

# SAINT COLUMBAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*We belong to Christ, not ourselves*

## ST. COLUMBAN PARISH

506 First St. S. Yelm, WA 98597

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### Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 9:00AM –2:00PM

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### Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM

Sunday: 10:30AM

Daily Mass: Tues—Fri 9AM \*except 1st Fridays

*Rosary is said 30min prior to each Mass*

### Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick: Following First

Friday Devotions or by Appointment

Confession: Saturdays 3:30—4:30PM

First Friday Devotions: 6:30PM

*The church may be opened upon request*

*during office hours for private prayer.*

See Calendar on Page 3 for current schedule and updates

**St. Columban Prayer Chain:** Confidential and private prayer chain. Please contact the parish office to submit a request.

### St. Vincent De Paul

*Providing emergency assistance for those in need.*

**Help Line:** 360-458-1904

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## ST. PETER MISSION

149 Keithahn St. S, Tenino, WA 98589

*For administrative assistance please contact St. Columban*

### Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:00AM

*Rosary is said 30min prior to Mass*

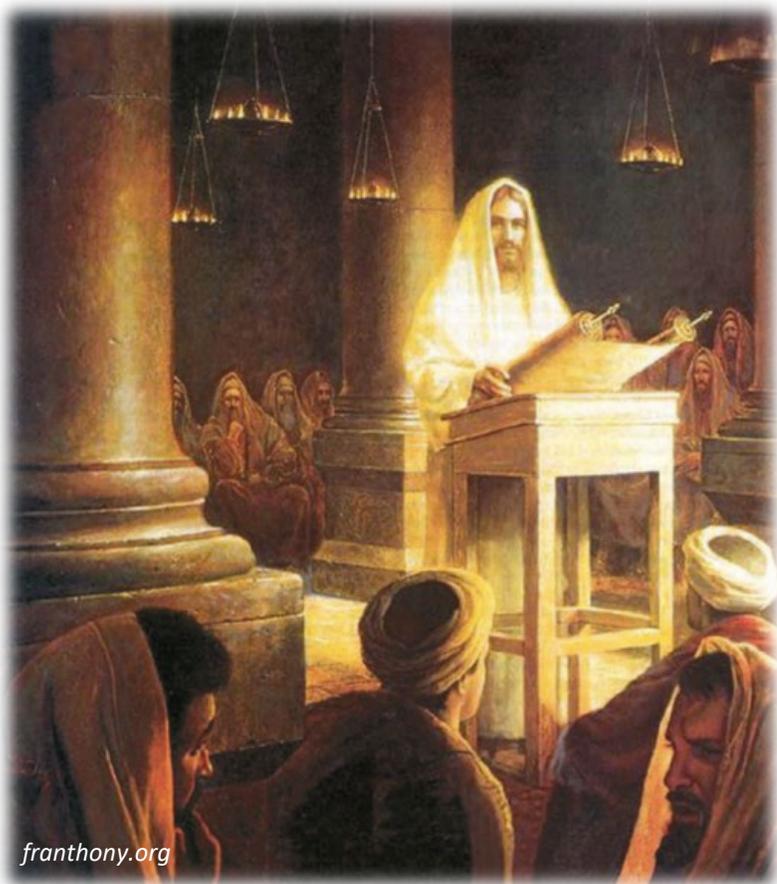
### Sacraments

Confession: Sundays 7:30 -7:45AM

Daily Mass (First Fridays): 9:00AM

Anointing of the Sick: by appointment

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*Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing*

**January 23, 2022**

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Today's Readings

**Entrance Antiphon:** *Worship God, all you his angels. Sion has heard and is glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoice.*

**1st Reading:** Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Your words Lord are spirit and life.*

**2nd Reading:** 1 Corinthians 12: 12-30

**Gospel Acclamation:** *The Lord sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, and to proclaim liberty to captives.*

**Gospel:** Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

**Communion Antiphon:** *Look toward the Lord and be radiant, let your faces not be abashed.*

### **MASS ATTENDANCE**

In obedience to the most recent guidelines from the Archdiocese, public Mass at our parish is held with the following safety measures in place.

