

St. Columba Parish is called by Jesus to “Go, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.”

## 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Oct. 2, 2022



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### Liturgy Schedule

**St. Columba Mass schedule:**

**Tuesday and Friday** 12 Noon

**Wednesday** 8:15 am

**Saturday** 5pm

**Sunday** 10am and 4pm

10 am will be live streamed on YouTube  
(stcolumbachurchdurango).

### WEEKLY READINGS

**3 Monday:** Gal 1:6-12, Lk 10:25-37

**4 Tuesday:** Gal 1:13-24, Lk 10:38-42

**5 Wednesday:** Gal 2:1-2, 7-14, Lk 11:1-4

**6 Thursday:** Gal 3:1-5 Lk 11:5-13

**7 Friday:** Gal 3:7-14, Lk 11:15-26

### MASS INTENTIONS

**4 Tuesday** St. Francis of Assisi

**5 Wednesday** St. Columba School Students,  
families & teachers

### SCRIPTURE

**It's Greek to Me Scripture Study Friday at 10:15**

Scripture study is held at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

**The readings for Sunday Oct 2:** Hb 1:2-3, 2:2-4, 2  
Tim 1:6-8, 13-14, Lk 17:5-10



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** Join us for the Sacrament of Marriage on Oct 9 at 10am Mass celebrating the union of Tim Meiers and Nicole Pflueger. Reception to follow in the gym and everyone is invited. Join us for cake, coffee & mimosas!

**BOOK KEEPER NEEDED:** St. Columba Church is hiring a part-time book keeper. Needed immediately, work from home or in the parish office. Contact: Fr. Kevin if interested.

### TRUTH BE TOLD\*

Do you want to learn more about the Catholic faith and become a member of our church? Then join us for our TRUTH BE TOLD information sessions that meet regularly throughout the year. Join a community of other inquirers and seekers to explore the faith in an open, honest, and mutually supportive environment. \*TRUTH BE TOLD is our RCIA program. **Fall Sessions:** 10/6, 10/27, 11/17 (all from 6:30-8 PM) Visit our website to sign up for classes or call the parish office 970-247-0077

### CHRISTMAS BAZAAR:

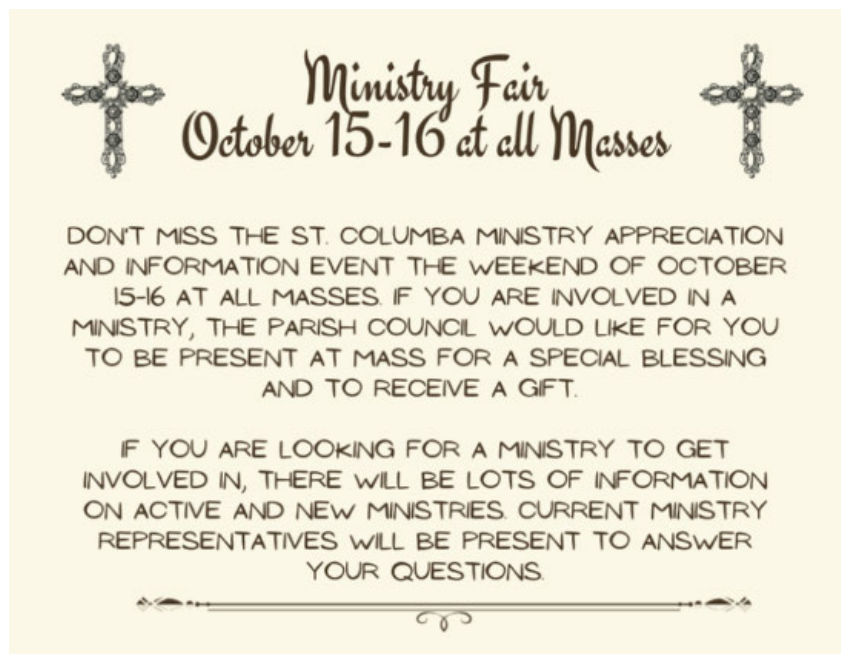
Now is the time to sign up to be a vendor for our annual Christmas Bazaar. Visit our website to download the application or call the church office and Michael can help you!

