

**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.  
**First Friday** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, and Night Prayer 6:30-8pm  
**Men's & Women's Group** 2nd Tuesday of the month in the parish hall.  
**Prayer Group** After Mass the 1st Sunday of the month  
**Potluck Social** After Mass the last Sunday of the month  
**Parish Council** 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7pm

**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:** During 1st Friday Adoration, or 1st Saturday of the month, 3:00-3:45: or 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 Fr. Aaron before any arrangements are finalized.  
**Anointing:** please call Fr. Aaron 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? See Fr. Jason.

**STAFF DIRECTORY**

**Parochial Vicar**  
 Fr. Aaron Richardson, ofm  
 friar.aaron.richardson@gmail.com  
 Fr. William "Jud" Weiksnar, ofm  
 weiksnar@gmail.com

**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



**June 22 & 23, 2024**  
**Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church**  
**75 Hickory St. (near Clinton)**  
**Buffalo, NY 14204**  
**sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com**

**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)  
**Holy Days:** 7 p.m. (Bilingual)

**Temp Admin.:** Fr. Bob Gebhard  
**Parochial Vicars:** Fr. Aaron Richardson, ofm  
 Fr. Jud Weiksnar, ofm  
 Fr. Jason Damon, ofm  
 Mr. Jerry Hodson  
**Deacon:** Br. Tim Dauenhauer, ofm  
**In residence:** Sr. Karen Klimczak  
**In Heaven:**

**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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 \* **Traditional Funerals starting at \$4,095.00**  
 includes 2 day viewing, 20 gauge metal casket  
 (Concrete grave liner optional—not required by NYS, may be required by cemetery)

<b>Amherst</b> 885 Niagara Falls Blvd (near Eggert & Sheridan) 716-837-7100	<b>Orchard Park</b> 3060 Abbott Rd. (near Lake) 716-823-4812	<b>Buffalo</b> 102 Linwood Ave. (near Summer) 716-886-5363	<b>Snyder</b> 4614 Main St. 716-839-7100	<b>Family Owned &amp; Operated</b>
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## June 22 & 23, 2024 12th Sunday In Ordinary Time

**The Sanctuary Candle** Can be lit for an intention or remembrance. Cost \$5

### **Saturday June 22**

**4:00 p.m.** For all parishers

### **Sunday June 23**

**9:00 a.m. (Spanish)** +Greg Bruno by The Bruno Family

**4:00 p.m.** For our parish

**11:00 a.m.** +Ted and Helen Weiksar by Family

### **Saturday June 29**

**4:00 p.m.** +William B. Reinhardt by Karen Helinski

### **Sunday June 30**

**10:00 a.m. Bilingual** +Dennis Hunt by Margaret Frainier  
Margaret by Dennis & Kathleen Castillo

**Thank You!** Last week's collection was \$2,589.75. Hope/Outreach \$50.00, Fuel \$1,575.00, Unrestricted \$2,500.00. *Let us know if we can help you with any critical needs through our HOPE fund. Please pray daily for our parish.*

**Books and more books!** The friars have many books that they will not be taking with them when they move on August 1. If you think you might be interested in some of them, they are currently being stored in the parish office. Please call Karen to set up a time to have a look. The books are free.

**Profession of Vows:** On August 11th the van will be leaving at 9:15 to attend Alba Luz's Profession of Vows Ceremony in Allegany, NY as she joins the Allegany Franciscans. Please see the sign up sheet if you would like to attend. Please sign even if you don't need a ride. We need to call in the number of people attending for the reception afterwards.

**Fr. Jud Says Thanks** to all who put him over his goal for the Ride for Roswell!

## **Upcoming Events**

**"Get to Know Our New Neighbors"** presented by the Network of Religious Communities on Monday, June 24, 6:30 p.m. at Blessed Trinity. The panel will discuss the cultures and religious highlights of the people moving into our neighborhoods. Join us and learn what you need to know to be a good neighbor. Light refreshments will be served. Free-will offering.

**Mark your calendar for July 7<sup>th</sup>** We finally have a date that Fr. Aaron, Fr. Jud and Fr. Jason will be together before they go their separate ways. Parishioners are invited to a cookout with hamburgers and hot dogs. It's a pot luck, so please bring a picnic side dish. Our Family 21 we will gathering at 1:30 p.m. (all parish services will be finished at that time), so let's come together with a thankful heart for the time we had with Franciscans sharing their ministry with us. If you have any questions, please call the parish office at 716-852-3331 and ask for Paula or Karen.

**St. Lawrence Vineyard Ministries, Inc.** asks for your support to keep their Food Pantry open! Please join them for a traditional spaghetti dinner on July 14th from 1:15pm-4:15pm. Eat in or take out. Adults \$12, children 12 and under \$9. Dinner includes pasta with sauce, one meatball, one sausage link, salad, bread and butter, ice cream, lemonade and ice tea.

**We Did It!** As of Friday 36 generous donors to Catholic Charities have given \$14,833.50 to put us over our \$12,780.84 goal for 2024. That puts us at over 116% of our goal!

**Please continue to pray for all of our parishes and parishioners during this challenging time.**

**The Father Baker Knights of Columbus** Council #2243 is holding a Summer Sweepstakes raffle to be drawn on August 11, 2024. 1st prize \$2,500, 2nd prize \$1,500, 3rd prize \$500, 4th through 8th prize \$100. Tickets may be purchased from DGK Don Thompson for \$20 by calling 716-341-8291, or see him after weekend Mass. You may also get tickets from the parish office.

**Catholic Relief Services Update:** A few weeks ago, the 77th World Health Assembly was held in Geneva, Switzerland. Catholic Relief Service was in attendance. Here are some of our main takeaways from the events: Well-trained and supported health workers, especially those at the community level, are essential for robust, effective, sustainable health systems. Climate change will increasingly impact health and health systems in countless ways. We must recognize this and strategically plan accordingly. Additionally, Gavi CEO Dr. Sana Nishtar emphasized the importance of reaching the world's most vulnerable children - those who have not received any immunizations. Peter Sands, Executive Director of The Global Fund, said when it comes to global health, time equals lives. We need to do things faster, as each week that passes represents thousands of lives lost to preventable diseases. Visit [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org) for more information and to see how you can help! Interested in becoming a member of our local group? Contact Dcn. Jerry or Dcn. Don.

**Food Pantry request for June:** cereal, pasta, sauce, peanut butter & jelly and mac & cheese. 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.

**Lakeside Day Retreats: Branches Christian Rest and Renewal Centers** invites you for a day of rest and renewal at our Seneca Lake property. Our 2024 "All Are Welcome" day retreat schedule is:

- "How to be a Saint – Saturday, July 13 – facilitated by Ann Kern.
- "The Eucharist, Is It Really Him?" – Saturday, August 3 – facilitated by Rick Paolini.
- "Heart to Heart with God" – Thursday, August 22 – facilitated by Deacon Ward Nolan & Jayne Badano-Bidwell.
- "I Came to Cast Fire Upon the Earth" – Saturday, September 28 – facilitated by Rocco Fortunato with Mass celebrated by Fr. Anthony Amato.

Branches is a Roman Catholic Retreat Center. Call 716-901-4313 or email [branches1515@live.com](mailto:branches1515@live.com). All who love Christ are welcome.

### **Please pray for:**

Larry Hyman, Linda Zabarowski, Roland Autry, Jayne Nadler, Daniel Ohl, 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, Clarence and Ana Morales.

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