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"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." - Jn 10:27-28b s from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

May 8, 2022 Fourth Sunday of Easter

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Weekend

Saturday 5:00 PM; Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

Weekday

Weds., Thurs. & Fri. 9:00 AM Tuesday 12:00 PM

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00-4:40 PM Tuesday 5:00-6:00 PM or by appointment

Adoration

Tuesday 9:00 AM—9:00 PM Benediction 12:30 PM

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FROM THE DESK OF FATHER DAVE

ST BRIDGET LAUNCHES A NEW ENDEAVOR

OK, it's not like we are trying to compete with Harmony in the Park or anything. But we are presenting our own little music program this summer. We are calling it St. Bridget's Summer Concert Series. chose music that is fun to

Perhaps you have seen the flyers in the Narthex. The some commentary as he Concert Series will consist of four one hour concerts of four different styles of music. There will be no admission charge, but we will gladly accept any free will offerings. We are able to offer this series because of the generosity of the estate of Hank and Rita Peloquin. Hank and Rita were specifically supportive of the music program at St. Bridget's. In fact, Rita was a member of the choir. After they passed away the family made a donation to the parish that allowed us to purchase a larger and higher quality grand piano which we continue to enjoy today. Since there was money left over from that purchase, Tim, our Music Director, proposed that we use the remainder of the funds to offer a small series of free concerts and they agreed.

The first in the series will be Thursday May 19th at 7:00 pm. It will be an organ concert by Mr. Bill Chouinard who grew up at St. Bridget's and now serves as Organist and Music Coordinator at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in Mahtomedi. Bill tells me that St. Andrews has the largest pipe organ in the Twin Cities.

Ever since we purchased our Rodger's electronic organ, I had dreamed about having a concert to demonstrate to the parish the capabilities of this amazing instrument.



ST. BRIDGET'S ORGAN CONCERT MAY 19TH

However, with no career organist in the parish, that dream has thus far gone unfulfilled. When Tim told me that Bill was to be our first concert, I asked him to choose music for this concert that can demonstrate the variety of sounds and instruments that our organ

can produce, from soft and gentle flutes and strings,

to bold and brassy horns and bass. Bill said that he'd be happy to do so and listen to. He will also do goes along. Bill is widely known as a professional organist in the Twin Cities area and beyond. In my brief encounter with him he is extremely knowledgeable and also very engaging.



Bill Chouinard

The second offering in our concert series will be on Thursday <u>June 23, also at 7pm</u>. It will be an <u>Evening</u> of Jazz with the CC Septet. Come to relax and soak in the mellow sounds of live jazz to help you to take a respite from the occasionally frantic pace of summertime activities.

The third concert on Thursday evening August 4th at 7:00pm takes us into an experience of the Gospel <u>Music</u> genre and immerses us in some of the classic songs which represent a perhaps more spirited approach than the typical Catholic fare. How blessed we are to have such a variety of ways to praise God!

We conclude the series with a final concert on Thursday September 22nd at 7:00pm with a combination of Music and Comedy provided by 3 local talents including our own Tim Lackas, Mike Hubbard who has led us in music at more than a few Saturday night Masses, and the wit and talent of Karl Kornowski. It should truly be a fun and entertaining evening.

I hope that you will join us for these four evenings of enjoyment. All are welcome to attend, invite your friends and spread the word throughout the Lakes Area as well. See you on the 19th.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL MOMS

Moms, we love you, we pray for you, and deeply appreciate all that you are and all that you do for your family and so many others. You are our rock and our inspiration. Thank You!

- Fr. Dave

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

A message from Theresa Zlotkowski Faith Formation Director 651-257-2474 x58



"Our Mother Mary is full of beauty because she is full of Grace." (Pope Francis)

Mary, Mother of Jesus and Our Mother We Rejoice with You and Proclaim Your Praises





A message from Joe Kuschel Youth Minister 651-257-2474 x56

It's that time of year when our Confirmation candidates are preparing for the next step, and Sacrament, in their faith walk, and I don't believe the importance of this Sacrament can be overemphasized. Let's just go with a quick synopsis as to why and what that entails. When we are Baptized, we are given new life. At Holy Eucharist, our life is nourished, and at Reconciliation, life is restored when it is broken, and then at Confirmation, that life is strengthened by the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Because we never out grow a deeper knowledge and appreciation of our faith, Confirmation signals a continuation of that growth.

