



Please pray for: John Birks, Sharon Dettloff, Terry Pettengill, Mary Lou Acevedo, Tim Richter, Karen Dohn, Lynda Coleman, Linda Nelson, Concepcion Vega and Pat Hart. 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.

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 case of emergency.

Catholic Charities Substance Abuse Treatment Program is a New York State OASAS license outpatient program that aims to treat addiction with a combination of therapy and medicine. More information on the program can be found at www.ccnny.org/addiction. To begin the referral process, call our central intake office at 895-1033. Additionally, counseling for individuals and families is available at our offices across Western New York.

STAFF DIRECTORY

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Paula Hunt 348-0154

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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



October 10 & 11, 2020
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

Last Sunday of the Month: because we are limited to having just 65 people in church, for now we will not be having the 10 a.m. bilingual Mass the last Sunday of the month.

Adoration: We have resumed Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on a limited basis on the first Friday of the month between 1-3 p.m. Please wear a mask and sit (or kneel) socially distanced.

We are keeping the same Covid-19 procedures as in previous weeks: our capacity is 65 in the church and 25 in the hall; Mass is broadcast on our website, sscolumbabrigid.org. If you come to Mass you need to register and wear a mask. Someone will take your temperature and instruct you where to sit. Communion will be distributed only in the hand. If the church is at capacity you may sit in the church hall, and if it's full too, in your car or the Sister Karen Garden until Communion. Thank you for your cooperation. God bless you!

Our parish is facing a great challenge in terms of finances. The Finance Council is working on various ways to help the parish become more aware of those challenges and respond to them. In the meantime, if you have ideas on how to help our financial situation, please contact the parish office.

VIEW MASS LIVE ONLINE: View Mass directly 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, 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, especially in these days when we cannot have everyone here in person.

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823-4812

102 Linwood Ave.
(near Summer)
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October 10 & 11, 2020 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Oct. 10, 2020

4:00 p.m. +Alice Gzyl by Sherry Garmone & Larry Krajewski

Sunday, Oct. 11, 2020

9:00 a.m. +Greg Bruno by The Pinto Family

11:00 a.m. +Geraldine Smith by Johnnie Bingly

Saturday, Oct. 17, 2020

4:00 p.m. +Julia Gard by Marge Thomas

Sunday, Oct. 18, 2020

9:00 a.m. +Rosalia & Jose Rivera by Carmen R. Rivera & Family

11:00 a.m. +Phyllis & Al Musial by deceased Marge Musial

Sanctuary Candle: Will be lit this week for Birthday intentions of Fr. Jud by Sandy Villa.

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity at Ss. Columba-Brigid to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. We will cover the teachings and experience of Church with a special focus on justice, peace and the integrity of creation. Sessions prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm, accepting setting. For info please contact Deacon Jerry at 863-4800.

Let's Roll! Our youth will be collecting Scott toilet paper to donate to Peace House. Look for receptacles in the church lobby. Thank you!

Parish Unity While I am not able to comment on personnel matters, I ask you all to pray for parish unity. I am always willing to meet with any parishioner. Please just set up an appointment—Fr. Jud.

Thank You: Last weekend's collection was \$1,972.00 We also received \$373 for HOPE/ Outreach as well as \$258.75 for the 2nd collection and \$770 for capital improvements. Thank you! We understand if you can't give now due to financial hardship. Please let us know 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, and consider joining our Fundraising Committee by contacting Monica at 553-1750 or mzielinski@aol.com. Next week's second collection will be for World Mission Sunday.

Parish Safety: for your safety, we are keeping track of who attends Mass should we need to do contact tracing if an attendee tests positive for Covid-19. We are using a pre-Mass registration list to make it easier for you to check in at Mass. Monica and Rick Zielinski, our greeters, can be notified in advance that you will be attending a particular Mass at: mzielinski@aol.com 716-553-1750 (Monica) or rjz76@aol.com 716-512-1508 (Rick).

Canisius High School Open House: Sat., Oct. 17, Sun., Oct. 18 and Tues., Oct. 20. Parents can register at canisiushigh.org/openhouse Call 882-0466 for more info.

St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute Fall Open

House: Sun., Oct. 18 & Mon., Oct. 19. The event is pre-registration only with limited capacity. Parents may reserve a time slot at sjci.com or 874-4953.

Announcing a new men's group: This new group will meet here at Ss. Columba-Brigid to share faith, sing songs of praise and pray for each other. Our first meeting is Tuesday, October 13th at 7 p.m. in the church hall. All men are welcome! Don't forget your mask as we will be social distancing as well.

