In November, after three months of preparation, 10 Clarkson nursing students presented the fitness seniors with the latest information on Covid-19 and immunizations. They had a pre-test, a post-test and a game of bingo to make sure the information was understood.

These programs are mutually beneficial for the students and the seniors. Thank you to the Clarkson nursing students!
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. See page 6 for mask requirements.

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Bulletin Deadline
Bulletin items are due 10 days before the issue date. Please email them to Jackie Buso at jjbuso@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 30th
8:15 a.m. +Helene McGraw (Fr. Greisen)
5:30 p.m. +Dave Lodes (Fr. Greisen)

Tuesday, December 1st
8:15 a.m. +James Dugan (Fr. Greisen)
5:30 p.m. +Frank Bianco (Fr. Reeson)

Wednesday, December 2nd
8:15 a.m. +Leni Wendl (Fr. Reeson)
5:30 p.m. +Hay Nguyen & Vien Nguyen

Friday, December 4th
6:20 a.m. Ben Pfeifer Family (Fr. Reeson)
8:15 a.m. +Beverly Lane & Denise Lane (Fr. Reeson)

Saturday, December 5th
8:15 a.m. Communion Service (Dcn. Hill)
5:00 p.m. +Vince Kucirek (Fr. Reeson)

Sunday, December 6th
7:30 a.m. +Fred Kuntz (Fr. Reeson)
9:00 a.m. For the Parish (Fr. Reeson)
10:30 a.m. Blessings-Rob Determan Family (Fr. Greisen)
12:00 p.m. +Nicholas Wilson (Fr. Greisen)
5:00 p.m. +Sharon Piper (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.
Question:
When we say the Penitential Act at Mass, why do we strike our chest three times?

Answer:
Our rituals and liturgical celebrations are filled with a variety of symbols, some of which also relate to our gestures and physical postures (e.g. kneeling, sitting, processing, making the Sign of the Cross). The custom of striking our breast three times during the “I Confess” of the Penitential Act of the Mass is one of those gestures that is loaded with symbolism.

The tradition of Christian’s striking the breast (above the heart) is rooted in the image of Sacred Scripture, especially texts like Psalm 51 which speak of a “humbled contrite heart” or how God heals broken hearts, binding up our wounds (see Psalm 147:3). Early Christian writers like Saint Augustine of Hippo and Saint Jerome also refer to this custom in their writings.

Ultimately, this practice is an expression of our sorrow for those times when we have been guilty of faults and a sign that we are willing to take responsibility for our sins and failings. That we all perform this gesture together is also an act of solidarity, recognizing that none of us, regardless of where we are on our journey of faith, is without fault and the need for grace and forgiveness.

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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
PLEASE NOTE...the annual "Holiday Cookie Walk" will NOT be held this year due to the pandemic that seems to be escalating this year. Our guild looks forward to holding this fun event next year. Thanks for your previous support!
Our remaining guild cookbooks will still be available for $5. Questions? Contact Dee Iske at 402-734-3762 or (iskew@cox.net).

St. Columbkille 101
If you are new to the parish and have not attended a St. Columbkille 101 gathering, please join us for our next session on Sunday, December 6th at 1:00 pm. The gathering will take place in the Sacred Heart Center, which is the building south of the church with the green awning on Jefferson St. Refreshments will be served and child care is provided. Please contact the parish office if you are planning to attend by calling 402-339-3285 or sending an email to (emmccartney@saintcolumbkille.org).

GIFT GIVING WEEKEND
Next weekend, December 5th – 6th is Gift Giving Weekend. If you haven’t taken an ornament off the tree, there are still many left to choose from. If you would like to shop for your own choice of a gift, please feel free to do that as well.
Please bring your UNWRAPPED gifts to church with you next weekend. Boxes will be available at all entrances of the church to receive your gifts. If you have chosen a gift certificate as your gift, please make sure they are in an envelope so they can be found easily. For those of you who are donating to the Sarpy County Adult Crisis Fund or the Sarpy County Children’s Fund, donations can be placed in the collection basket or you can drop them off at the parish office.
If you forget to bring your gifts, there will be boxes in the commons that will remain there until Wednesday, December 9th. If you need someone to pick up your gifts, please call Becky Grant at (402) 592-1103 or you can drop them off in the church office during business hours. Thank you and God Bless.

