



# 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 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 Brienzi In Residence

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, 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 #21

St. Columba Parish

Mary Ann Cashier #35

Wins \$50

## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, October 19

9:00 am St. Edward † Michael Byron Birthday Wishes

10:30 am St. Columba † Leo Tirado

11:00 am Sts. Peter & Paul † Nancy Vogrin, Mary & John Majernik, Michael Bergman and Dorothy Pacic

4:00 pm St. Columba † Kevin Sobnosky

### Monday, October 20

8:30 am St. Edward † Prayer Service

12:10 pm St. Columba † Howard & Rosemary O'Malley

### Tuesday, October 21

8:30 am St. Edward † Prayer Service

12:10 pm St. Columba † Jack McHan

### Wednesday, October 22

8:30 am St. Edward † Prayer Service

12:10 pm St. Columba † Angela Filipski

### Thursday, October 23

8:30 am St. Edward † Michael DeCarlo

12:10 pm St. Columba † Maria Jitaru

5:45 pm Sts. Peter & Paul † Nancy Vogrin, Michael Bergman & The DeSalle Family and Ray & Mary Benedict/Wedding Anniversary

### Friday, October 24

8:30 am St. Edward † Kevin Webster & Thomas Manning

12:10 pm St. Columba † Albert Matasy

### Saturday, October 25

8:30 am St. Edward † Rose Cashier, Bishop Murry, Isabel Tarr & Sr. Alma Siffrin

4:00 pm Vigil St. Columba † Belszek, Veck & LaCivita Families

### Sunday, October 26

9:00 am St. Edward † Nellie Vallati and Frances & Frank Colao

10:30 am St. Columba † Living & Deceased Parishioners  
11:00 am Sts. Peter & Paul † Mary Heffner, Nancy Vogrin & Michael Bergman and

in Honor of Karen & Mike Wankovich 60th Anniversary

5:00 pm St. Columba † Edward Krawiec

## OCIA for October 28, 2025

Topic: The Bible

Presenter: Father Rornak

## Pastor's Column

*The Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time*

As We Journey Together, May Christ Light Our Way.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

St. Paul encourages us today “be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient; convince, reprimand, encourage through all patience and teaching.” The Scriptures today show us the power of the Lord and the creative power of persistence, patience and trust. The invitation and challenge that I offer to you and me is to search for and recognize where the Love of Jesus has touched our life or the lives of those around us. If we struggle to find these signs of the Lord’s love, then look at the lives of the Saints. Consider looking at the lives of our patrons. Among our patrons are St. Columba, St. Angela, St. Edward, St. Patrick and SS. Peter and Paul among others. We cannot give witness to the love and mercy of Jesus until we recognize it in our own lives.

As we face the changes our neighboring parishes are encountering, let’s commit ourselves in prayer for each other, let us renew a spirit of welcome and hospitality. Everyone needs a Church home. Help make them at home here.

As we change Mass schedules, we will need to modify how we schedule Mass intentions. This is a very good and valuable devotion, offering Mass intentions for our deceased loved ones or for a special intention for the living. I will be sharing with you more information on how Mass intentions reflect love and prayer. They can also be an essential support for priests in the Missions.

Just a reminder, if you are visiting Mass elsewhere, your envelopes will be sent to St. Columba.

Help us to be a parish that reaches out to those who are not here with us. 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.

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!

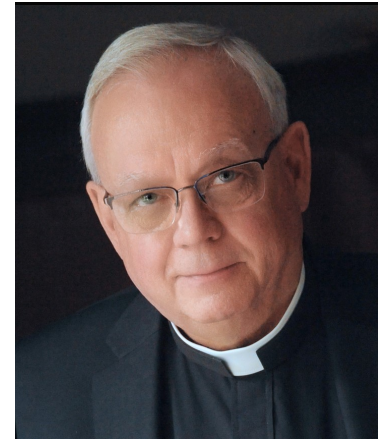
Thank you to parishioners who have called the office to let us know about family or friends who are in nursing homes or are confined to their home.

Religious education started last week. Please contact Sr. Regina if you have children of school age or know of someone who does not have a connection to a parish.

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

Sincerely in Christ,

Msgr. Robert J. Siffrin



## Reflection

## Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Perseverance

In today’s Gospel, Jesus gives a clever example of why we are to persevere in praying, even if we think the prayer is not being heard. The crooked judge just wanted to get that widow off his back. So we can pray to God with even more confidence, because we know that God loves us and will answer our prayers.

