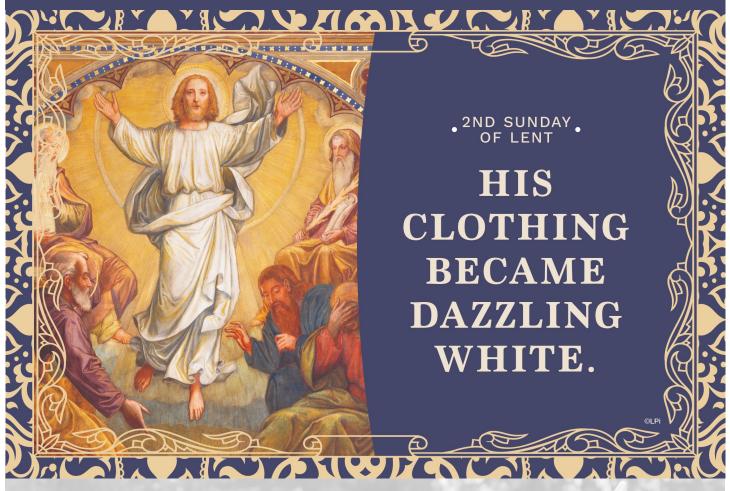
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Second Sunday of Lent



St. Columban Parish

506 First St. S | Yelm, WA 98597

Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.

Saturday 5 p.m.

Daily Mass Tuesday-Friday 9 a.m.

(Except First Fridays)

Confessions Friday (if priest is available) 5:30 p.m.

Saturday 3-4:30 p.m.

Anointing of the Sick By request

Rosary Prayer Group Monday 7 p.m. **Spanish prayer group** Tuesday 6:30 p.m., Hall **Sacramental Preparation** Contact the office

The church may be open for prayer during office hours upon request.

St. Peter Mission

149 Keithahn St S | Tenino, WA 98589

Sunday Mass 8:00 a.m.
First Friday Mass 9:00 a.m.
Confessions Sunday 7:30-7:45 a.m.
Anointing of the Sick By request

Parish Office at St. Columban

parishoffice@saintcolumbanyelm.org **Monday-Thursday** 9:30 a.m.– 2p.m. Friday by appointment

Sacramental Emergencies

In danger of death call: 360-704-7051

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Help line 360-458-1904

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We belong to Christ, not ourselves

For your Prayer and Meditation

Reflect on the Sunday Liturgy

Entrance Antiphon Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

Sunday Readings *Gn* 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

First Reading It was on that occasion that the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying: "To your descendants I give the land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the Great River, the Euphrates." (Gn 15:18)

The Lord God promised Abram land and many descendants because Abram put his faith in the Lord. Why do you have faith in God?

Psalm The Lord is my light and my salvation. (Ps 27)

Second Reading He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself. (Phil 3:21)

St. Paul teaches the Corinthians that upon Jesus' return, he will change our bodies to conform with his glorified body. Can you imagine what a glorified body will be like?

Gospel Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. (Lk 9:28b-29)

As Peter, James and John witnessed Jesus' transfiguration, they heard God say, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." As the season of Lent continues, what do you hope to hear from God?

Communion Antiphon This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

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Mass Intentions

Parishioners may schedule a Mass intention on our website or by calling the office. Sunday Masses are offered Pro Populo

March 18— Simmons Family

March 19

March 20-

March 21 -

The Code of Canon Law confirms the practice of offering Masses for particular intentions is ancient: "The Christian faithful who give an offering to apply the Mass for their intention contribute to the good of the Church and by that offering share its concern to support its ministers and works" (945 §2).

Prayer Intentions

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

Robert Fisher, Joe Judge, Pam Henslee, Mary Taylor, Maria Espino, Mort Kimball, Adrian Moralez, Judy Cusick, Clay McBride, Theresa Gonzales, , Michelle Haligan, Lorna Edwards, Candy Patterson, Allison Dolliver, Pope Francis

For The Deceased

(360) 458-3031

All the souls in purgatory, especially Debbie Little, Nicolas Perdomo, Fr. Victor Olvida, Marcella Thornton, Eva Mankowski and all those who have no one to pray for them. *May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

For our young people, that they may eagerly seek and generously respond to their vocations from God.

