



Please pray for: Regina Lewis, Melinda Emminger, Stella Amadi, Marbel Davis, Timothy Jackson Jr., Linda Thaler, Dennis DePerro, Dick Baldwin, Carol Duffie, Joe Moreno Sr., Katie Smith, Harold Harden, Peggy Wolf, Diane Hanny, and Mary Lou Acevedo. The previous names listed have been written in our Pray For book. Please call the office at 852-3331 if you would like 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 any child receives the sacrament, parents and godparents are required to attend a pre-baptismal class.

Reconciliation: 1st Saturday of the month, 3:00-3:45, but call Fr. Jud in case of dire 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 are requested to notify our Church office immediately. Because of privacy regulations, institutions no longer notify parish communities.

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.

Catholic Charities is here to help with individual psychotherapy, family and group therapy, substance abuse treatment, Diocesan counseling for church ministers. To find out more, visit ccwny.org and click : "Counseling & Mental Health" tab under Services on the right-hand side. To begin the referral process, call 895-1033. **HOPE for All Seasons.**

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February 20 & 21, 2021
Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church
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Buffalo, NY 14204
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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

Adoration: We have resumed Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on a limited basis on the first Friday of the month between 1-3 p.m. Please wear a mask and sit (or kneel) socially distanced. Our next Adoration will be Friday, March 5.

Our in-church capacity at Mass remains at 75. We are no longer using the church hall to show the Mass via video. At Mass you will still be asked to wear a mask, to sit only in the indicated pews, and to use hand sanitizer. You will also have your temperature taken. We ask that after Mass you leave the church as promptly as possible. If you wish to congregate after Mass, please do so outside. Please note that for now we will only be taking reservations for the upcoming week's 11:00 Mass. To give more people the chance to attend Mass, please understand that you might not be able to attend 11:00 Mass on consecutive weeks. Thank you for your cooperation. You will not need to register for 4 p.m. Saturday Mass or 9 a.m. Spanish Sunday Mass, as attendance in the past has not reached 75 for those Masses. The other procedures for those Masses will remain in place.

To reserve a spot for the 11:00 Sunday Mass contact Monica Zielinski mzielinski@aol.com 716-553-1750 or Rick Zielinski rjz76@aol.com 716-512-1508.

We will not have baptisms at Mass for the time being. We are doing this for everyone's safety.

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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, and work for justice in our daily lives.

Electronic Giving: You can donate electronically at our website through [tithe.ly](https://www.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, especially in these days when we cannot have everyone here in person.

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886-5363

February 20 & 21, 2021 1st Sunday in Lent

Sanctuary Candle: *this week is lit in memory of Ron Zaccagnino by Betty Kennedy*

Saturday Feb. 20, 2021

4:00 p.m. +Ron Zaccagnino by Betty Kennedy

Sunday Feb. 21, 2021

9:00 a.m. For the people of the parish

11:00 a.m. +Mary Samski by Family

Saturday Feb. 27, 2021

4:00 p.m. +Tedros Asewerki by Tedros Teklizghi

Sunday Feb. 28, 2021

9:00 a.m. For the people of the parish

11:00 a.m. +Rebecca Karm by Kathy Trautwein & Daughters

Lenten Fratelli Tutti Series: It's not too late to join for week two and learn what Pope Francis says about being brothers and sisters to each other. Paula Hunt, Sister Colleen O'Toole of St. Bernadette in Orchard Park, and Fr. Jud will lead 30-minute Zoom presentations on *Fratelli Tutti* the Thursdays of Lent from 7-7:30 p.m., with time for questions and comments. Parishioners from Ss. Columba-Brigid, St. Bernadette, and the other CCCB parishes (St. Martin de Porres, Blessed Trinity, and St. Lawrence) are invited to participate. RSVP at sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com to get the Zoom link.

Virtual Diocesan Youth Conference: All high school youth are invited to participate on February 26-27. We will Reconnect virtually. National Catholic Speakers Paul Kim and the Doug and Dave Show will challenge and inspire us. Friday night includes time for online small groups. The highlight of our event is Mass with Bishop Michael Fisher on the 27th at 4:30 p.m., Livestreamed from St. Joseph Cathedral. More information may be found at www.icyouthea.org or you may contact Denise York at youth@icchurch.org.

Help with Teen Center: Please call the office if you can help organize the Teen Center on Saturday, March 13th at 10am. We will be socially distancing please wear your mask. We could use muscles and brains, a lot of moving and organizing paper work.

Thank You: Last weekend's collection was \$2,552.96, with \$47.00 for our HOPE Fund. We received \$750.00 in capital improvement donations, as well as \$50 toward our fuel bills. We need income of about \$6,000 per week to pay all our bills. We understand if you can't give now due to financial hardship. Please let us know if we might be able to help you with any special needs during this difficult time through our HOPE fund. Please pray daily for our parish. We collected \$190.00 for last week's second collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe & Catholic League for Religious Assistance to Poland. The weekend of Feb. 27 & 28 we will have a second collection for Black & Native Missions.

