Several St. Columbkille Parishioners and our former associate, Fr. Vogel, made a pilgrimage to the National March for Life in Washington, D.C. Thanks to all who stand up for life and pray for an end to abortion!
MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Thursday
8:15 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
Saturday
8:15 a.m. (Communion Service)
Vigil 5:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Friday
6:20 a.m. & 8:15 a.m.
Sunday
7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.,
10:30 a.m., Noon, 5:00 p.m.
RECONCILIATION
Monday-Thursday
5:00-5:20 p.m.
Saturday
3:30-4:30 p.m.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 28
8:15 AM †Ed Ryan (Fr. Greisen)
5:30 PM †Frances Albin (Fr. Greisen)
Tuesday, January 29
8:15 AM †Tom Robb (Fr. Greisen)
5:30 PM †Maria Danke (Fr. Hanneman)
Wednesday, January 30
8:15 AM †Elsie Misar (Fr. Greisen)
5:30 PM †Karen Tschauner (Fr. Cusak)
Thursday, January 31
8:15 AM †Gene Cerny (Fr. Hanneman)
5:30 PM †Alfredo & Herminia Lagman (Fr. Greisen)
Friday, February 1
6:20 AM †Hay Nguyen (Fr. Hanneman)
8:15 AM †Mary Scammarca (Fr. Hanneman)
Saturday, February 2
8:15 AM Communion Service
5:00 PM †Martha Young (Fr. Greisen)
6:30 PM †Jeanne Medsker (Fr. Greisen)
Sunday, February 3
7:30 AM †Darlene Bart (Fr. Greisen)
9:00 AM †Jack Egermier (Fr. Greisen)
10:30 AM †Donald Melcher (Fr. Hanneman)
12:00 PM †Marlene Larchick (Fr. Hanneman)
5:00 PM †Josephine Balus (Fr. Hanneman)

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Baptismal preparation classes are required for parents with children to be baptized. Call the Parish Office for information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
The Archdiocese requires a minimum of six months notification for all who are to be married in order to arrange for and complete the various activities/programs associated with marriage preparation. Contact the Parish Office before setting a date.

Sacrament of Baptism
Sacrament of Marriage
Mass Intentions
Reeson’s Ramblings—Adventures from Rome!

I arrived safely in the Eternal City, Rome. I am on sabbatical and studying with priests from all over the USA, Canada, England, New Zealand and Australia. It is easy here to recognize the Universality of our Church. While most of the classes and meals for those on sabbatical are in our own building, we have lunch "Pranzo" with the North American College seminarians each day at 1:15 p.m. I will plan to get to know the seminarians from Omaha and Lincoln better while I am here. Archbishop Lucas came a short while ago and installed 41 young men as Lectors last Sunday. I will be going out with him and the two seminarians from the Archdiocese of Omaha for dinner on Friday evening. I always feel the food tastes better if the Archbishop is buying!

I am so blessed to have been randomly assigned to one of only two rooms in my building that have small balconies, and you can see from the picture that I have a great view of St. Peter's. In the morning we will celebrate Mass at the Tomb of St. Peter upon which the Basilica of St. Peter was built. This reminds me of the fact that Jesus selected Peter to be the visible head of the Church on earth when he said to him, "You are Peter (which means rock) and upon you, I will build My Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it". These words give me great hope, comfort and assurance. I was initially a bit concerned about being away from St. Columbkille for three months, but I know there is no need to worry because Jesus is the head of the Church, and I’m sure Fr. Tom is taking wonderful care of the day-to-day details of running the parish.

Pax, Fr. Dave

From Fr. Denny

In the weeks ahead, I’ll offer a few comments on the Scripture readings for the current Sunday.

In today’s Gospel, we find Jesus in his home town of Nazareth at the synagogue. Jesus asks for the scroll of the book of Isaiah, the prophet. He unrolls the scroll at length to a text near the end, heightening the drama. Then he quotes from the scroll, “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me, to bring glad tidings to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free…. ” We can almost hear the residents of Nazareth whispering to one another as he reads a familiar passage from Scripture, “Look at him. Doesn’t he read well? Joseph and Mary must be so proud of him.”

