



Please pray for: Marshall Maxwell, Jerome Singletary, Dennis Adams, Alex Talowski, Fr. Gabe, Carol Duffie, Michael Farkas, Mary Lou Acevedo, Louise Solomon, Ken Mrozik, Pauline Steward, Chris Pinto, Dick Baldwin, Aida Mercado, Dennis Hunt, Roland Autry and Peggy Wolf. Previous names are in our pray for book. Call the office at 716-852-3331 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 716-847-1463. Before a child receives the sacrament, parents and god-parents have to 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 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 Catholic chaplain in case of emergency.

Trilingual Rosary: join our English/Spanish/Igbo Rosary on Mondays via Zoom at 7 p.m. All are welcome! To join, check our Facebook page, see Pedro, or call the office so we can send you the link. The Rosary lasts till 7:45. There will be no Rosary on Monday, Dec. 12 as we will be celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

STAFF DIRECTORY

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Sat: Cory Gallagher 716-868-2047 (Weddings & Funerals)
Sunday 9:00: Pedro Rivera
Sunday 11:00: Linda Appleby

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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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)

December 3-4 2022
Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church
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Pastor: Fr. William "Jud" Weiksna, OFM
Deacon: Mr. Jerry Hodson
Br. Tim Dauenhauer, OFM (in residence)
In Heaven: Sr. Karen Klimczak

**Welcome to our guests this weekend:
the diaconate candidates and their
wives, the Notre Dame Club of Buffalo
and Western New York, and anyone
else visiting us!**

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS WHO LIVESTREAM OUR WEEKEND MASSES. You can view them on our webpage sscolumbabrigid.org near the bottom of the page.

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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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December 3-4, 2022 2nd Sunday of Advent

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week for the intentions of Fr. Gabe Scarfia OFM by Paula & Dennis Hunt.

Saturday, December 3, 2022

4:00 p.m. +Ed Kazmark by +Mary & Family

Sunday, December 4, 2022

9:00 a.m. +Julia A. Escalante by Benita Rodriguez

11:a.m. +Ntandikiye Joseph by the Ndayishimiye Family

Saturday, December 10, 2022

4:00 p.m. Intentions of the Do Family

Sunday, December 11, 2022

9:00 a.m. For the poor souls in purgatory by Dat Tran

11:a.m. Intentions of the Do Family

Monday, December 12, 2022 “Our Lady of Guadalupe”

7:00 p.m. +Joakim Hyat by Sister Christina

Our Lady of Guadalupe: We will celebrate her feast day on Mon., Dec. 12 with a bilingual Mass at 7 p.m. Please bring a rose to place before Our Lady in honor of her feast day.

Bring a Sign of Hope to the incarcerated this Christmas. We will fill the gift bags that so many of you decorated on Fri., Dec. 9 at Blessed Trinity church. More details to come.

Our Family 21 Trip to Fatima to see Fr. Roy's Nativity sets and the Festival of Lights is Sat., Dec. 10. We are renting a bus, and will leave Ss. Columba-Brigid at 5:15 p.m. \$10 per person includes the ride and a simple dinner. To reserve a spot sign the sheet in the vestibule. We are inviting the other parishes from Family 21, so space is limited. Questions? See Paula.

Check the Easel in the main entrance, or our Facebook page, for events going on in our Family 21 parishes.

Parish Council Group D meets Tues., Dec. 13 at 7 p.m. in the St. Lucy Room.

Thank You! Last weekend's collection was \$2,895.33. We also received \$410 for HOPE/Outreach and \$25 in memorium. *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.*

Our Special Collection Thank you for last week's collection of \$204 for the Campaign for Human Development. Coming up Dec. 10-11: the Religious Retirement Appeal.

Fr. Gabe is now residing at the St. Elizabeth Motherhouse, Room 224, 115 E. Main Street, Allegany, NY 14706.

Buffalo Urban League 2023 Scholarship Applications are available. To be eligible you must be a high school Senior graduating during the 2022-23 academic year or a recent HSE/GED recipient (within the current academic year) and planning to attend college or a vocational school in the fall of 2023. Applications are on the table in the vestibule.