For peace in the world, for God's protection on those in danger, the defeat and true repentance of unjust aggressors, and mercy for those who have died by violence.

For all the faithful of the archdiocese, that during this holy season of Lent, we may grow in prayer, penance and discernment.

Monthly Intentions of the Pope: For families in crisis. Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

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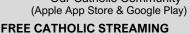
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St. Columban Finance & Pastoral Council Please be patient as this council is being restructured. Members will be posted once they have been officially appointed by our Pastor. **St. Peter Advisory Commission** Sherry Bachmann (Chairperson), Marilyn Ritter, Bernie Schwarz, Bob Bacon, Diane Weston

Welcome Home

St. Columban Parish proclaims the Roman Catholic faith to the communities of McKenna, Nisqually, Rainier, Roy, Tenino, and Yelm in southeast Thurston and southwest Pierce counties. Our community has grown since its origins at the former St. Margaret Mary Church in McKenna, and our current church in Yelm is named for the Irish-born 6th century missionary to Europe St. Columbanus of Bobbio. We have also been present in Tenino since 1891 through St. Peter Mission, named for the apostle and first pope.

Since July 2024, Sacred Heart Parish in Lacey, St. Columban Parish, and St. Peter Mission formed into Parish Family 40 under our pastor, Very Rev. Bryan Ochs.

A Word from our Pastor

This is part 3 of a series on the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please see the bulletins from March 2nd and March 9th for further context.



Dear Parishioners,

Last week we looked at the biblical definition of sin, which means "Missing the mark." When we sin, we are trying to fulfill some type of happiness, but our action doesn't fulfill the goal. Rather than trusting God to bring that love and peace, we take it into our own hands. It misses, and in turn erodes trust and isolates us.

Today we are going to look at two categories of sin, which you might be familiar with. The first category is called, Mortal sin. The term "mortal sin" comes from the Bible, specifically in the First Letter of John. In this letter, John says, "There is sin that is not mortal." The Bible doesn't give us a name for these non-mortal sins, so the Church calls them, "Venial."

Both of these types of sins damage our ability to love and harms our communion with others, but they work in different ways. Venial sins are less serious, and they slowly impact us over a long period of time. These are sins that we sometimes commit out of habit or a lack of a well-formed conscience. They will hurt us, but slowly.

Mortal sins are much more serious, but a lot of Catholics don't really understand what makes a sin so serious. In order for a sin to be mortal, the sin must be very serious but the person must also have full knowledge of the sin's gravity. In addition to this, they must be able to act with complete freedom, free from any type of coercion.

In other words, what makes a sin mortal has to do with how much the person invests themselves in the act of sin. For example, a person doing unnecessary work on the Lord's Day is often considered fairly serious, because we are putting other God's before him. But some people just don't know that, so their ignorance makes them less culpable. Furthermore, some people are economically struggling, and they have to work on Sunday to provide for their families. They are also not as culpable for these sins. Since they lack freedom, they are not guilty of mortal sin.

Some priests might have you believe that people constantly commit mortal sins. Others will have you believe that mortal sins never happen. The truth is in the middle. We do commit mortal sins, but they are relatively rare. You will know that you have committed a mortal sin, because you will feel the change deep in you. You will feel like your innocence was destroyed, and you will grieve a bit.

You will also sense the awkwardness around people you have hurt. You will feel it. If you lash out at a spouse or a child and hurt them, you'll feel the pain. If you cross a moral boundary that you've never crossed before or that you haven't crossed in a long time, you will feel the separation and isolation that tells you that you have committed a mortal sin.

If you commit a mortal sin and feel that pain and awkwardness you should go to confession as soon as possible. Waiting is not going to make it easier to confess. Soon, we will take a look at the question of how often we should go to confession to confess venial sins.

Fr. Bryan

Announcements

Starting next Sunday, March 23, our OCIA catechumen will celebrate the Scrutinies. Please be aware some of the front pews will be reserved for them and their families at the 10:30 a.m. Mass for the next three Sundays.

The Parish Office will close at 11a.m. on Monday, March 17.

