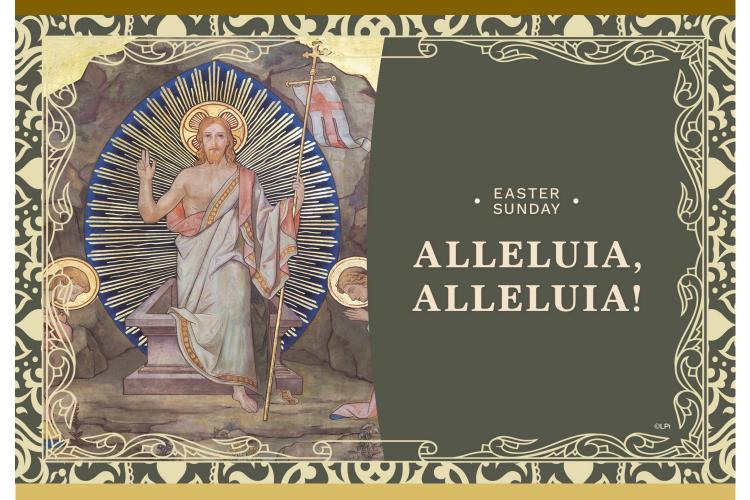
April 20, 2025

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



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.

(No 9 a.m. Mass May 2)

Confessions Saturday 3-4:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration First Friday 6:30 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

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Christi simus, non nostri

We belong to Christ, not ourselves

Welcome Home

Reflect on the Sunday Liturgy

Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12

Entrance Antiphon I have risen and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia, alleluia. (Psalm 130)

First Reading: This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. (Acts 10:40-41)

In his speech, Peter places much emphasis on his personal witness to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. To whom this week could you witness your faith in the resurrection of Jesus?

Psalm: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. (Ps 118)

Second Reading: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Col 3:1) Or: Clear out the old yeast, so that you may become a fresh batch of dough, inasmuch as you are unleavened. (1 Cor 5:7)

St. Paul taught the believers in Colossae to anticipate the return of the resurrected Jesus. How does your family celebrate Easter Sunday?

Gospel: For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead. (Jn 20:9)

Mary Magdala, Peter, and the Beloved Disciple were the first to experience the joy and mystery of the empty tomb. Do you recall when you first started believing in the resurrection of Jesus?

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Mass Intentions

Parishioners may schedule a Mass intention on our website or by calling the office. *Mass at St. Peter Tenino

Sunday, April 20, The Resurrection of the Lord 8 a.m.* Pro populo 10:30 a.m. Pro populo

Monday, April 21, Monday in the Octave of Easter No Mass

Tuesday, April 22, Tuesday in the Octave of Easter 9 a.m. Ezekiel Makinster

Wednesday, April 23, Wednesday in the Octave of Easter 9 a.m. All Administrative Professionals

Thursday, April 24, Thursday in the Octave of Easter 9 a.m. Jennifer Langham

Friday, April 25, Friday in the Octave of Easter 9 a.m. Blake Langham

Saturday, April 26, Saturday in the Octave of Easter 5 p.m. Pro propulo

Prayer Intentions

For The Sick and Homebound Robert Fisher, Joe Judge, Pam Henslee, Mary Taylor, Maria Espino, Mort Kimball, Adrian Moralez, Judy Cusick, Theresa Gonzales, Clarene Rapoza, John Scotto, Salvador Ontiveros

For The Deceased All the souls in purgatory, especially Donald Bell 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 local Church, that as we mark 175 years of faith, we may recommit ourselves to serving our communities in the name of Christ, and for bishops, priests, deacons, religious and all who serve in our local Church, that they may listen with integrity to the needs of the faithful.

Monthly Intentions of the Pope, for the use of the new technologies: Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

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Dear Parishioners,

Happy Easter. Today, we celebrate the single most important event in human history. Of course, it is hard for us to believe, but there are some important facts that can help us to believe. One is that the eye-witnesses of the resurrection all experienced suffering and martyrdom for professing the resurrection. I have a hard time believing that they would have gone through that for a lie, which is just one reason why I believe in the resurrection.

Jesus is not the only one to experience resurrection. In fact, many other ways that the resurrection is experienced is sung at the Easter vigil during the ancient hymn known as the "Exsultet." One of my favorite lines from this hymn is, "restores innocence to the fallen." There is power in these words, and some of my best moments of priesthood has been seeing people recover this innocence.

