

Please pray for:

Sherrie, Ruth Kennedy, Joey Witkowski, Leo Reiter, Kenny, Amy Rzeznik, Jean Statton, Dawn & Baby Matthew Eisenhauer, Susan Gallagher, Adrien, Timothy Nicpon, Joanne Montemarano, Jimmy Maund, Sareina Vega, Freddie Beavers, Leo J. Baumgartner, Donald Crain, Delia Serrano (Lydia), Ann Cruz, Jean Miles, Maria Hernandez, Laura Nowak, Mary Lou Rivas, Maria Nikel, Luz Morales, Anthony Pedraza, If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please call the office.

Food Pantry We can still use cereal, pancakes mix, syrup, soup, peanut butter, jelly, canned vegetables and canned fruits. Please place donations in the baskets in the vestibule. We will acknowledge the donations during the announcements. We also accept monetary donations to purchase perishable items periodically. **Thank you !!!!**

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, First Communion, Confirmation: Call Deacon Jerry Hodson 716-852-3331 to make an appointment.

OCIA: Please call church office.

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 Paula Hunt 716-348-0154 before making any arrangements.

Anointing: Please call the office 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/call Deacon Jerry. Interested in becoming a priest or entering religious life? Call Fr. Bob 716-833-0301.

Religious Life: Interested in becoming a Religious Sister or an Associate? See/call Sr. Colleen (Sister of Mercy) @ 585-217-6639.

STAFF DIRECTORY

Pastoral Associates:

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(Weddings & Funerals)
Sunday 9:00 Pedro Rivera
Sunday 11:00 Linda Appleby

Church Hall Rental: 716-852-3331

Sacristans:

4 p.m.-Tracy Liriano
9 a.m.-Carmen R. Rivera 716-847-1463
11a.m.-Cindi Adams

Bible Study: Study the Mass readings Sunday mornings 10:00-10:45 (except when we have 10:00 Mass). Call Betty Reiter at 716-207-4715 if you have any questions.

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.

Prayer Group: After Mass the 1st Sunday of the month.

Potluck Social After Bilingual Mass the last Sunday of the month.

Children's Liturgy: Last Sunday of the month (Bilingual Sunday)

Parish Council: Meets every third Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm



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)

Temp Admin.:

Deacons:

Fr. Bob Gebhard

Mr. Jerry Hodson

Mr. Don Weigel

Mr. Mike Dalessandro

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, homebound or a part of the “jet set”, doubters and seekers or those who are more Catholic than the Pope, workaholics or bleeding hearts.

OH, AND YOU!

FACEBOOK: @sscolumbabrigidchurch **WEBSITE:** sscolumbabrigid.org
EMAIL: sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com **YOUTUBE:** @SsColumbaBrigidVideos

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PARISH COUNCIL: Meets the Third Tuesday of each month @ 6:30 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.

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!

August 29 & 30, 2026 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week for the Anniversary of Dominique Thompson Death by Donald Thompson.

Saturday, August 29, 2026

4:00 p.m. +Patricia Hart by The Family
Sunday, August 30, 2026 Bilingual

10:00 a.m. +Dominique Thompson Anniversary of Her Death by Donald Thompson

Saturday, September 5, 2026

4:00 p.m.
Sunday, September 6, 2026

9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m. +Lynn Gajewski Heavenly Birthday Wishes by Grandchildren

Offertory Amounts The amounts for the weekend 8/23/2026 were Regular, \$1,878.00. Hope Outreach \$0. *Let us know if we can help you with any critical needs through our HOPE fund. Please pray daily for our parish.*

Columba-Brigid Kickoff Tailgate Party: Join us for an informational gathering for Religious Education/Faith Formation for ALL Parishioners on Sunday, September 20, 2026 in the St. Columba Hall after the 11am Mass. Registrations for the upcoming sessions and an explanation of our new and improved program will be provided. Please note there is NO BILLS GAME on that day. Please sign the list in the back of the church so we can have a better idea of how much food we will need. Thank You! Any questions contact Jean Hymes at Jeanhymes@gmail.com or 716-604-8965.

Franciscan Jubilee Year 2026-2027: Join the Felician Sisters at Mass as they celebrate the 800th Anniversary of the Death of St. Francis of Assisi on Sunday September 13, 2026 at 9:30am and /or Sunday October 4, 2026 at 9:30am at 600 Doat St., Bflo. All are welcome!

Revival 2026: September 13-14, 2026 “Steadfast in Faith: Our Walk With Jesus” will start Sunday, September 13, 2026, Mass at 9:30am, Lunch 11:30am. Day 1-The Road to Emmaus and Beyond at 12:30pm. Monday, September 14, 2026, Day 2-Christ and Our Victory in the Cross at 6:00pm at St. Martin dePorres Catholic Church, 555 Northampton St., Bflo. All are welcome!!

Our Family of Parishes is Hiring!: The Heart of Buffalo Catholic Community East and (formerly called Family 21) is seeking a Director of Discipleship to coordinate and facilitate the religious education and sacramental programs for our parishes. The position is posted on the Diocesan website: <https://www.buffalodiocese.org/jobs-opportunities/>. Questions? Contact Nancy Langer at nmlanger@gmail.com or (716) 984-5146.

Life In The Spirit: Would you like to experience more of the Holy Spirit's power and gifts in your life? Join us for 6 Wednesday evenings, Sept. 9, 16,23, 30 & Oct. 7, 14, 2026 at 6:30pm. Please see the flyers/registration forms on the table in the vestibule.

