

May 4, 2025

Third Sunday of Easter



• 3RD SUNDAY
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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.

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 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

Christi simus, non nostri

We belong to Christ, not ourselves

Welcome Home

Reflect on the Sunday Liturgy

Readings: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

Entrance Antiphon Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia. Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

First Reading: God exalted him at his right hand as leader and savior to grant Israel repentance and forgiveness of sins. (Acts 5:31)

The Apostles rejoiced when they suffered public dishonor for preaching that Jesus rose from the dead. Have you ever found joy amid your own suffering?

Psalm: I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. (Ps 30)

Second Reading: "To the one who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor, glory and might, forever and ever." (Rv 5:13)

St. John has a vision of the whole created order worshipping and praising Jesus as the slain and risen Lamb. In what ways will you praise and worship Jesus this week?

Gospel: Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. (Jn 21:5-6)

The resurrected Jesus reveals to Peter that the cost of following him and leading the disciples will be his own martyrdom. How are you sometimes challenged in following Jesus?

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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, May 4, Third Sunday of Easter
8 a.m. *St. Peter*, Pro populo
10:30 a.m., Pro populo

Monday, May 5
No Mass

Tuesday, May 6
9 a.m. Michael Henslee

Wednesday, May 7
9 a.m. Fr. Peter Pomposello, CH (MAJ), USA

Thursday, May 8
9 a.m.

Friday, May 9
9 a.m.

Saturday, May 10, St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Damien de Veuster, Priest
5 p.m. Pro populo

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.

For The Deceased All the souls in purgatory, especially Pope Francis, 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's Worldwide Prayer Network:

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

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A Word from our Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

I still remember, quite vividly, a conversation I had shortly before Pope Francis was elected. I was only in my second year of priestly ministry, and I was in my first assignment at St. Anthony's in Renton at the time. The pastor and I were talking about the upcoming conclave, and he asked me what kind of pope I was hoping for.

I said, "You know, I'd really like a quiet Pope. I don't think we need anyone to rock the boat. I just want someone quiet who can help us digest the pontificates of Popes Benedict [XVI] and John Paul [II]." Needless to say, I didn't get what I wanted. Pope Francis was many things, but he was definitely not quiet!

It is very difficult to say anything when a person like Pope Francis passes. He had his fans, and he had his critics. The same is true of his predecessors. I'd probably put myself in the middle, honestly. I don't think he was as bad as his critics say he was, but I think many also greatly overstate his impact and effectiveness. As for the critics, I hope that they can take a moment or two to reflect and find some good in his pontificate to be thankful for, as we should do with any person who passes.

For me, I can honestly say that he shaped me as a priest. If you are interested in specifics, I think twice before I speak, more conscious of how my words will impact the poor and vulnerable. I'm also perhaps more conscious than I was of the need so many have for mercy, which of course was one of his points of emphasis throughout the years.

Even though I'm probably not as close to the margins as the Pope would like, he did make me

think about how I spend my time, and who I spend it with. So yes, he did shape me, and I am grateful for that. I am at peace with my life right now, and I'm grateful for whatever role Pope Francis had in forming me. I'll probably never truly know the impact.

"...we should pray fervently that the Cardinals can respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit ..."

As for what is coming next, I really have no idea. Many people have asked me who I think the next Pope will be, and I honestly don't know. I am expecting the unexpected. And, to be quite honest, I'm not really all that concerned. Popes are important, but there is a lot more to the Church than popes.

Just consider this last Easter. Our parishes welcomed a fairly large number of new Catholics into the Church. I had the privilege of welcoming them and speaking with them about what is drawing them into the Church, and I can't recall a single person who mentioned a pope as the reason. The reason they were joining the Church was because of Jesus, and personally knowing holy men and women in our parishes. That is why they wanted to join our Church, and I expect that to continue no matter who is elected.

Still, we should pray fervently that the Cardinals can respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit and select a holy, humble man to take the reins of the Church who will keep us focused on Christ and unite the people of God to be of one mind and one heart.

Fr. Bryan

In our Parish

Announcements

Congratulations to our youth (middle & high schoolers) who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Friday by Archbishop Etienne!

Adiel Eduardo Vargas, Caden Pennington, Dulce Puente, Dylan Tudela, Gabriel Kaniki, Gilbert Kaniki, Imani Bonifacio Castro, Jessenia Makinster, Joseph Tolar, Karla Ortiz, Kaylee Fisher, Kristal Huerta, Logan Howard McEwen, Nathanael Diaz, Osvaldo Vargas, Peter Ricalde, Sebastian Adan Tepale, Selene Diaz, Zayurit Vargas.

