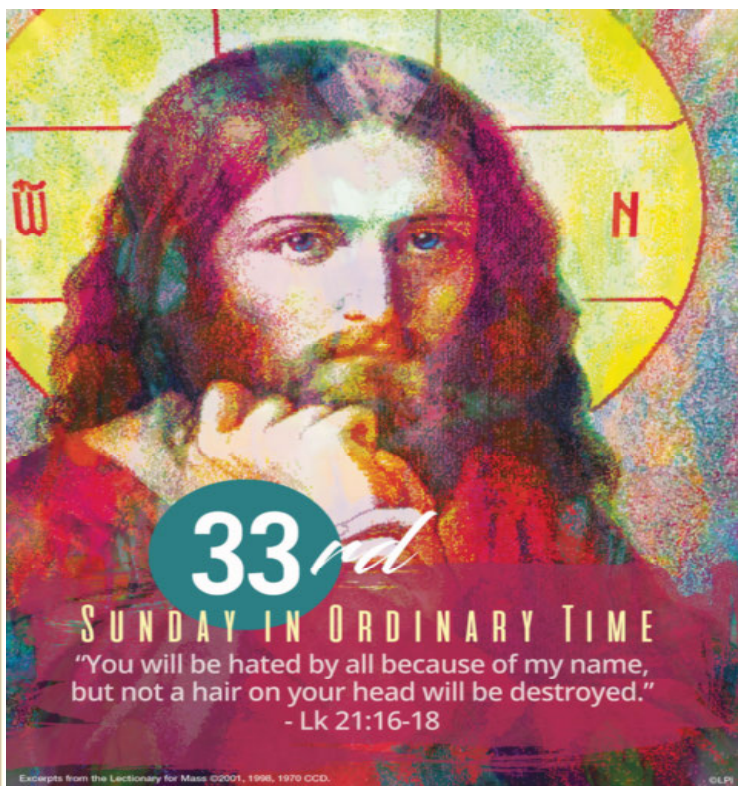
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BAPTISMS

*Please call the Parish Office for
information and to schedule
Baptism Preparation Class.*

BAPTISM AND SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR OLDER CHILDREN

*Please contact the Parish School of
Religion, Sr. Luzviminda Domingo,
MCST at 301-567-6113.*

MATRIMONY

*Please contact the Parish Office at
least six months prior to a proposed
wedding date to speak with a priest.
Reservation of the church is
required before other preparations
such as receptions are made.*

ANointing of the Sick/ COMMUNION to the Sick AND HOMEBOUND

Please contact the Parish Office



“It will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute.” - Lk 21:13-15

**REFLECTIONS
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Many make it their life's ambition to determine precisely when the world will end. By reading the signs of the times, consulting scripture, or looking to prophetic predictions that are sometimes centuries old, they claim a certain credibility in being able to do so. Is all that necessary to know? Even when his disciples pointedly ask him this question, Jesus does not directly answer. While the end will inevitably come, Jesus points out that there is a lot we need to do first: remain faithful, face persecution, endure suffering, face wars and insurrections, and give testimony. Human beings tend to focus their energies on the wrong kingdom. Consumed with all of the things we have built and seeking to preserve them, we forget that we belong to a different kingdom, the Kingdom of God.

All of the “stuff” we have constructed will be taken away. All that will remain is God's kingdom. Which kingdom do we prefer? We answer that question by honestly looking at where we invest most of our time and energy. What matters to us as we embrace a new moment or day in our lives? If our relationship with God, the strength and integrity of our souls, and the steadfastness of our character are of utmost importance, then it matters little when the physical end will come. We will have what we need to persevere, endure, and confront whatever comes our way. Jesus cautions that we do not allow ourselves to be overwhelmed or overly terrified by the agonies and disappointments of the world. Although we may be apprehensive and uncertain when faced with complex challenges, God is with us. We will receive the inspiration we need to forge ahead. God is a God of salvation and new beginnings. Whether we consider the daily unfolding of our earthly lives or our eternal ones to come, God never leaves us with dead ends. There is always hope, and there is always something new to come. As Julian of Norwich reminds us, “God made us, God loves us and God keeps us.” This wisdom holds true whether life is stable and profitable or challenging and uncertain. If we remember this simple truth, we will be ready regardless of the day or the hour.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF
NOVEMBER 13, 2022**

Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a/
Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9/
2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19
Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/
Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/
Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/
Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/
Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/
Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/
Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/
Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and
9b/Lk 19:41-44
Friday: Rv 10:8-11/
Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111,
131/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/
Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/
Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/
Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5/
Col 1:12-20/

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Our Sick and Suffering

Especially Mary Ann Flores, Gloria King (17Jul22). Simon Perez, Jr. (28Aug22). Rachel Fisher, Abe & Tess Samoy, Ellamae Hulsey, Jeanne Pike, Grace Macaranas (11Sept22). Violeta dela Pena.

Our Beloved Dead

Especially Gloria Bungato, Leonor Peralta, Mary Hodge, Juliana Perez, Rebecca Galang, Amparo Rosario, Maurice Paraoan, Lirio Reyes Jao, Fr. Everett Pearson, James Abston, Francisco Sanchez, Theresa Busada, Sara Elizabeth Deeb, Magin Dones, Jr., Lourdes Davis.

