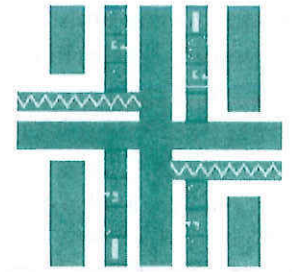


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Liturgy

Wednesday - Thursday : 8:00 AM (Mass)

Monday: 8:00 AM (Prayer Service)

Friday: 8:00 AM (Communion Service)

Rosary: Monday - Friday: 7:30 AM

Saturday Mass - 4:00 PM

Sunday Masses - 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

(closed 12:00 PM - 1 :00 PM)

Sacraments

Baptism - Contact Margaret Roncalli

Marriage - Contact pastor 6 months
in advance

Reconciliation

3:30 PM - 4:00 Saturday

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

For communion/visits to the sick &
homebound; mass intentions, prayer
request & funerals



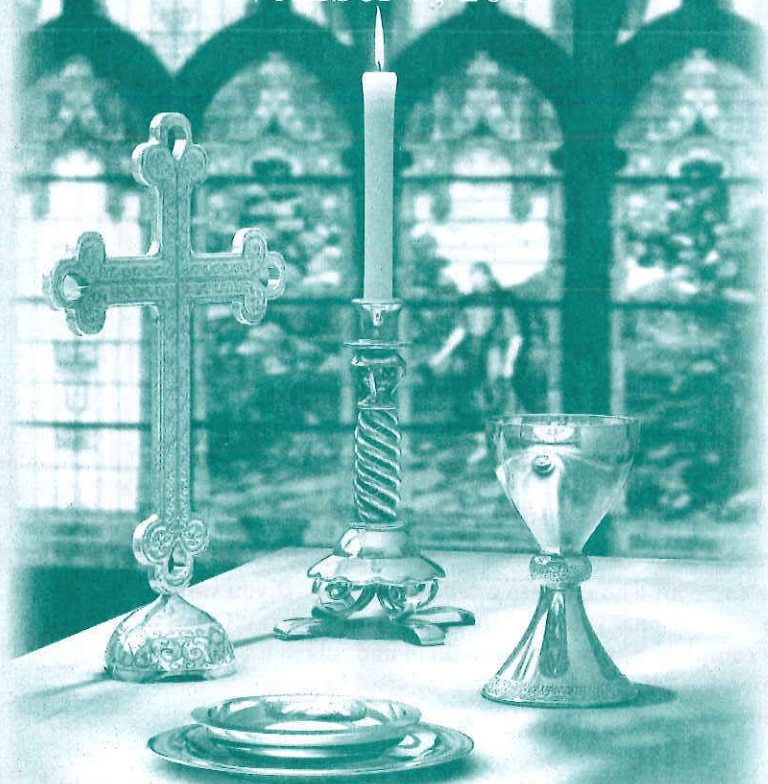
Unity,
human relations

Mission & Vision

Through African American traditions, we are moved
by the Spirit to serve.

*“Misericordia: Making
Mercy Visible”*

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
November 5, 2017



The greatest among you must be your servant.

— Matthew 23:11



Please turn off Cell Phones
before entering Church.
Thank you!

THE GREATEST AMONG US

Whom do you admire? Is it the President of the United States or a movie star or a billionaire? These are people whom the world exalts as great. Like the Pharisees in today's Gospel, they have places of honor wherever they go. Would you like to follow in their footsteps?

The scriptures for today offer different examples for us to follow. Jesus tells us that the greatest among us are the servants. These are the people we are to honor and imitate. We are called to be like Paul, who worked hard to serve the needs of his communities, and Jesus, who gave his life in service to the world.

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Today's Good News ~Living with Christ

"For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him" (John 3:17).

So, precisely what is it that God sent his Son into the world to save it from? The reference, of course, is to the Christian concept of "salvation." But that still begs the question: what do we mean by "salvation"? Well, one might reply, salvation means being saved from one's sins. Ah, good. But what do we mean by "sin"? All these religious words that we toss around with so much ease! What do any of them really mean? What does "faith" mean? What, indeed, does "God" really mean? One of our biggest religious issues today, one you don't hear much about, is using so many religious words that we think we fully understand, but we don't. Take these words one by one and do a little reading, a little asking, and a lot of praying, to find out what they really mean for us today. **MITCH FINLEY**

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time;
National Vocation Awareness Week;
Daylight Saving Time ends
Tuesday: Election Day
Thursday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Friday: St. Leo the Great
Saturday: St. Martin of Tours;
Veterans Day



November 5, 2017 - SVDP Jambalaya Dinner
November 11, 2017 - Zydeco Dance
November 19, 2017 - Health Cabinet-Holiday Blues
November 23, 2017 - Thanksgiving
November 26, 2017 - All Family Faith Day
December 3, 2017 - Advent
December 8, 2017 - Immaculate Conception
December 16, 2017 - Christmas Concert

St. Columba's 9 week Interfaith Walking Campaign started September 1, 2017 officially ends October 31, 2017. Thank you for participating in what we hope to be a year around effort to remain as active as possible. A 2018 motto of our St. Columba Health Cabinet proposal will be "Activity As Medicine". As liaison for this campaign I will be submitting the average steps for weeks 1-9 for all participants registered by November 6, 2017. The winner will be announced by Friday November 11, 2017

Thank you for participating in the campaign. We hope this highlights the importance of being physically active and to create a healthier community by following in the steps of the model participants who took part in the campaign.

Thank you, Elizabeth Mack

We welcome all who come to celebrate with us. If you would like to register or if you need to update your information, please complete this registration form and place it in the collection basket, return to office or send us an email. Be Blessed!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Day _____ Eve _____

City _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address _____

- New Parishioner
- Change of Information
- Moving: Remove from list
- Please Call me - best time _____
- I would like to serve as _____