

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.
First Friday 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
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.

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Mass Schedule:
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)

October 28 & 29, 2023
Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church
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Pastor of Family 21: Fr. Joe Rogliano
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 Br. Jason Damon, ofm
In residence: Br. Tim Dauenhauer, OFM
In Heaven: Sr. Karen Klimczak

NEW BEGINNINGS. A TIME TO FIND A HOME. A TIME TO COME BACK.

Ss. Columba-Brigid Church extends a welcome to:
 Families of 15 or those who are single and alone, under 30 or as old as Methu-
 selah himself, gay, filthy rich or poor as dirt, no habla Ingles or Black and
 proud, Zen meditators or screaming babies, tourists of the generation Buffalo-
 nians, liberated females or macho men, computer geniuses or bad spellers,
 home bound or a part of the "jet set" doubters and seekers or those who are
 more Catholic than the Pope, workaholics or bleedings hearts—**OH AND YOU!**

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PARISH COUNCIL: Meets the Third Tuesday of each month...All members are invited and encouraged to attend!

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. 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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October 28 & 29, 2023 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in remembrance of Dennis Hunt by Paula

Saturday, October 28, 2023

4:00 a.m. +Virginia Pinkard by Cherlyn & Bill Davis

Sunday, October 29, 2023 Bilingual

10:00 a.m. +Juan B. Irizarry and Encarnacion Irizarry-Cruz by Luz Morales

Wednesday, November 1, 2023 Bilingual All Saints Solemnity

7:00 p.m. + Deceased members of the Heinz & Hunt families by Paula Hunt.

Thursday November 2, 2023 All Souls The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

7:00 p.m. Quiet Mass

Saturday, November 4, 2023

4:00 a.m. +Dominique Thompson by Donald Thompson

Sunday, November 5, 2023

9:00 a.m. +Santos Rivera by Carmen & Family

11:00 a.m. +Dennis Hunt Birthday remembrance by Paula

Thank You! Last week's collection was \$1,537.03 with \$20 for HOPE/Outreach. \$1,100 in in Memorium, \$264 for 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.*

Last week's Special Collection for World Mission Sunday our parish donated \$312.45. Thank you for your generosity. Our next special collection will be the weekend of November 18-19 for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

Next Sunday Barbara Booze and the prayer group will be praying the Sacred Heart Novena for the deceased of our church.

Upcoming Events

November 3rd First Friday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, and Night Prayer 6:30-8pm.

Pasta Dinner November 4th in the Church Hall 4-7pm. Plan on a delicious meal with your family and friends. Pasta & sauce, 1 meatball, salad, bread & butter, coffee, tea or bottled water and homemade dessert (by the way, if you can help with dessert we appreciate any donations.) Cost is \$16 at the door or \$15 pre-sale.

What's Up with the Synod?

Have you heard about the "Synod on Synodality" that's now going on in Rome? It's a ground-breaking event in the Church and something every Catholic should know about. Join Deacon Don on Wednesday, November 8th at 6:30 PM in the church at Ss Columba-Brigid as he explains what a Synod is, and why this one is so important. Deacon Don will dispel misinformation and answer all your questions about the Synod. Make plans to join us for this informative event!

Introduction to Centering Prayer:

Saturday, December 2, 2023 Blessed Trinity Church, 10am-3pm. Find a closer relationship with God through the contemplative manner of prayer known as Centering Prayer. "Be still and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10). Join us! Bring your own lunch, and we will provide beverages and cookies. There is no charge for this workshop, but a free-will donation would be appreciated. Please RSVP by contacting either Kathleen Marien at kmarien48@yahoo.com or Mary Ellen MacKay at mesmackay@gmail.com

Advent Day of Reflection: Planning is underway for a Day of Retreat, December 2 at Columba Brigid from 10:30 am-3pm. The day will include short talks, discussion, and time for prayer and confessions to enter into the season of Advent.

Buffalo Bills Ticket Raffle for the December 17th game @ 4:25 pm Bills vs Cowboys. Two Winners each win two tickets. First winner will be in section 138 row 34 seats 9 & 10, Second winner will be in the same section 138 with seats 11 & 12. Raffle ticket cost is \$20. Available after masses and in the office.

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. Nov. 2 & 9 in our hall. The Retreat is Sat, Nov. 11 here at Columba Brigid.

Our Food Pantry monthly request for November **cereal and canned soups and fruits**. If donating food, please call the office ahead of time or bring your food donations to Mass. Bags will be given out after Sunday's 10 a.m. Mass.

Please pray for:

Ken Mrozik, Kristin, Elaine Damon, Ronnie Dillard, Dennis Adams, Kathy T., Fr. Vincent Becker, Samantha, Ruth Kennedy, Fr. James O'Connor, Anthony Pedraza, Mikah Oligo, Chris Pinto, Aida Mercado, Steve Polichette, Dick Baldwin, Pauline Steward, Dollie Seymour, Ismael Ortiz and Ana Morales.

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

Gardenin' Angels : Many thanks to Betsy, Catherine, Dawne and Tom, Fr. Jud, and Pat. The Rose of Sharon are trimmed, the daylily foliage composted, and weeds picked. We appreciated the donut holes and cider from Tom and Dawne. And watch for a Facebook pic of the autumn lilies! Stay tuned for a work day in late Feb / early Mar to trim back shrubs, and for mulching in April (with a pre-weed day prior). All best for the rest of the autumn and early winter, and thanks for all your good work this season! Peace, Melissa.

Parish Council Met this past Tuesday. At the meeting, the council decided that, moving forward, we will be meeting as one united group each month.

All parish members are invited, and **encouraged**, to attend and participate in future meetings as we work together to grow our parish, re-connect with lost members, and advance the mission of the Church. We'd like to have members from *every ministry* within the parish present at the Council.

Meetings are tentatively scheduled for the third Tuesday of the month; although that day may change if a different day facilitates more active participation. We look forward to seeing you and hearing your voice at the next gathering, November 21 @7 pm.

Note: a special group for Spanish speakers will meet with Carmen and Fr. Jud, and representatives from that group will attend the parish wide Council Meeting, to ensure that any members who would be uncomfortable at an English speaking meeting have a voice in the Council.