"The sanctifying power of this night dispels wickedness, washes faults away, **restores innocence to the fallen** and joy to mourners..."

Text from the Exultet

Sometimes we lose our innocence because of our own sin. If you've ever done something wrong and feel sad like a part of you died, a big reason for that is because you are grieving your innocence. Furthermore, sin puts other ideas into our heads. When we lose our innocence we start to think of things that we previously would have found unthinkable.

Others, however, do not lose their innocence because of their own sin. They lose innocence because of someone else's sin. When older people expose us to ideas and actions while we are very young, we lose a our innocence as well. This is why sexual abuse is such an awful thing. It destroys innocence and invites a great deal of darkness into the hearts and minds of victims.

And at Easter, we proclaim that Jesus restores this lost innocence to the fallen. There is a certain "legal" truth in this. God does not consider us guilty before him. But this is not merely a legal declaration. The healing that God offers us pushes back on the effect of lost innocence, and restores innocence to our mind and heart. We recover the blessed obliviousness we felt as children, when evil seemed far from our thoughts and wronging another seemed unthinkable.

One of the effects of losing our innocence is that we lose our trust. This is very clear in the story of original sin. Adam and eve were naked and felt no shame, symbolizing their trust in God and each other. After losing their innocence, they had to clothe themselves because their trust was lost. Losing our innocence has an isolating affect on us, because we lose our trust in God and others. This, as so many know, is a very lonely feeling.

Thus, restoring our innocence means that we gain the ability to trust God and other people again and experience this type of security that we need to have some peace. Entering into the resurrection of Jesus is the way to do this, and we do this through the gift of faith and

the grace that we have to respond to him by obedience to his teachings, which are always the way to help us participate in the resurrection.

So, once again, Happy Easter to you especially if you are among those who struggle to trust and who still grieve the loss of innocence and struggle with dark thoughts and feelings. I hope that you will experience some hope and healing during this Holy

Season when we celebrate Jesus' triumph over sin and death.

Fr. Bryan

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



In our Parish

Announcements

Congratulations on all who received the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter Vigil!

Baptism, Confirmation & First Holy Communion Ariadna Duran, Yesenia Marguez, Liam Elsberry, Chloe Collins, Robert Wolfe, Cassidy Foster, Colton Isham, Indira Loku, Daniel McEwen, Emily McEwen

Confirmation

Palmer Blas, Israel Mendez, Sandra Perez. Rosa Perez, Monica McEwen

Confirmation & First Holy Communion

Welby Mariur, Daniel Baker, Sarah Baker, Mary Elsberry, Kara Elsberry, Anabella Rodas Alvarez, Paulina Joseline Please see our bulletins in the next coming weeks for names of our youth confirmands and first communicants.

Easter Egg Hunt follows the 10:30 a.m. Mass today. Please gather in the Parish Hall after Mass for instructions. Parent supervision required.

A Big Thank You to Jennifer Langham, our longtime Pastoral Assistant for Administration, liturgist, and music director. She is moving to Wisconsin to join family. Throughout her time here, she learned to play the organ and taught our choir to chant the Mass, instilling a love for sacred music in our community. She also served as secretary to the Daughters of Mary. You will be missed!



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Official emails will only originate from our staff emails with our domains saintcolumbanvelm.org, 3hearts.org or from communications tools flocknote.com and ccbchurch.com. We will never directly solicit for nonofficial donations or items to purchase by email or text.

New Film on Carlo Acutis in Theaters April 27-29

Discover the incredible life of soon-to-be Saint Carlo Acutis in Carlo Acutis: Roadmap to Reality. This powerful new documentary film explores his life, legacy, and the impact of technology on young people today. Through insights from Catholic leaders and tech experts, the film tackles urgent questions about technology's impact on

humanity, holding up Carlo as a model

for young people as they engage the digital world. Learn more at CarloAcutisFilm.com.

We are searching for an Organist/Choir director to serve as our Pastoral Assistant for Music and Liturgy. Duties and responsibilities are linked on our website.

Faith Formation

Sunday Faith Formation Classes resume April 27.

Learn more about the Faith and prepare your family for the Sacraments: Registration begins in August for our Fall 2025 Religious Education & Sacramental Prep classes for children, youth, and adults. Contact the Parish Office for details.

Does it matter what leg you kneel on when genuflecting?