But what he does next will astonish them. Sitting down, assuming the position of a teacher, Jesus gives his inaugural address, stating his identity as God’s servant with a blunt, direct, and controversial clarity: “Today, this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.” By drawing on Scriptures very familiar to his audience, we have a concise list, a “blueprint” so to speak, of what Jesus’ mission was. Jesus announces the in-breaking of the Kingdom of God and the beginning of a new era of hope, liberation, and healing to a broken and sinful world.

The Scriptures of recent weeks have been gradually leading to this point. At Jesus’ baptism by John in the Jordan River he was revealed as the beloved Son in whom God was well pleased. Last Sunday, at the marriage feast of Cana, the first of Jesus’ “signs” in John’s Gospel reveal him as the one who changed water into the new and better wine. Everywhere he went the old was made new. For the family of Lazarus he changed tears into joy. For the woman at the well he changed alienation and self-absorption into love and freedom. For the man born blind he changed darkness and pain into light, sight, and faith.

That’s where you and I “enter the picture.” Jesus’ mission is our mission. The convictions of Jesus are to become our convictions. The Good News he proclaimed becomes our proclamation. This Scripture is fulfilled in our very midst today, since we are the body of Christ.

This may seem overwhelming. Yet, every day we encounter people who are in need of the power of Christ as he works through us. And Paul’s words to his community in Corinth still apply to us: “Now you are the body of Christ and each of you is a part of it.” We’re not in this mission alone. Nor will each of us live out the mission the same way. In the body, the eyes, ears, nose, legs, and toes all have different functions. God wants to take the gifts that we have and, with the energy of the Holy Spirit, to do the unique and simple tasks of our daily lives with love and graciousness.

Fr. Denny Hanneman
**PARISH GROUPS: RECYCLING REMINDER**

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**EXPANDING WELCOMING MINISTRY**

Help us welcome new families to the parish by visiting them in their homes! Would you be willing to visit one new family a year? How about welcoming a new family to your neighborhood?

If you’re interested in being a part of our expanding welcoming ministry in this way, please come to our introductory meeting on **Sunday, February 10th** at 4:00 p.m. in the Parish Center to receive instructions and welcome packets that you can give out. Contact Tess Soucek with questions at 402-339-3285.

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**PICK UP YOUR PHOTO DIRECTORY!**

If you had your picture taken within the last two years and have not yet picked up your new photo directory, they are available in the Parish Office! The office is open Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

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**PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION**

The 2019-2020 school year will mark the transition from Sacred Heart Preschool to St. Columbkille Preschool. While our new Parish Center is being built, preschoolers will move into a classroom in the main school building. Classes have a maximum of 15 children, staffed by a teacher and a teacher's aide.

Early registration for parish families is underway. A completed registration form and a non-refundable registration fee must be received in the school office by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 5th to be included in the early enrollment period. Look for registration forms, tuition information and session times on the preschool website, www.saintcolumbkille.org/preschool.

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**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

- In order to register for kindergarten, your child must be 5 years old by July 31st, 2019.
- Registration for current school families begins on Tuesday, February 5th (Sacred Heart Preschoolers are considered current school families).
- Enrollment forms must be received in the school office by the end of the day on February 22nd.
- Kindergarten Roundup, a day designed for our future kindergartners, will be held on Thursday, February 21st and Friday, February 22nd. All prospective kindergartners are invited! Please call the office at 402-339-8706 to register your child for either Thursday or Friday.
- A Kindergarten Roundup Parent Meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 18th at 6:30 PM in the school gym.
- New school families are required to pay a deposit of $250.00. The deposit will be applied to your tuition.
- To be considered for enrollment in our 2019-2020 Kindergarten class, please submit your Enrollment Form and deposit (if applicable) to the school office on or before Friday, February 22nd.

