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.

<u>First Friday</u> 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 (changed to Thursday for November)

Prayer Group After Mass the 1st Sunday of the month

Potluck Social After Mass the last Sunday of the month

Parish Council 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7pm

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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Pastoral Associates:

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

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Joe Strusienski

Youth Group:

Please call the Parish Office, 716-852-3331 to leave a message.

Church Hall Rental: 716-852-3331

Communion Visitations:

call the office 716-823-3331

<u>Fundraising Committee</u>: Monica Zielinski mlzielinski@aol.com 716 553-1750

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<u>Mass Schedule</u>:

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)

January 27 & 28, 2024 Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church 75 Hickory St. (near Clinton) Buffalo, NY 14204 sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com 716-852-3331

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Fr. Jud Weiksnar, ofm

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In Heaven: Sr. Karen Klimczak

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PARISH COUNCIL: Meets the Third Tuesday of each month @7 pm All parish members are invited

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.

<u>Electronic Giving</u>: 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!

January 27 & 28, 2024

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in remembrance of Br. Vianney Justin by Lynn & Adam Likos

Saturday January 27, 2024

4:00 p.m. +Dennis Hunt by Betsy & Jerry Tirado

Sunday January 28 . 2024 Bilingual 10:00 a.m. +Leonard Dolph by Ken & Rose Dolph

Saturday February 3, 2024

4:00 p.m. For the parishioners of Family 21 Sunday February 4, 2024

9:00 a.m. Special intentions for peace and health and in remembrance of all deceased Saints by Chieu Do and family.

11:00 a.m. +Dorothy Heinz by Paula Hunt

Thank You! Weekend of January 7th Collection was \$2,296.69, Hope/Outreach \$234.00, Restricted or Special Donations \$618.98, Holy

First Communion Session 1 begins **CB** Febru-Day Solemnity Of Mary \$158.00. Weekend of January 21st Collection was \$3,629.33, Hope/ Mission Trip Information Session February 4, Outreach \$2,045.00, Capital Improvement \$750.00, Unrestricted \$2,141.16. We understand if you can't give at this time due to finan- February 7 at 6:30 PM SMdP cial 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 For the Cath- at CB olic Relief Services is to reveal Christ's love to our brothers and sister in need. This collection makes grants to six Catholic agencies that An Information Session about the Misprovide relief and support for struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation will be Sunday February 4 at 11:15 AM at among our marginalized brothers and sisters, both hear and around the world.

Food Pantry monthly request for February is cereal, tuna and canned fruits. If donating food, please call the office ahead of time or bring your food donations to Mass. The pantry will be open this Sunday after 10am Mass for a half hour only.

Upcoming Events

The Feast of St Brigid is Thursday Feb 1. Did you know that she is not only one of the patrons of our parish, but also the Patron Saint of Brewers! To celebrate her and the brewers of our neighborhood we will gather at Sad Boys Brewery 567 Exchange Street February 1st for Prayer and a Keg Blessing at 5:30. Then, enjoy fellowship in the tap room with beer for sale as well as food.

Adoration will take place on Friday February 2nd from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Since this is Candlemas, we will be blessing candles during benediction, so bring candles from home to be blessed.

Save the Dates:

ary 1 at 6:00 PM

11:15 AM **SMdP**

Baptism Class parents of children under age 7

Life in the Eucharist - A Five-week Lenten Retreat begins February 15 CB @ 6 p.m. Confirmation Session 1begins March 14 6 PM

sion Trip to St. Francis Inn, Philadelphia St. Martin de Porres. Pizza will be served. Interested teens must be between 14 and 18 years old, from one of the Family 21 parishes, and at least one parent must attend the meeting. Please use the sign up sheets to indicate your interest. This event is sponsored in part by the Fr. George Reger Faith Formation Fund.

Fund Raiser: Valentine's Day Chocolate Sale. We will be making chocolates on Saturday February 10, 2024 from 9:00am - 1:00pm and selling them before and after each Mass on Saturday 2/10 and Sunday 2/11. If you would like to volunteer to help make the chocolates, put the boxes together, weigh and box the chocolates, please sign the signup sheet. We will need crock pots and big spoons. If anyone would like to donate any of the supplies that will be needed-please contact Monica Zielinski (716-553-1750) or Roxanne Kielaszek (716-856-7298). Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

Please pray for:

Daniel Ohl. Peter Maund, Knox Christie, Pat & Joanne Montemarano, Ronnie Dillard, Dennis Adams, Fr. Vincent Becker, Ruth Kennedy, Fr. James O'Connor, Anthony Pedraza, Mikah Oligo, Chris Pinto, Aida Mercado, Steve Polichette, Dick Baldwin, Pauline Steward, Ismael Ortiz, John Schroeder, Mollie Barajas (cousin of Fr. Aaron) Joy Muzzy, Sheila Ayala, Linda Coleman, Sr. Donna Anthony,

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

and Ana Morales.

During Lent we will celebrate Mass on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. We will also be participating in the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Project.

See the flyers in the vestibule for details of other Family 21 Lenten Events.

We are starting something new! We will be collecting non-perishable food items at all Masses. Please place them in front of the Altar or bring up during offertory as your gift to someone in need. Please be sure to check the expiration date.

Life in the Eucharist. Join your Family of Parishes' team for a five-week Lenten retreat beginning Thursday, February 15 at 6 p.m. We will gather in our parish hall for talks on the Eucharist, prayers and discussion. A simple supper is planned for each evening. If you have a child involved in religious education, First Communion or Confirmation classes, this is a perfect opportunity to share your faith with others.

Happy Birthday to you: Cory Gallagher, Sam Gray, Mary Ann Gruer, Dan Kielaszek, Edward Lee, Linda Lewis, Mary Losi, Noal Monolopolus, Carlos Perales Jr., Eladia Rivera, Marta Rodriguez-Peres, Carlos Rodriguez, Elisa Tirado. May you special day be filled with much love and joy.

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