ST. BRIDGET
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4:00pm
(closed noon to 1:00pm)

Friday 8:30am-Noon

parish@stbridgetlovespark.org

Call the Parish Office to: Register as a New Parishioner, Schedule a Baptism, or Schedule a Wedding
Please call at least six months before your wedding.

You may also register as a new parishioner on the parish website.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 7:00am, 8:15am 10:00am, 11:30am
Daily Mass
Monday-Saturday 7:00am, 8:15am

LIVESTREAM

Monday-Saturday 8:15am
Sunday 10:00am

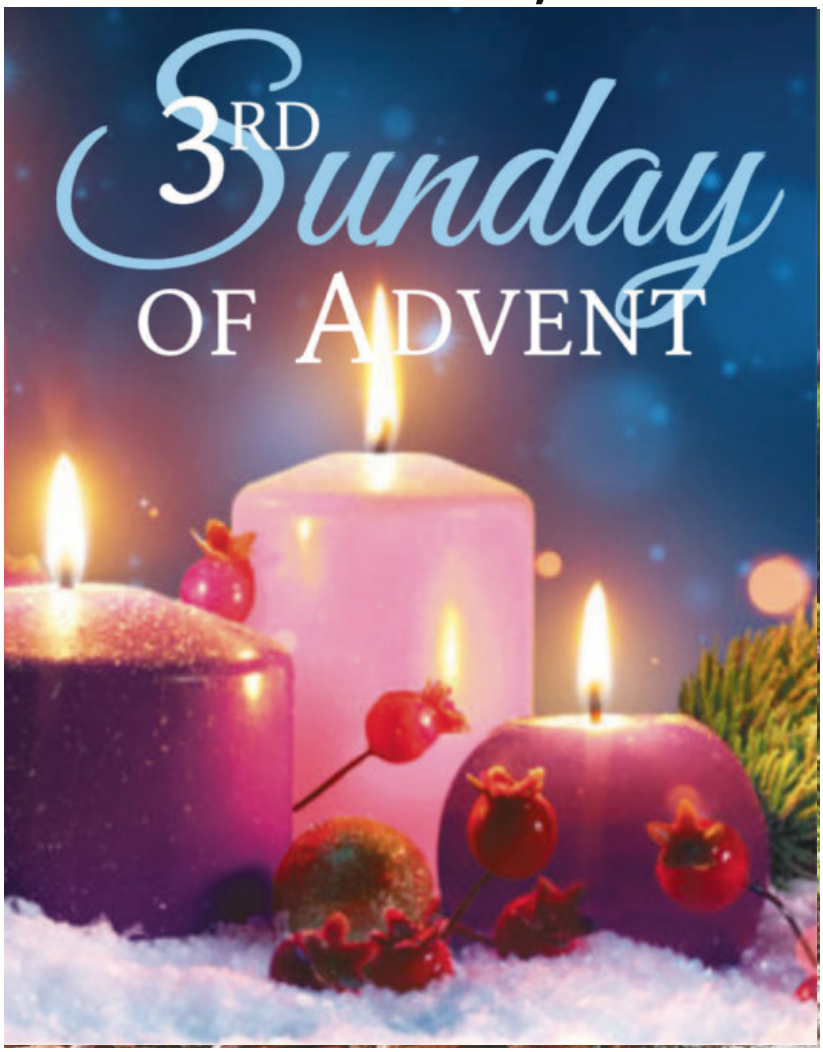
CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Wednesday 7:30am-8:00am
5:30pm-6:00pm (for Advent season)
Saturday 8:45am-9:45am
3:30pm-4:15pm
Sunday 9:15am-9:45am

PARISH CLERGY

Reverend Msgr Steve Knox - *Pastor*
sknox@rockforddiocese.org
Reverend Sean Grismer - *Associate Pastor*
frgrismer@gmail.com
Reverend Aaron Downing - *Associate Pastor*
adowning@rockforddiocese.org
Deacons
Philip Abel, William Riseley, John Gibson