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**One Rose, One Life**

This weekend, the Knights of Columbus are conducting their annual One Rose One Life campaign, which supports pro-life activities throughout Nebraska and is the main source of income for the Nebraska Knights of Columbus Culture of Life Foundation. Although there are many beneficiaries of these funds, the Knights of Columbus are committed to placing ultrasound machines in qualifying centers.

Ultrasounds save lives. Statistics prove that abortion-vulnerable women who have ultrasounds often choose life for themselves and their child. To date, the Knights have placed ten ultrasound machines throughout Nebraska. The campaign also funds local Right-to-Life and Birthright chapters, crisis pregnancy help centers, and scholarships for March for Life pilgrims in all three Nebraska dioceses. If you cannot donate today, please take an envelope from the end of your pew for next week.

The Knights ask all people to pray for the end of abortion and a respect for all life. Those who have had an abortion or are abortion-vulnerable need our love and compassion. Please include these women, men and children in your daily prayers. May Jesus protect and save the unborn.

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Vote for Your Favorite Catholic School: St. Columbkille!

Spirit Catholic Radio presents the annual Superstar Catholic School Contest to shine a light on Catholic education in our communities. All Catholic elementary and high schools are eligible to receive your vote. This year’s contest is January 28th - February 8th. Winning schools in each category receive $1,000 of free on-air promotion on Spirit Catholic Radio; a “live” interview on Spirit Mornings, prayer cards for all students, a customized banner for inside and outside the school; and a trophy! Vote January 28th – February 8th at spiritcatholicradio.com/superstar!

Baptism Hospitality Ministers Needed

We are in need of people to help set up for Baptisms at Mass and greet families as they arrive to have their children baptized. Those who volunteer would be asked to serve 3-4 times throughout the year. If you are interested in learning more or volunteering your time, please contact Nicole Cook at ncook@saintcolumbkille.org or (402) 339-0990.

Rome Beneath the Surface

There is a story to tell in the ruins under Rome, a story that could change your life. Thursday, February 21st at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center, Deacon Omar Gutierrez will tell the story of discoveries under the Eternal City, discoveries that can help us better understand our faith and why we are called to share it.

Men’s Retreat: Cloisters on the Platte

Cloisters on the Platte, the new Ignatian retreat facility, opened last summer. The facility is a work of art in itself, but even more spectacular is the opportunity men and women of spirit have to enhance their prayer life and contemplation.

The men of St. Columbkille have the opportunity to attend the first retreat reserved for them from February 14th-17th, 2019. Reservations need to be made now to ensure your space at our first retreat.

Retreatants register at 5:00 p.m. Thursday night and the retreat ends promptly at 3:00 p.m. Sunday. World-renowned Jesuit retreat masters will be conducting the conferences. Personal spiritual directors and confessors will be available to all retreatants.

There is no cost for the retreat. For those who have the means, a free will offering will be greatly appreciated. If any of our slots go unfilled, they will be given to men from other parishes. If interested, please contact Deacon Russ Perry at 402-960-6509 or russporto@gmail.com. God’s blessing!

Congratulations Engaged Couples!

Pray for all couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage! This is a beautiful time for you to grow closer to God and to one another. As a couple, you can discover more about the Sacrament of Marriage and the amazing plans God has for your marriage. The following are some wonderful resources to help you prepare:

- *Three to Get Married* by Fulton Sheen
- *Just Married: The Catholic Guide to Surviving and Thriving in the First Five Years of Marriage* by Greg Popcak
- *Good News About Sex and Marriage* by Christopher West

A couple's engagement is also the perfect time to learn about Natural Family Planning (NFP). If you have any questions or would like information about NFP, please contact St. Columbkille NFP liaisons Mike and Lisa Brandon at ilovecoca cola22@hotmail.com or 402-915-1533.
SACRED HEART PRESCHOOL

We have a busy week at preschool! Library visits are this week, and Thursday and Friday are also Pajama Days at preschool! If you are looking for information regarding registration for the 2019-2020 preschool year, please visit the parish website www.saintcolumbkille.org/preschool or contact Sarah Foreman at sforeman@saintcolumbkilleschool.org. The elementary school will be processing registrations for the upcoming fall. Early registration ends February 5!

