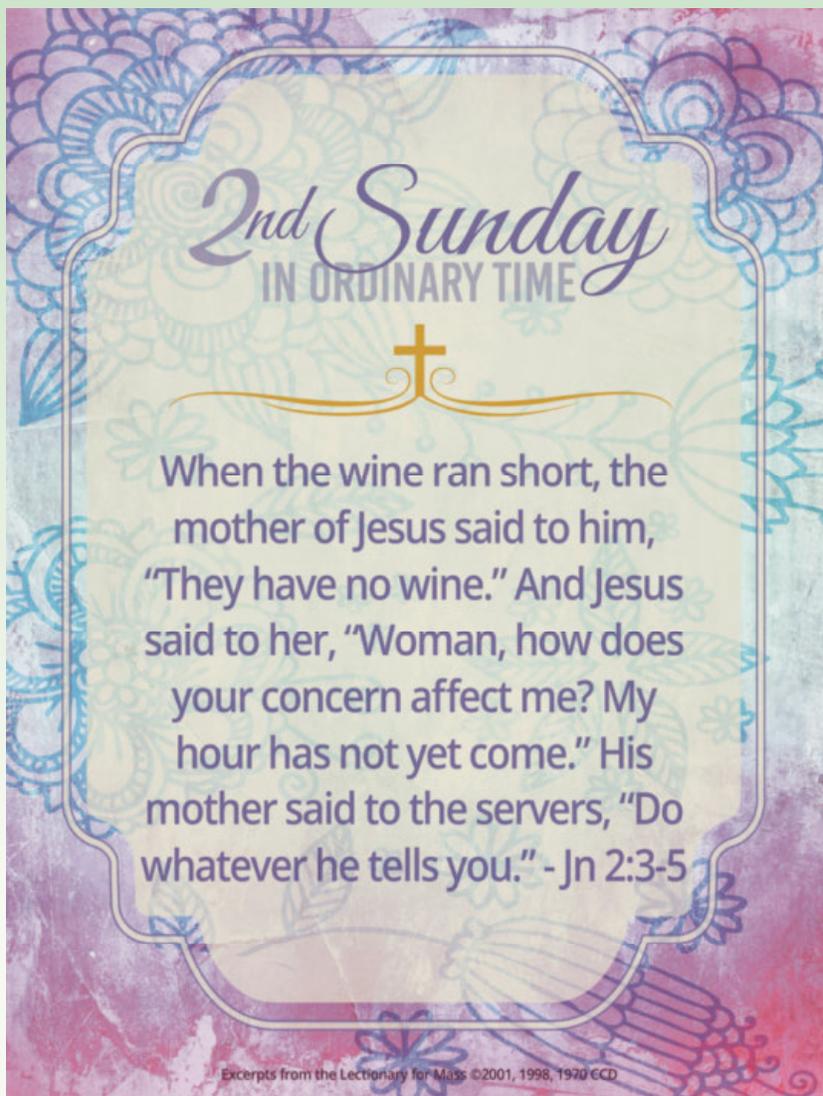


Welcome to the Parish Community of
Saint Bridget

We choose to be the presence of
Christ on the Northside

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 16, 2022



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Reflections



Dear Parishioners.

We have completed our Christmas celebrations. I'm grateful to all who had a part in making the Church and the liturgies vibrant expressions of our faith.

So, while we're in Ordinary Time, there are a few vestiges of Christmas in our liturgy. The gospel of the Cana feast has a placement in today's liturgy drawing from the Epiphany feast. Traditionally Epiphany celebrates three events: the visit from the Magi, the Baptism of the Lord, and the beginning of Jesus' ministry. The Wedding at Cana is a revelation about Jesus and sets the stage for his work as the Messiah.

I enjoy this story. It shows Jesus at a family gathering echoing love and commitment, the promise of children, the beginning of new life for the married couple. In Jesus' cultural setting, a wedding was a social event that included the whole town. We can see the care the people of Cana extend to a new family and that everyone is involved in their well-being.

This reading is a favorite at weddings because the background is a wedding but it's more than Jesus stepping in to save the day because they run out of wine. It is a revelation about Jesus that begins the growth of faith among people.

We can see ourselves in such an event and imagine how we would help. We might want to run out and buy more wine or give from our own stock. We may want to yell at the party planner who messed up on such an important day. I think Jesus calls us to focus, not on the obvious, but to ponder what this says about Jesus. The focus isn't on the couple or what we do to fix the mistakes; It is about seeing Jesus as the Christ and listening closely to his message. Jesus asks you and I to pay attention to his working in our lives. At what point do we realize that something greater is happening. Can we see Jesus in the events of daily life? Does care and love for others blossom in me?

