

Third Sunday In Ordinary Time | January 26, 2025



St. Columba Parish



Saint Edward

240 Tod Lane
Youngstown, Ohio 44504

Saint Columba

144 West Wood St.
Youngstown, OH 44503
330.744.5233

Saints Peter & Paul

421 Covington Street
Youngstown, OH 44510

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StColumbaCathedral.org

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.

On Thursday January 30th, we will be testing our automated call system, you will get 2 calls, one in the morning around 10:00 and one in the evening around 6:30 P.M. If you do not receive an automated call from the Parish, please notify the Parish office, that means we do not have your correct phone number and need to update your contact information. The call will be coming from an 877 number, please answer the call.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 26

9:00 am St. Edward † Carol Desmond
10:30 am St. Columba † Greg Lowry
11:00 am Sts. Peter & Paul † Edo Pacic, Bela Simonyi/Birthday Anton & Mary Pacic
4:00 pm St. Columba † Living & Deceased Members of St. Columba Parish

Monday, January 27

8:30am St. Edward † Matt Dobi/Birthday
12:10 pm St. Columba † Judy Bell

Tuesday, January 28

8:30 am St. Edward † Sonia Niro
12:10 pm St. Columba † Skovira & Garancovsky Families

Wednesday, January 29

8:30 am St. Edward † Parishioners of St. Columba Parish
12:10 pm St. Columba † Howard & Rosemary O'Malley

Thursday, January 30

8:30 am St. Edward † Parishioners of St. Columba Parish
12:10 pm St. Columba † Living & Deceased Members of St. Columba Parish
5:45 pm Sts. Peter & Paul †

Friday, January 31

8:30am St. Edward † James Kijowski
12:10 pm St. Columba † Ted & Agnes Kerns

Saturday, February 1

8:30am St. Edward † Bella Herubin
4:00pm Vigil St. Columba † Living & Deceased Members of St. Columba Parish
4:00pm Vigil St. Edward † Sonia Niro

Sunday, February 2

9:00am St. Edward † Paul Hartwig
10:30 am St. Columba † Consecrated Men & Women
11:00 am Sts. Peter & Paul † Edo Pacic, Diane Vonhof, Ann Ples and Tom Markovich
4:00 pm St. Columba † Friends of St. Columba Cathedral

Pastor's Column

Sunday, January 26, 2025

As We Journey Together, May Christ Light Our Way.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The new office is taking shape, and I invite you to visit the new office on Sunday, February 2, 2025, after morning Masses from 1:00 pm. to 2:00 pm. Please Park in the Elm Street Visitors parking and enter the main doors of the Chancery. Our staff will be there to greet you.

We are moving into the new parish office at the Chancery. 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.

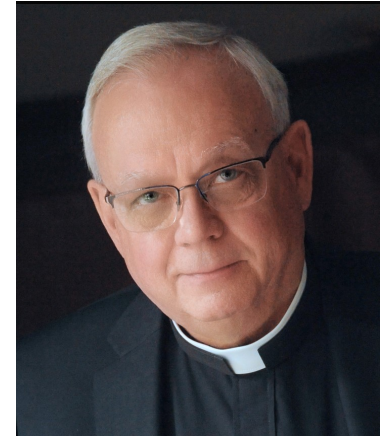
If you have not received your new envelopes, please call the parish office. Please take time to read our bulletin and access our new website. If you are contributing by check, please make your check payable to St. Columba Cathedral Parish. Also, we will be updating the ways that you can contribute electronically.

The staff is putting a 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.

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

Sincerely in Christ,

Msgr. Robert J. Siffrin



Reflection

Rejoicing in the Lord

In the first reading, Ezra gets a strange reaction from the people to whom he reads the book of the law. First they lie down, with faces to the ground, and then they all are weeping. Remember the background of this reading. The people of Israel had returned from exile and needed to become a unified nation. Most had never heard the laws, so when they learned what was expected of them and realized how much of the Law they had broken, they wept from shame. Many probably didn't know that they had been breaking the law. Others might have been overwhelmed with all the requirements of the law.

Ezra and Nehemiah console the people by reminding them that their return makes this a day "holy to the Lord" (Nehemiah 8:10). He adds that they would draw strength from "rejoicing in the Lord." That may be good advice for us also.

We might find ourselves so trapped in sin that we think we could never be forgiven. We need to remember that Jesus loved sinners so much that he gave his life on the cross to free us from sin. No sin can be so bad that God's love cannot forgive it. In other words, God's forgiveness is only limited by our failure to ask for it. As the psalms say, God's mercy endures forever. In fact, the more I have to repent, the more God wants to forgive. So we can rejoice in the Lord's forgiveness and the Spirit will give us the strength to change our lives.

