



Please pray for: Gene Wach, Carol Duffie, Dorothy & Fran Beaman, Barbara Maund, Jerry Wszalek, Hilda Orellana, Mary Kazmark, Louise Solomon, Ken Mrozik, Vincent & Maryjane Messina, Fr. Gabe, Scarlett Schratz, Rene & Jay Plodzick, Betty Bryant, Andrew Hendel, Al Knight, Bob Meister, Karen Dake, Pauline Steward, The previous names are now in our Pray For book. Call the office at 852-3331 to add a name to this prayer list, or to have it read in the Prayer of the Faithful at Mass.

Sacraments

Baptism: Please call Carmen Rivera at 847-1463. Before a child receives the sacrament, parents and godparents have to attend a pre-baptismal class. We baptize children at Mass.

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 are required to 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.

Rosary: Every Monday join our trilingual Rosary via Zoom at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to pray together. To join, let us know in the office and we will forward your e-mail to Pedro so he can send you the link. The Rosary is prayed partly in English, in Spanish, and in Igbo, and we have music in English and Spanish. It lasts about 45 minutes. Children are welcome to join as well!

STAFF DIRECTORY

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



February 19 & 20, 2022
Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church
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Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. (Spanish/Español)
11:00 a.m.

Holy Days: 7:00 p.m. (Bilingual)

Pastor: Fr. William "Jud" Weiksna, OFM

Deacon: Mr. Jerry Hodson

Fr. Gabe Scarfia, OFM

Br. Tim Dauenhauer, OFM

In Heaven: Sr. Karen Klimczak

The Diocese of Buffalo has announced that at this time, masks are now optional for all participants in liturgies held in Catholic churches and worship spaces located in the diocese based on prevailing guidance from health officials and/or an individual's doctor or other medical professional. Masks may continue to be worn at the discretion of the individual. Out of pastoral concern, the safety of others should always be considered when making this choice.

In our parish we are resuming activities such as the Men's and Women's Groups, Bible Study and Family Faith Formation. Wearing of masks is at your discretion. We will have an update next week as to when serving food and beverages will be resumed.

We update our policies in consultation with the diocese as conditions change. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

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

OUR WEBSITE IS: sscolumbabrigid.org

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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](https://www.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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February 19 & 20, 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sanctuary Candle: For a donation of \$5, the candle will be lit for a week in memory of a loved one or for special intentions.

Saturday, February 19

4:00 p.m. +Peter Villa Birthday Remembrance by Sandy Villa

Sunday, February 20

9:00 a.m. +Poor souls in purgatory by Dat Tran

11:00 a.m. +Albert Zwirlein by Cliff & Donna Emminger

Saturday, February 26

4:00 p.m. +Uncle Billy's Soul by Thuy Tran

Sunday, February 27

9:00 a.m. Special intentions for the Do Family by Chieu Do

10:00 a.m. Bilingual +Mary Semski by Melissa Weiksar

Attention Youth Lectors: We will have a Lector Workshop on Saturday, February 26 in the church from 2 p.m.-3 p.m. We urge all of current Youth Lectors and **well as any youth who would be interested in becoming a lector** to attend. (What a beautiful way to share your discipleship!) Before the workshop please look over the readings for Sunday, Feb 13 which can be found on page 33 of the February issue of "The Word Among Us" or on the USCCB website (the link for this can be found on our website). Please call Sandy at 716-885-6706 to let her know that you will be attending.

We have our next Family Faith Formation

on Sunday, February 27 starting at 8:45 a.m. and ending just before the bilingual Sunday Mass at 10 a.m. We will meet in the church hall. All are welcome. Come to have fun and learn about your Catholic faith. The topic is Lent. Any questions, please see Deacon Jerry or call him at 716-863-4800.

Bible Study: Come join us Sundays at 10 a.m., except the last Sunday of the month.

Thank You for last weekend's collection of \$5,783.26 We also received \$750 for Capital Improvement, \$180 for HOPE/Outreach, \$75 in Restricted Donations and \$5 for Easter flowers. We understand if you can't give at this time due to financial hardship. Please advise us if we might be able to help you with any special needs through our HOPE fund. Also, please pray daily for our parish.