Not only does the Sacrament of Confirmation help us remain faithful to our baptismal commitment to be a witness of Christ and to serve others, but the gifts of the Holy Spirit, wisdom, understanding, knowledge, counsel, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord, make it

possible to fulfill our baptismal calling.

Now, I did not tell you anything most of you didn't already know. Every year Theresa asks for prayer partners for our Confirmands. What this means is she gives us the name of one or more Confirmation candidates that we will pray for throughout the year, encouraging them to grow stronger in the Spirit and their faith. Then, near Confirmation, she has us write them a letter, again, offering encouragement and sustenance.

Because this is my column, I would like to offer up the letter that I wrote to my Confirmand this year.

"Dear Peter Blair Denis Bernard Noone (not their real name), It has been a pleasure praying for you these past months. This next step in your faith walk is obviously extremely important. But please remember, that is just what it is, one more step on a path that is narrow, rocky, slippery, and strewn with a multitude of distractions. Please try to remember, the thought process, in order of importance in what God asks of us.

1. GOD

2. Others

3. Me

Keep God first in your heart and mind and numbers 2 and 3 will just fall into place. I know, so much easier said than done, right? It is not easy, and it does take a tremendous amount of work, but anything worth having is certainly worth working for, and I can't think of anything worth working for more, or more worthwhile, than an eternity with God.

Yours in Christ,

Joe Kuschel"

PARISH CALENDARS

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

THE WEEK AHEAD

| Saturday May 14th |
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| |
| 5:00 PM |
| Lectors: |
| Bridget Hoolihan |
| Sacristans: |
| Charlie & Chris |
| Hampton |
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| Sunday |
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| May 15th |
| 8:00 AM |
| Lector: |
| Carmelita Nelson |
| Sacristan: |
| Chuck Fitzer |

| Sunday |
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| May 15th |
| 10:Ó0 AM |
| Lectors: |
| Marilyn Johnson |
| heresa Zlotkowski |
| Sacristan: |
| Chuck Fitzer |

Sunday, May 8th, 2022

Tuesday, May 10th, 2022

| Mother's Day Plant Sale Youth Fundraiser Following Mass | NX |
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| 8:00 AM Mass | СН |
| 10:00 AM Mass | СН |
| 6:00 PM AA Meeting | F\Λ/ |

READINGS

| | Readings for the Week of May 8, 2022 |
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| Sunday | Fourth Sunday of Easter |
| , | Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rev 7:9, 14b- |
| | 17; Jn 10:27-30 |
| Monday | Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42: 2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10 |
| Tuesday | Memorial of John of Avila |
| , | Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 10:22-30 |
| Wednesday | |

Thursday Memorial of Saints Nereus and Achilleus Acts 13: 13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 & 27; Jn

13:16-20

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Friday Memorial of Our Lady of Fatima

Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday Feast of Saint Matthias, Apostle

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Jn

15:9-17

Sunday Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Rev 21:1

-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Suzie Alsen · Judy Clark · Lynne Karwand · Greg Fults · Darlene Kowalski · Kristine Beimert · Franklin Steele · Josh Hughes · Marietta Jacobs · Dwayne Kelley · Virgil Kappes · Kathy Berquist · Paula Trevis · Nonna Zwick · Mary Kay Andert · Jake Sauer · Veronica Roltgen · Julie Ramola · Carol Smothers · Thomas Thompson · Mary Karnowski · Kelly DeBiaso · Donna Haines · Charlene Chamernick · Shelley Madison · Judy Kelley · Rachel Curtis · Mick Lund · Tim Mitchel · Ben Riley · Kim Glenna · Beth S. · Jessica Mohler · Jim Underdahl · Jessica Stephens · Michelle · Mary Ann Weisbrod · Susi Ruchie · Tammy Bluhm · Connie Porath · Barb Nelson · Sara Miller · Kathleen Carlson · Katie Crum · Gail · Todd Olund · JoAnne Ford · Richard Gage · Julianne Forester · Doug Olson · Betty Olson · Ron Schleicher · Dolores Thompson · Mark Peterson · Al & Colleen Lightfoot · Don McKay · Jean Ricker · Lucy Shoop · Keenan McMahon · Dorothy Goodroad · Holly Sullivan · Sharon Luhmann · Frank Welsch · Don Bluhm · Ed Weaver · Eileen O'Mara · Eugene · Cv Speltz · Kim Halverson · Al Ahmann · Robin Weaver · Sherol Rogolla · Avery Rasnuessen · Matt Moen · Eric McDonald · Michael Koran · Peter Ellwein · Leslie Mackyee · Gabriel Clay · Brett Casey · Rick Alsen · Mary Mack · Patricia Callahan · Kim Gibson · Katie Harris · Kari Hall · Ted & Tom Pitzenberger · Maureen Wolhaupter · Steve Everson · Kristy · Flossy Knaak · Gabrielle L. · Mary Ann Koch · Dee Williams · Austin Otte · Stacy Kern · JoAnne Stanina · Lori Rogan · Shirely Van Horn · Roger Spencer · Jack Marxer · Cathy Christianson · Carrolle Serbus · Jon Peters · Margie & Patrick Kielkucki · Emily Spawn

