

# St. Columba Parish



## Saint Edward

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## Saint Columba

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## Saints Peter & Paul

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#### **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Cathedral Parish of Saint Columba is two fold: 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 John Rovnak** Parochial Vicar **Reverend Edward Brienz** In Residence **Monsignor Peter Polando** In Residence **Deacon William Bancroft** Deacon **Deacon Sylvester Frazzini** Deacon Ralph Holtzhauser Director of Music **Pastoral Minister** Sister Martha Reed **Sister Regina Rogers** Pastoral Minister **Karen Thomas** Secretary

#### **Members Of Parish Council**

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

#### **Members of Finance Council**

Denise Walters Dobson, Steve Grzywna, Dave Ivko, Michael McBride, Kathy Lewis, Ed Palumbo, Tom Poole, Frank Rossetti and Julie Tarantino



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"300" Club

300 Club Winner Wk #12 St. Columba Parish Monsignor Siffrin #138 Wins \$50

#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Sunday, August 17

9:00 am St. Edward † Paul Hartwig
10:30 am St. Columba † Leo Tirado
11:00 am Sts. Peter & Paul † Nancy Vogrin, Maryann Matasy,

Michael Bergman and Health & Blessings

Joan Schwartz and Bill & Loretta Bacho
St. Columba †Skorvira & Garancovsky Families

† Mr. & Mrs. Edward Hulme

Monday, August 18

4:00 pm

12:10 pm

8:30am St. Edward † Prayer Service

12:10 pm St. Columba † Priests & Deacons of the DOY

St. Columba

Tuesday, August 19

8:30 am St. Edward † Prayer Service

Wednesday, August 20

8:30 am St. Edward † Prayer Service 12:10 pm St. Columba † Agnes Tarapchak

Thursday, August 21

8:30 am St. Edward † Ben Bernard III & Dr. John Cernica 12:10 pm St. Columba † Ted & Agnes Kearn 5:45 pm Sts. Peter & Paul † With Gratitude & Blessings Mark Ross

#### Friday, August 22

12:10 pm

8:30 am St. Edward† Marlene Connors, Sophie Ceryan, Danny McCauley and Margaret & Charles Lowry

St. Columba † Parishioners of St. Columba Parish

Saturday, August 23

8:30 am St. Edward † Danny McCauley & Dr. John Cernica 4:00 pm Vigil St. Columba † Belszek, Veck & LaCivita Families 4:00 pm Vigil St. Edward† Chuck Byrne and Duke & Dorothy Welsh

Sunday, August 24

8:00 am St. Columba All Participants of the Panerathon
9:00 am St. Edward † Sonia Niro
11:00 am St. Columba † Sam Clay
11:00 am Sts. Peter & Paul † Maureen Simonyi & Steve Novak
Health & Blessings Mary Kosma & Joan Schwartz on their Birthdays.

4:00 pm St. Columba †Living & Deceased Parishioners of

St. Columba Parish

Please notice that the above mass times for August 24, 2025 at St. Columba Cathedral have slightly changed to include a mass for all of those participating in the Panerathon. Mass will be at 8:00 am. Our normally scheduled mass for 10:30 at St. Columba will be moved to 11:00 am. Thank you!

#### Pastor's Column

The Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time.
As We Journey Together, May Christ Light Our Way.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our Scriptures today point out the struggles we face in being true to the Lord. Goodness and sin do not get along. There will always be tensions in our life as we strive to follow Jesus and be true to the Gospel. The outcome of the struggle to follow Jesus is always the victory of peace and freedom, always the joy of forgiveness and salvation. Let us look for ways that we can be supportive of each other in the journey of faith this week.

Do you know anyone who has drifted from their relationship with the Lord, or someone

who has not come to know the Lord? If you do, then welcome them to come with you to worship with us. Also, consider inviting people to join us in the OCIA.

Help us with bingo. Every Friday at the Wedgewood Plaza bingo takes place. It supports our parish. Please plan to support our efforts as a player or as a volunteer. Please call the office for more information.

Don't forget to come and check out our weekly bingo!

If you have not yet pledged to the Annual Appeal, please be generous!! A special thank you to everyone who has already contributed. Our parish has reached its goal, but let's all of us surpass the goal for the help of the poor and the support of the mission of the Church!

Thank you to parishioners who are beginning to call the office to let us know about family or friends who are in nursing homes or are confined to their home.

Over the summer we will be discussing ways to improve our religious education program. Help us to reach out to parents with young children who do not yet have a Church home. Invite them to church with you or contact the staff so that they can reach out to them!

Next week is a special celebration of our Lady of Czestochowa at the 11:00 am Mass – note the time change to avoid traffic with the Panarethon Race! There will also be an 8:00 am Mass for those participating in the race.

