

**Bible Study:** Study the Mass readings Sunday mornings 10:00-10:45 (except when we have 10:00 Mass).  
**Rosary:** Join our English/Spanish/Igbo Rosary Mondays via Zoom from 7-7:45 p.m. To join, check our Facebook page, see Pedro, or call the office.  
**Prayer Group** After Mass the 1st Sunday of the month  
**Potluck Social** After Mass the last Sunday of the month

**Sacraments**

**Baptism:** Call Carmen at 716-847-1463. Parents and godparents must attend a pre-baptismal class. We baptize children at Mass to welcome them to our community!  
**Reconciliation:** Call the office to make an appointment.  
**Confirmation/First Communion/RCIA:** Please contact Deacon Jerry.  
**Weddings:** Appointment with a priest/deacon should be made at least six months before desired date. *Engaged couples must attend a pre-nuptial instruction class.*  
**Funerals:** Please have the funeral director call the office before any arrangements are finalized.  
**Anointing:** please call the office to arrange. In case of emergency, please tell the hospital to call their Catholic chaplain . Because of privacy regulations, institutions no longer notify us when a parishioner is in the hospital, so call the office to arrange sick calls or to be added to our prayer list.  
**Ordination:** Interested in becoming a deacon? See Deacon Jerry. Interested in becoming a priest or entering religious life? Call Fr. Bob

**STAFF DIRECTORY**

**Pastoral Associates:**  
 Carmen R.Rivera 716-847-1463  
 Paula Hunt 716-348-0154

**Secretary:**  
 Karen Helinski 716-852-3331  
 (hours Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. 12-4)

Email: sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com

**Coordinator of Faith Formation:**  
 Deacon Jerry Hodson 716-852-3331

**Business Manager:**  
 Bill Marks 716-677-5656

**Music Ministers:**  
 Sat: Cory Gallagher 716-868-2047  
 (Weddings & Funerals)  
 Sunday 9:00: Pedro Rivera  
 Sunday 11:00: Linda Appleby

**Maintenance:**  
 Joe Strusienski

**Youth Group:**  
 Please call the Parish Office, 716-852-3331 to leave a message.

**Church Hall Rental:** 716-852-3331

**Communion Visitations:**  
 call the office 716-852-3331

**Fundraising Committee:** Monica Zielinski [mzielinski@aol.com](mailto:mzielinski@aol.com) 716 553-1750

**Sacristans:**  
 4p.m. Evy Adams 716-481-0736,  
 Carol Vance and Sandy Villa  
 9 a.m. Carmen R. Rivera 716-847-1463,  
 11 a.m. Sandy Villa 716-400-7282



Aug. 31 & Sept. 1, 2024  
**Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church**  
 75 Hickory St. (near Clinton)  
 Buffalo, NY 14204  
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**716-852-3331**

**Mass Schedule:**

**Saturday:** 4 p.m.  
**Sunday:** 9 a.m. (Spanish/Español)  
 11 a.m.  
**Last Sunday of Month:** 10 a.m. (bilingual)

**Temp Admin.:** Fr. Bob Gebhard  
**Deacons:** Mr. Jerry Hodson  
 Mr. Don Weigel  
 Mr. Mike Dalcessandro

**Holy Days:** 7 p.m. (Bilingual) **In Heaven:** Sr. Karen Klimczak

**NEW BEGINNINGS. A TIME TO FIND A HOME. A TIME TO COME BACK.**

**Ss. Columba-Brigid Church extends a welcome to:**

Families of 15 or those who are single and alone, under 30 or as old as Methu-selah himself, gay, filthy rich or poor as dirt, no habla ingles or Black and proud, Zen meditators or screaming babies, tourists of the generation Buffalo-nians, liberated females or macho men, computer geniuses or bad spellers, homebound or a part of the “jet set”, doubters and seekers or those who are more Catholic than the Pope, workaholics or bleedings hearts—**OH, AND YOU!**

**FACEBOOK:** @sscolumbabrigidchurch **WEBSITE:** sscolumbabrigid.org  
**EMAIL:** sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com **YOUTUBE:** @SsColumbaBrigidVideos

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**PARISH COUNCIL:** Meets the Third Tuesday of each month @7 pm All parish members are invited

**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.

Nosotros, la iglesia de San Columba-Santa Brígida, somos una comunidad católica acogedora, inclusiva y multicultural inspirada por el Espíritu Santo para celebrar a Cristo Resucitado en la forma en que adoramos, amamos a nuestro prójimo, cuidamos de la creación de Dios y trabajamos por la justicia en nuestra vida diaria.

**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!

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 includes 2 day viewing, 20 gauge metal casket

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**Amherst**  
 885 Niagara Falls Blvd  
 (near Eggert & Sheridan)  
 716-837-7100

**Orchard Park**  
 3060 Abbott Rd.  
 (near Lake)  
 716-823-4812

**Buffalo**  
 102 Linwood Ave.  
 (near Summer)  
 716-886-5363

**Snyder**  
 4614 Main St.  
 716-839-7100

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## August 31 & September 1, 2024 22nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of Joe Ohl by family.

