



**Please pray for:** Victoria & Juliana Arroyo, Mary Kazmark, Louise Solomon, Ken Mrozik, Vincent & Maryjane Messina, Fr. Gabe, Scarlett Schratz, Rene & Jay Plodzik, Betty Bryant, Andrew Hendel, Al Knight, Bob Meister, Karen Dake, Pauline Steward, Wilma McCalla, Nicolas Rivera and Mary Lou Acevedo. 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, limited to one family per 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 bilingual 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 partly in English and partly in Spanish, with a third language sometimes included. It lasts about 45 minutes. Children are welcome to join as well!

**STAFF DIRECTORY**

**Pastoral Associates:**

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

**Youth Group:**

Please call the Parish Office, 716-852-3331

**Family Promise and Peace House:**

Paula Hunt 716-348-0154

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**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



**January 8 & 9, 2022**  
**Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church**  
**75 Hickory St. (near Clinton)**  
**Buffalo, NY 14204**  
**716-852-3331**  
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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 latest Covid protocols from the diocese, based on the recent Erie County guidelines: At this time, masks are mandated for all participants in liturgies held in Catholic churches and worship spaces located in Erie County. As in the past, the only exception given to this will be for clergy and other liturgical ministers when they are fulfilling a significant speaking role (they should maintain at least six feet of physical distance from others during these limited occasions) and when you place communion in your mouth. Though we believe nobody has caught Covid at our church, four parishioners have died of Covid. Let's be cautious.

Our coffee socials will resume some time in the near future. We are trying to assess the safest way to do this, while keeping the needs of our community to socialize in mind. Thank you to Cliff and all who assist him in this ministry.

**VIEW SUNDAY MASS LIVE ON OUR WEBSITE** [sscolumbabrigid.org](http://sscolumbabrigid.org), near bottom of webpage. Permission to Pod-Cast/stream the music in the service obtained from One License with license number a/-729593. All rights reserved.

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

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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 [tithely](https://tithely.com). 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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## January 8 & 9, Happy New Year

**Sanctuary Candle:** will be lit for a week either in remembrance of a loved one, or for a special intention. Cost is \$5.

### Saturday, January 8

**4:00 p.m.** +Poor souls in Purgatory by Dat Tran

### Sunday, January 9

**9:00 a.m.** +Sara Rivera by Carmen Rivera  
**11:00 a.m.** +Jeffery Campbell by Jeanine Golden Nowell

### Saturday, January 15

**4:00 p.m.** + Ed Heilig & Jim O'Neill by Donald Thompson

### Sunday, January

**9:00 a.m.** +Uncle Billy's Soul by Thuy  
**11:00 a.m.** +Clifford J. Emminger (Birthday Remembrance) by Cliff & Donna Emminger

### The Annual Diocesan Mass in Remembrance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.:

Sunday, January 16, 2022 at 10 a.m. at Blessed Trinity Church, 317 Leroy Ave., Buffalo, 14214. The guest homilist is Fr. Fred Alexander, a Carmelite from Milwaukee. Due to Covid regulations an E-Ticket is required for admittance and E-Tickets will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis. Please call 716-847-2212 for tickets by January 12th and provide your full name and email address. The Mass can be viewed live at <https://www.facebook.com/Blessed-Trinity-RC-Church-175671532473241/> or on YouTube, <https://www.youtube.com/user/BlessedTrinityChurch>. As there will be no basket raffle after the Martin Luther King, Jr. Mass, monetary donations supporting the MLK Scholarship Fund will be graciously accepted. Send check donations written out to "Office of Cultural Diversity" (memo line "MLK Scholarship;" 795 Main Street; Buffalo, NY 14203. Thank you in advance. There will be no Day of Service on Monday, January 17 due to the Covid situation.

**Stamps:** We really need stamps. If you can help, thank you!

**Thank You** for last weekend's collection of \$2,670. We also received \$450 in Unrestricted Donations, \$160 for Hope/Outreach, \$524 for the Solemnity of Mary Holy Day, and \$462.75 in Restricted Donations. 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.

