

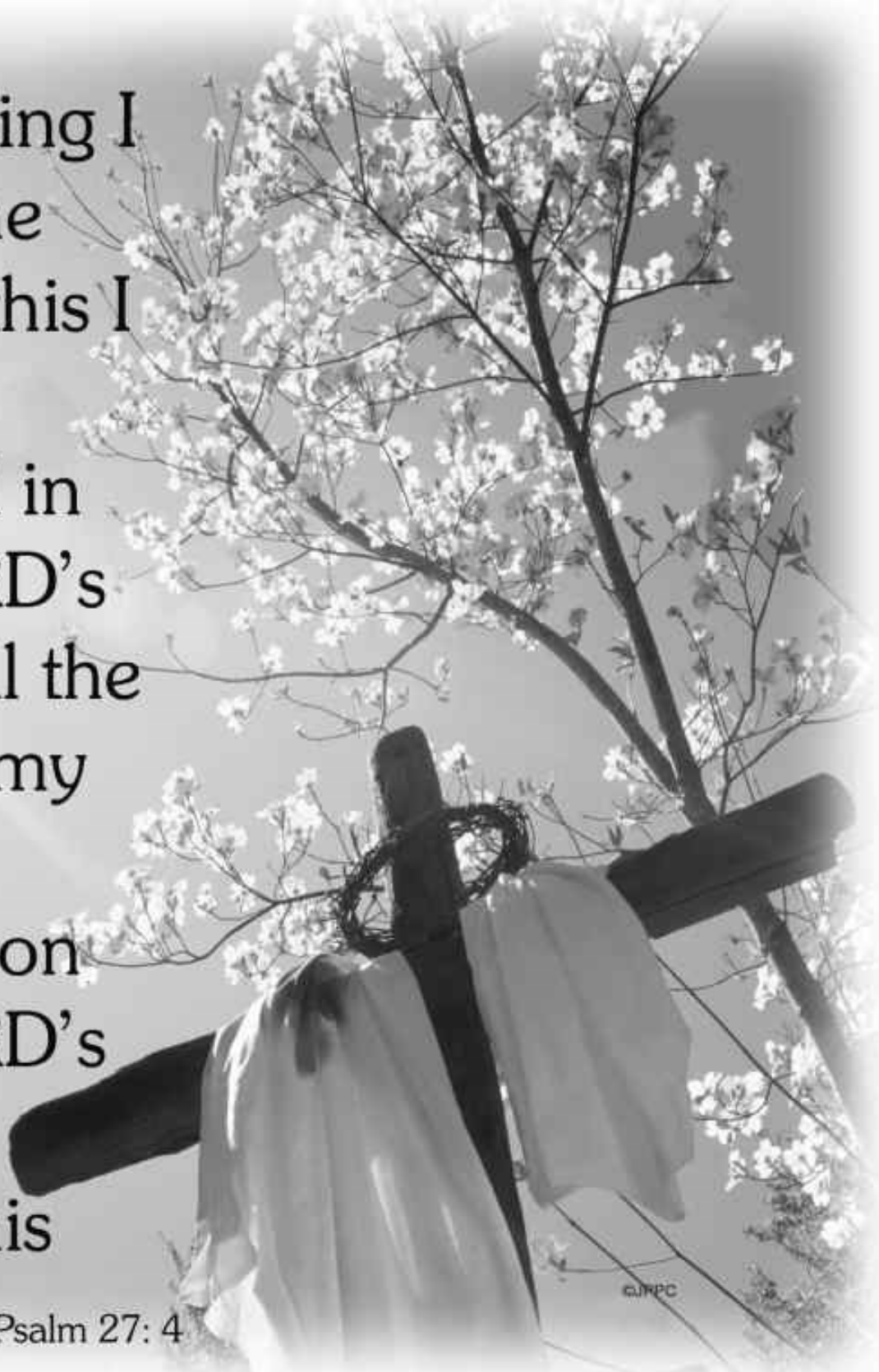
February 28, 2021

SECOND SUNDAY  
OF LENT

# St. Columbanus Parish

122 Oregon Road, Cortlandt Manor, NY 10567  
Rectory M-F 9:00am - 4:00 pm, (914) 737-4705  
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One thing I  
ask of the  
LORD, this I  
seek:  
To dwell in  
the LORD's  
house all the  
days of my  
life,  
To gaze on  
the LORD's  
beauty,  
to visit his  
temple. Psalm 27: 4



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**SUNDAY ~ February 28**

8:00 a.m. Ann O’Sullivan, James O’Sullivan and Elizabeth O’Sullivan  
 10:00 a.m. Jaqueline Baggini  
 12:00 noon For Our Parish & Parishioners

**MONDAY ~ March 1**

9:00 a.m. Deacon John & Margaret Coppola, Mary Coppola

**TUESDAY ~ March 2**

9:00 a.m. Richard Williamson

**WEDNESDAY ~ March 3**

*St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin*

9:00 a.m. Michael Diondi

**THURSDAY ~ March 4**

*St. Casimir*

9:00 a.m. Alexander Bankowitz

**FRIDAY ~ March 5**

*(Abstinence)*

9:00 a.m. Thomas & Richard Jennings and Patricia Jennings

**SATURDAY ~ March 6**

8:30 a.m. Ronald Powe  
 5:00 p.m. Mary & James McCoy

Note: There will be no masses at the Martyr’s Mission Church until further notice due to the priest shortage at our parish. If you have already scheduled an intention at the Martyr’s, please call the rectory so it can be rescheduled.



