

The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | February 16, 2025



St. Columba Parish



Saint Edward

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Saint Columba

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Saint Columba Parish

Mission Statement

The mission of the Cathedral Parish of Saint Columba is twofold: to participate in the saving mission of Jesus Christ by caring for the spiritual and physical needs of people in Central Youngstown, and to serve as the spiritual center of the Diocese of Youngstown by fostering the mission of the Bishop.

Saint Columba Parish Directory

Most Reverend David J. Bonnar

Bishop Of The Diocese Of Youngstown

Very Reverend Monsignor Robert J. Siffrin Rector

Reverend Edward Brienz Vice Rector

Reverend Francis Muriithi Parochial Vicar

Monsignor Peter Polando In Residence

Deacon William Bancroft Deacon

Deacon Sylvester Frazzini Deacon

Ralph Holtzhauser Director of Music

Sister Martha Reed Pastoral Minister

Sister Regina Rogers Pastoral Minister

Karen Thomas Secretary

Members Of Parish Council

Laura Elder, Steve Grzywna, Louise Korhan, Josephi Markulin, Linda Puryear, David Sweeney, Julie Tarrantino, Jennifer Vinkler, Bill Wainio, Mary Lynne West, Guy Young and Barb Zorn

Members of Finance Council

Our New Finance Council will be announced at a later date.

Please watch the bulletin for updates.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 16

9:00 am **St. Edward** † **Carroll Isabel Necko**
10:30 am **St. Columba** † **Leo Tirado**
11:00 am **Sts. Peter & Paul** † **Fr. Richard Madden, O.C. D.**
/B-day, Vladimir Sovec, Veronica & Agneza Cancel and Hank Vukovich/ B-day
4:00 pm **St. Columba** † **Living & Deceased Members of St. Columba Parish**

Monday, February 17

8:30am **St. Edward** † **Sandra Reese**
12:10 pm **St. Columba** † **Ted & Agnes Kerns**

Tuesday, February 18

8:30 am **St. Edward** † **Storey Family**
12:10 pm **St. Columba** † **Parishioners of St. Columba Parish**

Wednesday, February 19

8:30 am **St. Edward** † **Bill Wainio, Jr.**
12:10 pm **St. Columba** † **Jakubko & Benny Families**

Thursday, February 20

8:30 am **St. Edward** † **Patricia Foster**
12:10 pm **St. Columba** † **Rosemary Lamparty**
5:45 pm **Sts. Peter & Paul** †

Friday, February 21

8:30am **St. Edward** † **Mike & Kathy Welsh Good Health And Well Being**
12:10 pm **St. Columba** † **Lena & James Fair**

Saturday, February 22

8:30am **St. Edward** † **Mary & Al Sobnosky**
4:00pm Vigil **St. Columba** † **Chrissy Slanina**
4:00pm Vigil **St. Edward** † **Sonia Niro**

Sunday, February 23

9:00am **St. Edward** † **Bill Carnie**
10:30 am **St. Columba** † **Ralph Naples**
11:00 am **Sts. Peter & Paul** † **Mary A. Ples**
Health & Blessing Maria Jitaru

In Honor of John & Dorothy Vogrin's 60th Wedding Anniversary
4:00 pm **St. Columba** † **Living & Deceased Members of St. Columba Parish**

Ash Wednesday is March 5, 2025

Baskets are available in the back of the church for your old palms.

Please bring in your old palms by Sunday March 2, 2025

Thank you!!



Pastor's Column

Sunday, February 16, 2025

As We Journey Together, May Christ Light Our Way.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are trying to update our parishioners' information. If you did not receive a call from our system two weeks ago, or if you hear from a parishioner that they have not received envelopes or a call from us, please let us know. We are especially concerned about the home bound and people in nursing homes. Please help us reach out to our parishioners.

Our mailing address will be 144 W. Wood St. Youngstown, Ohio 44503. The parish office phone number will be 330-744-5233. The former office phone numbers will forward your calls to this number.

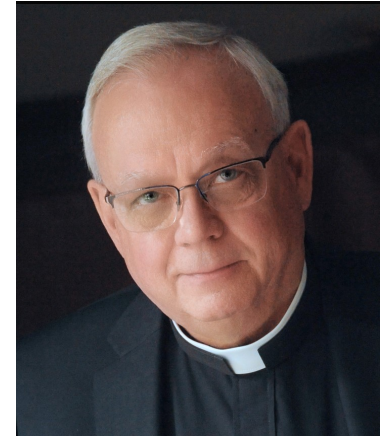
If you have not received your new envelopes, please call the parish office. Please take time to read our bulletin and access our new website. If you are contributing by check, please make your check payable to St. Columba Cathedral Parish. Also, we will be updating the ways that you can contribute electronically.