**Bible Study:** We study the Scriptures for each Sunday so that we feel prepared when we go into Mass. Come join us from 10-10:45 Sunday morning (except the last Sunday of the month). Questions, call Betty: 322-1185. Readings for any Sunday or weekday can be found at [bible.usccb.org](http://bible.usccb.org)

**Is Your Information Up to Date?** Let Karen know in the parish office if you have moved or have a new phone number. We like to keep our parish records up to date!

### Buffalo Peace House, Father Roy's Refugee & Immigration Program:

Our Youth Group is collecting Fabuloso cleaner, laundry detergent (pods only), bleach, dish soap, Scott's tp & paper towels. Bins are placed in the church lobby. You have until Valentine's Day to donate. Thank you in advance!

**Streaming:** We need volunteers to stream our 4:00 Saturday or Holy Day Masses on our website. If you have a tablet/device that can stream video and would like to help, please let Fr. Jud or Rick Zielinski know.

**Calendars:** We will **not** be collecting calendars this year for the incarcerated.

**March for Life 2021:** The Office of Pastoral Ministries has announced that the annual diocesan trip to Washington, D.C. to participate in the March for Life has been cancelled. Smaller, local activities will take place instead. Call 716-847-2205 for more info.

### Buffalo Urban League Scholarship Program:

All high school seniors or recent High School Equivalency (HSE) Diploma recipients (within the current year), who plan to attend college in the fall of 2022, are eligible to apply for the scholarship. To be eligible for scholarship consideration you must have an acceptance letter from the college you are planning on attending in the fall and must have applied for Federal Student Aid [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Please contact the parish office for applications. The deadline to have this submitted is February 28, 2022.

### Fr. Roy Herberger's collection of International Nativity Sets from 59 countries:

are on display at the Fatima Shrine, 1023 Swann Rd., Youngstown during their Festival of Lights. Bonus dates: January 14 from 11 a.m.-7 p.m., January 15 from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. and January 16 from 2 p.m.-5 p.m.

### Follow ups to "Planning the Celebration of Your Life" Workshop series as follows:

1. Next workshop will focus on the church and Funeral Mass planning, Sat., January 29 at the church, 10 a.m. Sign up sheet in back of church or call Paula.
2. Individual appointments (questions of insurance and financial planning): to make an appointment for after the 11 a.m. Mass, see sign up sheet or call Jeri Nolan at 716-292-3115.
3. We will have additional group workshops focusing on more detailed legal, financial and funeral/burial planning if there is enough interest. Please sign up in back of the church.

**Our Food Pantry:** needs jelly. 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 (Jan. 10-16) in our Family of Parishes include:

(**BT**=Blessed Trinity, **STL**=St. Lawrence, **CB**=Ss. Columba-Brigid, **SMdP**=St. Martin de Porres)

**Wed., Jan. 12:** 12:30 p.m. BINGO STL, doors open 11.

**Thurs., Jan. 13:** 4 – 6 p.m. Silent Vigil open for private reflection BT, 8 p.m. BINGO BT, doors open 6:30 p.m.

**Fri., Jan. 14:** 6 p.m. - CB Family Game Night. Join a team at our parish for the "Feud" and demonstrate your knowledge of our parishes, Catholic Tradition and Scripture. Bring your own board games or borrow one of ours. All ages welcome. Children must be accompanied by adults. Snacks provided. Free will offering to cover costs.

**Sun., Jan. 16:** 10 a.m. MLK Mass, BT.

### Looking Ahead:

**Tues., Jan 18:** National Day of Racial Healing, Virtual Prayer Service. Hosted by #Onebody. Seeking youth and social justice advocates to promote intergenerational racial healing. Contact Dr. Marianne Partee at [humancapital1st@yahoo.com](mailto:humancapital1st@yahoo.com) or Dr. Althea Porter at [althea.porter50@gmail.com](mailto:althea.porter50@gmail.com)

**Fri., Feb. 11:** 6:30 p.m., Fr. Jud's Pick — Whale Rider, CB.

**Sat., Feb. 12:** 1 p.m. matinee, Pat's Pick: Incredibles 2, CB.

**Remembering Ss. Columba-Brigid:** One of the reasons we had a surplus for our past fiscal year was the generosity of people who remembered our parish in their wills or their insurance policies. We are thankful for all who support our parish in this way.