

St. Columban Church

506 First St. S | Yelm, WA 98597

Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM

Saturday 5:00 PM

Daily Mass 9:00 AM (Tuesday-Friday, Except First Fridays)

**Eucharistic Adoration** First Fridays 6:30 PM

**Confessions** Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM

**Anointing of the Sick** By request

**Baptism & Wedding Preparation** 

Contact the Parish Office

St. Peter Mission
149 Keithahn St S | Tenino, WA 98589

**Sunday Mass 8:00 AM** 

First Friday Mass 9:00 AM

Confessions Sunday 7:30-7:45 AM

**Anointing of the Sick** By request

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Providing emergency assistance for those in need.

Help Line: 360-458-1904

Parish Office Hours at St. Columban Mon.-Thurs. 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM Friday by appointment

Sacramental Emergencies: 208-572-5251 The church may be open for prayer during office hours upon request.

**Entrance Antiphon:** Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

1st Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16

Responsorial Psalm: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my

God. (Psalm 63)

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

**Gospel Acclamation:** Stay awake and be ready! For you do not know on what day your Lord will come.

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

**Communion Antiphon:** The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

On the cover: Five Wise Virgins Unknown Nationalmuseum Stockholm, Sweden, Public Domain Wikimedia.org

## Welcome to St. Columban

## **Weekly Calendar & Mass Intentions**

All events are at St. Columban unless otherwise noted.

**MONDAY November 13** St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin Rosary Prayer Group 7:00PM Church

**TUESDAY November 14** 

Daily Mass 9:00AM Mass Int.: Helen Kimball RIP Church St. Peter's Circle 9:00 AM St. Peter Winter Clothes Closet 6:00-8:00PM Hall **RCIA** 6:30-8:00PM **RE Building** Spanish Prayer Group 6:30PM Small Hall

WEDNESDAY November 15 St. Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor Daily Mass 9:00AM Mass Int: Jesse Makinster Bible Study 10:00AM St. Peter Winter Clothes Closet 2:00-4:00PM Hall KofC Council Meeting 5:30PM Parish Hall Youth Ministry 6:00PM Youth Space

#### **THURSDAY November 16**

St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin Daily Mass 9:00AM Mass Int.: Steve Kimball RIP Church Winter Clothes Closet 6:00-8:00PM Hall Choir Practice 6:00PM Church Christmas Choir Practice 6:30PM Church Bible Study 6:30PM RE Bldg

**FRIDAY November 17** St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious Daily Mass 9:00AM Mass Int.: Rose Kimball RIP

#### **SATURDAY November 18**

Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin YM Service Saturday 10:00AM-2:00PM Youth Space Confession 3:30PM Church Anticipatory Sunday Mass 5:00PM Int.: Pro Populo Church

SUNDAY November 19 External Solemnity of St. Columban Confession 7:30-7:45AM St. Peter Sunday Mass 8:00 AM Int.: Pro Populo St. Peter Bake Sale 9:00 AM St. Peter

Religious Ed (Grades K-5) 9:00AM-10:15AM RE Blda Confirmation Classes 9:00AM-10:15AM Youth Space

## **Sunday Mass**

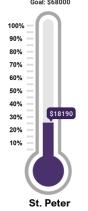
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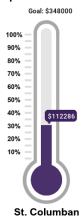


#### Parish Stewardship of Treasure Campaign Update

We have not yet reached our goal of pledges to fund our next year. Please make your pledge today by going online at saintcolumbanyelm.org or by completing the commitment card in the pew.







## **Upcoming Events**

St. Columban's Feast Day will be celebrated by our parish on November 19, the Sunday preceding his actual scheduled feast day, November 23. Since St. Columban is our patron, this feast is upgraded to the rank of a Solemnity in our parish. Read more about him on Page 7.

Thanksgiving Day Mass will be 9:00AM on November 23rd at St. Columban. You are invited to bring a bread item or a bottled beverage in a decorative basket to be blessed during Mass. Please no perishable items or plastic bags!

Winter Clothes Closet - The parish's Winter Clothes Closet is open Tuesdays & Thursdays 6-8pm and Wednesdays 2-4pm. They are in need of donations of Coats, Knit Caps, Gloves, Warm socks, Scarves, Raincoats, and Rain boots. Please remember that all donations should be of the highest quality, something you would wear. Donation boxes will be located in the narthex.

#### **Announcements**

Names for the Book of the Dead: We invite you to write the names of your recently deceased loved ones to our book of remembrance next to the St. Joseph statue. Regular Mass intentions may be scheduled through the link on our website saintcolumbanyelm.org

Pictures on the All Souls Memorial table must be retrieved by Thanksgiving, Nov. 23rd.