These are good points to ponder because we seek to grow in our Christian life and be faithful to the love of Jesus.

God Bless,

Fr. John

Community Life

IMPORTANT NOTICE

St. Bridget's parish office will be closed on Monday January 17, in honor of Martin Luther King Day. Also, there **will not** be Monday morning exercise class.

NEW FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBER



We have a new Finance Council member. Fr. John, invited Rick Mysliwiec to join Finance Council and he said yes! When you see Rick, please welcome him. He comes with many years of commitment, not only to St. Bridget's but also to the community. May we continue to be the presence of God on the Northside with our ministries and welcome for all.

Thank you for the many ways you all bless St. Bridget's, it is greatly appreciated.

BABY SHOWER FOR JESUS

We will continue to collect baby items for Abria Pregnancy Resources, throughout the month of January.



Please place your donations in the baskets on the altar.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY



Jan 18-25, The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has a history of over 100 years, in which Christians around the world have taken part in an octave of prayer for visible Christian unity. By annually observing the WPCU, Christians move toward the fulfillment of Jesus' prayer at the Last Supper.

"that they all may be one." (cf. John 17:21)

Pastoral Care

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION:

We have a team that will bring you the Eucharist in a safe and respectful way. If you would like to receive, please call the office and a member of our Pastoral Team will contact you.



Funeral prep

FUNERAL PREPARTION

Preparing for a funeral or wish to do some pre - planning for yourself or a loved one?

You can now find our funeral planning materials on our website. Preparing a loving memorial for a family member is something we are never prepared to do under any circumstances. Planning public celebrations during a pandemic adds even more stress and grief to our losses. The Pastoral Staff is here to assist you in any way we can. On our website you will find an outline to use as a planning guide, suggested readings and music and updated protocols we are following with everyone's safety in mind. We continue to hold in prayer all who have died, especially during the pandemic and all who grief their loss and unable to fully embrace those who can comfort them.

Readings For This Week

1st Reading: Is 62:1-5
Resp. Psalm: Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10
2nd Reading: 1 Cor 12:4-11
Gospel: Jn 2:1-11



Prayer Request



Annette Haehn, Karron Willis, Jim Carter, Shirley & Richard Peterson, Paul Daugherty, Laura Walsh, Gene Theisen, Carol Wolney, Arlene & Jerry Scherber, Mary Ann Carter, Duane Pfarr, Emmett Mulcare, Rosie Bloomberg, Emmett Peterson, Kiara Kyles, Scottie Kyles Jr., Eleanor Dietrich, Missy Moore-Schmidt, Carol Borman, Kathleen Klath, Phyllis Waverek, Dorothy Woody, Danny Hanley, Donny Cooper, Keith Williams, Kay Stowell and Joe Dubsky

Attention

THE FEAST OF SAINT BRIDGET

Mark your calendars! The Feast of Saint Bridget is Tuesday, February 1st. We are in the planning stages of preparing a celebration for Sunday, January 30th during the 9:30 Mass including music with our Bagpiper and some special touches to celebrate our day. Hospitality is currently on hold unless the situation with the pandemic should change dramatically.



Mass Intentions

THE 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 16, 2022

Sun. Jan. 16—Mass 9:30am/ †Lavina Dubbin
(Connie Fish)

Baptism of Luke Pankiewicz during Mass

Mon. Jan. 17 **No Mass/
Office Closed Martin Luther King Day**

Tues. Jan. 18— Mass 8am/ †Fransicans
(St Anthony on Padua Fraternity)

Wed Jan. 19— Mass 8am/ †Albert & Veronica Bockmann
(Alice Wortman)

Thurs. Jan. 20— Mass 8am/ †Mary Franklin
(Anne Moen)

Fri. Jan. 21— 8am Mass / †E. H. Keating
(Mary Jo Keating)

Weekend Liturgies

Sat. Jan. 22 — 3:30pm Mass-†Parish Community of St.
Bridget and Peace in our City

Tidbits from the Administrator



We have a new online giving page. Have you checked it out? With our new We Share program, found on our website, you can now support St Bridget's from your home or across the country. Thanks to Kathleen and George Ross for organizing this new opportunity.

Have you moved or changed your phone number since our new rooster was printed? Call the office so we can update your information. Be sure to add an emergency contact as well. We can print a separate page with updated information for you to add to your book.

Once again, we must navigate through another variant of Covid-19. Our parish is acting cautiously and following the guidelines of the Archdiocese and the Minnesota Department of Health. **Until further notice masks are required in the Church as well as the Parish Office.**

Suggestions? Questions? Please contact me directly. St Bridget pray for us.

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