- ◆ Masks are required at this time unless you have a medical exemption
- ◆ Seating is on a first come first served basis, if you wish to remain distanced from others you may do so at your own discretion.
- ◆ Hand Sanitizer is provided



## Fr. Thompson's Reflections

## Stubborn Knights

While we can easily see the harm and lament what the idolizing of the first Face of Adam, the rogue, does to individuals and our society, there is also danger in an unhealthy attachment to the Face of the Knight that deprives one of the opportunity to pass the torch and become the wise mentor. This unhealthy attachment is especially dangerous for those who are fortunate enough to have avoided the arrested development of perpetual roguishness. One has settled down, taken his place in society. He is contributing and leading. It seems like valuing the selflessness and dedication of the knight would be a good thing, right? Indeed it is, but it can also become an idol we must watch for.

The knight, you see, has power. Yes, the rogue too has potency, and can even make a difference, but the knight—being part of and integrated into the structures of the community—is at least at some point or points in this phase of his life, in his prime in terms of power and authority. The knight has learned to bridle his power and individual will in obedience, but he has also realized that he often finds himself in the position of being the one entrusted with influence or outright command. Power is a heck of a drug. The danger is that a person can be corrupted by a combination of the authority he now has and the vision to which he has dedicated himself. The knight can easily become a tyrant, more sophisticated but morally no better (perhaps worse!) than the petulant rogue who demands the world bend to his uniqueness: the corrupted knight wants the community to bend to his will, for the community's own ostensible good, which he has in mind for it.

But that isn't all, even for those who have the wisdom not to become a tyrant, we all have egos. The biggest challenge the knight faces is that his fate is to one day become the wise man, the magus. Perhaps he dabbled in this from time to time by acting as a mentor to juniors or providing fraternal support to peers, but he was still in his time of power and active service to the community. Part of becoming the magus is to let go of the power of activity, to watch and advise while others (who may or may not listen to your guidance) do and lead. The biggest challenge of all, of course, is that such a transition puts one's legacy somewhat out of one's own control. Some people cannot bring themselves to take these steps, and it turns out badly both for themselves and the community, especially since time will rob the stubborn knight who won't retire of his potency whether he likes it or not; his ability to do what he wants will diminish and diminish, the effectiveness of his service will diminish too, and ultimately he will become unable to serve at all—leaving a hole in leadership, which could have been avoided. How many good things in a company, parish, team, or family, for example, fall apart because a leader has no plan nor the humility to pass the torch, or refuses to do so? I have seen quite a few, and I presume you have as well.

I know these reflections on the Faces of Adam are a little esoteric, but I hope they have been at least somewhat edifying. I also know they are a bit masculine, there is actually a feminine form of this same trope, appropriately called "Faces of Eve" (Maid, Mistress, Matron), which is generally similar—albeit taking into account realities, perspectives, and different challenges particular to women—and which one could look into if one were interested in a less militaristic or medieval metaphor. Also, there is a very good spiritual reflection on all this by Fr. Ronald Rolheiser called "Sacred Fire: A Vision for a Deeper Human and Christian Maturity," which might help you more than me trying to cram such a vast concept into three articles.

In Christ,

Fr Thompson

### Financial Stewardship

#### Weekly Offering

	<u>St.</u> <u>Columban</u>	<u>St.</u> <u>Peter</u>
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## Candlemass

Wednesday February 2nd  
9:00AM

*Please join us at St. Columban  
and bring candles you would  
like to have blessed.*

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## Faith Formation



### CHILDREN'S PRAYERS

For the month of December, we only had two classes. For those two weeks, an average of 7 children in our Faith Formation program prayed 284 prayers every week. Keep up the good work faithful young prayer warriors!

Do your children know their basic prayers? Here is one to work on memorizing for the month of January.

**Guardian Angel Prayer:** Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here. Ever this day, and ever this night, be at my side to light, to guard, to rule and guide.

