

SAINT BRIDGET OF SWEDEN PARISH

Where Christ is Our Light

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 2021



19th

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"This is the bread that comes down from heaven
so that one may eat it and not die." - Jn 6:50



Letter from the Pastor

The Reverend Jeffrey V. Romans, KCHS

Dear Friends in Christ:

This past week I spent a couple of days in New Haven for the 139th Supreme Convention of the Knights of Columbus.

The convention was to be in Colorado this year but due to the continuing pandemic it was determined to hold a virtual convention once again as we did last year. Though not the same as gathering with Knights and their families from throughout the world, this year's convention was very powerful and really highlighted how the Knights of Columbus worldwide made an impact in the lives of others during this pandemic.



Gathered in New Haven, the birthplace of the Knights of Columbus, provided us a setting to reflect on the founding of the Order and the life and ministry of now Blessed Michael McGivney. Perhaps it was Divine Providence that we needed to gather in New Haven for the first convention since the beatification of the local parish priest.

The eldest son of an immigrant Irish family in Connecticut, young Michael left school at 13 to work in a brass factory making spoons. At 16 he began studies for the priesthood in Quebec, but was obliged to leave to help support the family when his father died. Michael completed his education in Baltimore, Maryland, and

was ordained for the Diocese (now Archdiocese) of Hartford in 1877.

Assigned to Saint Mary's Parish in New Haven, Father McGivney was very active in parish and civic affairs, serving as director of public plays and fairs. He lived in a time of terrible loss and profound trials for the Church, a time in which many families were losing their breadwinners and plunging into poverty. He witnessed real struggles for individuals with addiction, for young people who were looking for meaning in life, for families being plunged into poverty, and for the Church as she faced intolerance and bigotry. All of this, together with his own family experience, impressed on Father McGivney the need for lay Catholic men to establish a mutual aid society to provide financial assistance for their families if the primary wage earner died. Protestant fraternal groups already provided this type of life insurance protection for their members.

In 1882, Father McGivney formed the Knights of Columbus among a small group of Saint Mary's parishioners to promote charity, unity, and fraternity, assisting widows and orphans. Because of the Knights' emphasis on serving Church, community and family, the organization grew. Patriotism was added as a founding principle in 1900.

Father McGivney died from pneumonia in 1890, at the age of 38, during a pandemic and was buried in Thomaston, Connecticut. Later his body was moved back to Saint Mary's in New Haven, where it remains today. He



was beatified on October 31, 2020 in the Cathedral of Saint Joseph in Hartford.

Gathering in the birthplace of the Order was the perfect setting to reflect on our roots and be inspired to go forth in faith.

The Knights of Columbus grew from a small group of men in the basement of Saint Mary's in New Haven to over 2 million members worldwide! The Knights were originally founded to help the men of his (Father Michael McGivney) parish to grow in their faith, to provide financial security for the widows and orphans of deceased members, and to perform acts of charity! The Knights are based on four guiding principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

This year the theme for the Supreme Convention was *Called to Creative Courage*. The reality is that today, perhaps more than ever, we need to be bold in living out our faith and truly have the courage to put our faith into action. The pandemic has amplified old challenges and given rise to new ones for all of us. These challenges are in our families, in our church, and in our culture as a whole. We can do this—together! Pope Francis reminds us in his writing

Patris Corde in which he announced this Year of Saint Joseph that “in the face of difficulty, we can either give up and walk away, or somehow engage with it,” he continued, “at times difficulties bring out resources we did not even think we had.” This was true in the life of Saint

Joseph, this was true in the life of Blessed Michael McGivney, and this is true in our lives as well.

We cannot give up and walk away. Like Saint Joseph and Blessed Michael McGivney, we too must be bold in living out our faith, and courageous in seeking to do God's will.

Join us for morning Mass this Friday, August 13th, for the first celebration of the Memorial of Blessed Michael McGivney. Masses are at 7AM and 9AM.



SUPPORT OUR PARISH SCHOOL!!! One of the ways you can support our parish school is through the upcoming 8th Annual St. Bridget School Golf Tournament on Monday, September 27th, at the Waterbury Country Club.

