

October 10, 2021  
Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Office is closed on Monday, October 11<sup>th</sup> in observance of Columbus Day.

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**HOLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY 9**

5pm Patricia Bailey; family

**SUNDAY 10**

9am Albert Fini; De Paulis family

10:30 Margaret Cardinale; Len Cardinale & family

Noon Rose Phillips; Tim Dee

**MONDAY 11**

8am Dec mem of Holsheck & Green family;  
Van de Bogart family

**TUESDAY 12**

8am Kevin Joseph Simmons; Tom Simmons

**WEDNESDAY 13**

8am Dec mem of Harris & Van de Bogart family;  
Van de Bogart family

**THURSDAY 14**

8am Alfonso De Paulis; Lucy DePaulis

**FRIDAY 15**

8am Connie Scandurra; Susan & Mary Beth Bahren

**SATURDAY 16**

8am Lisa Gavilanez; Podolsky family

5pm Suzanne Fariello; Tery & family

**SUNDAY 17**

9am Marion Hornicek; Barbara Mutino

10:30 Lisa Gavilanez; Curtin family

Noon Lorraine Verneau Corso; Carol & Lisa

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Weekly collection: **\$3,878.15**  
We Share (online giving): **\$1,983.75**  
Total: **\$5,861.90**

**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 Mattered, Connie Yacenda, Carmen Almirol, Daria Bekersky, Katie Rogan, Joan Bonomi, Teresa Patruno, 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 Verizzo, Cecilia Rivera, Vinnie Greco, Donna Fagan, Nikita Zanichkowsky, Karlene Gray, Rosa Maria Ramos, Ricky Calderin, Bob Gatt, Emily Scrobe, Marian McDonald

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Dear St. Columba Family,

This past weekend at both St. Columba and St. Mary's we had the blessing of the animals. This is always a favorite thing for priests to do and we had all sorts of animals that their beloved owners brought to be blest. We do this each year in honor of St. Francis of Assisi who in his writings and sermons showed his love for the natural world. Terms like "brother sun" and "sister moon" are some of his most famous. There is the account of the wolf of Gubbio where a wolf was menacing the small town about thirty miles from Assisi. Francis went there and met the ferocious animal and as it charged him he raised his hand and blest it and the animal was immediately tamed. The people of the town built the church of St. Francis of the Peace over the wolf's grave. Although this is the stuff of legend it is interesting that during renovations to the church in 1827 the skeleton of a large wolf that had been buried for centuries was discovered.

Yet more than all these accounts of Francis' love for nature he first and foremost loved Jesus and the Gospel. Giving up a life of luxury decadence he embraced poverty and a devotion to the least of these. Eventually joining with the great St. Clare, they brought the message of the Lord's love and mercy to all who had ears to listen. It was their love of Jesus and the people that they ministered to that makes them saints we admire and pray to. It is a wonderful thing to honor St. Francis by blessing animals, but even more wonderful to honor him by in some small way imitating his holiness and love for Jesus.

*Fr. Chris*

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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

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**HOST & WINE** are dedicated this week in loving memory:  
**Kevin Joseph Simmons**; req: Tom Simmons

**YOUTH GROUP**

**There will be no youth group meeting this Sunday, October 10th in observance of the federal holiday.** The next youth group meeting will be October 17th from 6:45 to 8 pm at St. Mary's in Washingtonville. All high school-aged students are welcome to join us for the combined youth group meeting of St. Columba's and St. Mary's.

The Youth Group will be leading a hike to Lake Minnewaska Saturday October 23rd and is looking for parent Volunteers to help Chaperone and drive, if you are interested or have any questions please contact Alessandro D'Anselmi by email: [stmaryshorizons@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryshorizons@gmail.com)"



**IT WAS A BEAUTIFUL DAY FOR THE BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS. . . THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CAME OUT**



**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

**ST. COLUMBA COUNCIL - KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ARE SELLING RAFFLE TICKETS TO BENEFIT THE CHARITABLE & BENEVOLENT PROGRAM AFTER MASS**

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.

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

**LADIES AUXILIARY COLLECTING ITEMS FOR OUR VETERANS**

Please bring in donations by November 5<sup>th</sup>.  
Items requested are: **Bodywash, shampoo, toothpaste/toothbrushes, razors, shaving cream, white socks, crossword/sudoku puzzles, pens & pencils**  
Collection box in the vestibule of the Church. As always, we thank you for your generosity.

**TWO GRAND CLUB**

The winners for this week:  
**#163 Eleanore Kozowicz**  
**#151 Peters family**