

I've been a dedicated church-goer all my life, but after experiencing St. Columba's Church for the last 13 years, it doesn't feel like Sunday if we don't start the day at this welcoming church. While the congregation is small, everyone is so warm and friendly that we have come to consider its members as our St. Columba's family. After attending another denominational church most of my life, I found myself unwelcome because of such decisions as divorcing my wife. I even had a priest at the other church turn his back on me one Sunday when he was welcoming others to morning services. Then a close friend said I should try the nearby St. Columba's Church. What a revelation! Rather than listening to fire and brimstone sermons, here I have learned that God is a loving God, one who forgives rather than condemns. Today I look forward to Fr. Stuart's sermons. By weaving in his own life experiences, he brings new meaning to the gospel, and how we can apply these valuable lessons to our own lives.

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