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Classes on the Catholic Faith run from the Autumn to Pentecost in the Spring. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

For those wishing to join the parish, please register with the Parish Office.

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated for active members of St. Colman of Cloyne parish. Parents must first register for a Baptism preparation class. Please call the Parish Office at least one month in advance to register for a class and to schedule a Baptism.

MATRIMONY

Matrimony and Marriage are celebrated for active members of St. Colman and their children. Please contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance to secure a date and schedule a meeting with the pastor.

LAST RITES

If someone is in need of Last Rites, please call the Parish Office and schedule a time. If there is an emergency, call 614.547.9180.

ANOINTING

If you are in need of the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick in a non-emergency, please call the Parish Office to schedule a time.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Morning 9:00 a.m.

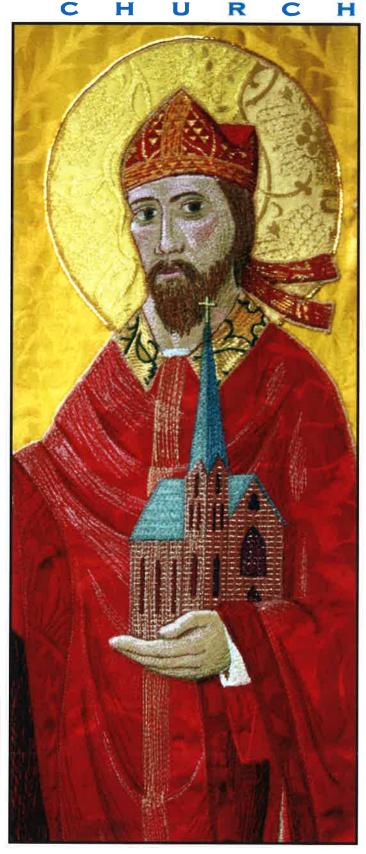
Daily Mass 8:30 a.m. Monday & Thursday 5:30 p.m. Tuesday

CONFESSION

Tuesday 5:00 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. Saturday 9:30 a.m until all are heard 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Monday - Friday



Daily Scripture Readings

Monday, December 28

1 John 5-2:2 Matthew 2:13-18

Tuesday, December 29

1 John 2:3-11 Luke 2:22-35

Wednesday, December 30

1 John 2:12-17 Luke 2:36-40

Thursday, December 31

1 John 2:18-21 John 1:1-18

Friday, January 1

Numbers 6:22-27 Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 2:16-21

Saturday, January 2

1 John 2:22-28 John 1:19-28

Sunday, January 3

Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3 Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 Luke 2:22-40

Ministers List

Saturday, January 2

Lector: Mary Smith

Ushers: David McCoppin,

Bob Bohn

Sunday, January 3, 9am Lector: John Elrich

Ushers: Jon Arnold,

Godwin Apaliyah

Sunday, January 3, 11am Lector: Mike Callahan

Ushers: Bob Engle

PSR, RCIA and Adult Bible Study will not meet again until January.

Counter Volunteers This Week

Kathy Dean & Vicki Ream

his Week's Mass Intentions (Dec. 26 - Jan. 3, 2020)

Saturday, December 26, 2020 + Vigil of The Holy Family

9:30 - 10:00am Confessions (Cry Room)
4:00 - 4:50pm Confessions (Cry Room)
4:30pm Rosary [Led by Ron Burkhard]
5:00pm +Betty Blain by The Blain Family

Sunday, December 27, 2020 + The Holy Family

Blessing of wine after each Mass

8:30am Rosary [Led by Fr. Haddad] 9:00am Pro Populo [For the People]

11:00am +Mike Wilson by Bruce & Vicki Ream

5:00-6:00pm Adoration

Monday, December 28, 2020 + The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

8:30am +Rob Williams by Angelia Manzo

Tuesday, December 29, 2020 + Fifth Day within the Octave of Christmas

5:00 - 5:20pm Confessions (Cry Room)

5:30pm +James McLaughlin by Marge McLaughlin

Wednesday, December 30, 2020 + Sixth Day within the Octave of Christmas

8:30am Extraordinary Form Low Mass

Thursday, December 31, 2020 + Seventh Day within the Octave of Christmas

8:30am +Martha Garland by Jim & Melissa Garland

Friday, January 1, 2021 + The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

8:30am Pro Populo [For the People] 7:00pm +Theodore Christopher Haddad, Jr.

