Al and Agnes Kelley moved to Oxbow Assisted Living in Ashland a week ago to be closer to their daughter, Karen Stille, and her family. They will miss their St. Columbkille family after 65 years of being part of our parish! We will all miss the Kelleys, too, and hope they will come back to visit often.

Blessings On Your Move!
PUBLIC & LIVE STREAMED MASSES

Monday-Thursday
Public Mass at 8:15 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.
Live streamed at 8:15 a.m. on the St. Columbkille Parish YouTube channel and via the link to it at the top of our website.
Friday: 6:20 a.m. and 8:15 a.m. Live streamed at 8:15 a.m.
Saturday: Communion Service, 8:15 a.m., Sunday Vigil Public Mass & Live streamed on parish YouTube channel at 5 p.m.
Sunday
Public Masses at 7:30 a.m.*, 9 a.m. (masks required)*, 10:30 a.m.* and noon
*Beginning August 16th

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RECONCILIATION

Monday-Thursday
5:00-5:20 p.m.
Saturday
3:30-4:30 p.m.

MASS, HOMILISTS, INTENTIONS & PRESIDERS

Monday, August 24th
8:15 a.m. +James Dugan (Fr. Greisen)
5:30 p.m. +Dee O’Brien (Fr. Greisen)
Tuesday, August 25th
8:15 a.m. +Gertrude Connott (Fr. Greisen)
5:30 p.m. +Harry Hasselmann (Fr. Reeson)
Wednesday, August 26th
8:15 a.m. +Kyron Bogacz (Fr. Reeson)
5:30 p.m. +B. Stan Sobczyk (Fr. Greisen)
Thursday, August 27th
8:15 a.m. +Gene Cerny (Fr. Greisen)
5:30 p.m. +Mary Votek (Fr. Reeson)
Friday, August 28th
6:20 a.m. Poor Souls (Fr. Reeson)
8:15 a.m. +Beverly Lane and Denise Lane (Fr. Reeson)
Saturday, August 29th
8:15 a.m. Communion Service (Dcn. Graef)
5:00 p.m. +Verda Bland (Fr. Greisen)
Sunday, August 30th
7:30 a.m. +Beverly Lane and Denise Lane (Fr. Greisen)
9:00 a.m. +Daniel Karsowski (Fr. Reeson)
10:30 a.m. +Ray Buman (Fr. Reeson)
12:00 p.m. The Parish (Fr. Reeson)

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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. Please contact Deacon Bill Hill regarding Marriage Prep at 402-250-3030 and the Parish Office at 402-339-3285 before setting a date.

Bulletin Deadline
Bulletin items are due 10 days before the issue date. Please email them to Anna Ferguson at aferguson@saintcolumbkille.org. We reserve the right to make any edits we deem necessary.
GOSPEL MEDITATION
ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

The only way to know God is to love God. Our minds will never fully grasp the mystery of God, but our hearts and souls can learn to love the mystery. Years ago, when life had a more innocent quality to it, we believed what we were told or witnessed, unless there was direct evidence otherwise. This was especially true if the information came from someone in authority. In a sense, we were a bit more gullible on one hand but also more trusting on the other. The latter is an admirable quality that sadly can be eroded when we realize we have been duped. With education and technological advances, we find ourselves more skeptical and less likely to accept and believe what we see and hear.

For all of the good that social media can do, it can also easily distort reality and truth. Photoshop and a myriad other technological truths can add to, fabricate, and make even the non-existent seem real. It is amazing. How far do we allow this obviously justifiable skepticism to take us? Questioning and doubting are healthy elements of any good relationship as long as we don’t allow them to turn us away from a deeper experience of love and encounter. If we cannot get our minds around something or empirically justify or prove it, we tend to declare it a hoax, untruth, or unauthentic and walk away. The very same trust that can quickly be eroded is exactly what is essential for all of our relationships, especially our relationship with God. With all things and people that make a profound claim on us, we have to trust in the absence of knowledge. Full self-investment involves plunging completely into the unknown!

