



Please pray for: Dan Kielazzek, Brianna Westbrook, Mike Hilczmayer, Mike Neumeister, Chris Ferrucci, Carol Duffie, Chris Pinto, Aida Mercado, Steve Polichette, Dick Baldwin, Pauline Steward and Way Y. 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: Study the Mass readings Sunday mornings 10:00-10:45 (except when we have 10:00 Mass). Call Betty at 716-322-1185 for more info.

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 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 must 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.

Ordination: Interested in becoming a deacon? See Deacon Jerry. Interested in becoming a priest or entering religious life? See Fr. Jud.

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.

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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

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Youth Group:

Please call the Parish Office, 716-852-3331 to leave a message for our leaders Tera McIlwaine and Chris Augustine.

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Communion Visitations:

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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)

April 1 & 2, 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 Weiksner, ofm

Deacon: Mr. Jerry Hodson
Br. Tim Dauenhauer, OFM (in residence)
In Heaven: Sr. Karen Klimczak



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

OUR WEBSITE IS: sscolumbabrigid.org

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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. 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 1 & 2, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of Michael Kielaszek by Dan & Roxanne Kielaszek.

Saturday, April 1, 2023

4:00 p.m. +Judy, Jimmy and Kerry Kelley by the Kennedy & Kiliszewski Families

Sunday, April 2, 2023

9:00 a.m. + Deceased members of the Perales, Ayala and Cordero families by family

11:00 a.m. +Baby Oliver Boyd by the Pinto Family

Holy Saturday, April 8, 2023

8:00 p.m. +T. Paul Weiksna by Melissa Weiksna

Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023

10 a.m. Bilingual Mass +Juan B. Irizarry, Encarnacion Irizarry–Cruz and Leonard V. Kruszka by Luz Morales

The Chili Cook-Off was a tasteful delight—a fun-raiser and fund raiser that raised \$579 for the parish! Thank you to everyone who had a hand in making this happen! Although all the recipes were delicious we could only have one winner, and two runners-up. Congratulations to **Yolanda Booze** for taking 1st place, Mary Christie for 2nd place, and Emily Leed for 3rd place.

Holy Week Schedule 2023

Holy Thursday, April 6: 7 p.m. Bilingual Mass of the Lord's Supper, with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11:30 p.m.
8:30 p.m. Holy Roll Bike Ride

Good Friday, April 7: 12 noon Bilingual Stations of the Cross; 7 p.m. Bilingual Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

Holy Saturday, April 8: 10 a.m. Easter Basket Blessing; 8 p.m. Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday April 9: 10 a.m. Bilingual Mass

If Your Birthday is in May please notify Karen in the parish office, so we can get you on the May birthday list!

Thank You! Last week's collection was \$1,486.78 with \$40 for HOPE/Outreach and \$171 for Easter Flowers. We also received donations from our webpage (Tithely) over the past few weeks of \$906, and from our Facebook page for \$2,454. *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.*

The Next Second Collection is the annual Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land, which will take place on April 7.

The Spiritual Care Department at Mercy Hospital of Buffalo could use new hand-crafted knitted, quilted or fleece blankets. Place blankets in the bin in the vestibule. For more info call the Parish Office.

Inclusive Easter Mass on Wed., April 12 at 7 p.m. at wheelchair-accessible St. Bernadette Church, 5930 South Abbott Rd., Orchard Park. The Mass offers a shorter, less crowded worship setting, dim lighting, and soothing music. Low gluten hosts will be available. Fr. Gerard Skrzyński will interpret the Mass through American Sign Language. For more info call Sharon at 716-648-1720.

St. Gianna Pregnancy Outreach Center 12th Annual Banquet: Thurs., April 27, 6 p.m. at Classics V, 2425 Niagara Falls Blvd., Amherst. Keynote Speaker is Toni McFadden, author of *Redeemed: My Journey after Abortion*. For reservations call 716-847-2205 or go to <https://www.buffalodiocese.org/st-gianna/> by April 17.