Saturday, January 2, 2021 + Vigil of The Epiphany of the Lord

9:30 - 10:00am Confessions (Cry Room)
4:00 - 4:50pm Confessions (Cry Room)
4:30pm Rosary [Led by Mary Smith]
5:00pm +Toni Penwell by Nancy Stillings

8:30am Rosary [Led by Fr. Haddad]
9:00am Pro Populo [For the People]

11:00am +Ann Anderson **5:00-6:00pm Adoration**

The Catholic Bishops have granted the dispensation of the weekly obligation to attend weekend Mass indefinitely. Those who are feeling well and who are not in the high risk categories are encouraged to come to Mass. Those in the high risk categories, or who are not feeling well, are encouraged to remain home.

If you choose to attend Mass, face masks are required as well as a ticket for the weekend Mass that you want to attend (including the new Sunday Mass at 11am.). Tickets may be obtained via the link on the St. Colman website or by calling the Parish Office before Thursday. Daily Masses do not require a ticket to attend.

Watch the St. Colman Mass on our YouTube channel: "St. Colman of Cloyne Streaming". You can also access it from the website. Just click the link where it says to view Mass "click here".

Special Blessings Opportunities

December 27: Blessing of your wine after each Mass at 10am and Noon.. January 5, 7:00pm: Blessing of your water containers for Epiphany Water. January 6, 9:00am: Blessing of your chalk, gold, incense and myrrh.

Trom the Pastor's Desk...

This coming Friday is January first and the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God which is usually a Holy Day of Obligation. Worthy of note is that this is the Octave day of Christmas, and was called as much from 1962 until 1969. Before that, it was celebrated as the Feast of the Circumcision of Our Lord. The Feast of the Circumcision poignantly emphasized the incarnation of Our Lord in such a way that it drew our attention to not only to His humanity, but really embraced His entering time and space and finite reality. The historicity of the incarnation is showcased in the Circumcision of Our Lord in seeing His manifest Jewishness, that His was born in a particular time, context and culture. This then, of course, highlights the care God has taken in preparing the People of Israel to receive the Savior of the World. In this way, the Feast of the Circumcision is a nuanced and wonderfully insightful way to cap off the Octave of Christmas.

With that being said, the replacement feast, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, while not possessing the nuance of the meanings and symbolism being drawn forth by recalling the Circumcision, is also quite fitting for the end of the Christmas Octave. While always believed by the Christian faithful, the Dogma of Mary's Divine Motherhood was officially defined at the Council of Ephesus in 431. This was in response to the Nestorian position that Mary ought to be called the *Christotokos* not the *Theotokos*, meaning that while Mary was the Mother of Christ, she was not the Mother of God. The Nestorian teaching was that somehow Our Lord's natures were divisible in such a way that Mary could give birth to one nature, i.e. Christ's humanity, and not another, i.e. the divinity of the Word.

While some had been won over to the cause of Nestor, by the reasoning that since the Word existed before Mary, she could not be the Mother of the divinity of Our Lord. The Dogma of the Divine Motherhood, however, does not make the claim that Mary is the origin of the existence of the Word of God. The truth is that Mary did not give birth to a nature, she gave birth to a Person. That's how giving birth works. After picking up a newly born child: "Wow, what a beautiful human nature!", said no one ever. People rightly say, "What a beautiful baby!" Mary gave birth to Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior of the World, a divine Person, Who has both a human nature and a divine nature. Consequently, she is and must be praised as the Mother of God. Jesus is God; she's His mother.

The wonderful thing about this solemnity is that it emphasizes a Dogma that shows how Our Lady is always pointing us to Our Lord. We understand the incarnation better and more clearly, through Our Lady, Ark of the Covenant and Seat of Wisdom. We talk about how the Saints are there to help point us to Christ. Here, we see that definitively taking place both historically and in our own understanding. We can understand and appreciate the mysteries of the Incarnation, the Nativity, the suffering, death, and resurrection, and our Redemption and Salvation, better because we understand Our Lord's two natures and we understand those through His Mother. Our Lord, True God and True Man, like us in all ways but sin, Second person of the Blessed Trinity and Our Lady, *Theotokos, Deipare*, *Mater Dei*, Mother of God. Let us meditate on and be awe inspired by these mysteries as we conclude the Octave of Christmas and begin the rest of the Christmas Season.

