Inspired by the Holy Spirit, the mission of Saint Columba Parish is to develop, support and maintain a strong family community by instilling a love of faith in all. We fully participate in the liturgy, celebrate the Word of God, receive the Sacraments and continue in faith formation. Our members share their gifts and talents to provide outreach through various ministries and to respond compassionately to the needs of others in our parish, our community, and the world.

Saint Columba Catholic Church
Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, The Lord’s Day:
5:00 p.m. (Saturday)
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Holy Days of Obligation (excluding Dec. 25 and Jan. 1):
5:30 p.m. (vigil)
6:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m & 7:00 p.m.

Monday through Friday: 7:30 a.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

First Friday: 7:30 a.m & 5:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:
First Friday: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism:
Please call the parish office for scheduling a baptism and for arranging a baptismal preparation class. Godparents for Baptism and Sponsors for Confirmation must be practicing Catholics, age 16 or older, have already received the Sacraments of Initiation; viz., Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist and, either single or, if married, married in accord with Catholic Church Law.

Sacrament of Penance:
Saturday: 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. & 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Also by appointment

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:
Contact the priest immediately in an emergency. In cases of illness or in anticipation of major surgery, please contact the priest to schedule the celebration of this Sacrament.

Sacrament of Matrimony:
Diocesan Common Policy requires nine to twelve months’ advance notification to the priest and participation in marriage preparation.

Parish Staff:
Pastor - Msgr. Robert E. Lawrence, Ext. 3
Director of Religious Education - Joseph Mullen, Ext. 4
Director of Liturgical Music/Bulletin/Office Support - Catherine Chayko, Ext. 5
Administrative Assistants - Bernadette Staniszewski, Ext. 0 & Ann Marie Cantore, Ext. 0
Business Manager/Office Support - Deanna McKinnon, Ext. 107
CYE Coordinator - Helen Mc Menamin, Ext. 4

Parish Office:
342 Iron Street, Bloomsburg, PA 17815-1824
Phone: (570) 784-0801, Fax: (570) 387-2604
Monday through Friday: 8:30 a.m - 4:00 p.m.
Email: stcolumbaparishbloomsburg@hbgdiocese.org

Parish School:
School Principal - Dr. Robert Marande
40 East Third Street, Bloomsburg, PA 17815 – 1815
Phone: (570) 784-3932
Fax: (570) 387-1257

Bloomsburg Food Cupboard:
(sponsored by the Bloomsburg Ministerium)
Coordinator - Martha Sheehe
Location: 329 Center Street, Bloomsburg
Mailing Address: 342 Iron St., Bloomsburg, PA 17815
Phone: (570) 387-2607
Tuesday: 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.; Saturday: 8:30 - 10:15 a.m.

Christ the King Mission, Benton:
Pastor: Msgr. Robert E. Lawrence
Administrator: Fr. Olusola Adewole O.P. (Fr. Sola)
300 Mendenthal Lane, PO Box 297, Benton, PA 17814
Phone: (570) 925-6969

Bloomington University Catholic Campus Ministry:
Fr. Olusola Adewole, O.P. (Fr. Sola)
353 East Second Street, Bloomsburg, PA 17815
Phone: (570) 784-3123

Websites:
Parish: www.saintcolumbachurch.org
Diocese of Harrisburg: www.hbgdiocese.org
School: www.saintcolumbaschool.org
Catholic Campus Ministry: www.bloomsburgccm.weebly.com

Bulletin Submissions: due by Friday at 4:00 p.m.
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The word of the Lord is such that it has the power to change hearts and lives. If we are open to allow that word to affect us, it will produce fruit a hundredfold in our lives. God’s word is powerful. Please notice that the word is the same for all; the soil is what makes the difference. May our hearts be fertile soil for the word of the Lord!

Msgr. Bob Lawrence

FROM OUR DIOCESE: The Diocese strongly recommends that those who are sick, have a compromised immune system or are considered more vulnerable continue to remain home at this time.

- The dispensation from the Sunday obligation to attend Mass is still in place. All Mass livestreams are strongly encouraged to continue.