PARISH ATHLETICS

Questions? Contact Sarah Yarpe at sayarpe@saintcolumbkille.org or 402-592-1533.

RECREATIONAL BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

Registration is now open for Machine Pitch/Recreational Baseball, Coach Pitch/Recreational Softball. **Deadline to register is February 18th!** To register, visit the Athletics website www.saintcolumbkille.org/athletics.

TRACK AND FIELD

Registration is now open to boys and girls in 5th - 8th grade. **Deadline to register is February 28th!** To register, visit the Athletics website www.saintcolumbkille.org/athletics.

MICROSOCER

Registration is now open for boys and girls in preschool and kindergarten. **Deadline to register is February 28th!** Season runs April 5-May 17 at the St. Columbkille Sports Complex. Practices/Games are held Friday nights from 6-7 p.m. To register, visit the Athletics website www.saintcolumbkille.org/athletics.

CRUSADERS SELECT BASEBALL 2019

Our 2019 9U, 10U, and 11U select baseball teams are still looking for 1-2 more players for next season. If you are interested in trying out for those teams or have any questions please contact St. Columbkille Baseball Commissioner Jim Horacek at crus8rbaseball@gmail.com.

CRUSADERS WINDOW DECALS

Only $5.00! New designs in stock. Show your school spirit and support St. Columbkille Athletics! Available to purchase at all home basketball games and through the Athletics office.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: TEEN FAITH

Questions? Contact Nicole Cook at 402-339-0990 or ncook@saintcolumbkille.org.

Teen Faith This Week—Large Group—The Whats and Whys of Mass: Why do we do what we do at Mass? This Wednesday, we will delve into these topics, led by a video with Catholic evangelist, Fr. Mike Schmitz. We will gather from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Social Hall and will begin with a meal.

Teen Faith Next Week—Large Group—Church Tour: Next week we will explore the church building, learning the names of the items used during Mass and the reasons for the fixtures and furniture within the building.

HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS: Stay up-to-date on all that's happening with Teen Faith! Receive short, weekly emails with all the information you need about ongoing Teen Faith events. To sign up, email your name, preferred email address, student's name, grade, and school to Nicole Cook at ncook@saintcolumbkille.org.

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YOUTH CHOIR IS GROWING AGAIN!

Attention 7th Graders through High School Seniors! Want to have fun, earn service hours, and experience Mass in a powerful new way? Join us for rehearsals on Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:00 in the church. Not a singer? We need musicians, too! We have room for 1 electric bass player, 1 drummer, and 1 acoustic (6 string) guitarist. We aren't looking for perfection, just enthusiasm! Contact Tiffini at: 402-315-7449 or teamcoveney@1791.com
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Submitted by Shelley Hill, BSN R.N.

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**Parish Nurse News: 15 resolutions for a happier, lower-impact 2019**

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Submitted by Shelley Hill, BSN R.N.
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9:30 a.m.  Senior Exercise (SH)
5:00 p.m.  Religious Education Class (EdC)

**Tuesday, January 29**
9:30 a.m.  Zumba Fitness (SH)
3:30 p.m.  Children’s Choir Rehearsal (SH)
7:00 p.m.  RCIA (PC)

**Wednesday, January 30**
9:00 a.m.  Spirituality Alive (SH)
9:30 a.m.  Tai Chi (PC)
1:00 p.m.  Bible Study (PC)
1:30 p.m.  Rosary Makers (SH)
5:00 p.m.  Quilt Workshop (PC)
5:45 p.m.  Religious Education Class (EdC)
6:30 p.m.  Youth Choir (SH)
7:00 p.m.  Teen Faith (SH)

