

ST. COLUMBANUS - BP



St. Columbanus Faith Formation classes First thru Confirmation are 6:30 PM - 7:30PM on Wednesday evenings

*All who have a child or children in the program are required to fill out a form accompanied with payment.

St. Columbanus FF Program October Schedule

Wed., Oct 8 - (BP grade 8)

Sunday, Oct. 12 - (Confirmation Commitment & Student Mass)

Wed., Oct. 15 - No Class due to MEA Break

Wed., Oct. 22 - Living Rosary – ALL students meet at church

Wed., Oct. 29 - (BP grades 6&7)



SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR AGES 3 THRU 5

Thank you to the parents who have registered and paid for their child in the Preschool program.

Parents can bring your child to the lower level of the church before the 8:30 AM Mass. The program begins at the beginning of Mass and ends after Mass around 9:15.

***All must register their child/ren to be in the FF programs along with payment.**

St. Columbanus CCW - Upcoming Events Coffee and Rolls

Sunday, October 19: Coffee and Rolls after Mass. We hope to see everyone there for fellowship and treats!



***Holy Land Presentation added to this event.**



Baby Bottle Campaign Supports Alternatives to Abortion

Financial concerns are one of the common reasons why women have abortions.

This makes your financial support for pregnant women vital for encouraging the choice for life. The 19th annual Baby Bottle Campaign is raising funds across the Diocese. When everyone brings home a bottle and fills it with change, Catholic Charities can use those funds to support women who are choosing life for their baby. Financial assistance provides tangible hope as they create a plan for the future.

Emma and Chris are living paycheck to paycheck and expecting their first baby this winter. They had cut out as many expenses as they could before their car broke down. The car repair cost hundreds of dollars, leaving them short for the next month's rent. Catholic Charities was not only able to provide them with \$800 towards the next month's rent, but will also help with diapers and wipes each month after their little one is born.

*Names have been changed to protect confidentiality.

SACRED HEART– HAYFIELD

Sacred Heart Faith Formation Schedule

All classes begin at 6:15 PM and end at 7:30 PM during the FF calendar year.

Oct. 8 - Class

Oct. 22 - Class

Oct. 29 - Class



Our sympathy to Michelle & Chris Johnson members of Sacred Heart– Hayfield on the passing of family members who lived in Chicago, Helen Wegrzyn and Mary Jucius.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

“Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.” May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen



ADORATION
of the
BLESSED
SACRAMENT

Sacred Heart - Hayfield will have Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist after Mass on **Saturday, October 11.**

All parishes in the cluster are invited to share in the Sacrament of love. Spend a quiet time in prayer, or reading scripture before the exposed host. We pray to have a personal relationship with Jesus and worship His true presence.

HOLY TRINITY– LITOMYSL

Faith Formation Registration Sign-Up

10/5: Children Church Starts @ Mass

10/8: Faith Formation @6:30 pm

10/12: Confirmation Commitment for 9 & 10 graders

- Youth Choir & Youth Mass led by our 9th graders with Coffee, donuts, and refreshments after Mass!

10/15: NO Class



Holy Trinity - Litomysl

You can help Catholic Charities in providing help and hope to new and expectant parents in the community! The **Baby Bottle Campaign** starts on Respect for Life Sunday!!! You can support women who are choosing life for their babies by taking home a bottle and filling it with change or a check and placing it in the "Moses" basket at the back of the church by **October 31st**. All donations made through the Baby Bottle Campaign will be used for rent and utility assistance for new mothers. If you are unable to pick up a bottle, donations can be mailed directly to: **Catholic Charities Baby Bottle Campaign**

PO Box 379 Winona, MN 55987 Or give online at www.ccsomn.org/donate and designate your donations to "the Baby Bottle Campaign" in the notes section. *"Without your help, I wouldn't have received the help I needed for me as a single parent to my 3 children. I truly appreciate the help. I was able to receive to keep a roof over our heads."* Catholic Charities Client.

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS



St. Columbanus Prayer Team:

Please contact **Kay Zellmer at 507-438-0554** for any private or public requests. Private means that only the team will be praying and public means that the person prayed for will be named in the bulletin for congregational and team prayers.

Please include the following in your prayers:

Kerry & Peg Stensvold, Morgen Snider, Wally & Jean Wilke, Judy Remker, Diane & Frank Volicek, Jackie Olson, Tom Walters, Garrett Weckworth, Krew Haase

Sacred Heart Prayer Team:

Prayer: *Public (bulletin)* – **Barb Aarhus, 507- 477-2458**

Prayer Chain: *(private)* – **Barb Schimek, 507- 696-6775**

Please include the following in your prayers:

Chris Hahn, Michele Klennert, Pat Towey Sr., Dennis Tempel, Jerry Amundson, Kathy Blanchard, Dawn Hugeback

***All Military members and their families as well.**

Please keep all our parishioners that are away at college or studying online in your prayers as they work towards their career choice.

Box of Joy – Sacred Heart and St. Columbanus

Please return your boxes with postage by next Sunday October 19.

or donate online at boxofjoy.org

- Sacred Heart - return to the counter at the main entrance
- St. Columbanus – place in the coat closet at the west entrance or drop them off at the office.

If questions, reach out to Barb Aarhus (Sacred Heart) or Millie Burns (St. Columbanus). Thank you!



REFLECTION

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Zeal of the Convert

When you work in the Church, professionally or on a volunteer basis, you become familiar with the phenomenon known as “the zeal of the recent convert.”

Sometimes, it really seems that the newly baptized are just stronger Catholics than the cradle Catholics. They smile more at Mass. They are awestruck by the Eucharist. They come out of the confessional beaming.

It's not that they are naive. It's not that they are in some honeymoon phase of religion, living outside of reality. It's simply that they remember. They remember what it felt like before the Eucharist or before Confession. They recall before the sacraments and the oil and the grace and the relief. It was more recent for them than for some of us older Catholics — especially those of us who were baptized as infants.

Let's ask ourselves: Have we become too comfortable? Do we receive God's grace with expectation instead of surprise? Have we ceased to marvel and wonder at the goodness of God? If the answer is a resounding yes, don't despair. Look at the Gospel — a literal nine times out of ten, God goes un-thanked and unnoticed.

So many of us have forgotten, or never understood, what it meant when the leprosy was washed from our souls. But when we remind ourselves, we become more keenly aware of the extraordinariness of the gift we have received.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Vicar General and Chancellor

Question:

I have seen the title of Vicar General and Chancellor used in our Catholic newspaper. Who are they and what do they do?

Answer:

A bishop is in charge of a diocese and appoints people to help with its administration. Two of those positions are the Vicar General and the Chancellor. Both play a role in the life of a diocese, despite the many jokes priests may tell at their expense! A chancellor is the archivist of a diocese, charged with task of keeping the records of the diocese. Often a bishop may add other responsibilities and the chancellor may end up being like the executive director of the diocesan office. The chancellor does not need to be a priest.

The vicar general is a priest, appointed by the bishop and acts in the name of the bishop in administering the diocese. He has an advanced degree in canon law or theology. He also has executive authority within the diocese. This means that he is involved in the day-to-day pastoral and temporal administration of the diocese. Canon law does not allow a bishop to appoint a relative to the position, nor the priest in charge of the sacrament of penance. In both cases, the purpose of the law is to avoid conflicts of interest.