



Please pray for: Karen Helinski, Peggy Lombardo, Jim Capece Sr., Loriane Garwol, Roland Autry, Ken Dolph, Fr. Gabe, Carol Duffie, Michael Farkas, Mary Lou Acevedo, Louise Solomon, Ken Mrozik, Pauline Steward, Chris Pinto, Dick Baldwin, Steve Welninski, Carmen Rivera, Tera McIlwaine, Jack Sutton, Stacey Herberger, Aida Mercado and Alberto & Maria Ortiz. 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 godparents 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 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. We pray in English, Spanish, and Igbo, and sing in English and Spanish. The Rosary lasts till 7:45.

STAFF DIRECTORY

Pastoral Associates:

Carmen R. Rivera 716-847-1463
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Secretary:

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Coordinator of Faith Formation:

Deacon Jerry Hodson 716-852-3331

Business Manager:

Bill Marks 716-677-5656

Music Ministers:

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.

Church Hall Rental: 716-852-3331

Communion Visitations:

Dennis Hunt 716-400-8204

Fundraising Committee: Monica Zielinski
mzielinski@aol.com 716 553-1750

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

Thanks to Amuna (Josephine) for helping in the parish office while Karen recuperates!



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)

October 8-9, 2022
Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church
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Buffalo, NY 14204
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Pastor: Fr. William "Jud" Weiksna, OFM

Deacon: Mr. Jerry Hodson

Fr. Gabe Scarfia, OFM (in residence)

Br. Tim Dauenhauer, OFM (in residence)

In Heaven: Sr. Karen Klimczak

Join Us for the Diocesan Day of Service
on Saturday, Oct. 22
Details are inside the bulletin.

We have had people in the hospital or who are homebound ask, "Can you please livestream the Mass?" However, we are unable to do so until we find new volunteers for each Mass. See Fr. Jud or Rick Zielinski if you would like to learn how. If you know how to join a Zoom call, you probably already have all the skills you need. We are grateful to Julie Nicpon for helping us at the 11:00 Mass, but we need more volunteers. Thank you for considering this possibility.

WHEN VOLUNTEERS ARE AVAILABLE TO 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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October 8 & 9, 2022 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Light the Sanctuary Candle for \$5 donation.

Saturday, October 8, 2022

4:00 p.m. +Patrick Brick by the Notre Dame Club

Sunday, October 9, 2022

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

11:00 a.m. English +Marguerite Kennedy by Pat & Joanne Montemarano

Saturday, October 15, 2022

4:00 p.m. +Chris G. Pinto by Fr. Jud

Sunday, October 16, 2022

9:00 a.m. Spanish Special intentions of the Do Family by Chieu Do

11:00 a.m. English +Ntandikiye Joseph by the Ndayishimiye Family

Road to Renewal Update – Activation Stage

The purpose of this stage is to allow the parishes of the Family to work on the six Pillars that make up being Church: Liturgy, Spiritual Life, Forming Disciples, OutReach/InReach, Stewardship and Administration. Pillar Groups are formed to identify how the Family will organize and perform the work within these Pillars. Your thoughts and skills are important to the successful launch of our Family – please join one of these Pillar Groups by contacting Fr. Jud or the parish office. As we continue down the Road to Renewal, visit our website www.RoadToRenewal.org and pray the Prayer for Renewal regularly. See you on the Road to Renewal!

Update – Family Action Plan The goal of the six-month Activation Stage for each Family is to collaborate on the creation of a Family Action Plan, which will define goals, strategies, expected outcomes, and creative solutions for reaching a vibrant future characterized by spiritual vitality and fiscal responsibility to attract new members of the Family. This Plan will guide each Family over the course of the next 3-5 years. As we continue down the Road to Renewal, visit our website at www.RoadToRenewal.org.

Thank You! Last weekend's collection was \$3,484. We also received \$359.25 for HOPE/Outreach and \$464 in 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.***

Our Next Special Collection: Oct. 15-16 for Hurricane Relief. Thank you for generously giving \$273 in last week's Respect Life collection.