**Thursday, January 31**
6:00 a.m.  That Man is You (PC)
12:00 p.m. Catholic Schools Week Talent Show (SH)
7:00 p.m.  Boy Scouts (SH)
7:00 p.m.  Legion of Mary (PO)
7:30 p.m.  Adult Choir Rehearsal (C)

**Friday, February 1**
9:15 a.m.  Line Dancing (SH)
2:00 p.m.  Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Dinner (SH)

**Saturday, February 2**
7:00 a.m.  Yoga Fitness (PC)
9:00 a.m.  Bible Study (Ed C)
9:30 a.m.  Tai Chi (PC)
10:00 a.m.  First Communion Quilt Workshop (SH)

**Sunday, February 3**
11:30 a.m.  St. Columbkille 101
3:00 p.m.  Prayer Group (C)

**Fair Trade Sale**
Sunday, February 10th
Social Hall
8:00 a.m. - Noon

The Fair Trade Team promotes the sale of foods and crafts purchased at a fair price from farmers and artisans around the world. The Fair Trade Team sponsors a fair trade sale the second Sunday of each month, excluding June and July.

**HOPE AFTER ABORTION**
Are you the mother, father, grandparent, family member, medical professional or counselor involved in an abortion? Are you suffering from an abortion experience? Project Rachel offers spiritual and psychological healing. Call 1-888-456-HOPE (4673) for a referral for private, sensitive and confidential counseling and/or reconciliation. More information is available online at www.hopeafterabortion.com
**Parish Gifts**

Due to weather closings, the numbers from January 20th will be reported in next week's bulletin.

**Marriage Retreat**

**Marriage Saving – the Weekend Phase**

During the weekend phase of Retrouvaille, a series of presentations are given by a team of three couples and a priest. The team presents a technique of communication that enables you to take a good look at most areas of your relationship. After each presentation you have time in the privacy of your room to discuss the previous presentation. For confidential information about the program or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on February 15th-17th, 2019, call 1-800-470-2230 or www.retrouvaille.org on the web. **February 5th is the last day to sign up for Retrouvaille.**

**Second Collection**

On Sunday, February 3rd, there will be a second collection for Home & Foreign Missions. Please prayerfully consider giving to this cause.

**Hospital Stay**

If you or someone you know is in the hospital, please call the Parish Office at 402-339-3285 to let the parish know so we can visit and minister to them.

**Guatemalan Mission Trip**

The Archdiocese of Omaha began a mission project in 2003 called Ixim: Spirit of Solidarity. Trip #16 is being planned for summer 2019! If you would like to learn more, please attend the first Formation Session on Sunday, January 20th at 1:30 pm. at St. Frances Cabrini Parish Center. Questions? Call Ixim Director Charlie Petro at 402-934-7706 or visit www.ixim.org.

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**Parking Lot Flow**

We recently noticed that people have been entering the parking lot through the exit west of the church, which is marked, “Exit Only: Do Not Enter”. Entering the parking lot there holds up traffic on 6th street and causes disruptions, especially at the traffic light. Please only use the parking lot entrances that are east of the church, and use the exit as an exit only. Thank you!

**Email Scams**

There have been multiple impersonations of Fr. Dave via email recently. As a reminder, Fr. Dave only uses the email addresses dreeson@archomaha.org or dreeson@saintcolumbkille.org, and he will never ask you to send money or gift cards directly to himself. If you receive a suspicious email, be sure to check the email address and let the Parish Office know.

**Yellow Ribbons**

Please pray for the following men and women from our parish who are now serving in war zones:

- SSgt. Michela Dahm
- MSgt. Jonathan Draper
- Capt. Angel Briseno
- A1C Anthony Connot
- A1C Joseph Connot

**Heavenly Father,**

Watch over our military fighting in harm’s way. Set your Blessed Mother, the Saints and all the Angels around them to keep them safe. Give them hope, courage and faith as they give of themselves so unselfishly for us. May they be divinely protected and guided, given peace in their hearts, and may they be brought safely home to us.

Amen.
ROME

Beneath the Surface

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