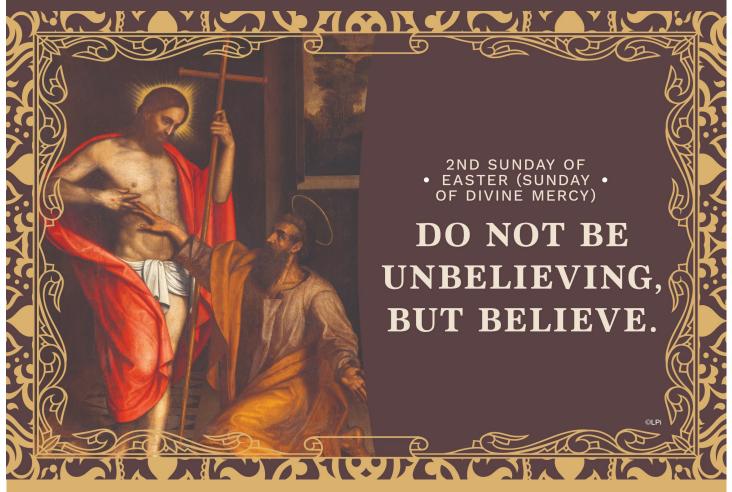
# April 27, 2025

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)



#### 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 on May 2)

Confessions Saturday 3:30-4:30 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 May 2, 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

#### Welcome Home

#### **Reflect on the Sunday Liturgy**

**Readings:** Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

**Entrance Antiphon** Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia. Or Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.

First Reading: Many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles. (Acts 5:12)

In the aftermath of Jesus' resurrection, the Apostles performed "many signs and wonders," healing the sick and exorcising unclean spirits. Is there something in your life that needs healing?

**Psalm:** Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting. (Ps 118)

Second Reading: When I caught sight of him, I fell down at his feet as though dead. He touched me with his right hand and said, "Do not be afraid." (Rv 1:17)

St. John is initially frightened at the strange vision of Jesus, but Jesus reassures him, "Do not be afraid." How does Jesus calm your fears?

**Gospel:** On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." (Jn 20:19)

The resurrected Jesus' first words to his disciples are "Peace be with you." How could you be a peacemaker this week with a family member or neighbor?

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#### **Mass Intentions**

Parishioners may schedule a Mass intention on our website or by calling the office. Masses are at St. Columban Church unless indicated.

Sunday, April 27, Second Sunday of Easter 8 a.m. St. Peter, Pro populo 10:30 a.m., Pro populo

Monday, April 28, St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr; St. Louis Grignion de Monfort, Priest No Mass

Tuesday, April 29, St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor 9 a.m. Anthony Ramos Gaerlan RIP

Wednesday, April 30,St. Pius V, Pope

Thursday, May 1, St. Joseph the Worker 9 a.m. Maria Alvarado

Friday, May 2, St. Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor 9 a.m. St Peter Tenino 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Mass All youth confirmands

Saturday, May 3, Sts. Philip & James, Apostles 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, Salvador Ontiveros, Matthew Stewart

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.

#### Monthly Intentions of the Pope,

(360) 458-3031

April: 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.

May: For working conditions: Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

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**Matthew Tolar** 

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St. Peter Advisory Commission Sherry Bachmann (Chairperson), Marilyn Ritter, Bernie Schwarz, Bob Bacon, Diane Weston



Dear Beloved Parish Family of St. Columban, St. Peter, and Sacred Heart,

Easter Greetings to you all! As the gentle warmth of spring begins to paint our local landscape with new life, our hearts, too, are invited to bloom with an even deeper understanding and embrace of God's boundless mercy. Today, the Second Sunday of Easter, we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, a day of extraordinary grace that reminds us of the profound depth of God's love for each and every one of us.