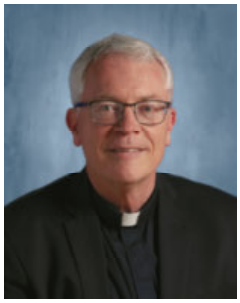
December 12th, 2021



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. BRIDGET THIS WEEK

- **December 13th:** Sisters in Christ Prayer Group 12:30pm PC Rm A
- **December 13th:** Light of the World 6:30pm PC Rm C
- **December 14th:** Knights of Columbus Meeting 6:30pm PC Rm A
- **December 14th:** RCIA Meeting 6:30pm PC Rm B
- **December 14th:** Light of the World 6:30pm Church Hospitality Rm
- **December 14th:** Boy Scouts Troop 32 Meeting 7:00pm PC Underground
- **December 15th:** Food Pantry Distribution 4:00pm PC
- **December 15th:** Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena 5:30pm Church Cry Rm
- **December 15th:** Middle School Ministry 6:00pm PC Underground
- **December 15th:** Direction for Our Times 6:00pm Church Hospitality Rm
- **December 15th:** Divorced and Healing Group 6:30pm PC Rm A
- **December 15th:** Choir Practice 7:00pm Church
- **December 16th:** St. Rita Chaplet 8:45am Church Cry Rm
- **December 16th:** Youth Confirmation Meeting 6:00pm PC Rm C
- **December 16th:** Cub Scout Pack 417 Meeting 6:00pm PC Hall
- **December 16th:** Bible Study Group 7:00pm PC Rm B
- **December 17th:** Evening Rosary & Adoration 7:00pm Church
- **December 18th:** TMIY 6:30am PC Rm C
- **December 18th:** Bible Study Group 8:30am PC Rm B
- **December 19th:** Art & Environment Team 12:30pm Church

FROM THE DESK OF MSGR. STEVE KNOX



Dear Friends in Christ,

Christmas Schedule

May the blessings of the Lord be upon you as we celebrate Gaudete Sunday this weekend and continue our preparation for Christmas. Christmas Day falls on a Saturday this year. We will be celebrating Christmas Masses on Friday, December 24th, and Saturday, December 25th. Please see the schedule at the bottom of this page. On Sunday, December 26th, we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Holy Family with our regular Mass schedule. The only Christmas Mass that will be very crowded is the 4:00pm Mass on Christmas Eve. Seating should not be an issue at any of the other Masses. Christmas is a great time to reach out to family and friends and invite them to attend with you. We are looking forward to some great celebrations as we celebrate the birth of Jesus!

The Sacrament of Reconciliation: Receiving God's Mercy

A great way to prepare our minds and hearts for Christmas is to experience the mercy of God through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We are adding some extra confession times during Christmas week. We will continue to have our regular confession times this coming week. During Christmas week, we will have confessions on Sunday, December 19th, from 9:15am-9:45am. On Monday, December 20th, the priests will be available from 5:30pm-7:30pm. On Wednesday, December 22nd, we will hear confessions in the morning from 7:30am-8:30am and from 5:30pm-7:30pm in the evening. On Friday, December 24th, we will have confessions from 7:30am-8:00am. May the Lord purify our hearts so that he can be born more deeply into our lives.

Our Lady of Lourdes Healing Event at St. Bridget

Most people are unable to make a pilgrimage to Lourdes, France. Lourdes is a special place to experience the healing power of the Lord. On Sunday, December 19th, from 6:00pm-8:00pm in the Church, Lourdes will come to St. Bridget's parish! Our Lady of Lourdes North American Volunteers will be here to present a two hour Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage Experience. Fr. Grismer has been working with this healing ministry for a few years now, so he'll also be present for this prayer experience. Through visuals and prayer, we will open ourselves to the healing grace of Jesus through his Immaculate Mother. If you or someone you know is in need of healing, please join us for this gathering. Many people struggle with physical ailments, and others carry emotional wounds from past hurts. We have more detail on this special gathering on page 3 of today's bulletin.

