



Please pray for: Fr. Roy Herberger, Lisa Ohl, Rick Ohl, Andrew Hendel, Ken Mrozik, Rick Heist, Al Knight, Bob Meister, Karen Dake, Pauline Steward, Chris Steward, Teddy Muniz, Wilma McCalla, Marge DeJames, Nicolas Rivera, Sheila Ayala 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.

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Porres Scholarship Fund: If you are a college undergrad or graduate student and reside in the geographic boundaries of Ss. Columba-Brigid, Blessed Trinity, St. Ann, St. Katherine Drexel, St. Lawrence or St. Martin de Porres you are eligible to apply. Please call the office if you are interested. The completed application and the personal statement essay should be sent to the Office of Cultural Diversity no later than January 3, 2022.

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Coming soon...

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Sunday Mass: 9 a.m. Carmen R. Rivera 847-1463, 11 a.m. Sandy Villa 885-6706

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November 13 & 14, 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

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass has been lifted, and all practicing Catholics are invited to resume regular, in-person worship if their health permits. 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.

Our coffee socials after Sunday Masses have these restrictions for now: beverages only are served; we do not set up tables and chairs, but ask people to stand; and we recommend that only vaccinated parishioners attend. Our parish staff and Parish Council approved this policy and will reassess it at our January Parish Council meeting. Thank you to Cliff and all who assist him in this ministry.

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 tithely.com. 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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November 13 & 14, 2021 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sanctuary Candle: *Lit this week in remembrance of Antonio DiFrancesco by Catherine M. Detmers*

Saturday, November 13, 4:00 p.m.

+Carmen Muniz by Carmen Rivera & Family

Sunday, November 14

9:00 a.m. +Joseph Tran Quynh by Teresa Tran & Family

11:00 a.m. +Michael McCalla by Wilma McCalla

Saturday, November 20, 4:00 p.m.

+Br. Vianney Birthday Remembrance by Elaine, Jackie, Lynn & Family

Sunday, November 21

9:00 a.m. +Maria Rivera by daughters Sandra & Otilia

11:00 a.m. +Juan B. Irizarry & Encarnacion Irizarry-Cruz by Luz Morales

Rosary: Every Monday join our bilingual Rosary via Zoom at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to pray together. To join, let us know in the office 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.

Is Your Information Up to Date? Please let Karen know in the parish office if you have moved or have a new phone number. We like to keep our parish records up to date!

Our Next Men's Group Meeting will be Tuesday, November 16 at 7 p.m. We will meet in the church. All are welcome! Come enjoy some songs, discussion and faith sharing.

The Women's Group's first meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 16, 7-8:30 p.m. Come and share your faith and be encouraged by each other! For info call Betty at 716-322-1185.

Fr. Roy Needs You to volunteer to host the showing of his Nativity Sets at Fatima, starting November 20. Please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule.

Thank You for last weekend's collection of \$2,301.20. We also received \$25 in restricted/special donations, \$504 for HOPE/Outreach, and \$225 for All Saints Day. 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 for the Catholic University was \$211.25. Thank you for your generosity. **The next special collection will be Nov. 20-21** for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

Bible Study! We study the Scriptures for each Sunday so that we feel prepared when we go into Mass. Come join us from 10-10:45 Sunday morning (except the last Sunday of the month). Questions, call Betty: 322-1185. Readings for any Sunday or weekday can be found at bible.usccb.org

Hearts and Hands is a not-for-profit, neighbors-helping-neighbors organization serving the city and suburbs. If you need help with transportation, light housekeeping or companion visits, please call 716-406-8311.

Adoration: Adoration on First Fridays is discontinued for now. If you can organize a group that would be responsible for setting up and attending Adoration, we would be happy to resume monthly Adoration. Contact Fr. Jud or Paula if you are interested.

Streaming: We no longer stream our 4:00 Saturday or Holy Day Masses on our website because we have no one to do it! If you have a tablet/device that can stream video and would like to help, please let us know.

JPIC: Can you help our parish efforts for Justice, Peace and the Integrity of Creation, based on our Catholic Social Teaching? Please see Don Thompson or Fr. Jud.

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 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.

This week in our Family of Parishes **BT=Blessed Trinity, STL=St. Lawrence,** **CB=Ss. Columba-Brigid**

Tues. 11/16: Jewish Roots of the Parables 7 p.m. BT Hall

Wed. 11/17: Food Pantry 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. BT; BINGO 12:30 p.m. STL Doors open 11 a.m.

Thurs. 11/18: Food Pantry 9 a.m. - Noon STL; BINGO 8 p.m. BT Doors open 6:30 p.m.

Friday 11/19: Food Pantry 10 a.m. - Noon STL

During pantry or parish office hours at STL, applications for help with Christmas gifts for children under 18 will be accepted. Applications must be made by the person with whom a child lives.

Looking ahead: Next Intergenerational Faith Formation will be Saturday, December 4 noon to 2 p.m. at CB.

Diocesan Road to Renewal: We received word that no other parishes will be joining our current Family of Parishes which consists of St. Martin de Porres, Blessed Trinity, St. Lawrence and us. We are already doing many of the steps that will be part of the Road to Renewal. For example, on December 4 from noon-2 p.m. all four parishes are invited to Intergenerational Family Faith Formation here at Ss. Columba-Brigid. Once we get the go-ahead from all four of our parishes, we will be eligible to volunteer to be one of the three "pilot" families that will be the first to start the Road to Renewal process in earnest in January, 2022. See our slideshow before Mass for info on the meaning of "Mary Undoer of Knots."

Our Food Pantry: needs cereal. Please do not leave food outside the pantry. If donating food, please call the office ahead of time or bring the donations to Mass.

Celebrating Black Catholic History Month: We highlight Servant of God Mother Mary Elizabeth Lange (1784-1882) who was born Elizabeth Lange, a native of the Caribbean and believed to be Cuban born of Haitian descent. She was the foundress and first Superior General of the Oblate Sisters of Providence (1829-1832), the first religious congregation of African American women in the history of the Catholic Church. On July 2, 1829, Elizabeth and three other women professed their vows and became the Oblate Sisters of Providence with the goal of educating and evangelizing African Americans. They educated youth and provided a home for orphans. Freed slaves were educated and at times admitted into the congregation. They nursed the terminally ill during the cholera epidemic of 1832, sheltered the elderly, and served as domestics at St. Mary's Seminary. Mother Mary Lange practiced faith to an extraordinary degree. It was her deep faith – in close union with Jesus – which enabled her to persevere against all odds. She lived through disappointment and opposition until God called her home in 1882 at the St. Frances Convent in Baltimore, Maryland. **You can advocate for her canonization by signing the letter in the church vestibule.**

Parish Council: Group C (Spanish) meets Tuesday, November 16 at 7 p.m. We had a successful meeting of Group B on Oct. 26. Minutes are posted on the bulletin board in the hallway and on Facebook.

Our Annual Parish Trip to the Fatima Shrine is Fri., Nov. 26, leaving here at 4 p.m. We will visit the shrine, enjoy a Fish Fry or Chicken Dinner, and see the Festival of Lights. Space is limited. To reserve a spot sign the sheet in the vestibule.