### **In Our Prayers**

*Loving God, we join with others of your people here asking you to hold in Your hands all of our homebound brothers and sister and those who have asked for our prayers:*

Joseph Waters

Jessica Nash

Maria Luisa Fregoso

Paul Hennigan

Pam Henslee

Don Troyer

Mary Taylor

Lindy Parse

+ All those in harm's way.

+ For all those impacted by recent natural disasters.

+ For all those affected by the Coronavirus and for all first responders and caregivers.

### Rest In Peace

Debbie Akin

All the souls in purgatory, especially those who have no one to pray for them.

To add a name please contact the parish office.

All submissions must have permission from the named individual or an authorized family member for privacy purposes.

### Faith Formation: Grades K-12

- K-5 Sundays from 9-10:15AM
- Confirmation Classes on Sundays from 12-1:15PM

Please see the parish website for a complete class schedule



Join us for RCIA Tuesdays at 6:30 in room 103 of the Religious Education building.

RCIA topic for this week is  
**Sacrament of the Holy Week**

RCIA is open to all adult learners including, but not limited to, those seeking sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation). Please contact Katie Hennigan in the Faith Formation office for additional information.  
[katie@saintcolumbanym.org](mailto:katie@saintcolumbanym.org)  
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### PARISH MINISTRIES

*For more information or to sign-up to volunteer with any of these ministries, please contact the parish office.*



**Daughters of Mary**  
St. Columban Catholic Church Yelm, WA

**February 8 Monthly Meeting**  
10:00AM Parish Hall

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 17152**

**February 16 Council Meeting**  
6:00PM Parish Hall



**St. Vincent de Paul**

**February 17 Monthly Meeting**  
7:00PM Parish Hall



**St. Peter's Circle**

**March 8 Monthly Meeting**  
9:30AM St. Peter Mission/Tenino



**ALTAR SOCIETY**

Cleaning the Church  
Every Thursday after Daily Mass



*Please contact the parish office for more information, the latest updates, and schedule changes.*

**January 24 Rosary Prayer Group**  
7:00PM St. Columban

**January 25 Daily Mass**  
9:00AM St. Columban  
6:30PM Spanish Prayer Group  
Parish Hall

**January 26 Daily Mass**  
9:00AM St. Columban

**January 27 Daily Mass**  
9:00AM St. Columban

**Bible Study**  
10:00AM St. Peter (Tenino)  
6:30PM St. Columban  
RE Bldg. Rm. 103

**January 28 Daily Mass**  
9:00AM St. Columban

**January 29 Confession**  
3:30-4:15PM St. Columban

**5:00PM Vigil Mass**  
St. Columban

**January 30 4th Sunday OT Year C**  
**ST. PETER MISSION TENINO**  
7:30-7:45AM Confession  
8:00AM Mass

**ST. COLUMBAN**  
9:00AM Religious Ed  
10:30AM Mass  
11:45PM Confirmation Year 2  
**11:45AM KOC Breakfast**

*Remember to return your Palms for Ash Wednesday. A basket is available in the narthex.*

### **Bonus Bulletin Content!**

To save on printing, some extra bulletin content will now be exclusively found in the online edition of our bulletin, which is also emailed weekly to parishioners. Sign up at [flocknote.com/saintcolumbanym](http://flocknote.com/saintcolumbanym) or visit our website [saintcolumbanym.org](http://saintcolumbanym.org)

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# At Home with **Faith**

**Jesus presents himself to us as much more than a moral teacher.** He wants to be an intimate friend and, ultimately, Lord of our lives. Let's model the kind of prayer that invites Jesus in.

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## Read

Take time to read and reflect on the Scriptures for this day.

**Don't have access to a Bible?**

Visit [www.usccb.org/bible/readings](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings) or download an app such as *Laudate* or *iBreviary* to access the Mass readings.

