



Please pray for: Ken Mrozik, Kristin, Dennis Hunt, Elaine Damon, Ronnie Dillard, Dennis Adams, Kathy T., Fr. Vincent Becker, Samantha, Ruth Kennedy, Pat Montemarano, Anthony Pedraza, Mikah Oligo, Chris Pinto, Aida Mercado, Steve Polichette, Dick Baldwin, Pauline Steward, Dollie Seymour, and Ana Morales. 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: (On break until September) Study the Mass readings Sunday mornings 10:00-10:45 (except when we have 10:00 Mass). Call Betty at 716-322-1185.

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 or Fr. Aaron in case of special need.

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 contact Fr. Jud or Fr. Aaron 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 or Fr. Aaron 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, Fr. Aaron or Br. Jason.

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.

STAFF DIRECTORY

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Please call the Parish Office, 716-852-3331 to leave a message.

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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)

September 9 & 10, 2023
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In Heaven: Sr. Karen Klimczak



HAPPY GRANDPARENT'S DAY!



WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS TO HELP LIVESTREAM OUR WEEKEND MASSES. See Fr. Jud if you can help with this. All you need is an iPhone! You can view our Masses, live or archived, on our webpage sscolumbabrigid.org near the bottom of the page.

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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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September 9 & 10, 2023 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Sanctuary Candle a donation of \$5 to have the candle lit for in memory of or for a special intention.

Saturday, September 9, 2023

4:00 p.m. +Clifford J. Emminger by Donna & Cliff Emminger

Saturday, September 9, 2023 Camp Mass

5:30 p.m. We pray in thanksgiving for Pat Martins care for creation through her clean-up efforts in JFK Park.

Sunday, September 10, 2023

9:00 a.m. +Angel Mercado & +Junita Ortiz by Ida Mercado

11:00 a.m. +Geraldine Smith by Johnnie Bingley

Saturday, September 16, 2023

4:00 p.m. +Gary Emminger by Donna & Cliff Emminger

Sunday, September 17, 2023

9:00 a.m. For the people in Family 21

11:00 a.m. +Dawn Cappola –Trautwein by Donna Silvonek

Come Join Our Gardenin' Angels on Sat., Sept. 23 (the first day of fall!) from 9-10:30 a.m. We expect the work to be mainly weeding and trimming, so please bring tools accordingly.

Our next Men's and Women's Group meeting will be Tuesday, September 12th at 7 pm in the church hall (we have our meetings on the second Tuesday of each month). We gather each month to sing songs of praise and worship and discuss topics that are important to our faith. It is a time for lifting each other up and remembering who we are and to whom we belong! All are welcome! Any questions, please see Deacon Jerry or Betty Reiter.

Bible Study is Coming Back!! We will resume Bible Study in the parish hall on Sunday, Sept. 17, 10:00-10:45. We will study the readings for that Sunday, so we are all prepared when we go to Mass. Questions: Betty, 716-322-1185

Thank You! Last Saturday's collection was \$2, 827.50 with \$189 for HOPE/Outreach, \$750 for Capital Improvement and \$700 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.*

Special Collection: Thank you for your generosity of last weeks special collection for the Seminarian and Diaconate Formation. \$424 was donated. Our next collection will be weekend of Oct., 7-8th for Respect Life Sunday for Moms & Babies

From Pedro Liriano: If you've ever felt like you just can't get in control of your money, you're not alone. You'd be surprised how many others are struggling just like you. But it's time for your struggle to end—starting today. Join my in person *Financial Peace University* class starting on Sunday, September 17, and learn how you can pay off debt, save more money, and build wealth. Visit <https://www.fpu.com/DD846B> to sign up! My contact info is 716-241-2033 or pedro@liriano.com

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. on Thursdays Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19 & 26, Nov. 2 & 9 in our hall. The Retreat is Sat., Nov. 11, site **TBA**.

Baptism: Class for parents wishing to have a child under the age of 7 baptized will be held Sept. 7, 6:30 p.m. at Blessed Trinity in St. Charles Hall - the school building behind the church. Follow the signs. Please register by contacting the Parish Office.

Road to Renewal Updates: The six pillars will be finishing up their planning meetings this month. Their final charge will be to present a 3 year plan for the clergy to review(!) Our activation is scheduled to begin sometime in October. From there adjust and tweak things as we go. Nothing is set in stone when the activations begin.

To see all the complete pillar notes go to www.stlawrencevineyardministries.com/ and look under "more" to find the pillars you want. The meeting dates are posted on the calendar so that if you have any concerns, you can bring them to your pillar representatives before the next meeting. Meetings **are not open to guests**.

A Prayer For Our Earth from *Laudato Si'*

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.

Our Food Pantry monthly request for September is **cereal and canned vegetables and fruits**. If donating food, please call the office ahead of time or bring your food donations to Mass.

Family Faith Formation: All ages and grade levels meet at Ss. Columba-Brigid. Enjoy a meal together with separate sessions for kids and adults. We get back together for a family "project." Books for public school and preschool children will be distributed at the meeting Thurs., Sept. 14 at 5:30 p.m. in the hall. This meeting is open to all.

Season of Creation - a Project-Hearts for the Homeless

Starting this weekend, we will be collecting unusable clothing. That is, clothing that you might not want to give to Goodwill because it is too holey or stained or ripped. We will give this unsellable clothing to an organization called "Hearts for the Homeless". They send this material on to a company that then re-manufactures it into building materials (insulation) that is used in home construction. By doing this, we are reducing the amount of material that goes into a local land-fill, PLUS contributing to the production of cheaper housing construction. A collection area will be set up in the lobby or hallway of the church. There will be a sign on the box for your donation. So, start collecting your unusable clothing items now.

That way you will be ready for the Season of Creation which began September 1. This is a way to "do something" for the earth while we keep praying for her. Thanks for considering this idea for September and even beyond.

A beloved parishioner is looking for a one bedroom room apartment. Please call the office if you can help.