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 (mmonico@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.
**November 8, 2020**

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Year-to-Date Total Tithing..................791,117
Year-to-Date Overage/(Shortfall).........($163,405)

Other Collections:
- Debt Reduction..........................290
- Votive Lights............................308
- St. Columbkille Ed Trust..............150
- St. Vincent de Paul......................1,455
- Future Fund.............................130
- Christmas/Easter Flowers..............50
- World Mission Sunday.....................10
- Campaign for Human Development........285
- Mothers Day/Fathers Day cards/ All Souls 220
- Thanksgiving Meals.....................6,459
- Thanksgiving Day-St. Vincent de Paul..565
- Vanco Processing Fee Donation.........135

**November 15, 2020**

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Year-to-Date Budgeted Tithing..............1,004,760
Year-to-Date Total Tithing..................832,094
Year-to-Date Overage/(Shortfall).........($172,666)

Other Collections:
- Debt Reduction..........................810
- Votive Lights............................271
- St. Columbkille Ed Trust..............240
- St. Vincent de Paul......................2,392
- Future Fund.............................100
- Pave the Way............................90
- Christmas/Easter Flowers..............50
- Campaign for Human Development........135
- Retirement Fund for Religious........120
- Mothers Day/Fathers Day cards/ All Souls 85
- Thanksgiving Meals.....................1,080
- Thanksgiving Day-St. Vincent de Paul..125
- Vanco Processing Fee Donation.........60

We don’t now “pass the basket” during Mass for the collection but we hope you won’t walk “past the basket” when you attend Mass. Baskets are located near many of the doors. If you miss the basket you can always drop it off at the parish office anytime.

Mask Requirements at St. Columbkille

Please note that masks are required at the following Masses each week here at St. Columbkille:
- 8:15 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. Mondays
- 8:15 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays
- 9:00 a.m., noon & 5:00 p.m. Sundays
AND all Masses for Immaculate Conception and Christmas.

**ADVENT**

**HOPE. LOVE. JOY. PEACE.**
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.

Announcements

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)

Restaurant Nights Benefitting our School!

Once a month a local restaurant is generous enough to donate a percentage of their sales to St. Columbkille School. December’s Restaurant Night is on Monday, December 7th from 5-8p.m. at Runza in downtown Papillion. We hope you can make it this month!

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.

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
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.

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:
- December 16, 2020
- December 23, 2020
- December 30, 2020

Monday, November 30
- 9:15 a.m. Senior Exercise (SHC)
- 6:00 p.m. American Heritage Girls (SHC)

Tuesday, December 1
- 9:15 a.m. Moms of Faith Holy Hour (C)
- 9:30 a.m. Ignatian Prayer Group (MPC)
- 5:00 p.m. Tiger Scouts (MPC)
- 5:30 p.m. Wolf Scouts (MPC)
- 6:00 p.m. Pathway Rollout Meeting (SL)
- 6:30 p.m. RCIA (C)
- 7:00 p.m. Pathway Rollout Meeting (MPC)

Wednesday, December 2
- 9:00 a.m. Spirituality Alive (MPC)
- 9:30 a.m. Tai Chi (MPC)
- 1:00 p.m. Rosary Makers (SHC)
- 7:00 p.m. Pathway Rollout Meeting (MPC)
- 7:00 p.m. Webelos 2 (SL)
- 8:00 p.m. Bible Study (MPC)

Thursday, December 3
- 6:00 a.m. That Man Is You (SHC)
- 6:00 p.m. Webelos 1 (MPC)
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (SL)
- 7:00 p.m. Pathway Rollout Meeting (MPC)
- 7:15 p.m. Legion of Mary (SHC)

Friday, December 4
- 9:15 a.m. Line Dancing (SHC)

Saturday, December 5
- 9:15 a.m. Seeking Truth Bible Study (Ed C)
- 9:30 a.m. Tai Chi (MPC)

Sunday, December 6
- 7:00 a.m. Cookie Walk (SL)
- 1:00 p.m. St. Columbkille 101 (SHC)
- 3:00 p.m. Prayer Group (C)
- 3:30 p.m. Bereavement Support (MPC)
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 and 13U 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

Blood Drive Thank You!
Thank you to all of the generous blood donors for donating to our American Red Cross Blood Drive last weekend.
Our drive registered 34 donors and collected 29 pints of life-saving whole blood and 6 power red donations, totaling 35 pints! Your hard work and generous hospitality will potentially impact 105 lives over the next week!!

Thank You to our Stewards!
A BIG THANK YOU to Angie & Scott Eidem and crew of six school seniors for raking, bagging, and disposing of tree leaves in three yards. It was greatly appreciated by four elderly parishioners!
FIRST SUNDAY of Advent