



Please pray for: Rick Heist, Ismael Ortiz, Al Knight, Bob Meister, Karen Dake, Pauline Steward, Jackson Liriano, Wilma McCalla, Marge DeJames, Nicolas Rivera 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.

Happy October Birthdays! Mychal Liriano, Bonnie Pawarski, Alexis Dijols, Courtney Barnes, Adrian Morales, Josephine Hill, Mary Lou Acevedo, Dorothy Mathewson, Sally Maund, Peter Scott, Collen Beuler, Teodoro Muniz, Ferninand Montes, Zachary Helinski, Dawne Talty, Betty Kennedy, Patricia DeWitt, Dylan Rich Dimiyo and Fr. Jud. May your special day be filled with much happiness and love. Let Karen our secretary know if your birthday is coming up in November.

STAFF DIRECTORY

Pastoral Associates:

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

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Sunday 11:00: Linda Appleby

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Coming soon...

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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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September 25 & 26, 2021
Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church
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Buffalo, NY 14204
716-852-3331
sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com

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

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.

The diocese has issued revised COVID-19 guidelines. The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass has been lifted, and all practicing Catholics are invited to resume regular, in-person worship. 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. Thanks for going with the flow as restrictions continue to change!

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. 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.

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September 25 & 26, 2021 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sanctuary Candle: Candle lit this week in remembrance of Br. Vianney by Marie Wasiewicz.

Saturday, September 25 4:00 p.m.

+Uncle Billy's Soul by Thuy

Sunday, September 26

10:00 a.m. +Michael McCalla by Wilma McCalla

Saturday, October 2 4:00 p.m.

+Marge Musial by Family

Sunday, October 3

9:00 a.m. +Pedro Martinez by wife, Gladys

11:00 a.m. Special Birthday Wishes and Intentions for Fr. Jud by Paula & Dennis Hunt

Vocations: If you are a young person who believes you might be called by the Holy Spirit to a vocation as a priest, sister, religious brother or deacon, please see Fr. Jud. He has the latest copy of *Vision*, the 2022 Catholic Religious Vocation Discernment Guide. It also includes information in Spanish.

Rosary: Every Monday (except Nov. 1, All Saints Day) we will have 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.

Parish Council: If you weren't on last year, see Marta Perez (President) or Rick Zielinski (Vice President) or call the Parish Office if you wish to serve. There are just two meetings/year for Group A (youth), B (English), C (Spanish) and D (English). There are also two all-group meetings in January and June. Group A (youth) meets Sunday, Sept. 26 at 6:30 p.m. in the hall or a classroom.

Envelopes : Please be sure to pickup your church envelopes located in the vestibule.

Thank You for last weekend's collection of \$1,975.42 We also received \$282 in restricted/special donations, and \$200 for HOPE/Outreach. 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 was \$561 for the long-term recovery and Church needs from the earthquake in Haiti. Thank you for your generous donations.

The next special collection will be the weekend of October 2-3 for Respect Life Sunday for Moms & Babies.

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.

Special Saturday: On Saturday, Oct. 2, join us at 8:30 a.m. to help our Gardenin' Angels finish up this season's gardening tasks.

Then at 10 a.m. we will have our annual Blessing of the Animals. (We are blessing the animals on Saturday since the Feast of St. Francis falls on a Monday this year.)

Ladies: Save Sat., Oct. 23 for a Women's Retreat from 9 a.m.—2 p.m. here at Ss. Columba Brigid. Invite friends, sisters and daughters for a day to get away and share with other women. It will be blessed and fun! For info please call Betty, 322-1185.

Transitus: The Franciscan feast of the Transitus, celebrating the passing of St. Francis from this life to the next, will take place Sunday, Oct. 3 at 7 p.m. in the church. Afterwards we will have a modified reception, rather than a full reception, due to Covid.

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 as a child 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.

Family Faith Formation: takes place this Sunday, Sept. 26 at 8:45 a.m. in the church all. All are welcome. We will be socially distanced.

40 fewer children since 2019?: According to diocesan records, the number of children aged 6-12 in our parish decreased from 51 to 11 since 2019. We know this can't be right! If you have children aged 6-12, please contact Karen in the parish office so she can update our PDS (Parish Data System) and make sure you are registered.

Diocesan Diversity Celebration: If you are interested in attending this diocesan gala on Friday, Oct. 15 please contact Fr. Jud.

Family of Parishes Faith Formation: for all CCCB parishes, Oct. 19, 5:45-8 p.m. at St. Lawrence. Includes dinner. We encourage you to attend this as part of our Road to Renewal efforts.

JPIC stands for Justice, Peace and the Integrity of Creation. If you are interested in these areas, please speak with Don Thompson or let us know in the parish office.

Congratulations to our Secular Franciscan brother Rick Heist, who will be honored with the Curé of Ars Award from the Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo! The award goes to those whose lives reflect the qualities of Christian dedication and service that marked the life of St. John Vianney.

Our Food Pantry: needs tuna, pasta, pancake mix, syrup, canned fruits, beans (pinto, red/kidney) and peas. 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: We are in a Family of Parishes with St. Martin de Porres, Blessed Trinity and St. Lawrence, and Nativity Miguel School is associated with us. We will be using *Fratelli Tutti* to guide us in our Road to Renewal. See Fr. Jud if you're interested in joining our core team working on the Road to Renewal.

National Migration Week 2021 concludes Sunday, Sept. 26. This year's theme is "Towards an ever wider 'we'".

Season of Creation: as an important conclusion to the Season of Creation, we invite you to sign the Catholic Climate Covenant petition that will be delivered to U.S. leaders ahead of the 26th U.N. Framework Convention on Climate Change that begins Nov. 1. The petition, which will be on the table at the back of church, calls on our President and Congress to support science-based climate policies that reduce emissions and prioritize the poor and vulnerable. Questions and/or replies can be sent to Don Thompson at domanddon@msn.com

Health & Wellness Fair: Oct. 7, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at Villa Maria College. Learn about local community services and programs. There will be giveaways and prizes.

If You Need to Contact Paula: she and Dennis will be away until Thursday, Sept. 30, but you can text or e-mail her and she will eventually get back to you.

Youth: get ready to dress up as your favorite saint at a special Mass on Nov. 1.