Simon Peter said to Jesus, “You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God.” Peter came to this knowledge, which is not “head knowledge” because of the relationship he shared with Jesus and what God was able to reveal and through that relationship. Peter simply “knew” because of love that this is who Jesus really is. The silent exchange of love between friends, and not an intellectual exercise of the mind, brought Peter to this place. When we stop and think about it, there are many things in life that we simply know but do not completely understand. When someone sacrifices their own well-being for another, it may not make intellectual sense when examined. But it makes a world of sense when it is carried out. The vastness of reality and an encounter with incomprehensible mystery all lead us to profound silence where we simply know something to be true. Have you trusted enough to allow your relationship with God to bring you to this place or are you still too skeptical?

“I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” Then he strictly ordered his disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ. - Mt 16:19-20


SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS
Local businesses and sponsors that advertise on bulletins need you now more than ever before. Please encourage and remind others to show their support during this time.
HELP NEEDED TO SANITIZE THE CHURCH

We need your help sanitizing the Church! Especially as we add two more Masses this weekend, it is more important than ever to maintain a clean and safe environment for everyone attending. You can help us with this critical ministry. It doesn’t take more than 20 minutes and all supplies and instructions will be provided. Please sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080c4aad2ba5f49-

Help With Live Streaming & Simulcasting Masses

You might know that, due to the current pandemic, we are livestreaming our daily 8:15 a.m. Mass and our 5:00 p.m. Saturday weekend Mass to our parish YouTube channel. This is so that our fellow parishioners who aren’t able to join us in-person can still participate with us as a community in Mass from their homes.

Due to physical distancing constraints because of the pandemic, we have had to reduce available seating in the church worship space. Consequently, we have about 100 additional seats set up in the Social Level, and we simulcast all of our weekend Masses so that those parishioners seated down there can also participate in-person in the Mass.

Both of these activities involve someone being present in the church building a little before Mass and throughout Mass, operating the HDMI camera in our worship space through a computer. With live-streaming, there are also a few steps taken to activate the stream.

Do you have an interest in filming or photography? Have some aptitude for running programs on a computer? Would you be willing to assist with this new ministry? If so, please contact Linda Gries at gries8716@msn.com or 402-339-7058. Training, guidance, and practice will be provided.
Open Teacher’s Aide Positions

St. Columbkille School is looking for two Teacher’s Aides, one for kindergarten and one for 1st grade. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Sarah Foreman at sforeman@saintcolumbkilleschool.org or call 402-339-8706.

Holy Water Available

There will be a table set up in the church courtyard this weekend, August 22nd/23rd, where Deacon Kellar and his wife will be offering free bottles of holy water for parishioners to take home with them. All bottles have been sanitized and gloves and masks will be worn at their distribution. People are also welcome to bring their own bottles to fill. Bottles of Holy Water will also be out in the church entrance throughout that week for anyone to pick up. Limit one per household.

Deacon Information Evening

Have you ever considered being a Deacon? Do you know someone who has the qualities that you’d like to see in a Deacon? Our Parish will be hosting a Deacon Information Evening on September 13th at 6 p.m. in the Church. Please contact Deacon Steve Jordan if you (and your spouse) would be interested in attending or if you know of someone who you’d like to suggest. Fr. Dave will be contacting those suggested and inviting them to attend. For more information, contact Deacon Steve Jordan at MAJ805SAJ@COX.NET, or call or text 402-290-4916.

Mark Your Calendars!

Mark your calendars now to participate in a tour of our new Doug and Judy McWilliams Parish Center. Tour with refreshments will take place from 1 – 4 p.m. on Sunday September 13th. You will need to sign up in advance for the tour. Keep an eye out for an invitation in the mail.