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

Sincerely in Christ, Msgr. Robert J. Siffrin



## The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time How Much?

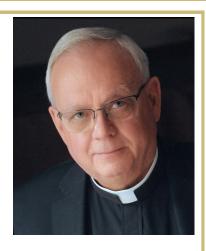
How much is good enough? How do we know when we have been generous enough or faithful enough to please the Lord? How do we know we have done enough to avoid sin?

Although I do not for one minute believe that God is sitting up in heaven next to a giant scoreboard keeping a tally of our good and bad deeds, we will be judged at the end of our lives. Today's second reading provokes self-analysis in this regard: "In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood."

How do we react when we sin? Do we give into temptation so often that we don't even feel a ping to our conscience? Do we instantly regret what we have done and seek forgiveness from the person we have wronged? Do we look for the next available confession time? Do we let our sins pile up one upon the other and only seek the Sacrament when we can no longer stand it?

Our Lord revealed to St. Faustina just how much sin hurts His Sacred Heart. If we truly took that to heart, we would flee from sin so much more often. It would become repugnant to us. During the Divine Mercy Novena, we read "bring to me all mankind, especially sinners, and immerse them in the ocean of My mercy. In this way you will console Me in the bitter grief into which the loss of souls plunges Me" (Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska).

So let us turn away from sin and instead spread love and joy and truth. Let us set the earth on fire with the blazing love of God! (see today's Gospel)



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Mass Times	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Greeters & Ushers	Altar Server	
St. Edward					
4:00 pm August 23	Mike Lowry Jason Vinkler	Mike McBride/Host Deacon Tony/CP Betzy Peacock/CB	Liz Spencer Ed Palumbo	Jennifer Vinkler	
9:00 am August 24	John Barry Molly McGuire	Barbara Barry/Host Deacon Mark/CP Mike McBride/CB	Mary Lynne West Bob Cashier Jim Kopanic George Mazza Aaron Slifka Dave Slifka	Mark Dietz	
St. Columba					
4:00 pm August 23	Jessica Gause Melissa Larsen	Paul Gause/Host Deacon Mark/Cup Kathy Gause/Cup	Carol Zamary Rich Conway Dave Sefcik	Sr. Martha	
10:30 am August 24	Ginger Kubala Deanna Marchionda	Lisa Young/Host Deacon Mark/Cup Guy Young/Cup	Randy Grohovsky Michael Kurilla Jack Reichert Graigh Snovak	Moses Marino Max Marino	
4:00 pm August 24	John Cisine Joell Stebelton	Kathleen Meese/Host Deacon Bill/Cup Barbara Walko/Cup	Deborah Congonello Carole McDonough Jim Morris	Sr. Martha	
Sts. Peter & Paul					
11:00 am August 24	Damian Tarantino	John S. Vogrin/Host Deacon Bill/Cup Eric Cromwell/Cup	Ray Kovac Pat Purton Bill Sikora John Vogrin	John Vogrin	

# The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 17, 2025

"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing." (Luke 12:49)

Christ's words about setting the earth on fire can inspire married couples to cultivate an enduring love for one another. The fire of love within marriage, when nurtured, grows into a flame that can bring light and warmth to the world. Our hearts should be ablaze with love for our spouse, reflecting God's love through your marital union.

Please consider donating Canned Fruits, Peanut Butter and Mac and Cheese for the Month of August.



## Stewardship Reflections

**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

"Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." (Luke 12:51)

Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves with our family and friends, especially when it comes to politics and religion. We don't want to cause any turmoil. However, many times this is at the expense of the truth. The truth being Jesus Christ. Too many people are misguided because they rely on their own limited human ability to reason and are not allowing faith in God to guide them. Form your conscience; take a stance for life, marriage and religious liberty.

### The Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time



Sunday Collections for:

St. Columba Cathedral Parish
August 9/10 \$ 10,322.83

#### **Total Mass Attendance**

#### St. Edward

Saturday, August 9	4:00 pm	78
Sunday, August 10	9:00 am	115
St. Columba		
Saturday, August 9	4:00 pm	90
Sunday, August 10	10:30 am	131
Sunday, August 10	4:00 pm	153
Sts. Peter & Paul		
Sunday, August 10	11:00 am	55

Parishioners that require Gluten Free Communion: please stop in the sacristy before mass to let our priests know so they can make sure you get the correct communion.

Thank you!!

# Hubbard St. Patrick Parish Travel Group Bus Trip 2025

All are welcome to join us on a bus trip to Lancaster, PA to enjoy "NOAH" at SIGHT & SOUND THEATRE and "HOLIDAY INN" at DUTCH APPLE DINNER THEATRE, November 14th-15th, 2025. For more information and reservations contact:

Andrew Acierno
(330) 398-8265.



The Ladies Guild will be having their next meeting on Wed. Sept. 3rd at 5:00 pm in the social hall @ Ss. Peter & Paul.

Blood Pressure Screening will be available after masses August 23rd & 24th at St. Edward.