- Public Masses may resume at the Pastor’s discretion, so long as social distancing and proper sanitation is observed. Sanitation must take place after every Mass. All parishioners attending Mass must wear a face mask. Masks may only be removed when receiving Holy Communion. This week, the Diocese has asked us to remind everyone that “except in the case of children under 2 years of age and persons with health issues, masks are to be worn as face covering the entire time parishioners attend Mass or any other liturgical event in a parish, including sacramental Confession. They are not permitted to be lowered at any time while in the church except to receive Holy Communion. It is not acceptable for parishioners to lower their face masks while sitting in the pew. Social distancing is to be strictly enforced. The measure of 6 feet between individuals and family groups is to be maintained while seated and moving. Groups are not to gather outside of our churches for social time. Face masks should be worn until a person has left the church property and distanced himself or herself from the other congregants. It should be underscored that this is an act of charity, above all, not an infringement upon a personal right.”

- Holy Communion will be distributed at the regular time during Mass. We recommend that Holy Communion be received on the hand.

- Confessions may resume at the Pastor’s discretion, pending social distancing and proper sanitation are followed.

- Proper sanitation will occur after every gathering and at the close of every day.

- Holy Water fonts will remain empty. Bottled holy water may be available for parishioners to take home. All hymnals, missals, missalettes and Bibles will be removed.

- The Sign of Peace will continue to be omitted.

MASS SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY/July 12, 2020
8:00 a.m. People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. Cecelia Eyerly (Craig & Veronica Klesh)

MONDAY/July 13, 2020
7:30 a.m. Anna Mae Kleponis (Jerome Kleponis)

TUESDAY/July 14, 2020
7:30 a.m. Elizabeth Gildea (Patricia A. Gildea & Family)

WEDNESDAY/July 15, 2020
7:30 a.m. Intention of M/M Steve Konkolics (Family)

THURSDAY/July 16, 2020
7:30 a.m. Anna Semicek (Family)

FRIDAY/July 17, 2020
7:30 a.m. Helen Wallace (Carol Mosteller)

SATURDAY/July 18, 2020
8:00 a.m. Intention of M/M Steve Konkolics (Family)
10:00 a.m. Sacrament of Confirmation
5:00 p.m. Winnie Casey (Mary Payne & Family)

NEXT SUNDAY/July 19, 2020
8:00 a.m. David L. Vietz (Mary Ann Dalkiewicz)
10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

MAY HE REST IN THE PEACE OF THE LORD!
Please pray for the soul of Mr. Daniel J. Bauman who died on June 29, 2020. The parish community of Saint Columba Church extends its deepest sympathies to his family, relatives, and friends on their loss.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP
July 5, 2020 - $14,050
July 7, 2019 - $13,170

This week’s Offering - Weekly
Next week’s Offering - Weekly
ATTENTION ALL EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: are you receiving emails? Please email Michael Howe with your status regarding resuming duties next month.

REGARDING FACE MASKS: Covering one’s face during Mass, though it may seem an inconvenience, is a helpful measure, and an act of love, to decrease the probability of spreading infection. We want to take all the measures outlined by our Diocese to minimize the risks to all members of our gathered community. Please remember to keep the face mask on and over BOTH your mouth and your nose when you are talking to one another before and after Mass. Speaking, singing, sneezing and coughing are all events when numerous aerosol droplets are expelled, and these droplets can contain infectious germs. Remember: almost half of the transmissions of covid occur from people when they are pre-symptomatic.

FIRST COMMUNION: The second date on which a child may receive First Holy Communion with others from the class is Saturday, August 8, at 10:30 a.m. First Communicants may walk up the aisle with or without masks and sit in the pew with their families. If this date does not suit, the child may receive on any day of the week at one of the regularly-scheduled Masses. Please call the office and inform us of what your decision is.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Those who were scheduled to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, May 16, may receive it with the class on Saturday, July 18, at 10:00 a.m. If this date does not suit, you may receive the Sacrament on any day of the week at one of the regularly-scheduled Masses. Just call the office to make arrangements.