Chicken BBQ Dinner: Sunday, October 25th noon to 4:00 p.m. This will be one of our parish's biggest fundraisers of the year. DRIVE UP ONLY! \$13.00 per dinner, which includes yummy chicken, two sides, and roll and butter. With each dinner purchased, your ticket stub will be entered into our drawing to win...a rubber chicken stuffed with \$50.00! Buy your tickets after Mass at church, or call 852-3331. If no one is in the office please leave a message. Tickets will be available for you to sell outside the parish. Your participation is very needed. Thanks!

Calendars for the Incarcerated: Please bring in 2021 calendars (stapled only, not coil-bound; no pictures of children) for those in prison. Collection boxes will be in the church lobby.

Confirmation: Confirmation will take place here on Sat., Nov. 21 at 4 p.m. Mass including candidates from Ss. Columba-Brigid, St. Martin de Porres, and Blessed Trinity. Fr. Joe Rogliano will be presiding. If you are in grade 10 or older and wish to be confirmed, call Deacon Jerry at 863-4800 and he will let you know the next time we will be holding classes.

HOPE IN THE DARKNESS: Depression & Suicide in a Pandemic October 28th, 6:30 p.m.

Are you or someone you know suffering from anxiety or depression in these Covid days? Don't know where to turn for emotional or spiritual help? We can help people cope and manage their mental health with their Catholic faith. Join Catholic psychotherapist Dan Lawson either live or via Livestream on Wed., Oct. 28 from 6:30-8 p.m. at St. Martin of Tours, 1140 Abbott Rd., Buffalo. There will be time for Q & A. This event is FREE. Register for the live session by calling 823-7077, or see it on Livestream on the St. Martin of Tours Buffalo Facebook page. For more info contact Dawn Iacono: diacono@stmartinbuffalo.com or see www.stmartinbuffalo.com

Are you being called?: Whether we realize it or not, countless blessings are being bestowed upon us. Our very existence is itself a gift. How grateful are we for our blessings? How can we live out our appreciation? Perhaps we can do this by answering the Lord when He calls upon us. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535. If you are interested in becoming a Franciscan, please contact Fr. Jud or Fr. Gabe.

Pro-Life Coordinators: The Catholic Church embraces the sacredness of life from conception until natural death and seeks to build a "Culture of Life" that respects and protects all life, particularly the most vulnerable. The Church recognizes the right to life for unborn children, and stands against any threats to the dignity of human life including war, capital punishment, racism, and euthanasia. As Popes John Paul II, Benedict XVI and Francis have declared, being pro-life also includes care for all of God's creation. We are looking for two or more parishioners to serve as our parish Pro-Life Coordinators. The diocese has a very active Office of Pro-Life Ministries, and our parish coordinators would keep in touch with them about upcoming activities as well as coordinate activities here at the parish level. If interested, please contact Fr. Jud.

Diocesan Road to Renewal Online Survey: go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7JLT2LY> by Oct. 19. Survey takes less than 10 minutes! You surely have good ideas, and your opinion counts!

Food Pantry: open the 3rd Sunday of the month. We need cereal, canned fruit, pasta sauce and soups. Thanks!

A tisket, a tasket... Donate a theme basket for one of the year's biggest fundraisers. Pick a theme: pets, Christmas, baking, gardening/cleaning supplies, Bills & Sabres, friars, etc. Drop your basket off at church before or after Mass or bring it to the office (call ahead of time). This will be fundraising and FUNraising. We have over 50 baskets already, and are closing in on our goal of 100. Once we get enough donations we'll pick a date, hoping for October. Baskets will be displayed in the hall for a few weekends giving you the opportunity to place your tickets. There will be no in-person drawing of the winning tickets, but it will be broadcast live on our website and we will contact winners by phone.

Early Voting:

Just a reminder that early voting starts Saturday, Oct. 24 and runs through Sunday, Nov. 1. Ss. Columba-Brigid is one of 37 polling places across Erie County. You can vote here or at ANY early voting site no matter where you live. Polls are open noon to 9 p.m. weekdays, noon to 6 p.m. weekends. Go to elections.erie.gov or call 858-8891 with any questions you may have. Voting will take place in the St. Lucy Room.

When This is Over:

*When this over,
May we never again take for granted
A handshake with a stranger
Full shelves at the store
Conversations with neighbors
A crowded theatre
Friday night out
The taste of communion
A routine checkup
The school rush each morning
Coffee with a friend
The stadium roaring
Each deep breath
A boring Tuesday
Life itself.*

When this ends, may we find that we have become more like the people we wanted to be, we were called to be, we hoped to be, and may we stay that way-better for each other because of the worst.

-Laura Kelly Fanucci