

SAINT COLUMBAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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ST. COLUMBAN PARISH

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Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 9:00AM –2:00PM

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FORMED

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM

Sunday: 10:30AM

Daily Mass: Tues—Fri 9AM *except 1st Fridays

Rosary is said 30min prior to each Mass

Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick: Following First

Friday Devotions or by Appointment

Confession: Saturdays 3:30—4:30PM

First Friday Devotions: 6:30PM

The church may be opened upon request during office hours for private prayer.

See Calendar on Page 3 for current schedule and updates

St. Vincent De Paul

Providing emergency assistance for those in need.

Help Line: 360-458-1904

ST. PETER MISSION

149 Keithahn St. S, Tenino, WA 98589

360-264-2124

Office Hours

Mondays & Fridays 10:30AM – 2PM

gaby@saintcolumbanyelm.org

Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:00 AM

Rosary is said 30min prior to Mass

Sacraments

Confession: Sundays 7:30 -7:45AM

First Friday Devotions: 9:00AM

Anointing of the Sick: Following First Friday Devotions or by appointment

We are a Catholic faith community that seeks to place God first, to know Him, and to grow in holiness together. We strive to live the Gospel through the Eucharist, in our teaching and way of life.



Amen I say to you, there is no one who has given up house or brothers or sisters or mother or father who will not receive a hundred times more now in this present age.

October 10, 2021

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings

Entrance Antiphon: *If you O Lord should mark iniquities, Lord who could stand.*

1st Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

Responsorial Psalm: *Fill us with your love O Lord and we will sing for joy.*

2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

Gospel Acclamation: *Blessed are the poor in spirit, for there is the kingdom of heaven.*

Gospel: Mark 10: 17-30

Communion Antiphon: *The rich suffer want and go hungry but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.*

MASS ATTENDANCE

In obedience to the most recent guidelines from the Archdiocese, public Mass at our parish is held with the following safety measures in place.

- ◆ Masks are required at this time unless you have a medical exemption
- ◆ Seating is on a first come first served basis, if you wish to remain distanced from others you may do so at your own discretion.
- ◆ Hand Sanitizer is provided



Fr. Thompson's Reflections

Hard Moral Cases: *Suicide*

A few years ago, there was a bit of a scandal originated up in Seattle that unfortunately touched the Church: A man who was suffering from a terminal illness chose to commit suicide. He did so in a very calculated and premeditated way, taking advantage of a statute that unfortunately exists in our state, which allows physicians to prescribe a knowingly fatal dose of drugs to a patient for the purpose of facilitating the patient's suicide. In this case, the man preceded his suicide with a great deal of sentimental celebration, which included receiving a blessing from a visiting priest at his parish (The priest later clarified that he was simply told the man was dying; he was apparently unaware of the man's plans).

As Christians, and as people of good will, we know that there is nothing freeing or peaceful about suicide. Even for those at the end of life anyway, it does not solve the problem. Suicide is a particularly grave sin because by its nature, it greatly diminishes or eliminates an opportunity for repentance and hope for salvation. Now, we can always hope that a suicide, in St John Vianney's words, "repented between the bridge and the water," and in our modern world we are also more aware of the psychological burdens that can greatly diminish or even eliminate the culpability of those who contemplate or commit self-harm or even suicide. It is such an irrational thing to do, to kill oneself, that more and more we have come to appreciate that such people are unlikely to be making a rational choice at the time.

However, what is so troubling about the false compassion of euthanasia (whether direct murder by ones caregivers or via "Assisted suicide"), especially in this case, is that it seems to be so premeditated and calculated as a choice, the diminishment of freedom or knowledge that the fear of pain or other psychological weights might impose on a suffering person is less likely to be present. We do not know this man's mind or heart, and cannot judge, but we have rightful reason to fear for his soul if he truly chose to make his final act on this Earth a sober and knowing act of self-destruction.