Catholic Charities: As of Friday we've collected \$11,760 of our \$12,781 parish goal for 2023, so we're 92% there. We've had 25 donors so far. If you've not yet donated, please give what you can! We hope to get 22 more donors to surpass last year's total of 46. Even if you only donate \$5, that helps! Go to ccwny.org or get a flyer in the church vestibule.

Road to Renewal Updates: See Fr. Jud if you wish to join our Pillar Groups. Parishioners will help plan, monitor and evaluate activities in our parish, and will coordinate with members of pillars from the other Family 21 parishes. The pillars and chairs for our parish are: Liturgy (Olivia Marks, Alice Ohl); Spiritual Life (Betty Reiter, Marta Perez); Forming Disciples (Deacon Jerry, Olive Ndayishimiye); OutReach/InReach (Paula Hunt, Tom Talty); Stewardship (Monica Zielinski, Betsy Tirado); and Administration (Rick Pinkowski, Bill Marks). Please pray for the success of the Road to Renewal!

Holy Roll: Get ready for the Holy Roll bicycle ride to the Seven Churches on Holy Thursday, April 6. We will leave here at 8:30 p.m. and visit St. Stan's, Corpus Christi, St. John Kanty, St. Adalbert's, St. Luke's and Our Lady of Perpetual Help and return here by approximately 11:00. Please have lights on your bike. The route includes steep inclines on bridges and dark streets. See Fr. Jud for more info.

We Will Bury the 2022 Holy Oils at 10 a.m. on Tues., April 4th in the Sister Karen Garden. The oils will be replaced by those blessed by Bishop Mike at the Chrism Mass at 7 p.m. that evening in St. Joseph Cathedral. All are welcome to attend both events.

Chicken BBQ Fundraiser: Sunday, June 4. Pre-Sale tickets \$15, at the door \$16. Noon till 4 p.m. Eat in or take out. We will also have theme baskets and a 50/50. Donations of baskets are greatly appreciated. (Please see Monica for more information.)

It's time to bring your Rice Bowl back to church! For those who are participating in the Rice Bowl which benefits Catholic Relief Services, please bring it to church on either Holy Thursday or Easter or the weekend following Easter. Thank you for your generosity and may God Bless You!

Our Food Pantry monthly request for April is **peanut butter and jelly**. Please do not leave food outside the pantry. If donating food, please call the office ahead of time or bring your food donations to Mass.

Decorating for Holy Saturday Vigil Mass/Easter: We can use some help Sat., April 8 at 9 a.m. in the church. There will be plenty to do, so come give us a hand. Thank you from the Liturgy Committee!

Gardenin' Angels and Friends: Please SAVE THE DATE for our pre-mulch weeding (Sat., April 15) and mulching (Sat., April 22). We are awaiting confirmation of mulch delivery, but mark your calendars now. Both sessions will be 8:30-11 a.m. We're ordering 9 cubic yards this year, the equivalent of over 121 2-cubic-foot bags, enough for both sides of the church, and Russell's will split the load accordingly. WE WILL NEED PEOPLE WHO CAN SHOVEL, HAUL, ETC.!

Mass to End Gun Violence: On the First Friday of each month, the Sisters of St. Mary of Namur offer their 11:30 a.m. Mass for an End to Gun Violence at St. Mary Center, 241 Lafayette Ave., Buffalo. All are invited.

The Diocese of Buffalo has scheduled a Protecting God's Children class on April 29 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. in St. Charles' Hall (school building behind the church) at Blessed Trinity. **If you have ANY kind of interaction with children you need to be certified.** If you have not done so previously, sign-up now. The class is free, and refreshments will be provided. Go to <https://www.buffalodiocese.org/protecting-gods-children/> and click on "Protecting God's Children Workshop" or see Fr. Jud.

Catholic Women of Buffalo Conference: Sat., April 29, 7:45 a.m.-4 p.m. at St. Joe's Collegiate, 845 Kenmore Ave. Includes meals and national speakers. For info email CatholicWomenBuffalo@gmail.com