Parents of students in Sacramental Preparation Classes Please ensure your students are attending Sunday Mass in-person; this is part of their on-going formation and a Precept of the Church. The Mass sign-in sheet will be posted at the end of Mass. If you attend a different parish as a family, turn-in a Sunday bulletin from that church the following Sunday to class.

Please be aware of email scams! Official emails will only originate from our staff emails with our domain saintcolumbanyelm.org or from flocknote.com, notifications@ccbchurch.com or archseattle@ccbchurch.com. We will never directly solicit for non-official donations or items to purchase by email or text. Donations and fundraisers will always be announced during Mass.

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## Connect with us

WEBSITE

saintcolumbanyelm.org

LIVESTREAM

youtube.com/@stcolumbanyelm

ONLINE GIVING

pushpay.com/g/saintcolumbanyelm

## **Parish Staff**

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## **November 12, 2023**

## **A Word from Father Thompson**

Christians love peace. Indeed, we love peace perhaps more than many in the world, because we understand that true peace is not merely the absence of conflict but the presence of right-relationship, most especially the kind of right-relationship that comes from and can only come from Jesus Christ and the Gospel.



That said, Christianity is not and has never been pacifistic. We recognize that in worldly affairs justice demands that injustice be stopped, especially if one is morally connected to the person being harmed. For example, while an isolated individual may choose to bear wrongs against him patiently, he would be derelict in moral duty to fail to defend his family if they are under threat, physical or otherwise. Indeed, this duty also includes self-defense, in order not to deprive his loved ones of his continued presence. A married person or a parent, by that fact, does not morally have complete pacifism as an option in his life, at least in cases where pacifism would permit greater harm to occur. Of course, one can abhor violence, but there is a time to all things under Heaven, and there are some things that as a Christian are worth fighting for, literally and figuratively.

Yes, Jesus does tell us to turn the other cheek, offering your tunic when your cloak is demanded, and bear impositions the extra mile. Yet, these commands are about not dwelling on insult, nor getting sucked into cycles of vengeance, nor taking on cultural pressures toward machismo and "saving face" by asserting one's ego against the unjust one. Indeed, there are also reads of this teaching that argue turning the cheek or going an extra mile is a form of resisting injustice without self-aggrandizement: turning the other cheek would require the assailant to strike you again in a way that was culturally taboo, displaying how degraded his wrath had made him; giving your tunic leaves one naked, shaming the assailant for his injustice; going the extra mile would violate Roman law, which only allowed the legions to press a local into service for one mile, so to go the extra mile would--by causing the legionnaire to break the law--demonstrate that the law itself was unjust. Jesus teaches to resist the injustice, but not stroke our own egos in the process.

The same is true on grander scales of nations and history: resistance to injustice, even violent resistance, can be morally justified. Yes, many early Christians could not serve the Roman army and were martyred for it, but that is because the Romans were pagan conquerors and oppressors. Military service is itself not immoral, indeed it is a quite noble thing when there is a just cause, including the cause of ordinary civil defense. St. Augustine teaches that even war can be just in defense of the innocent, waged as a last resort when nonviolent means have failed, and which has a reasonable prospect of success, is of course unfortunate but morally acceptable; a solemn duty not as a positive thing to be desired.

War is a scourge that we, of course, pray be averted at all costs short of evil by commission or omission, but when it must be in defense of the innocent, there is indeed place for it in the moral order. The 20th Century Author J.R.R. Tolkien, a veteran of the First World War, articulated beautifully the proper Christian outlook towards matters of war and military service through the words of a knight, Faramir, in his novel, Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers, "War must be, while we defend our lives against a destroyer who would devour all; but I do not love the bright sword for its sharpness, nor the arrow for its swiftness, nor the warrior for his glory. I love only that which they defend."

Happy Veterans Day. In Christ,

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### Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



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

## For The Sick and Homebound\* Vivienne Hayden, Stan Villadelgado

Vivienne Hayden, Stan Villadelgado, Robert Fisher

#### FOR THE DECEASED

Eitan Hadayo and all the souls in purgatory, especially those who have no one to pray for them

## FOR OUR EXTRAORDINARY INTENTIONS

For peace in Israel and all those in harm's way, especially those experiencing natural disasters and terrorism.

#### PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE POPE FOR NOVEMBER

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

## PRAYER FOR THE MILITARY ARCHDIOCESE

Almighty God and Father, look with love upon our men and women in uniform and protect them in their time of need. Give them health and stability and allow them to return to their loved ones whole and unshaken. Be with their families and sustain them in these uncertain times.

