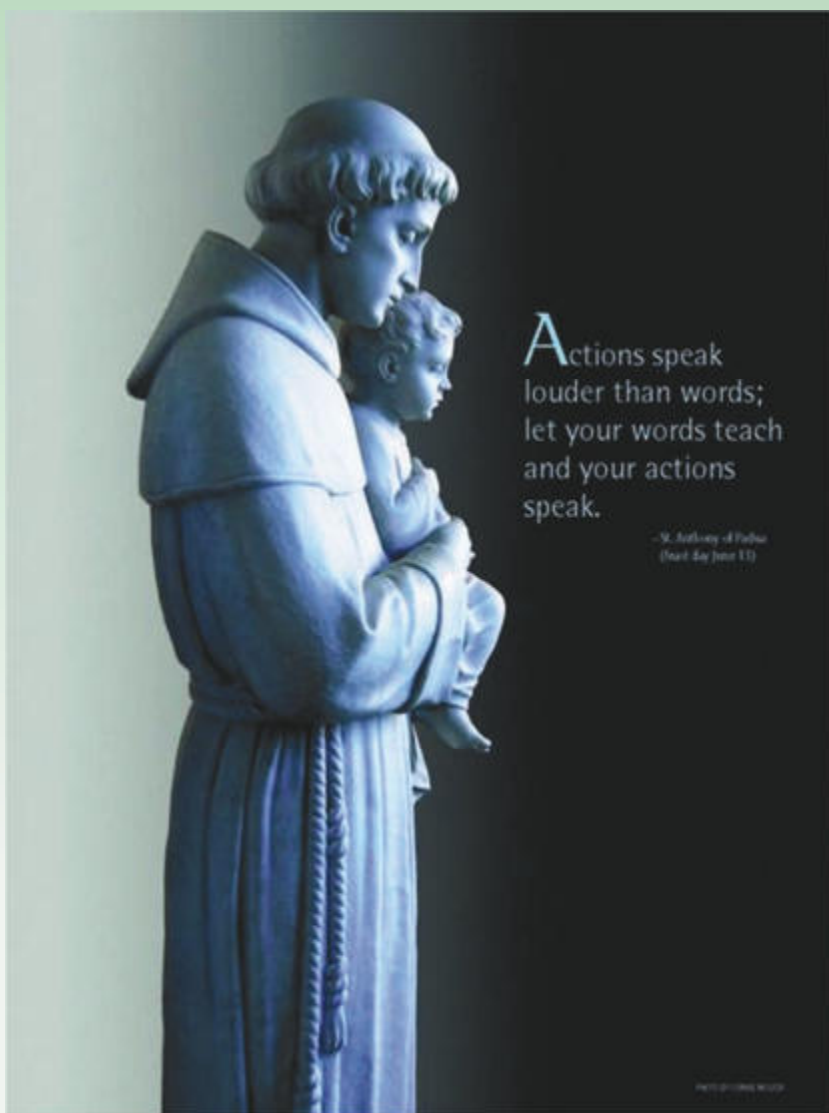


Welcome to the Parish Community of
Saint Bridget

*We choose to be the presence of
Christ on the Northside*

*11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 13, 2021*



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Pastor's Corner



"We are always courageous, ... we walk by faith, not by sight."

Dear parishioners:

St. Paul's message is a reminder who we are and to whom we belong. Christ is the center of our parish community and our individual lives. Paul speaks about remaining true to our faith and our mission. We may feel separated from our mission or our relationship to Christ, our true home, so Paul's call for courage is very important; nothing separates us from Christ.

Seeking our true home is a well-known image in our world where people immigrate from place to place. I find Minneapolis to be amazingly diverse; we are a microcosm of the world. Our parish is in the center of this wonderful diversity; the Parish Community of St. Bridget is a union of two parishes reflecting generations who have courageously walked by faith. Care for others is a strong component of the parish which I see in liturgy and outreach; we have a desire to be active in our wider community to be a voice of peace. Seeing Christ in others is central for us as we reflect on our presence and our pastoral outreach.

The past two years have been difficult with the closing of St. Austin Church. Members of the community found this very difficult and felt their history ended. Churches are important places and generations came to be baptized, marry, bury the dead, celebrate forgiveness and through the Eucharist, sent on mission. Churches are holy because holy people are present.

This past week I announced the results of the appeal process to keep St. Austin a church. The Apostolic Signatura rejected the appeal which means we are free to sell the buildings. I also acknowledge that in this long process some will wrestle with their feelings and wonder where is home. Christ is our home. We, the Parish Community of St. Bridget, are a place where Christ lives. Beyond the details of selling property and investing money, our work is building a strong faith community. There are many questions: what do we want to do as a parish? How do we honor our diversity and our histories? How do we heal division and what helps us move toward reconciliation and new life?

We seek Christ our true home and this is an act of faith. St. Paul recognizes the tension between here and the life to come. We usually have the tendency to focus on the next life, but we are called to the present moment. Lord. Give us Courage. Help us to walk by faith.

Peace, Fr. John, C.Ss.R.

Farewell from Mary

To the staff, and parish family of St. Bridget's.

As I leave my position of Director of Faith Formation and RCIA, I reflect on all of those who have crossed my path, while on their journey of faith. I can say with great confidence, and total gratitude, that being even a little part of your lives, has brought great meaning to mine. Please never forget how important your relationship with God is, or how much He loves YOU!