In Christ,

Msgr. Steve Knox

SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, December 26th

Mass Times

7:00am
8:15am
10:00am
11:30am

Livestream
Mass: 10:00am

Christmas Flower Donations

The decorations and poinsettias that we purchase to adorn the Church and sanctuary during the Christmas season are a beautiful way to remember or honor your loved ones. If you would like to make a donation toward the purchase of our Christmas flowers in memory/honor of a loved one, please complete the form below. You can return it with your donation in an envelope marked "Christmas Flower Offering" by dropping it in the collection basket or bring it to the Parish Office within the next few weeks. We will print the memory/honors of in our bulletins during the Christmas season. May God bless you.

Donation In Memory/Honor of….

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Your Name:_____ Phone Number:_____

Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage Experience™ In-Person Event at St. Bridget Church

Sunday, December 19th, at 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Our Lady of Lourdes Hospitality North American Volunteers will present a 2-hour Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage Experience™ at St. Bridget Church. Please join us for this in-person event. As part of this spiritual opportunity to draw nearer to God with Our Lady and St. Bernadette you will:

- Immerse yourself in the Message of Lourdes as given by Our Lady to St. Bernadette
- Touch the Grotto Rock and experience the healing grace of Lourdes Water
- Receive a Eucharistic blessing and pray the Rosary
- Receive a bottle of Lourdes Water
- Prepare a petition to be placed in the Grotto in Lourdes, France

Come and encounter the healing grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ through His Immaculate Mother. Invite your family, children, and friends! Our Lady extends her invitation to all! The next best thing to visiting Lourdes itself is a Pilgrimage journey without the travel! A Plenary Indulgence is granted to all the faithful, under the usual conditions, who attend this Experience. Admission is free; donations are welcome. For more information, contact Father Grismer 815-633-6311.

Giving Tree

All of the ornaments have been selected from the Giving Tree. If you selected an ornament, once the gift is purchased, place the gift in a gift bag and securely attach the ornament tag to the outside of the gift bag. Please return it to the Church and place it under the tree in the narthex of Church on or before December 12th.

Thank you so much for your generosity. Small acts of hidden kindness can communicate the love of God, in very special ways. May God bless you and the people who will be blessed by your loving kindness. If you have any questions, please contact Lynn in our Parish Office at lynnhagedorn@stbridgetlovespark.org

Christmas Week Confession Times

Sunday, December 19th, 9:15am - 9:45am
Monday, December 20th, 5:30pm - 7:30pm
Wednesday, December 22nd, 7:30am - 8:30am
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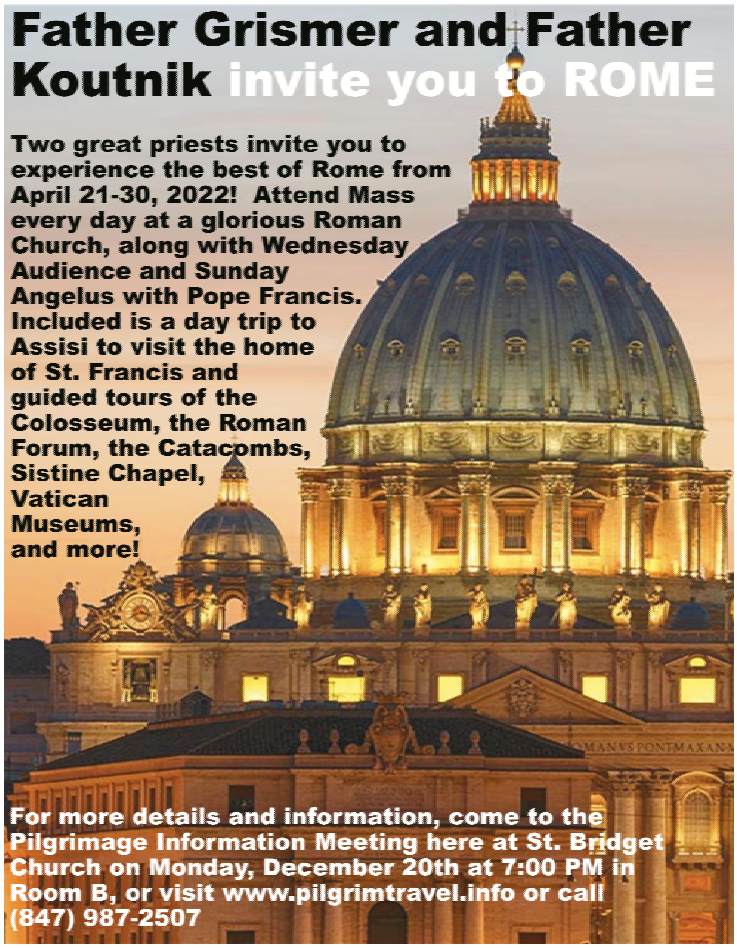
Friday, December 24th, 7:30am - 8:00am

