



Please pray for: Lisa Ohi, Rick Ohi, Andrew Hendel, Ken Mrozik, Rick Heist, Al Knight, Bob Meister, Karen Dake, Pauline Steward, Jackson Liriano, Wilma McCalla, Marge DeJames, Nicolas Rivera, Sheila Ayala 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 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 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 case of emergency.

Activities in our Family of Parishes:

St. Lawrence - Bingo 12:30 on Wednesday, November 3. Doors open at 11 a.m.

Blessed Trinity - Bingo 8 p.m. on Thursday, November 4. Doors open at 6:30pm.

Sunday, Nov. 7 - Confirmation at Blessed Trinity, 10 a.m.

STAFF DIRECTORY

Pastoral Associates:

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Paula Hunt 348-0154

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Sat: Cory Gallagher 868-2047 (Weddings & Funerals)

Sunday 9:00: Pedro Rivera
Sunday 11:00: Linda Appleby

Youth Group:

Coming soon...

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Communion Visitations:

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Fundraising Committee: Monica Zielinski
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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

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October 30 & 31, 2021
Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church
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Buffalo, NY 14204
716-852-3331
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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

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass has been lifted, and all practicing Catholics are invited to resume regular, in-person worship if their health permits. We recommend that if there is room, attendees continue to sit in every other pew. We also strongly recommend that you wear a mask while in church, out of pastoral concern for the safety of others. The only time you should lower your mask is while you are seated, and when you place communion in your mouth. Though nobody has caught Covid-19 at our church, four parishioners have died of Covid. Let's be cautious as circumstances continue to change. We are no longer streaming the 4:00 Mass on our website, but will continue to stream the 9:00 and 11:00 Masses. We have resumed having the 10:00 bilingual Mass the last Sunday of the month.

We are resuming our coffee social after the Sunday Masses, with these restrictions for now: beverages only will be served; we will not set up tables and chairs, but ask people to stand; and we recommend that only vaccinated parishioners attend. We will reassess this policy at our January Parish Council meeting. Thank you to Cliff, and all who assist him in this ministry.

VIEW SUNDAY MASS LIVE ON OUR WEBSITE sscolumbabrigid.org, near the bottom of the webpage.

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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.

Electronic Giving: You can donate electronically at our website through [tithe.ly](https://www.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 30 & 31, 2021 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sanctuary Candle: Lit this week in remembrance of Dominique Thompson by husband, Donald Thompson.

Saturday, October 30, 4:00 p.m.

+Dominique Thompson by Donald Thompson

Sunday, October 31 Bilingual 10:00 a.m.

Encarnacion Irizarry-Cruz, Juan B. Irizarry by Luz Morales

For all souls who have no relatives by Teresa Tran & Family

Tuesday, November 2, 7:00 p.m.

+Ralph Scarfia by the parish.

Saturday, November 6, 4:00 p.m.

+Eleanor Kent by Wilma McCalla

Sunday, November 7

9:00 a.m. +Joseph Tran Quynh by Teresa Tran & Family

11:00 a.m. +Mary Semski by Family

All Saints Day is Monday, Nov. 1. We will have a special Mass at 7 p.m., and we need your help as our youth will be dressing up as saints! We have an information packet describing the lives of many different saints. Each youth can choose a saint, and then dress up as that saint and say a few words about her/him during the Mass. We will have a drawing for a \$25 gift card for all youth who participate. See Paula, Sr. Thu or Fr. Jud for more info.

Rosary: Every Monday (except Nov. 1, All Saints Day) join our bilingual Rosary via Zoom at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to pray together. Let us know in the office if you are new to the Rosary, and we will forward your e-mail to Pedro so he can send you the link. The Rosary is partly in English and partly in Spanish, with a third language sometimes included.

Is Your Information Up to Date? Please let Karen know in the parish office if you have moved or have a new phone number. We like to keep our parish records up to date!

Thank You for last weekend's collection of \$2,040.25. We tallied our recent weeks of online giving. We received \$715.54 through Tithely (our website) and \$3,383 through our Facebook page. We also received \$130 in restricted/special donations, \$15 for HOPE/Outreach, and \$750 for capital improvements. We need about \$6,000 per week to pay all our bills. We understand if you can't give due to financial hardship. 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.

