

*Saint Columbanus Parish
Cortlandt Manor, New York*



FEAST OF THE

*Holy
Family*

St. Columbanus Church
122 Oregon Road, Cortlandt Manor, New York

MASSES

SATURDAYS: 6:00 P.M.

(This satisfies Sunday obligation.)

SUNDAYS: 8:00, 10:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon and
3:00 P.M Traditional Latin Mass

WEEKDAYS: 7:30 & 8:30 A.M.

SATURDAYS: 8:30 A.M.

EVE OF HOLY DAY: 6:00 P.M.

HOLY DAYS: 7:30 A.M.,
12:05 P.M. & 7:00 P.M.

**Church of the
North American Martyrs**
MISSION: Lake Peekskill, New York
55 OSCAWANA LAKE ROAD, PUTNAM VALLEY, NY

MASSES

SATURDAYS: 5:00 p.m.

(This Satisfies Sunday Obligation)

SUNDAYS: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS: 10:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Christmas Octave

MONDAY ~ DECEMBER 28

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

7:30 a.m. Antonio Peruccio

8:30 a.m. Mary T. Kamna

TUESDAY ~ DECEMBER 29

Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr

7:30 a.m. Patrick O'Sullivan

8:30 a.m. Mary Marshall

WEDNESDAY ~ DECEMBER 30

7:30 a.m. Daniel Hayden

8:30 a.m. Marian Bell

THURSDAY ~ DECEMBER 31

Saint Sylvester I, Pope

7:30 a.m. Margherita Marcucci

8:30 a.m. Suzanne Hafner

FRIDAY ~ JANUARY 1

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

New Year's Eve

St. Columbanus 6:00 p.m.

(No Vigil Mass at North American Martyrs)

New Year's Day

St. Columbanus 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12 noon

North American Martyrs 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

SATURDAY ~ JANUARY 2

Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Naziazan,

Bishops and Doctors

8:30 a.m. Ronald Powe

6:00 p.m. Rose Giordano

NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS

5:00 p.m. Philip (Tony) Rush

WINE & HOST MEMORIAM

TABERNACLE CANDLE

The tabernacle candle, as well as the wine and hosts for this week's Masses, are in loving memory of James M. Fleitz, Sr., donated by his family. Please keep James in your prayers.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading: *Samuel, as long as he lives, shall be dedicated to the Lord.*
(1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28)

Psalm: *Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord.*
(Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10)

2nd Reading: *We are called children of God. And so we are.*
(1 John 3:1-2, 21-24)

Alleluia: *Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son.*

Gospel: *His parents found Jesus sitting in the midst of the teachers.*
(Luke 2:41-52)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF
OUR PARISH**

Michael Browne~Nicole Cattano~Linda Conner
John Coppola~Annemarie DeScisciolo
Natalie Fernandez~Daniel Fedele
John Flood~Abina Furnari~Alena Radtke
Gabriel~John Grogan~Alex Hetsko
Marvin Keeler~Christine Keenan~Kerry Kennedy
Michael Kler~Sally Kler~ Linda Liotti
Dan Marangiello~Lawrence McGevna
Robert McLoughlin~Roselea Megna
Patricia Meister~Richard Minichino
Vivian Pabon~Charles Papelian, Sr.
Charles Papelian, Jr.~Lawrence Paschetti
Rich Pettersen~Margaret Regan
Doreen Robinson~John & Cathy Samoylo
Paul Sarli~Patrick Scelza~Evan Shiels
Rosemary Soboleski~Paula Stasfiero
Joanne Tartaglione

FOOD+REFRESHMENTS+BINGO=FUN!

Join us every Friday in Dillon Hall at 7:20 p.m.

*Try your luck at our "Quickie" games

*Come for the \$250 *Early Bird Special*

*Play the "\$700 Jackpot" each week

*Bring a new player & get a FREE admission ticket for that night!

There will be no Bingo this Friday, January 1st. We wish everyone a blessed Christmas and a healthy, happy New Year!

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY

MOTHER OF GOD

MASS SCHEDULE

St. Columbanus Church

New Year's Eve

6:00 p.m. (Vigil)

New Year's Day

8:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; 12 noon

North American Martyrs

New Year's Eve

No Vigil Mass

New Year's Day

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

It's not too late! To make a monetary donation in memory of a loved one, please use the envelopes available in the vestibules of both churches; these donations will purchase Christmas flowers for both churches. You may bring or mail your envelopes to the Rectory with the name(s) of the deceased and donor(s). Thank you.



STEWARDSHIP—A WAY OF LIFE

Tithing: God's Plan for Giving

December 13, 2015 ~ \$7,254.95

December 14, 2014 ~ \$7,762.87

Please refer to next week's bulletin for last week's tithing amounts.

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection next Sunday to benefit Catholic communications and the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

PARISH PAY ~ ONLINE GIVING

We have 61 parishioners currently tithing through Parish Pay. The Parish Pay Contributions for the Month of November (Sunday Collections) was \$4,689.68. If you are not signed up for Parish Pay, you can go to our web site to sign up at "stcolumbanusparish.org". Parish Pay saves the parish mailing expenses. Please consider using Parish Pay.