Grant strength and peace of mind to the Veterans who have given their best for the country they love. Support them in infirmity and in the fragility of old age. Teach us to remember their sacrifices and to express our gratitude. Manifest your tender care to those in the Military Academies who prepare for future service and to those who serve our Nation far from home. Teach us to remember the sacrifices of those whose efforts contribute to ensuring our way of life. Bless and multiply the priests who minister to the faithful of the Archdiocese for the Military Services. Reward their generosity and keep them faithful. Hear us as we present our prayers to You through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### - Archbishop Timothy Broglio

\*To add a name to this list or request a Mass Intention please contact the parish office. All submissions must have permission from the named individual or an authorized family member for privacy purposes. St. Columban Prayer Chain: Confidential and private prayer chain. To join, contact the parish office.

## **Ministries & Events**

## **Parish Directory**

**Altar Society** meets every Thursday after Daily Mass to clean the church.



Whether you are new to the parish or have been here for many years, we encourage you to share your time, talents and treasures in support of the mission of our parish community. Contact Jennifer Langham at the Parish Office for more information about events and to connect with a group: 360-458-3031x1 / jennifer@saintcolumbanyelm.org



## **Daughters of Mary**

All women of the Parish are invited. daughetersofmary@saintcolumbanyelm.org



### **Knights of Columbus**

Council 17152 / Assembly 3947 kofc@saintcolumbanyelm.org



## **Liturgical Ministries**

parishoffice@saintcolumbanyelm.org

## **Prayer Groups**

Rosary Group Mondays 7pm, Church Spanish Group Tuesdays 6:30pm, Hall



## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

svdp@saintcolumbanyelm.org



**St. Peter's Circle** meets at *St. Peter Mission Tenino* 

#### St. Columban Parish Pastoral Council

Judith Cusick (Chairperson), Sheila Johnson, Jerome Didier, Joseph Judge, Dennis Stumpf

#### St. Peter Advisory Commission

Sherry Bachmann (Chairperson), Marilyn Ritter, Bernie Schwarz, Bob Bacon, Diane Weston stpeteradvisory@saintcolumbanyelm.org

## St. Columban Parish Finance Council

Joseph Judge (St Columban), Mari Evans (St Peter)

## **Financial Stewardship Report**

Week of October 29, 2023									
Ordinary Income	St Columban	St Peter							
Weekly Goal	\$5,800.00	\$1,000.00							
Collection (Cash & Envelopes)	\$1,761.00	\$367.00							
Online Giving	\$1,359.00	\$145.00							
Net	(\$2,680.00)	(\$488.00)							
World Mission	\$70.00	\$1.00							
St Vincent DePaul	\$130.00	\$0.00							
Sacramentals Candles, Beeswax tapers, Salt)	\$32.25	\$0.00							
Flowers	\$20.00	\$0.00							
Building Fund	\$7.00	\$0.00							
Mass Intentions	\$320.00	\$0.00							
Human Development	\$0.00	\$0.00							

## Give Online using Pushpay





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### **Parish Ministries Announcements**

The Daughters of Mary are hosting their annual collection of gift cards for those in need this Christmas. Choose a star from the Giving Tree and return it to the church by Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure to attach the star to the gift card or write the amount on the gift card and place them in the white donation box in front of the tree. Our local conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will distribute the gift cards to those families who have applied for assistance on Dec. 17th, forms are available in the narthex.

**Join the Daughters of Mary** Next Meeting is Tuesday November 28th at 6PM in the Parish Hall. Bring your favorite snack to share!

Knights of Columbus Next Assembly Meeting is Tuesday, Nov. 14, 6PM, Next Council Meeting Wednesday, Nov. 15, 5:30PM

## KofC Coats for Kids Distribution Saturday, November 25, 9:00am-1:00pm in the parish hall. Through the community's generous support of our summer car show, the Knights of Columbus at St. Columban Catholic Church was able to purchase winter coats for free distribution to the community.



Children must be present to receive coats. For more information on the distribution or sizes of jackets available please contact Darren Johnson at 253-709-4588 or email darrenejohnson61@gmail.com

#### **Outside Events & Notices**

**St. Michael Parish in Olympia** will be hosting two free events by The Vigil Project: *True Presence Night*, an evening of live music and dynamic speaking during Eucharistic Adoration on Friday, Dec. 1 at 7PM, and a Musicians' Workshop on Saturday, Dec. 2 at 9:00 AM. RSVP required for the Musicians' Workshop; contact <a href="mailto:agoldstein@thevigilproject.com">agoldstein@thevigilproject.com</a> to sign up. *True Presence Night* is free and open to the public.

