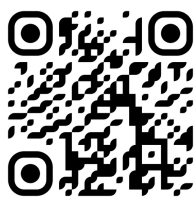


Seek *Your* Faith Journey *in the* Dubuque Area East Pastorate



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FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Intended for families with children not attending parochial school in grades K - 8, Faith Formation in the pastorate has evolved from a weekly, evening classroom model to a monthly, family session model. In our pastorate, sessions begin Thursday, September 17 at St. Catherine or Wednesday, September 30 at St. Columbkille.



[stcolumbkille.net/
sacraments](http://stcolumbkille.net/sacraments)

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Because Reconciliation and Holy Communion are part of everyday Catholic life, preparing for these sacraments at home within the family is essential. We provide parents with the tools they need to prepare their children and help them apply these tools in their daily Catholic family life. These sacraments are typically celebrated when a child is 7 or 8 years old (usually in 2nd grade). This program will begin on Wednesday, October 7, 2026 at St. Columbkille for our pastorate.



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confirmation-youth](http://stcolumbkille.net/confirmation-youth)

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Confirmation is the sacrament which roots us more deeply in divine relationship and initiates us into the Catholic Church. Students typically prepare during their Freshman year of high school and receive Confirmation upon completion at the end of the school year. Monthly sessions for our pastorate begin Sunday, October 18, 2026 at St. Columbkille.



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OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is the official process that initiates adults and older children into the Catholic Church. This journey is for those who have not been baptized, those who were baptized in another faith, baptized Catholics who have not received Eucharist and Confirmation, or Catholics who want to re-engage and grow in their Catholic Faith.

Visit the web pages above for more information and to register!