



Please pray for: Bob Meister, Donna O'Connor, Bill Dunford, Gary Maloney, Regina Lewis, Melinda Emminger, Stella Amadi, Marbel Davis, Linda Thaler, Carol Duffie, Joe Moreno Sr., 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 case of emergency.

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!

STAFF DIRECTORY

Pastoral Associates:

Carmen R. Rivera 847-1463
Paula Hunt 348-0154

Secretary:

Karen Helinski 852-3331 (hours Tues., Thurs., Fri. 12-4)

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Coordinator of Faith Formation:

Deacon Jerry Hodson 852-3331

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Bill Marks 677-5656

Music Ministers:

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

Youth Group:

Tera McIlwain 316-9833
Mariah Gladden

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Paula Hunt 348-0154

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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



May 1 & 2, 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. The next First Friday Adoration will be May 7.

Starting next week, we will no longer require registering 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 for your cooperation.



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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. 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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3060 Abbott Rd.
(near Lake)
823-4812

102 Linwood Ave.
(near Summer)
886-5363

May 1 & 2, 2021 5th Sunday of Easter

Sanctuary Candle: *Lit this week in Loving Memory of Aunt Kathy Chapman by Dan and Roxanne Kielaszek.*

Saturday May 1, 2021

4:00 p.m. +Frances Lewandowski by Dan & Roxanne Kielaszek

Sunday May 2, 2021

9:00 a.m. +Diane Musial by +Marge Musial

11:00 a.m. +Ann Alberalla by Joanne & Pat Montemarano

Saturday May 8, 2021

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

Sunday May 9, 2021

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

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

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 not yet received a response from the diocese regarding our Trinity Proposal. We are still moving ahead though with creative ways to keep our parish renewed. 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. We plan to discuss that at our next two Parish Council meetings. If you would like a copy of the ideas, contact Fr. Jud.

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.

Thank You for last weekend's collection of \$2,049.00 We also received \$452.00 in restricted donations and \$20.00 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.

"Remain in me...I am the vine, you are the branches." Could there be any doubt that Jesus is talking about communion in His True Body & Blood in the Eucharist? We need priests to continue consecrating this amazing gift at the altar. If you feel the call, talk with Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org

Looking for a summer job with meaning? Come use your powers for good as a Camp Counselor at Camp Turner. Employment begins June 27 and ends August 15 with time off on weekends. Earn a salary (plus room and board) while making a difference. Camp Counselors develop skills that employers are looking for leadership, decision-making skills, interdependence, empathy, and much more. We have openings for cabin counselors, horse corral, nature studies, outdoor living skills, and low ropes. Counselors must be 18. We also need Activity Assistants (minimum age 17). Applications are available at www.CampTurnerOLV.com

Thank you! Fr. Jud and his siblings would like to thank you 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!

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.

"SONGS FOR THE SOUL" INSPIRATIONAL CONCERT by Rev. Bill Quinlivan. 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!

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!

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.

May Crowning: Will take place on the weekend of May 8 & 9

Parish Council Corner: Welcome to our Parish Council Corner. We've decided to create space to on our bulletin to regularly post bits and news about our activities. Everything we discuss and every decision we make is for the benefit of the parish and we want all of you to be informed. This will be rather short but if it inspires you to know more, a complete copy of the minutes is posted on a bulletin board in the corridor leading to the large hall and on the parish facebook. In addition, you can request details via email or in person. Very soon we will start recruiting the new Parish Council Group. We hope that many of you will consider joining. Did you know that we work in small groups and you only have to attend a total of three meetings all year long?

Upcoming Activities - We are looking to help those of you who haven't been vaccinated against COVID as yet. If you are having transportation issues, we can help! It is very important that we protect ourselves from this terrible pandemic.

Be on the watch for news about upcoming fund-raisers. There will be a Chiavettas Chicken Dinner and a Basket Raffle. Details are being worked on .



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