

Welcome to the Parish Community of
Saint Bridget

We choose to be the presence of
Christ on the Northside

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 8, 2021



Happy 100th Birthday Geri Burke



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Pastor's Corner



*"... Be imitators of God."
St. Paul*

Dear Parishioners:

Elijah finds strength in his journey from a small bit of food and water.

Jesus asks us to eat his Body, the Bread of Life and become his people. Eating the Body of Christ fills us with love and compassion for others and helps us on our journey.

We know how food affects us. If we go too long without eating, we feel weak, less patient more irritable, unable to focus. Too much food can bring the same feelings. Caffeine makes us jittery and too much sugar makes us hyper. If we have too many calories we store more fat. Food affects us.

I remember a professor talking about the Eucharist and how eating it changes us. The difference here is that we don't take the Eucharist and turn it into us; the Eucharist make us like Christ. This transformation takes time, but it does happen. That is why Jesus says if we eat and drink of his very self, we are changed, we are given life and that life is Christ.

We emphasize the Eucharist because it is memorial of Christ's love for us. It makes real his sacrifice for you and me. As food it strengthens us for our journey as disciples. It helps us become the imitators of God as St Paul tells us. The Eucharist changes us.

I appreciate the Eucharist more as I grow older. I see it more as the source of my life and transformation. Christ's presence comes to us so we can acknowledge it and allow it to transform us into what we receive.

The next time you hear the Eucharistic prayer, think that this prayer is meant for you and me. We present ourselves for consecration, so we become the Body of Christ. We become a memorial of Christ's love and a source of sharing God's mercy with others. We are the people praying for the sick and dying and we stand as witnesses of God's redeeming power in our world.

Be imitators of God.

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

Community Life

SCHOOL DAYS, SCHOOL DAYS!

Summer is moving quickly and our Scholars will soon return to school! There is a great need for school supplies for Sojourners Truth Academy. In an effort to aid our scholars, we will once again be collecting supplies through mid-September. You can use the containers in the entrances of the church or drop them off at the office during office hours. Whatever you can give is greatly appreciated by the scholars, their parents and the staff at Sojourners. We appreciate your generous hearts. THANK YOU!!



FAITHFULLY FIT



Faithfully Fit is back! If you are trying to stay active and limber, please come join us. Our exercise class is back in session, we meet on Monday mornings at 10:00 am in the back of Church. See you there!

Readings For This Week

1st Reading: 1 Kgs 19:4-8
Resp. Psalm: Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
2nd Reading: Eph 4:30—5:2
Gospel: Jn 6:41-51



Tidbits from the Administrator

TID BITS FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Completed:



The wall in our parking lot has been beautifully restored!
Thank you American Masonry!

Next project:

Sidewalks repaired on Emerson and Dowling doorways.

Volunteers needed:

Hospitality Coordinator
Hospitality core group

Please contact me directly with any questions
612-529-7779 or jonis@stbridgetnorthside.com

Liturgical Updates

The weekend of August 14th and 15th, we celebrate our RECONNECTING as the Body of Christ, also the **Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**. How appropriate that we gather to celebrate and honor Mary, the Mother of Jesus, the model of discipleship, humble servant, bearer of Light, Protectress of the oppressed, Patron Saint of all humanity and Mother of healing and hope, we gather to ritualize our experience our dying and rising during this pandemic. We hear the familiar story in the Gospel of Luke, how Mary greeted her cousin Elizabeth. Elizabeth was there for Mary, open to listening to her story, her joys and fears. Mary needed Elizabeth, like we need one another on our journey of faith. That is why we gather each week to break open the Word and Sacrament. Nothing can satisfy us in the same way as experiencing the presence of Christ in one another. We will begin our liturgies **gathering outside of church** for a blessing (if you are able) asking for the continued protection of our Blessed Mother, then process together. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal states the function of the entrance chant or song is to 'foster unity of those who have gathered.' We have been on quite the journey these last months. May we be strengthened in spirit as we continue to journey together in faith and hope and may we, like Mary, rejoice in the Lord who does wondrous things!

In Memory



May we continue to hold Mary Franklin, Ronald Witte, and George Waverek father of Liz Waverek in our prayers. May they rest in God's peace.

Save the Date



Have you made your reservation for the free pancake breakfast on August 15th after Mass? Please call the parish office to RSVP your spot. We look forward to seeing you!



Mass Intentions

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 8, 2021

Sun. Aug. 8 -Mass 9:30am/**The Parish Community of St. Bridget**

Mon. Aug. 9— No Word & Communion Service

Tues. Aug. 10 — Mass 8am/ †**Herman Kubow**
(Kathy Kubow)

Wed. Aug. 11 — Mass 8am/**Feast of St. Clare**
(Parish Community)

Thurs. Aug. 12 — Mass 8am/†**Carl Richter**
(Family)

Fri. Aug. 13 —Mass 8am /†**Phyllis Nesser**
(Mary Franklin)

Weekend Liturgies

Sat. Aug. 14— **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass 4:30pm** /†**Steve Gregori**
(Ross Family)

Prayer Request



Sharon Brisk, Annette Haehn, Karron Willis, Jim Carter, Shirley & Richard Peterson, Joan Roos, Paul Daugherty, Ann Lasky, Laura Walsh, Gene Theisen, Carol Wolney, Arlene & Jerry Scherber, Mary Ann Carter, Duane Pfarr, Emmett Mulcare, Rosie Bloomberg, Emmett Peterson, Kristin Majkozak, Scottie Kyles Jr., Eleanor Dietrich, Missy Moore-Schmidt, Chuck Dellwo, Carol Borman, Ralph Wolf, Kathleen Klath, and Phyllis Waverek.

Pastoral Care

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