Third Sunday of Advent
December 13th, 2020

Thank you to all who volunteered to help organize, pack and donate for Thanksgiving meals to the needy in Sarpy County last month. Our parish provided over 200 meals to those in need.
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.

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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, December 14th
8:15 a.m. +Souls in Purgatory (Fr. Greisen)
5:30 p.m. +Bill, Doris & Larry Kopocis (Fr. Greisen)

Tuesday, December 15th
8:15 a.m. +Max Gradl (Fr. Reeson)
5:30 p.m. +Bill Pfiefer Family Intention (Fr. Greisen)

Wednesday, December 16th
8:15 a.m. +Mike Shald (Fr. Greisen)
5:30 p.m. +Alice Mikkelson (Fr. Reeson)

Thursday, December 17th
8:15: a.m. +Donna Reznicek (Fr. Reeson)
6:20 a.m. +Poor Souls (Fr. Greisen)
8:15 a.m. +Barbara Hawks (Fr. Reeson)

Friday, December 18th
8:15 a.m. +Beverly Lane & Denise Lanc (Fr. Reeson)
9:00 a.m. +Kyron Bogacz (Fr. Reeson)
10:30 a.m. For the Parish (Fr. Greisen)
12:00 p.m. +Lawrence Kawa (Fr. Greisen)
5:00 p.m. +Mary Ann Kramolisch (Fr. Greisen)

Saturday, December 19th
8:15 a.m. +Barbara Hawks (Fr. Reeson)
6:20 a.m. +Poor Souls (Fr. Greisen)
8:15 a.m. +Donna Reznicek (Fr. Reeson)

Sunday, December 20th
7:30 a.m. +Beverly Lane & Denise Lanc (Fr. Reeson)
9:00 a.m. +Kyron Bogacz (Fr. Reeson)
10:30 a.m. For the Parish (Fr. Greisen)
12:00 p.m. +Lawrence Kawa (Fr. Greisen)
5:00 p.m. +Mary Ann Kramolisch (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.
Mary speaks. “I had a dream, Joseph. I do not understand it, not really, but I think it was about a birthday celebration for our Son. I think that was what it was all about. The people have been preparing for it for about six weeks. They had decorated the house and bought new clothes. They had been shopping often and bought elaborate gifts.

“It was peculiar, though, because the presents were not for our Son. They wrapped them in beautiful paper and tied them with lovely bows and stacked them under a tree – yes, a tree, Joseph, right in their house. They decorated the tree also. It was full of glowing balls, lights and sparkling ornaments.

“A figure was on the top of the tree. It looked like an angel might look. Oh, it was beautiful! Everyone was laughing and happy. They were all excited about the gifts. They gave the gifts to each other, Joseph, not to our Son. I do not think they even knew him. They never mentioned his name. Doesn’t it seem odd for people to go to all that trouble to celebrate someone’s birthday if they do not know him?

“I had the strangest feeling that if our Son had gone to this celebration he would have been intruding. Everything was so beautiful, Joseph, and everyone so full of cheer, but it made me want to cry. How sad for Jesus – not to be wanted at his own birthday celebration. I am glad it was only a dream. How terrible would it be, Joseph, if it had been real.”

~Author Unknown
Advent and Christmas 2020

Masks are required at all Advent and Christmas Liturgies

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Masses
Monday, December 7th – 5:30pm
Tuesday, December 8th – 8:15am and 5:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Monday through Thursday – 5:00pm to 5:20pm
Saturday – 3:30pm to 4:30pm
Additional Times for Individual Confessions with Multiple Priests
Sunday, December 20th – 2:00pm to 4:00pm in the McWilliams Center Gym
Tuesday, December 22nd – 6:00pm to 8:00pm in the Church

Eve of the Nativity of the Lord Masses
Mass in the Church (includes Social Level)
3:00pm, 4:30pm and Midnight
Mass in the McWilliams Center Gym
3:15pm and 4:45pm

All children are invited to dress up as their favorite nativity character and be part of the Christmas story as they stand in place during the narration. This will be at the 3:00pm, 3:15pm, 4:30pm and 4:45pm Masses only.

