

<u>Please pray for</u>: Linda Nelson, Pat Montemarano, Barbara Maund, Aida Mercado, Roger Ristau, Cheryl Milicia, Barbara Johnson, Sharon Dettloff, Terry Pettengill, Mary Lou Acevedo, Tim Richter, Karen Dohn, Lynda Coleman, Linda Nelson, Concepcion Vega and Pat Hart. 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.

**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

Today begins Vocation Awareness Week: Did you know that in our country, compared to 60 years ago, there are 20,000 fewer priests and 129,000 fewer religious sisters? At the same time, the Catholic population has grown steadily. During Vocation Awareness Week, please pray that young people in today's society will hear and respond to God's call. And do your part to encourage them to consider the priest-hood and religious life.

## STAFF DIRECTORY

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# **Saturday Mass:**

4 p.m. Margaret Frainier 834-8296

## **Sunday Mass:**

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

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Oct. 31 & Nov. 1, 2020 Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church 75 Hickory St. (near Clinton) 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" Weiksnar, OFM

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

Last Sunday of the Month: because we are limited to having just 65 people in church, for now we will not be having the 10 a.m. bilingual Mass the last Sunday of the month.

Adoration: We have resumed Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on a limited basis on the first Friday of the month between 1-3 p.m. Pease wear a mask and sit (or kneel) socially distanced. Join us this Friday, Nov. 6.

Our Covid capacity is 65 in the church and 25 in the hall; Mass is broadcast on our website, sscolumbabrigid.org. Those who come to Mass need to register, wear a mask, have your temperature taken, and sit where instructed. If the church and hall are full there may be some seating in the vestibule, or you can stay in your car or the Sr. Karen Garden until the time to receive Communion.

You can reserve a seat for the 11:00 Sunday Mass by contacting Monica Zielinski <u>mlzielinski@aol.com</u> 716-553-1750 or Rick Zielinski <u>rjz76@aol.com</u> 716-512-1508. To reserve a seat you must contact them at least a day in advance. Please be aware that when we have Baptisms, Confirmations, etc. at Mass, some seats may be reserved for the families of those making their sacraments. Thank you for your cooperation. God bless you!

**VIEW MASS LIVE ONLINE:** View Mass directly 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, 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.

# Oct. 31 & Nov. 1, 2020 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time

# **Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, Oct. 31, 2020** 

Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020

4:00 p.m. +Jack Kennedy by Cyndee Demski
Sunday, Nov. 1, 2020
9:00 a.m. +Michael T. Sullivan Jr. by Andrew & Anne Forrestel & Family
11:00 a.m. +Dominique Thompson by Donald Thompson

4:00 p.m. +Alice Gzyl by Family
Sunday, Nov. 9, 2020
9:00 a.m. +Carmen S. Muniz by Carmen R.
Rivera & Family
11:00 a.m. +Jimmy Rivas by Cliff & Donna
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Mass for All Souls Day at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 2. It will be a "quiet" Mass, with no choir

<u>Sanctuary Candle</u>: Will be lit this week in memory of Jack Kennedy by Cyndee Demski

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW A TEEN OR ADULT WHO... has never been baptized and is interested in being baptized? Or was baptized in a Catholic or other Christian church, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity called RCIA to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. We will cover the teachings and experience of Church with a special focus on justice, peace and the integrity of creation. Sessions prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm, accepting setting. We meet in the church's Dominique Room on Wednesdays at 7 p.m., except during the holidays. Although we have had two sessions, you can still join us this week. If interested please contact Deacon Jerry at 863-4800.

<u>Let's Roll!</u> Our youth are collecting Scott toilet paper to donate to Peace House. The receptacle is in the church lobby. Thank you!

<u>Parish Unity</u> While I am not able to comment on personnel matters, I ask you all to pray for parish unity. I am always willing to meet with any parishioner. Please just set up an appointment—Fr. Jud.

Thank You: Last weekend's collection was \$3,455. We also received \$20 for Capital Improvement, and a special donation of \$122. We need income of about \$6,000 per week to pay all our bills. We understand if you can't give now due to financial hardship. Please let us know 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, and consider joining our Fundraising Committee by contacting Monica at 553-1750 or mlzielinski@aol.com. Our next special collection will be the weekend of Nov. 7-8 for Catholic University.

Parish Safety: for your safety, we are keeping track of who attends Mass should we need to do contact tracing if an attendee tests positive for Covid-19. We are using a pre-Mass registration list to make it easier for you to check in at Mass. Monica and Rick Zielinski, our greeters, can be notified in advance that you will be attending a particular Mass at: <a href="mailto:mlzielinski@aol.com">mlzielinski@aol.com</a> 716-553-1750 (Monica) or <a href="mailto:riz76@aol.com">riz76@aol.com</a> 716-512-1508 (Rick).