Parish Council: Group B meets Tues., Oct. 18 at 7 p.m. We still need parishioners for Group C (Spanish) and Group D. If you did not serve last year, you are eligible this year. Please sign the list in church, or contact Martha, Ernest or Fr. Jud

The Diocesan Cultural Diversity Gala is Fri., Oct. 14 at Classics V. Tickets are \$50. See Carmen Rivera or Richard Clark for tickets by Oct. 10. Proceeds support the Office of Cultural Diversity and its programs.

Liturgy Committee Interested in how we choose themes for our liturgies (for examples, Season of Creation, and Black Catholic History Month)? Would you like to help us plan for Advent and Christmas? Are you good at decorating? The Liturgy Committee meets Tuesday, Oct. 11 at 1 p.m. in the church hall. Please contact Olivia Marks to join, or leave a message in the parish office.

Scholarships: The deadline for the MLK and Lenhard Scholarships is Nov. 18. The MLK Scholarship is awarded to high school students and the Lenhard Scholarship to undergrads and grad students. We have information sheets about these wonderful scholarships in the church sacristy.

Movie Night: Fr. Stu (for teens and adults only), here on Friday, Oct. 21 at 6:30 p.m.

Check the Easel in the main entrance, or our Facebook page, for Family of Parishes info!

Sign the Petition to bring a Wegmans to Towne Gardens Plaza in the back of church or online at <https://www.change.org/p/bring-wegmans-to-buffalo-s-east-side>. 438 have signed, plus 98 from the online petition.

Medicare/Medicaid Meeting: Sat. Oct. 15, 9:30 a.m. in English with a lite breakfast or noon in Spanish with a lite lunch. Please Sign the sheet in the vestibule if you plan to come.

Synod Voices Continue to Be Heard: Earlier this year our diocese participated in the worldwide Synod called for by Pope Francis. The results from ALL the U.S. Dioceses have been consolidated and are at the USCCB website at the link below. Please read this important document - and notice that many comments from throughout the country match the results of our own Diocesan Listening Session. (The link is also on our parish social media.) US Synod Synthesis: <https://www.usccb.org/resources/us-national-synthesis-2021-2023-synod>

If you can drive or help for 3 hours on Oct. 22 for the Diocesan Day of Caring, please see Paula or sign up in church. We will be assisting our elderly parishioners and shut-ins, helping them with tasks such as going to the store, visiting a loved one's gravesite, etc.

Attend a Day of Reflection on the National Black Catholic Congress, "Write the Vision: A Prophetic Call to Thrive", at St. Martin de Porres, 555 Northampton Street, on Sun, Oct. 23 from 1-4 p.m. RSVP at 716-847-2212.

Our next Men's and Women's Group meeting: Wed., Oct. 19, 7 p.m. in the church. We meet once per month to sing songs of praise and talk about how God is present in our lives and what that means for us as men and women of God. All are welcome so please join us and bring a friend! Any questions, please call Deacon Jerry at 863-4800.

Our Food Pantry needs spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jelly, pancake mix, syrup, instant mashed potatoes and oatmeal. 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 has begun successfully and will continue exploring basics of the Christian faith every Tuesday at 5:30 for 10 more weeks. A meal is included. See Deacon Jerry for more details.

Faith Formation: This year we are using a new format for our faith formation in Family 21 (Blessed Trinity, St. Lawrence, St. Martin DePorres, and Ss. Columba-Brigid). Families will receive materials to instruct children from grades K-8 at home. At-home instruction will begin in October. Three times per year, all the families will meet at one of our churches for a special time of instruction. All the books and other materials will be provided, and we are asking each family for a \$6 donation per child, with a maximum of \$20 per family, to cover costs. If that is a hardship for you, please contact your parish office. We ask that all families with children in grades K-8 fill out a registration form. Forms are available at all of our churches. We will have more information soon on faith formation for our high school students, for older children and adults who are seeking to be baptized, and for teens and adults who are seeking the sacraments of First Communion and/or Confirmation. For more information contact Deacon Jerry.

New date for Rosary: The Respect Life Rosary at Holy Cross Church on Niagara Street has been changed to **9:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 29.**

Family Game Night Sat., Oct. 29 at St. Lawrence. Details to come.