



**Please pray for:** Ken Mrozik, Kristin, Dennis Hunt, Elaine Damon, Ronnie Dillard, Dennis Adams, Kathy T., Fr. Vincent Becker, Samantha, Ruth Kennedy, Pat Montemarano, Anthony Pedraza, Mikah Oligo, Chris Pinto, Aida Mercado, Steve Polichette, Dick Baldwin, Pauline Steward, Dollie Seymour, and Ana Morales. Previous names are in our "pray for" book. Call the office to add a name, or to include it in the Prayer of the Faithful at Mass.

**Bible Study: (On break until September)** Study the Mass readings Sunday mornings 10:00-10:45 (except when we have 10:00 Mass). Call Betty at 716-322-1185.

**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:** 1st Saturday of the month, 3:00-3:45, but call Fr. Jud or Fr. Aaron in case of special need.

**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 contact Fr. Jud or Fr. Aaron 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 or Fr. Aaron to arrange. If your loved one is in a hospital, please tell the hospital to call their Catholic chaplain in case of emergency.

**Ordination:** Interested in becoming a deacon? See Deacon Jerry. Interested in becoming a priest or entering religious life? See Fr. Jud, Fr. Aaron or Br. Jason.

**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.

**STAFF DIRECTORY**

**Pastoral Associates:**

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Sunday 9:00: Pedro Rivera  
Sunday 11:00: Linda Appleby

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Joe Strusienski  
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**Youth Group:**

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

**Church Hall Rental:** 716-852-3331

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**Fundraising Committee:** Monica Zielinski  
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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



**Mass Schedule:**

**Saturday:** 4 p.m.

**Sunday:** 9 a.m. (Spanish/Español)

11 a.m.

**Last Sunday of Month:** 10 a.m. (bilingual)

followed by pot luck social

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

**September 2 & 3, 2023**  
**Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church**  
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**Pastor for Family 21:** Fr. Joe Rogliano  
**Parochial Vicars:** Fr. Bob Gebhard  
Fr. Jud Weiksnar, ofm  
Fr. Aaron Richardson, ofm

**Deacon:** Mr. Jerry Hodson  
**Pastoral Associate:** Br. Jason Damon, ofm  
**In residence:** Br. Tim Dauenhauer, OFM  
**In Heaven:** Sr. Karen Klimczak

**SEASON OF CREATION**



**WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS TO HELP LIVESTREAM OUR WEEKEND MASSES. See Fr. Jud if you can help with this. All you need is an iPhone!** You can view our Masses, live or archived, on our webpage [sscolumbabrigid.org](http://sscolumbabrigid.org) near the bottom of the page.

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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://tithe.ly). 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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## September 2 & 3, 2023 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**The Sanctuary Candle** a donation of \$5 to have the candle lit for in memory of or for a special intention.

### **Saturday, September 2, 2023**

**4:00 p.m.** +Dominique Thompson by Donald Thompson

### **Sunday, September 3, 2023**

**9:00 a.m.** For the people in Family 21

**11:00 a.m.** +Kathy White by Donna & Cliff Emminger

### **Saturday, September 9, 2023**

**4:00 p.m.** +Clifford J. Emminger by Donna & cliff Emminger

### **Sunday, September 10, 2023**

**9:00 a.m.** For the people in Family 21

**11:00 a.m.** +Geraldine Smith by Johnnie Bingley

**Camp Weekend** is Sept. 8-10. Please see the sign up sheet in the vestibule. The cost this year will be \$15 per person for an overnight stay and \$5 per person for the day. The fun will be at Donald F. Miller Park, 1601 Sweeney Street, N. Tonawanda, NY 14120

**Come Join Our Gardenin' Angels** on Sat., Sept. 23 (the first day of fall!) from 9-10:30 a.m. We expect the work to be mainly weeding and trimming, so please bring tools accordingly.