There will be no confessions on Saturday, December 25th.



Simbang Gabi 2021

Christmas Novena Masses

Greater Rockford Filipino-American Catholic Community

Everyone is welcome to join us for the Simbang Gabi, Christmas Novena Masses, which is the Filipino tradition for the spiritual preparation of Christmas. It is the Filipino way of accompanying the Blessed Virgin Mary as she awaits the birth of her son, Jesus Christ. The Christmas Novena Masses will be celebrated the nine days before Christmas at nine different parishes throughout the Diocese. St. Bridget will host the final Mass for the novena on Thursday, December 23rd. All parishioners are invited to the Mass as well as the festive cultural reception afterwards.

Schedule for Each Evening: (Rosary at 6:00pm and Mass at 6:30pm)

- **Wednesday, December 15th** - St. James, Belvidere, Coordinators: Meriza Overton/Prudence Vega
- **Thursday, December 16th** - Poor Clare Monastery, Rockford, Coordinator: Ana Liza Gardia Teope
- **Friday, December 17th** - St. James, Rockford, Coordinators: Grace Canonigo/Ruth Hajduk
- **Saturday, December 18th** - St. Peter Cathedral, Coordinators: Jason Sturges/Olivia Sturges
- **Sunday, December 19th** - St. Rita, Rockford, Coordinators: Arlene Reyes/Berna Lewis
- **Monday, December 20th** - Holy Family, Rockford, Coordinators: Ace Rimorin/Ruth Rimorin
- **Tuesday, December 21st** - St. Bernadette, Rockford, Coordinators: Felice Eleazar/Joy Miller
- **Wednesday, December 22nd** - St. Patrick, Rockford, Coordinators: Lu Danielson/Belle Castaneda
- **Thursday, December 23rd** - St. Bridget, Loves Park, Coordinators: Belle Castaneda/MaryAnn Breault

If you would like to help sponsor a Mass, please contact Janet Berry at 815-323-2552.

After the Novena Mass on Thursday, December 23rd, at St. Bridget there will be a POTLUCK DINNER. Please bring a dish to pass, a dessert, and a 2-liter bottle of pop.

After dinner, there will be a short program. Program Coordinators are Rose Flores & Grace Canonigo. If you would like to participate, please contact Janet Berry at 815-323-2552 no later than Sunday, December 19th.

Please masks are required at the Churches and Parish Hall. Everyone is encouraged to wear Filipiniana & Barong Tagalog.

Church Decorating

The Advent and Christmas season are upon us and the Art & Environment team will be decorating the Church for Christmas soon. We would greatly appreciate your help.

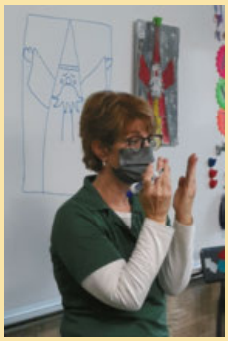
Saturday, December 18th, at 11:00am at the Church to receive the flower delivery, to organize the florals, and water.

