



Please pray for: Bill Dunford, Margaret Frainier, Gary Maloney, Regina Lewis, Melinda Emminger, Stella Amadi, Marbel Davis, Linda Thaler, Dick Baldwin, Carol Duffie, Joe Moreno Sr., Katie Smith, Harold Harden, Peggy Wolf, Diane Hanny, 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.

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: HOPE for all seasons. 2021 Appeal prayer to Patron St. Ignatius Loyola: "St. Ignatius, help us to be grateful and generous. To give and not count the cost. To labor and not seek reward. To share God's love with our neighbors in need. To meet them where they are in life and let them know they are not alone. Help us to be poor in spirit—to realize our dependence upon God. And to do all things for the greater glory of God. We ask this in the name of Jesus through your intercession. St. Ignatius, pray for us! (*Imprimatur; Most Rev. Michael Fisher*)

STAFF DIRECTORY

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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



March 27 & 28, 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

Adoration: We have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament the first Friday of the month from 1-3 p.m. Please wear a mask and sit (or kneel) socially distanced. Our next Adoration will be on Holy Thursday after the 7 p.m. Mass until 11 p.m. The next First Friday Adoration will be May 7 due to Good Friday being April 2.

Our in-church capacity at Mass will be raised to 100 for only Holy Week and Easter Sunday. We are no longer using the church hall to show the Mass via video. At Mass you will still be asked to wear a mask, to sit only in the indicated pews, and to use hand sanitizer. You will also have your temperature taken. We ask that after Mass you leave the church as promptly as possible. If you wish to congregate after Mass, please do so outside. Please note that for now we will only be taking reservations for the upcoming week's 11:00 Mass. To give more people the chance to attend Mass, please understand that you might not be able to attend 11:00 Mass on consecutive weeks. Thank you for your cooperation. You will not need to register for 4 p.m. Saturday Mass or 9 a.m. Spanish Sunday Mass, as attendance in the past has not reached 75 for those Masses. The other procedures for those Masses will remain in place.

To reserve a spot for the 11:00 Sunday Mass contact Monica Zielinski mzielinski@aol.com 716-553-1750 or Rick Zielinski rjz76@aol.com 716-512-1508.

We will not have baptisms at Mass for the time being. We are doing this for everyone's safety.

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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

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(near Summer)
886-5363

March 27 & 28, 2021 The Passion of Our Lord (Palm Sunday)

Sanctuary Candle: Lit this week in remembrance of Ann Pytel by Joanne & Pat Montemarano

Saturday March 27, 2021

4:00 p.m. +Frank & Theresa Skupski by Joanne and Pat Montemarano

Sunday March 28, 2021

9:00 a.m. +Andres Moreira by Cecilia Ross
11:00 a.m. +Carmen S. Muniz by Teddy and daughters

Saturday April 3, 2021 Holy Saturday

8:00 p.m. +Eleanor Kent by Wilma McCalla

Sunday April 4, 2021 Easter Sunday

9:00 a.m. +Fr. Joe Gariolo by Paula & Dennis Hunt

11:00 a.m. +Juan B. Irizarry, Encarnacion Irizarry Cruz, Leonard V. Kruska by Luz Morals & Family

Altar Servers: We are able to have servers at Mass again. Please call Sandy at 885-6706 to let her know when you are available to serve, or if you would like to become a server.

Men's Group: next meeting will be in April. Keep your eyes open for the date. Men, join us for faith sharing, prayer and music. Questions? Please see Deacon Jerry.

Buffalo Urban League Scholarship Program 2021

To be eligible for the scholarship you must be a High School senior or recent HSE/GED recipient (within the current academic year), who plans to attend college or vocational school in the fall of 2021. The deadline for returning this application is April 2, 2021. Please call the office if you would like an application. This is a great opportunity!

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

Thank You: Last weekend's collection of \$2,536.77 included \$621.02 through our website Donate button. We also received \$25 for Capital Improvements, \$240 for our HOPE Fund, \$200 in restricted donations and \$440 for Easter Flowers. 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 April 2, Good Friday, for the Holy Land. Pope Francis has asked us to support this Collection which helps Christians in the Holy Land. By contributing, you stand in solidarity with the Church as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines, and providing humanitarian aid to refugees. Please be generous!