DID YOU SEE THE LATEST EDITION OF THE CATHOLIC WITNESS? Sign-Up for the Digital Catholic Witness! The Catholic Witness transitioned to a weekly digital edition in May, reporting news and features that reach Catholics instantly. The digital format features a weekly e-newsletter with stories, photos and videos, as well as a designed PDF that can be printed and shared. The digital service is free to all subscribers. Sign up today at www.hbgdiocese.org/the-catholic-witness-newspaper/catholic-witness-signup/ and join us as we continue to share in the Church’s mission to tell the Good News of Jesus Christ in the context of today’s world.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL CAMPAIGN: Have you made your commitment to the Diocesan Annual Campaign?

If you have not made a gift to the DAC, I respectfully ask you to consider a gift this year as an expression of your appreciation of your parish and the importance that our parish has in the community.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL CAMPAIGN as of 7/6/20

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HOLY COMMUNION WILL BE DISTRIBUTED for those who want to come to the church after Mass just for Communion, at 11:30 a.m. on Sundays.

A BLESSING FOR PHYSICIANS
May you always heal and be healed.
May those who come to you find in you One who cares deeply Whose knowledge includes knowledge Of the spirit's movements.
May you take pride in your gifts and use them humbly.
May the suffering and the vulnerable Be your teachers.
May you see in others the goodness Of a tender God.
May compassion encircle you Carry you Strengthen you And give you insight.
May your presence be hope To those in pain May your skill ease the way And instill trust.
May you know the Healer of all May your own heart be held In the compassion and tenderness Of God.
Amen.

from the book, Voices from the Journey, by Sr. Juliana Casey, IHM.
PARISH MASS ON YOUTUBE: Our Mass videos and extra music videos are on our YouTube Channel called “Saint Columba Parish.” You can watch these at any time and we will be joined spiritually. The Sacred Liturgy is an action of the entire Church, the Body united to the Head. Even if a priest celebrates Mass completely alone during these days, although not the preferred option of the Church since the Roman Missal does not provide for such an option, the action is one that unites the entire Church in Heaven, in Purgatory, and on earth in a spiritual communion with Christ the Head.

OUR CHURCH ON THE WORLD WIDE WEB: Did you know that St. Columba Church has both an actively updated website and a Facebook page? On our parish website www.saintcolumbachurch.org you can find schedules for ministries, our pastor’s message, you can listen to last Sunday’s homily, and discover lots of information about the parish, including links to present and past bulletins. On the Facebook page, (“Saint Columba Catholic Church”) we regularly update events in the parish, special dates for Catholics, messages from the Pope, and other relevant information in addition to beautiful Catholic art. Stay updated and connected to the parish via the internet!

IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT OUR MAILING ADDRESS: Some of you may be aware that we had a post office box, but we dropped the P.O. Box form of mail delivery at the end of April. Please only use “342 Iron St., Bloomsburg, PA 17815-1824” as the official mailing address of the church. Also the Food Cupboard will no longer use the P.O. Box, but the same address as the church.

FROM THE FOOD CUPBOARD: Thank you to the understanding and cooperative parishioners, especially those coming to the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass for navigating their way around the food cupboard lines in order to park for Mass. The Food Cupboard encourages all gardeners to “plant a row for the hungry” in order to share your bountiful harvest with those in need. Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the Bloomsburg Food Cupboard!


MYPARISH APP: Whether you’re on vacation, at home, or waiting for an appointment, your myParish app gives you quick access to many aspects of your Catholic life every day. Receiving direct messages and updates from our parish are one benefit to the app. Each Sunday’s homilies from Msgr. Lawrence and Bishop Robert Barron are also on the app. The USCCB readings of the day are accessible, and you will find 49 prayers in the Prayer button. Catching up on the news is a snap by touching the News button. There are interesting articles from the Catholic News Agency. Have a moment for a quick read? Click the Inspire Daily light bulb and find daily blogs from Catholic writers based on the day’s readings. The reflections button provides interesting commentaries throughout the liturgical year from Scott Hahn. Trying to find a church while traveling this summer? Tap the 3 lines in the upper left hand corner while on the myParish app. Then type in the zip code of your destination where it says Find a Parish. In seconds you will see the closest 10 parishes to that location using the app. Don’t know the zip code? Touch the Discover Mass button and enter a city name and state. All these aspects of Catholic life and more can be found in your myParish app. May it allow you an experience of our faith, just a fingertip away. Text App to 88202 to download out app, then search for and select our parish. Call the office for help.
LIFETEEN: Hey high schoolers. I hope you have all been well and stayed busy during this COVID-19 pandemic. It has been a long time in quarantine. I know you have missed a lot of events, activities, and just hanging out with friends. We, the CORE, have missed all of that too.

