

October 03, 2021  
Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**MASS SCHEDULE**  
Saturday 5:00pm / Sunday 9am, 10:30am, 12Noon  
Daily Mass Monday – Saturday 8:00am



Dear St. Columba Family,  
Someone once said that a good metaphor for the Catholic Church would be, “here comes everybody!” This points to the diversity of the Church and the universal nature of the Church, which is after all what the word “Catholic” means. No matter where you are in the world, even if the language spoken is completely unknown, you can go to Mass and feel at home because the Mass is the Mass from the gilded basilicas of Rome to a humble structure in the *campos* of the Dominican Republic. Often in ministry we priests have a particular insight into the universal nature of the Church and how through our faith and our parish we experience the reality of this. Over the last week I have been struck by this in a unique way. Last Thursday at St. Columba I went from a tragic wake where I was speaking with and trying to console the family to a meeting with a couple that I am preparing for marriage. Surely an emotional swing. Saturday at St. Mary’s I had a funeral Mass for a long-time parishioner and less than half an hour after I left Fr. MacDonald had a baptism welcoming our newest parishioner. Later that day he presided at a wedding as a couple began their life together. From the joys to the sorrows we priests are there for it all, often on the same day hours if not sometimes minutes apart. But it is a sign of two vibrant parishes with people who know the Lord and the importance of turning to Him and the Church in these milestone moments of their life.

*Fr. Chris*

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**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS TODAY @ 1pm**

All are welcome to join us on Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 1pm for the blessing of the animals in honor of the Feast of St. Francis (October 4<sup>th</sup>)

**ORANGE COUNTY LIFE CHAIN TODAY @ 2pm**

A Pro-Life Family Event . . . Peaceful, Prayerful Public Witness That All Lives Matter . . . Born and Unborn Sun., Oct. 3 from 2 to 3:30PM - Route 211, Middletown (Beginning near the Galleria at Crystal Run)

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**HOLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY 2**

5pm Danny Mulvey; Mom & Dad

**SUNDAY 3**

9am Armando Mastrantoni; Ines & Aldo Fini  
10:30 Lisa Gavilanez; Elizabeth Vargas & family  
Noon Rose Phillips; Marge Dee

**MONDAY 4**

8am Maria & Salvatore Alotta; Carbonara family

**TUESDAY 5**

8am Dec mem of Flynn & Patterson family;  
Van de Bogart family

**WEDNESDAY 6**

8am James Kelly; Van de Bogart family

**THURSDAY 7**

8am Natalie Nicotra; Mary Abbruscato

**FRIDAY 8**

8am Michael Burke; Tom Simmons

**SATURDAY 9**

8am William Van de Bogart; Van de Bogart family  
5pm Patricia Bailey; family

**SUNDAY 10**

9am Albert Fini; De Paulis family  
10:30 Margaret Cardinale; Len Cardinale & family  
Noon Rose Phillips; Tim Dee

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**IN OCTOBER, SANCTUARY LIGHTS ARE BURNING IN LOVING MEMORY OF:**  
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Red: **Natalie Nicotra & Verna Talarico**; Mary Abbruscato  
White: **George Keller & Joseph Furey Sr.**  
Joe & Jerry Furey  
Blessed Sacrament: **Maria Gabor**; daughter, Maria  
  
**MEMORIALS & SPECIAL INTENTIONS:**  
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**ALTAR CANDLES** are burning in loving memory:  
**Florence & Kelly Petrocelli**; req: daughter, Susan  
**HOST & WINE** are dedicated this week in loving memory:  
**Sarah Simmons**; req: Tom Simmons

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY  
FROM OUR COMMUNITY IN THE MILITARY,  
BOTH HERE AND ABROAD**

**SAINT MICHAEL . . . PLEASE KEEP THEM SAFE.**



Siobhan Higgins, Vincent, Pungello, James Davis Jr., Rocco Church, Tyler Correa, Alex Davis, Mark Gonzalez, Michael Grasso, Erin Johnson, Alex Kaczor, Kayla Marion Katt, Mark Lawlor, Lauren Lucena, Matthew Mackay, Draven Mena, Ryan Michaels, Evan Pacer, Michael Polanski, Cory Seipp, Josh Truman

**LADIES AUXILIARY COLLECTING ITEMS  
FOR OUR VETERANS**

The Ladies Auxiliary will be collecting comfort items for our Veterans. Items requested are:

- bodywash**
- shampoo**
- toothpaste/toothbrushes**
- razors**
- shaving cream**
- white socks**
- crossword/sudoku puzzles**
- pens & pencils**

Collection boxes are in the vestibule of the Church. As always, we thank you for your generosity.

