



**Please pray for:** Knox Christie, Pat Montemarano, Anthony Pedraza, Mikah Oligo, Mike Neumeister, Chris Ferrucci, Carol Duffie, Chris Pinto, Aida Mercado, Steve Polichette, Dick Baldwin, Pauline Steward, Dollie Seymour, Way Y, Y Trang and Ana Morales. Previous names are in our “pray for” book. Call the office to add a name, or to include it in the Prayer of the Faithful at Mass.

**Bible Study:** Study the Mass readings Sunday mornings 10:00-10:45 (except when we have 10:00 Mass). Call Betty at 716-322-1185 for more info.

**Sacraments**

**Baptism:** Call Carmen at 716-847-1463. Parents and godparents must attend a pre-baptismal class. We baptize children at Mass to welcome them to our community!

**Reconciliation:** 1st Saturday of the month, 3:00-3:45, but call Fr. Jud in case of special need.

**Confirmation/First Communion/RCIA:** Please contact Deacon Jerry.

**Weddings:** Appointment with the Pastor should be made at least six months before desired date. **Engaged couples must attend a pre-nuptial instruction class.**

**Funerals:** Please have the funeral director contact Fr. Jud before any arrangements are finalized.

**Illness, Hospital Stays, Homebound:** Parishioners, please notify our parish office immediately. Because of privacy regulations, institutions no longer notify us.

**Anointing:** please call Fr. Jud to arrange. If your loved one is in a hospital, please tell the hospital to call their Catholic chaplain in case of emergency.

**Ordination:** Interested in becoming a deacon? See Deacon Jerry. Interested in becoming a priest or entering religious life? See Fr. Jud.

**Rosary:** Join our English/Spanish/Igbo Rosary Mondays via Zoom from 7-7:45 p.m. To join, check our Facebook page, see Pedro, or call the office.

**STAFF DIRECTORY**

**Pastoral Associates:**

Carmen R.Rivera 716-847-1463  
Paula Hunt 716-348-0154

**Secretary:**

Karen Helinski 716-852-3331 (hours Tues., Thurs., Fri. 12-4)

Email: [sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com](mailto:sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com)

**Coordinator of Faith Formation:**

Deacon Jerry Hodson 716-852-3331

**Business Manager:**

Bill Marks 716-677-5656

**Music Ministers:**

Sat: Cory Gallagher 716-868-2047 (Weddings & Funerals)  
Sunday 9:00: Pedro Rivera  
Sunday 11:00: Linda Appleby

**Maintenance:**

Joe Strusienki  
Avery Ray

**Youth Group:**

Please call the Parish Office, 716-852-3331 to leave a message for our leaders Tera McIlwaine and Chris Augustine.

**Church Hall Rental:** 716-852-3331

**Communion Visitations:**

Dennis Hunt 716-400-8204

**Fundraising Committee:** Monica Zielinski  
[mlzielinski@aol.com](mailto:mlzielinski@aol.com) 716 553-1750

**Ministries Coordinators:**

**Saturday Mass:** 4 p.m. Evy Adams 716-481-0736 & Carol Vance and Sandy Villa

**Sunday Mass:** 9 a.m. Carmen R. Rivera 716-847-1463, 11 a.m. Sandy Villa 716-885-6706



**Mass Schedule:**

**Saturday:** 4 p.m.

**Sunday:** 9 a.m. (Spanish/Español)  
11 a.m.

**Last Sunday of Month:** 10 a.m. (bilingual)  
followed by pot luck social

**Holy Days:** 7 p.m. (Bilingual)

**May 20 & 21, 2023**  
**Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church**  
**75 Hickory St. (near Clinton)**  
**Buffalo, NY 14204**  
**716-852-3331**  
**[sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com](mailto:sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com)**

