The American Heritage Girls completed a service project recently called Box of Joy. Gretchen Foss, from the pioneer unit, lead the troop in filling and sending 30+ boxes. Over the last month the troop brought gifts, clothes, books and school supplies together, and this month, they packed up the boxes. The girl who packed the box also included a letter about themselves and messages of joy for Christmas.

(For more information about Box of Joy, see page 7.)
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., 10:30 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.
9 a.m., noon and 5 p.m. masks are required.

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Bulletin Deadline
Bulletin items are due 10 days before the issue date. Please email them to Jackie Buso at jbuso@saintcolumbkille.org. We reserve the right to make any edits we deem necessary.

RECONCILIATION

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

MASS, HOMILISTS, INTENTIONS & PRESIDERS

Monday, November 23rd
8:15 a.m. + Beverly Lane and Denise Lane (Fr. Greisen)
5:30 p.m. + Fr. Jim Schwerty (Fr. Greisen)

Tuesday, November 24th
8:15 a.m. + Ed Kawa (Fr. Greisen)
5:30 p.m. + Robert Cook (Fr. Reeson)

Wednesday, November 25th
8:15 a.m. + JoAnn Rieden (Fr. Greisen)
5:30 p.m. + Thomas Wilwerding (Fr. Reeson)

Thursday, November 26th
8:15 a.m. + Rich Kriegler & Cliff Swertzic (Fr. Reeson)

Friday, November 27th
6:20 a.m. + Barbara Hawks (Fr. Reeson)
8:15 a.m. + Cecilia Mitchell-Blessings (Fr. Reeson)

Saturday, November 28th
8:15 a.m. + Communion Service (Dcn. Hill)
5:00 p.m. + Shirley Von Dorn (Fr. Reeson)

Sunday, November 29th
7:30 a.m. + Donna Zey (Fr. Reeson)
9:00 a.m. + Joann Rieden (Fr. Reeson)
10:30 a.m. For the Parish (Fr. Greisen)
12:00 p.m. + Kimberly Ruggio (Fr. Greisen)
5:00 p.m. + Gerald Coufal (Fr. Greisen)

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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.
The Magic Bank Account

Imagine that you had won the following *PRIZE* in a contest: Each morning your bank would deposit $86,400 in your private account for your use. However, this prize has rules:

The set of Rules:
1. Everything that you didn't spend during each day would be taken away from you.
2. You may not simply transfer money into some other account.
3. You may only spend it.
4. Each morning upon awakening, the bank opens your account with another $86,400 for that day.
5. The bank can end the game without warning; at any time, it can say, “Game Over!” It can close the account and you will not receive a new one.

What would you personally do?
You would buy anything and everything you wanted right? Not only for yourself, but for all the people you love and care for. Even for people you don't know, because you couldn't possibly spend it all on yourself, right?
You would try to spend every penny, and use it all, because you knew it would be replenished in the morning, right?

ACTUALLY, This GAME is REAL...
Each of us is already a winner of this *PRIZE*. We just can't seem to see it.
The PRIZE is *TIME*

1. Each morning we awaken to receive 86,400 seconds as a gift of life.
2. And when we go to sleep at night, any remaining time is NOT credited to us.
3. What we haven't used up that day is forever lost.
4. Yesterday is forever gone.
5. Each morning the account is refilled, but the bank can dissolve your account at any time WITHOUT WARNING...

SO, what will YOU do with your 86,400 seconds?
Those seconds are worth so much more than the same amount in dollars. Think about it and remember to enjoy every second of your life, because time races by so much quicker than you think.

So take care of yourself, be happy, love deeply and enjoy life!
Here's wishing you a wonderful and beautiful day. Start spending....

Pax,

Fr. Dave
ST. COLUMBKILLE PARISH

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OUR TRADITION IN FUNDRAISING

NEW DATE!