Moms of Faith

Moms of faith is a ministry open to all moms - current, expecting, adopting, or fostering. We provide an opportunity for mothers and families to gather for spiritual, community and social activities. Moms of Faith hosts social events, fellowship gatherings, book studies, service opportunities, holy hours, and family events. The group strives to encourage members in their vocations, and to help them learn and grow in the Catholic faith. For more information, email Michelle Lanoue at stcmomsoffaith@outlook.com

Prayer Line

CONTACT CATHY BECCARD  
402-320-4209

OR EMAIL

STCOLPRAYERLINE@COX.NET
**PARISH GIFTS**

This report is for the Sunday Collection and does not represent all parish financial income and expenses.

**August 16th**

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**Year-to-Date Budgeted Tithing** | 351,666 |
**Year-to-Date Total Tithing**      | 284,790 |
**Year-to-Date Overage/(Shortfall)** | ($66,876) |

**Other Collections:**

- Debt Reduction: 430
- Votive Lights: 192
- Building Rental: 148
- St. Columbkille Ed Trust: 101
- St. Vincent de Paul: 440
- Future Fund: 200
- Misc. Donations/Stocks, Estates, etc.: 240
- Abundant/Vanco Processing Fee Donation: 111

**Envelopes and Online Giving**

If you are tithing through Abundant online and are receiving church envelopes for weekly or monthly giving, please contact the Parish Office to change your envelope designation to **special giving only, which you will receive in the mail quarterly**. Call 402-339-3285 or email cmmccartney@saintcolumbkille.org. Thanks!

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**American Heritage Girls Troop 1877**
Chartered by St. Columbkille Parish

American Heritage Girls (AHG) is a Christ-centered character and leadership development program for girls 5 to 18 years of age. AHG is dedicated to the mission of building women of integrity through service to God, family, community, and country. Join the troop and make new friends as you explore everything from engineering to rock climbing and support your community through food drives or making welcome home signs for Habitat for Humanity. Take advantage of opportunities to lead, mentor or learn as all units work together and independently during the month. We know you will make memories to last a lifetime!

**Meeting Time:** All units meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 6:15 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

**Meeting Location:** St. Columbkille and Zoom meetings

**Who:** Kindergarteners to 12th graders

For more information or to join, please send an email to ahgtroop1877@gmail.com or check out the AHG website https://americanheritagegirls.org/.

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**Parish Raffle**

There will be a parish raffle in conjunction with the upcoming Doug and Judy McWilliams Parish Center Open House on September 13th at 12:30 p.m. Tickets will be available after Mass starting this weekend, August 22nd/23rd. An announcement will be made directing you where to buy them. We are asking each parish family to take one envelope of 20 tickets to sell to friends, family, or neighbors, or to purchase the tickets yourself. Each ticket is $5. Tickets can be returned in the yellow envelope during the collection at Mass or returned to the Parish Office. The Grand Prize is $5,000, the second prize is $1,500 and the third prize is $500.

For questions or more information contact Ben Robles at brobles86@gmail.com.
In Loving Memory of
Duane Larchick
Margaret Witt

Tri-City Food Pantry August Most-Needed List

Food
- Canned Chicken
- Pudding
- Stuffing
- Diced Tomatoes
- Canned Potatoes
- Canned Carrots
- Pasta Sauce
- Ramen
- Canned Pasta
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Potato Sides

Non-Food Items
- Shampoo
- Dish Soap
- Laundry Detergent
- Diapers sizes 5 and 6

*There is currently an abundance of green beans and corn

How to recognize when Jesus has been in your grocery store.

St. Columbkille Catholic School
WE ARE HIRING!

Crusader Care Director
Crusader Care is an established before and after school program with DHHS licensure. This is a part time position with 4-5 hours per day. Hours are approximately 6:30-7:45 AM and 3:00-6:00 PM on days when school is in session.

If interested or for more information, please email Sarah Foreman, sforeman@stcolumbkilleschool.org or call 402-539-8706

Serra Club Mass for Vocations

The Serra Club of West Omaha invites you to join them for Mass on Monday, August 31st at 5:30 p.m. at Holy Cross Church (4810 Woolworth Avenue, Omaha) to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life.