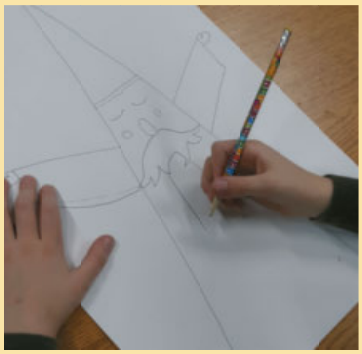
Sunday, December 19th, at 12:30pm to decorate the Church and the Adoration Chapel.

We also are in need of a couple of people to water the flowers during the season once weekly. If you can assist us in any of these categories, please call the Parish Office at 815-633-6311.

St. Bridget School Art

Third Grade guided drawing art lesson of St. Nicholas with Mrs. Greco.





Friday Evening Rosary and Adoration

Each Friday evening from 7:00pm-7:45pm, we pray the Rosary in the Church with Eucharistic Adoration. The gathering is also livestreamed. The evening is led by our priests. This evening allows us to connect with the Lord in a special way and be led into deeper spiritual waters through Adoration and the Rosary. We all need peace of mind and peace of heart so please consider joining us.

St. Vincent de Paul Holiday Fudge Raiser

WHERE: The Hospitality Room in the back of Church

WHEN: After all Masses on December 11th/12th

GOURMET FUDGE FLAVORS: Chocolate, Chocolate Walnut, Chocolate Mint, Chocolate Peanut Butter, Peanut Butter, Cookies and Cream, Butterfinger

Great for Gifts - Grab Bags – Teachers
Good Neighbors – Employees

INDIVIDUAL 8 OZ CONTAINERS: $10 each, 3 for $25, or 12 for $100

Advance Orders can be sent to Kathleen Hall at khall@stbridget.svdp-rfd.org

Join us this week for our annual **High School & Middle School Christmas Parties!!!** (This will be our last week of ministry for the semester.)

Our High School Christmas Party is Sunday, December 12th, from 6:30pm-8:00pm in the Bridge!! Be sure to wear your ugliest Christmas sweater so you can be entered into the Ugly Sweater Competition!

Our Middle School Christmas Party will be on Wednesday, December 15th, from 6:00pm-7:30pm in the Underground! We encourage students to dress festive!

Ministry will resume on Sunday, January 9th, for High School and Wednesday, January 12th, for Middle School! Please know of our prayers for you as we prepare for Christmas, and we look forward to seeing you in 2022!

St. Bridget Food Pantry

The next distribution day will be **Wednesday, December 15th,** from 4:00pm until 6:00pm. Any questions, please call Deacon Phil Abel at 815-262-1847.

Food Pantry is in need of the following items: stuffing, mashed potato mixes, canned pumpkin, canned yams, and biscuit or cornbread mixes

Please know the recipients of your donations are so very grateful. Your generosity and kindness enables the Pantry to help many of those who otherwise might not have enough to eat or properly care for themselves. God bless you!

December 12th
Third Sunday of Advent:

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist says, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise..."

Christmas is a time of love and gift giving...please share your abundance by giving a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who do not have clothes and food can share in the blessings of Christmas.

SEASONS OF HOPE

Grief Support Group

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? Please come to this Christ-centered series where we seek to find hope in the midst of sorrow. Anyone in the Greater Rockford Area who is mourning the loss of a loved one is encouraged to attend and invited to bring a guest. Please join us.

Next Meeting: ***Monday, December 20th***
Time: ***5:30pm - 6:30pm***
Location: ***Hospitality Room of Church***

Our sessions will involve meditation on Sacred Scripture, grounded in our Catholic faith, and no-pressure group discussion. Bring your Bible. For more information or to let us know that you would like to attend, please contact Kay Ethington 815-621-7117 or email k.ethington14@gmail.com

Future meeting dates: 1/3, 1/17,

Angel Dusters

Angel Dusters needs volunteers to help clean the Church! Many hands are needed to keep our Church beautiful and safe! We are also looking for help on **Mondays after the 8:15am Mass.**

If you have any questions, call Randy Gulotta at 815-262-6840 or just drop in after Mass.

