

# SAINT COLUMBAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*We belong to Christ, not ourselves*

## ST. COLUMBAN PARISH

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### Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 9:00AM –2:00PM

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Website: [www.saintcolumbanyelm.org](http://www.saintcolumbanyelm.org)

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### 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. Columban Prayer Chain:** Confidential and private prayer chain. Please contact the parish office to submit a request.

### St. Vincent De Paul

*Providing emergency assistance for those in need.*

**Help Line:** 360-458-1904

Please leave your name, phone number, and details of your need.



## June 5, 2022

Pentecost Sunday

### Today's Readings

**Entrance Antiphon:** *The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world, and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.*

**1st Reading:** Acts 2:1-11

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Lord, send out your spirit and renew the face of the Earth.*

**2nd Reading:** Romans 8:8-17

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.*

**Gospel:** John 14:15-16, 23b-26

**Communion Antiphon:** *They were filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.*

## ST. PETER MISSION

149 Keithahn St. S, Tenino, WA 98589

*For administrative assistance please contact St. Columban*

### Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:00AM

*Rosary is said 30min prior to Mass*

### Sacraments

Confession: Sundays 7:30 -7:45AM

Daily Mass (First Fridays): 9:00AM

Anointing of the Sick: 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.*



# Fr. Thompson's Reflections

## Canon 915

A few weeks ago, the Archbishop of San Francisco put out a public declaration that a politician who resides (when not in D.C.) in his diocese was refused Holy Communion due to her support for abortion. He noted that he had reached out to her with pastoral concern about this unchristian and inhuman political position many times, but she would not repent and at times did not even acknowledge his communications. What is more, she has since intensified her abhorrent advocacy for abortion, seeking to remove virtually all limitations or restrictions that exist on abortions and establish it federally in positive law (for fear that abortion may soon lose the legal protection it presently has by judicial fiat). In light of all this, the archbishop chose to publicly rebuke her scandalous and evil behavior (note: her behavior, not her as a person), and for her sake and the sake of the faithful of the Church, invoked canon 915 of the Church's Code of Canon law, which states that those who are obstinately and publicly engaged in grave evil may not be given Holy Communion until they should repent. I think a number of Catholics are confused as to how a declaration like that works and also what it is for.

The archbishop has not gone so far as to impose an official punishment under Church law such as excommunication, even though instructing ministers to refuse the politician Holy Communion and instructing her not to present herself seems on the surface to get the same result. There is a difference, however, as he is merely pastorally notifying her that her behavior has by its nature come under the discipline canon 915 codifies, and commanding her to act accordingly. Excommunication, on the other hand, is a criminal sentence (intended to call someone to conversion) that the bishop imposes by his authority and power. The principle that the archbishop invoked is not punitive, but about pastorally safeguarding her from "eating and drinking condemnation" as St Paul warns regarding unworthy Communions, as well as safeguarding everyone else from scandal (here meaning not a salacious or outrageous behavior being revealed, but the act of leading another person into error or sin. E.g. the danger that by seeing a pro-abortion catholic receive Holy Communion, others might think that position is compatible with Christianity—or human decency for that matter, which it is not).

Now, I know some may be asking why other sorts of sinners in the Church are not subject to these sorts of restrictions? In one sense, they are. Canon 916, the principle that if one is conscious of grave sin he must go to confession before seeking Holy Communion, does in fact affect every person who commits a serious sin. However, canon 915—that ministers must deny Holy Communion to manifest obstinate grave sinners until they publicly repent—only applies to those whose guilt in an evil is publicly known and the individual is nonetheless persevering in their unrepentance after being admonished. Usually, those who are guilty of a sin, even one which has become publicly proved, are ashamed of their misbehavior and acknowledge it was wrong, or have at least stopped or been stopped by the time the sin is made public, so canon 915 simply doesn't apply to every public evil. In this case, however, in addition to the question of personal culpability for sin (which neither we nor the archbishop know for certain), the public nature of her behavior needs to be corrected so as to prevent scandal: thus, even if she is in a state of grace and her heart has truly changed, canon 915 still requires Holy Communion to be withheld until she also publicly and totally recant past support for the hideous evil of abortion.

Again, canons 915 and 916 are not personal punishments, like excommunication, but are principles of safeguarding the sanctity of the Eucharist and protecting others in the Church from being led astray by the bad example of others.