**SUNDAY’S READINGS**



1st Reading: *The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.*  
 (Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-8)

Psalm: *I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.*  
 (Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19)

2nd Reading: *God did not spare his own son.*  
 (Romans 8:31b-34)

Verse before The Gospel: *From the shining cloud that Father’s voice is heard: This is my beloved Son, listen to him.*

Gospel: *This is my beloved Son.*  
 (Mark 9:2-10)



February 23, 2020 \$5,584.59  
 February 21, 2021 \$

Thank you to those who are able to continue to support our parish during this Pandemic. God Bless you.

Pray for children hidden from sight, but not from God.



**WINE, HOST, AND TABERNACLE CANDLE**



A donation of \$25 will provide for the weeklong burning of the tabernacle candle in memory of loved ones. A like donation for the hosts and wine offered at Mass may be given as a memorial as well. Please call or stop by the rectory if you would like to honor your loved ones in this holy manner.



**The power of prayer!**

PRAY FOR HEALING

*Names of the sick are listed for six months from the date of the initial request. Contact the rectory to add someone.*

Ann Marie & Patricia Barber, Thelma Doebbler, Juliet Epasmo, Justin Fedele, Matthew Hempel, Alex Hetsko, Tom Kemple, Msgr. Patrick J. Keenan, Colleen Kennedy, Kevin Kolosky, Vincent McKenna, Robert McLoughlin, Roselea Megna, Vivian Pabon, Doreen Robinson, Jake Reyes, Andrea Rocco, Fr. Frank Samoylo, Pete Samoylo, Joan Schneider, Aurea Simbulan, Rosamma Thomas, Brigid Velluzzi, John York, Karen York, Deborah Zolluccio

And all those effected by the COVID-19 virus.

**SECOND COLLECTION**

Today we will have a second collection for fuel.

Next week we will have a collection for the Catholic NY newspaper.

Pray for a strengthening of families and family life.



**EASTER FLOWER OFFERING**

Easter Flower Offering envelopes are available at the front and back of the church. Please consider making a flower offering In Memory of a Loved One. These envelopes will be on the altar for all Easter Masses.



**Stations of the Cross and Benediction**

Holy Hour at 6:00 p.m. and Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. every Friday through the Lenten season.

**LENTEN REGULATIONS**

**Weekdays:** No obligation to fast, but voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

**Friday's:** All who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat.

**Good Friday:** Those between 18 and 59 years old are to fast, only have one full meal (two smaller meals are permitted, but together those two meals cannot equal a full meal). Those 14 years and older must abstain from meat.

**Easter Duty:** Catholics are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year, and this should be fulfilled during the Easter Season. Catholics are also bound to confess serious (mortal) sins at least once a year (but this is not limited to the Lenten/ Easter Season).



the **CARDINAL'S ANNUAL APPEAL**  
*Sharing God's Gifts*



*Our Cardinal's Appeal Commitment Weekend is next Sunday. This is a defining moment for our generation, where we are called to do more, to give more of ourselves out of love for one another. If you have not participated yet, please prayerfully consider making a one time gift or a monthly pledge to the Appeal by bringing your pledge card to mass next weekend. Please make sure you fill out your pledge card at home. If you did not receive a pledge card by mail, you can pick a pledge card from the back of the Church. Remember you can also mail your gift today or make it online at [www.cardinalsappeal.org](http://www.cardinalsappeal.org). We are most grateful for your generosity*

**HEALING MASS**

A Healing Mass, with a free flow of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, will be held **Tuesday March 2, 2021** at St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish, 1925 Rte 82, LaGrangeville, NY 12540. Guest Celebrant will be Fr. Guiseppe Siniscalchi, Friars of the Renewal. Praise and Worship begins at 7:00pm: Mass at 7:30. Adoration and general prayers for Healing will follow Mass. Livestream of the Mass and virtual prayer teams will be available at [catholiccharismaticny.org/spirit-wind-healing-mass](http://catholiccharismaticny.org/spirit-wind-healing-mass). The Mass is available all month at <https://facebook.com/SKTLagrangeville>. This facebook page is open to everyone. The church is arranged for social distancing. Masks are required. Please encourage all to take advantage of the prayer rooms. No reservations are required. Contact Pat or Joe 845-440-3519.



**Flocknote** is a parish communication tool, which lets you choose what info you'd like to receive - via email or text message. You can unsubscribe any time.

