



Please pray for: Barbara J., Bob Meister, Donna O'Connor, Bill Dunford, Gary Maloney, Regina Lewis, Melinda Emminger, Stella Amadi, Marbel Davis, Linda Thaler, Carol Duffie, Annie Hirschbine, Harley Collette, Katie Smith, Harold Harden, Peggy Wolf, Diane Hanny, Betty Bryant, Jackson Liriano and Mary Lou Acevedo. The previous names listed have been written in our Pray For book. Please call the office at 852-3331 if you would like 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 any child receives the sacrament, parents and godparents are required to attend a pre-baptismal class. We are resuming baptizing children at Mass, but will be limited to one family per Mass.

Reconciliation: 1st Saturday of the month, 3:00-3:45, but call Fr. Jud in case of dire 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 are requested to notify our Church office immediately. Because of privacy regulations, institutions no longer notify parish communities.

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

Catholic Charities Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, friars and friends, we have attained 117% of our 2021 Catholic Charities goal of \$10,210! We also surpassed the amount we raised in last year's appeal, a great achievement considering the economic challenges caused by the pandemic. God bless you for your goodness!

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837-7100

3060 Abbott Rd.
(near Lake)
823-4812

102 Linwood Ave.
(near Summer)
886-5363

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STAFF DIRECTORY

Pastoral Associates:

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

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Tera McIlwain 316-9833
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Ministries Coordinators:

Saturday Mass:

4 p.m. Margaret Frainier 834-8296

Sunday Mass:

9 a.m. Carmen R. Rivera 847-1463
11 a.m. Sandy Villa 885-6706



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)

May 8 & 9, 2021
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

Br. Tim Dauenhauer, OFM

In Heaven: Sr. Karen Klimczak

Adoration: Until further notice, we will not be having Adoration on First Fridays. If a group of at least four parishioners is willing to organize a group that can be responsible for setting up and attending Adoration, we would be happy to resume monthly Adoration. Please contact Fr. Jud or Paula if you are interested.

We are no longer requiring you to register in advance to attend Mass. State and county regulations allow us to accommodate 150 people at Mass, and except for Easter Sunday we have had fewer than 100 any given Sunday. At Mass you will still be asked to wear a mask, to sit only in the indicated pews, and to use hand sanitizer. We will also continue to take the names of attendees, in case we need to contact you. We ask that after Mass you leave the church as promptly as possible. If you wish to congregate after Mass, please do so outside. Thank you!



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OUR FACEBOOK PAGE IS: @sscolumbabrigidchurch

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, and work for justice in our daily lives.

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, especially in these days when we cannot have everyone here in person.

May 8 & 9, 2021 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sanctuary Candle: *Lit this week for special intentions of Barbara Booze. Also, Happy Birthday and Mothers Day by Sandy Villa*

Saturday May 8, 2021

4:00 p.m. +Betty Birks & James Zlotek by John Birks

Sunday May 9, 2021

9:00 a.m. +Giuseppe Bufalino (anniversary of death) by daughter Maria

11:00 a.m. +Encarnacion Irizarry-Cruz & Nora Ferguson by Luz Morales

Saturday May 15, 2021

4:00 p.m. +Maryanne Keller by Nancy Wade

Sunday May 16, 2021

9:00 a.m. +Helen Weiksnar by Joe & Barb Strusienski

11:00 a.m. +Joe Ohl by Carol & Jerry Sentz

Cantors: If you would like to cantor (be a leader of song) at 11:00 Mass, please see our choir director Linda Appleby.

Road to Renewal - We have received a response from the diocese regarding our Trinity Proposal. Although they advised us to slow down, to reduce our expenses, and to not expect subsidies for poor parishes under the Road to Renewal, we still believe many aspects of our Trinity Proposal have merit. We will be meeting this week with Fr. Bryan Zielenieski who is guiding the Road to Renewal Process. Fr. Jud will meet with him with fellow pastors on Wednesday, and several of our lay leaders will meet with him and with laypeople from other parishes later that afternoon. Although the news was not encouraging news for our central city parishes,, we still believe the success of our past two Lenten series on *Laudato Si'* and *Fratelli Tutti* indicate that those documents could be important foundational pieces of the Road to Renewal, and we are fully cooperating with the Road to Renewal process.