We have good reason to share with our children the moral teachings of the faith and how Jesus calls us to do the right thing. However, we should never miss the opportunity to let our children know that Jesus is much more than just a teacher. Jesus is God's word. That's why Jesus makes such a bold proclamation in this Sunday's Gospel reading.

Jesus intends to do much more than teach us good behavior. He intends to be our close friend, present to us every day. The best way for us to communicate who Jesus is to our children is to cultivate an encounter with him in our own lives and let that encounter flow over into our relationship with our family.

**Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10**

All the people listened attentively to the book of the law.

**Psalms 19**

Your words, Lord are Spirit and life!

**1 Corinthians 12:12-30**

We are many parts of one body.

**Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21**

Today, this is fulfilled in your hearing.

# At Home with Faith

## Talk

Here are some reflection questions to help you have **Great Conversations** with the whole family.

Model and encourage growing in relationship with Jesus through prayer:

- **Begin your day with prayer:** Begin your day with a prayer like Morning Prayer from the Divine Office, the Morning Offering, or a verbal prayer you offer to Jesus at the start of the day. Our own relationship with Jesus provides the foundation that enables us to invite our children into a relationship with him.
- **Go deeper with grace at meals:** Saying grace at each meal with your children is an important way to invite Jesus into your lives. Once you have made it a regular habit, go just a little deeper by using grace as an opportunity to ask Jesus to bless your family through the healing of sick family members, help in school and gratitude for blessings in your lives.
- **Go deeper in night prayer with your children:** When praying with your children at the end of their day, encourage them to thank Jesus for ways he was present to them in the day. Also encourage them ask Jesus to be with them tomorrow.
- **Conclude your day with prayer:** Wrap up the day with an evening prayer, maybe from the Divine Office or something you offer on your own. Keep close to Jesus and that relationship will flow over into your children's lives as well.



**“The example of Jesus is a paradigm for the Church ... He began his public ministry with the miracle at the wedding feast of Cana. He shared in everyday moments of friendship with the family of Lazarus and his sisters and with the family of Peter. He sympathized with grieving parents and restored their children to life. In this way he demonstrated the true meaning of mercy, which entails the restoration of the covenant. This is clear from his conversations with the Samaritan woman (cf. Jn 1:4-30) and with the woman found in adultery, where the consciousness of sin is awakened by an encounter with Jesus’ gratuitous love.”**

### **Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love) #64**

Pope Francis won't let us dismiss Jesus, the Word of God, as only a moral teacher. He constantly reminds us that Jesus is a true friend who wants to be part of our lives.

Jesus intends to be close to us in the same way that he was close to the Lazarus, the family of Peter, and the Samaritan woman. Of course, he won't force us to be close to him. Like the people of Nazareth, we have a choice about whether we invite Jesus into our lives. Let's teach our children to do this in prayer.

**Jesus is a true friend** who wants to be part of our lives.

For more on the Year of the Family, visit <https://archseattle.org/yof>

**For more resources, visit us online at:**

<https://marriagefamilylife.seattlearchdiocese.org/athomewithfaith>

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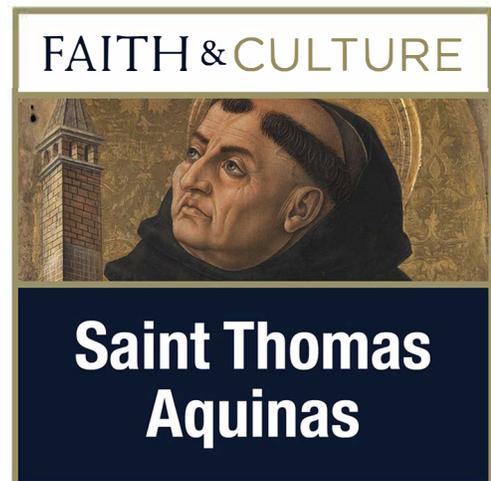
Outside of Jesus, the greatest teacher of the faith was Paul the Apostle. Join Dr. Gray and Dr. Barber as they discuss the great theologian known as the Apostle.

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### SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS WITH RANDALL SMITH

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