What exactly is Divine Mercy? Simply put, Divine Mercy is when God's love meets us and helps us during our suffering and sin. It is the Lord stepping out in compassion to assist us, His poor, weak, and broken children. From this perspective, every good thing we offer or receive, every act of kindness and support within our community, is truly an expression of Divine Mercy. For example, we are blessed with a vibrant community known for its generosity, genuine friendliness, and warm welcome. This spirit is a beautiful reflection of the very heart of Divine Mercy.

# "... **my mercy** is greater than your sins and those of the entire world."

Diary of St. Maria Faustina 699

The message of Divine Mercy is deeply connected to the life and experiences of a humble Polish nun who died in 1938. She is known and loved throughout the world today as Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska. Saint Faustina was a mystic, a soul chosen by God to receive extraordinary experiences in prayer, including direct appearances and conversations with our Lord Jesus.

Throughout history, God has chosen to reveal specific messages through mystics for particular times. These messages serve various purposes: sometimes to remind us of forgotten truths, at times to offer a warning, often to bring comfort, and always to call us to conversion. These divine communications never contradict the teachings of the Bible but rather illuminate them and bring them into sharper focus for the needs of a specific era.

The message that God entrusted to Saint Faustina for our modern era is a powerful reminder of the very heart of Sacred Scripture: that His Mercy is greater than our sins, and that we can always return to Him with trust. In her diary, Jesus says, "Let no soul fear to draw near me, even though its sins be as scarlet... my mercy is greater than your sins and those of the entire world." (Diary 699). Jesus yearns for us to turn to Him with unwavering trust, regardless of our past mistakes or present struggles. Just as He, after His glorious Resurrection, showed His wounded side to the doubting Thomas Didymus, inviting him to touch the very source of His sacrifice, so too does God invite each of us to draw near to His merciful heart. As we gaze upon the image of the Divine Mercy, with rays of red and white flowing from the heart of Christ, we are reminded that His love poured out on the Cross is available to us every moment.

In a world often marked by wars, suffering, and uncertainty, God desires to pour out even greater graces. He reminds us through Saint Faustina that our time is a time of extraordinary Mercy, a time when He wishes to bestow particularly abundant blessings upon humanity. This message is a powerful antidote to the anxieties and fears that can weigh us down, offering a profound sense of hope and reassurance.

Through prayer, God opens our hearts to recognize our brokenness and the mercy we need to experience healing and hope. I therefore encourage you, my brethren, to pray the Divine Mercy chaplet, spend time in Adoration if possible, and make a sincere act of trust in Jesus. Let us echo the words that Jesus gave to St. Faustina and now to all of us: "Jesus, I trust in You."

As we celebrate Divine Mercy today, let us take this opportunity to reflect deeply on the immensity of God's love for us. Let us open our hearts with renewed trust to receive the extraordinary graces promised on this special day. Let us also remember the call to be merciful ourselves, extending that same compassion, understanding, and forgiveness to our neighbors, our families, and even those who may be difficult to love.

#### HAPPY EASTER!

#### FR. WILLIAM DODOMA

On July 2024, Sacred Heart Parish in Lacey, St. Columban Parish, and St. Peter Mission formed into Parish Family 40 under a new team of priests. Fr. William Dodoma serves as Parochial Vicar and hails from the Diocese of Mangochi in Malawi.

#### In our Parish

#### **Announcements**

# Congratulations on our Youth (middle & high schoolers) who received First Holy Communion this Sunday!

Imani Castro, Nathanel Diaz, Selene Diaz, Logan McEwan, Osvaldo Vargas Tapia, Gabirel Kaniki, Gilbert Kaniki, Dulce Puente, Mason Redford Our Elementary students will receive First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 18 at the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

## Join us for Confirmation Mass this Friday, May 2, presided by Archbishop Paul Etienne.

The Mass will begin at 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Candidates and their sponsors are asked to be seated no later than 6:15. A reception will follow in the parish hall, hosted by the Daughters of Mary.



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. If interested contact us at

parishoffice@saintcolumbanyelm.org.

