

Please pray for: Donna O'Connor, 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, Betty Bryant 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.

A message from Sr. Maureen Harris, OSF: Happy Easter Blessings! May the Risen Lord be with us and keep us safe through these beautiful Easter days of new life springing up all around us. I encourage you to continue to keep praying for your prayer partner until we can celebrate again together.

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Saturday Mass:

4 p.m. Margaret Frainier 834-8296

Sunday Mass:

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* Traditional Funerals starting at \$3,950.00

Includes 2 day viewing, 20 gauge metal casket

9 a.m. Carmen R. Rivera 847-1463 11 a.m. Sandy Villa 885-6706

Lombardo Funeral Home

" The End Of **High**

Cost

Funerals"

(Concrete grave liner optional- not required by NYS; may be required by cemetery)

Direct Cremation—\$559

885 Niagara Falls Blvd (near Eggert Sheridan) 837-7100

3060 Abbott Rd. (near Lake) 823-4812

102 Linwood Ave. (near Summer) 886-5363

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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)

April 10 & 11, 2021 Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church 75 Hickory St. (near Clinton) Buffalo, NY 14204 716-852-3331 sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com

Pastor: Fr. William "Jud" Weiksnar, OFM

Deacon: Mr. Jerry Hodson Fr. Gabe Scarfia, OFM Br. Tim Dauenhauer, OFM **In Heaven:** Sr. Karen Klimczak

<u>Adoration</u>: 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.

Our in-church capacity at Mass is 75. 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 <u>mlzielinski@aol.com</u> 716-553-1750 or Rick Zielinski <u>riz76@aol.com</u> 716-512-1508.

VIEW 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
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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.

<u>Electronic Giving</u>: 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.

April 10 & 11, 2021 2nd Sunday of Easter

<u>Sanctuary Candle</u>: Lit this week in remembrance of John Mecca by Pat & Joanne Montemarano

Saturday April 10, 2021

4:00 p.m. +Albert Zwirlein by Donna Emminger

Sunday April 11, 2021

<u>9:00 a.m.</u> +The Barnabite Fathers by Paula & Dennis Hunt

11:00 a.m. +T. Paul Weiksnar by Family

Saturday April 17, 2021

4:00 p.m. +Joe Chisholm and deceased family members by John McCaffrey and Elmer Chisholm and families

Sunday April 18, 2021

9:00 a.m. +Fr. Joe Moreno by Maria Bufalino

<u>11:00 a.m.</u> +Phyllis, Al and Diane Musial by +Marge Musial

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 April 13th at 7 p.m. Join us for faith sharing, prayer and music. Questions? Please see Deacon Jerry.

<u>Cantors</u>: 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.

Thank You: Last weekend's collection of \$5,514.61 included \$683.61 through our website Donate button, and \$853.00 through Facebook. We also received \$221.00 for our HOPE Fund. \$147.00 in restricted donations and \$23.00 for Easter Flowers. We received \$255 in our Good Friday Holy Land Special Collection. 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 24-25 for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal.

Family Promise of Western New York is an emergency shelter for families experiencing homelessness in our communi-

ty: After significant renovations last year, Family Promise re-opened to the community in September able to house twice as many families in a permanent shelter in the City of Buffalo. Since reopening, Family Promise has served 21 families and most of the guests served are children. Family Promise is hosting a VIRTUAL Meat Raffle on Thursday, April 22 - tickets must be purchased in advance and you do not have to be present to win. To purchase tickets, go to: https://fpwny.org/virtual-meat-raffle Help support the mission of Family Promise to keep families together!

Nativity Miguel Middle School is now interviewing students for the 2021-22 school year! Our school offers small classes for 5th-8th grade students with personal attention from teachers, single-gender campuses, scholarships for all students, and continued support through high school graduation. To begin the application process for your child or to learn more about our program, call us at 716-836-5188 or visit www.nativitymiguelbuffalo.org/how-to-apply.

<u>Fundraising Meeting</u>: We will be getting together on Saturday, April 17 at 10 a.m. in the church hall to plan Fundraising events! Please come with your ideas!

<u>Parish Council</u>: Group D will meet April 27th at 7:00 pm on Zoom.

<u>Western New York Catholic</u>: Although the diocesan newspaper is no longer published in a print edition, you can still read it online at wnycatholic.org It includes many articles and photos, and is updated regularly.

Ride for Roswell: Fr. Jud is riding in the Ride for Roswell once again this year on August 7 to raise funds for cancer research at Roswell Park. With just \$204 more in donations he'll hit the \$2,500 mark and be eligible to ride in the Peloton the night before from Roswell Park to UB. If you would like to donate you can 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.

<u>Sister Karen's Garden!</u> Be sure to check out the bricks in the garden. They are all cleaned up! Anyone interested in purchasing a brick in remembrance of someone please call the office. The Tree of Life in the vestibule also has leaves available.

*Seven Sundays follow Easter Sunday.
The Church's Liturgical calendar no longer names these days the Sundays after
Easter but the Sundays of Easter. So, the celebration of Easter lasts for fifty days during which the risen Lord Jesus renews the Church, the world and all creation.

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 place your Rice Bowls with your donations to Catholic Relief Services in the large baskets at any of the Masses this weekend or next weekend. Thank you to all who participated in Rice Bowl this year.

A Vocation View: God's mercy is shown most clearly through the Sacrament of Confession, which Jesus gave to the Apostles in today's Gospel. But who will minister this Sacrament to those in need of God's mercy? If you feel called to take up this powerful takes as a priest, call Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations. org.

"God Can Make Anything New": A powerful message of hope for those who mourn the loss of a loved one, on Monday, April 12 at 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Pompeii Parish Ministry Center, 129 Laverack Ave., Lancaster. Presented by Renee Villa, Campus Director of Spiritual Care at the brothers of Mercy Wellness Campus. Due to social distancing restrictions, reservations are required so please call the parish office at 716-683-6522 to make a reservation.

SSJ Sister Karen Klimczak Center for Nonviolence: will present "Media Madness" online via Zoom and Facebook on Sunday, April 18 at 3 p.m. Rev. Frederick A. Gelsey, Sr. will present "Providing Youth Alternatives to Violence." We will also be introducing "The Youth Homicide Education and Prevention Media Arts Project."