Chrism Mass: the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral is March 30 at 7 p.m., but you must have a ticket. Call 854-5855 or email stjcathedral@buffalodiocese.org to reserve a ticket/express interest in attending.

Easter Flowers: To donate, use the envelopes in the back of church that may be placed in the collection basket or donation boxes. The church will look beautiful again this year!

Happy April Birthday! Carol Duffie, Michael Logue, Camila Rodriguez, Azure Gallagher, Beteil Ogbaslassie, Elizabeth Tucker, Alice Ohl, David Pawarski, Noreen Zaccagnino, Joe Oehler, Edward Kazmark, Jr., Alexandrie Lee, Pedro Rivera, Margaret Frainier, Virginia Oehler, Maria Dijols, Seim Ogbaslassie and Helen Weiksnar. May God Bless you on your special day!

Holy Week Schedule:

Holy Thursday, April 1: Mass of the Lord's Supper 7 p.m., then Adoration until 11 p.m.

Good Friday, April 2: Stations of the Cross at 12 noon; Passion of the Lord (bilingual) at 7 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 3: Easter Basket blessing 10 a.m. Easter Vigil (bilingual) 8 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 4: Masses at 9 a.m. (Spanish) and 11 a.m. (English).

Notice: Beginning in 2015, The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y., Inc.

("Foundation") began soliciting donations to its "Upon this Rock" ("UTR") capital and endowment campaign. The UTR campaign raised funds for many purposes, including soliciting funds for making essential upgrades to classroom facilities and technology of Christ the King Seminary ("CKS"), expanding CKS's role as a center of retreat and religious celebration, and establishing an endowment fund for CKS. Unfortunately, in early 2020, CKS's Board of Trustees determined that CKS would close at the end of the 2020-2021 academic year. CKS's closure will make it impossible for the Foundation to use the UTR funds raised for CKS for their original intended purposes. However, under New York law, when the original purposes for which funds are donated become impossible to achieve, those purposes can be modified in a manner consistent with original intent by the New York State courts. For many years, CKS provided education and formation for ordained and lay ecclesial ministers in the Diocese of Buffalo and beyond. Accordingly, the Foundation has asked the New York State Supreme Court for the County of Erie to approve a modification of the purposes of UTR funds raised for CKS so that those funds can be used to support the education and formation for ordained and lay ecclesial ministry in the Diocese of Buffalo, as determined in the discretion of the Foundation's Board.

If you have donated to UTR and would like to be heard regarding this requested modification, you may send a letter to: The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y., Inc., attention Executive Director, 795 Main Street, Buffalo, N.Y. 14203 or an email to donor.info@fredb.org. Copies of letters or email received by the Foundation will be provided to the Court. You may also make a formal filing in the legal proceeding entitled *Matter of the Modification of Endowment Funds of The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo N.Y., Inc.*, Erie County Index No. 814747/2020. In order for your submission to be available for the Court's consideration, please be sure to send any letter or email, or make any filing, no later than Friday, April 9, 2021

Food Pantry: We can use pasta, pancake mix, syrup, jelly, beans (not green or black) and canned fruit. Do not leave food outside the pantry. Call the office ahead of time or bring to Mass.

Rice Bowl: Please return your rice bowls with your donation to Catholic Relief Services at any of the Masses the weekend after Easter, April 10-11. If you are unable to be at those Masses, please return them April 17-18. Thank you to all who participated in Rice Bowl this year.

April 10th is Mulch Saturday! From 9-11 a.m. we'll spread 12 cubic yards of mulch around the church - the equivalent of 162 2-cubic-foot bags! WE NEED VOLUNTEERS WHO CAN SHOVEL THE MULCH IN THE PARKING LOTS INTO WHEELBARROWS, HAUL IT TO THE BEDS, AND/OR HELP SPREAD IT. Please contact Jerry or Betsy Tirado, or Melissa Weiksnar, if you can help. We'd especially like to see our youth involved this year!

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK *in re The Diocese of Buffalo N.Y.* Case No. 20-10322

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On February 28, 2020, The Diocese of Buffalo N.Y., ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Bankruptcy Court has established August 14, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the "Bar Date"). If you have a claim against the Diocese, including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date. Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/diocesefofbuffalo> or call 855-292-7696 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DIOCESE'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.