Genuflection is an act of devotion that literally means "to bend the knee." For many Catholics, it's an almost automatic gesture that we perform before entering our pew or row of seats at Mass. But, like many of the symbols and gestures of our faith tradition, genuflecting can also be an invitation for deeper reflection.

The practice of "bending the knee" is an ancient way of recognizing the presence of someone greater than we are, becoming a common part of etiquette in the royal courts of the Middle Ages. From throne rooms and palaces, became a part of the devotional lives of Christians who used this secular gesture as a way of recognizing the presence of the One who is King of Kings, especially in the Eucharist. In our tradition, although many have been taught or prefer to genuflect by placing their right knee on the ground, there is no prescribed way to genuflect. This is especially important to keep in mind if physical limitations or age make certain movements difficult for us.

Today, Catholics are asked to genuflect in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament (whether in the tabernacle or exposed on the altar during eucharistic adoration). So, while it has become second nature to genuflect before entering your seat in church, we should pay attention to where the Blessed Sacrament is kept in each church or chapel we visit, and genuflect in the direction of the tabernacle where the Blessed Sacrament is kept. In churches or chapels in which the tabernacle is in a separate space, we are invited to simply bow toward the altar. ©LPi

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church

654 The Paschal mystery has two aspects: by his death, Christ liberates us from sin; by his Resurrection, he opens for us the way to a new life. This new life is above all justification that reinstates us in God's grace, "so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life." Justification consists in both victory over the death caused by sin and a new participation in grace. It brings about filial adoption so that men become Christ's brethren, as Jesus himself called his disciples after his Resurrection: "Go and tell my brethren." We are brethren not by nature, but by the gift of grace, because that adoptive filiation gains us a real share in the life of the only Son, which was fully revealed in his Resurrection.

This Week

All events are at St. Columban Yelm, unless otherwise noted.

Sunday, April 20

No Religious Education Classes, No after Mass fellowship

7:30 a.m. Confessions, St. Peter (If priest is available)

8:00 a.m. Mass, St. Peter 10:30 a.m. Mass, Church

12:00 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt, Hall

Monday, April 21

7:00 p.m. Rosay Prayer Group, Church

Tuesday, April 22

9:00 a.m. Mass, Church

6:00 p.m. Daughters of Mary meeting, Hall

KofC Assembly meeting, Large Hall

6:30 p.m. Spanish Prayer Group, Church

Wednesday, April 23

9:00 a.m. Mass, Church

10:00 a.m. Bible Study, St. Peter 5:30 p.m. Vespers, Church

6:00 p.m. KofC Council meeting, Hall

Thursday, April 24

9:00 a.m. Mass, Church

9:30 a.m. Altar Society, Church 6:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal, Church 6:30 p.m. Bible Study, RE Bldg. 7:00 p.m. SVdP meeting, Hall

Friday, April 25

9:00 a.m. Mass, Church

Spring Bazaar Setup

Saturday, April 26

9:00 a.m. Spring Bazaar & Outdoor Sale, Hall

Youth Ministry Saturday, RE Bldg.

3:30 p.m. Confessions, Church

5:00 p.m. Mass, Church

Sunday, April 27

7:30 a.m. Confessions, St. Peter

8:00 a.m. Mass, St. Peter

9:00 a.m. Religious Education Classes, RE Bldg.

Youth Confirmation, Youth Space

10:30 a.m. Mass, Church

11:30 a.m. KofC Breakfast, Hall

11:45 a.m. Rehearsal for Youth Confirmation, Church

Parish Groups

Altar Society A team of talented parishioners beautifully maintain and clean the Church weekly.

Daughters of Mary All women of the parish are invited April 22 at 6 p.m. in the Hall.

Liturgical Ministries Altar Servers, Choir, Greeters/ Ushers, Readers, & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Knights of Columbus Next meetings: Assembly April 22; Council April 23. kofcyelm@gmail.com

St. Peter Circle

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

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Meets monthly, Next meeting: April 24. 360-458-1904







Saturday, April 26, 9am-2pm St. Columban Parish Hall

> Hosted by the Daughters of Mary & Knights of Columbus





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Features & Outside Events

"What's the difference between Jesus and pizza?"



"Jesus can't be topped!"



God is the most perfect being. All things come from Him who is and always will be. And yet, God loves us poor sinners, and desires us to become perfect like Him and to be with Him in heaven forever. Isn't God wonderful?

