

ST. BRIDGET | HOLY GHOST

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 22, 2021

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Jesus said to them, “Does this shock you? What if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail. The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life. But there are some of you who do not believe.” John 6: 61-64

## MASS SCHEDULE

### HOLY GHOST

Weekday

Tues. Thurs. 5:30 pm

Wed. Fri. 8:30 am

Weekend

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am

11:00 am

### SAINT BRIDGET

Sunday 9:30 am

See the bottom of  
Father's Column page  
for temporary schedule  
changes

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## & UPCOMING EVENTS

Information for the bulletin needs to be submitted by the Wednesday (10:00 a.m.) before the Sunday you would like it published. Thank you.  
 Email: [holyghostsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:holyghostsecretary@gmail.com)  
 In Writing: 412 S. Main St.

### Thinking About Joining the Parish?

Please talk to Father after Mass, or stop by or contact the parish office. 412 S. Main St. 715-723-4890

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### How to Give to the Parish



Donations from visitors or non-parishioners are welcome. You can place them in the collection basket at Mass, mail them, or bring them to the parish office (412 S. Main St.).

When you become a registered member of the parish, you will receive envelopes. To become registered, please contact the parish office 715-723-4890. Electronic giving is also available. Contact Karin Hawkins: 715-723-4890 [holyghostfinance@gmail.com](mailto:holyghostfinance@gmail.com) You can also mail your envelope to 412 S. Main Street or drop your envelope off at the parish office. Thank you for your generosity!

### Parish Weekly Giving

|                    | August 15 |
|--------------------|-----------|
| <b>HOLY GHOST</b>  |           |
| Adult Envelopes    | 4190.00   |
| Plate              | 180.50    |
| Capital Imp.       | 110.00    |
| Assumption         | 432.00    |
| Mission Coop.      | 120.00    |
| Total in House     | 5032.50   |
| <b>ST. BRIDGET</b> |           |
| Adult Envelope     | 1216.00   |
| Plate              | 30.00     |
| Mission Coop.      | 30.00     |
| Assumption         | 75.00     |
| Total in House     | 1351.00   |

“For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.”  
 -Mt 6: 21

**Holy Ghost Faith in Action- Sojourners** We are looking to add to our Sojourners teams. It is a great volunteer opportunity. Our teams volunteer on the fourth Sunday of the month from 6:30 to 9, three times a year. It would involve making food for the evening meal and helping the person in charge. Interested, call or email Jeanette at 715 723 7262 or [jeanetteprince@charter.net](mailto:jeanetteprince@charter.net)

**St. Francesca Resource Center** We are looking for donations of non perishable food for the center. There is a food drop basket in the back of HG Church for SFRC. Please bring your donations and put them in. We also collect egg cartons. Thank you for your generosity. There is also food pick-up for anyone at St. Francesca Tuesdays 9am-1pm & 4pm-7pm. (117 Allen St.)

**Are You Interested in Signing-up for Liturgical Ministries?** Please contact the HG parish office or email Paula: [holyghostccd@gmail.com](mailto:holyghostccd@gmail.com)

**Do You Need to Register for Religious Education or Know Someone Who Needs to?** Registration is open! Classes begin 9/15. Contact Paula by email [holyghostccd@gmail.com](mailto:holyghostccd@gmail.com) | [sites.google.com/site/holyghostreligiouseducation/](http://sites.google.com/site/holyghostreligiouseducation/)