## Remembrance Flames @ St. Columba Cathedral for the week.

**Donation for Remembrance Flame is \$10** 

Sanctuary:

Blessed Mother: Angela Filipski

St. Joseph:

Lady of Czestochowa: Ivan & Sophie Vincenzini

## Sanctuary Candle/ Host & Wine @ St. Edward August 2025

Sanctuary: Paul Hartwig

Host & Wine: Hudak & Mullen Family Members

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

John Lesnansky

#### 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.

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## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

"Fill the Trailer" event will be held in the parking lot of St. Edward Parish the weekend of August 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>. **The** Trailer will be available on Sat. Aug. 23rd from 2:00 pm-6:00 pm and Sun. Aug. 24th from 9:00 am-2:00 pm.

The needs of the SVDP dining hall extend beyond a meal for many of our guests. Their SNAP benefits do not cover the basic needs such as toilet paper or personal hygiene supplies. Donations of these supplies would be greatly appreciated and discreetly distributed. Please place items in the SVdP boxes located in each parish or directly to our Dining Hall on Williamson Ave.

Your generosity is a blessing.

**God Bless** 

If you are interested in volunteering for our events, or would like more information, please contact Diane Guarnieri at 330-501-4969



For the Week of August 17, 2025

Sunday Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk

Monday Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab

and 44; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 19:23-30

Memorial of Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of Wednesday

the Church

Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope

Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mt 22:1-

Friday Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin

Mary

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a,

9bc-10; Mt 22:34-40

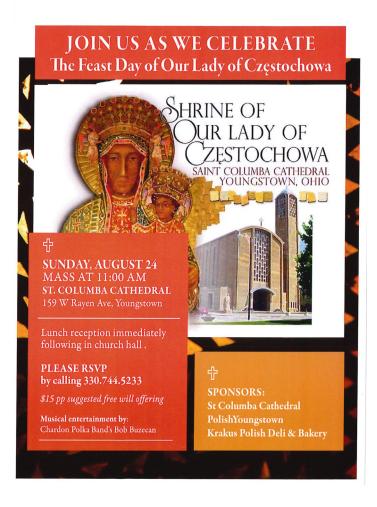
Ru 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Mt Saturday

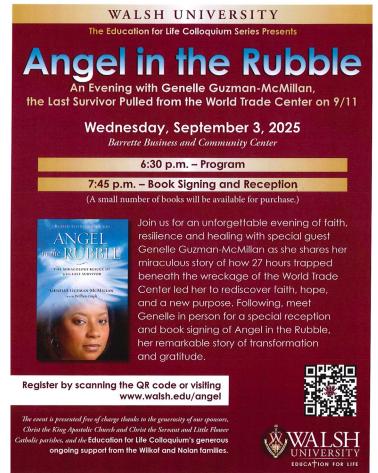
23:1-12

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday

Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12: 5-7, 11-13; Lk

13:22-30







It's not too late to join the 300 Club
Raffle. Numbers are still available.
We currently have 41 spots left.
Help us fill the sheet. \$25 to join.
Weekly drawing is for \$50 prize.
Weeks 5,10,15,20,25 pay \$150.
Week #26 Sunday November 16, 2025 will be for \$500. Call the office if you are interested in participating.



#### Please be advised: BULLETIN INSERTS

Announcement requests for the bulletin **MUST** be turned in, at the very latest **two weeks** prior to the date of the bulletin you would like it in. Our finished bulletins are sent to the printer on Monday of the week prior to the Sunday Bulletin. Therefore nothing can be added on Monday. We usually receive our bulletins by Thursday to distribute at mass on Saturday and Sunday. During Holidays we are required to get our bulletins in even sooner. Don't wait to send in your event or you may not make the bulletin. Thank you!

### Saint of The Week

**SAINT PIUS X (1835-1914)** August 21

Presidential vetoes we understand. But imagine vetoing a papal election! Yet in the conclave of 1903, the Archbishop of Cracow (ironically, a predecessor in that office of Karol Wojtyla, the future John Paul II) vetoed the leading candidate on the order of the Austro-Hungarian emperor. Instead, the cardinals elected Giuseppe Sarto of Venice as Pius X, the first pope, after a succession of nobles and diplomats, to hail from humble origins. Nor did

the papacy alter his endearing simplicity. Tailors eventually made his cassock cuffs detachable because he absentmindedly wiped his fountain pen on them, forgetting that his old black cassock had been replaced by papal white! Taking as his motto "To restore all things in Christ" (Ephesians 1:10), Pius condemned the theological innovations called "modernism," yet dramatically altered the then-common practice whereby people rarely received Communion for fear of unworthiness, mandating early First Communion and urging everyone to frequent reception. Refusing to bless troops assembled in Saint Peter's Square—"I bless peace, not war!"—he died brokenhearted as World War I engulfed "Christian" Europe despite his peacemaking efforts. —Peter Scagnelli