Sign a Petition to Bring Wegmans to Towne Gardens Plaza in the back of church. 592 have signed, plus 98 online (search Wegmans Buffalo on Change.org).

Young author and activist Aimee Murphy will promote her book *Rehumanize: A Vision to Secure Human Rights for All* on Sun., Dec. 11 at 5 Loaves Farm, 1172 West Ave. in Buffalo from 5:45-7:45 p.m. Aimee discusses human rights from a pro-life perspective, including such topics as abortion, euthanasia and war, with a Consistent Life Ethic that transcends party differences. The event is free.

Christmas Community Concert: Sun., Dec. 18, 3 p.m. at St. Martin De Porres, 555 Northampton. Featuring the combined voices of Ss. Columba-Brigid, St. John Vianney, St. Martin de Porres, The New Beginnings Choral Ensemble, and Mistress of Ceremony Marsha McWilson. Free.

Road to Renewal Updates: The target date for Family 21 (Ss. Columba-Brigid, Blessed Trinity, St. Lawrence and St. Martin de Porres) to formally begin is January 15. Fr. Joe Rogliano has applied to be Senior Pastor for Family 21.

Tues. Dec. 13 - NBCC meeting, 6 p.m. at St. Martin dePorres: An important meeting regarding attending the National Black Catholic Congress XIII scheduled for July 20-23 in Washington, DC will be held at SMDP on Tuesday, December 13th at 6 p.m. Important details will be shared.

Snow Mass 2023 will be the first day of 6 inches of snow to fall in the new year at 6 p.m. in the Sister Karen Garden, with hot cocoa to follow. 6 feet was a bit much!

Fr. Roy's Nativity Sets will be displayed at Our Lady of Fatima in Lewiston as follows: Friday Dec. 2, 9, 16 and Jan. 6: 5-9 p.m. Saturdays-Sundays Dec. 3-Jan. 8: 1-9 p.m. (Closed on Christmas and New Year's Eve and Day.) Monday-Friday, Dec. 19-30: 5-9 p.m. 150 sets are also on display in the lower level at Our Lady of Victory in Lackawanna through Fri., Jan. 6, from 6:30 a.m.—7 p.m. (7:30 p.m. on Saturdays). For more information about the Nativities contact Fr. Roy at 716-852-2076 or royhope@aol.com

Faith Formation: Our first Faith Formation meeting for K - 8th grade students will be Thursday, December 8th. 5 pm - 7 pm with the option of attending the Holy Day Mass of the Immaculate Conception from 7 - 8 pm. The meeting will take place in the church hall. This is ongoing faith formation for our youth and will lead into special classes for First Reconciliation and First Communion. Parents are encouraged to stay for the class. Instructors from all four parishes will be attending. For any faith formation questions see Deacon Jerry.

Our Food Pantry needs tuna, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jelly, pancake mix, syrup, and cereal. 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.

The Alpha program meets Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. at St. Lawrence. A meal is included. See Deacon Jerry for info.

Bible Study is Sunday mornings 10:00-10:45 (except on Sundays when we have 10:00 Mass). We study the readings for Mass. Call Betty at 716-322-1185.

St. Ann's Church, School and Convent were sold to Buffalo Crescent Holdings, Inc. (the Downtown Islamic Center) for \$250,000 on Nov. 16. The church will be transformed into a mosque, and the religious artifacts will be removed from the interior according to diocesan guidelines to assure their placement in appropriate settings. Ss. Columba-Brigid received \$120,000 to reimburse us for the utilities and other expenses we paid over the past several years. The St. Ann's Rectory is being sold to Crescent in a separate transaction. See Fr. Jud if you have any questions.

January Birthday? Notify the parish office so we can include your name in the bulletin at the end of next month.

Christmas Schedule: Christmas Eve Bilingual Mass with Posadas, Sat., Dec. 24, 6 p.m.; Christmas Day Bilingual Mass, Sun., Dec. 25, 10 a.m.

Need assistance with Christmas gifts for your children or teens? Catholic Charities is a member of the WNY Holiday Partnership and can assist with gifts for your child or children ages 0-18. To receive a referral for the Christmas program, call 716-856-4494 or visit our Buffalo office at 525 Washington Street.