Stations of the Cross & Lenten Soup Suppers.

Join us for prayer every Friday in Lent at both St. Peter & St. Columban at 6 p.m. followed by a meatless soup supper at both locations. For other times in our parish family please visit <u>sacredheartlacey.com</u>.

Open positions in our Parish Family here at St. Columban! We are searching for an Organist/Choir director to serve as our PAA for Music and Liturgy and for an Office Manager. Duties and responsibilities are linked on our website <u>saintcolumbanyelm.org</u>. Please contact Jennifer Langham for more information.

In our Parish

Are you a skilled photographer able to help? The Faith Formation office is looking for a volunteer to take pictures during upcoming sacramental Masses on April 19 and May 2. Contact Gaby or Chad if interested.

The Winter Clothes Closet is now closed for the season. We are no longer accepting donations. Thank you for all for your support this year.

Check your emails!

We send registered parishioners an emailed version of the bulletin every week with more up-to-date information than this printed edition due to early deadlines by the bulletin publisher. If you're not registered, please stop by the Parish Office so we may welcome you and assist you. You may also register online at <u>saintcolumbanyelm.org</u>

Faith Formation

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church

555 For a moment Jesus discloses his divine glory, confirming Peter's confession. He also reveals that he will have to go by the way of the cross at Jerusalem in order to "enter into his glory." Moses and Elijah had seen God's glory on the Mountain; the Law and the Prophets had announced the Messiah's sufferings. Christ's Passion is the will of the Father: the Son acts as God's servant; the cloud indicates the presence of the Holy Spirit. "The whole Trinity appeared: the Father in the voice; the Son in the man; the Spirit in the shining cloud."

Sunday Faith Formation Classes Schedule

March. 16, 23, 30; April 6

Children & Adults, contact: Mrs. Makinster

Elementary & Adult Faith Formation, 360-458-3031 x2gaby@saintcolumbanyelm.org habla Español

Youth Ministry, contact: Mr. Lucero

ym@saintcolumbanyelm.org

Youth Ministry Saturdays 9 a.m.-1 p.m.: March 29, April 26

Parents, check your emails! We will communicate with you directly over email regarding YM events.

Parents of Children & Youth in First Holy Communion & Confirmation Prep,

After attending Sunday Mass, you may assist your child but they must be the ones to present the card to Father.

Upcoming Dates:

Youth (Gr. 6-12) First Holy Communion Mass: April 27 Youth Confirmation Rehearsal: April 27; Mass: May 2

Children's (Gr. 2-5) First Communion

Rehearsal: Saturday, May 17;

First Holy Communion Mass: May 18

Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

Please pray for our candidates and catechumen as they prepare to join the Church this Easter.

Bible Study Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the RE Bldg. and Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. at St. Peter Tenino.

In our Parish Family

For Mass times, schedule, and more happenings in our Parish Family, please visit <u>sacredheartlacey.com</u>. Contact the Sacred Heart parish office thru <u>staff@3hearts.org</u> or by calling 360-491-0890.

Dialogue for Justice: Catholic Advocacy to Reduce Poverty

"This is my chosen Son; listen to him" (Lk 9:35). Listening, really listening, is hard work. Most people listen with half an ear. Our minds are constantly processing, thinking, and evaluating. Even in our sleep our minds are busy. Dreams and nightmares manifest themselves. So, the question must be asked: How often do we really listen to the Gospel message of Jesus? Our attitudes and our beliefs filter the Gospel message. We tend to make the Gospel fit us rather than us fit the Gospel. "This makes sense, so I'll accept it. However, this other part is a bit too much. It's way too hard." When it comes to making space in our hearts for issues of justice, we can easily substitute our political beliefs to replace the Gospel message of Jesus. Jesus was countercultural. He touched people who had died. He welcomed women into his entourage. He allowed "sinners" to invite him to dinner. He forgave people who harmed him. Through his actions he demonstrated the love and mercy of God the Father. He wishes that his actions would be an example of how we should act when confronted with unjust behaviors and barriers. We are in the early days of Lent. How might we pray for the grace of God to touch our hearts and allow them to be open to the movement of the Holy Spirit when it comes to recognizing and responding to issues of justice? "Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in us the fire of your Spirit. Amen." Peace and all good, Deacon, Terry Barber, ofs

Lenten Vespers

Monday evenings, 5-5:30pm March 10 - April 14, in the Church at Sacred Heart Lacey. .