MAY 1, 2021
EMBASSAY SUITES, LA VISTA

WE NEED YOUR HELP! SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER TODAY! EMAIL US AT CHAIR@COUMBSCEILI.ORG

HONORARY CHAIRS
JARED & KIM HOLLINGER
Women's Guild News

Cookie Walk Alert!
Our Guild will hold our annual “Cookie Walk” on Sunday, December 6th in the Social Level from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Can you donate 4 dozen of your favorite holiday cookies to our event?
Any kind of cookie is appreciated! Please bring your cookie donation to the Social Level on SATURDAY, December, 5th from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or Sunday, December 6th, by 8 a.m.
You choose your cookies with gloved hands. We will weigh your plate of cookies YOU have chosen. Cost is $4/lb. Proceeds are used to support Guild projects in our parish and community. Questions? Contact Dee Iske at 402-734-3762 or (iskew@cox.net).

GIFT GIVING WEEKEND
Our parish will again be working with Sarpy County Holiday Assistance Program to help our community with the Sarpy County Christmas Center. Sarpy county agencies will identify families and we, along with other churches and organizations, will help to meet the needs of those families with our donations of toys and clothing. Last year, the Center was able to help 240 families.
The weekend of November 21st – 22nd, we will be decorating our “Giving Tree”. It will be located in the Commons of the church. The colorful ornaments will identify NEW toys, clothing and gift certificates that will be collected for the Sarpy County Christmas Center. Due to current conditions and limits on physical distancing, a flyer will also be available so that you can take home a list of toys and clothing items we are needing. Due to less space and wanting less congestion we will NOT be collecting food or personal care items this year. Please take as many ornaments as you wish (or a flyer) and then bring the gifts you purchased back to the church on Gift Giving Weekend, December 5th – 6th. Watch the bulletin for additional information over the next few weeks. If you have any questions, please call Becky or Pat Grant at (402) 592-1103.

The Hospitality Ministry Needs Your Support and Engagement
Although this important ministry continues to grow each month, the addition of Masses means we need even more ministers. Hospitality Ministers joyfully welcome people to Mass and enjoy meeting new people each week. This ministry is open to EVERYONE, individuals and families.
The Hospitality Ministry is pivotal in helping all who enter our parish to feel loved and welcomed, and also helps provide safety precautions as we gather in the midst of the pandemic.
We hope you'll prayerfully consider the Hospitality Ministry for yourself or your family. Please contact Marlo Monico at (mmmonico@gmail.com) with your response to this invitation or with any questions you might have, or you may contact the Parish Office at 402-339-3285.
This holiday season, give St. Columbkille the "gift" of your current contact information so we can keep in touch with you. Visit: https://saintcolumbkille.flocknote.com
MASS INTENTIONS
If you would like a Mass said for a loved one, please call the Parish Office at 402-339-3285. Masses can be said at our parish or another parish. The recommended stipend is $10.

From Cover..
Box of Joy is an annual Christmas gift ministry organized by local Catholic schools, parishes and groups across the United States and facilitated by Cross Catholic Outreach. By packing Boxes of Joy with toys and other gifts, participants bless children suffering from extreme poverty by sharing the joy of Christmas and planting seeds of hope (https://crosscatholic.org/box-of-joy/).

Prayer Line
CONTACT CATHY BECCARD
402-320-4209
OR EMAIL
STCOLPRAYERLINE@COX.NET

You and Your Family are Invited to the
Annual Advent Gathering
Sunday, December 6
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
907 Leprechaun Lane
(Home of Angela Johansen)

St. Columbkille Catholic School
WE ARE HIRING!
Lunch Room Manager
We are looking for an energetic, organized individual to manage our school lunch program. This is a part time position with approximately 25 hours per week. Hours are 9:00am-2:00pm on days when school is in session with some additional days at the beginning and end of the school year for set up and close out.
Primary duties include: Inventory and ordering supplies, Food preparation and serving meals, Maintaining records and communication with Westside, and Creating a welcoming, friendly environment in the kitchen. This is a fast-paced, collaborative position, and it’s also pretty fun to see all the kids!

