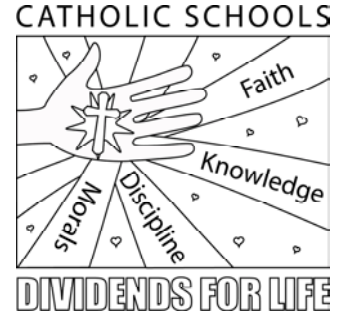


From Your Pastor

Catholic Schools Week ~ ~ ~ January 31 – February 6, 2010



Our Catholic Schools have been an enormous grace to the Church in the United States. We are profoundly blessed at Saint Columbkille to have had a school affiliated with the Parish since 1901. With you, it is my fond hope and expectation that Saint Columbkille School will serve the Catholic community in Allston-Brighton for many decades and centuries to come.



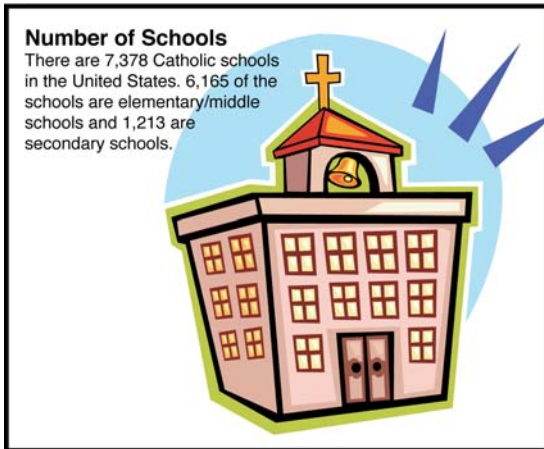
God bless Dr. McCarthy, our teachers and our staff!

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**Interesting Facts about Catholic Schools**

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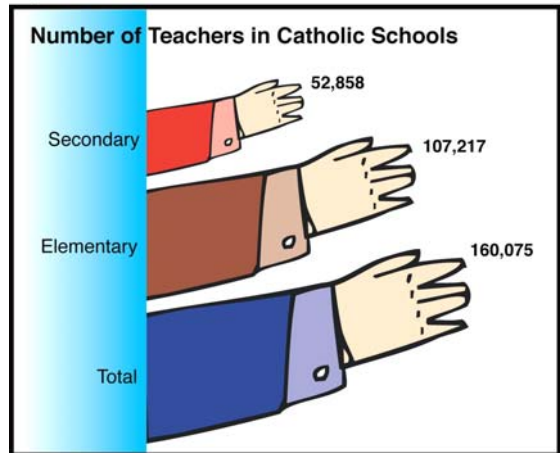
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Source: The National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA), 2008.

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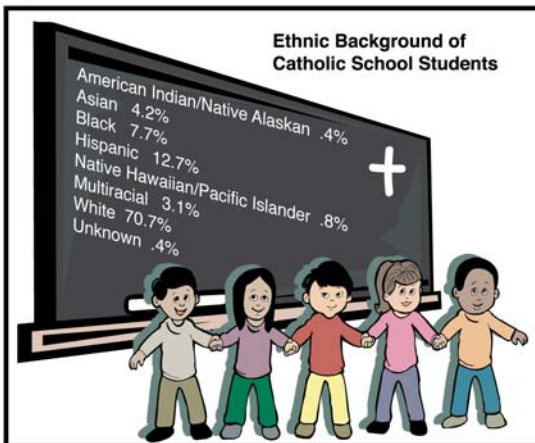
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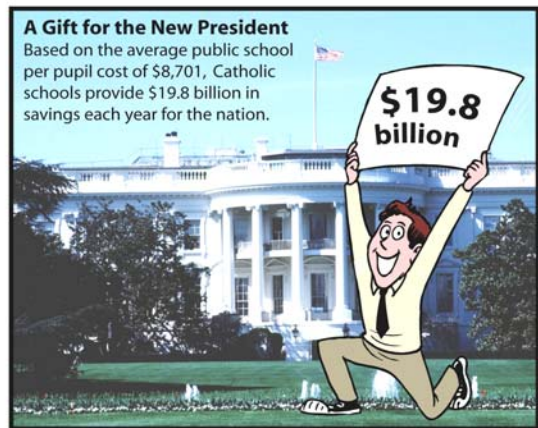
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Source: The Annual Statistical Report on Catholic Schools, Enrollment and Staffing (NCEA), 2008.

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Source: U.S. Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools 2007-2008: The Annual Statistical Report on Schools, Enrollment and Staffing.