### Holy Ghost Parish Picnic Update

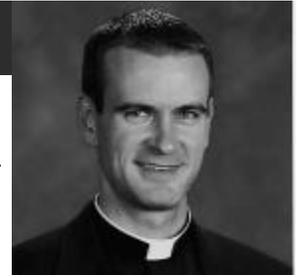
- There are envelopes in the church pews August 21, 22 and August 28 and 29 if you wish to donate to help defray the costs of meat for the picnic.
- We will be selling \$5.00 squares after each mass this weekend and after each Mass August 28th and 29th to the following restaurants this year: Sokup's Meat Market, Olson's Ice Cream, Hong Kong, and River Inn.
- Big Raffle Tickets are here. Sell, Sell, Sell! Pick them up after Mass or at the rectory. We will hold the tickets until 8/22. Those not picked up will be mailed.
- In your pews is the picnic info. packet. It lists donation requests, open positions and volunteer slots. Please consider. We have a lot of openings that need to be filled.
- This year marks 50 years of celebrating the Holy Ghost Picnic. Picnic is set for September 11th and 12th. We kick off our picnic on the 11th with our awesome Saturday Roast Beef Dinner. Cathy Reitz Trio will be playing for us from 6-8pm.
- You can start bringing in your Silent Auction items, Small Raffle items and Garage Sale items. You can drop the off at the rectory during business hours.
- We have a few more openings for Lead Positions: Picnic Lead, Bingo and Lead Ticket Booth. You will be trained. Contact Wanda (715) 404-8663 | [6Brooks@sbcglobal.net](mailto:6Brooks@sbcglobal.net).

### Keep Your High School Graduates Connected to the Church

Newman Connection connects high school graduates to college campus ministries across the U.S. You can use this link to sign-up now: [newmanconnection.com/connect](http://newmanconnection.com/connect) Participating is simple. You can also encourage your graduate to download the Newman Connect app where they can connect, instantly, to their college campus ministry!

**Looking for Faith Materials You Can Use From Home?** Our parishes have purchased a formed.org subscription for parishioners. Formed.org has a variety of e-books, audio books, movies, bible studies, small group materials, faith formation studies, and more. Take advantage of this great opportunity to grow in your faith, anytime, anywhere! 1. Go to [FORMED.org/signup](http://FORMED.org/signup) 2. Enter your parish zip code or name. Select “Holy Ghost” 3. Enter your name and email

**Adoration** You are welcome to come and spend any amount of time with Jesus. Holy Ghost Church: Thursdays 3-5pm Adoration with confession followed by 5pm Evening Prayer, Benediction, and 5:30pm Mass. Goldsmith Adoration Chapel(123 Allen St.): Open Sun. 8am - Fri. 10am. Weekly adorers needed: Sundays 10am , 4pm, Mondays 11am , 5pm, 10pm, Tuesdays Midnight, 8am. Call Andy 715-568-5243



## Praised be Jesus Christ!

We continue recapping our homily series on money: “*God’s Money... In Your Pocket.*” Over the last few Sundays, we’ve been answering the question: what exactly did Jesus say or teach about money? We’ve boiled it down to six central teachings: (1) that we are stewards, not owners of money, (2) that we build treasure in heaven through good stewardship of money, (3) that we must be on guard against greed, (4) that we are to use money to direct our hearts toward God, (5) that we are to pay our taxes, and (6) that we are not to worry about money.

Now we begin recapping the next main part of our series on money in the Church, particularly in the parish. What kind of guidance does God give to us through the Scriptures to giving away our money, and giving our money to the Church? Over and over again, Christ teaches that we are to give our money away. And we need to be willing to part with it for two reasons, which are in our best short-term and long-term interest. In the short term, giving grows our hearts in an immediate kind of way: it feels good. In the long term, it builds treasure in heaven. Yet, these two main questions remain: Where are we supposed to give, and how are we supposed to give? All drawn from the Scriptures, I have for you some “rules” for giving. We’ll begin with the first three, and then continue with the rest next time.

**Rule 1 – Give as an act of worship.** Throughout the Bible, we are taught that making an offering to God is an essential act of worship. In Genesis, Cain and Abel bring their offerings before the Lord. Cain becomes murderously envious because God looks on Abel’s generous gift with favor and

**Thursday Adoration, Confession, Evening Prayer and Mass at Holy Ghost** 3pm-5pm Adoration with confession followed by 5pm evening prayer, Benediction, and 5:30pm Mass.