Advent Scripture Series

Plan now to attend the popular Advent Scripture Series with John McGrath. The theme of this year's presentation will be "The Living Voice of the Gospels". The remaining session will be on December 12th. The session runs from 1:00pm until 2:30pm at St. Peter's Cathedral in the Fellowship Hall, 1243 N. Church Street, Rockford. The cost is $5.00 for the last session. For more information, please call Deacon Bob Mitchison at 815-633-0213.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. Bridget Knights of Columbus Council 4330 is part of the world's largest Catholic Fraternal Organization. Our purpose is to serve St. Bridget families, Seminarians, and our community. Our meetings are the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm in Parish Center, Classroom A. There is a 6:30pm Rosary which precedes the meeting. **Our next meeting is December 14th.** We are seeking like-minded men who are interested to join us. Please contact Grand Knight Martin Reyes 815-988-2734 or email: Council4330KofC@gmail.com

Divorced and Healing

Divorced and Healing is an open and ongoing support group that helps individuals cope and heal from divorce and separation. Speakers and faith sharing are offered throughout the year. Whether recently divorced or 20+ years out, this group is for you.

Next Meeting: ***Wednesday, December 22nd***
Time: ***6:30pm - 8:00pm***
Location: ***Classroom A in Parish Center***

Please call Rita at 779-772-5702 or Len at 815-654-9727 with any concern you may have. We are always happy to talk with you. Stay healthy! God Bless!

Future Meeting Dates: 1/5, 1/19

Mary's Corner

We are now in the middle of the holiday season and our lives are even busier with all the extra things to do. When things just seem too busy, why not visit the Adoration Chapel for some down time? Our Lord is not only there, but His Mother is too. What a wonderful chance to talk with both of them or just sit in the stillness and let them rest in your heart and soul. They are waiting for you. Come and visit! It will help keep your mind on the Advent season and what it is really all about.

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PICK OF THE WEEK

December 12, 2021

WATCH

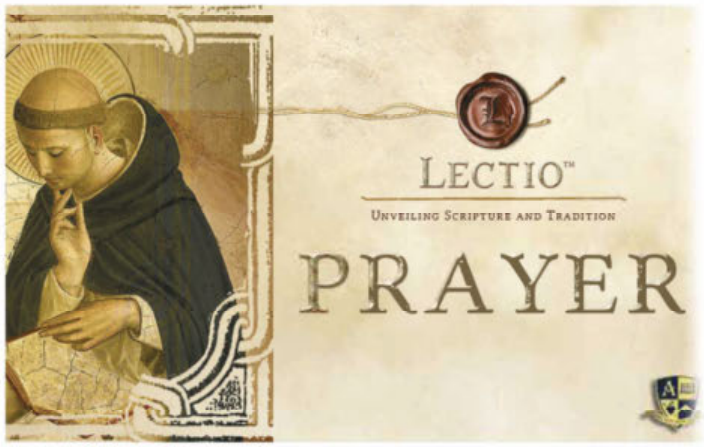
SAINT TERESA OF ÁVILA: A STUDY IN PERSEVERANCE

Both St. John of the Cross and his dear friend St. Teresa of Ávila lived heroic lives of prayer. In honor of these spiritual masters, enjoy this film depicting the Carmelite way of life and the virtue of perseverance.

LEARN

LECTIO: PRAYER—AN INTIMATE DIALOGUE

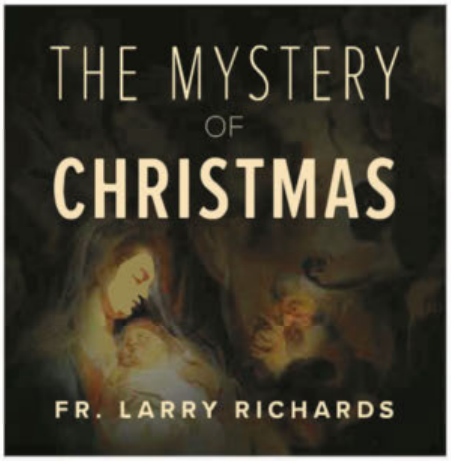
St. John of the Cross, Doctor of the Church, had a deep desire to help others grow in prayer. In honor of this mystical saint, join Dr. Gray as he dives into the simplicity and mystery of prayer.