### Saturday, August 31

**4:00 p.m.** +Judy & John Webber by the Montemarano Family

### Sunday, September 1

**9:00 a.m. (Spanish)** For the parishioners of Family 21

**11:00 a.m.** +Dominique Thompson by Don Thompson

### Saturday, September 7

**4:00 p.m.** Special intentions for Fr. Gabe by Paula

### Sunday, September 8

**9:00 a.m. (Spanish)** For the parishioners of Family 21

**11:00 a.m.** +Dennis Hunt by Kathleen & Dennis Castillo

Offertory amounts last weekend Aug., 25 regular collection \$2,977.00. Hope/Outreach \$545.00, Restricted or Special Donations \$44.11. Thank you for your generosity. *Let us know if we can help you with any critical needs through our HOPE fund. Please pray daily for our parish.*

### For the Women of Our Parish Family—

You're in for a treat on Sunday, Sept 8, when you join members of Blessed Trinity's Ladies Sodality for "Self-Care Sunday." Celeste Borczynski, a licensed Esthetician and owner of Skin with Celeste, and BT parishioner Bonnie Williams, an independent nail stylist, will provide hands-on beauty demonstrations. You'll leave our self-care retreat knowing how to do you own facial and give yourself a ten-minute manicure. Lunch will be provided, along with some surprises. It all begins at 11:30 in St. Charles Hall. There is no charge—just a free will offering—but we will need **reservations by Wed., Sep 4**. Call Amy at 716-836-4694.

### The Diocese of Buffalo invites you to a Multicultural Mass

on Sunday, September 8, 2024 at 12 noon at Assumption Catholic Church 435 Amherst St., Buffalo, NY 14207. Reception will follow the Mass.

### Healing Mass

Friday, September 13, 2024 at 6pm. St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church, 555 Northampton St. All are welcome to come together to ask God to touch our mind, body, soul and spirit with His healing hands.

### CCD, Religious Instruction, Faith Formation, or Religious ED

- whatever you call it, it begins on Sunday, September 22 at Blessed Trinity with a Potluck. Please bring a dish to pass. Children not attending Catholic Schools are expected to be enrolled in this program. Those attending Catholic schools are welcome. This event is for the whole family. We meet three to four times a year. Pick up your books at this class. 12:30 - 2 PM at Blessed Trinity. (Note that the time change will accommodate those coming from Mass at CB.)

### Women's Retreat

Now that it's September, October is right around the corner and that means the Women's Retreat is coming- Saturday, October 19 at Ss. Columba Brigid. More details will follow. Any questions, just call Betty at 716-207-4715.



### Family 21 Update

As mentioned in recent bulletins, Road to Renewal counter proposal meetings took place between August 12<sup>th</sup> and August 22<sup>nd</sup>. During this time, any parish or Family of Parishes, throughout our diocese, had the opportunity to propose alternate plans to those suggested by Bishop Mike and the diocesan Road to Renewal Team. We presented a Family 21 alternate proposal on August 12th. After these meetings, following canonical procedures, the final recommendations need consultation from the diocesan Presbyteral Council (Priest Council). The Bishop's decisions from these meetings will be released to our parishes during this month of September.

Confirmation Classes will start Sunday, September 29th after the 10 am Bilingual Mass. We will then meet for 5 more Sundays after Mass. Please contact Deacon Jerry with any questions at 716-863-4800 or [jeremyhodson@gmail.com](mailto:jeremyhodson@gmail.com).

### Family 21's "All Fired Up for the Cross" Saturday, September 14th

at Don Miller Park, 1601 Sweeney St., N. Tonawanda 14120 (Off Niagara Falls Blvd., just past the 290) Fun for the whole family...while enjoying creation. Dress comfortably and wear water-safe shoes if you plan to participate in the canoe training. Free-Will Offering. Please see the sign up sheet in the vestibule.

Food Pantry request for September: pasta, sauce, peanut butter & jelly and canned fruits and vegetables. Place donations in the baskets in the vestibule to be brought to the altar during the Offertory. **\*Note The Food Pantry could use grocery size brown bags.**

Our first Subs 'N Suds lecture of the season is Faithful Citizenship on September 23, 6:30 PM at Blessed Trinity. Are you wondering just what to do this election season? This lecture and discussion, led by Dcn. Don Weigel, is designed to help adults of voting age make faith-informed decisions. He will not tell you for whom you should vote, but he will help you learn to make voting decisions. Bring your questions. Do you know what the Church teaches? Do you know why politicians are not permitted to present in our churches? Come and find out. Over 16, please. Non-alcoholic beverages are available for those who prefer them and for those under 21. **Free-will offering.**

### Please pray for:

Monica Zielinski, Johnnie Bingley, Mary Lou Rivas, Domitien Bigirimana, Pat & Joanne Montemarano, Larry Hyman, Linda Zabarowski, Linda Coleman, Mary Christie, Elaine Loos, Ronnie Dillard, Fr. Vincent Becker, Ruth Kennedy, Anthony Pedraza, Mikah Oligo, Chris Pinto, Aida Mercado, Steve Polichette, Pauline Steward, John Schroeder, Joy Muzzy, Sheila Ayala, Sr. Donna Anthony, Mariam Smith, Ramona Draffin, and Ana Morales.

Call the office to add a name, or to include it in the Prayer of the Faithful at Mass.