The staff is putting strong emphasis on ministry to reach out in the Lord's name to the homebound, hospitalized and unchurched. Please help us with your prayers and help us to know of anyone you know who would like a visit or call from the staff. Also, if you are interested in joining the volunteers who visit and bring Holy Communion, please contact Sr. Regina.

With my daily prayers for you and your families, I remain.

Sincerely in Christ,

Msgr. Robert J. Siffrin



Reflection

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Woe is Me?

In Luke's version of the Beatitudes, he has only four blessings and he adds four woes. These woes correspond to the blessings: 1. the poor and the rich, 2. the hungry and the filled, 3. those who weep and those who laugh, and 4. the hated and the well-treated. Did you notice that all the things that we work forty or more hours a week to give to our family are considered "woes"? So is Jesus saying we should not have savings for the future, food for the kids, a happy, safe environment, or a good reputation?

I suspect that the disciples and the others listening to Jesus wondered the same thing. Jesus may have been exaggerating a little but he had a point. The values of this world are not necessarily the values of God's Kingdom. For example, self-reliance, usually considered a virtue, can be taken to an extreme of not relying on God for our needs, or for justifying the belief that poverty is the fault of the poor. Jesus himself is the extreme example of reversing worldly values: His death was not a tragic ending, but the saving action that brought us forgiveness and new life in the Resurrection.

So how do we experience the blessings of the poor, the hungry, the mourning, or the unpopular? Do we have the faith to let go of self-reliance and to trust in Jesus? How much money does it take to meet the needs of our family? How much do we really need and how much is just extra? Are we really helping our children if we give them anything they want? We teach them to do their best in school and sports. Do we also teach them to give to the poor or to help other children struggling with school-work? We buy them nice clothing; do we teach them to see Jesus in others? How can we say this is all too idealistic, and still claim to believe in the Resurrection?

I don't expect everyone to go around saying "woe is me." Some of the happiest people are those who live simple lives of faith and trust in God. When we learn to trust the Lord and love one another, we not only can see Jesus in the poor or the lonely, he can also be seen in us.

Saint Columba Parish

Mass Times	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Greeters & Ushers	Altar Server
St. Edward				
4:00 pm February 22	Frann Evanoff Tom O'Donnell	Mary Beth Loto/ Host Sr. Regina Rogers/ CP Don Turnbull/ CB	Liz Spencer Ed Palumbo	Mike Lowry
9:00 am February 23	Rowland Family Rowland Family	Caroline McBride/ Host Deacon Syl/ CP Dan Rowland/ CB	Pat Metzinger Bob Cashier Jim Kopanic George Mazza Aaron Slifka Dave Slifka	Dan Rowland
St. Columba				
4:00 pm February 22	Bill Wainio Carol Michaels	Tess Szenborn/Host Chuck Zarny/Cup Jean Wainio/ Cup	Rich Conway	Sr. Martha Reed
10:30 am February 23	Deanna Marchionda Marly Reichert	Lisa Young/Host Rosa Tirado/Cup Guy Young/ Cup	Randy Grohovsky Michael Kurilla Jack Reichert Graigh Snovak	Mya Colella Karsten Miller
4:00 pm February 23	Ginger Kubala Margaret Bourne	Leonard Schiavone/Host Deacon Bill/Cup Gina Schiavone/Cup	Deborah Congonello Carole McDonough Jim Morris	Tim Domer
Sts. Peter & Paul				
11:00 am February 23	Julie Tarantino	Nancy Gunyula/Host Eric Cromwell/Cup	Nancy Gunyula Ray Kovac Pat Purton Bill Sikora John Vogrin	John Vogrin

Vocation View/ Presentation of the Lord- February 16, 2025

"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours." (Luke 6:20)

A vocation to religious life calls for a life of simplicity and dedication to God's kingdom. Could God be calling you to this blessed path? Talk to your priest or reach out to

Fr. Chad Johnson at (330) 744-8451 or cjohnson@youngstowndiocese.org.

**Blood Pressure Screenings will
be available
next weekend, Feb. 22 and Feb.
23
following mass at St. Edward
Church.**

February is Catholic Charities Awareness Month in the Diocese of Youngstown! Did you know that the word "charity" comes from the Latin word "caritas," which is translated as "Christian love"? Catholic Charities shares the love and compassion of Jesus Christ with those in our community who are poor, vulnerable and without hope. To learn more, visit ccdoy.org

Stewardship Reflections

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Blessed are you when people hate you...exclude and insult you and denounce your name...on account of the Son of Man." - Luke 6:22

All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our Catholic faith. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad? Know that God is with you all the time; the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations.