Happy Pentecost,

Fr Thompson

### Financial Stewardship

Week of May 22, 2022

Ordinary Income	St Columban	St Peter
Weekly Goal	\$5,762.00	\$712.00
Collection (Cash & Envelopes)	\$3,880.00	\$31000
Online Giving	\$1,384.07	\$170.15
Net	(\$497.93)	(\$231.85)
<b>Special Funds</b>		
St Vincent DePaul	\$628.64	
Sacramentals (Candles, Beeswax tapers, Salt)		
Flowers	\$103.00	\$5.00
Building Fund	\$729.49	
Parishioner Solidarity Fund		
<b>Called to Serve as Christ</b>	<b>Last Reported</b>	14-Mar
Total Pledged	\$117,529	\$26,997
Total Received	\$82,047.48	\$15,917
Total Rebate	\$12,307.12	\$2,387.55

### Annual Catholic Appeal

**Goal for St. Columban: \$24,555**

Total Pledged as of  
\$13,264      54% of Goal  
**7% Participation**

**Goal for St. Peter: \$ 3,984**

Total Pledged as of  
\$4,330      121% of Goal  
**20% Participation**

*Thank you for your pledge or donation!*

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## Faith Formation



### CHILDREN'S PRAYERS

For the 2021-2022 school year, the children in our Faith Formation program prayed an average of 474 prayers every week. Keep up the stellar work faithful young prayer warriors!

### 2022-2023

#### Faith Formation Registration

If you wish to register your family for the 2022-2023 Faith Formation program, please visit our website, stop by during office hours (M-Th 9-2) or call the parish office:

#### Grades K-5

Katie Hennigan 360-458-3031x2  
[katie@saintcolumbanyelm.org](mailto:katie@saintcolumbanyelm.org)

#### Grades 6-12

Chad Lucero 360-458-3031x3  
[chad@saintcolumbanyelm.org](mailto:chad@saintcolumbanyelm.org)

### Faith Formation: Grades K-12

- Classes have ended for the 2021-2022 catechetical year. Please look for registration opportunities in the fall.
- Confirmation II students: please check your email for important updates on Confirmation. Please see the parish website for a complete class schedule.



**RCIA** is open to all adult learners and those seeking the Sacraments of initiation: **Baptism, Eucharist, and/or Confirmation.**

Classes will resume in September. Contact Katie Hennigan for more information.  
[katie@saintcolumbanyelm.org](mailto:katie@saintcolumbanyelm.org)  
 360-458-3031x2 .

## 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:*

Jessica Nash

Paul Hennigan

Pam Henslee

Mary Taylor

Lindy Parse

Rose Montgomery

Cecelia Edgerton

Maria Teresa Siegemund

+ All those in harm's way.

+ For the people of Ukraine

+ For the victims and their families of the shooting in Uvalde, Texas

## Rest In Peace

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.

## 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/saintcolumbanyelm](http://flocknote.com/saintcolumbanyelm) or visit our website [saintcolumbanyelm.org](http://saintcolumbanyelm.org)

## UPCOMING EVENTS



Please contact the parish office for more information, the latest updates, and schedule changes. Unless otherwise noted, all events are considered to be held at St. Columban.

### MONDAY

**June 6**

#### Rosary Prayer Group

7:00PM      Church

### TUESDAY

**June 7**

#### Daily Mass @ St. Columban 9:00AM

#### Cantor Practice

6:00PM      Church

#### Spanish Prayer Group

6:30PM      Parish Hall

### WEDNESDAY

**June 8**

#### Daily Mass @ St. Columban 9:00AM

*In Memory of: Michael J. Watters RIP*

### THURSDAY

**June 9**

#### Daily Mass @ St. Columban 9:00AM

#### Bible Study

10:00AM      St. Peter Mission (Tenino)  
 6:30PM      Religious Ed Bldg. Rm 103

### FRIDAY

**June 10**

#### Daily Mass @ St. Columban 9:00AM

### SATURDAY

**June 11**

#### Confession

3:30PM      St. Columban

#### Vigil Mass

5:00PM      St. Columban

### HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

**June 12**

#### ST. PETER MISSION TENINO

7:30-7:45AM      Confession  
 8:00AM      Mass

#### ST. COLUMBAN

10:30AM      Mass



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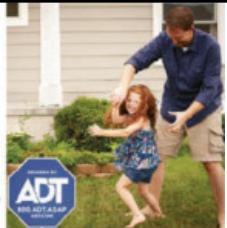
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