**Our next Men's and Women's Group** meeting will be Tuesday, September 12th at 7 pm in the church hall (we have our meetings on the second Tuesday of each month). We gather each month to sing songs of praise and worship and discuss topics that are important to our faith. It is a time for lifting each other up and remembering who we are and to whom we belong! All are welcome! Any questions, please see Deacon Jerry or Betty Reiter.

**Thank You!** Last Saturday's collection was \$3,615.64 with \$225 for HOPE/Outreach, \$750 for Capital Improvement and \$400 Restricted or Special Donations. *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.*

**Special Collection:** This week is for Seminarian and Diaconate Formation.

**From Pedro Liriano:** If you've ever felt like you just can't get in control of your money, you're not alone. You'd be surprised how many others are struggling just like you. But it's time for your struggle to end—starting today. Join my in person *Financial Peace University* class starting on Sunday, September 17, and learn how you can pay off debt, save more money, and build wealth. Visit <https://www.fpu.com/DD846B> to sign up! My contact info is 716-241-2033 or [pedro@liriano.com](mailto:pedro@liriano.com)

**Slow Roll** will be riding right by our church this Monday night at about 6:40-6:45. We are not stopping, but if you would like to wave to us as we go by, the bicyclists always appreciate the support! If you'd like to ride with us, we meet at Debs Hall, 483 Peckham Street at 6:30 p.m., and return to that spot about 8 p.m. The route is 10 miles through our neighborhood and part of downtown, including Niagara Square. Ask Fr. Jud for more info

**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 Thursdays Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19 & 26, Nov. 2 & 9 in our hall. The Retreat is Sat., Nov. 11, site **TBA**.

### **Road to Renewal Updates:**

To see all the complete pillar notes go to [www.stlawrencevineyardministries.com/](http://www.stlawrencevineyardministries.com/) and look under "more" to find the pillars you want. The meeting dates are posted on the calendar so that if you have any concerns, you can bring them to your pillar representatives before the next meeting. Meetings **are not open to guests**.

### **Note from our Pastor:**

Greetings, Family 21,

Welcome to September. I hope you're having a very enjoyable Labor Day weekend. I hate to see the summer end, but at least September normally gives us some good weather.

It looks as if our family will be activated within the next month, Unofficially, the clergy assigned are both myself and Father Bob Gebhard. Replacing Father Jud, who begins teaching this coming Tuesday, will be Father Aaron Richardson, OFM. Aaron was ordained this past spring and lives in St. Columba-Brigid, along with Father Jud, and Deacon Jason. We are working towards our rotation schedule to begin next month.

Enjoy the holiday! Peace and Love, Father Joe

**Baptism:** Class for parents wishing to have a child under the age of 7 baptized will be held Sept. 7, 6:30 p.m. at Blessed Trinity in St. Charles Hall - the school building behind the church. Follow the signs. Please register by contacting the Parish Office.

**Bible Study is Coming Back!!** We will resume Bible Study in the parish hall on Sunday, Sept. 17, 10:00-10:45. We will study the readings for that Sunday, so we are all prepared when we go to Mass. Questions: Betty, 716-322-1185

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

**Family Faith Formation:** All ages and grade levels meet at Ss. Columba-Brigid. Enjoy a meal together with separate sessions for kids and adults. We get back together for a family "project." Books for public school and preschool children will be distributed at the meeting Thurs., Sept. 14 at 5:30 p.m. in the hall. This meeting is open to all.

### **Season of Creation - a Project-Hearts for the Homeless**

Starting this weekend, we will be collecting unusable clothing. That is, clothing that you might not want to give to Goodwill because it is too holey or stained or ripped. We will give this unsellable clothing to an organization called "Hearts for the Homeless". They send this material on to a company that then re-manufactures it into building materials (insulation) that is used in home construction. By doing this, we are reducing the amount of material that goes into a local land-fill, PLUS contributing to the production of cheaper housing construction. A collection area will be set up in the lobby or hallway of the church. There will be a sign on the box for your donation. So, start collecting your unusable clothing items now. That way you will be ready for the Season of Creation which began September 1. This is a way to "do something" for the earth while we keep praying for her. Thanks for considering this idea for September and even beyond.