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**LADIES AUXILIARY MEETING: MONDAY, OCTOBER  
4<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm in BISHOP VAUGHAN HALL**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Jim Swyrt, Pamela Rosen, Natacha Porchette, Michael Burke, Fr. Tom Lynch, Bennet Berry, JoAnn Traina, Anthony Pastore, Thelma Figueroa, Carmen Tumbaga, Tom Jimenez, Olivia Picnicky, Mary Luciana, Janet Begnoche, Moquete, Christianna Scrobe, Maritza Montes, John Mattera, Connie Yacenda, Carmen Almirol, Daria Bekersky, Katie Rogan, Joan Bonomi, Teresa Patrino, Mila Werlitz, Andrew Upson, James Fox, Nancy Rhodes Mayo, Justin Holland, Patrick Finley, Marie Tobin, Jon Sezack, Ruth Rivera, Vilma Rosario, John Schiano Jr, Claire Scunziano, Sean Devlin, Robert Scunziano, Brenden Hedding, Lorraine Kalafut, Gabe Fritz, Laura Favorule, Susan Zikoyanis, Mary Ackerman, Valerie Moore, Sylvia Muccio, Joe Kennedy, Allison Florio, Charles Youngberg, Alice Verlizzo, Cecilia Rivera, Vinnie Greco, Donna Fagan, Nikita Zanichkowsky, Karlene Gray, Rosa Maria Ramos, Ricky Calderin, Bob Gatt, Emily Scrobe, Marian McDonald

**YOUTH GROUP**

All families are welcome to a Holy Hour and Eucharistic Procession on Sunday, October 2, at St. Mary's in Washingtonville. The holy hour will be hosted by Horizons, the youth group for St. Mary's in Washingtonville and St. Columba's in Chester.

Adoration will begin at 6:45, following the 6 pm mass at St. Mary's. It will be followed by a procession, rosary, and ending with benediction at 8 pm.

This will take the place of our weekly youth group meeting and regular meetings will resume for the Youth Group on October 9th.

Any Questions please contact Alessandro D'Anselmi by email at: [stmaryshorizons@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryshorizons@gmail.com)"

**FAITH FIRST EARLY LEARNING CENTER  
@ ST COLUMBA**

Nursery / Pre - School - Registration is ongoing.

Offering AM & PM classes

**REGISTRATION IS ON-GOING**

This faith-based program is for 3 & 4-year-old children. Classes will have a certified teacher and an aide.

Contact: Susan Munks, Director of Religious Education; 845 469-9503; [stcolumbareligion@gmail.com](mailto:stcolumbareligion@gmail.com)

**ST. COLUMBA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Knights of Columbus – Council 8637 wish to continue helping and supporting our parish and community, but we can't do it without good Catholic men in our ranks. Please consider joining our council and become a member of the Knights of Columbus.



The Knights will be selling raffle tickets to benefit the **CHARITABLE and BENEVOLENT PROGRAM**. This program supports: Catholic Education, Catholic H.S. Scholarships & Grants, Children with Special Needs Programs, St. Mary's Hospital, Special Olympics, Disaster Relief, Bishops of N.Y. Diocesan Programs, Calvary Hospital, Sisters of Life & other Pro-Life activities, Religious Vocation, Coats for Kids, Food for families, Catholic TV Broadcast.

For information on joining the Knights of Columbus contact local Membership Director **Larry Rosen 917-747-0558** [lrosen2016@aol.com](mailto:lrosen2016@aol.com)

**TWO GRAND CLUB**

The winners for this week:

**#4 M.B. Zielinski and #122 Alice Ruiz**