Thank You for last weekend's collection of \$2,539.83. We also received \$258.72 through our website donate button, and \$267 in Facebook donations. To date we have received \$1,845 in memory of Helen Weiksnar. Donors also gave \$775 for capital improvements and \$345.25 for our HOPE fund. We need about \$6,000 per week to pay all our bills. We understand if you can't give at this time due to financial hardship. Please advise us if we might be able to help you with any special needs during this difficult time through our HOPE fund. Please pray daily for our parish. Our next special collection will be May 29 & 30 for the Church in Latin America & Church in Africa.

"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends," Jesus tells us. This does not always mean one heroic act of self-sacrifice. It can also be a life laid down in daily self-denial & service to others. The priesthood is just such a life. There is no greater love! To learn more, call Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit bufalovocations.org.

Thank you! Fr. Jud and his siblings would like to thank you once again for your outpouring of prayers and support at the death of their mother, Helen Weiksnar. Please excuse us if we are unable to thank each of you personally, but we truly appreciate your presence at the wake and funeral, and your generous donations to the parish in her memory. God bless you!

Sister Karen's Garden! Be sure to check out the bricks in Sr. Karen's garden. They are all cleaned up! Anyone interested in purchasing a brick in remembrance of someone please call the parish office. Also, the Tree of Life in the vestibule has leaves available for people or groups making donations to the parish. Contact the parish office if you are interested in that as well.

Ride for Roswell: Thanks to generous donors, Fr. Jud has surpassed his fundraising goal and is eligible to ride in the Ride for Roswell Peloton to UB the night before the actual Ride. Regardless of whether you donate, if you would like Fr. Jud to pray for you or anyone else affected by cancer while he rides, please let him know. If you would like to donate, please go to rideforroswell.org, click on "Find a Rider" and type in William Weiksnar. (Did you know William is Fr. Jud's real first name?) If you prefer, you could instead write a check to Ride for Roswell. Even better, maybe you would like to ride this year and raise money for Roswell Park! There are many routes and dates to choose from. Instructions are on that same website.

Tech Help: Please contact the office if you are technically Inclined and could help us with our many tech issues including computers, wi-fi, etc. We're hoping someone out there knows more than we boomers do!

East Side Garden Walk: If you live in the city north of the 190 and east of Main, consider registering your garden for the 2021 East Side Garden Walk which will be held on July 17th. It's free, low-key, and easy. Pick up an info card at church, or check out <https://www.gardensbuffaloniagara.com/esgw-2021>. Deadline is May 15th. Your garden needn't be big or fancy - even flower pots and hanging baskets on your front porch show your love and build community!

Men's Group: Men, please join us in two weeks on Tuesday, May 18 at 7 p.m. in the church hall.

Family Faith Formation: Families, please join us on Zoom on Sunday, May 16 at 4 p.m. The theme is "Call and Vocation." Please contact Deacon Jerry if you have any questions.

Food Pantry: We can use pasta, pancake mix, syrup, jelly, beans (not green or black) and canned fruit. Please do not leave food outside the pantry. If you are donating food, please call the office ahead of time or bring the donations to Mass.

"SONGS FOR THE SOUL" INSPIRATIONAL CONCERT by Rev. Bill Quinlivan Come hear Fr. Bill from 7-8 p.m., Monday, May 17 in Our Lady of Pompeii Church, 129 Laverack Ave., Lancaster, NY 14086. **RSVP REQUIRED for Social Distancing Purposes—please call 716-683-6522**

Father Bill's Concert is part of Our Lady of Pompeii's Monthly Faith Enrichment Series. The music of musician and songwriter Rev. Bill Quinlivan, "The Singing Priest", can lift the heart and the mind. Come experience how the glory and healing of God can sing out through our lives despite our sufferings!