If you know of someone in need of healing prayers or someone who is homebound and would like to receive communion, contact the director of pastoral care at 651-257-2474 x25.

| 9:00 AM—9:00 PM Adoration | CH |
|---------------------------------|----|
| 12:00 PM Daily Mass/Benediction | CH |
| 5:00—6:00 PM Confessions | CP |

6:30 PM Baby Blanket Committee Meeting CR LSH 7:00 PM AA Meeting

Wednesday, May 11th, 2022

9:00 AM Daily Mass CH 6:00 PM Youth Mission Trip Meeting **CR**

Thursday, May 12th, 2022

9:00 AM Spring Parish Anointing Mass CH 9:30 AM—12:30 PM Baby Blanket OPEN BB

Friday, May 13th, 2022

9:00 AM Daily Mass CH

Saturday, May 14th, 2022

| 9:30 AM—12:30 PM Baby Blanket OPEN | ВВ |
|------------------------------------|----|
| 10:00 AM First Eucharist Mass | CH |
| 4:00—4:40 PM Confessions | CP |
| 5:00 PM Mass | CH |
| | |

6:00 PM AA Meeting

| Sunday, May 15th, 2022 | |
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| 8:00 AM Mass | СН |
| 10:00 AM Mass | CH |
| 11:00 AM Baby Shower for Laura Schaad | SH |
| 11:15 AM Baptism—Arlo James Schneider | СН |
| 11:30 AM Baptism—Mia Greene | СН |
| 6:00 PM Youth Pro-Life Group Gathering | CR |

Key: CH - Church, CP - Chapel, CR-Conference Room, EW-East Wing, BB-Baby Blanket, NR-Nursery, SH-Social Hall, EB-Education Building, LSH-Lower Social Hall, NX - Narthex, OS -Offsite, YR - Youth Room

EW

MASS INTENTIONS

| Tuesday | 5/10 | 12 PM | † Robert Rongitsch |
|-----------|------|-------|-------------------------------|
| Wednesday | 5/11 | 9 AM | Tricia Jennissen |
| Thursday | 5/12 | 9 AM | † Michelle LaMotte |
| Friday | 5/13 | 9 AM | † Catherine & Clifford Kautza |
| Saturday | 5/14 | 5 PM | † Nickie Nelson |
| Sunday | 5/15 | 8 AM | People of the Parish |
| | | 10 AM | t Joseph Dolphy |

If you would like a Mass to be said for you or a loved one, please contact the parish office at 651-257-2474 x22

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Reluctant Sheep Sheep get an awfully bad rap, linguistically. Some are quick to label people as "sheep" if we think they haven't sufficiently questioned authority or if they're too willing to go along with someone else's plan. We say someone has "the wool over their eyes" if they aren't willing to see what we think is very obvious. "A wolf in sheep's clothing" is what we call someone looking to take advantage of those too gullible to identify a real threat. Taking all this into account and considering how often we are referred to as sheep in Scripture, you've really got to wonder if God trying to tell us something about ourselves.

If you look at the phraseology associated with sheep, it's no wonder that nobody wants to be one. Sheep are innocent. Sheep can't protect

themselves. They're vulnerable and easily misled.