LISTEN

THE MYSTERY OF CHRISTMAS BY FR. LARRY RICHARDS

In this talk, Fr. Larry Richards reminds us that in the mystery of Christmas, God gives humanity his greatest gift—the gift of his Son to the world.



Our parish has a FORMED subscription.
To set up your free account visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

St. Bridget Online Giving

Do you want to transition away from envelopes and contribute electronically? It is the earth and budget friendly way to go! It saves our Parish money not sending monthly envelopes. Visit our website at www.stbridgetlovespark.org and on the home page, click on "Giving". You will be directed to the St. Bridget Online Giving Page. Set up each way in which you would like to contribute. If you have any questions or need help, please call Lynn at the Parish Office at 815-633-6311. It is also fine to continue to receive envelopes through the mail.

St. Bridget lay apostles of Jesus Christ the Returning King meets once a month from 6:00pm-7:00pm on the third Wednesday of the month in the Hospitality Room of the Church. We will pray the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary, read the monthly message, and have discussion. Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday, December 15th**. If you are interested in attending or have any question, please contact Craig Anderson or Jane Gomulka.

Craig: 815-985-4665 or bananacra@comcast.net
Jane: 815-543-5013 or jane.gomulka@aol.com

Future Meetings Dates: 1/19

Saint Rita Chaplet

Join us to pray the Chaplet of St. Rita of Cascia every Thursday. Our next meeting is **Thursday, December 16th**. We meet in the Cry Room of the Church after the 8:15am Mass. Rosaries, Chaplet Copies, and Prayer Cards will be available in the Narthex.

The intercession of this blessed saint of the most hopeless and impossible cases would be a tremendous aid not only in our personal situations, but even more so on a global level.

For any questions, contact Sid Papini at 815-985-3404 or email papini72@aol.com

"No problem is too small to bring to Saint Rita. She will draw you close to the Heart of Jesus, and she will not fail you!"

The Charismatic Prayer Group

The Charismatic Prayer Group will not be meeting for the month of December. They will reconvene on **Tuesday, January 11th**, in Classroom C of the Parish Center from 7:00pm-8:30pm. The Charismatic Renewal encourages the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, another life changing event of the Holy Spirit. We invite you to join us. For more information contact Ron Bergman by phone at 815-654-8420 or email at r-cbergman@att.net

Weekly Collection Income for December 5, 2021

Registered Families	2,198
Sunday Envelopes	$13,129.00
Offertory	$926.00
Online (259)	$11,976.71
Total for the week	$26,031.71

Respect Life Ministry

St. Joseph, defender of Life, pray for us

During the month of December, we will be praying for the poor and homeless. Remember to see the face of God in all people and to share our blessings with them.

Saturday, December 18th - Respect Life Mass at 8:15 am. The Rosary will precede the Mass.

24 Hour Rosary will not be held this month due to the Rosaries prayed on December 6th and 8th.

Save the Date
January 15, 2022 Rockford's March for Life

Contact Shirley Poole at 815-654-9416 for all Respect Life information.

"A baby crying during Mass is a blessing."

Adoration Chapel

We are in need of additional adorers to fill our schedule. The hours that are currently open are:

Sunday	11:00pm - midnight
Monday	10:00pm - 11:00pm
Tuesday	6:00pm - 7:00pm
Thursday	2:00am - 3:00am
Friday	2:00am - 3:00am

If you cannot commit to an hour every week, please consider filling in as a substitute adorer. You would receive a text or email when an opening becomes available. You could fill in as you are available. To sign into Adoration Pro, go to **adorationpro.org/stbridgetlovespark**

If you have questions or need help signing up, please call or text Rita at 779-772-5702 or email her at adoration@stbridgetlovespark.org.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Are you burdened with a problem and feel you have nowhere to turn for help? The Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help might be the place to find an answer. Many prayers have been answered by petitioning the Blessed Mother under the title "Our Lady of Perpetual Help". We will meet in the Cry Room of the Church every Wednesday at 5:30pm. Our next meeting is **Wednesday, December 15th**.