St. Paul carries that theme of perseverance even further. He is not just talking about prayer here; he encourages Timothy to persevere in proclaiming God’s word as well. That command we may find more challenging than prayer. He tells Timothy (and us!) to “convince, reprimand and encourage through all patience and teaching” (2 Timothy 4:2). How can we do that?

“Convince” reminds me that our faith should be reasonable. Jesus’ command to love one another, for instance, can be taught much more convincingly by giving examples of love. A mother who hugs her child when he is hurt and encourages him when he feels lost is teaching that command in a way that will be remembered much longer than just telling him to love people.

Paul also talks about reprimanding each other. Most people find it difficult to reprimand someone they are in charge of, much less one who is equal in status. That’s where patience comes in. A reprimand can be made patiently and gently, as a sign of concern rather than authority.

Paul lastly mentions teaching. Parents can do their part by teaching the stories from the Bible, helping children to see God in creation, teaching them to pray, and being good examples of God’s love for them. If you send your children to religion classes or the parish school, do what you can to support the teachers so that what the children learn at school is practiced at home. —Tom Schmidt

# Saint Columba Parish

| <i>Mass Times</i>            | <i>Lector</i>                        | <i>Eucharistic Minister</i>                                    | <i>Greeters &amp; Ushers</i>                                                                 | <i>Altar Server</i>        |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>St. Edward</b>            |                                      |                                                                |                                                                                              |                            |
| 9:00 am<br>October 26        | Amber Farrell<br>Jim White           | John Jablonski/Host<br>Rowland Family/CP<br>Tim Herberger/CB   | Mary Lynne West<br>Bob Cashier<br>Jim Kopanic<br>George Mazza<br>Aaron Slifka<br>Dave Slifka | Dan Rowland                |
| <b>St. Columba</b>           |                                      |                                                                |                                                                                              |                            |
| 4:00 pm<br>October 25        | Jean Wainio<br>Melissa Larsen        | Marilyn Butler/Host<br>Tess Szenborn/Cup<br>Bill Wainio/Cup    | Carol Zarny<br>Rich Conway<br>Dave Sefcik                                                    | Sr. Martha                 |
| 10:30 am<br>October 26       | Lisa Devlin<br>Natalia Wells         | Laurie Chrobak/Host<br>Juliann McLennan/Cup<br>Rosa Tirado/Cup | Randy Grohovsky<br>Michael Kurilla<br>Jack Reichert<br>Graigh Snovak                         | Max Marino<br>Moses Marino |
| 5:00 pm<br>October 26        | Thomas Gilmartin, Jr.<br>Laura Elder | JoAnn Oaks/Host<br>David Oaks/Cup<br>Kathleen Meese/Cup        | Deborah Congonello<br>Carole McDonough<br>Jim Morris                                         | Sr. Martha                 |
| <b>Sts. Peter &amp; Paul</b> |                                      |                                                                |                                                                                              |                            |
| 11:00 am<br>October 26       | Michelle Tyson                       | Linda Habuda/Host<br>Ed Habuda/Cup                             | Nancy Gunyula<br>Ray Kovac<br>Pat Purton<br>Bill Sikora<br>John Vogrin                       | John Vogrin                |

## The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**October 19, 2025**

*"When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" (Luke 18:8)*

Priests and religious brothers and sisters help to keep faith alive in the world. Could God be calling you to be one of these dedicated servants? Talk to your priest or reach out to The Diocese of Youngstown Office of Church Vocations at

[vocations@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:vocations@youngstowndiocese.org).

**Blood Pressure Screening will be available October 26th at St. Edward after mass.**

**CCD is scheduled for this Sunday after 9:00 mass at St. Edward.**

## Stewardship Reflections

*The Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time*

*"...proclaim the word, be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient..." (2 Timothy 4:2)*

It is not always convenient to be a good steward, especially when all the temptations of our busy and materialistic world get in the way. Now add our own pride and ego into the equation and living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright uncomfortable! Remember, God didn't call us to be comfortable. He never said that we would have an easy life. Rather, He called us to be faithful!

Please consider donating stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy for the month of October.





