



**Please pray for:** Joyce Kawa, Mary Kazmark, Joe Dauer, Jacques Crocker, Wilma McCalla, Mary Lou Acevedo, Pat Rosenhahn, Dinh & family, Jerry Wszalek, Louise Solomon, Ken Mrozik, Vincent & Marjane Messina, Fr. Gabe, Rene & Jay Plodzik, Betty Bryant, Andrew Hendel, Al Knight, Karen Dake, Pauline Steward, Chris Pinto, residents of Buffalo Peace House. The previous names are now in our Pray For book. Call the office at 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 847-1463. Before a child receives the sacrament, parents and godparents have to attend a pre-baptismal class. We baptize children at Mass.

**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.

**Rosary:** Every Monday join our trilingual Rosary via Zoom at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to pray together. To join, let us know in the office and we will forward your e-mail to Pedro so he can send you the link. The Rosary is prayed partly in English, Spanish, and Igbo, and we have music in English and Spanish. It lasts about 45 minutes. Children are welcome to join as well!

**STAFF DIRECTORY**

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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



**April 9 & 10, 2022**  
**Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church**  
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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

**Masks are now optional for all participants in liturgies held in Catholic churches and worship spaces located in the diocese of Buffalo based on prevailing guidance from health officials and/or an individual's doctor or other medical professional. Masks may continue to be worn at the discretion of the individual. Out of pastoral concern, the safety of others should always be considered when making this choice.**

**In our parish we are resuming activities such as the Men's and Women's Groups, Bible Study and Family Faith Formation. Wearing of masks is at your discretion. We have also resumed our Sunday coffee & donuts social, for all those who feel comfortable in that setting.**

**We update our policies in consultation with the diocese as conditions change. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.**

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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](https://tithe.ly). Just go to [sscolumbabrigid.org](http://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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## April 9 & 10, Palm Sunday Of The Passion Of The Lord

**Sanctuary Candle:** This week the candle will be lit for special intentions of Joyce Kawa by Karen Helinski.

### **Saturday, April 9**

**4:00 p.m.** +Clarence Moses

### **Sunday, April 10**

**9:00 a.m.** Special Intentions for members of the Do Family by Chieu Do

**11:00 a.m.** +T. Paul Weiksnar by Melissa Weiksnar

### **Saturday, April 16 Holy Saturday**

**8:00 p.m.** For the people of the parish

### **Sunday, April 17 Easter Sunday Bilingual**

**10:00 a.m.** +Mary Ann Gatza by The Smigiel-ski Family

**Decorating:** We will be decorating on Sunday April 10th after the 11am Mass for Holy Thursday. If you can spare about 15 minutes your help will be greatly appreciated. Also on Friday April 15 at 10am for the mass that night and again on Saturday April 16 at 10am for the Easter Vigil that night. If you can give us some assistance at any of those times, we would be very happy. Thank you for your help in making Ss. Columba-Brigid beautiful for this Holy Week's services!

**CRS Rice Bowl:** What better time than Holy Week to bring in your donations? Please bring your Rice Bowl to any of the services during Holy Week. When the gifts are brought up at the offertory collection, we ask that you place your donation on the stairs to the altar.

**Chrism Mass:** Tuesday, April 12 at 7 p.m. (during Holy Week) at the Cathedral. Fr. Jud is looking for a volunteer to go with him to pick up the holy oils at this Mass. Please call Fr. Jud or the office if you are interested.

**Easter Flowers:** It is always nice to see our church decorated so beautifully for Easter. If you are able to donate toward the expense it will be greatly appreciated.

**Thank You** for last weekend's collection of \$1,962.50, and \$247 for HOPE/Outreach. We understand if you can't give at this time due to financial hardship. We also received \$160 for capital improvements, \$75 for the food pantry, and \$160 in restricted donations. Please advise us if we might be able to help you with any special needs through our HOPE fund. Also, please pray daily for our parish.