Nativity of the Lord Masses
7:30am, 10:30am and 5:00pm

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Masses
Thursday, December 31st – 5:30pm and 11:00pm
Friday, January 1st – 7:30am, 9:00am and 10:30am

WORSHIP FROM HOME
LIVESTREAM SERVICE
We recognize many are not ready to worship as a community in church due to illness or concern for yours and others health.
We invite you to worship with your St. Columbkille Family at home. You can find all masses on our St. Columbkille Parish Youtube channel. Please join us in celebrating mass this Advent and Christmas season!
CARE for Christmas
The CARE program (Cards Are Rewards for Education) is a parish fundraiser. Gift cards are purchased by CARE at a discount and resold at face value. CARE retains the discount as profit and returns the money earned to St. Columbkille by funding various school and parish needs. A yearly donation CARE makes is $1000 to Thanksgiving Meals. That is possible because of your support. We normally sell in the narthex, but in-person sales are suspended. Cards can still be purchased. Orders can be placed online (www.ShopWithScrip.com), through email (StCCareCards@gmail.com), or by contacting the CARE coordinator, Jackie Wozniak at 402-210-4500. All program information can be found on the school website under the Resource tab. Updates are also posted on the CARE Facebook page, search for St. Columbkille CARE. Christmas sales are usually strong. We know this year many families may opt for cards as gifts instead of going out to shop in the crowds. Order early if you can. Orders must be placed by Thursday, December 17th.

2021 Church Calendars Now Available
2021 Church Calendars are available in baskets near each door of the Church for pick-up. If you know someone that is not able to get to Mass each week, please pick up and deliver an extra calendar to them. Calendars are available as long as supplies last in the church or you can pick one up during office hours at the parish office.

Advent Invitation
As we enter into this Advent season (when the suffering of refugees and immigrants in our world seems more severe than ever) we can try to effect change by prayerful witness. The group Mother’s and Others: Justice and Mercy for Immigrants, holds a witness every Thursday morning from 8:00 till 9:00 along 72nd St. in front of Mercy Villa, (just North of College of St. Mary). We invite anyone interested to come join us on Thursdays as we stand with banners and posters (which are provided) in solidarity with those who are fleeing violence, hunger, and natural disasters. Note: Masks are required and social distancing is expected.

St. Columbkille is inviting your child(ren) to dress up as their favorite nativity character at any of our 4 Christmas Eve Children’s Masses (3:00, 3:15, 4:30 or 4:45 pm).
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.
Prayer Line
CONTACT CATHY BECCARD
402-320-4209
OR EMAIL
STCOLPRAYERLINE@COX.NET

Masks are Required at St. Columbkille
Effective immediately, masks are required at all Masses and parish gatherings. This decision was reached after much prayer and careful deliberation to promote the well-being of all our parishioners. Thank you for your cooperation!

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 four-peace, collaborative position, and it’s also pretty fun to see all the kids!

If interested or for more information, please email Sarah Foreman sforeman@stcolumbkilleschool.org or call 402-339-8706

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
DADDY DAUGHTER DATE NIGHT

Drive through style ❤️
Sunday, January 17
Come anytime between 5:00-6:15 PM to pick up your Date Night package in St. Columbkille School front drive

Please complete and return form to school office by January 4. Cost is $10 per family; checks payable to St. Columbkille HSA.

Last name: ____________________________________________

Daughter name (s): ____________________________________

Questions? Email jessicarempe@gmail.com
Announcements

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 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

Basketball season officially started at our new McWilliams Parish Center gymnasium last weekend. Masks are required 100% of the time by visitors this season, including players and coaches. Balls and seating are also sanitized after each game and spectators are limited.
Go Crusaders!!
Help Needed to Sanitize the Church and Gym During Holiday Masses

It is more important than ever to maintain a clean and safe environment for everyone attending Mass over this Christmas season. You can help us with this critical ministry. It doesn't take more than 10 minutes, and all supplies and instructions will be provided.

Times needed at church are:
December 24th, 3:00 p.m. & 4:30 p.m.
December 25th, 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
December 31st, 5:30 p.m.
January 1st, 7:30 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.
Three people are needed at each Mass.

Times needed at the gym are:
December 24th, 3:15 p.m. & 4:45 p.m.

Please sign up in narthex of church or call the Parish Office at 402-339-3285 if you can help us.

Thank you and God bless!