This is one of the two major fundraisers for our parish school, *please consider assisting us in any way you can.*

Here are a number of ways you can assist us:

- 1. YOU can consider sponsoring our event.** If you own a business or work for one who supports local charities consider asking them to be a sponsor or put an ad in our ad book for the tournament (we expect a pretty full field and additional people to attend the dinner following the tournament which means these booklets will be dispersed to a good number of friends from the greater Cheshire area). We really could use as many sponsors as possible... sponsorships make the tournament a success. <https://stbridgetschool.ejoinme.org/Golf2021>
- 2. YOU can join us!** If you golf join us for a day of fun on the

course (\$225 per golfer/\$900 per foursome), and **if you don't golf you can still get in on the fun** by getting some friends together to come for a nice dinner that evening and support our parish school by your participation at this event and your opportunity to win a raffle prize. Cost for dinner only option it is only \$50.

- 3. YOU can donate an item for our raffle.** We are in need of a variety of items for the raffle, which is held during the dinner at the tournament. Items such as: a grill, a big screen television, foursomes to local golf courses, any electronic equipment from entertainment to home improvement, gift cards to local restaurants, bottles of wine or spirits, or anything your creative minds can come up with. Items can be dropped off to the school office or parish office any day during the week, or in the sacristy at Mass on the weekend. *Please be sure your name is on it so we may properly thank you!*



ANY AND ALL information including registration forms and sponsorship forms can be found online at <https://stbridgetschool.ejoinme.org/Golf2021>. Thank you for whatever you can do to assist our parish school in this important fundraising effort.

I AM SO EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE A MID-SUMMER MOVIE NIGHT...thank you to Regis O'Neill our Youth Minister and the NGD Members who are organizing a Mid-Summer Movie Night on Saturday, August 21st beginning at 6PM on the grounds behind Saint Bridget Church. Please join us for an evening of food, fun, and a movie on the field.

There will be plenty of time for socializing, and for games for our younger parishioners such as kickball or whiffle ball out on the ball field, and more prior to the movie time. The field is yours—have fun!



The movie we are planning to show is *Chicken Run*, rated G and fun for all ages, and we will begin the movie as soon as possible based on the sunset that evening. I really hope you will plan to come and join us for a great evening! Cost is only \$15 per family including the movie, water, and snacks.

You can bring your own food or order pizza to be delivered. Large Cheese Pizza from Vespucci's are being ordered for \$15 per pizza.

Registration forms are available in this bulletin on page 11 or at the entrances to the Church. **REGISTRATIONS MUST BE IN TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY August 18th!** High school aged volunteers are being sought from 5-10PM; contact Regis at roncill@cheshirecatholic.org or call the office 203-272-3531 to volunteer.

As always remember to pray for our parish families and ask God's blessings as we build His kingdom here. Please know that I am praying for you, and I ask for your prayers for me, that together through the intercession of Saint Bridget of Sweden, our Patroness, and united in the Eucharist, we will reflect the presence of Jesus to the world.

Father Roman



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19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Our collection for the week of August 1st

Mailed-in/Dropped Off

Offertory\$17,173.89
 Mission Co-op\$3,734.00

Mail your offertory donation to
175 Main St, Cheshire, CT 06410

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Offertory \$7,709.92



Give Online at

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THANK YOU
for your generosity

MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, August 7th

9:00 a.m. SBC	Joe O'Reilly	The Haensel Family
4:00 p.m. SBC	Sean Devine	Helen LaRock
5:15 p.m. SBC	Ron McReavy	Steve & Marcie Kassouf

Sunday, August 8th: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. SBC	Beatrice German	Family
8:00 a.m. SBC	Winora Orcutt	
9:00 a.m. SBC	Louis Naclerio	His Wife, Louise
10:30 a.m. SBC	Anthony Cherrone, Sr.	The Cherrone Family

Monday, August 9th

7:00 a.m. SBC	Muriel M. Cote	Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Whitney
9:00 a.m. SBC	John & Philomena Mongillo	Peter & Mary Mongillo

Tuesday, August 10th: Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

7:00 a.m. SBC	The People of St. Bridget of Sweden Parish	
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Wednesday, August 11th: Saint Clare, Virgin

7:00 a.m. SBC	Mary Catherine Meacham	A Friend
9:00 a.m. SBC	Daniel & Nancy Ginnetti	The Family

Thursday, August 12th

7:00 a.m. SBC	Stephen Ward	The Ward & Bradley Families
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Friday, August 13th

7:00 a.m. SBC	Giuseppe & Pasqualina Tranquillo	Family
9:00 a.m. SBC	Anthony Perry	The Haensel Family

Saturday, August 14th: Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

9:00 a.m. SBC	Special Intention	
4:00 p.m. SBC	Antonio DeAcetis	Eleanor & Al Vesentin
5:15 p.m. SBC	Theresa Flynn	Gegan Family