Hispanic/Latino Commission Heritage Mass & Celebration: Will be on Sunday, September 20, 2026 at 12:30pm, at Holy Cross RC Church, 345 Seventh St., Bflo, NY.

Women's Respite Program: Respite for Women raising children on the Autism Spectrum are invited to apply to attend a weekend of rest and relaxation. September 25-27, 2026 at the Center of Renewal at Stella Niagara in Lewiston, NY. Please see the table in the vestibule for application's and more information. September 4, 2026 is the deadline for application. They are asking for a \$20 donation at the time of the program.

Healing Masses: At Our Lady of Fatima Shrine, 1023 Swann Rd., Lewiston: • September 6 at 6:30 p.m., celebrant: Fr. David Tourville; • October 4 at 6:30 p.m., celebrant: Fr. Dan Young; • November 1 at 6:30 p.m., celebrant: Fr. Bill Quinlivan.

GRIEFSHARING SUPPORT GROUP: **Our Lady of Pompeii Catholic Church!** If you've experienced the death of a loved one, or know someone who has, please consider joining us for the first of 14 sessions on Wed, October 21, 2026 at 6:30 PM in OLP Ministry Center, 129 Laverack Ave, Lancaster, NY. A different DVD will be shown two Wednesdays per month on how to cope with Grief and Loss. An informal discussion will follow! **RSVP/REGISTRATION REQUIRED and due by September 14, 2026. Limited space. Any questions: sisterjoyce@stmarysonthehill.org or SMA office 716-683-6445**

PRESENCE OF CHILDREN: Our children are the future of our church. We love the sound of children at our Mass!

THE SPIRITUAL EXERCISES OF ST. IGNATIUS THIS FALL: The Spiritual Exercises is an in-depth experience of praying with Scripture in an Ignatian tradition. It involves daily prayer using selected Scripture passages directed toward becoming more attentive and open to God through development of a deep personal relationship with Jesus Christ. The retreat involves small group meetings, weekly for the first month then twice a month for 7 months. For further information, or to register, go to www.ignatianexercises.org or contact Fr. Ben Fiore, S.J. by email at fiore20b@gmail.com, or Maryann Peer by phone at 716-435-0851. Daytime & evening groups are forming now. Meetings held at Loyola Hall at Canisius University and a location in Amherst to be announced. Registration, either online at our website or by contacting one of the above people, is due by September 16.

Those Who Visit: If you bring Holy Communion to/or visit on behalf of your parish those who are homebound or in nursing homes, you need to be certified in Protecting God's Children. If you are not certified, or need to be reinstated, please see Pat Dyer, Paula Hunt. There will also be a Retreat and Refresher on September 19 at Ss. Columba-Brigid. Please see the flyers on the bulletin boards/table.

Happy September Birthdays! Geronimo Ayquipa, Richard Clark, Lynda Coleman, Donna Emminger, James Hart, Gael Meia, Vernena Moses, Maria Ortiz, Carlos Perales, Edwin Rea, Jose Luis Rivera Jr., Antoinette Roberts, Jenifer Sevilla, Michael Wojtulski. May your Special Day be filled with Many Blessings.

The Mercy Sisters: A student (friend of The Mercy Sisters) attending UB is looking to rent a room. Please call the office 716-852-3331, if you or someone you know might have a room available. Thank You!

- MARK YOUR CALENDARS !**
- Friday, September 4, 2026 - Eucharistic Adoration at SsCB from 4-7pm.
 - Tuesday, September 15 - Anticipated start of Becoming Fully Catholic meetings. Place & time to be announced.
 - Saturday, September 19 - Compassion Ministry Retreat and Update for ALL non-clergy who make Communion calls or home visits in Family 21. CB 9:00am to 12:30pm.
 - Monday, September 21 - Movie Night St. Oscar Romero and discussion with Dcn. Don Weigel at SsCB, Popcorn, candy, and drinks at 6:30 pm.
 - Wednesday, September 23 - Baptism class for parents of children seven and under at SMdP at 6:30pm.
 - Saturday, September 26 - Confirmation Class and Baptism classes for children and teens between 7 and 18 years at BT at 1:00pm.
 - Monday, October 19 - First Subs 'N Suds of the season. Sr. Louise Alff presents Mother Marianne Cope 5:30pm supper 6:30pm talk begins.

Eucharistic Adoration: Will be on Friday, September 4, 2026 from 3:30pm-7:00pm. All are welcome!!

Holy Heroes Movie Series: Featuring “ROMERO” starring Raul Julia-with remarks by Dcn. Don Weigel. On Monday September 21, 2026 at 6:30pm at SsCB. Traditional movie snacks of popcorn, pop and candy. There will be a free will offering to support Fr. George Reger Faith Formation Program. All are welcome!!

Our Next Family 21 Baptism Class: For parents of children under seven will be held at St. Martin de Porres, 6:30 PM on Wednesday, September 23. Please contact your parish office to register. You are encouraged to attend before your baby is born.

Gardenin' Angels: Many thanks to Betsy, Dawne and Tom for Friday's trimming. The shrubbery is looking great, though it appears we have a sick burning bush. We also had several preying mantises for the first time! And the Japanese Beetles seem to be doing less damage this year to the Virginia Creeper - perhaps the "bug bag" helped. We'll next meet Friday September 11th from 5:45-7:15p to finish the shrubbery trimming. All are welcome!