

# ST. COLUMBA'S HISTORY IN A RACIAL CONTEXT

## TIMELINE: 1865 - 1900

	1862	1863	1865	1869	1870	1874	1875	1877	1890	1895	1896	1899	1900
<b>National</b>	1861-65 – Union Army builds Fort Reno on land of Dyer plantation	1863 - Emancipation Proclamation frees slaves in Confederate states	1865 - Lincoln assassinated; Civil War ends; Reconstruction begins		1870 - 15th Amendment gives Black Americans the right to vote			1877 - Reconstruction ends; Jim Crow era begins in south	1890 – Eighty-five (85) Black Americans known to have been lynched	1895 – One hundred thirteen (113) Black Americans known to have been lynched	1896 - Plessy v. Ferguson - Racial segregation ruled constitutional by Supreme Court	1899 – Eighty-five (85) Black Americans known to have been lynched	1900 – Census Black population 8.8 million, 11.6% of total US population
<b>Local</b>	1870 - 1920's Reno City grows as former enslaved persons build homes and churches												
	1862 - Act abolishing slavery in DC offers compensation to slave holders for “losses”		1865 - Freed African Americans settling in DC	1869 - Reno City established by freed slaves and working-class whites	1870 – Census for Tenleytown population is 1/3 African American				1890 - Chevy Chase Land Company founded with covenants restricting ownership to whites only				1900 - 3 Black churches active in Tenleytown
<b>St. Columba's</b>	1760-1862 – Chapel land part of Murdock plantation estate					1874 – St. Alban's establishes mission at Tenleytown	1875 –First chapel built on Murdock land						1900 - Parish hall opens
<b>St. George's</b>										1895 – Episcopal Diocese of Washington (EDOW) separates from diocese of Maryland	1896 - New Bishop seeks inclusion of African Americans	1899 - St. Alban's & EDOW establish mission at Reno City	

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## TIMELINE: 1901 - 1934

	1903	1904	1905	1906	1909	1911	1913	1915	1916	1919	1920	1921	1922	1924	1925	1926	1927	1929	1930	1934
<b>National</b>		1904 – Seventy-six (76) Black Americans known to have been lynched			1909- Founding of NAACP		1913-50th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation	1915 - President Wilson shows Birth of a Nation at the White House	1916 - Great migration begins. 6 million southern Black Americans move to the urban north by 1970	1919- Red Summer- white supremacists attack Black citizens in cities across the U.S.		1921 -Tulsa Massacre		1924 – Sixteen (16) Black Americans known to have been lynched	Malcolm X born in Omaha, Nebraska		NAACP headquarters in NYC displays banner declaring each day a lynching occurs			1934 - Federal Housing policies adopted deliberately excluding Black Americans from home ownership
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<b>Local</b>	Through 1920's Reno City grows as former enslaved persons build homes and churches																			
	1905 - 1929 White DC residents & officials seek Reno land for Jr. High & removal of Blacks																			
	1903 -Jesse Reno School opens for Black students at Reno City						1913 - Jim Crow era comes to DC; re-segregation of Civil Service under President Wilson				DC population is 438,000	Zoning, implemented in the 20s, favored detached single family homes.	Lincoln Memorial dedicated	Segregated all white Washington Senators win World series	1925- Klux Klan marches in DC	1926 - 1929 Congressional hearings on purchasing or condemning Reno City; Destruction of Reno community begins and continues through 1930s			1930 - All white development of NW DC expands; racial covenants common	
<b>St. Columba's</b>		1904 – Tenleytown mission named St. Columba's				1911 - Second chapel building completed		1915 - William Shearer becomes Vicar			1920 - Large Murdock bequest received			1924 - St. Columba's becomes independent parish			1927 - Third church building opens		1930 - Rev. Shearer resigns	1934 – Declining membership and physical plant into the mid 40's
<b>St. George's</b>	1903 - Lot purchased next to Reno School for chapel			1906 - Rev. Edward Douse becomes Vicar 7; grows mission			1913 - Bishop consecrates chapel building; growth continues							1924 - St. George's becomes mission of St. Columba's				1929 - Rev. Douse resigns: St. George's closed at Reno & opens near Howard University		