Lenten Journey Masses: We are happy to host the Catholic Churches of Central Buffalo Lenten Journey Mass on Monday, Feb. 22 at 7 p.m. The Mass will have a special dedication to St. Joseph, recognizing the Year of St. Joseph that the diocese is celebrating. The Lenten Journey Mass on Monday, March 1 will be at Blessed Trinity Church at 7 p.m., the Mass on March 8 will be at St. Lawrence, and the Mass on March 15 will be at St. Martin de Porres.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: At Adoration on Friday, March 5 from 1-3 p.m. we will conclude with a special prayer to St. Joseph.

Bilingual Stations of the Cross: Fridays at 7:00 p.m. (except for Good Friday when they will be at noon). You may also view by going to our website at sscolumbabrigid.org.

Lenten Penance Service: Monday, March 22nd at 7:00 pm., along with our sister CCCB parishes.

First Reconciliation: If your child (2nd grade or higher) is in need of First Reconciliation, our class begins in March. Please contact Deacon Jerry at 863-4800

Solar: Join our committee to find a way to do a site study and install solar panels for the church complex. To join, contact John Birks at clestates@aol.com Pope Francis would be pleased our parish is doing this. All over the world, the Vatican is encouraging parishes to do things to implement *Laudato Si'*, the encyclical (papal letter) calling for us to care for our Common Home, Mother Earth.

Notice: Beginning in 2015, The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y., Inc. ("Foundation") began soliciting donations to its "Upon this Rock" ("UTR") capital and endowment campaign. The UTR campaign raised funds for many purposes, including soliciting funds for making essential upgrades to classroom facilities and technology of Christ the King Seminary ("CKS"), expanding CKS's role as a center of retreat and religious celebration, and establishing an endowment fund for CKS. Unfortunately, in early 2020, CKS's Board of Trustees determined that CKS would close at the end of the 2020-2021 academic year. CKS's closure will make it impossible for the Foundation to use the UTR funds raised for CKS for their original intended purposes. However, under New York law, when the original purposes for which funds are donated become impossible to achieve, those purposes can be modified in a manner consistent with original intent by the New York State courts. For many years, CKS provided education and formation for ordained and lay ecclesial ministers in the Diocese of Buffalo and beyond. Accordingly, the Foundation has asked the New York State Supreme Court for the County of Erie to approve a modification of the purposes of UTR funds raised for CKS so that those funds can be used to support the education and formation for ordained and lay ecclesial ministry in the Diocese of Buffalo, as determined in the discretion of the Foundation's Board.

If you have donated to UTR and would like to be heard regarding this requested modification, you may send a letter to: The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y., Inc., attention Executive Director, 795 Main Street, Buffalo, N.Y. 14203 or an email to donor.info@frcdb.org. Copies of letters or email received by the Foundation will be provided to the Court. You may also make a formal filing in the legal proceeding entitled *Matter of the Modification of Endowment Funds of The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo N.Y., Inc.*, Erie County Index No. 814747/2020. In order for your submission to be available for the Court's consideration, please be sure to send any letter or email, or make any filing, no later than Friday, April 9, 2021

Food Pantry: We could still use pasta, pancake mix, syrup and jelly. Please do not leave food outside the pantry. Call the office ahead of time or bring when you attend Mass.

The pediatrics clinic at St. Lawrence Church has notified us that they will be administering the Covid-19 vaccine as it becomes available at various sites, including here at Ss. Columba-Brigid. A simple one-page application form is available in the back of the church or in our parish office. As the vaccine becomes available you will be called by the St. Lawrence staff for appointments. Although anyone receiving a vaccine must meet current requirements, you can still register so that your name will be on file even if you do not meet those requirements. The clinics will be on Friday mornings and Sunday and Monday afternoons. If you have questions you can add them to the application and someone from the staff will call you. **You must be a resident of Erie County.**

Lent: If you didn't get a copy of our Lenten bulletin handout, please contact the parish office. Also please check out our parish Facebook page and website for even more ideas on things to do for Lent.

Rice Bowl: This year Ss. Columba-Brigid parish is participating in the CRS Rice Bowl fundraiser to help end hunger and poverty around the world. If you would like to participate, please pick up a Rice Bowl kit in the basket at the entrance of the church - one per family. There are Spanish and English versions. Rice Bowl is a way for you and your family to put your faith into action this Lent with prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Please plan to return your Rice Bowl on either Holy Thursday, Easter or the following Sunday. Any questions please contact Deacon Jerry at 863-4800.