And what about those who find the law overwhelming? That usually means a lack of faith in God's willingness to help us or in our ability to do the best we can to live as Christians. It can also be because we have forgotten Jesus' saying that all of God's laws are contained in the command to love God and love our neighbor as we love ourselves. The more we come to accept God's presence in our lives and see God in others, the easier it becomes to keep the law of love.

Tom Schmidt



Saint Columba Parish

Mass Times	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Greeters & Ushers	Altar Server
St. Edward				
4:00 pm February 1	Sr. Regina Rogers Mike Lowry	Mike McBride/ Host Don Turnbull/ CP Carol McBride/ CB	Marcy Haney Ed Palumbo	Jim Carsone
9:00 am February 2	Mary Ann Kobus John Barry	Caroline McBride/ Host Tom O'Donnell/ CP Beverly DeMario/ CB	Bailey Lloyd Bob Cashier Jim Kopanic George Mazza Aaron Slifka Dave Slifka	Mark Dietz
St. Columba				
4:00 pm February 1	Melissa Larsen Bill Wainio	Gerald Filipski/Host Deacon Syl/Cup Marilynn Butler/ Cup	Rich Conway	
10:30 am February 2	Natalia Wells Lisa Devlin	Guy Young/Host Deacon Bill/Cup Lisa Young/ Cup	Randy Grohovsky Jack Reichert Graigh Snovak	Quinton Miller Harrison Miller
4:00 pm February 2	Tom Gilmartin Jr. Margaret Bourne	JoAnn Oaks/Host David Oaks/Cup Laura Elder/Cup	Deborah Congonello Carole McDonough Jim Morris	
Sts. Peter & Paul				
11:00 am February 2	Evie Byers	John S. Vogrin Diane Buser	Nancy Gunyula Ray Kovac Pat Purton Bill Sikora John Vogrin	John Vogrin

Vocation View/ 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 26, 2025

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.” (Luke 4:18)

Are you being called to share Christ’s message of hope through a life of service in the Church? Explore your vocation with openness. Talk to your priest or reach out to

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

2025 Organ Concert Series: The Cathedral of St. Columba

We are thrilled to announce the latest group of talented musicians who will be participating in the organ concert series for the Cathedral. This will also feature a master class and concert from world renowned organist, Olivier Penin, from Paris, France on June 28th. This will mark his first U. S. Concert ever.

Change: Our first organist, Abby Haake, had to cancel due to injury, so our first concert will be a joint concert between Ralph Holtzhauser and his student Wilma Loe, featuring a half of standard organ rep and a half of contemporary music. The music will fill your soul and peak your interest! Hope to see you there!! A donation of \$10 per person is suggested to help continue this self sustained series.

Stewardship Reflections

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

“Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared...”-Nehemiah 8:10

Erza’s instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here’s the hard part-to share all we have without expecting anything in return.



Sunday Collections for Jan. 11/12
St. Edward: \$4183.00
St. Columba: \$3305.10
Sts. Peter & Paul: \$1671.00

Total Mass Attendance

St. Edward		
Sat./Sun. Jan. 11/12		222
St. Columba		
Saturday, Jan. 11	4:00 pm	80
Sunday, Jan. 12	10:30 am	133
Sunday, Jan. 12	4:00 pm	125
Sts. Peter & Paul		
Sunday, Jan. 12	11:00 am	51

Membership Forms Available

Membership forms are located in the literature rack. Simply fill out your form and return in the collection basket. Or you may call (330) 744-5233 Monday-Friday from 8:00 am– 4:00 pm. Children of registered members should register on their own as adults on their 18th birthday.

On February 1st and 2nd

St. Columba will have baskets at the doors available for food pantry donations. Please consider donating cereal, soups and condiments this month.



This weekend the Diocese of Youngstown is holding the Church Overseas Combined Collection for ministries of the Church around the globe. These ministries of the **Catholic Relief Services (CRS), Holy Father/Peter's Pence, the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and the Church in Latin America** assist the Church in serving people who are hungry, refugees, victims of natural disasters and development projects. Please give generously to this collection which combines four collections in one. Thank you.

Remembrance Flames @ St. Columba Cathedral for the week.