Also among our youth, we had two receive the Sacrament of Confirmation with full initiation at the Easter Vigil: Chloe Collins & Liam Elsberry.



Cards of Comfort: The Daughters of Mary are now collecting greeting cards for distribution to the elderly in our community on Mother's Day and Father's Day. We invite you to submit a greeting card with a written personal message. Please return all completed cards for Mother's Day by Thursday, May 8 to the Parish Office.

The Parish Office will be closed Thursday, May 8 for a staff archdiocese event.

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.

The Archbishop's ACA Message

Archbishop Etienne wrote "Together in faith, we can support each other and our mission to become missionary disciples in the world today. We act as the living body of Christ in a world that so desperately needs his love and mercy." His message speaks to the importance of the Annual Catholic Appeal, and the difference that your contribution can make in our local Catholic community. Your contribution helps minister to those in need, build the Catholic faith within our local communities, and directly supports our parish.

Please take time prayerfully consider how you and your family can participate. Use the envelope in the pew, scan the QR code, or visit archseattle.org/GiveACA to give today. Let us encourage each other and help make our ministries a success!



Faith Formation

Thank you to all catechists, classroom assistants, and hallway monitors for your assistance to teach and run our Sunday Faith Formation Classes this past school year! Join us for a special thank you outing on Friday, May 16. Contact Gaby or Chad for details.

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.

Ignite NW & Camp Solanus: Are you interested in having your Middle School aged youth attend a Catholic Summer camp or High School aged youth attend a Summer Catholic youth conference? Contact Mr. Lucero for more information about Ignite NW (High schoolers), Camp Solanus (Middle Schoolers) for Boys, and for Girls, and Steubenville NW.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church

2472 The duty of Christians to take part in the life of the Church impels them to act as witnesses of the Gospel and of the obligations that flow from it. This witness is a transmission of the faith in words and deeds. Witness is an act of justice that establishes the truth or makes it known.

"All Christians by the example of their lives and the witness of their word, wherever they live, have an obligation to manifest the new man which they have put on in Baptism and to reveal the power of the Holy Spirit by whom they were strengthened at Confirmation."

Celebrating the May Crowning

We honor the Blessed Virgin Mary as Queen of Heaven and Mother God through the May Crowning devotion, in which a statue or image of Mary is crowned with a wreath of flowers and prayers are offered to God in thanksgiving for her intercession.



This Week

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

Sunday, May 4

7:30 a.m. Confessions, St. Peter
8:00 a.m. Mass, St. Peter
10:30 a.m. Mass, Church
11:30 a.m. Fellowship, Hall

Monday, May 5

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

Tuesday, May 6

9:00 a.m. Mass, Church
6:30 p.m. Spanish Prayer Group, Hall

Wednesday, May 7

9:00 a.m. Mass, Church
10:00 a.m. Bible Study, St. Peter

Thursday, May 8

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 9

9:00 a.m. Mass, Church

Saturday, May 10

3:30 p.m. Confessions, Church
5:00 p.m. Mass, Church

Sunday, May 11

7:30 a.m. Confessions, St. Peter
8:00 a.m. Mass, St. Peter
10:30 a.m. Mass, Church
11:30 a.m. Fellowship, Hall

In our Parish Family

For Mass times, schedule, and more happenings in our Parish Family, please visit sacredheartlacey.com. Contact the Sacred Heart Lacey office at staff@3hearts.org or 360-491-0890

The International Fatima

Rosary Community of Sacred Heart is inviting the parish family to their monthly Rosary and procession on Tuesday, May 13 at 6:30 p.m. inside the church at Sacred Heart Lacey. Contact the parish office for more information.

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

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



Parish Groups

Altar Society

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



Daughters of Mary

Meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month. All women of the parish are invited **May 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

The Council will meet next on Wednesday, **May 21** at 6p.m. in the hall, with Vespers preceding in the church.



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 scheduled meeting: **May 15.**



Thank You to all who put together, supported, and donated items for our Annual Spring Bazaar and Outdoor Sale. A special thanks to John Scotto and the Knights of Columbus and to Dawn Bauer and the Daughters of Mary for their leadership to make this event a success.

Presented by the Knights of Columbus Yelm Council 17152

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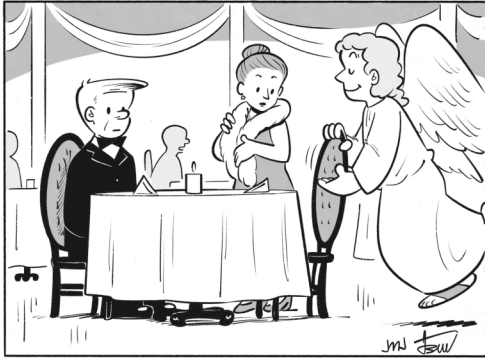


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Features & Outside Events

"What do you call an angel who seats you at a restaurant?"



