



Please pray for: Elaine Damon, Ronnie Dillard, Dennis Adams, Kathy T., Fr. Vincent Becker, Samantha, Zoey Virella, Ruth Kennedy, Pat Montemarano, Anthony Pedraza, Mikah Oligo, Chris Pinto, Aida Mercado, Steve Polichette, Dick Baldwin, Pauline Steward, Dollie Seymour, Way Y, 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 the Pastor 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 or Fr. Aaron.

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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Sunday 11:00: Linda Appleby

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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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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)

***The Franciscan Friars of Holy Name Province** invite you to share our joy at Solemn Profession of our Brothers Luis M. Rosado, OFM and Jason D. Damon, OFM on August 26, 2023. The ceremony starts at 11 a.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 135 W. 31st Street, New York, N.Y. Please RSVP by August 18th if you plan to attend to sberrio@friars.us or 646-473-0265 ext. 309.*

***Also:** With Praise and Thanksgiving to Almighty God, Holy Name Province joyfully announces and invites you to attend the Ordination of our brothers Luis Rosado, OFM and Jason Damon, OFM on Sunday August 27, 2023 at noon in St. Mary's Church, 17 Pompton Ave, Pompton Lakes, NJ 07442. Reception to follow at the Carnevale Center at 10 Lenox Ave. in Pompton Lakes. We are so blessed to have Br. Jason with us, soon to be called Fr. Jason D. Damon, OFM.*

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 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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July 29 & 30, 2023 17th Sunday in Ordinary time

The Sanctuary Candle

Saturday, July 29, 2023

4:00 p.m. +Jeff Caruso by John & Mercy Sullivan

Sunday, July 30, 2023 Bilingual

10:00 a.m. +Joyce A. Siuda & +Stephen Greenway by Luz Morales

Saturday, August 5, 2023

4:00 p.m. +Joseph by the Ndayishimie Family

Sunday, August 6, 2023

9:00 a.m. +Leticia and Blanca Bone by Celcia Ross

11:00 a.m. +Carol A. Smith by Donna & Cliff Emminger

Ushers needed: Attention young adults, even our teen agers. You can be an usher, and help make the lines of people receiving communion run smoothly. Other responsibilities would be to collect the offerings and pass out the bulletins. Please call Sandy Villa at 716-885-6706.

Gardenin' Angels and Friends will meet on Sat., Aug. 12 from 9-10:30 a.m. Thanks for all your help with the East Side Garden Walk!

Come to Buffalo Day at the Chautauqua Institution! A group of us are going to the Chautauqua Institution on Tuesday, Aug. 8 for the day. Chautauqua is a community of artists, educators, thinkers, faith leaders and friends dedicated to exploring the best in humanity. Whether it's your first time visiting or your fiftieth, Wisdom will be gleaned. Memories will be made, Life will be enriched, and Positive change is your charge. Admission is free for residents of zip codes 14201-14280 on this special day. Please bring about \$30 to cover lunch and dinner. We will leave Ss. Columba Brigid at 7:30 a.m. and return sometime in the evening. Please contact Deacon Jerry if you are interested in going. The day will include an ecumenical worship service, a lecture on Grand Canyon National Park, a picnic, walking around the grounds and more.

Thank You! Last week's collection was \$2,278, with \$400 for HOPE/Outreach, and \$121 in Restricted or Special Donations. We also received an additional \$25 for the previous week's Peter's Pence second collection. *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 Collections: This week's second collection is for the Retired Diocesan Priests' Medical Benefits Fund. On Aug. 5 & 6 we will have a special Mission Appeal speaker, Sr. Mary from the Catechetical Sisters of Arogyamatha of Kadapa Diocese, India. The sisters take care of orphans, young girls and women in India. They do their ministries among the poorest of poor in India especially in the remote villages.

Thurs. Eve Bible Study via Zoom with Fr. Gabe is taking a break for the summer, and plans to resume in September.

Catholic Health is looking for volunteers for all of our hospital sites – Kenmore Mercy, Sisters of Charity, Mercy Hospital of Buffalo, and Mt. St. Mary's. Volunteers are the heart of our community! For more information, call Lisa Carey, Supervisor of Volunteer Services, at 716-862-1106 or apply online at: <https://www.chsbuffalo.org/volunteer>.

Come see The Chosen: We're going back to Thursdays! Come see another episode of "The Chosen" with us in the parish office at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 3.

Happy Birthday! Rachel Baldwin-Lee, Rosemarie Dolph, Marty Gzyl, Eloise Johnson, Michael Kennedy, Maria Montes, Alberto Ortiz, Milca Teklzghi. May your special day be filled with much love! If your birthday will be in September, please let Karen know in the Parish Office.

Road to Renewal Updates: The Inreach/Outreach Pillar met on July 10. They discussed the Road to Renewal planning document, including the Oct. 1 deadline for completion, the inventory that will be added to it, and the opportunity to review it, comment on it and edit it. Any edits will be discussed at the next meeting.

To see all the pillar notes go to www.stlawrencevineyardministries.com/ and look under "more" to find the pillars you want.

Note from our Pastor: Dear Family, Back in the saddle. Have a blessed week!

In His love, *Father Joe*

Prayer for Peace of Mind and Heart

God of love and compassion, I come to You burdened with worries, fears, doubts, and troubles. Calm me, quiet me with peace of mind. Free me of the anxiety that disturbs me, of the concern that weary my spirit and weigh heavy on my heart.

Release me of the disappointments and grievances I hold on to so tightly. Help me let go of the pain of past hurts, of present tension and anger, of future fears.

Sometimes it's too much for me, Lord. Too many demands and problems. Too much sadness, suffering and stress.

Renew me spiritually and emotionally. Give me new strength, hope and confidence. Prepare me to deal with the constant struggles of daily life with a deeper faith and trust in You.

Let Your love set me free ...

for peace, for joy, for grace, for life, for others, forever.

Amen

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Our Food Pantry monthly request for July 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 of Parishes Picnic Hosted by St. Martin de Porres Holy Name: Sun., August 20, 2023 at Como Park gazebo from 1-7 p.m. St. Martin's will provide burgers, hot dogs and condiments. Each individual parish will provide its own side dishes, desserts, beverages, ice and coolers. Grills will be set up for anyone wanting to grill chicken or ribs. There will be a main table set up for anyone that would like to share a dish. **Please see the sign up sheet in the vestibule.**

Faith Formation: All children of the parish from **age 3 to grade 12** are now welcome to register for religious education and youth events! Please complete the front of the form completely. Registrations are due by August 1. Children enrolled in **both Catholic and public schools** need to complete the forms. Please ask Deacon Jerry if you have any questions.

Feast of St. Lawrence: Join our friends at St. Lawrence on Sun., Aug. 6 after their noon Mass for a chicken dinner, weenie roast, basket raffles, and more! Call 716-892-2471 for more info.

We are so pleased to have three baptisms this Sunday, and another planned for Aug. 6 at the 9 a.m. Mass. If you have an infant or child who needs to be baptized, please see Deacon Jerry or Carmen.

We could use a few more Eucharistic Ministers: if you are interested please contact Pat Dyer about a training: 716-256-2598 or patriciadyernp@gmail.com