We encourage all parishioners to sign-up to get important updates from the parish in a timely and convenient way, such as mass time changes, mass cancellations, the closing or opening of the North America Martyrs Mission Church, etc.

Only important information is communicated via this channel so you will not be inundated with emails. Sign up at: <https://columbanus.flocknote.com> Or go to the parish website, scroll down until you see the sheep icon, like the one above, and click on it. Sign up takes only a few minutes.

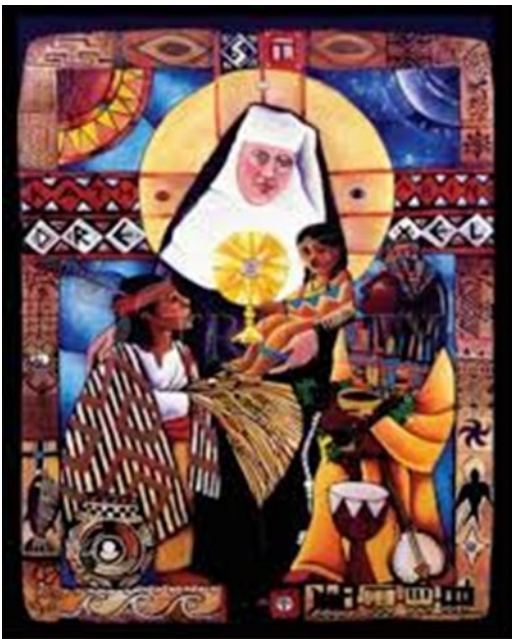
## ~PASTOR'S NOTES~

February 28, 2021

This week we celebrate one of our own American born saints, St. Katharine Drexel, who died at the age of 97 in 1955. Born into a rich Philadelphia family, Katharine started a religious order, the Missionary Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament and used all her inheritance to assist and educate poor Blacks and Native American Indians. She established many schools including Xavier University in New Orleans. She was canonized in 2000. A few quotes from St. Katharine Drexel that follow give us a joyful attitude for Lent and some thoughts on the Blessed Sacrament.

If we wish to serve God and love our neighbor well, we must manifest our joy in the service we render to Him and them. Let us open wide our hearts. It is joy which invites us. Press forward and fear nothing.

The Eucharist is a never-ending sacrifice. It is the Sacrament of love, the supreme love, the act of love.



St. Katharine Drexel (1858-1955)

My sweetest Joy is to be in the presence of Jesus in the holy Sacrament. I beg that when obliged to withdraw in body, I may leave my heart before the holy Sacrament. How I would miss Our Lord if He were to be away from me by His presence in the Blessed Sacrament!

Christ wishes the Christian Community to be a body that is perfect because we work together towards a single end, and the higher the motive which actuates this collaboration the higher, no doubt, will be the union. Now the end in question is supremely exalted: the continuous sanctification of the Body for the glory of God and the Lamb that was slain [Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament].

As we work on our Archdiocesan Stewardship Appeal, perhaps we can pray to St. Katharine to assist us in reaching our goal. St. Katharine used all her money to help the poorest in our country. When we were in the seminary we visited her shrine in Pennsylvania and we saw the short stubs of pencils, just an inch or two long that she used in order to save money. So even if we think we don't have much to give, God will cer-

tainly bless the least gift given in charity.

A priest I know recently gave some money to a person in need. Two days didn't pass before he received a gift from someone else for the same exact amount. He said it happens all the time. My friends, God will not be outdone in generosity. So whatever we do in anything, let us do all joyfully for the love of Christ.

In Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,  
Fr. Frank Samoylo

The St. Columbanus K of C Council # 14991 is accepting new members.



Our Council is very active in the parish and community. Some of the activities we are involved with:

- Raising and donating \$15,000 yearly for local charities.
- Extensive work maintaining the Martyrs Mission Church as well as St. Columbanus itself, which saves the parish thousands of dollars yearly.
- Offer a free breakfast or brunch to the parishioners about every two months.
- Assemble the Christmas Crèche each Christmas
- Hold an annual dinner/dance
- Weekly volunteer activities at the Putnam Valley Food Pantry, including food pickup, storage and distribution.

Our community needs involved, Catholic men. Please consider joining a brotherhood that directly impacts our local community. Due to the Pandemic, enrollment is held virtually and all council meetings are via conference call, which makes participation even easier. If you are interested please contact Sean in the parish rectory (914) 737-4705.

May the Lord grant all of us the strength and conviction to do his will. St. Columbanus pray for us.

**THIS WEEKS EVENTS**

Monday ~ Adoration 7:00 p.m.  
 Friday ~ Holy Hour at 6pm and Stations of the Cross at 7pm  
 Saturday ~ Confession 4:00—4:45 p.m.

**BURIAL PLOTS AVAILABLE**

A former area resident has two burial plots at Rose Hill Cemetery in Putnam Valley available for purchase. Burial plots are currently being sold by the Cemetery for \$6,000, but this owner is looking to sell them at a discount. They have moved out of the area and no longer need them. If you are interested please contact Sean in the rectory.

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