**Communion to Homebound** Anyone, including those on lists before, should call Holy Ghost Parish Office.

**Weddings** Contact Notre Dame Parish Office at least 6 months at least prior to date. Preparation sessions are required.

**Confessions** 3:00pm - 5:00pm on Thursdays, 4:00pm - 4:45pm on Saturdays, and 15 minutes before daily Mass (except on Wed. during the school year). Confessions also available by appointment (for Fr. Guenther call Holy Ghost Parish Office, for Fr. Burish call Notre Dame Parish Office).

**Anointing of the Sick** Available upon request. Contact Notre Dame Parish Office.

**Baptism** Contact Notre Dame Parish Office. Parents who are requesting Baptism for the first time will be asked to attend preparatory formation.

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rejects Cain’s half-hearted one. After the flood, the very first thing Noah does is build an altar to the Lord and make a burnt offering in thanksgiving. Abraham, after a great victory over his enemies, offers a tenth (a tithe) of all he has to the priest Melchizedek. And there are many other Old Testament examples. Jesus never explicitly taught people to give as an act of worship because he didn’t have to. It was ingrained in the culture in which he lived and enshrined in the Law of Moses, which he came to fulfill.

**Rule 2 – Give in your place of worship as an act of worship.** In Mark’s Gospel, chapter 14, while Jesus was dining in Bethany at the house of Simon the leper, we hear of a woman who came and broke an alabaster jar of costly genuine spikenard, and poured it on Jesus’ head. Her gift was wholehearted, uncompromising and generous. Some of the other guests that were present became indignant, asking why such perfumed oil worth three hundred days wages wasn’t instead given to the poor. Just as in the story of the poor widow who put her only two coins in the Temple collection box, Jesus here recognizes the implication and importance of such a sacrifice. While Jesus definitely encourages giving to the poor elsewhere, in this instance, he honors the woman for giving in her place of worship instead of giving to the poor. The dining hall becomes her place of worship as she makes her offering to God there.

**Rule 3 – Tithe.** In the second book of Samuel in the Old Testament, King David was planning a worship ceremony to the Lord, so that a plague would be withdrawn from his people. Araunah, who owned the place where the altar was to be built, proposed to bequeath all of the necessary worship offerings to the king. Instead, David establishes an important principle, insisting on purchasing the offering. He says, “I cannot sacrifice to the Lord my God burnt offerings that cost me nothing” (24:24). The biblical point to take home here is that for worship of God to be worship, it must cost us something. A tithe is a gift of 10 percent on what one has or earns, which is given to honor God. Counted in the tithe are all of our gifts in our place of worship as an act of worship. Tithing was established as the consistent standard for worship-giving throughout the Bible, beginning in Genesis. Later, Jesus himself explicitly addresses tithing and commends it. Many people today conveniently argue that tithing is an Old Testament idea that has been done away with in the new covenant/New Testament. However, Jesus states in the Sermon on the Mount, “Do not think that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill...”

Again, the Biblical rules for giving away our money (and particularly to the Church), are that we give away our money as an act of worship, that we give in our place of worship, and that we tithe. There are two more rules which we will talk about next time.

## Mass Intentions

### Holy Ghost Weekday

|           |           |        |                        |
|-----------|-----------|--------|------------------------|
| August 24 | Tuesday   | 5:30pm | Delores Follensbee     |
| August 25 | Wednesday | 8:30am | Francis J. Giruard Jr. |
| August 26 | Thursday  | 5:30pm | Cheryl McLeMan         |
| August 27 | Friday    | 8:30am | Frank & Mary Lindstrom |

### Holy Ghost Weekend

|           |          |         |                                    |
|-----------|----------|---------|------------------------------------|
| August 28 | Saturday | 5:00pm  | Marie Ruhe                         |
| August 29 | Sunday   | 8:00am  | Rollie Bowe & Anne Secker          |
|           |          | 11:00am | All entrusted to the Pastor's care |