"A heavenly host."

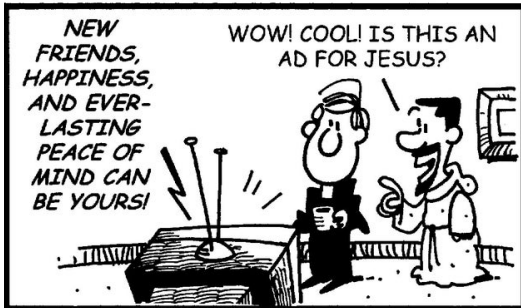


FUN FACT!
The term "heavenly host" refers to the multitude of angels who serve God. The term "host" signifies an army or great many, and in this context, it refers to the angels who worship and serve God in heaven.

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Dialogue for Justice: Catholic Advocacy to Reduce Poverty

The early Church did not have an easy go of it (Acts 13:14, 423-52). When invited, Paul and Barnabas spoke "words of exhortation" (Acts 13:15) to those who were attending services in Antioch. Their words were so inspiring that many in attendance followed them afterward. This did not please the synagogue officials in the least. St. Mark tells us that "jealousy," "violent abuse," "incitement," and "persecution" were heaped upon the apostles and those who chose to follow them. As if that wasn't enough, they were "expelled from the territory" (Acts 13:50). Persecution knows no boundaries. It comes in the form of religious, ethnic, racial, gender, and so many other variations. There is a burning desire in the human condition that wants to keep people in "their place" so that a group can maintain control. Some forms of persecution garner headline news. Christians in the Middle East have suffered tremendously over the past two decades. The executive summary of a Catholic report entitled *Persecuted and Forgotten* outlines the terrible struggles the Catholic Church endures in countries like India, Syria, Nigeria, and China to name just a few. Harassment, torture and death are common experiences in the Christian communities of so many countries. One church in Lebanon has welcomed 800 families (6000 refugees) from Syria! We remember the words of the Gospel: "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you?" And we remember the reply the Son of Man gives: "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me" (Matt 25: 37-38, 40).

Peace and all good, Deacon Terry, ofs

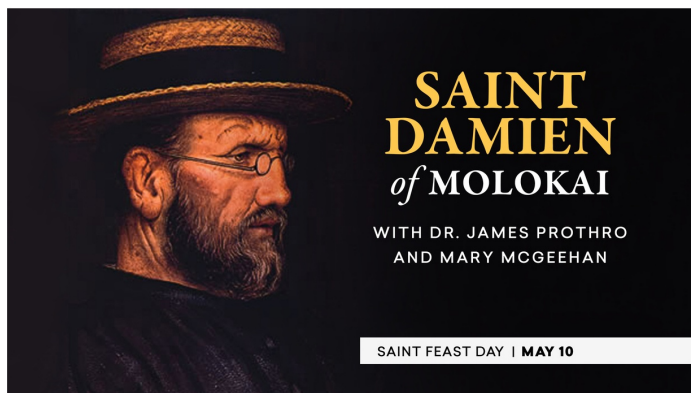
Deacon Terry Barber is one of there deacons in our Parish Family.

Resources

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Oct 10-12, Tacoma. wwme.org or contact: Jeff and Sandy Corneil 360-930-2321.

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What is One Parish Planning? As we continue our Partners in the Gospel journey, our parish family is beginning One Parish Planning, which is the process all parish families will use to restructure and re-envision parish life while preparing to become one canonical parish.

Why One Parish Planning? One Parish Planning will help our parish family develop a strategic pastoral plan and will set the course for how our parish family will become one canonical parish. All parish families in the archdiocese will be going through this process.



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To learn more about
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*- SeVera Dowe, Chair of the Black Catholic Advisory Circle.
(pictured with Gloria Purvis)*



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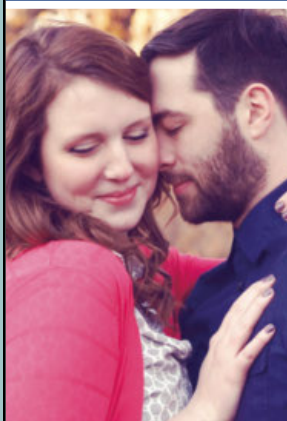
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