# + Annual Catholic Appeal 2025 TOGETHER INFAITH

Together in faith is the theme of this year's Annual Catholic Appeal, and this weekend kicks off the 2025 campaign! The Annual Catholic Appeal funds ministries and services for your local Catholic community across Western Washington. This combined effort of parishes and the Archdiocese of Seattle ensures the availability of outreach ministries, Catholic education, faith formation, administrative services for parishes and much more!

The average gift from across the was \$545. All gifts received over our goal will be returned to the parish for our project which is to make parking improvements at St. Columban. Please prayerfully consider how you can participate in helping our parish be a light to others.

It's easy to give to the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal. Scan the QR code or visit <u>archseattle.org/GiveACA</u>.

#### **Faith Formation**

Sunday Faith Formation Classes resume this Sunday April 27. Our final class will be next Sunday, May 4.

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.

**Bible Study for Adults** Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at the St. Columban Religious Education Building and Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at St. Peter Tenino.

#### If Jesus destroyed sin, why are sins still with us?

We are the children of God, heirs of the Father's work, which is life. The struggle is between good and evil and the greatest weapon of evil is death. It is final — the end of hope and all possibility of change. Jesus must destroy death so that life, eternal life, might be possible. That is

why Jesus dies: to take on sin's weapon and destroy it by his resurrection. It was not to satisfy God's sense of justice, but to meet sin on its own terms and defeat it.



Since we are heirs and coworkers with God, ours is the struggle with the remnants of evil, its last desperate attempt to

overcome good. Like Jesus, we are about the Father's business in our daily life, carrying the message of salvation to everyone. We are strengthened in our struggle and come to realize the great gift of life with which we are graced. It is our hope that one day we will rejoice with the Father in a job well done!

#### From the Catechism of the Catholic Church

1814 Faith is the theological virtue by which we believe in God and believe all that he has said and revealed to us, and that Holy Church proposes for our belief, because he is truth itself. By faith "man freely commits his entire self to God." For this reason the believer seeks to know and do God's will. "The righteous shall live by faith." Living faith "work[s] through charity."

Thanks to all who made our Holy Week and Paschal Triduum liturgies beautiful. May God reward your generosity and talents.

#### This Week

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

#### 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

#### Monday, April 28

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

#### Tuesday, April 29

9:00 a.m. Mass, Church

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

#### Wednesday, April 30

9:00 a.m. Mass, Church

10:00 a.m. Bible Study, St. Peter

#### Thursday, May 1

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.

#### Friday, May 2

9:00 a.m. Mass, St. Peter

6:30 p.m. Youth Confirmation Mass, Church

#### Saturday, May 3

3:30 p.m. Confessions, Church

5:00 p.m. Mass, Church

#### Sunday, May 4

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, with May crowning, Church

11:30 a.m. Fellowship, Hall

#### **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 27** at 6 p.m. in the Hall. Please bring a snack to share!

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

Knights of Columbus Next council meeting: May 21. kofcvelm@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 on the third Thursday of the month in the parish hall at 7 p.m. Next meeting: **May 15.** 

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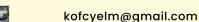
Proceeds benefit the purchase of winter coats for distribution within our community at Thanksgiving time.

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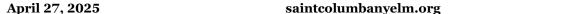
Trophies for Top 10, People's Choice, Father's Favorite, Knights'
Choice, Club Participation, Longest Distance, and Most Patriotic







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#### **Features & Outside Events**

#### "How do angels greet each other?"



#### "Halo!"



In sacred art, we often see light radiating from the heads of the angels and saints. This light is known as a halo, and it's meant to symbolize that person's holiness and closeness to God.