**Our next special collection** on April 15 (Good Friday) is the annual Holy Land Collection.

**"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."** Jesus calls us to help and love our neighbors, especially those who are most vulnerable and struggling. Catholic Charities of Buffalo offers several basic and emergency services, such as food, rehousing, medications and clothing. Your donation to the Appeal 2022 today can help ensure that the hungry have food, the naked have clothing and those facing eviction have shelter. Our parish is up to 76% of our goal of \$12,091. If you have given already this year, thank you! We are still 13 donors away from surpassing last year's total of 37. Donation forms are at the back of church, or give at ccwny.org (and make sure you note that you belong to Ss. Columba-Brigid). Or text **GIVEHOPE22** to 44321 Thanks for your generosity!

**Laudato Si' Action!** Thanks to Marta Rodriguez Perez and Dawne Talty for enrolling Ss. Columba-Brigid Parish in the Laudato Si' Action Platform. The Parish Council approved this enrollment in our latest meeting. Pope Francis has asked every Catholic parish, school, hospital, friary, etc. to enroll so we can share with others what we have done to care for the Earth, our common home, as well as learn what others are doing.

**Survey Said:** Thanks to all 34 parishioners who filled out the Disciple Maker Index Survey online, and about 30 who filled out paper surveys. Your responses will help us in our planning for the Road to Renewal.

**Check the Easel** in the main entrance of the church for Lenten events with our Family of Families, such as Friday Stations of the Cross and Monday CCCB (Catholic Churches of Central Buffalo) Lenten Journey Masses. It is also on our parish Facebook page and website, or you can take a picture of it on your phone so you'll have the schedule handy!

**Holy Week Schedule (all services are bilingual):**

**April 14—Holy Thursday:** 7 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11 p.m.

**April 15—Good Friday:** 12 noon Stations of the Cross, 7 p.m. the Passion of the Lord

**April 16—Holy Saturday:** 10 a.m. basket blessing; 8:30 p.m. Easter Vigil

**April 17—Easter Sunday:** 10 a.m. Mass

**Donations for Ukraine:** As of Tuesday \$1,025 in cash has been donated by parishioners for the Franciscan Relief Fund for the friars still ministering in Ukraine. We know many other people have donated online, using the link on our parish Facebook page. Thank you for your generosity!

**Let Us Celebrate!** Join us to thank Sr. Maureen Harris for all her years dedicated to "us", the Catholic Churches of Central Buffalo. Our family of parishes is planning a dinner honoring sister on Fri., May 13 at 6 p.m. in our church hall. \$15/per person for dinner, beverages and homemade desserts. Please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule. RSVP will close on Sun., May 1. For payment please put in an envelope with your name and amount attending and place in collection basket when you attend Mass, but still remember to sign your name on the sign up sheet in vestibule.

**Our Food Pantry** needs cereal, peanut butter and jelly, and mac & cheese. Please do not leave food outside the pantry. If donating food, please call the office ahead of time or bring the donations to Mass.

**Holy Roll 2022:** At 8:30 p.m. on Holy Thursday, April 14, the Holy Roll bike ride will visit seven churches starting with Ss. Columba-Brigid. We will also visit St. Stan's, Corpus Christi, St. John Kanty, St. Adalbert, St. Luke's and Our Lady of Perpetual Help before returning to Ss. Columba-Brigid at approximately 11 p.m. The ride is about 10 miles and includes several bridges, and some of the streets will be dark. We spend about five minutes in each church. In past years, 40-50 people have joined the ride, several of them non-Catholics. Please see the Events page of our parish Facebook or ask Fr. Jud for more details.

**Pot Luck Social:** Yay! We will resume our pot luck social on Sunday, May 29 after the 10:00 Mass.

**Something very sad** happened in our church, writes our parishioner Obi Alaku:

"I write you with utter astonishment and disappointment because it beats my imagination that this will happen in the house of God. I mistakenly forgot my purse in the church Saturday evening after 4:00 Mass. I came back Sunday to look for it and pick it up intact, only for me to realize that the little money in the purse is gone including \$50 that my son received as an award for answering questions at school, which he was planning to donate to a woman living with cancer. I am so disappointed but pleading with whoever took the money to bring it back to church or face God's punishment."

We encourage anyone who may have taken the money to return it in an envelope marked "For Obi" to the sacristy, no questions asked.