The Oblate Bazaar to benefit the Oblate charities of St. Martin's Abbey will be happening on Friday, Nov. 17 from 12-4PM and Saturday, Nov. 18 from 9AM-4PM in the St. Martin's University Student Center (TUB), behind Marcus Pavilion. They will be selling quality homemade items, religious items, crafts, baked goods, and books. For more information contact Brother Edmund Ebbers 360-438-4457 <a href="mailto:brother-edmund@stmartin.edu">brother-edmund@stmartin.edu</a>.

A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** has something in it for every married couple. Spend a weekend discovering all the reasons you are thankful for your spouse. Sign up for an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on: Feb 9-11, 2024 at LaQuinta in Tacoma, WA, Mar 8-10, 2024, Immaculate Heart Retreat Center, Spokane, WA, Apr 26-28, 2024 in Everett, WA. Early registration is highly recommended. Visit <a href="www.www.org">www.org</a> or contact: Jeff and Sandy Corneil 360-930 -2321

**Project Rachel—Hope and Healing After Abortion** English: (206) 920-6413 / Español: (206)-450-7814 <a href="mailto:projectrachel@ccsww.org">projectrachel@ccsww.org</a> If you are suffering from the experience of an abortion, you do not need to walk alone. We offer a compassionate and confidential environment for those who suffer the effects of an abortion. Find hope and healing after abortion at Rachel's Vineyard Retreat.

## **Faith Formation**

## **Elementary Religious Education**



**Sacramental Prep:** Year 1 & Year 2 First Holy Communion grades 1-5. Confirmation Yr. 1 & Year 2.

You may have already noticed that the Mass sign in book is no longer available before mass. We have decided to further encourage actual Mass attendance. Therefore, the book will be in the Narthex after masses on Saturday and Sunday.

The month of November has many wonderful Saints to celebrate. You can find 10 activities for Catholic families at real life at home website. The Link will be available in the Electronic bulletin.

There are plenty of short videos for children in Formed. The Saints and Heroes collection covers many saints like Saint Francis, St. Patrick, and Bernadette. Take advantage of this resources and spend some quality time while watching and learning faith filled movies with your kiddos.

## Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)/Adult Faith Formation

Classes meet Tuesdays 6:30-8pm in the Religious Education building. These classes are open to all adult learners and to those seeking the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Next Class is November 14, and we will be discussing The Communion of Saints. Fr. Daniel Dozier will be our instructor. See the Communion of Saints as the fulfillment of the Church; each gifted by God for the building up of the Body of Christ.



Have a sense of the Saints as models of Christian Living and patrons in particular areas of life. (The Church's Hall of Fame) and come to know the lives of several saints.

There are many videos to watch on Formed regarding Saints. But an excellent audio is from Scott Hahn titled **The Saints. The link will be available in the electronic bulletin.** 

## Confirmation

Both first year and returning second year confirmation candidates meet at 9-10:15am in the new Youth Space on Sundays. <u>Parents, please ensure you or our candidate fulfills the Sunday obligation to attend Mass.</u>

**Second year students** must have a copy of their Baptism Certificate turned-in to the parish office and have selected a Confirmation Sponsor. Sponsors must have a form certified by the priest of their parish turned-in as well. Mark your calendars! Confirmation Mass will be April 26 2024 at 6:30pm; celebrant TBA.

**First year students** on track to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in Spring 2025 if class attendance requirements are met.

#### **Youth Ministry**

Join us for our Wednesday Youth Nights Wed. Nov 15 & 29 from 6:30-8pm in the Youth Space. We have an icebreaker, discuss a faith topic, have a meal, and pray Compline. Our next **YM Service Saturday** will be Nov. 18, 10am-3pm. **Parents** please register your Grade 6-12 youth at the link on our page https://saintcolumbanyelm.org/ym/. We will email RSVP notices to ensure we will have attendance of our Youth Ministry events.

**PNW Adoration Nights** a series of Holy Hours for youth and young adults will be offered on the first Saturday of each month from December through June at various locations throughout the Archdiocese of Seattle. The first night will be Saturday, Dec. 2, 6:30-8:30pm at Our Lady Queen of Heaven in Spanaway.



In the spirit of synodality, a new **Archdiocesan Youth Council** is forming to represent the many voices of Catholic youth in the Archdiocese of Seattle. Contact Mr. Lucero for more information.

