



Please pray for: Joe Dauer, Wilma McCalla, Mary Lou Acevedo, Pat Rosenhahn, Dinh & family, Jerry Wszalek, Louise Solomon, Ken Mrozik, Vincent & Maryjane Messina, Fr. Gabe, Rene & Jay Plodzick, Betty Bryant, Andrew Hendel, Al Knight, Karen Dake, Pauline Steward, Chris Pinto, Karen Helinski and residents of the Buffalo Peace House. 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.

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

Rosary: Every Monday join our trilingual 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 prayed partly in English, Spanish, and Igbo, and we have music in English and Spanish. It lasts about 45 minutes. Children are welcome to join as well!

STAFF DIRECTORY

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Sunday Mass: 9 a.m. Carmen R. Rivera 716-847-1463, 11 a.m. Sandy Villa 716-885-6706



April 2 & 3, 2022
Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church
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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

Masks are now optional for all participants in liturgies held in Catholic churches and worship spaces located in the diocese of Buffalo based on prevailing guidance from health officials and/or an individual's doctor or other medical professional. Masks may continue to be worn at the discretion of the individual. Out of pastoral concern, the safety of others should always be considered when making this choice.

In our parish we are resuming activities such as the Men's and Women's Groups, Bible Study and Family Faith Formation. Wearing of masks is at your discretion. We have also resumed our Sunday coffee & donuts social, for all those who feel comfortable in that setting.

We update our policies in consultation with the diocese as conditions change. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

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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, 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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April 2 & 3, Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sanctuary Candle: For a donation of \$5, the candle will be lit for a week in memory of a loved one or for special intentions. This week the candle will be lit for Chris Pinto and his family.

Saturday, April 2

4:00 p.m. +Jim Walsh by Susan Jagosh

Sunday, April 3

9:00 a.m. For Lost Souls by Dat

11:00 a.m. Juan B. Irizarry, Encarnacion Irizarry-Cruz & Leonard V. Kruszka by Luz Morales

Saturday, April 9

4:00 p.m. +Clarence Moses

Sunday, April 10

9:00 a.m. Special Intentions for members of the Do Family by Chieu Do

11:00 a.m. +T. Paul Weiksna by Melissa Weiksna

Decorating: We will be decorating on Sunday April 10th after the 11am Mass for Holy Thursday. If you can spare about 15 minutes your help will be greatly appreciated.

CRS Rice Bowl: What better time than Holy Week to bring in your donations? Please bring your Rice Bowl to any of the services during Holy Week. When the gifts are brought up at the offertory collection, we ask that you place your donation on the stairs to the altar.

Chrism Mass: Tuesday, April 12 at 7 p.m. (during Holy Week) at the Cathedral. Fr. Jud is looking for a volunteer to go with him to pick up the holy oils at this Mass. Please call Fr. Jud or the office if you are interested.

Easter Flowers: It is always nice to see our church decorated so beautifully for Easter. If you are able to donate toward the expense it will be greatly appreciated.

Lenten Journey Penance Service: Join us Monday, April 4 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Lawrence Church where the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated.

Thank You for last weekend's collection of \$2,094, and \$295 for HOPE/Outreach. 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.

Our next special collection on April 15 (Good Friday) is the annual Holy Land Collection.

“Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.” Jesus calls us to help and love our neighbors, especially those who are most vulnerable and struggling. Catholic Charities of Buffalo offers several basic and emergency services, such as food, rehousing, medications and clothing. Your donation to the Appeal 2022 today can help ensure that the hungry have food, the naked have clothing and those facing eviction have shelter.

Our parish is up to 65% of our goal of \$12,091. If you have given already this year, thank you! We are still 15 donors away from surpassing last year's total of 37. Donation forms are at the back of church, or give at ccwny.org (and make sure you note that you belong to Ss. Columba-Brigid). Or text **GIVEHOPE22** to 44321 Thanks for your generosity!

Weed, Edge, Mulch and Shred: On Sat., April 9 help us spread mulch in the gardens from 9-11 a.m. We especially need people who can shovel the mulch into wheelbarrows, haul it to the beds, and/or help spread it. Please let Betsy Tirado know if you can help, or let Melissa know at mweiksna@gmail.com Also on April 9 across the street in JFK Park there will be a free community shredding event (household/personal papers only) and clothing recycling donation drive from 9 a.m.-noon.

Survey Says: Time is running out! The Disciple Maker Index Survey is online, and will be available only until April 3. **Please help us by completing the 15-minute survey** at <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/y52x33> (Paper copies are no longer available because of the April 3 deadline.) All responses are confidential. The results will help us in our planning for the Road to Renewal. As of Tuesday we had 30 surveys completed online and six on paper.

Check the Easel in the main entrance of the church for Lenten events with our Family of Families, such as Friday Stations of the Cross and Monday CCCB (Catholic Churches of Central Buffalo) Lenten Journey Masses. It is also on our parish Facebook page and website, or you can take a picture of it on your phone so you'll have the schedule handy!

Baked Good Sale: We will have the sale on April 9 & 10 (Palm Sunday weekend). Don't forget your pocket book!

Holy Week Schedule (all services are bilingual):

April 14—Holy Thursday: 7 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11 p.m.

April 15—Good Friday: 12 noon Stations of the Cross, 7 p.m. the Passion of the Lord

April 16—Holy Saturday: 10 a.m. basket blessing; 8:30 p.m. Easter Vigil

April 17—Easter Sunday: 10 a.m. Mass

Pot Luck Social: Yay! We will resume our pot luck social on Sunday, May 29 after the 10:00 Mass.

Donations for Ukraine: As of Tuesday \$860 in cash has been donated by parishioners for the Franciscan Relief Fund for the friars still ministering in Ukraine. We know many other people have donated online, using the link on our parish Facebook page. Thank you for your generosity!

Our Food Pantry needs cereal, peanut butter and jelly, and mac & cheese. Please do not leave food outside the pantry. If donating food, please call the office ahead of time or bring the donations to Mass.

Let Us Celebrate! Join us to thank Sr. Maureen Harris for all her years dedicated to “us”, the Catholic Churches of Central Buffalo. Our family of parishes is planning a dinner honoring sister on Fri., May 13 at 6 p.m. in our church hall. \$15/per person for dinner, beverages and homemade desserts. Please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule. RSVP will close on Sun., May 1 For payment please put in an envelope with your name and amount attending and place in collection basket when you attend Mass, but still remember to sign your name on the sign up sheet in vestibule.

Holy Roll 2022: At 8:30 p.m. on Holy Thursday, April 14, the Holy Roll bike ride will visit seven churches starting with Ss. Columba-Brigid. We will also visit St. Stan's, Corpus Christi, St. John Kanty, St. Adalbert, St. Luke's and Our Lady of Perpetual Help before returning to Ss. Columba-Brigid at approximately 11 p.m. The ride is about 10 miles and includes several bridges, and some of the streets will be dark. We spend about five minutes in each church. In past years, 40-50 people have joined the ride, several of them non-Catholics. Please see the Events page of our parish Facebook or ask Fr. Jud for more details.

Pratt-Willert Residents: Join us for an open house, “Envision Pratt-Willert,” Wednesday, April 6 from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Community Center, 422 Pratt St. we will focus on the needs of the neighborhood, identified by the community. The City of Buffalo wants to hear from you! Call 716-851-9746 for more information.