A Journey in Lent with the Psalms of Ascent

Tuesday evenings thru April 15 6:30-8 p.m. or Wednesday mornings thru April 16 10-11:30 a.m. in Sacred Heart's Hallen Hall. Join in weekly presentations and discussions about the "Psalms of Ascent" (Psalms 120 -134), facilitated by parishioner Jon Talbot. Free, sign-up through the Sacred Heart parish office.

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Parish Ministries & Events

Weekly Calendar

All events are at St. Columban unless otherwise noted.

MONDAY March 17		St. Patrick, Bishop
Rosary Prayer Group 7:0	00p.m.	Church
TUESDAY March 18	St. Cyril of	Jerusalem, Bp. & Doc.
Daily Mass 9:00a.m.		Church
Youth FRFC Class 6:00 p.	m.	RE Bldg.
Spanish Prayer Group 6:	30p.m.	Church

WEDNESDAY March 19

Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of	the BVM
Daily Mass 9:00a.m.	Church
Bible Study 10:00a.m.	St. Peter
Knights of Columbus Meetings 5:30-8:00 p.m.	Hall

THURSDAY March 20

Daily Mass 9:00a.m.	Church
Altar Society Weekly Cleaning 9:30a.m.	Church
Bible Study 6:30p.m.	RE Bldg.
St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 7:00 p.m.	Hall

FRIDAY March 21

Daily Mass 9:00 a.m.	Church
Confession 5:30 p.m (If priest is availab	le) Church & St. Peter
Stations of the Cross 6:00 p.m.	Church & St. Peter
Lenten Soup Supper 6:30 p.m.	Hall & St. Peter

SATURDAY March 22

Confession 3:30 p.m.	Church
Anticipatory Sunday Mass 5:00p.m.	Church

SUNDAY March 23 Second Sunday of Len

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Confession 7:30-7:45 a.m.	St. Peter
Sunday Mass 8:00a.m. Int.: Pro P	Populo St. Peter
Religious Ed 9-10:15 a.m. Confirmation Classes 9-10:15 a.	RE Bldg. m. Hall
Sunday Mass 10:30a.m. <i>Int.: Pro I</i> Fellowship 11:45a.m.	Populo Church Hall

Altar Society

A team of talented parishioners beautifully maintain and clean the Church every Thursday after Daily Mass.



Daughters of Mary

Meets monthly on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Join us for our next meeting **March 25** at 6 p.m. in the Hall. All women of the parish are invited and bring your favorite snack to share!



Liturgical Ministries

parishoffice@saintcolumbanyelm.org

Altar Servers, Choir, Greeters/Ushers, Readers Please check your emails and respond to confirm that you will be serving on your scheduled date.



Knights of Columbus

The Council and Assembly meet on the third Wednesdays of every month at 6p.m. in the hall, with Vespers beginning at 5:30 p.m. **Next meeting: Wednesday, March 19.**



St. Peter Circle

Meets second Tuesdays every other month at St. Peter Tenino. Next scheduled meeting: **May** 13 at 9:30 a.m.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Meets monthly, on the third Thursday of the month in the parish hall at 7 p.m. **Next meeting March 20.**



After Mass Breakfast & Coffee Hospitality Fellowship

Join us after the 10:30 a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall. **March 16**—Youth Ministry (Coffee & Donuts)

March 23—Knights of Columbus



Soup Supper Sponsors at St. Columban

Donations collected go towards our St. Vincent de Paul ministry.

March 14— Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

March 21 - Knights of Columbus

March 28 - Daughters of Mary & Altar Society

April 4— Altar Servers

April 11 - Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Lenten Fasting & Abstinence for Catholics



Fasting on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday Persons ages 18-59

Abstinence from eating meat - Persons ages 14 and older, every Friday of Lent

How do we fast? When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to another full meal.

Who is excused from fasting and abstinence? The physically or mentally ill, including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes, as well as pregnant or nursing women.