We want to see ourselves as the opposite of all that. We like to think we're shrewd, with plenty of common sense. We want to believe that we don't have to rely on anybody for anything. We would sooner identify with the wolf than with the sheep — at least the wolf can take care of himself. We do this because we often resist the need to rest in the greatness of God. Like a child walking to school alone for the first time (forgetting his mom is following watchfully in the car), we want to think we can handle it all by ourselves.

The truth is that God is trying to tell us something by comparing us to sheep: You don't have to do this on your own. Every time I look at an obstacle and think that there is no way around it, I am forgetting that I

have a shepherd who knows the location of the gate.

– Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

YOUTH FUNDRAISER



The youth are hosting a Mother's Day plant sale in the Narthex following all this weekend's Masses. All net proceeds will go towards the youth summer mission and camp trips. Stop by the tables in the Narthex following Mass to pick up a beautiful flower for a loved one and support our youth's faith

-building trips! Thank you!

BABY BLANKET



The Baby Blanket invites you to an all-parish Baby Shower honoring Laura Schaad, St. Bridget's Communication Coordinator. Help us celebrate the birth of her first child on

Sunday, May 15th following the 10:00am Mass in the Social Hall. Please visit www.stbridgetofswedenorg/babyblanket to RSVP for the shower or email info@thebabyblanket.org or call 651-2304-0432. Laura is registered at Amazon. Come celebrate with us!

TOTUS TUUS



St. Bridget's will be hosting Totus Tuus June 20th—24th! Totus Tuus is a summer faith formation program for youth in Kindergarten—
Grade 6th. To register your child for the program, please pick up a registration form in the Narthex or register online by visiting www.stbridgetofsweden.org/elementaryformation.
Please register by June 10th. We also need volunteers to help out during the Totus Tuus week! If you are interested in volunteering please contact Theresa

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PATHWAYS HOSTING NEW



St. Bridget's is hosting New Pathways Homeless Families off site May 15th-22nd. We are taking donation to cover food and lodging for the five families in the program. If you can help us with hosting week, please send a check to St. Bridget's

with "Homeless Families" in the memo line. Thank you for considering a gift, and bless you for giving generously.

ANOINTING MASS



Our Parish Anointing Mass will be Thursday, May 12th at 9:00am followed by light refreshments in the Social Hall. Come receive the love of God through the encouragement of the church, with the laying of hands and anointing with oil. All are welcome!

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES



St. Bridget's is hosting a summer concert series in the spirit of growing community and sharing God's gift of music. These short one hour concerts will be performed by some of the top Twin Cities talents and highlight a wide array of music and styles. The first concert in the series is

an organ concert by Bill Chouinard on Thursday, May 19th at 7:00pm. Admission at all summer concerts are a free-willing

offering. Find more information at

www.stbridgetofsweden.org/musicministry. Please pick up a Summer Concert Series Flyer in the Narthex and post at a local business or share with a friend to help spread the news of the concerts to all!

FAITH FORMATION 2022-23



St. Bridget's Faith Formation registration for the 2022-2023 year is now open! Come join us for another faith building and saint making faith formation year. Registration can be found by visiting our website and clicking on the desired

Faith Formation webpage. Register your child by June 15th for special early bird pricing! If you have questions, please contact Theresa 651-257-2474 x58.

PATHWAYS EVENT NEW



New Pathways ministry to homeless families invités you to a free dinner event on May 26th at the Erickson Farmstead in Isanti. Anyone who has volunteered in the past, or is interested in possibly volunteering in the future is welcome to attend. This is a chance to learn more about New Pathways' Path to Home. We will need many volunteers to get started again. Please consider coming to this fun informative event. RSVP by Friday May 13th. Visit <u>www.stbridgetofsweden.org/</u> pastoralcare for more information and to RSVP or call Heidi, 651-257-2474 x25.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP



Church of St. Peter is beginning a grief support ministry for women who have experienced the loss of a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, or infant death. This loving confidential group is called "In Mary's Arms" and will meet at Church of St. Peter the 3rd Saturday of each month from 9:15 AM-11:00 AM in Conference Room A. For more information, please contact Lisa Engstrom at 651-982-2229; lengstrom@stpeterfl.org or Shelly Sullivan at 651-261-7328.



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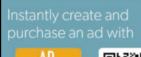
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