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Saint of the Week

### Mrs. Makinster

Elementary & Adult Faith Formation, gaby@saintcolumbanyelm.org 360-458-3031 x2 habla Español

At St. Columban, we provide an opportunity for children and youth to learn about their Catholic faith and grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ through study, prayer, and community

## The Prayer of St. Gertrude the Great for the Souls in Purgatory

service.

Eternal Father, I offer You the most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the Universal Church, those in my own home, and within my family. Amen.

Mr. Lucero

Youth Ministry &

Confirmation



#### **Our Youth Ministry Values**

- Our primary identity is as beloved sons and beloved daughters of God, no matter what. You are here because God wanted you here. Willing our existence, God create each of us out of love to love and for love.
- We glorify God by striving to fully live our state in live. God gave us families and communities where we learn our faith, pray for each other's needs, and build virtue together as members of his Church, the Body of Christ.
- 3. As pilgrims on a journey together we are always on mission. We attend Holy Mass and receive the sacraments to better endure the trials of life, train us to be of service to one another, and to prepare us for eternal life in Heaven.

## **Living our Faith**

#### From the Catechism of the Catholic Church

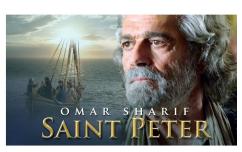
The Church encourages us to prepare ourselves for the hour of our death. In the ancient litany of the saints, for instance, she has us pray: "From a sudden and unforeseen death, deliver us, O Lord"; to ask the Mother of God to intercede for us "at the hour of our death" in the Hail Mary; and to entrust ourselves to St. Joseph, the patron of a happy death.

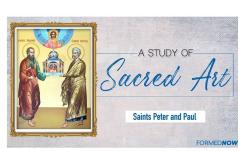
Every action of yours, every thought, should be those of one who expects to die before the day is out. Death would have no great terrors for you if you had a quiet conscience. . . . Then why not keep clear of sin instead of running away from death? If you aren't fit to face death today, it's very unlikely you will be tomorrow.

Praised are you, my Lord, for our sister bodily Death, from whom no living man can escape. Woe on those who will die in mortal sin! Blessed are they who will be found in your most holy will, for the second death will not harm them.

(CCC 1014)







## Reflect and Respond to the Sunday Readings

First Reading: Resplendent and unfading is wisdom, and she is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her. (Wis 6:12)

Wisdom is presented as a virtue seeking to be found. How might you search for wisdom this week?

Second Reading: For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep. (1 Thes 4:14)

Saint Paul encourages the Thessalonians to be comforted in the belief that believers will be raised from the dead and live eternally with the Lord Jesus. What family members, friends, or co-workers need to hear these words of comfort?

Gospel: "Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." (Mt 25:13) In the parable of the ten virgins, Jesus is teaching about the importance of being prepared for his Second Coming. In what ways is this directive from Jesus a challenge for you?

### This week on FORMED

Our parish pays for a subscription to FORMED.org, a streaming service from the Augustine Institute and Ignatius press. Go to formed.org/signup and enter our parish name to redeem your FREE membership. Once logged-in, access these suggestions at watch.formed.org/this-weekon-formed

Paul the Apostle | The Bible Collection The church's greatest enemy became Christ's most prolific messenger. Beautifully shot in the Moroccan desert, Paul the Apostle is a sweeping saga of the man who brought the Gospel to the Western world.

Saint Peter Watch the epic story of the spread of Christianity during the early years of the Church. This film follows the journey of St. Peter through his martyrdom on a cross.

Saints Peter and Paul Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp to expand your knowledge of sacred art. In this episode on FORMED, they discuss an icon depicting Sts. Peter and Paul.

#### St. Clement of Rome | Catholic Saints

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Carl Vennerstrom as they discuss Pope St. Clement of Rome, who was an early Church Father and the third successor to St. Peter.

#### Ode to Saint Cecilia

The lives of the saints are epic stories and particular expressions of God's grace in humanity. Celebrate St. Cecilia with this audio drama by the Augustine Institute Radio Theatre.

#### **Our Mother Mary**

What is Mariology? Learn about this fascinating topic in this interview with Dr. Mark Miravalle, Saint John Paul II Chair of Mariology at Franciscan University of Steubenville.

### Saint of the Week St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Although her life was short. St. Elizabeth of Hungary (1207 – 1231) is recognized for her love of the poor and suffering, and as patroness of Catholic charities and the Secular Franciscan Order. The daughter of the King of Hungary, she chose a life of penance instead of leisure. which made an impact on the "commoners" she served.