Donation for Remembrance Flame is \$10

Sanctuary: Bruna DiGuilio

Blessed Mother: Dee Dee Stoops

St. Joseph:

Lady of Czestochowa: Friend of St. Stanislaus Parish

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

Sanctuary: Marge & Ed Scharrer

Host & Wine: Marge & Ed Scharrer

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

William Uehlinger III

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.

Blood Pressure Screenings will be available this weekend after masses at St. Edward Church in the Elevator room.



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

Scan me!

Sunday, February 9th
2pm-4pm
Ladies Guild
Valentine's Bingo Party!!
St. Peter & Paul
Social Hall
421 Covington St.
Youngstown, 44510

Valentine's Bingo



Tickets will be available at the door for \$7. This includes a pasta, salad & dessert luncheon. Basket and other raffles will be held.

NIGHT AT THE RACES
SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 1, 2025
\$20 TICKET INCLUDES
*Admission
*Food
*Beverages and Beer
*BYOB
DOORS OPEN 6 PM; RACES START 7 PM
50/50**BASKET RAFFLE
ST. MICHAEL HALL, 405 ROBINSON ROAD, CAMPBELL, OH 44405

Scripture Readings

For the Week of January 26, 2025

- Sunday** Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27; Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21
- Monday** Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Mk 3:22-30
- Tuesday** Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35
- Wednesday** Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 4:1-20
- Thursday** Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Mk 4:21-25
- Friday** Memorial of Saint John Bosco, Priest
Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday** Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Mk 4:35-41
- Sunday** Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22-32



Congratulations!!

Congratulations to the St. Edward Knights of Columbus Council 15959, they were ranked 1st in the state and out performed all other councils in the state by double, based upon donation per member. This is for the Matching Funds drive that is held every year. The Monies raised go to the Youngstown Diocese office of Faith Formation and Ecclesial Ministry. Well done men and thank you to the parish for supporting the council in their works of charity!

300 Club Winner Wk #10:

Sts. Peter and Paul

Len Majernick Number 29

Wins \$150

It's not too late to join the 300 club raffle. Numbers are still available. \$25 to join. Weekly drawing is for \$50 prize. Weeks 5,10,15,20,25 pay \$150. Week #26 Sunday May 4th, 2025 will be for \$500.

Call the office if you are interested in participating.

Society of St. Vincent DePaul St. Edward Church

Offering kindness, respect, and compassion for the poor

January 2025

Dear Volunteers:

We are approaching our time to serve.

St. Columba Parish will assist serving in the St. Vincent DePaul kitchen **February 3rd to 7th**. We are the sponsor for the meals for this week. Everyone from St. Columba Church, St. Edward Church and Saints Peter & Paul Church are invited to participate.

In the words of John Heywood: "Many hands make light work". Our volunteer numbers have historically lightened the load for the kitchen.

The kitchen is in the basement hall of the Broadway Community Center (former St. Stanislaus Church), located on the corner of Williamson and South Ave. Volunteers should arrive by 10:30, parking is in the large parking lot adjacent to the building. Please leave purses and valuables locked in your car.

Meals are served from 11:00-12:30. We ask volunteers to arrive by 10:30 to assist in set-up. If you can assist with clean-up, you will be done by 12:45.

Please call or text Diane at the number provided with your day/s of availability. I will return your call to confirm the day/s requested. A complete schedule will be sent to our volunteers.

God Bless and Thank you. You are truly appreciated.

Diane Guarnieri 330-501-4969



NOTE:

Many of our guests are also in need of warm gloves and socks.

Please consider a donation. A donation box is available in the elevator room of St. Edward church.

**We need volunteers for our SVdP Council. The council is important for the success of our mission. Please let me know if you are interested.

Saint of The Week

SAINT ANGELA MERICI (c. 1474-1540)

Feast Day January 27

Born in Northern Italy, orphaned in childhood, Angela Merici faced a society in which education was largely the privilege of wealthy young men and based primarily in monastic schools. This reality shaped Angela's insightful conviction that society's disorder was caused by disorder in the home, and a lack of model Christian mothers the result of neglecting the education of young women. Transform the Christian family by placing an educated wife and mother at its heart, Angela believed, and the whole world would be renewed in Christ! So she gathered a small group of unmarried women, many of them Franciscan Tertiaries (lay affiliates) like herself, and set out to educate poor girls, free of charge, in their homes. She and her band of teachers called themselves "companions," pioneering a new form of non-cloistered religious life for women, bearing witness to evangelical simplicity in the midst of the world, not as a formal "order" but as the "Company (compagnia) of Saint Ursula." Known today as the Ursulines, Angela Merici's spiritual daughters continue serving the Church and society in a rich diversity of ministries.