## Our Stewardship

Sunday Collections for:

*St. Columba Cathedral Parish*

*October 11/12 \$ 9,541.00*

### Total Mass Attendance

#### St. Edward

|                      |         |     |
|----------------------|---------|-----|
| Saturday, October 11 | 4:00 pm | 84  |
| Sunday, October 12   | 9:00 am | 153 |

#### St. Columba

|                      |          |     |
|----------------------|----------|-----|
| Saturday, October 11 | 4:00 pm  | 106 |
| Sunday, October 12   | 10:30 am | 106 |
| Sunday, October 12   | 4:00 pm  | 148 |

#### Sts. Peter & Paul

|                    |          |    |
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| Sunday, October 12 | 11:00 am | 78 |
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## You are invited:

The Hungarian community of Youngstown will hold its yearly memorial service upon the anniversary of their 1956 uprising in Budapest to resist the communist oppression in Hungary. There will be a gathering at the Franciscan Friary, 517 S. Belle Vista Ave. on Sunday Oct. 26th at 3:00pm. After the short program a free dinner of gulyash, kolbasz sandwiches and refreshments will be held. If possible, please bring a dessert to share.

Reservations are requested by Oct. 22 by calling Frank at (330) 549-2935 or Kathy at (330) 746-7704 (Leave Msg.) Wear something Hungarian in honor of our heritage.

Thank you,

Frank Schauer, President

Kathy Novak, Vice President

### 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.

**MASS INTENTIONS** for the year 2026 will be accepted beginning October 20th, 2025. To ensure that all parishioners have the opportunity to schedule a Mass, we will limit the scheduling to one (1) weekend Mass, or one (1) weekend Mass for Multiple Intentions and one (1) Weekday Mass during this initial period. Please note: Multiple intention Sunday masses will be once a month and there will be a multiple intention weekday mass once a week. There is also opportunity to have your mass said by the missions. To arrange your Mass intention, please get in touch with the Parish Office at 330-744-5233. The fee for each Mass intention is \$10.

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

### Donation for Remembrance Flame is \$10

Sanctuary: Dorothy Pacic

Blessed Mother: Michael Schwartz

St. Joseph:

Lady of Czestochowa: Gloria & Frank Wielbruda

## Sanctuary Candle/ Host & Wine @ St. Edward October 2025 \$35 each

Sanctuary: Molinaro & Dunlap Families

Host & Wine: Molinaro & Dunlap Families

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

Vladimer Sovec

## Saint Columba Parish

### Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Thank you to those who have and continue to support the works of our SVdP Conference and our Council at large. Your donations of money, food, personal hygiene items as well as the socks and underwear are greatly appreciated.

If you know of a family or individual in need, please contact Sr. Martha at 330-744-5233 or Diane Guarnieri at 330-501-4969.

**As the cold weather approaches, new and used blankets are always appreciated.**

Thank you & God Bless



### St. Edward Knights of Columbus Council 15959 Football CRAZR Ticket Sale

Please consider supporting our annual K of C  
CRAZR ticket sale!



For a fun way to help support the Diocese of Youngstown Charities, as you cheer on your favorite NFL teams weekly, consider purchasing a **CRAZR** ticket from the St. Edward Parish Knights of Columbus, Council 15959. They will be selling tickets at **St. Columba Cathedral** after Masses on the weekend of **October 18 & 19**.

You can double your fun by not only cheering on your favorite NFL team(s), but also your **CRAZR** teams for the week (each ticket has four teams listed weekly for ten weeks). Over 20 cash prizes are awarded weekly based on the highest and lowest total team scores. Cost: \$20 per ticket (for 10 weeks of fun!) Please consider supporting the Knights in helping local Diocesan charities.

Also, we welcome any gentlemen from St. Columba Parish age 18 and over who are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus. Please see one of the Knights who will be selling tickets, or call St. Columba Parish office at 330-744-5233 and they will refer you to someone who will assist you.

Thank you!

