

ST. COLUMBANUS

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES AND MASS DATES

Wed., Jan. 29 - Class (BP grades 5 & 6)

Wed. Feb. 5 - Class (BP grades 3 & 4)

*Sun. Feb. 9 - Student Mass

Wed. Feb. 12 - Class (BP grades 1 & 2)

Wed. Feb. 19 - Class (BP grade 9)

Wed. Feb 26 - (BP grades 7 & 8)

The **St. Columbanus CCW** meeting will be on Wednesday, February 5, at 7:30pm in the church hall. All women of the parish are invited to attend!

SERVE WHOLEHEARTEDLY

"LIGHT SNOW" REMOVAL – St. Columbanus needs volunteers for "light snow" removal (snowfall under 1 inch). This involves blowing or brushing light snow from walkways and entrances. Separately, we also need help with placing or removing a tarp for the Main Street stairwell in heavier snows. Please call the church office to help, or to learn more (507-583-2784).
Thank you!

HOLY TRINITY– LITOMYSL

Holy Trinity of Litomysl will once again host their Adult Valentine Dinner

Join us on Saturday, February 22
for a great evening.

Appetizers will be available when the social hour begins at 5:30pm. Windsor Chop dinner served at 6:30pm. Enjoy dinner, music and door prizes.

Tickets remain a bargain at \$25.

Tickets are available in Owatonna from Mary Ann Rysavy at Hawatha Ave., please call ahead at 507-390-0618, Janet Miller at 507-390-1131, in Blooming Prairie at Hometown Insurance, or Carol Holman at 507-676-0506.

Ticket sales close on Sunday, February 16th unless sold out prior. Event is open to all Adult singles, Couples or Groups of Friends.

COME AND ENJOY THE EVENING!

SACRED HEART - HAYFIELD



MARK YOUR CALENDARS....PLAN TO ATTEND!!!

A **VALENTINE EVENT** sponsored by the Sacred Heart CCW

CHILI...CHOCOLATE LUNCHEON for \$7.00

Sacred Heart Church - Hayfield

Wednesday, February 12th

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Snow date: February 13th

*Serving various kinds of **CHILI** with toppings and extras.



Top off this dining experience with a trip to the **CHOCOLATE BUFFET** of delicate chocolate delights.

- Buy a **RAFFLE** ticket or 2 for a chance to win a valentine quilt, candy, roses and other prizes.
- Shop the **BAKE SALE** and take some chocolate delights home.

Come and enjoy this lunch-out with your valentine or special friends!!!

FAITH FORMATION CLASS SCHEDULE

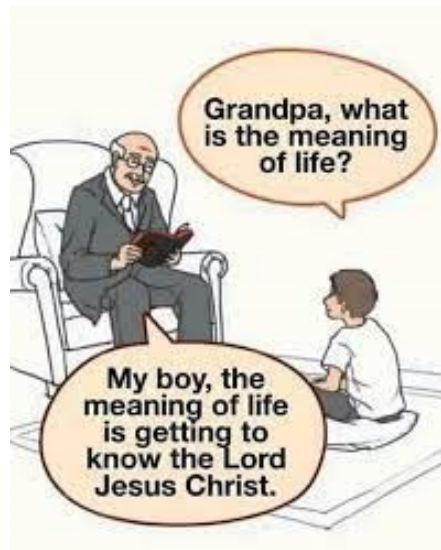
Wed., Jan. 29 - Class

Wed., Feb. 5 - Class with Rosary

Wed., Feb. 12 - Class

Wed., Feb. 19 - Class

Wed., Feb. 26 - Class



February 2, 2025 The Presentation of the Lord

FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

OWATONNA KC SHRIMP DINNERS ARE BACK!

Serving from 6:00-7:30 at the KC Hall
EVERYONE WELCOME!!!

Owatonna KC Council 945 is offering our
delicious Shrimp Dinners every Friday from
January 17 - February 28.

Take-out available.

**6 COLOSSAL SHRIMP, MASHED POTATOES
WITH COUNTRY STYLE GRAVY, COLESLAW,
AND DINNER ROLL - \$15.00**

**4 COLOSSAL SHRIMP, MASHED POTATOES
WITH COUNTRY STYLE GRAVY, COLESLAW,
AND DINNER ROLL - \$13.00**

**BURGER BASKETS W/ MAC & CHEESE AND
COLESLAW - \$10.00**

Enjoy a great meal and support our KC Council
to help us raise funds for the

**May Pilgrimage to the
Marian Conference at Our Lady of Champion.**

For information on the dinners or the pilgrimage
contact: Lee Jardine - lee_j7@reagan.com or call
507-444-4088.

If you are not a Knight, ask me how to join in the fun!!

DID YOU KNOW?

Feast of the Presentation

**The Feast of the Presentation, often called
Candlemas, commemorates the purification
of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the
presentation of Christ in the temple, which
took place 40 days after this birth as Jewish
law required. Luke tells us, quoting Exodus
13:2,12, that Mary and Joseph took Jesus to
Jerusalem because
every firstborn child
was to be dedicated
to the Lord.**



Celebrating Candlemas

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 Wilke,
Judy Remker, Diane & Frank Volicek, Jackie Olson,
Rosemary Johnson, Betty Herdina**

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**

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – THE THOUGHTS OF MANY HEARTS
By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini Reflection: The oldest trick of the devil is to distract us
from thinking about our hearts. It's not hard for him to do —
there are so many other things we could be doing. So, do we
have the courage to look to our own hearts, to come face to
face with our own choices, our own true selves?

The Thoughts of Many Hearts

When Simeon cradles the infant Messiah in his arms, he speaks of
salvation and glory and revelation. He speaks of his own death. He
speaks of the fulfillment of God's promise to all people.

But most memorable, in my opinion, are his words about the hearts of
men. This Child, he says, will be the way "the thoughts of many hearts
may be revealed."

Perhaps you're like me. Perhaps you don't enjoy scrutinizing yourself,
your actions, your intentions. You don't like reflecting on why you feel
or react the way you do, and you really don't enjoy measuring those
feelings and reactions against what you know they could be.

It's exhausting to sit with God, your heart in your hands, both of us
looking at it, talking about it. So far too often, I opt out.

The oldest trick of the devil, you see, is to distract us from thinking
about our hearts. It's not hard for him to do. There are so many other
things I could be doing, after all. Answering emails. Catching up on
laundry. Scrolling Facebook. Worrying about inflation and the election.
Stressing about my kid's dance recital and next week's busy sched-
ule.

But where is God truly at work? Where is the place God will point to,
when my life on Earth has come to its close?

It is the very depths of my heart. The place where I am my most au-
thentic self, for better or worse. The place where all my pretensions
crumble away, and I am alone with the truth of who I am and what I
choose to do.

Am I brave enough to look into the depths of my own heart?