**Pastor for Family 21:** Fr. Joe Rogliano

**Parochial Vicars:** Fr. Bob Gebhard

Fr. Jud Weiksner, ofm

Fr. Aaron Richardson, ofm

**Deacon:** Mr. Jerry Hodson

**In residence:** Br. Tim Dauenhauer, OFM

**In Heaven:** Sr. Karen Klimczak

**Weidner BBQ Sunday, June 4, 2023**

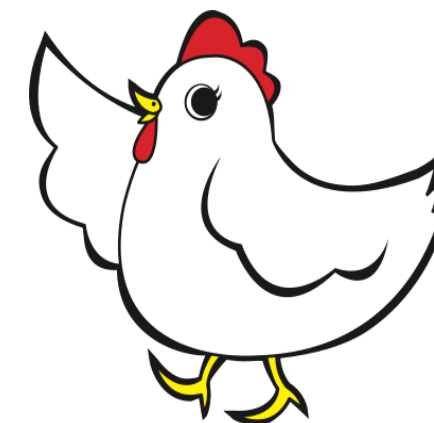
**12 Noon until 4 p.m.**

**Pe-Sale \$15**

**At the Door \$16**

**Eat in or take out**

**Theme Baskets—50/50**



**THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS WHO LIVESTREAM OUR WEEKEND MASSES.** You can view them on our webpage [sscolumbabrigid.org](http://sscolumbabrigid.org) near the bottom of the page.

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**OUR FACEBOOK GROUP IS:** Ss. Columba-Brigid Parishioners and Friends

**OUR WEBSITE IS:** [sscolumbabrigid.org](http://sscolumbabrigid.org)

**OUR EMAIL IS:** [sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com](mailto:sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com)

**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:** We the church of Ss. Columba-Brigid are a welcoming, inclusive, multicultural Catholic community inspired by the Holy Spirit to celebrate the Risen Christ in how we worship, love our neighbors, care for God’s creation and work for justice in our daily lives.

**Nosotros, la iglesia de San Columba-Santa Brígida, somos una comunidad católica acogedora, inclusiva y multicultural inspirada por el Espíritu Santo para celebrar a Cristo Resucitado en la forma en que adoramos, amamos a nuestro prójimo, cuidamos de la creación de Dios y trabajamos por la justicia en nuestra vida diaria.**

**Electronic Giving:** You can donate electronically at our website through [tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly). Just go to [sscolumbabrigid.org](http://sscolumbabrigid.org) and click on the “donate” button. Or go to our Facebook page and click on the “donate” button. Thank you for your generosity in supporting our church!

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## May 20 & 21, 7th Sunday of Easter

**The Sanctuary Candle** is lit this week celebrating the 4th year of Deacon Jerry Hodson's ordination, by Paula and Dennis Hunt.

### **Saturday, May 20, 2023**

**4:00 p.m.** +Josephine Villa by Sandy Villa

### **Sunday, May 21, 2023**

**9:00 a.m.** For the souls in purgatory by Sheila & Carlos Perales

**11:00 a.m.** In celebration of the 55th Anniversary of priesthood for Fr. Roy Herberger by Paula & Dennis Hunt

### **Saturday, May 27, 2023**

**4:00 p.m.** +For our family of parishes

### **Sunday, May 28, 2023 Bilingual**

**10:00 a.m.** +James O'Brien by Sr. Eileen O'Connor

### **Thurs. Eve Bible Study via Zoom with Fr. Gabe**

If interested, send your name and email to [sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com](mailto:sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com). We use the Catholic Study Bible, 3rd ed., available to order online. Class begins 6:20 p.m.

**East Side Garden Walk July 22-23**: people will visit gardens throughout the East Side on self-guided tours on the annual East Side Garden Walk. To register your garden go to [gardensbuffaloniagara.com/esgw](http://gardensbuffaloniagara.com/esgw) Our gardens here at Ss. Columba-Brigid Church, 75 Hickory St., will be on the tour again this year.

### **Congratulations on Graduating from the 8th grade at City Honors to Yairim Perales**

We are very proud of you. May God continue to guide you through your studies.

### **Celebrate the Feast of St. Columba**

with us on Saturday, June 10 (one day after the actual feast day) at the 4:00 Mass. We will have a special guest from St. Columba's homeland with us at Mass, and we will have a fun food treat afterwards.

**Harvest House** is in our neighborhood and they offer many great services such as a Workforce Training Center and a Baby and Children's Ministry. Find out more at [harvesthousebuffalo.org](http://harvesthousebuffalo.org)

**Thank You!** Last week's collection was \$3,515.08. We also received \$1,863 for HOPE/Outreach, \$5 for Capital Improvement, and \$390.18 in restricted or special donations. *We understand if you can't give at this time due to financial hardship. Let us know if we can help you with any critical needs through our HOPE fund. Please pray daily for our parish.*

**This Week's Special Collection** is for the Church in Latin America and in Africa. Our next special collection is June 10-11 for the Catholic Communication Campaign

### **We Surpassed Our 2023 Catholic Charities**

**Parish Goal!** As of Thursday we have collected \$19,365, smashing our goal of \$12,781 by \$6,584! We accomplished this with 46 donors. If we get one more donor, we will pass last year's total of 46. Thank you to all our donors for your generosity!