St. Elizabeth married Louis of Thuringia when she was 14. Deeply in love, they had three children. Despite their wealth, she led a life of prayer, sacrifice, and service to the poor and sick under the spiritual direction of a Franciscan friar.

After six years of marriage, her husband died in the Crusades, and St. Elizabeth was grief-stricken. Her husband's family did not look kindly upon her and mistreated her before finally throwing her out of the palace. However, the return of her husband's allies from the Crusades resulted in her being reinstated, since her son was legal heir to the throne.

St. Elizabeth joined the Secular Franciscan Order in 1228 where she cared for the poor in a hospital she founded in honor of St. Francis of Assisi. She died in 1231, but her great popularity resulted in her being named a saint only four years later.







Father Flood © LPi



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## **Get to know St. Columban**

## Excerpts from a "Letter to a Young Disciple" by St. Columban

Be helpful when you are at the bottom of the ladder and be the lowest when you are in authority.

Be simple in faith but well trained in manners.

Be demanding in your own affairs but unconcerned in those of others.

Be guileless in friendship, astute in the face of deceit.

Be tough in times of ease, tender in hard times.

Keep your options open when there is no problem, but dig in when you must choose.

Be pleasant when things are unpleasant, and sorrowful when they are pleasant.

Disagree when necessary, but be in agreement about the truth.

Be serious in pleasures, but kindly when things are bitter.

Be strong in trials, weak in dissensions.

Be slow to anger, swift to learn, slow also to speak, as St. James says, equally swift to hear.

Be up and doing to make progress, slack to take revenge, careful in word, eager in work.

Be friendly with men of honor, stiff with rascals.

Be gentle to the weak, firm to the stubborn, steadfast to the proud, humble to the lowly.

Be ever sober, ever chaste, ever modest.

Be patient as far as is compatible with zeal.

Never be greedy, but always generous – if not in money, then in spirit.

Be timely in fasting, timely in the night-offices, discreet in duty.

Be persistent in study, unshaken in turmoil, joyful in suffering.

Be vigilant in the cause of truth, cautious in time of strife.

Be submissive to good, unbending to evil.

Be gentle in generosity, untiring in love, just in all things.

Be respectful to the worthy, merciful to the poor.

Be mindful of favors, unmindful of wrongs.

Be a lover of the ordinary man, and do not wish for riches.

Instead, cool down excitement and speak your mind.

Obey your seniors, keep up with your juniors, equal your equals, emulate the perfect.

Do not envy your betters, or grieve at those who surpass you, or censure those who fall behind, but agree with those who urge you all

Though weary, do not give up.

Weep and rejoice at the same time, out of zeal and hope.

Advance with determination, for always fear for the end.

### A prayer attributed to St. Columban

Lord, grant me, I pray thee in the name of Jesus Christ thy Son, my God, that love which knows no fall, so that my lamp may feel the kindling touch and know no quenching, may burn for me and for others may give light.

Do thou, Christ, deign to kindle our lamps, our Savior most sweet to us, that they may shine continually in thy temple, and receive perpetual light from thee the Light perpetual, so that our darkness may be enlightened, and yet the world's darkness may be driven from us.

Thus do thou enrich my lantern with the light, I pray thee, Jesus mine, so that by its light there may be disclosed to me those holy places of the holy, which hold thee the eternal priest of the eternal things, entering there in the pillars of that great temple of thine, that constantly I may see, observe, desire thee only, and loving thee only may behold, and before thee my lamp may ever shine and burn.

Be it thine, I beg, most loving Savior, to reveal thyself to us who beseech thee, so that knowing thee, we may love thee only, love thee alone, hold thee in our thoughts; and do thou deign so far to inspire us with thy love, as it befits thee to be loved and cherished as our God; that thy charity may possess all our inward parts, and thy love may own us all, and thine affection may fill all our senses, so that we may know no other love apart from thee who art eternal; that such affection may be in us impossible of quenching by the many waters of this air and land and sea, according to that saying "And many waters are not able to quench love", which in us also can be fulfilled even in part, by the gift of thee our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is the glory unto ages of

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ages. Amen.