I will write more on this in coming weeks, as I know this is complicated and many people unfortunately have been touched by the tragedy of suicide in their lives and families. Remember that God is love and full of mercy and compassion for the suffering. We do not give up hope for those who have committed such acts, indeed we trustingly implore the mercy of God all the more for them.

God is also the target of our hope, and so if any of us are tempted to the despair that can lead to contemplating self-harm: please remember God's love for you and your value in his eyes, and that this vale of tears will not last forever. Please seek the help and support you need rather than making a sad choice that you cannot take back.

In Christ,
Fr Thompson

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Goal for St. Peter: \$ 3,984

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\$7,608 190% of Goal

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Faith Formation

CHILDREN'S PRAYERS



Over the first few weeks of Faith Formation classes, 2 K-5 student prayed 378 prayers. Keep up the good work!

"My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord. I know them, and they follow me. -John 10:27"

Faith Formation: Grades K-12

- K-5 Sundays from 9-10:15AM
- Confirmation Classes on Sundays from 12-1:15PM

Please see the parish website for a complete class schedule



Join us for RCIA Tuesdays at 6:30PM in Room 104 of the Religious Education Building.

Topic This Week *Bible Structure*

RCIA is open to all adult learners including, but not limited to, those seeking sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation). Please contact Katie Hennigan in the Faith Formation office for additional information.

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Please contact the parish office for more information, the latest updates, and schedule changes.

October 11 Rosary Prayer Group
7:00PM *Kimball's Ranch*

October 12 Daily Mass
9:00AM St. Columban
6:00PM Spanish Prayer Group
Parish Hall
6:30PM RCIA
Religious Ed Bldg

October 13 Daily Mass
9:00AM St. Columban

October 14 Daily Mass
9:00AM St. Columban

Bible Study
10:00AM St. Peter (Tenino)
6:30PM St. Columban
RE Bldg Rm. 105

October 15 Daily Mass
9:00AM St. Columban

October 16 Confession
3:30-4:30PM St. Columban

Vigil Mass
5:00PM St. Columban

October 17 29th Sunday OT

ST. PETER MISSION TENINO
7:30-7:45AM Confession
8:00AM Mass

ST. COLUMBAN
9-10:15AM Religious Ed K-5
10:30AM Mass

12-1:00PM Confirmation Classes

***Celebration of Life for Barry Bridges will be held on October 23, 2021 at 2PM at the Rainier Sportsman's Club.*

In Our Prayers

Loving God, we join with others of your people here asking you to hold in Your hands all of our homebound brothers and sister and those who have asked for our prayers:

Joseph Waters
Jessica Nash
Maria Luisa Fregoso
Paul Hennigan
Pam Henslee
Don Troyer
Mary Taylor
Faye Thoma

+ All those in harm's way.

+ For all those affected by the Corona-virus and for all first responders and caregivers.

Rest In Peace:

Patricia Schiesz, Barry Bridges**

All the souls in purgatory, especially those who have no one to pray for them.

To add a name please contact the parish office.

All submissions must have permission from the named individual or an authorized family member for privacy purposes.

PARISH MINISTRIES

For more information or to sign-up to volunteer with any of these ministries, please contact the parish office.



October 12 Monthly Meeting
10:00AM Parish Hall



October 13 Council Meeting
6:00PM Parish Hall



October 19 Monthly Meeting
7:00PM Parish Hall



October 12 Monthly Meeting
9:30AM St. Peter Mission/Tenino



Cleaning the Church
Every Thursday after Daily Mass



Rosary Rally
Saturday October 16th NOON
St. Peter Mission—Tenino, WA

Bonus Bulletin Content!

To save on printing, some extra bulletin content will now be exclusively found in the online edition of our bulletin, which is also emailed weekly to parishioners. Sign up at flocknote.com/saintcolumbanvelm or visit our website saintcolumbanvelm.org

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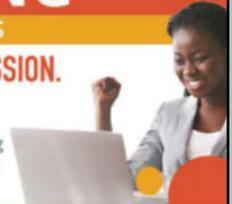
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