Immediately following Mass, you are invited to attend their half-hour Meeting & Mixer to share the benefits of joining their missionary efforts as they work within the Archdiocese of Omaha to foster and promote new vocations, encourage and affirm existing vocations, and respond to God’s call in our own lives to increase our individual holiness. You’ll learn about the wonderful variety of initiatives, events and activities they engage in to help build the Church locally. Come and meet the dedicated Serra members and enjoy light refreshments with them! For questions, please contact John Lingo, VP of Membership, 402-290-4670 or John@JLingoLaw.com.
Athletics Updates

MICROSOCCER FALL 2020 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!
Deadline to register is August 28th.
Open to boys and girls
3-Year-Old, Preschool and Kindergarten
Season runs September through October
To register, visit the Athletics website:
https://www.saintcolumbkille.org/athletics

*NEW ADULT COED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE*
REGISTRATION OPENS 8/1!
Deadline to register is August 31st.
Open to St. Columbkille parishioners (21 and older)
Sunday Nights 7 p.m. in the new Doug and Judy McWilliams Parish Center
Cost per team: $200
Season runs September through October.
To register, visit the Athletics website:
https://www.saintcolumbkille.org/athletics

CRUSADERS BASKETBALL REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!
Register now for 2020-2021 Crusaders Basketball!
Deadline to register is August 31st
Open to boys and girls 2nd-8th grade
Season runs November to March
To register, visit the Athletics website
www.saintcolumbkille.org/athletics.
You Are Invited to Join the Hospitality Ministry at St. Columbkille!

The Hospitality Ministry is open to individuals and/or families that want to share Jesus' love with our St. Columbkille community and visitors, in a variety of ways and places, through radical hospitality. What is radical hospitality? It is the intentional invitation and welcome of all people. It goes beyond greeting people at the door; it is the act of welcoming every person as an honored guest, as if you are welcoming them into your own home.

The Hospitality Ministry is pivotal in making all those coming into our parish feel loved, known, safe, and welcomed, as well as helping provide safety precautions as we gather in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. We are certain this is what our parish community is seeking during this time of uncertainty and for years to come.

The Hospitality Ministers are hopeful that you will prayerfully consider the Hospitality Ministry for you or your family. "Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares." -Hebrews 13:2

Please reach out to Marlo Monico with your response to this invitation or with any questions at mmmonico@gmail.com and/or contact the Parish Office (402) 339-3285.

Upcoming Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

The next Knights of Columbus blood drive will be on September 20th, in the Sacred Heart Center from 7 a.m. to noon in the Sacred Heart Center.

Drive Details:

Site: St. Columbkille Catholic Church
Address: 543 N. Jefferson, Papillion, NE, 68046
Room Name: Sacred Heart Center
Date: Sunday September 20th, 2020
Time: 7:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Blood Program Leader Name: Joe Bixler
Blood Program Leader Phone Number: 712-328-1841

To make an appointment go to: https://rcblood.org/3d2bxs8

From the Red Cross: You can be assured that each Red Cross blood drive and donation center follows the highest standards of safety and infection control, and additional precautions – including social distancing and face coverings for donors and staff – have been implemented to ensure the health of all those in attendance. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the drive and are required to wear a face covering or mask while at the drive, in alignment with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention public guidance.
Join the Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is a worldwide organization whereby Catholic men and women sanctify their lives through prayer and service under the guidance of a spiritual director. The Legion of Mary has been active at St. Columbkille since May 2011.

There are two types of membership in the Legion:

Active- Members who attend a weekly meeting centered around the Rosary and the Legion handbook, and perform two hours of apostolic work per week.

Auxiliary- Members pray the rosary and Legion prayer card every day for the Blessed Mother’s intentions. No meeting or work requirements.

Our active members currently minister to patients at local nursing homes and are also involved in the pro-life ministry. Please prayerfully consider joining us as an active or auxiliary member. For more information call: Holly Sales at 402-689-0827 or join us at our weekly meeting on Thursday at 7:15 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Center.