The next second collection will be March 5-6 for Black and Native Missions.

Do you know of a child in first grade or higher that would like to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion?

We have a class for First Reconciliation beginning Thursday, February 17 from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. We will meet for six Thursday evenings. Classes will start with a simple meal. Classes will be held at Blessed Trinity in the former school building at 317 Leroy Ave. in Buffalo, 14214. Please call Jerry Hodson at 716-863-4800 to register your child for the class

Black History Month: We are celebrating Black History Month. You will see special slides commemorating this month on our slideshow shown before Mass. Our youth are also reading poems or excerpts from readings by prominent Black Americans after Communion. There are pictures at the back of church for children to color of prominent persons whom we are celebrating this month. On Sunday, Feb. 20 we will have special drummers, dancers and music at 11:00 Mass. Also, please check for fliers on the back tables in church with information on local Black-owned businesses.

Family of Parishes 21 (CCCB) weekend

Mass schedule: Blessed Trinity Sat. 4:30 p.m. & Sun. 10 a.m. St. Martin de Porres Sun. 8 a.m. & 9:30 a.m. St. Lawrence Sat. 4:30 p.m. & 10 p.m., Sun. Noon.

Summer Youth Internship and Employment Program: The on-line application for 2022 summer is now available. Applicants between ages of 14-21 are encouraged to apply.

The Men's and Women's Groups meet here monthly. We meet on the same night and begin together with praise and worship songs. Then we split into our two groups for faith sharing. We finish together with more hymns. All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you there! Any questions, please see either Deacon Jerry or Betty Reiter.

We need Lectors: If you can help with either the 4 p.m. or 11 a.m. Masses, please call Sandy 716-885-6706.

Survey Says: You can participate soon in an online parish survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute! You can access the 10-15 minute survey through an online link from March 2-April 4. It will ask you to reflect on your spiritual growth, and to give feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential. The parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. We will share the link closer to the launch date.

We would like the highest response rate possible. This information will be invaluable to Fr. Jud and our various ministries as we plan for the future and strive to be good disciples. We will receive the results this spring/summer at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish. Paper copies will also be available once the survey goes live .

Family History Answers: Who had the first live-streamed Mass in the diocese? Blessed Trinity. Name two parishes in our Family that had fires burn their church buildings: Ss. Columba-Brigid and St. Lawrence Which parish patron was the first Black American saint? St. Martin de Porres.

Our Food Pantry: Please do not leave food outside the pantry. If donating food, please call the office ahead of time or bring the donations to Mass.

Events going on this week in our Family of Parishes (BT=Blessed Trinity, STL=St. Lawrence, CB=Ss. Columba-Brigid, SMdP=St. Martin de Porres)

Tues., Feb. 22: 4 p.m. Bible Study via Zoom from BT. Link on Faith Formation page of BT website <https://blessedtrinitybuffalo.org/>

Wed., Feb. 23: 12:30 p.m. Bingo STL, doors open 11.

Thurs., Feb. 24: 9 a.m.-Noon Food Pantryvolunteers needed! Many different jobs available – some without client contact. Call 716-896-0047 STL

4-6 p.m. Silent Vigil open for private reflection BT. Need a little peace, quiet, and restoration? You are invited to join us! 5:30 PM Family of Parishes First Reconciliation/First Communion classes, BT in St. Charles Hall. 8 p.m. Bingo BT Doors open 6:30 p.m.

Looking Ahead! Our Movies resume in April so you can attend Stations of the Cross in Lent. Our Lenten Journey begins March 2. Join us for Masses on Monday evenings and Stations of the Cross on Fridays. Penance Service April 4. Support Catholic Relief Services through Rice Bowl. Intergenerational Faith Formation will be held at SMdP during Lent. Dates next week. Immediately following the 4:30 p.m. Mass on Sat., March 12 we will have a Taize Prayer Service for Renewal at Blessed Trinity.

Fundraisers: STL is collecting soft goods (clothes and household items like blankets) for its clothing ministry. Items that exceed our needs are used to raise money for our ministries. Contact Luke Dyer 909-0800.