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#### 2MP SUNDAY OF EASTER







## Dialogue for Justice: Catholic Advocacy to Reduce Poverty

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you" (Jn 20:21). These words are spoken to the disciples who are huddled in the upper room. They are gathered in a state of nervousness as well as confusion. They feared those in power may come for them next. Were they about to be the next innocent victims? They also are puzzled by the news Mary Magdalene has brought to them. Jesus raised from the dead? What does this mean? In this Gospel passage, Jesus now makes himself known to those who are trying to make sense of all that has happened. He appears to them. With these words the torch of bringing the word of God to the people is passed. It is their charge to share with the world the love and mercy of God. How does it feel when we consider these words are spoken to us a well? Are we not his disciples too? Each Sunday we have the Word of God proclaimed and a homily to reflect on how we might use these words to bring about justice. The disciples, through their Spirit inspired actions, brought healing and peace to those whom they met. Through God's abundant grace we are invited to transform our lives and encouraged to expand our commitment to social ministry. We are the Church! We are the hands, feet, and heart of God. May the Easter Season bless us as to embody the justice of God!

Peace and all good, Deacon Terry, ofs

Deacon Terry Barber is one of the 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>Holyfamilylacey.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. <a href="wwme.org">wwme.org</a> or contact: Jeff and Sandy Corneil 360-930-2321.

#### Project Rachel-Hope and Healing After Abortion

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#### Divine Mercy | Trailer

Renowned speaker and author Fr. Michael Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's love and mercy as interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II.

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1936-2025

#### Biography

Pope Francis—born Jorge Mario Bergolio on December 17, 1936, in Buenos Aires, Argentina—was elected Supreme Pontiff, the 266th pope of the Catholic Church, on March 13, 2013. He is the first Jesuit pope and the first pope from the Americas. Before his election, he served as Archbishop of Buenos Aires and was made a cardinal by Pope John Paul II in 2001. As pope, he emphasized pastoral care, evangelization, and the centrality of God's mercy.



#### Papal Motto

Pope Francis' motto, Miserando atque eligendo ("by having mercy and by choosing"), comes from a homily by St. Bede on the call of St. Matthew. This phrase held deep personal significance for Pope Francis as he experienced a profound encounter with God's mercy on the Feast of St. Matthew in 1953, which led him to his vocation.

#### Prayer for Pope Francis

O God, who in your Divine Providence chose your servant Pope Francis to be counted among the shepherds of your Church, grant, we beseech you, that through your mercy he may receive the reward of a faithful steward and enjoy forever your presence in heaven. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

> Join us in praying a novena for Pope Francis:



#### Three of Pope Francis' Favorite Devotions

We call the pope the "Holy Father," highlighting his paternal role in guiding us toward Christ through the riches of the Catholic Faith. One way the pope accomplishes his work as a father and teacher is by imparting to us the wisdom of our Faith and enriching our spiritual lives with devotionals. Here are some special devotions that Pope Francis held:



#### Pope Francis' Devotion to Mary, Undoer of Knots

"We pray to you, Holy Mother, untie the knots that oppress us materially and spiritually, so that we may joyfully bear witness to your Son and our Lord,

Jesus Christ."—Pope Francis (Recitation of the Holy Rosary, Vatican Gardens, May 31, 2021)

# Pope Francis' Devotion to Sleeping St. Joseph

"I have great love for Saint Joseph, because he is a man of silence and strength. On my table I have an image of Saint Joseph sleeping. Even when he is asleep, he is taking care of the Church! ... when I have a problem ... I write a little note and I put it underneath Saint Joseph, so he can dream about it! ... I tell him: pray for this problem!"

—Pope Francis (Speaking to families in Manila, Philippines, January 16, 2015)





# Pope Francis' Devotion to the Five Holy Wounds of Christ

"Lest we go astray on our journey, let us stand before the cross of Jesus: the silent throne of God. Let us daily contemplate his wounds, the wounds that he brought to heaven and shows daily to the Father in his prayer of intercession. Let us daily contemplate those wounds. ... Because there, where we are most vulnerable, where we feel the most shame, he came to meet us." —Pope Francis (Ash Wednesday Homily, February 17, 2021)

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