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January 10, 2021

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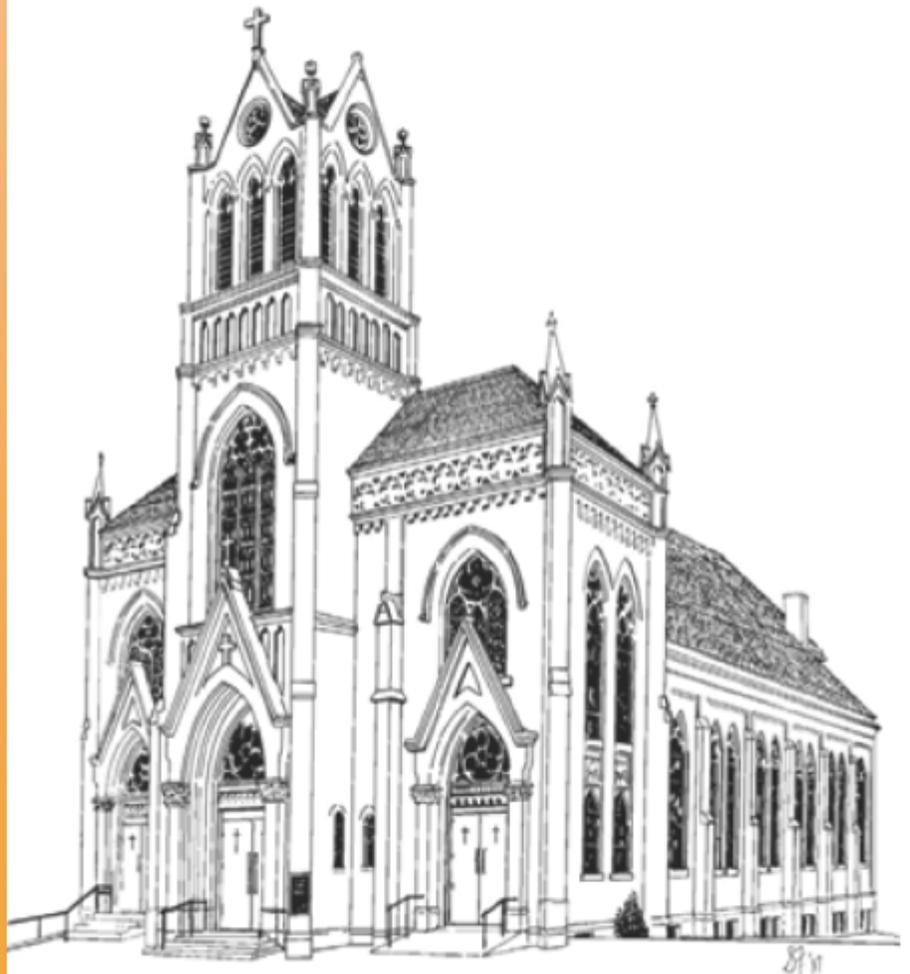
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Mission Statement

**God CALLS us to be disciples and
FORMS us by our Catholic Faith to
ENCOUNTER Christ
EMBRACE deeper faith and
EMPOWER Christian action.**

Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3:15 pm



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ENCOUNTER: Mass Intention and added prayers for:

Monday, January 11
 9:00 am † **Ray & Fran Mescher**

Tuesday, January 12
 9:00 am † **Daniel P. Aslin**

Wednesday, January 13
 9:00 am † **Patricia Murphy Glab**

Thursday, January 14
 9:00 am † **Bob Sullivan**

Friday, January 15
 7:00 am † **Joan Higley**

Saturday, January 16
 4:15 pm † **John A. Baumgartner**
 * June & Kenneth Palm
 * Earl Larson
 * Laura Sudmeier

Sunday, January 17
 8:00 am **Pro Popolo**
 * Doris Trausch

10:00 am † **Barb Setter**
 * Mary & Ken Schmidt



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A Prayer Of Thanksgiving For The COVID-19 Vaccines:

Merciful God, hear our prayers for a world that continues to grapple with a relentless virus, and our gratitude for the light beginning to emerge at the end of a long and deadly tunnel.

As vaccines are at last becoming available for COVID-19 and as people begin to be inoculated around the globe, we give thanks for all whose tireless labors have brought us to this day: technicians, scientists, medical personnel, biotech companies and government agencies that have worked together to find a cure that will restore our communities to wholeness and health.

We pray that the reach of these vaccines will encompass the world, especially those places where medical resources have far too often been inadequate to the need — places where histories of colonialism have left abiding scars and where under resourced medical systems are overwhelmed by the essential work of caring for those who have been infected.

We continue to pray for healthcare workers around the globe who are running ragged after months of high-risk essential work on the frontlines of this pandemic. Grant them strength, endurance, wisdom and courage for the living of these days. We pray for all who are desperately ill, for those who grieve the loss of loved ones and for those whose physical, mental and economic well-being have been most severely impacted by the havoc wrought by the pandemic. Grant wisdom to all entrusted with civic leadership as they discern and negotiate just ways in which to aid those most afflicted. Move our hearts to put partisanship aside for the common good, so that safeguards against the coronavirus will not be ignored and that our communities may be restored and revitalized.