"I was considering giving up puns for Lent, but then I thought..."



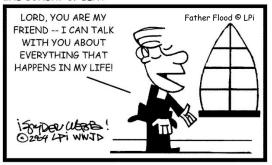
"Not so fast!"



During the 40 days of Lent, we give something up or we "fast." Often, we give up things like sweets, television, or video games. We do this as an act of penance, as well as a way to remove those things that distract us from our relationship with Jesus.

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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT







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Holy Family School, a private independent Catholic school in Lacey, serving PK-8. Visit <u>Holyfamilylacey.org</u> or call 360-491-7060.

Pope John Paul II High School, a Catholic, college-prep high school in Lacey. Visit <u>popeip2hs.org</u> or call 360-438-7600.

From the Archdiocese

For a complete list of events happening around the Archdiocese of Seattle visit <u>archseattle.org/eventslist</u>

Did you know our Archdiocese was once called the 'Diocese of Nesqually'?

The Archdiocese is celebrating its 175th anniversary this year, marking this anniversary with special Masses and a Season of Service. Learn more at archseattle.org/175

Jubilee 2025 Learn how to participate locally at <u>archseattle.org/</u> Jubilee2025

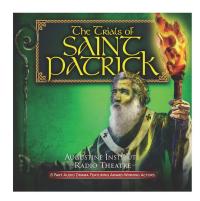
Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl

In Nigeria, over 25 million people are experiencing extreme food insecurity due to climate change, poverty and conflict. Because of violence in their hometown, Amina and her family were forced to flee and start life over again in a new village. Learn how Amina's participation in a Catholic Relief Services program helped her prepare nutritious meals for her family and support other families in her community to overcome the challenges of hunger and malnutrition. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-2 to read this week's Story of Hope.

Resources

Project Rachel-Hope and Healing After Abortion

English: (206) 920-6413 / Español: (206)-450-7814 projectrachel@ccsww.org. Find hope and healing after abortion at a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat.





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2 A HOSPITALIZED CATHOLIC PATIENTS & THEIR CARETAKERS

"When the Church cares for the sick, it serves Christ himself in the suffering members of his Mystical Body." (Sacred Congregation for Divine Worship)

HOW DO I REQUEST A PRIEST FOR SACRAMENTAL SUPPORT?

When possible, arrange to receive the sacraments of reconciliation and anointing of the sick in your home parish before hospitalization. In emergency situations, you can contact your home parish. In addition, the Spiritual Care department or chaplain at your hospital can often contact a priest on your behalf. Because of the shortage of priests, it normally takes up to 48 hours from the time a request is made until a priest or other minister is bedside. For this reason, whenever possible, **please do not defer contacting a priest until it is an emergency**. Some hospitals also have pastoral ministers available for non-urgent pastoral care. Please contact the Spiritual Care department at your hospital to request support.



WHEN SHOULD I BE ANOINTED OR HAVE A FAMILY MEMBER ANOINTED?

Whenever possible, arrange to receive the sacrament of anointing of the sick in your home parish before going in for surgery. Anointing of the sick is a sacrament of healing for the living and should not be deferred until death is imminent.

WHAT ARE THE LAST RITES? DOES THE CHURCH STILL OFFER THAT?

Traditionally, the "Last Rites" of the Church include the sacraments of reconciliation, anointing and viaticum (the last holy Communion of a dying person) and the commendation of the dying. While only a priest can provide confession and anointing, a deacon or lay minister can offer viaticum and the commendation of the dying.





I WANT TO RECEIVE COMMUNION WHILE I'M HOSPITALIZED. IS THAT POSSIBLE?

Yes, it is possible to receive communion in the hospital. Almost every hospital has lay Eucharistic Ministers, deacons, or priest chaplains who can bring Holy Communion to those who are hospitalized and their loved ones. Please contact the Spiritual Care Department of the hospital to see if this is possible in your setting. Always check with the medical team to ensure you or your loved one is medically able to receive Holy Communion.

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Holy Grounds Helpers Needed

All hands on deck to prepare our church for the Easter celebration 8am-2pm

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Contact Steven Slater for more details







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