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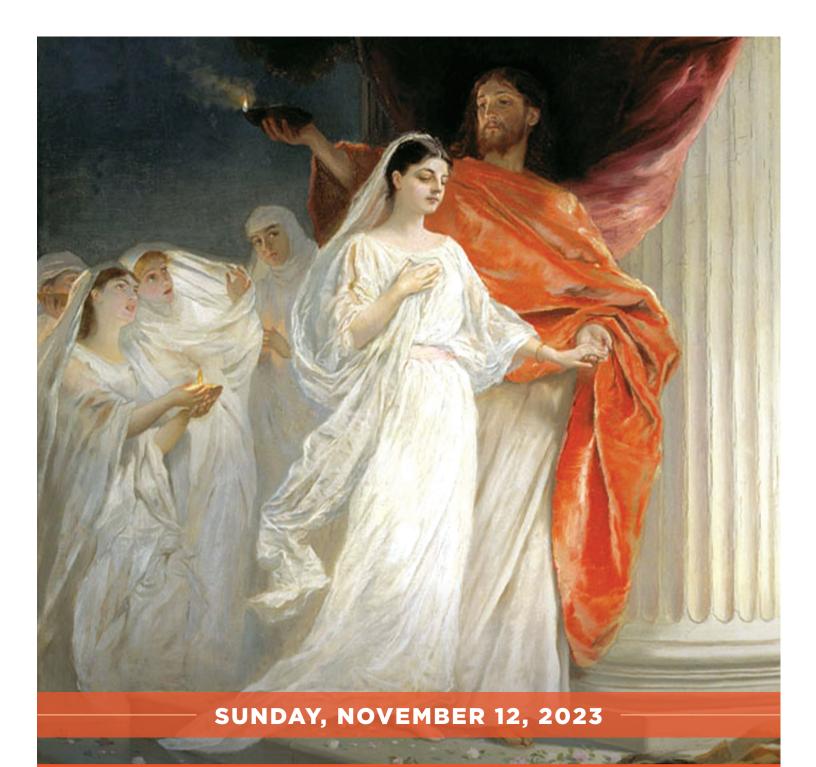
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GOD SHARES EVERYTHING WITH US – THEN CALLS US TO SHARE **Everything we have is a gift from God** and we're called to share these gifts with others. This is stewardship.

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- What might be if I develop my God-given gifts?
- · How can I use them in service to others?
- What can I give back?

Please prayerfully consider how you will respond to the call for this year's parish stewardship, which supports our parish, our ministries and extends the mission of our Church to help others encounter Jesus Christ.



## 32<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'" - Mt 25:11-12

## **Weekly** Prayer

## **Sunday's Readings**

## **First Reading:**

Resplendent and unfading is wisdom, and she is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her. (Wis 6:12)

## **Psalm:**

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. (Ps 63)

## **Second Reading:**

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose. so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep. (1 Thes 4:14)

## Gospel:

"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." (Mt 25:13)

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## **Live The Liturgy** Inspiration of the Week

God knows that, sooner or later, we all face a night that is long and dark. He has given each of us exactly what we need to make it through. If we keep Him with us, the light will not go out.

## Observances for the week of **November 12, 2023**

Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin Monday:

Wednesday: St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor

of the Church

Thursday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude,

Friday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. **Saturday:** 

Peter and Paul, Apostles; St. Rose

Philippine Duchesne, Virgin

Next Sunday: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Saint of the week

Saint Rose-Philippine Duchesne was a French Roman Catholic religious sister and missionary who served France during the French Revolution before immigrating to the USA. She established the First Sacred Heart convent in North America and dedicated her life in service to the poor.

## **Prayer**

Lord, You alone are the Center in which I find rest. Give me Your arm to support me, Your shoulders to carry me, Your breast to lean upon, Your Cross to uphold me, Your Body to nourish me. In You, Lord, I sleep and rest in peace.

Amen.

-Saint Rose-Philippine Duchesne

## Worship & Meditation

# Readings for the week of November 12, 2023

## **Sunday:**

Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (2b)/ 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

## **Monday:**

Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10/ Lk 17:1-6

## **Tuesday:**

Wis 2:23—3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/ Lk 17:7-10

## Wednesday:

Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7/Lk 17:11-19

## **Thursday:**

Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175/Lk 17:20-25

## Friday:

Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab/Lk 17:26-37

## **Saturday:**

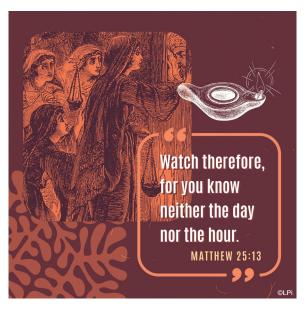
Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Lk 18:1-8

## **Next Sunday:**

Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 (see 1a)/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21



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## **Gospel Meditation**

## **Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture**

Lately I've been enjoying the deep meaning of Eastern icons. I love how they express a tapestry of meaning in a way that can surpass the written or spoken word. Today's parable of the ten virgins from Jesus is a good example. Try googling "wise and foolish virgins icon" and you'll see an image of how our Christ meets our heart's deepest needs if we attend to him with the proper attitude.