**NOVEMBER MASS
INTENTIONS**

All Mass Intentions for the whole month of November are for the souls of the deceased whose names have been placed in the gold box in front of the altar.

**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY
INCLUDING:**

Tiffany Williams; Peter John Ifurung; PFC Mark J. Venancio; Andrew Alexander; Lt. Victor Barba; 1st Lt Peter Agboli; Krystol Dudley; Christian Samoy; Derrell Thomas Jahaira Best; Kevin Myers; Delange Monks, Marquette Young, Noel Dienzo, Kevin Neri, Marc Mendoza, AJ Semilla.

BABY BOTTLES

The Sodality and Knights of Columbus are partnered in providing Aid and Support to Mothers After Pregnancy (ASAP). On June 24, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld a Mississippi law banning abortion after 15 weeks of pregnancy, concurrently overturning Roe V. Wade, the landmark ruling that legalized abortion nationwide nearly 50 years ago. We are now strengthening support for pregnancy resources centers and maternity homes through ASAP, a new pro-life initiative.

“Baby Bottles” will be available for pick up the weekend of **November 12-13**, in the Narthex Corridor, after Mass. Please take one per family and return them with cash donations including checks and coins. Sodality and Knights will collect bottles at all weekend Masses, in the Narthex, starting on November 19th to November 27th. We are raising funds for purchase of needed baby items. All donations will be provided to the Forestville Pregnancy Center. For any questions, please call St. Columcille Council Life Chairman Ryan Casey at (301) 512-3151 (Text preferred) or Catherine Manning at (301) 423-7305 (Sodality).

**SCHOOL NEWS, EVANGELIZATION, CHRISTIAN FORMATION, ADMINISTRATIONS,
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Applications for the 2023-2024 Archdiocese of Washington Tuition Assistance Program are now being accepted through 12/2/22 for returning families, and through 2/18/23 for new families. Please note that all families requesting any financial aid from St.Columba School must complete an application. The link may be found on our website www.stccatholic.org.

**JOIN US FOR ST. COLUMBA
SCHOOL'S 21ST ANNUAL
BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
CHRISTMAS MARKET PLACE**

Saturday - December 3, 2022- 9am - 2pm
Pancake Breakfast served - 9am - 12 noon - Adults \$10 / Children - \$5.00 (3 and under free)

Christmas Market Place - 9am - 2pm - Free admission
Photos with Santa - 9am -12 noon. \$5.00

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PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

If you already pledged and opted for electronic bank or credit card withdrawals, please set-up your account through Parish Giving. Visit www.stcolumbcatholic.net and click the Parish Giving link. For assistance, please call the parish office at 301-567-5506. Thank you for your support.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN STATUS

Total Amount Goal:
\$860,000.00

Amount collected
October 2022: \$2,836.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN REPORT

| CONTRACTORS | EXPENDITURES |
|--|--------------|
| Architect Leuterio Thomas | \$58,313.00 |
| Builder Nastos Construction | \$828,156.00 |
| Permits Prince George's County | \$4,750.00 |
| Monitoring (fire/ emergencies) Siemens Industry, Inc. | \$6,327.00 |
| Plumbing Repairs B McCall | \$420.00 |
| Total | \$897,966.00 |
| Income Capital Campaign | \$731,045.00 |
| Shortfall | \$166,920.00 |

VOCATIONS CORNER

Please continue to pray for our fellow parishioner who is aspiring for Holy Orders.

Seminarian Chukwuma Collins Odigwe is currently studying Theology in The Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome, Italy.

Let us continue to pray for more vocations to the priesthood, the permanent diaconate and the religious life. If you know of anyone who feels such a calling, please give them encouragement and advise them to speak with Father Gary or any of the MCST sisters.

COLLECTIONS

SUNDAY OFFERING

Month of October 2022
\$34,311.00

COMPARISON

Month of October 2021
\$31,705.00

YEAR-TO-DATE (UPDATED)

2022 \$141,633.00
2021 139,718.00

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YOUR PARISH

**ST. COLUMBA AFRICAN
AMERICAN MINISTRY
THANKSGIVING PROJECT**

The African American Ministry collects food and donations to enable us to provide and distribute food baskets for those in need. This year, instead of doing what we have normally done for previous Thanksgivings, we are planning to safely distribute gift cards so families can get what they need for Thanksgiving from local stores. We are asking for donations from our parish family to help with this project. If you are able to support this project, please put your donation in an envelope marked "AAM Thanksgiving Project", and give it to any usher to place in our mail slot. We appreciate any amount you can donate. Donations can be made through November 20th. May you be blessed for your generosity!

ADVENT RECOLLECTION

Our Lady of Divine Grace Sodality offers an opportunity to deepen one's relationship with God. Join us and the MICs in prayer, silent reflection, meditation, Adoration and Reconciliation.

All are welcome!

Come to the Advent Day of
Recollection on **Saturday,**
December 10, 2022 from 10:00 am
- 1:00 pm,

St. Columba Church with the
Marians of the Immaculate
Conception (MIC): Rev. Fr. Jim
McCormack, MIC and Bro. Steve
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