

**Bible Study:** Study the Mass readings Sunday mornings 10:00-10:45 (except when we have 10:00 Mass).  
**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.  
**Fr. Gabe's Bible Study** Thursdays 7pm. Contact livmarks@aol.com for the link.  
**First Friday** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, and Night Prayer 6:30-8pm  
**Men's & Women's Group** 2nd Tuesday of the month in the parish hall  
**Prayer Group** After Mass the 1st Sunday of the month  
**Potluck Social** After Mass the last Sunday of the month

**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:** During 1st Friday Adoration, or 1st Saturday of the month, 3:00-3:45: or call the office to make an appointment.  
**Confirmation/First Communion/RCIA:** Please contact Deacon Jerry.  
**Weddings:** Appointment with a priest/deacon 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 call Fr. Aaron before any arrangements are finalized.  
**Anointing:** please call Fr. Aaron to arrange. In case of emergency, please tell the hospital to call their Catholic chaplain. Because of privacy regulations, institutions no longer notify us when a parishioner is in the hospital, so call the office to arrange sick calls or to be added to our prayer list.  
**Ordination:** Interested in becoming a deacon? See Deacon Jerry. Interested in becoming a priest or entering religious life? See Br. Jason.

**STAFF DIRECTORY**  
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 Sunday 11:00: Linda Appleby  
**Maintenance:**  
 Joe Strusienski  
**Youth Group:**  
 Please call the Parish Office, 716-852-3331 to leave a message.  
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 4p.m. Evy Adams 716-481-0736, Carol Vance and Sandy Villa  
 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)  
**Holy Days:** 7 p.m. (Bilingual)

**October 7 & 8, 2023**  
**Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church**  
**75 Hickory St. (near Clinton)**  
**Buffalo, NY 14204**  
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**Pastor of Family 21:** Fr. Joe Rogliano  
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**Deacons:** Mr. Jerry Hodson  
 Br. Jason Damon, ofm  
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**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. Just go to 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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## October 7 & 8, 2023 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week for the intentions of Paige

### Saturday, October 7, 2023

**10:00 a.m.** +Dennis Hunt by Paula Hunt

**4:00 p.m.** +Fr. James Joyce by Donald Thompson

### Sunday, October 8, 2023

**9:00 a.m.** Flora & Family by the Ndayishimiye Family

**11:00 a.m.** + Bernadette Koleszar by Donna & Cliff Emminger

### Saturday, October 14, 2023

**4:00 a.m.** +Virginia Pinkard by Cherlyn & Bill Davis

### Sunday, October 15, 2023

**9:00 a.m.** For the parishioners of Family 21

**11:00 a.m.** + Dawn Marie Cappola (Trautwein) By Donna Silvonek

+Jeff Caruso by Mrs. Michael T. Sullivan

**Thank You!** Last week's collection was \$2,016.10 with \$201 for HOPE/Outreach. *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.*

### With Heartfelt Prayers of Sympathy

Let our Family 21 parishes join together in prayer for the peaceful repose of the soul of Dennis Hunt, Paula Hunt's husband. Many of us are familiar with Dennis from his presence at many of our activities and worship opportunities. Paula is a key leader in our mission of Church. Please keep her in your daily thoughts and prayers. Fr. Bob

**The Livestream** for our masses will now be hosted on YouTube. This will allow us to keep multiple videos available online, and will also allow us to know how many people are tuning in. You can find us @SsColumbaBrigidVideos

## Upcoming Events

**Let the Music Begin!** On Sunday, October 8th - 3 PM at Blessed Trinity. The Camerata di Sant'Antonio brings the beautiful music of their chamber orchestra. Since 2002, the Camerata—which includes members of the BPO—has presented concerts designed to preserve and celebrate the cultural heritage of our community, with premier works featured in every performance. In recognition of Hispanic Heritage Month, the program will include Manuel Ponce's Concierto del Sur for Guitar and Orchestra. You will also be treated to a post-concert reception in St. Charles Hall.

**This bulletin is your ticket!** Bring this concert notice as a member of our parish family to attend **free of charge**.

**Women's Retreat** October 14th 8-2pm in the parish hall. We will pray, laugh and come together as women in our faith. Please see the sign up sheets in the vestibule.

**Diocesan Hispanic Heritage Mass** "We Are All, We Are One". Sun., Oct. 15th at 11:30am at St. Anthony Church, 306 Ingham Ave. Lack., NY Bishop Michael Fisher will be the main celebrant. We will **not celebrate the 9 am Mass that day**, to encourage full participation at this event.

**Gardenin' Angels** Oct 21st will be our last work day of the season, so we could use lots of volunteers from 9-10:30! We'll be finishing weeding and trimming so please bring appropriate tools. Special refreshments will be served. Note: while the revival at St. Martin de Porres starts at 10, anyone interested in attending that AND gardening can feel free to leave early.

**Men's and Women's Group** Meeting which is Tuesday, October 10th to the bulletin if it's not too late. 7 pm at Ss. Columba Brigid.

**Confirmation Session II:** All students who attended Session I in the spring or the make-up session over the summer are invited to our fall program leading to Confirmation this November. Candidates—bring your sponsor/Godparent. All sessions begin at 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 19 & 26, Nov. 2 & 9 in our hall. The Retreat is Sat, Nov. 11 here at Columba Brigid.

**Our Food Pantry** monthly request for October **cereal and canned vegetables and fruits**. If donating food, please call the office ahead of time or bring your food donations to Mass.

**"Focus on Global Concerns:** Graduate students at the National University of Lesotho are studying soil as part of our commitment to restoring landscapes in Lesotho alongside our land restoration platform. Soil sample data isn't just data. It has a real-world impact. It's a leap towards thriving agriculture, more food for families, and a better climate now and in the future. Help us to fight against the effects of climate change and learn more by going to [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org)."

### Please pray for:

Ken Mrozik, Kristin, Elaine Damon, Ronnie Dillard, Dennis Adams, Kathy T., Fr. Vincent Becker, Samantha, Ruth Kennedy, Fr. James O'Connor, Anthony Pedraza, Mikah Oligo, Chris Pinto, Aida Mercado, Steve Polichette, Dick Baldwin, Pauline Steward, Dollie Seymour, and Ana Morales.

Call the office to add a name, or to include it in the Prayer of the Faithful at Mass.

## The Fr. George Reger Faith Formation Program Memorial

Attorney Greg Stamm, good friend of Fr. George Reger (former and long-time pastor of Blessed Trinity Church) manages a trust for client Rose A. Krayski, who passed away on April 5, 2023. To honor her commitment to education and religious advancement, Mr. Stamm has awarded our parishes with a gift of \$25,000 to benefit the children, families and adults in the East Buffalo parishes that form Family 21: Blessed Trinity, St. Martin de Porres, Ss Columba Brigid and St. Lawrence. It will include the religious education programs for grade school students, sacramental preparation through Confirmation, adult programs such as Bible Study, seasonal activities during Lent, Easter, Advent and Christmas and activities for the entire family such as the summertime Family Camp Weekend. The donation will be used for activities, program materials, scholarships for families unable to pay registration fees and part of the salary for the Pastoral Associate and Religious Education Coordinator who will make all these good things happen. We thank Rose Krayski for her legacy of generosity toward the future of education and religious advancement, Greg Stamm for his support for the commitment of our parishes in providing intergenerational faith formation, and to Nancy Langer for her assistance in facilitating the establishment of the **Fr. George Reger Faith Formation Program Memorial!!!** Our prayers of deep gratitude to all.