



Please pray for: Betty Jones, Mary Lou Acevedo, Timmy Richer, Adam Kutas, Karen Dohn, Dennis Hunt, Linda Nelson, Concepcion Vega and Pat Hart. The previous names listed have been written in our Pray For book. Please call the office at 852-3331 if you would like 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 any child receives the sacrament, parents and godparents are required to attend a pre-baptismal class.

Reconciliation: 1st Saturday of the month, 3:00-3:45, but call Fr. Jud in case of dire 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 are requested to notify our Church office immediately. Because of privacy regulations, institutions no longer notify parish communities.

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.

Catholic Charities: September always signals a shift back to school and back to learning-whether that means in the classroom or virtually. If you're ready to earn your high school equivalency diploma or become career ready, contact our workforce and education services at 893-3500. Youth and adults in Erie and Niagara countries can access tutoring, high school equivalency preparation instruction., basic skills upgrades, employment readiness, post secondary school education planning and more. For more information on Catholic Charities and other services and programs we provide, visit www.ccnw.org.

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Sunday Mass:

9 a.m. Carmen R. Rivera 847-1463
11 a.m. Sandy Villa 885-6706



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)

Last Sunday of the Month: because we are limited to having just 65 people in church, for now we will not be having the 10 a.m. bilingual Mass the last Sunday of the month.

Adoration: We have resumed Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on a limited basis on the first Friday of the month, in a new format. All are welcome between 1-3 p.m. the first Friday of the month, but please wear a mask and sit (or kneel) socially distanced.

We hope you've adapted to Mass in the time of Covid-19. At this stage we have a capacity of 65 in the church and 25 in the hall. If you don't feel well or are not comfortable being around so many people, we encourage you to stay home and view Mass directly on our website, sscolumbabrigid.org, toward the bottom of the webpage. If you come to Mass you need to register and wear a mask. Someone will take your temperature and instruct you where to sit. Communion will be distributed only in the hand. We have new hand sanitizing dispensers, but we encourage you to bring your own sanitizer and use it after touching any surfaces. We will not be holding hands during the Our Father or hugging during the Sign of Peace. If the church is at capacity you may sit in the church hall, your car or the Sister Karen Garden until Communion. Thank you for your cooperation. God bless you!

VIEW MASS LIVE ONLINE: We are not currently using Livestream. View Mass directly on our website, sscolumbabrigid.org, near the bottom of the webpage. Permission to Pod-Cast/stream the music in the service obtained from One License with license number al-729593. All rights reserved.

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

OUR WEBSITE IS: sscolumbabrigid.org

OUR EMAIL IS: 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, and work for justice in our daily lives.

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, especially in these days when we cannot have everyone here in person.

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(near Summer)
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September 5 & 6, 2020 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Sept. 5, 2020

4:00 p.m. +Jack Kennedy by Family

Sunday, Sept. 6, 2020

9:00 a.m. For the people of the parish

11:00 a.m. +Dudley Bingley by daughter, Johnnie

Saturday, Sept. 12, 2020

4:00 p.m. +Alice Gzyl by Francis Perez

Sunday, Sept. 13, 2020

9:00 a.m. For the people of the parish

11:00 a.m. +James Cooley by Margaret McGrath & Family

Sanctuary Candle: Will be lit this week in remembrance of Joe Ohl's Birthday by Paula & Dennis

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity at Ss. Columba-Brigid to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. We will cover the teachings and experience of Church with a special focus on justice, peace and the integrity of creation. Sessions prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm, accepting setting. For information please contact Deacon Jerry at 863-4800.

Adoration: We will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 1-3 p.m. the first Friday of each month. All are welcome, but please wear a mask and sit (or kneel) socially distanced from each other.

Congratulations: to Jean-Marie Ulyss Dimiyo and Ethan H. Antonios and their families. Jean-Marie and Ethan are being baptized at this weekend's Masses. May the Lord continue to bless you and guide you in living your life through the love of the Holy Spirit.

Thank You: We received \$3,263.97 in the August 22-23 collection and \$30 for HOPE/Outreach. August 29-30 the collection was \$1,606.00 and \$15 for HOPE/Outreach. We understand if you are not able to give at this time due to financial hardship. Please let us know if we might be able to help you with any special needs during this difficult time through our HOPE fund. Please pray daily for our parish, and consider joining our Fundraising Committee by contacting Monica at 553-1750 or mlzielinski@aol.com

Last weekend's second collection was to assist the Archdiocese of Beirut as they deal with the aftermath of the devastating explosion last month. \$435.50 was collected. Thank you for your generosity.