*Parishioners that require Low  
Gluten 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!!*

### Scripture Readings

*For the Week of October 19, 2025*

|                  |                                                                                                                          |
|------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br>Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 2 Tm 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8           |
| <b>Monday</b>    | Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Lk 12:13-21                                                                       |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Lk 12:35-38                                                      |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8; Lk 12:39-48                                                                          |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 12:49-53                                                                           |
| <b>Friday</b>    | Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94; Lk 12:54-59                                                                 |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 13:1-9                                                                            |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br>Sir 35:12-14; 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14 |

If there are any liturgical ministers (lectors, greeters, ushers or Eucharistic Ministers) from

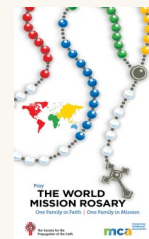
**Saints Peter & Paul**, who would be willing to offer their services at Saint Columba or Saint Edward, you would be most welcome. Please consider staying with the parish and continuing your ministry. Please call Sister Regina (Saint Edward) or Sister Martha (St. Columba) at (330) 744-5233. We would love to have you as part of our liturgical ministries. Thank you!



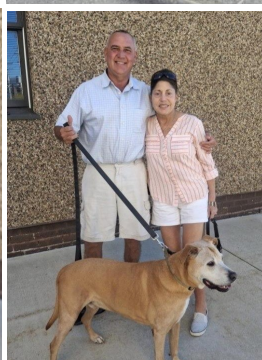
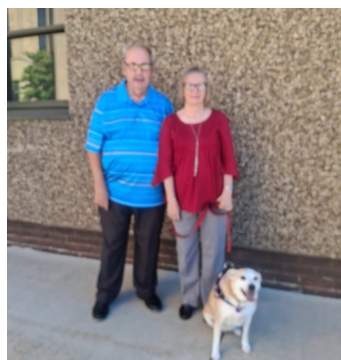
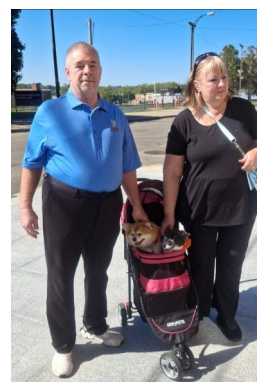
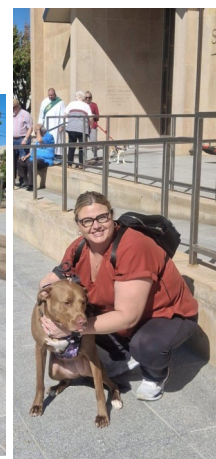
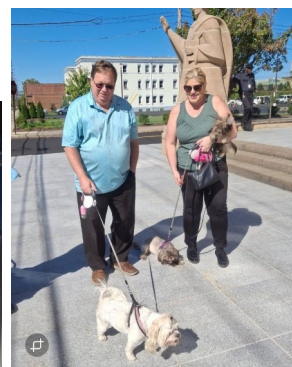
**Save the Date: Saturday, November 8th**  
**Women's Spirituality Day!**  
**St. Edward Church 12:00 pm-3:30 pm**

### World Mission Sunday:

Today is World Mission Sunday. We join Catholics around the world in prayer and generosity for the missions. The second collection today supports the Pope's missions in some of the most vulnerable places on earth. This year's theme, "Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples," reminds us that our prayers and sacrifices bring light to those in darkness. Thank you for your generosity and for being part of this global mission.



A Special Thank you to Deacon Bill and all who came out to have their pets blessed.



## Saint of The Week

### SAINTS ISAAC JOGUES (1560-1646) AND JOHN DE BRÉBEUF (1593-1649) AND THEIR COMPANIONS October 19

Their mission was to New France, but these missionaries found in present day New York State and the Province of Ontario a world wildly different from the homes they left behind. Six Jesuit priests, Fathers Isaac Jogues, John de Brébeuf, Anthony Daniel, Gabriel Lalemant, Charles Garnier, and Noel Chabanel—and Jesuit lay volunteers Rene Goupil and John Lalande—shared the gospel with the Native Americans they met, in languages they painstakingly learned, and through images they creatively adapted to the indigenous cultures (for example, John de Brebeuf's " 'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime: the Huron Carol"). But their evangelization was caught up in turmoil beyond their control: a smallpox epidemic, battles between French and English trading interests—the traders united only by their willingness to exploit the Native Americans—and conflict among the tribes themselves, Huron, Mohawk, Iroquois. The missionaries' perseverance despite exhausting hardships, their steadfast courage in facing unspeakable tortures, and undaunted love even for those who martyred them, bore fruit, immediately in Kateri Tekakwitha's sanctity, eventually in the Catholicism that still flourishes in the United States and Canada.

—Peter Scagnelli