Mary, Mother of God, pray for us!

Fr. C. M. Haddad

What's Happening This Week

Sunday, December 27 NO PSR

Mon. - Thurs., December 28 - 31 Parish Office open 9am-1pm

St. Vincent De Paul and the Knights of Columbus Christmas Project

Our St. Vincent de Paul Society, with the aid of our Knights of Columbus group, recently helped 19 local people (and their families) have a merrier Christmas when they distributed Kroger vouchers to each family. Recipients are chosen by a lottery system from all people helped by SVdP throughout a current year. This is the sixth year for this project, which is enjoyed by all. You especially are thanked for supporting the group with your SVdP contributions during the year, not only on the Fifth Sundays of the months but through the generosity on your own. We are all called to help those less fortunate than we and the St. Colman parish never fails to follow through on that command.

Thank you all for your help to help others!

Happy Birthday This Week To...

Dec 29: Natalie Arnold

Dec. 30: Cindy Carle, Quinn Evans, Susan Wollscheid

Dec. 31: Robin Claypool

Jan. 1: Jo Laymon, Carol Van Meter

Jan. 3: Jeff Childs, Paul Oborne

Sacrificial Giving 12/27/20		
	Weekly Offertory	YTD Offertory
Budgeted	\$ 6,092.00	\$ 140,116.00
Actual Offertory	\$ 7,945.00	\$ 128,757.25
Difference	\$ 1,853.00	\$(11,358.75)



After countless hours, Paul and Dave have decided to leave their positions of OK Maintenance (Ondrus/Kearney) at the end of this month. However, they have agreed to work as needed until we hire the custodian and maintenance positions. They are not leaving the Parish. They will still be here to help as needed and be involved in parish life. Words cannot express how blessed we have been to have them on staff taking care of our parish.

May God bless you and grant you many days of enjoyment with your families and friends doing whatever the days will bring for you!



Consider Making a Year-End Gift to St. Colman

As the end of the year approaches, we begin to reflect upon the many blessings bestowed upon us. The end of the year also provides a great opportunity to thank God for these blessings by gifting to St. Colman. The benefits of income tax deductions, capital gains savings and other financial benefits are significant advantages that provide an incentive to make a gift at the year-end.

There are many different ways of contributing a gift. However, two of the easiest and most direct methods to gift are donations of cash and appreciated stock or other investments. Stock donations must run through the Diocese. Go to https://www.stcolmanwch.org/online-giving to begin the process of your stock donation.

You can also make other financially advantageous gifts such as life insurance, charitable remainder trusts, gift annuities, will/trust bequests and IRA/retirement accounts.

All donations to be included on the 2020 offertory statements need to be into the Parish Office by 1:00pm on Thursday, December 31, 2020. The Parish Office will be open December 28 - 31 from 9am - 1:00pm for your convenience.

Initial Offering Envelope

The Initial Offering Envelope (in the offering envelope pack) is to help offset the cost incurred by the parish for the offering envelopes. For those of you who receive offering envelopes, each pack costs the parish approximately \$1.00/pack/family. Packs are sent six times a year. So the parish pays approximately \$6.00/family for the offering envelope packs.

If you are receiving offering envelopes, but do not want them or use them, please contact Tina in the parish office, and she will cancel your subscription.

Our online giving program contains all of the offering envelopes included in your pack. The only ones not included are those for Easter and Christmas memorial flowers where you list specific names (although you can still donate to those two flower collections online).

Ticketing for New Year's Day Masses: The Solemnity of Mary

We will use the ticketing program again for the two Masses on Jan. 1st. You can link directly to EventBrite from the St. Colman website at

www.stcolmanwch.org. The ticketing link is on the front landing page. You do not need to print your tickets. This system is used only to place your name on the attendance list which will be checked at the door when you arrive.

When full capacity is expected, everyone attending Mass will be assigned a seat. An Usher will seat you when you enter the church either at the ramp door or the back, side door. The tower doors will not be unlocked.

If you need assistance with ticketing, call the Parish Office on Monday from 9am-1pm or leave a message by noon on Wednesday, December 30.

January Wedding Anniversaries

Tim & Kate Downing

January 17, 1998

Charles & Janice Winebrener January 24, 1959



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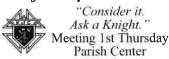
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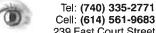
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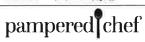
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