**Thank You** for your contributions to the Rice Bowl during Lent. We collected \$558.08 in our parish.

### **Upcoming Events from the Diocesan Office of Worship**

Oct. 20-22—New York State Eucharistic Congress, Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine, Auriesville, NY; July, 2024—National Eucharistic Congress, Indianapolis. More info at [nyseucharisticcongress.org](http://nyseucharisticcongress.org)

**If your Birthday is in June**: please notify us in the parish office.

**The Chosen**: We will show episodes now on certain Wednesdays, not Thursdays.

**Our Friends the St. John Paul II Schola Cantorum** will be singing at Our Lady of Victory Basilica in Lackawanna on Sunday, May 21 at 3 p.m.

**Please Wear Red** to Mass on Pentecost Sunday (and Saturday), May 27 & 28.

**Road to Renewal Updates**: The Stewardship Pillar and the Administration Pillar met on May 15. We will have reports on their progress shortly.

**Chicken BBQ Fundraiser**: Sun., June 4, 11-4. Pre-Sale tickets are \$15, and \$16 at the door. We will also have theme baskets to raffle, and a 50/50. **Donations of baskets are greatly appreciated.** We can also use more volunteers for Saturday the 3rd at 10 a.m. to help with packaging desserts. Also on Sunday the 4th we will meet at 10:30 a.m. to start preparing. Please see Monica for more information.

**Our New Prayer Group** will meet on Sunday, June 4 after the 11:00 Mass, for those who don't travel at night. It will only be for one hour and the group can pray for families, relatives and friends, and also pray for peace, stopping gun violence or abortion, or whatever is bothering us. We will meet in the St. Lucy Room. Please see Barbara Booze for dates and if you have any questions.

**Are you, or is someone you know, graduating** from 8th grade, high school, college, or grad school? Please contact the parish office so we can recognize our grads in the coming weeks. Please provide their name, grade they are graduating from, and school.

**Community Events**: For many wonderful events in our neighborhood and beyond, including a Farmer's Market and a Jazz Festival, go to [michiganstreetbuffalo.org](http://michiganstreetbuffalo.org) or call 716-332-1002.

**Blessing of the Bikes**: On June 3, World Bicycle Day, after the 4 p.m. Mass we will bless bicycles. You can bring your bike for the blessing at 5 p.m., or feel free to also join us for Mass at 4 p.m.

**Summer Fun** for our youth is coming up July 6—Aug. 18. For more info see Monica.

**Our Food Pantry** monthly request for May is **pancake mix, syrup, instant mashed potatoes, and canned fruit.** Do not leave food outside the pantry. If donating food, please call the office ahead of time or bring your food donations to Mass.

**Mass to End Gun Violence**: On the First Friday of each month, the Sisters of St. Mary of Namur offer their 11:30 a.m. Mass for an End to Gun Violence at St. Mary Center, 241 Lafayette Ave., Buffalo. All are invited.

**Ride for Roswell**: Fr. Jud has surpassed his \$2,500 goal! Thanks to all who donated. If you know someone with cancer or affected by cancer whom you would like him to pray for as he rides, please let him know. Donations are still being accepted.

**Swing in the Spring** with a June 17 Father's Day Eve Gala presented by the St. Martin de Porres Holy Name Society. \$65 per ticket, \$60 if two or more, \$40 for children 12 & under. Includes dinner, DJ Slim, 50/50 and more. Call 716-883-7729.

**Is your child age 12-17 displaying chronic negative behaviors** such as noncompliance, verbal and/or physical aggression, truancy, school failure, curfew violations, running away, illegal substance abuse and/or criminal activity? **Catholic Charities Multisystemic Therapy Program (MST)** can help. MST is an intensive, family-focused intervention program that's facilitated in the youth's natural environments, including the home. Think MST might be a good fit? Call 716-597-0756, ext. 2252. **Appeal 2023** is ongoing through June 20. To make a donation today, visit [www.ccwny.org/donate](http://www.ccwny.org/donate) or text GIVEHOPE23 to 44321

**Fr. Jud** plans to be away May 23-26. All the friars will be away the week of June 5.