God bless each of you.

*Mrs. Fay*

**Prayers Are Requested** for those who are ill; for vocations to the Priesthood and to the Consecrated Life; for married couples and for families; for the safe return home of the men and women in our military services; and for the repose of the souls of the deceased members of our parish, our families and our benefactors.

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**Today Representatives of the ARISE leadership team** will speak briefly after Communion at all the Masses to encourage your participation in the fourth Season of the *ARISE TOGETHER IN CHRIST* process. The theme for this Season is **“New Heart, New Spirit.”** *ARISE* is a wonderful opportunity to strengthen our relationship with the Lord Jesus and for our growth as individuals and as a parish community in the spiritual life. Please join us.

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**Blessing of Throats This Weekend.** February 3<sup>rd</sup> is the day on which the Church traditionally remembers Saint Blaise. Since that day falls on a weekday this year, the Blessing of Throats will be available at the conclusion of all Masses this weekend.

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**Congratulations to Deacon Gregory Vozzo** who was ordained to the Diaconate by Cardinal Seán O’Malley on Saturday, January 30, at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross. Deacon Vozzo will continue to serve at St. Columbkille until his ordination to the priesthood by the Cardinal on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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**Bequest of Father Thomas J. Buckley.** I am very happy to report to you that Father Tom Buckley, who served with distinction at St. Columbkille for many years, has left a bequest of \$25,000.00 to the parish. This gift will greatly assist the necessary capital improvements we face in the parish. Father Buckley died on October 2, 2008. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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**THE 2009 GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION** will be completing in the next few weeks. You can return your Grand Annual Offering by mail or in the regular weekly collection at church. We are very near our goal this year and ask you to help us over the top. We will publish a Thank You List of this year’s donors next month.

**From Father Carney Gavin** – Many of you have been asking about my absence from Masses at St. Columbkille’s. Some of you may be wondering if my work in the Middle East has kept me in the Holy Land or out in the deserts of Arabia. In fact, I’ve been under the brilliant care of a wonderfully kind team of physicians who have tailored for me a six month course of chemotherapy – during which time I’m to refrain from parish work and also from receiving visitors. So far, I’m doing very well, and am remembering each of you at daily Mass. I’m very grateful for your remembrances and am looking forward to coming back when the doctors allow. (I still receive mail via St. Columbkille.) Gratefully in our Lord, Carney Gavin

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**Open House at the School**  
Join us Wed., February 3, from 8:00-11:00 AM to learn more about a great school. [www.stcolumbkilleschool.net](http://www.stcolumbkilleschool.net).

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**Bishop John D’Arcy** will celebrate Mass at St. Columbkille next Sunday, February 7, at 11:15 AM. Bishop D’Arcy, as many of you know, recently retired as the Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend, Indiana and grew up here in Brighton in Our Lady of the Presentation Parish.

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**World Day for Consecrated Life** – Next Sunday the Church celebrates *World Day for Consecrated Life*. We are invited to remember with gratitude the women and men who have dedicated their lives in service to the mission of Jesus. We also pray that others will hear the call to consecrated life and follow it with God’s grace and with courage.

**PARISH GIVING**

**Parish Offertory (Jan. 16 – 17): \$5,260**

**Parish Offertory (Jan. 23 – 24): \$4,623**

**Collection for Haiti (Jan. 16 – 17): \$5,625**

**Church in Latin America (Jan 23 – 24): \$1,639**

**Grand Annual (to date): \$56,930**  
361 donors

**St. Vincent de Paul (Jan. 16 – Jan. 24): \$91.30**

*Thank You For Your Generosity*

**From the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy  
of the Second Vatican Council**

Christ is always present to his Church, especially in the actions of the liturgy. He is present in the sacrifice of the Mass, in the person of the minister (it is the same Christ who formerly offered himself on the cross that now offers by the ministry of priests) and most of all under the Eucharistic species. He is present in the sacraments by his power, in such a way that when someone baptizes, Christ himself baptizes. He is present in his word, for it is he himself who speaks when the holy Scriptures are read in the Church. Finally, he is present when the Church prays and sings, for he himself promised: Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there in their midst...

Accordingly, every liturgical celebration, as an activity of Christ the priest and of his body, which is the Church, is a sacred action of a pre-eminent kind. No other action of the Church equals its title to power or its degree of effectiveness.