Thank-you from Fr. Jud: Thanks to everyone who sent me prayer requests, and donations, for the Ride for Roswell. I was able to do about 55 miles and raised \$3,000 to fight cancer. I prayed several times before, and during, the ride. Let me know if you'd like to ride next year!

Parish Safety: for everyone's safety during this time of Covid-19, we are keeping track of who attends Mass should we need to do contact tracing if an attendee tests positive. As more people return we are using a pre-Mass registration list to make it easier for you to check in at Mass. Monica and Rick Zielinski, who greet you at the door, can be notified in advance that you will be attending a particular Mass at:
mlzielinski@aol.com 716-553-1750 (Monica)
or rjz76@aol.com 716-512-1508 (Rick).

Parish Council: e-mail sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com to join Parish Council. The youth (Group A) meet on two Sunday evenings during the year, and the adult groups (Groups B, C and D) each meet on two Tuesday evenings. If you have good note-taking skills, consider being our Parish Council note taker. E-mail us and we can let you know what that task entails.

Confirmation: Through the Sacrament of Confirmation, we are strengthened to be Jesus's witnesses in the world. Confirmation classes will be held here at Ss. Columba-Brigid beginning in September. We will meet on Sunday evenings from 6:30 pm – 8 pm. There will be six classes followed by a one-day retreat. Confirmation will be in November (date to be announced). We will maintain social distance and masks will be worn. Classes are open to anyone of the Catholic Faith entering grades 10 – 12 for the 2020-2021 school year and older. Please call Deacon Jerry at 863-4800 to sign up for classes.

At the request of Pope Francis: the 2020 Pontifical Good Friday collection is to be taken up September 12-13, 2020.

sscolumbabrigid.org is our website, and Deacon Jerry is our webmaster. We add more features each week. View our Masses on the website, near the bottom of the page.

Welcome, Fr. Gabe! Very soon Fr. Gabriel Scarfia, ofm, will move in with Br. Tim and Fr. Jud in the Ss. Columba-Brigid friary. Fr. Gabe, a senior friar, will be helping in area parishes, and occasionally here at Ss. Columba-Brigid. Fr. Gabe taught at Christ the King Seminary for years, and we are happy to welcome him back to Western New York!

Can you help?: College-age responsible young man seeking a room to rent or a small studio apartment in the downtown Buffalo area from November, 2020 to June, 2021. I'm coming to the Buffalo area to volunteer with Americorps in the downtown area. Please contact William at williamslaplante@gmail.com

Scam: If you get a message or text from Fr. Jud asking you to buy gift cards or any other items, do not respond. It is a scam. Sorry for any inconvenience.

The Food Pantry: is open the 3rd Sunday of the month. We need canned veggies, spaghetti sauce, tuna and rice. Thanks!

Livestream Expiring: The parish Livestream plan has expired and we are now streaming Masses on our website. This change will save the parish several thousand dollars. The archive of videos of past Masses and other events will be available for viewing on our Livestream site <https://livestream.com/accounts/2315534> only until Sept. 21. If you wish to download any of those videos, please contact Fr. Jud.

The SM Josette Food Pantry located at Villa Maria College and operated by Hopebound Ministries, is seeking a full-time director. The Director of the Food Pantry oversees all daily operations of emergency food service, administration, staff supervision, planning, monitoring, fund development, reporting and community relations. For more information, contact Ms. Peggy Doering, HR Director, Felician Services Inc. at pdoering@felicianservices.org

Season of Creation

Meal Prayer: Before having a meal, say a short prayer of thanksgiving for the life-giving food that sustains and nourishes us. Briefly consider how all nourishment ultimately comes from the earth, and for all the human hands that helped bring this food to your table. May we recognize, as Laudato Si' has taught us, that this "moment of blessing, however brief, reminds us to our dependence on God for life."

Something you might not know yet about our Parish: We use compost bins at our parish to reduce waste in landfills and return valuable nutrients to the soil to help maintain soil quality and fertility. Some of last year's compost was used to help grow the plants that produced the beautiful eggplants we have been placing on the tables with the "day old" bread and pastries.

Care for Creation Questions: This week's Season of Creation questions are: **What is the conversion in ways of thinking, acting, and living together on Earth that God is calling us to? What are the changes in lifestyle and relationships with each other and with creation?** Please send your answer to sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com, or mail them in to the parish office. We will print one of the responses in next week's bulletin.