### Saint Bridget Weekend

|           |                        |              |                                       |
|-----------|------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|
| August 1  | White/Marko            | September 5  | Joyce Warmuth                         |
| August 8  | Elizabeth & Donald Ida | September 12 | Francesca Galon                       |
| August 15 | Clem & Ann Falch       | September 19 | Jim & Audrey-McIlquham & Jean Stalcup |
| August 22 | Everett Wilbur         | September 26 | Bob & Mary Conlin                     |
| August 29 | Tom Olson              |              |                                       |



## McDonell Area Catholic Schools

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**Monday, August 30 First Day of School** This year we are welcoming new students in a special way! On Monday, August 30, ONLY students entering Kindergarten, Grade 3, Grade 6, Grade 9, and any students new to MACS are to report to school. This day will be a half day, with lunch provided. Transportation is required by the parents/guardians to and from school. Parents are welcome to attend a light breakfast social at each school as they are dropping off their students. The following day, Tuesday, August 31, ALL students are required to report to school and busing will be provided as normal.

**Riding the bus?** If your child has never ridden the bus before, please contact the Chippewa Yellow Bus Company, before August 30, at 715.726.2454 to let them know your child will be riding to a MACS school and to receive bus numbers.

**Saturday, September 11, Steppin' Across Tilden for a Cause** will be raising funds for Baby Athanasius Ruf, infant son of MACS' very own teacher, Mr. Ruf. Participants will park at Bresina's and get shuttled over to Dougie's Bar, where the walk will start at 10:00am. The walk will end at Bresina's, where there will be food, a silent auction, raffles, music and much more. Let's show our support for the Ruf Family! If you are able to help and participate in this fundraiser fun run/walk, please pick up a registration form at Bresina's Hometown Bar & Grill, located in Tilden, or email [steppin4acause@gmail.com](mailto:steppin4acause@gmail.com) or call 715.215.1251.

**MACS Family Fun Night – Wednesday August 25** Begins School. We will begin with prayer in the front yard of McDonell facing Terrill Street for all MACS families and staff with dinner and activities to follow in the Commons. Community and school organizations will have tables set up during this time in the Commons for PreK-12 parents to receive helpful information and engage their students in all that MACS has to offer.

**Football Mania Fundraiser** The McDonell Athletic Booster Club is selling Football Mania tickets. Ask any high school athlete or purchase from the MACS Athletics Office. Cost is \$25 per ticket. Cash prizes are awarded each week. If a winning ticket has not been sold, MABC will randomly pick from all sold tickets to guarantee four winners a week. Sales end 9/7.

**Employment Opportunities at MACS** We are seeking the full-time positions for the 2021-22 school year: Middle School Science Teacher, Early Childhood Team Member, and Assistant Food Service Director/Cook. Please visit our website ABOUT - EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY or contact HR at 715.723.0538 x3323, or by email [hr@macs.k12.wi.us](mailto:hr@macs.k12.wi.us).

## A Bit of This & That by Sr. Yvonne

### DO YOU CHOOSE ME? PLEASE RSVP!

On this 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time we hear the Gospel of John 6: 60-69. Jesus calls Himself the Bread of Life--bread to be eaten. The people were murmuring (we heard that in last Sunday's Gospel) Jesus' shocking words about eating His flesh and drinking His blood finally prove to be too much for some of His listeners and they walk away.

Jesus then asked the twelve if they would leave, too. Simon Peter answered for all of the twelve: "Master to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life and we have come to believe and are convinced you are the Holy One of God."

No matter how uncomfortable or confused Jesus makes them feel, He is the one who has the words of everlasting life. As understanding of Christ's Eucharistic presence grew, His words about eating His flesh and drinking His blood became less troubling to them.

When the consecrated host is held up, accompanied by "The Body of Christ" and the cup offered with "The Blood of Christ" we are asked to put our faith on the line and say: "Amen". We make our choice over the course of a lifetime to follow our leader Jesus who has the words of eternal life. God wants nothing less than everything we are and offers nothing less than God's own self. With each Communion we receive the radical choice to accept God's great offer of love.