### ST. COLUMBA GIVES:

Outreach Giving funds of \$5,000 are recommended for the first quarter. The focus for Outreach allocations for this year will be reducing food insecurity. Up to \$1,000 each quarter may be allocated to other needs: \$4,000 is recommended for Manna-The Durango Soup Kitchen:

\$1,000 is recommended for John Zay Guest House at Penrose Hospital in Colorado Springs. The guest house, a not for profit, provides a place to stay for families coping with the crisis of a serious illness or injury.

**A Lived Experience in the Holy Land with Judy Sturdevant** Join us on Tuesday October 11, 6:30-8:00, St. Columba Parish Center to see photos, video clips and listen to Judy share her experience living and volunteering for 3 months at Ecce Homo Retreat and Pilgrim House on the Via Dolorosa in the Old City of Jerusalem. Stories of rich encounters with Jews, Christians, Muslims and Armenians, in prayer, at work, in daily life and with the hundreds of visitors/pilgrims who came seeking. Her adventures and travels outside the Walls of the Old City inspired her renewed love of humanity, the grace of God, the power of prayer, and the aliveness of the Old and New Testaments. Refreshments will be served.



The poster features two decorative crosses at the top corners. The central text reads: "Ministry Fair October 15-16 at all Masses". Below this, the text states: "DON'T MISS THE ST. COLUMBA MINISTRY APPRECIATION AND INFORMATION EVENT THE WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 15-16 AT ALL MASSES. IF YOU ARE INVOLVED IN A MINISTRY, THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO BE PRESENT AT MASS FOR A SPECIAL BLESSING AND TO RECEIVE A GIFT." The bottom section says: "IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A MINISTRY TO GET INVOLVED IN, THERE WILL BE LOTS OF INFORMATION ON ACTIVE AND NEW MINISTRIES. CURRENT MINISTRY REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE PRESENT TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS." The poster is decorated with a horizontal line and a small flourish at the bottom center.



## FORGED IN FAITH

Put on the full armor of God

Ephesians 6:11

If you are a teenager or young adult who would like to spend a life affirming, wildly exciting day with hundreds of other Catholic youth, the **11<sup>th</sup> annual Southwest Catholic Youth Conference** is for you. Coming, **October 15th (9 a.m. to 6 p.m.)** to the Farmington Civic Center, youth will gather to learn, sing, praise, and pray at this dynamic and fun one day conference. Very special guests include MC Carl Wertin, speakers Rachel Leininger and Michael Gormley, The Scally Brothers Band, and Bishop Berg. Lunch and snacks are all included in the **\$30 ticket price** (price increases to \$35 after 10/1). Check out [lifeguardlaplata.org](http://lifeguardlaplata.org) or call 970-385-8451 to learn more.

Help us keep SWCYC alive and affordable for all! Please call Martha at 970-385-8451 to become a sponsor. **We need your help.**

## SPOTLIGHT ON OUR VOLUNTEERS

The parish council wishes to thank the Catholic Daughters for their work in our parish, at Sacred Heart and in our community. You can see by all of their activities above that they are a dedicated and busy group.

Court St. Anthony #1248 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) is a group of supportive and spiritual Catholic women from St. Columba and Sacred Heart parishes who participate in social and charitable activities. The national organization was founded in 1903 by the Knights of Columbus and our local court was started in 1936! We are dedicated to our patroness, the Blessed Mother, and our motto is "Unity and Charity". Some of our activities include annual College Scholarships, Education Contests for Students, a Baby Shower for the Pregnancy Center, Memorial Candle Sales, a cookie sale at the St. Columba bazaar, Mother Daughter Brunch, and a Priest Appreciation Celebration. This last year we gave donations to Lifeguard, the Heritage girls for their Greenmount Cemetery living rosary, the Newman club at FLC, and Manna Soup Kitchen. We strive to be spirit-filled women who love Christ, His Church, our country, and all humanity. Our chaplain for 2022-2024 is Monsignor Jim Koenigsfeld and our dues are \$30 a year. To join our local court contact Cathy Simbeck, Regent, at (970) 946-6302 or [simbeck\\_c@fortlewis.edu](mailto:simbeck_c@fortlewis.edu)

### Current CDA Members are:

|                   |                   |                           |                             |
|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
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| Lisa Barrett      | Virginia Gaughn   | Julie Romero              | Patricia Petersen           |
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| Cathy Cray        | Connie Matthys    | Therese Teiber            | Blanche Harman              |
| Sabine Davidson   | Sandy Medearis    | Janice Tune               | Jennifer Goodwin (Trea)     |
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| Ida Enriquez      | Terry Milligan    | Cindy Werland (Rec. Sec.) | Linda Humble                |
|                   |                   |                           | Cindy Fargo                 |
|                   |                   |                           | Marilyn Fiala               |



**St. Columba Catholic School** has started back the 2022-2023 school year with a bang! The 7th grade class had an overnight retreat to San Luis Stations of the Cross. The group walked up the winding hill and reflected; singing and reading about all the stations.