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Masses for the week

Monday, December 13th
7:00am Sister Mary Anthony Marelli, O.P.
8:15am Nancy Randazzo

Tuesday, December 14th
7:00am Hugh Ganske
8:15am Stephen & Mary Wagner

Wednesday, December 15th
7:00am Steve Reichensperger
8:15am Larry Ginestra

Thursday, December 16th
7:00am Johnny Cash
8:15am Mark Layng

Friday, December 17th
7:00am Marlys Riihl
8:15am Barb Liles

Saturday, December 18th
7:00am Anastazia Michajewicz
8:15am Respect Life
4:30pm Frances Crozier

Sunday, December 19th
7:00am Jessica Kim
8:15am Cheryl & David Dawson
10:00am People of St. Bridget
11:30am Klemens Borowski

Priest Mass Schedule for December 18th and 19th

4:30pm	Fr. Sean Grismer
7:00am	Msgr. Steve Knox
8:15am	Fr. Aaron Downing
10:00am	Fr. Aaron Downing
11:30am	Fr. Sean Grismer

Croatian Mass
1st Sunday of the month at 3:30pm

Deaf Apostolate Interpreted Mass
Sundays at 10:00am

Flame Intention

The Presence Lamp in the Church is burning this week for:

Shirley Bauer

Please Welcome

Our parish community welcomes the following new parishioners that registered:

James & Amy Davis

Peg LaForge

Randy & Chris Newhart

With Sympathy

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

Troy Keip

2022 Intentions Guidelines

Mass and Flame of Faith Intentions are now open through **June 2022** and can be accessed on our web-site or in person. Mass Intentions are Masses prayed for someone and are read during the intercessory prayers at Mass. Flame of Faith Intentions are for the Presence Lamp in the Sanctuary and the Vigil Lights in the Adoration Chapel. These burn starting on a Sunday through Saturday for someone.

- Limit of **8 Mass Intentions per year per family**. Of the 8 Masses, only two can be Sunday Masses or 1 Sunday and 1 Holy Day.
- The donation for each Mass is $12.
- The donation for the Presence Lamp is $12.
- The donation for the 4 Vigil Lights is $40.
- Reserve Intentions via our website, in person, or by mail.
- Payment for Intentions can be made online, in person, or by mail.
- All Intention requests are subject to approval by the parish.

Mass Intentions for the month of July 2022 will be opened by January 15, 2022.

If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 815-633-6311.

Readings for the week of December 12th

Sunday: *Zep 3:14-18a/Is12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18*
Monday: *Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [4]/Mt 21:23-27*
Tuesday: *Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23 [7a]/Mt 21:28-32*
Wednesday: *Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 45:8]/Lk 7:18b-23*
Thursday: *Is 54:1-10/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a, and 13b [2a]/Lk 7:24-30*
Friday: *Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:1-17*
Saturday: *Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:18-25*
Next Sunday: *Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45*

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Baptisms
A Pre-Baptismal Instruction class is required. Call the Parish Office for details.

Marriages
Couples planning marriage should contact one of the priests at least six months in advance. A Diocesan Pre-Marriage Seminar is required.

Devotions
Novena of Perpetual Help
Wednesday Evenings at 5:30pm

Family Rosary
Daily 20 minutes before Masses
Sunday 6:40am before the 7:00am Mass
7:55am before the 8:15am Mass

Perpetual Adoration
Begins on Sunday at 12:30pm and ends Saturday at 1:00pm. Limited to 15 people in the Chapel at a time. Please contact Rita Araoz at 779-772-5702 for more information.

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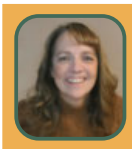
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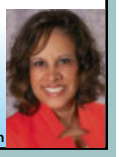

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