I'm serious. Take a moment to google and look at it. See how it depicts the risen Jesus behind a closed door with the five wise virgins with lighted lamps. He gazes with them toward the five foolish and lamp-less virgins, symbolizing the outward looking of divine love for the lost. Moreover, the wedding feast is no ordinary one. It takes place in a walled city and garden, indicating it's a new Jerusalem and a return to Eden. The table isn't typical, either. It's a Eucharistic feast. Now we see that the door in Jesus' parable is the way into the church, where Christ is the new light burning amidst the dark midnight of this world.

The richness continues. We notice, too, that the foolish virgins look *exactly* the same as the wise ones in their clothes, hair, and expressions. The only difference is they departed to buy oil and now they are sadly excluded. We often act like consumers in the marketplace to fulfill our need for love and mercy. We'll always end up disappointed if we shop around. Jesus sums up the moral of the story this way: "Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." Watch, remain, don't spiritually shop. It is always better to quietly remain close to the Eucharistic community of the Church, even if we feel like our oil has run out. This week let's consider placing the icon of the wise and foolish virgins on our phone lock screen or computer desktop to help us remember to stay close to him, especially when life feels dark. — Father John Muir

# (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

## **Seeking Wisdom**

I think if any of us were asked the question, "Do you love wisdom? Do you seek wisdom?" we would, at first, be a little taken aback. And then we would answer quickly "Of course!" with absolutely no doubt in our minds.

But a different way of asking the question is this: "Are you making wise choices?" That's a question that would put a fair few of us on the back foot.

The virgins who went out to meet the bridegroom were all the same. They had the exact same intentions. They had the exact same stamina, or lack of it. They had the exact same knowledge of the night being dark and lamps being necessary.

What made five foolish, and five wise?

It was their choices. Only their choices set them apart.

We may rely upon the wisdom of another — the parent who reminds us to go to confession, the friend who demurs when we start speaking gossip, the priest who preaches boldly from the pulpit against an injustice we lack the courage to denounce ourselves. But even if we feel safeguarded by their good influence, their wisdom won't save us.

We may possess a little wisdom ourselves — we may know well that a dark night is hard to navigate, and that we need the assistance of a lamp. We may go to Mass once in a while, read the Bible when we have time and serve others when it's convenient.

But a lamp needs oil to burn in the darkness, just as wisdom requires action to be brought forth into the world.

We may love God just as much as we should — our flesh may pine, our soul may thirst. But a parched field never brought rain on itself just by being dry. We must make the choice.

"Thus will I bless you while I live; lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name." — Psalm 63:4 Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

# Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

## **Question:**

Where does the money go that is collected each week at Church?

## **Answer:**

This is a good question! Every parish has financial obligations, including the basic operation of the buildings, salaries, maintenance, and improvements. In addition, there are schools to support, programs to run, charities to be funded, and operational expenses like hosts and wine for Mass, music books, vestments, and so on. In some cases, cemeteries and other buildings need attention. Finally, there is the diocesan assessment that each parish pays to help run the diocese and the support services provided to each parish.

Most parishes manage to get by with the collection, a few fundraisers and endowments. But contrary to popular opinion, cash flow is also a problem, and many parishes operate in the red. The Finance Committee is responsible for assisting the pastor in fiscal management, and good stewardship is the basis for successful programs. "The bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'"

- Mt 25:10b-12

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## **Questions of the Week**

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

## **First Reading**

Wisdom is presented as a virtue seeking to be found. How might you search for wisdom this week?

## **Second Reading**

Paul encourages the Thessalonians to be comforted in the belief that believers will be raised from the dead and live eternally with the Lord Jesus. What family members, friends, or co-workers need to hear these words of comfort?

## **Gospel Reading**

In the parable of the ten virgins, Jesus is teaching about the importance of being prepared for his Second Coming. In what ways is this directive from Jesus a challenge for you?



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"Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.'" - Mt 25:7-9

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## **Prayer**

God, fill my heart with your love. I want to be ready for Jesus.

## Mission for the Week

As a family, go through your closets and drawers. Take out all the clothes you don't wear anymore. Then donate them to charity.

## **Sharing the Gospel**

Make sure your heart is ready for Jesus. One day Jesus will come back. If your heart is empty and dark - without love - you will be left out. But if your heart is filled with God's love for other people, Jesus will bring you into heaven with him forever.

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