Sunday Collections for:	Feb. 1/2	Feb. 8/9
St. Edward:	\$3,847.00	\$3408.00
St. Columba:	\$4,474.00	\$5014.49
Sts. Peter & Paul:	\$2,429.58	\$2362.00

Total Mass Attendance

St. Edward				
Sat./Sun. Feb. 1/2		195	Feb. 8/9	194
St. Columba				
Saturday, Feb. 1	4:00 pm	93	Feb. 8	66
Sunday, Feb. 2	10:30 am	148	Feb. 9	103
Sunday, Feb. 2	4:00 pm	140	Feb. 9	125
Sts. Peter & Paul				
Sunday, Feb. 2	11:00 am	55	Feb. 9	54

CCD Schedule for February 2025:

- Sunday, February 2 No Class is scheduled.
- Sunday, February 9 Class grades K-8 10:15-11:30
- Sunday, February 16 Class grades K-8 10:15-11:30
- Sunday, February 23 No Class is scheduled.

Remembrance Flames @ St. Columba Cathedral for the week.

Donation for Remembrance Flame is \$10

- Sanctuary:
- Blessed Mother:
- St. Joseph:
- Lady of Czestochowa: Friends of St. Stanislaus

Sanctuary Candle/ Host & Wine @ St. Edward February 2025

- Sanctuary: Wilber & Elizabeth Ferrell and Dorothy Durina
- Host & Wine: Martha Beniston

Sanctuary Candle/ Host & Wine @ Sts. Peter & Paul for the week.

Fr. Richard Madden, O.C.D.

Reconciliation

The Sacrament is celebrated at 1:00 to 1:30 pm on Tuesday and Thursday and at 9:15 - 9:45 am on Saturday at St. Columba. St. Edward offers the sacrament before 8:00 am every Saturday morning. Communal celebrations are held during the seasons of Advent and Lent.

Baptism

Please make arrangements with the office for the necessary preparation at least four weeks in advance. All parents and when possible, godparents, participate in the baptismal preparation program prior to their child's baptism. Call the parish office for registration and further information.

Confirmation

The Sacrament will be celebrated with the eighth grade students in the spring. Our young people must participate in the preparation program according to the diocesan and our parish's guidelines.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

A person who desires to become a Catholic is encouraged to be a part of a religious process which may begin each autumn and may culminate with the Sacraments of Initiation being celebrated at the Easter Vigil.

Marriage

Please make arrangements with Monsignor Siffrin at least six months before the marriage is to be celebrated. All engaged couples participate in a preparation program for their marriage following the diocesan and our parish's guidelines.

Holy Orders Of Religious Life

Any woman desiring to become affiliated with a religious order and any man desiring to become a priest, permanent deacon, or brother is welcome to discuss her/his vocation with Monsignor Siffrin.

Anointing of the Sick

Communal celebrations are held in the spring and in the autumn. Individual celebrations may be celebrated upon request at any time.

Sick Calls

For visitation, please contact the office if a parishioner is in the hospital. The Eucharist is taken to those unable to attend Mass each week. Anyone desiring a visitation is asked to call the office at any time.



Scan to make a one time donation to the parish. Recurring will be available soon. Please stay tuned for more information.

Scan me!

Please consider donating cereal, soups and condiments this month.



Saint Edward
Saint Columba Cathedral
Sts. Peter and Paul



You are invited to Mardi Gras Celebration at
Saint Edward's Lettau Hall
Saturday, March 1st, 2025
The event will start after the 4:00 pm mass.
We will provide ham, beverages,
bread and table services.
Please consider bringing a dish that can be shared!
Family members and friends are welcome!

300 Club Winner Wk #14:
Sts. Peter and Paul
Mary Ellen Schwartz Number 129
Wins \$50

Scripture Readings

For the Week of February 16, 2025

- Sunday** Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26
- Monday** Gen 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13
- Tuesday** Gen 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
- Wednesday** Gen 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26
- Thursday** Gen 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-18; 19-21, 29 and 22-23; Mk 8:27-33
- Friday** Gen 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 8:34-9:1
- Saturday** 1 Pet 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:13-19
- Sunday** Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103; 1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

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Co-host of *Every Knee Shall Bow* podcast



Deacon John Ragan
Saints Joachim and Anne Parish



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**SAINT COLUMBA PARISH
LENTEN SERIES at
SAINT EDWARD CHURCH**

Saturday, March 1, 2025

4:00 pm Mass
Mardi Gras Party

Wednesday, March 5, 2025

Please see the bulletin for Mass times

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

5:30 pm Mass
Simple supper
Talk: What is meant by the Holy Year? Deacon Syl

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

5:30 pm Mass
Simple supper
Talk: Structure of the Church Msgr. Siffrin

Wednesday, March 19, 2025

The Lights are On

Tuesday, March 25, 2025

5:30 Mass
Simple Supper
Talk: Vision for merged parishes Msgr. Zuraw

Tuesday, April 1, 2025

5:30 pm Mass
Simple supper
Talk: What is meant by evangelization Fr. Brienz

Tuesday, April 8, 2025

5:30 pm **Mass - Saint Columba
**Seder Meal - Saint Columba Hall

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

5:30 pm Mass: Tuesday of Holy Week
Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered
Simple supper