Let us live in the Spirit of Christ for one another and for our world.

God, in your mercy, hear our prayers. Amen.

—Roger Gench

EMBRACE: This Week

Monday, January 11
 6:00 pm Cub Scouts—PH

Wednesday, January 13
 Hosting St. Pat's Meal
 6:00 pm 1st Reconciliation Retreat—PH/Ch
 6:00 pm Boy Scouts—Convent

Thursday, January 14
 6:00 pm Bible Study



There's still a few 2021 Religious Art Wall Calendars available in the back of Church. Please take one

home. **THANK YOU** to our three sponsors: Hoffmann Schneider and Kitchen Funeral Home, Steele Capital Management, Inc. and Home + Floor Show!

EMPOWER: Financial Report

Week of 1/3/2021
 Weekly Received..... \$66,047.20
 Weekly Budgeted \$18,759.00
 Weekly **SURPLUS! THANK YOU!!** \$47,288.20

Since July 1, 2020:
 Year-To-Date Received 558,285.36
 Year-To-Date Budgeted \$506,493.00
 Year-To-Date **SURPLUS!!** \$51,792.36

Sunday

Dear Parishioners,

I wanted to update you on a few items as we begin this new year.

1. **Happy Baptism of the Lord!** In two weeks we jump 30 years: from Jesus' birth to his baptism. Jesus is the Son of God and we hear the tenderness of God our Father in his words to Jesus: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." What a great reminder for parents to reach out to their children in tenderness and remind them of your love.

2. Your generosity at year's end was certainly encouraging and it propels us into our new year with a renewed vigor. We are creating a place where not only our parishioners, but all who engage St. Columbkille can encounter Christ, embrace deeper faith, and empower Christian action. **Thank you** for making this happen.

We will continue to keep our church open as a place to pray and encounter Jesus every day. If "coming to church" has fallen out of your routine, I would encourage you to **start making a weekly visit to church**. You could do many things: a rosary, looking upon the stations, silent prayer, or read the bible. The action of entering the church speaks of our call beyond this world and it is important for our kids to have that experience with their families.

3. A change to our weekday Masses. **Starting January 15, our Friday morning Mass will be moved to 7 am.** This Mass will be in conjunction with St. Pius X Seminarians. We will also be introducing Morning Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours at this time. At 7 am, the seminarians will lead Morning Prayer and then Mass will follow immediately afterwards. Morning Prayer and Mass takes about 40 minutes.

The seminarians will use the **IBreviary app**. If you would like to participate, please download the app for free.

4. **I want to go on a Sabbatical!** Our Pastoral Council approved the exploration of a sabbatical during the summer of 2022. We need to receive a Lilly grant and permission from Archbishop Jackels. This program is intended to enrich both the parish and the pastor. I want to walk in the footsteps of Jesus so I am hoping to go to the Holy Land. On the parish side, I hope this sabbatical time can encourage more reading of the Bible, greater confidence in your ability to read, and encounter Jesus through the word.

One of the items I would like to highlight is on **Formed.org**. They have two video series that look interesting. One is "**The Footprints of God**" by Stephen Ray. The second is "**The Faithful Traveler in the Holy Land**" by Diana von Glahn. If you can watch at least a sampling of each and let me know what you think, I would appreciate it.

We have much going on and God is calling us to a constant renewal of our baptism as we remember our Lord's baptism. May we embrace our faith with a renewed vigor in this year.

In Christ,

Fr. David

ENCOUNTER: Readings for the Week

Week of January 10, 2021

Sun: Is 42:1-4,6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11
Mon: Heb 1:1-6/Mk 1:14-20
Tues: Heb 2:5-12/Mk 1:21-28
Wed: Heb 2:14-18/Mk 1:29-39
Thurs: Heb 3:7-14/Mk 1:40-45
Fri: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Mk 2:1-12
Sat: Heb 4:12-16/Mk 2:13-17
Next Sun: 1 Sm 3:3b-10,19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a,17-20/Jn 1:35-42

Condensed Moral Guidance Regarding the Covid 19 Vaccine

1) The use of vaccines developed from cell lines of tissue harvested from a procured abortion does not constitute a sinful cooperation in the evil of abortion.

2) Catholics may in good conscience use any of the COVID vaccines, even if developed using cell lines from an abortion, if there are no alternative vaccines available.

3) In the face of a grave danger to their own health, or to the common good of public health, Catholics are not obliged to refuse those vaccines developed from cell lines of tissue harvested from a procured abortion. Catholic teaching on care for life and on the common good strongly supports vaccination against threats to life and health, like measles, mumps, rubella, and the coronavirus. Whoever refuses vaccination for reasons of conscience has as a consequence a serious moral duty to do everything possible to avoid spreading disease to those who cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons.

— Archbishop Michael Jackels
Archbishop of Dubuque



Snow Removal Plan: If it is snowing when you come to morning Mass PLEASE park in the flat lot across the Street. It is the first lot cleaned and in the best shape. HOWEVER, if it is really bad outside PLEASE re-think leaving the safety of your home.

Thus says the Lord:

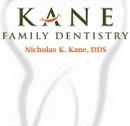
All you who are thirsty, come to the water!

— Isaiah 55:1-11

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