Last week's second collection For World Mission Sunday was \$423.65. Thank you for your generosity!

The next special collection will be November 6 & 7 for Catholic University.

Bible Study! We study the Scriptures for each Sunday so that we feel prepared when we go into Mass. Come join us 10-10:45 Sunday morning (except the last Sunday of the month). Questions, call Betty: 322-1185. Readings for any Sunday or weekday can be found at bible.usccb.org

Hearts and Hands: A not-for-profit, neighbors-helping-neighbors organization serving this community and suburban areas. If you need help with transportation, light house-keeping or companion visits, please call 716-406-8311.

Adoration: Adoration on First Fridays is discontinued for now. If you are 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.

Thank You, Margaret Frainier for your years of service as Sacristan at our 4:00 Mass. We know you'll be back to visit, but we will miss you!

Are you or is someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? Do you have a child over the age of 7 who has not been baptized? Were you baptized but never celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. For more information, please see Deacon Jerry or call him at 863-4800.

LEADERS NEEDED! "HERE I AM, LORD!"

Renewing the Diocese of Buffalo requires skilled leaders. Now is the time for parishioners who have the needed skills and talents to demonstrate their discipleship by offering their time and talents. We need:

Faith Filled People who want to share their love of Jesus.

Project Managers with Organizational skills

IT experts: with strong Communication skills

Leaders/Managers: Facilitators/Teachers

If you have a passion for the church and a few hours a week to give to God and His people, participate in our diocesan renewal. Please send a note describing your qualifications to Renewal@buffalodiocese.org or mail to Office of Renewal, 795 Main St., Buffalo, NY 14203.

Parish Council: Group C (Spanish) Meeting Tuesday, November 16 at 7 p.m. We had a successful meeting of Group B on Oct. 26. Minutes will be posted soon on the bulletin board in the hallway and on Facebook.

Thank You to Betty Reiter and all who

helped with the Women's Retreat: It was a wonderful morning and afternoon last Saturday, a day of reflection, prayer and laughter. Oh—and good food! A very inspirational and spiritual time. Thank you all for making this happen.

JPIC: If you would like to help our parish efforts for Justice, Peace and the Integrity of Creation, based on our Catholic Social Teaching, please see Don Thompson or Fr. Jud.

Our Food Pantry: We are in need of Cereal. Please do not leave food outside the pantry. If donating food, please call the office ahead of time or bring the donations to Mass.

Diocesan Road to Renewal: At a meeting of parish leaders from North and Central Buffalo, Downtown and the West Side on Oct. 20, the contingent from Ss. Columba-Brigid (Fr. Jud, Marta Perez and Rick Zielinski) affirmed that our parish plans to be in a Family of Parishes with St. Martin de Porres, Blessed Trinity and St. Lawrence. There is still the possibility another parish will ask to join us. We will be notified by the diocese if/when that occurs. We are already doing many of the steps that will be part of the Road to Renewal. For example, on December 4 from noon-2 p.m. all four parishes are invited to Inter-generational Family Faith Formation here at Ss. Columba-Brigid. Once we get the go-ahead from all four of our parishes, we will be eligible to volunteer to be one of the three "pilot" families that will be the first to start the Road to Renewal process in earnest in January, 2022.

Happy November Birthdays! Tedros Teklzghi, Dennis Hunt, Tracy Liriano, Mary Ann Alberalla, Peter Montemarano, Selena Rose Montes, Stephanie Gladden, Kenneth Dolph, Amelia LaSpina, Pauline Steward, Pat Montemarano, Ferdinand Montes, Gabriela Rodriguez, Marian Smith, Betty Dillard, Patricia Hart, and Mary Ann Logue. May God bless you on your special day.

Special Masses: All Masses are special, but on Tuesday, Nov. 2 we will celebrate All Souls Day at 7 p.m., remembering all our parishioners who have died in the past year. On Sunday, Nov. 14, we will celebrate Our Lady of Providencia, Patroness of Puerto Rico, at the 9:00 Mass. At the 11:00 Mass that day we will recognize our veterans.