If interested or for more information, please email Sarah Foreman sforeman@saintcolumbkilleschool.org or call 402-339-8706
Do you pray the rosary every week? Please consider joining the Confraternity of the Holy Rosary!

Maintained by the Dominican Order, the confraternity is over 500 years old. It forms a union of countless hundreds of thousands of faithful throughout the world who, along with their own intentions, include the intentions and needs of all other members of the Rosary Confraternity both living and dead. This means that for those enrolled during life, the prayers of members apply to them after death! (The deceased cannot be enrolled). Since Pope Saint John Paul II added the Luminous Mysteries, it would be appropriate to include those weekly. However, only the 15 traditional mysteries are required weekly to share in the benefits of the Confraternity.

To enroll, go to the website of the Dominicans at rosarycenter.org and fill out and submit the application online. Or, you can print out the form they provide and mail it in. There is no cost. Just enroll and pray at least 15 decades weekly! Copies of the enrollment form will be in the literature rack in the narthex through November.

Benefits are of course the prayers of all other members for you needs now and after death; a share in the prayers, Masses and apostolic works of the entire Dominican Order; a plenary indulgence under usual conditions on the day of enrollment and the following feast days: Christmas, Easter, Annunciation, Purification, Assumption, Our Lady of the Rosary and Immaculate Conception.

St. John Vianney said "If anyone has the happiness of being in the Confraternity of the Rosary, he has in all corners of the world brothers and sisters who pray for him.

Rosary Makers Club

The Rosary Makers Club normally meets at 1:00 on Wednesdays. Please note that we will NOT be meeting on the following dates:

November 25, 2020
December 16, 2020
December 23, 2020
December 30, 2020

New Calling Ministry

The parish is seeking volunteers for our brand-new Calling Ministry team, and we need your help as we seek to love one another and be the face of Christ to one another during these difficult times and beyond.

If you’re willing, you’ll receive a list of parishioners with phone numbers, who you’ll call perhaps 3 or 4 times a year to ask how they are and whether they need any assistance, such as visits or prayer requests. Each call should only take a few minutes, and we’ll provide a script to guide you. We want all our parishioners to know we’re there for them, so we’ll mainly be listening, rather than transmitting lots of information. And when you receive feedback on someone’s needs, the parish is here to help.

Please prayerfully consider joining this new and important St. Columbkille ministry, and please call Dcn. Dave Graef for more information at 402-592-4741.

Tri-City Food Pantry

November 2020
Most Needed List
Canned Pasta
Red/Kidney Beans
Canned Pasta Sauce
Baked Beans
Chili Beans
Diced Tomatoes
Jello
Pudding
Non Food Items
Kleenex
Shampoo
Dish Soap
Laundry Detergent
Diapers Sz 5 or 6

We currently have an abundance of green beans and corn.
St. Columbkille Crusaders Athletics

To register, visit the Athletics website: www.saintcolumbkille.org/athletics

NOW OPEN!!
Intramural Basketball
For Kindergarten and 1st graders.
Season runs from January 9th through February 13th
Six week season on Saturday mornings in the McWilliams Parish Center gym.
Registration closes on December 20, 2020.
Cost is $30.

NOW OPEN!!
Adult League Basketball
Pick up style league on Sunday nights.
In the McWilliams Parish Center gym starting at 7:00pm.
Cost is $40 per player.
Season runs January 10th through February 14th.

CALLING ALL SELECT BASEBALL PLAYERS!!
Slots Still Available for Some 2021 Select Teams. There are a limited number of player openings available on our 9U, 12U Blue, 13U, and 14U White teams. If you are interested in trying out for one of these teams, please email crus8rbaseball@gmail.com to make an appointment.

Questions? Contact Katie Hart at khart@saintcolumbkille.org

“Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom.”
He replied to him, “Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

Prayer for Thanksgiving

Father all-powerful, your gifts of love are countless and your goodness infinite. On Thanksgiving Day we come before you with gratitude for your kindness: open our hearts to concern for our fellow men and women, so that we may share your gifts in loving service.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.