URGENT REQUEST FOR HELP

A mother and her 8 year old asthmatic daughter are in desperate need of a studio apartment. The apartment in which they currently live has to be renovated, and they have been notified they must vacate by the end of December. Their current rent is \$800/mo. Ideally Mom would like to keep her daughter in school at Oakside. Therefore, they would like to rent an apartment in the City of Peekskill. Mom and daughter are beside themselves with worry over the situation. If you have an apartment, or know of someone who could rent her an apartment, please contact Susan Goderre, Advocate for Those With a Need, 914-261-6842 for further information.



I hope everyone had a joy-filled Christmas. As always, Christmas is a moving time of the year when we see the grace of the Holy Spirit move many souls to find their way back to the Christ child and His Church through the sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion, and especially in this Holy Year of Mercy.

With the birth of Christ the Holy Family became visible to the world and they remain for us the model of Christian family life. However, today in our world, the devil is on the attack against the Church and the family, distorting and perverting the true meaning of the family. I believe we will see the secular culture try to expand the definition of marriage of acceptance of any two individuals to relationships of several adults. It is happening in the media and television shows even now. Today, as we celebrate in the Church the feast of the Holy Family and we ask God to bless and protect all families that are formed according to God's will and design from the beginning of creation. May they follow after the self-giving love of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

Looking back on the past year we accomplished many wonderful things, and we thank all of our parish organizations for their support of our parish. Most recently we had a special celebration for our patron St. Columbanus and blessing of the beautiful banner of him that now hangs in the church. We also had our parish mission, and just recently we had our first ever Festival of Lessons and Carols. The choirs were magnificent and certainly put us in the right spiritual frame of mind for Christmas. Thanks to all who came and thanks to the Knights who provided a delicious pasta and meatball dinner. Those who didn't come missed a truly special night of prayer, song, and camaraderie.

I hope all will come to honor our Blessed Mother Lady under the title of Mary the Mother of God on Friday, January 1, a Holy Day of Obligation. As St. Louis Marie de Montfort wrote, "All true children of God have God for their father and Mary for his mother; anyone who does not have Mary for his mother, does not have God for his father." And, "We never give more honor to Jesus than when we honor his Mother, and we honor her simply and solely to honor him all the more perfectly. We go to her only as a way leading to the goal we seek - Jesus, her Son."

A Happy New Year to all.

In Jesus and Mary,
Fr. Frank Samoylo

COLUMBIETTE NEWS

BLOOD DRIVE NEXT SUNDAY

The annual Winter Blood Drive will be hosted by the Columbiettes. The New York Blood Center will be in Dillon Hall next Sunday, January 3rd, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Christmas may be over, by gift giving does not have to end. Please consider giving this gift of life.

50/50 RAFFLE

The 50/50 raffle has grown to \$770. Tickets are only \$5.00 each. Can you imagine a better way to start the new year than if your loved one is the winning ticket drawn on 2/13/16 at our Valentine's Dance? The remaining monies earned will be donated to various needy organizations. Tickets can be found at the Church exits. Mailing instructions are on each. Won't you please help us in our charitable work? Thank you and God bless. If you have any questions, please call Pat Schneider at 914-420-6743.

JAN PEEK SHELTER NEEDS HELP

For a number of years, St. Columbanus has provided a dinner for the Jan Peek Shelter on the first Saturday of each month. The same handful of parishioners has been participating, so we're hoping to get a few new volunteers willing to step up; namely, anyone able to cook dinner for approximately 20 people, **once a year**. If you cannot cook the entire meal, perhaps you could prepare one course. Please call Jeni Schutrick-Vitiello (914-930-8605) if you can lend a hand. Thank you for helping out in this small but meaningful way.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of New York are Christ-centered, academically excellent, and welcoming communities that teach students to be life-long learners and leaders energized by fidelity to Christ, the Church, and one another. To locate a faith-based Pre-K, kindergarten, or elementary school program near you, visit www.buildboldfutures.org or call 646-794-2885 to speak with a Catholic School representative.

**SAVE THE DATE
OPEN HOUSE**

St. Columbanus School will be holding an Open House on Sunday, January 31, 2016. We welcome all families to tour our school and see what makes our students so great! Further details to follow.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

- Bible Study ~ Monday, 9:15 a.m.
- Adoration ~ Monday, 7:00 p.m.
- Legion of Mary ~ Tuesday, 4:00 p.m.
- Miraculous Medal Novena ~ Sat., 9:00 a.m.
- Divine Mercy Chaplet ~ Mon.– Thurs., 9:00 a.m.
- Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God ~ Holy Day of Obligation, Thursday & Friday, please see the schedule on page 3
- Rosary Recitation ~ Mon.–Thurs. & Sat., 8:00 a.m.