We are very much looking forward to seeing you all again and enjoying some fun summer activities. We are going to start slowly. We will be scheduling a Zoom meeting for all who are interested. It will be Sunday, July 12, at 6:00 p.m. If you would like to join, and I do not have your contact in my Life Teen groups, please contact me and I will include you. Otherwise, just sit and wait for the information. I will be sending out a text and an email on July 10 or 11 with the Zoom ID name and password.

We will do another Zoom meeting on July 26. Again, sending out info on July 24 or 25. We will start meeting face to face in August. Depending on where we are, pandemic-wise, we may have to meet outside. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me, Karen Konkolics, at kekonkolics@gmail.com or call me at 570-441-3459.

Life Teen is open to grades 9 through 12!! We usually meet every week from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Life Teen room in the St. Columba parish center.

THE ST. PAULINE FOUNDATION IN KULPMONT WILL HOLD A SUMMER RAFFLE on July 24 from noon to 6:00 p.m. and July 25 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. More than 50 items will be raffled, including Rae Dunn, Lenox, Longaberger, Vera Bradley, Kate Spade and bistro sets. Tickets are 26 for $20; additional sheets of 26 for $10. Homemade pigeons, haluski, sausage and more available for purchase—take out only. Social distancing and masks required. Those unable to attend can call Jo-Ann at 570-259-9299 to make an appointment to view items and purchase tickets July 20–23. The St. Pauline Center will be opening for adoration with pandemic-reduced hours starting July 10. The hours both raffle days will be 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Chairs are spaced 6 feet apart and masks will be required.

ACROSS: THE FATHER TOLTON MOVIE: Short film viewing about the boyhood of the first African American priest and his attempt to escape slavery in 1863. Film will be followed by historical presentation about Venerable Augustine Tolton and Q&A with Writer/Director Christopher Foley. Screening and presentation will be offered using the zoom platform on Friday, July 31, 2020 at 6:30 PM. To receive the zoom link to access the presentation, contact Jackie Curran at jcurran@hbgdiocese.org. Thank you!

COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Part Three: Life in Christ

CHAPTER ONE

The Dignity of the Human Person

MAN THE IMAGE OF GOD

OUR VOCATION TO BEATITUDE:

MAN’S FREEDOM

365. Why does everyone have a right to exercise freedom?

The right to the exercise of freedom belongs to everyone because it is inseparable from his or her dignity as a human person. Therefore this right must always be respected, especially in moral and religious matters, and it must be recognized and protected by civil authority within the limits of the common good and a just public order.

366. What place does human freedom have in the plan of salvation?

Our freedom is weakened because of original sin. This weakness is intensified because of successive sins. Christ, however, set us free “so that we should remain free” (Galatians 5:1). With his grace, the Holy Spirit leads us to spiritual freedom to make us free co-workers with him in the Church and in the world.

OUR LADY OF MERCY ANNUAL PICNIC

Friday, July 31, and Saturday, August 1, from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Take-Out Food Sale, Baked Goods, Basket Auction and Raffle Tickets Pierogies are 3/$2, 6/$4 or a dozen for $7 Haluski (cabbage and noodles) $2.25 for a bowl Halupki (Pigeons) are $3.50 each Potato Cakes are $1.00 but ARE NOT available for pre-order. Pre-Orders are strongly suggested. When placing your order, please state your name, phone number, the day you wish to pick up your order, and the items you wish to order. Place your order by Friday, July 17, at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church Facebook page, or by email at olompicnic@gmail.com, or call 570-336-4771. Social distancing and masks will be required. No congregating on church grounds. No outside containers.

We would like to thank the Sponsor of the Week ROBERT G. DENT HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING, INC. For sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.

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