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Dialogue for Justice: Catholic Advocacy to Reduce Poverty

"[T]hey took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away...they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. [T]wo men in dazzling garments appeared [and] said to them, 'Why do you seek the living one among the dead" (Lk 24:1-5)? A few verses later we learn the women's names who had gone to the tomb: Mary Magdalene, Joanna and Mary the mother of James. The surprising news of what the women experienced reached the apostles. We are told in John's Gospel that the disciples "did not vet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead" (Jn 20:9). There are events in everyone's life that take time to sink in. What is the deeper meaning of this event? Lent was a time to reflect more deeply on our lives. Lent was a time to prayerfully consider how we allow the Gospel of our Lord Jesus to influence our lives in a radically new direction. Do we take the corporal works of mercy (feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, burying the dead) as a visible expression of our faith? These acts of mercy are the footpath to a more just world. As a people of the Resurrection, how might we find ourselves created anew in solidarity with the broken people of our time? "Let us not grow tired of doing good, for in due time we shall reap our harvest, if we do not give up" (Gal 6:9).

Peace and all good, Deacon Terry, ofs

Deacon Terry Barber is one of the three deacons of our Parish Family.

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 Lacey office at <u>staff@3hearts.org</u> or 360-491-0890

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

Pope John Paul II High School, a Catholic, college-prep high school in Lacey. Visit <u>popejp2hs.org</u> or call 360-438-7600.

Resources

Worldwide Marriage Encounter April 25-27, 2025, Everett & Oct 10-12, Tacoma. wwme.org or contact: Jeff and Sandy Corneil 360-930-2321.

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He Is Risen! The Power of the Resurrection

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Divine Mercy Novena The Chaplet of Divine

Mercy is prayed every day for nine days starting on Good Friday and ending on the weekend of the Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday. Visit thedivinemercy.org/ for prayers and novena intentions.



Jesus is Risen! — Alleluia!

Today we celebrate the greatest feast day in the year! Jesus has come back to life! Alleluia!

Jesus died on the cross on Good Friday to take away our sins. But He didn't just die- He came back to life again so that we could come back to life one day too.

The Apostles were afraid when Jesus was killed. They were very sad and tried to comfort each other. Imagine their surprise when Mary Magdalene came rushing in and told

them that the body of Jesus was gone from the tomb! Peter and John ran to see. When they saw the empty tomb they knew what had happened.

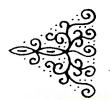
Jesus had come back to life!

Answer to puzzle on Front:
Jesus is Alive!
Answer to Word-Find Puzzle: Jesus
was raised from the dead.

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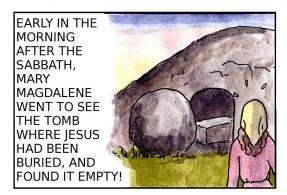


What are we celebrating on Easter?
Unscramble the letters
to fill in the blanks!





Mary Magdalene Meets the Risen Jesus



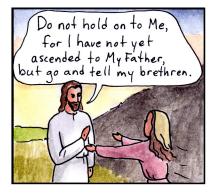






Sir, if you have carried Him away, tell me where you have laid Him and I will take Him away!







IMAGINE HOW MARY FELT EARLY ON EASTER MORNING- HER BEST FRIEND, JESUS, HAD JUST DIED. NOW IMAGINE HOW HAPPY SHE WAS TO FIND HIM RISEN FROM THE DEAD! WE SHOULD BE SAD WHEN WE REMEMBER THAT JESUS DIED BECAUSE OF OUR SINS BUT REJOICE THAT HE ROSE FROM THE DEAD! HAPPY EASTER!

Easter Word-Find

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ODUSTONEMARY
OIBURIALOWMS
KSCRIPTUREAW
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NIREAIPOIPDS
GPECDFEDNIAE
CLOTHSTYGNLM
BELIEVEDRGEP
OMTODARKHENT
DEANGELSADEY

See if you can find all the words in CAPITALS. Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end.



EARLY in the MORNING, while it was still DARK, Mary MAGDALENE had gone to see JESUS' TOMB. But when she got there she found it EMPTY! She ran and got SIMON PETER and the other DISCIPLE to show them. The STONE had been rolled back. The two men went in and saw that the BODY was gone, and only the BURIAL CLOTHS were sitting there. They BELIEVED although they didn't yet understand what the SCRIPTURE said about the RESURRECTION of Jesus. Mary stayed WEEPING outside, but when as she stood LOOKING in, she saw two ANGELS. Then she saw a man in the GARDEN. She thought He was the gardener until He said, "MARY!" Then she knew who it was:

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