After completing each Station of the Cross, represented by large brass statues depicting each station, they ended at the chapel Shrine of the Stations of the Cross. The chapel in San Luis, which is the oldest town in Colorado, features busts of Martyrs that were killed for their Catholic Faith during The Cristero War of 1926-1929 in Mexico. This unique and wondrous part of our state is where the San Juan Mountains meet the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, a fitting name that is Spanish for "Blood of Christ."

They stayed the night at the Parish Center of Alamosa's Catholic Church, Sacred Heart. They all gathered together and had pizza in the park. They were given letters that they wrote to themselves as 6th graders; with their hopes, dreams and aspirations. Once they read their letters to themselves, they wrote a new letter to their future 8th grade selves. The message of the night was "better together" and the importance of friendship.

The second day of their trip was held at Sand Dunes National Park where they rented sand boards and sleds. While having fun together sliding down the large dunes, they learned about the unique habitat. The group came back feeling blessed and filled with God's love, ready to take on the school year ahead.

By Melissa McKeithen

## GATHER YOUR PEOPLE

Bob Hurd

Refrain

Gath - er your peo - ple, O Lord. Gath - er your  
 peo - ple, O Lord. One bread, one bod - y, one  
 spir - it of love. Gath - er your peo - ple, O Lord.

Verses

1. Draw us forth to the ta - ble of life:  
 2. We are parts of the bod - y of Christ,  
 3. No more harm on the moun - tain of God;

1. broth - ers and sis - ters, each of us called to  
 2. need - ing each oth - er, each of the gifts the  
 3. swords in - to plow - shares. Free us, O Lord, from  
 2 to Refrain

1. walk in your light.  
 2. Spir - it pro - vides.  
 3. hard - ness of heart.

Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the HoLy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen, amen.

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## Discipleship Prayer for 2022-2023

**Merciful Father,**

**May we find ourselves deeply rooted in You, our shelter and our home. Refresh us as we draw our strength from you, like a tree stretching its roots to the stream. Ground us in true loving discipleship so that we are strengthened in our mission, to make disciples of all people. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen**

## PSALM 95: IF TODAY YOU HEAR HIS VOICE Scott Soper

If to-day you hear his voice, hard-en not your hearts, hard-en not your hearts.

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## Nicene Creed

**I believe** in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

**I believe** in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

**I believe** in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

**I believe** in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Mass of St. Mary Magdalene

Sarah Hart

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho ly Lord God of hosts.  
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, in the high - est.

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-claim your Death, O  
Lord, un - til you come <sup>#</sup>a - gain.

A - men, a - men, a - men, a - men, a - men.\_\_\_\_

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy, mercy on us.\_\_\_\_

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us, grant us peace.\_\_\_\_

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## We Are Many Parts

Marty Haugen

We are man-y parts, — we are all one body, — and the gifts we have  
we are given to share. — May the Spirit of love make us one in - deed; —  
one, the love that we share, — one, our hope in de - spair, — one, the cross that we bear. —

1. God of all, we look to you, we would be your  
2. So my pain is pain for you, in your joy is  
3. All you seek - ers great and small, seek the great - est

servants true, let us be your love to all the world.  
my joy, too; all is brought to - geth - er in the Lord.  
gift of all; if you love, then you will know the Lord.

Text: Based on 1 Corinthians 12, 13.

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# TAKE THE WORD OF GOD WITH YOU

Christopher Walker



1. Take the word of God with you as you go.  
4. Take the love of God with you as you go.



1. Take the seeds of God's word and make them grow.  
4. Take the seeds of God's love and make them grow.



Go in peace to serve the world, in peace to serve the world.



Take the love of God, the love of God with you as you go.

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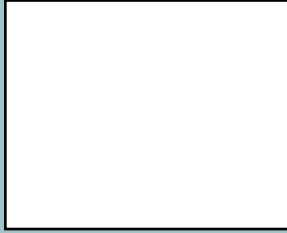
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