Men's Group: our next meeting is on Tuesday, November 17 at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Come for fellowship, singing praise to God, sharing our faith and praying for one another. For more information, please contact Deacon Jerry at 863-4800 or <a href="mailto:jeremylhodson@gmail.com">jeremylhodson@gmail.com</a>

<u>Calendars for the Incarcerated</u>: Please bring in 2021 calendars (stapled only, not coil-bound; no pictures of children) for those in prison. Collection boxes will be in the church lobby.

Virtual Region 2 Conference for Hispanic young adults: (18-35 years of age) via Zoom on Saturday, November 7, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Christy Vaissade of the Office of Young Adult Outreach of the Archdiocese of New York is asking for at least 15 Hispanic young adults to participate in this process. Delegates will dialogue about "faith in Jesus Christ" and "Catholic leaders." They are really looking forward to hearing your honest thoughts on a series of topics and this will be relayed to the bishops. E-mail Christy at Christy. Vaissade@archny.org. Register in advance at https://us02web.zoom.usmeeting/register/tZEuduqvrTlsG9z1fZUnw7GleAnO pGUioom.

We are in need of stamps: If you can help it will be greatly appreciated.

<u>Snow Mass!</u> Our annual Snow Mass will take place in the Sister Karen Garden at 6 p.m. on the first day we have 6" of snow on the ground. We will announce it via Facebook and our website, or call the office.

Confirmation: Confirmation will take place here on Sat., Nov. 21 at 4 p.m. Mass including candidates from Ss. Columba-Brigid, St. Martin de Porres, and Blessed Trinity. Fr. Joe Rogliano will be presiding. If you are in grade 10 or older and wish to be confirmed, call Deacon Jerry at 863-4800 and he will let you know the next time we will be holding classes.

Family Faith Formation: Family Faith Formation is the program we offer for religious education at our Parish. The format is both unique and creative in that it <u>unites</u> the family in both prayer and education, teaches the family about our Catholic faith, fosters a deeper relationship with Christ and each other, and promotes spiritual growth individually, and as a family. It is open to everyone in the Parish especially families with children who are preparing to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation. We meet monthly during the school year and currently we are meeting via Zoom. Our next meeting is Sunday, November 22 at 5 pm. The Zoom link for this meeting is on the Home Page of our website, sscolumbabrigid.org. Any questions, please contact Deacon Jerry at either 863-4800 or jeremylhodson@gmail.com.

Residents of Erie County may be eligible for rental and mortgage assistance (a grant) which may pay all or a large portion of overdue rent or mortgage payments (up to 5 months), if they have been unable to pay due to Covid reasons. To see if you are eligible go to <a href="http://www.211wny.org">http://www.211wny.org</a> or call 211 to inquire about the LWE (Live Well Erie) Rent Mortgage Assistance Program

<u>Need for Leisure</u> This talk by Fr. Peter Santandreau will explore what is meant by the concept of "leisure" and its value for the human person formed in God's image. Monday, Nov. 16, 2020 from 7-8 p.m. in Our Lady of Pompeii Aud, 129 Laverack Ave, Lancaster. **RSVP is REQUIRED** for Social Distancing planning: 716-683-6522

Do you know a veteran?: To remember a friend or loved one who's a veteran, write their name in one of our Veterans remembrance books, or call the parish office at 852-3331. We have a book for those actively serving and one for those who have served. We will remember them at Mass on November 7-8 in honor of Veteran's Day.

**Food Pantry**: Though we so appreciate the food that is being dropped off for the Food Pantry, we ask that you bring it into church or the church office instead of leaving it outside the door of the Food Pantry. If we cannot be sure if rodents or pests have entered the bags, we have to discard them

The Food Pantry is in need of pasta, canned fruit, tuna fish, cereal, beans (all types), cake/brownie mixes and soups. Thank you!

They're Back!!!: Fr. Roy will be displaying his Nativity collection this Christmas season at Our Lady of Fatima Shrine in Youngstown during the Festival of Lights. He is looking for volunteers to act as guides during the Festival. The sets will be on displayed beginning Nov. 21 through Jan. 3. Times will vary. If interested in helping, please call Paula at 716-348-0154.

A tisket, a tasket... We are getting down to crunch time for one of the parish's biggest fundraisers, the Basket Raffle! Please return your baskets as soon as you can. Pick a theme: pets, Christmas, baking, gardening/cleaning supplies, Bills & Sabres, friars, etc. Drop your basket off at church before or after Mass or bring it to the office (call ahead of time). This will be fundraising and FUNraising. We have over 80 baskets already, and are closing in on our goal of 100. Baskets will be displayed in the hall for a few weekends giving you the opportunity to place your tickets. There will be no in-person drawing of the winning tickets, but it will be broadcast live on our website and we will contact winners by phone.

**Early Voting**: Last chance this Sunday, Nov. 1 from noon until 6 p.m. Go to <u>elections.erie.gov</u> or call 858-8891 with any questions you may have. Voting will take place in the St. Lucy Room. Bring your voter's card or driver's license.

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