With sincere prayers for all of you, Mary

Community Life

FATHER'S DAY ROOT BEER FLOATS

On Sunday, June 20, we will be serving Root Beer Floats in honor or memory of our dads. Please join us after Mass in the back of Church, as we celebrate and remember these special gentlemen.

Faith Formation

TOTUS TUUS 2021

Totus Tuus is a program for 1st-12th graders hosted at Sacred Heart, Robbinsdale. Learning the Virtues and Beatitudes as well as the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary while growing in your relationship with the Lord!

June 27th-July 2nd. Register early! \$35.00 per student, scholarships available. Contact Morgan Timmerman at 763-285-6246 for more details.

Readings For This Week

1st Reading: Ez 17:22-24	2nd Reading: 2 Cor 5:6-10
Resp. Psalm: 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16	Gospel: Mk 4:26-34

In Memory

May we continue to hold in prayer the families of Phyllis Nesser, Elaine Hammer and Jane Borer who's Masses of Christian Burial we recently have celebrated. May eternal rest grant unto them, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

*Tidbits from the Administrator***Spring cleaning:**

The church floor will be washed and waxed in the next month.

Repairs:

The ramp wall in our parking lot needs some TLC and will be repaired in early June.

Something new: *Something to think and pray about this week*

Sign up now to participate in an online (via Zoom) faith sharing event. No cost, just email jonis@stbridgetnorthside.com you'll receive an article to pray with and gather on zoom with other St. Bridget parishioners once every other week and share our thoughts on the article and pray. Look for more information in the next weeks.

We have recently added *Reflections from the pew* in our weekly bulletins. They have been very well received. If you'd like to be a guest writer call to be added to the rotation.

Conversation needed:

Ministry room renovation
St Austin Chapel

Hope to start soon:

Coffee & donuts (YUM)

Volunteers needed:

Building and grounds
Hospitality

Please contact me directly with any questions
612-529-7779 or

jonis@stbridgetnorthside.com ~Joni

*Mass Intentions***11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****JUNE 13, 2021**

Sun. June 13 Mass 9:30am/ †**Wayne O'Keefe (Family)**
Feast of St. Anthony of Padua

Mon. June 14— No Word & Communion Service

Tues. June 15 — Mass 8am/ † **Sr. Patricia Binko, CMJ (Alice Wortman)**

Wed. June 16— Mass 8am / **Deacon Rich & Jill Heineman- (Gerri Hare)**

Thurs. June 17— Mass 8am/ † **Kurt Fried (Family)**

Fri. June 18—Mass 8am / † **Carol Delzer- (Donald Christ)**

Weekend Liturgies

Sat. June 19— Mass 4:30pm /**The Parish Community of St. Bridget**

Liturgical Updates

As more people become vaccinated, we are relieved to relax some of our liturgical restrictions put into place a year ago in March.

In addition to adding the **Gathering and Sending Processions** back and the **Reception of Communion** during mass, we hope to be taking up the collection and processing the gifts at the Preparation in July, if enough Ushers are ready to return to ministry. Please let us know if you are willing to help, or would like to be trained to serve as an Usher.

Although the **mask** mandate has been lifted in Minneapolis, Father John and Parish Leadership still recommends and encourages you to wear a mask in church out of a universal precaution and care for one another. Remember, some of our teens and children are yet to be vaccinated and some of our members may have health conditions that make them more susceptible to the virus or unable to be vaccinated. Ministers will continue to wear a mask except when proclaiming the Word. Given this, **we can return to singing as an assembly!** Worship aids will be available and the hymnals returned to the pews.

Confessions will return before **Saturday mass June 19th at 3:45** at the alley entrance of church. The larger, visible space offers some distancing and ventilation.

Anointing of the Sick will return the second Saturday and Sunday of the month after masses beginning **July 10th and 11th.**

The dispensation from the **obligation to attend Sunday** mass ends **July 1.** The Church has always recognized that certain circumstances can excuse a person from the requirement to observe the obligation. Certainly if you are feeling ill or caring for a sick or homebound person, you are excused. Please refer to last weekend's bulletin insert for more details. While we still intend to live-stream our masses with plans to update some of our technical equipment, attending mass in person is important and vital to the celebration of our sacraments and rituals.

While we have much to celebrate, we still hold in prayer all who are sick and recovering from Covid and especially all who have died. We pray for all the countries of our world who continue to be greatly impacted by this pandemic. May the God of healing and hope be our strength.

Prayer Request

Sharon Brisk, Annette Haehn, Karron Willis, Mary Franklin, Jim Carter, Shirley & Richard Peterson, Joan Roos, Paul Daugherty, Ann Lasky, Bridget Tidd, Laura Walsh, Gene Theisen, Carol Wolney, Arlene & Jerry Scherber, Linda Davison, Mary Ann Carter, Duane Pfarr, Emmett Mulcare, Rosie Bloomberg, Emmett Peterson, Ann Lentner, Jay Reding, Kristin Majkozak, Eleanor Dietrich, Brian Brixius, Missy Moore-Schmidt, Chuck Dellwo, Debbie Willard, Fran Willard, Sarah Willard, Michelle La Bissoniere, Mary Jo Prather, Ted Prather, Mel Church, Mary Jo Willard-Church, and Will Wallace

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