In the liturgy on earth we are given a foretaste and share in the liturgy of heaven, celebrated in the holy city of Jerusalem, the goal of our pilgrimage, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God, as minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle. With the whole company of heaven we sing a hymn of praise to the Lord; as we reverence the memory of the saints, we hope to have some part with them, and to share in their fellowship; we wait for the Savior, our Lord Jesus Christ, until he, who is our life, appears, and we appear with him in glory.

By an apostolic tradition taking its origin from the very day of Christ's resurrection, the Church celebrates the paschal mystery every eighth day, the day that is rightly called the Lord's day. On Sunday the Christian faithful ought to gather together, so that by listening to the word of God and sharing in the Eucharist they may recall the passion, death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus and give thanks to God who has given them a new birth with a lively hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. The Lord's day is therefore the first and greatest festival, one to be set before the loving devotion of the faithful and impressed upon it, so that it may be also a day of joy and of freedom from work. Other celebrations must not take precedence over it, unless they are truly of the greatest importance, since it is the foundation and the kernel of the whole liturgical year.

*JANUARY 31, 2010*

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**A PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS**

We thank you, God our Father,  
for those who have responded  
to your call to priestly ministry.  
Accept this prayer we offer on their behalf:

Fill your priests  
with the sure knowledge of your love.  
Open their hearts to the power  
and consolation of the Holy Spirit.  
Lead them to new depths of union with your Son.  
Increase in them profound faith  
in the Sacraments they celebrate  
as they nourish, strengthen and heal us.

Lord Jesus Christ, grant that these, your priests,  
may inspire us to strive for holiness  
by the power of their example,  
as men of prayer who ponder your word  
and follow your will.

O Mary, Mother of Christ and our mother,  
guard with your maternal care these chosen ones,  
so dear to the Heart of your Son.  
Intercede for our priests that,  
offering the Sacrifice of your Son,  
they may be conformed more each day  
to the image of your Son,  
our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Celebrant:** *St. John Vianney, universal patron of priests.*

**R.:** *Pray for us and our priests.*

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**ORACIÓN POR NUESTROS SACERDOTES**

Te damos gracias, Dios nuestro Padre,  
por aquellos que han respondido  
a tu llamado para el ministerio sacerdotal.  
Acepta esta oración que ofrecemos en su nombre.

Llena a tus sacerdotes  
con la seguridad de conocer tu amor.  
Abre sus corazones al poder  
y consuelo del Espíritu Santo,  
condúcelos a nuevas profundidades  
de unión con tu Hijo.

Llénalos de profunda fe  
en los sacramentos que ellos celebran,  
que nos alientan, nos fortalecen y nos sanan.

Señor Jesucristo, haz que estos tus sacerdotes,  
puedan inspirarnos a luchar por la santidad  
con el poder de su ejemplo,  
como hombres de oración que escuchan tu palabra  
y siguen tu voluntad.

O María, Madre de Cristo y madre nuestra,  
protege con tu cuidado maternal a estos llamados  
tan queridos al Corazón de tu Hijo.

Intercede para que nuestros sacerdotes,  
que al ofrecer el sacrificio de tu Hijo,  
puedan parecerse cada día más a tu Hijo,  
nuestro Señor y Salvador Jesucristo. Amén

**Celebr.:** *San Juan Vianney, patrón universal de los sacerdotes.*

**R.:** *Ora por nosotros y por nuestros sacerdotes*

## *JANUARY 31, 2010*

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### **Masses for the Week**

#### **Sunday, Jan. 31 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- (Sat.)** 4:00 pm The McShane, Hennessey &  
Brady Families, Mem.  
7:30 am *Missa pro Populo*  
9:30 am Joseph A. & Grace Grasso, Mem.  
11:15 am John Mee, 20<sup>th</sup> Ann.  
12:45 pm Nieves de Montecinos, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ann.  
5:00 pm Barbara Montgomery, Mem.

**Mon.** 7:00 am Lola & Sal Saleme, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ann.

**Wed.** 7:00 am Johanna Cecilia Murphy, Mem.

**Fri.** 7:00 am Justin Auciello, 52<sup>nd</sup> Ann.

**Sat.** 7:00 am Bernadette Canney, Mem.

#### **Sunday, Feb. 7 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- (Sat.)** 4:00 pm John Bane, 10<sup>th</sup> Ann.  
7:30 am Mary & John Mahoney, Mem.  
9:30 am Filippo Mansueto, 12<sup>th</sup> Ann.  
11:15 am Mary Connell, 10<sup>th</sup> Ann.  
12:45 pm *Missa pro Populo*  
5:00 pm Domenico, Lucia &  
Maria Cirigliano, Mem.

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