After Vatican II many were affected by the deeper insights in the Gospel and our faith which the Holy Spirit had given to the Church: most were the result of deeper study or simply rediscovering neglected truths. To most people (especially us elders) the renewal after the Council was like a deep breath of fresh air; but some went away sadly from the Church. They could not take it, there was no room for growth in their faith. Today, Jesus asks us too, can you grow in your faith? Do you choose Me and My Church or do you stick to your own ideas? Jesus invites us to choose Him and to grow in life and love. Let our prayer this week be an RSVP to answer the call of Jesus.

Until next week, let us pray for each other and for peace in our world. Have a great week!

**Words of Thanks:** We are grateful to God for the beautiful weather for our picnic day. Thanks to all those, who donated, or helped to make our picnic a success. All stepped up to help when our chief cook, Leona Markowski, had to go to the hospital. It was a wonderful day of community sharing. Please turn in all bills so that we will know the financial outcome of our picnic. May God reward you!

**Congratulations** to Scott Reetz, son of Jeff and Jennifer Reetz, for graduating from UW Madison, with a doctor of medicine and master of public health. We are proud of you Scott!



**Sunday Scripture**  
Online- usccb.org

**First Reading Joshua 24: 1-2, 15-17, 18**

“Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.”  
*Joshua, who helped settle the Israelites into the Promised Land, knew the struggle ahead lay in Israel’s fidelity to God. How does anyone best show fidelity to God?*

**Psalm 34**

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

**Second Reading Ephesians 5: 21-32**

This is a great mystery, but I speak in reference to Christ and the church. *Toward the end of his letter, Paul takes up the topic of husbands and wives. He speaks of the importance of mutual subordination and love. What do you see as secret to a successful marriage?*

**Gospel John 6: 60-69**

Simon Peter answered him, “Master to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.” *Jesus’ bread of life discourse ends with the report that “many of Jesus’ disciples” no longer followed Jesus. How should we respond to family or friends who choose to walk away from Jesus?*

**Celebrate Our Catholic Faith**

**Observances for the week of August 22, 2021**

- Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: St. Rose of Lima
- Tuesday: St. Bartholomew
- Wednesday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz
- Friday: St. Monica
- Saturday: St. Augustine
- Next Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



*“My soul is like a house, small for you to enter, but I pray you to enlarge it. It is in ruins, but I ask you to remake it. It contains much that you will not be pleased to see: this I know and do not hide. But who is to rid it of these things? There is no one but you.”*  
-St. Augustine



**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday Closed  
Tuesday-Thursday 9am - noon, 1 - 4pm  
Friday 9am - noon  
Saturday/Sunday Closed

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|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
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| Bishop Callahan | Vern S.         | Lil White       | Joan & Duane B.      |
| Fr. Burish      | Ryan H.         | Joan Carey      | Joey O.              |
| Fr. Guenther    | Chuck J.        | Rollie Marko    | William              |
| Frank           | Joan Henry      | Paul Congdon    |                      |
| Carol           | Becky Vogler    | Tom Peterson    | <b>Birthdays</b>     |
| Laurel          | Jeanne A.       | Gert Christ.    | Tanner Jackson       |
| Roger           | Brad E.         | Geri Marko      | Lil White (100)      |
| Brian A.        | Louie J.        | Monica Goss     | Alan Moss            |
| Bill & Donna    | Ari W.          | Vince Statz     | Matthew-             |
| Jeremy & Fam.   | Ruby            | Gladys Vavra    | Milkert              |
| Stephanie       | Ken             | Gary Krum       | Jeanne-              |
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| Deanna B.       | Wade            | Louise Dohmes   | Joseph Meinen        |
| Julie D.        | Nathan          | Rene Klinyck    |                      |
| Chris C.        | Becky           | Athanasius Ruf  | <b>Anniversaries</b> |
| Mary H.         | John K.         | Rhonda W.       | Kerry & Keith        |
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