Sunday, August 15th: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

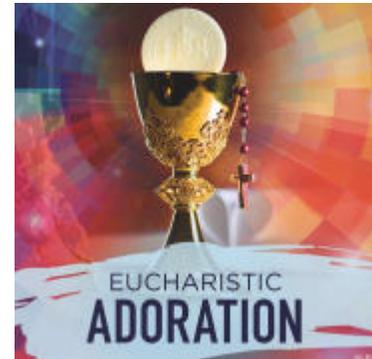
7:00 a.m. SBC	Theresa Lichenstein	The Olson Family
8:00 a.m. SBC	Dr. Philip Fazzone	Joanne & Michael Ryan and Family
9:00 a.m. SBC	Roberta Della Valle	Ann & Chris Harmon
10:30 a.m. SBC	Michael, Angelo & Dino Anastasio	The Family



DRIVE-THRU CONFESSION

Drive-thru **CONFESSIONS** available **every Saturday at 3:00pm** until heard and the **second Tuesday of the month from 5-6pm.**

Drive up to the St. Bridget School entrance and a priest will come out to hear your confession.



Adoration in St. Bridget Church every Friday from 1-2pm and on the second Tuesday of the month from 5-6pm



St. Bridget Church is open Monday through Friday after morning Mass until 4pm. Come and spend some time in quiet prayer and reflection.

The Tabernacle candle at St. Bridget Church shines this week for Tommy Didomizio Requested by His Family



The Tabernacle candle at St. Thomas Becket Church shines this week for Living and Deceased Members of Saint Bridget of Sweden Parish

In-Person Services THIS WEEK

Masses this week:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday—7am & 9am in St. Bridget Church
 Tuesday & Thursday—7am in St. Bridget Church
 Saturday—9am, 4pm & 5:15pm in St. Bridget Church
 Sunday—7am, 8am, 9am, & 10:30am in St. Bridget Church



Rosary every Monday at 1:30pm in St. Thomas Becket Church

Mass in Your Car!
 Tune in to FM 89.5 and listen to 10:30am Mass in your car in our parking lot! An Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will bring Communion outside at the appropriate time in the Mass for you to leave your vehicle, receive Holy Communion, and return to your vehicle for the closing of Mass and final blessing.



Drive-thru **CONFESSIONS** available every Saturday at 3:00pm until heard and the **SECOND Tuesday of the month from 5-6pm**. Drive up to the St. Bridget School entrance and a priest will come out to hear your confession.

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NOTE: Masking is required for non-vaccinated persons and optional for fully vaccinated persons.

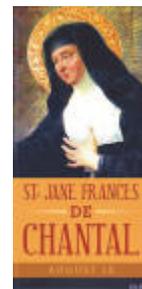
Online Services can be viewed on the homepage of our website at www.stbridgetcheshire.org, on YouTube <https://bit.ly/SBoSYTChannel> or Facebook [@stbridgetofswedenparish](https://www.facebook.com/stbridgetofswedenparish)

ONLINE SERVICES This Week



Every Sunday our 10:30am Mass is livestreamed. Join Us!

The television Mass is simulcast everyday at 10:00 a.m. on WCCT-TV WB20 and WCTX-TV MyTV9. It can also be seen Saturday and Sunday at 5:00 a.m. on WCCT-TV. It can also be viewed online at <https://www.ortv.org/streaming/streaming.htm>



Getting to Know Our Heavenly Family
 Every Monday at 10AM
 This week, learn about **Saint Jane Frances de Chantal**

How Catholic Are You?

Join us at 10AM every Wednesday and Friday Test your knowledge of the Catholic faith with these obscure facts and partially useful trivia about our faith and its history.





Today is the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The readings for today can be found at

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/080821.cfm>

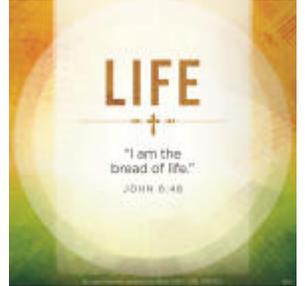
On this Sunday, we continue to read from the “Bread of Life discourse” found in the sixth chapter of John’s Gospel. Recall that we have been reading from this chapter for the past two weeks and will continue to read from it for another two. Last week, the crowd asked for a sign that would show that Jesus came from God. Jesus replied by saying that he is the sign and the bread of life sent by God. At this point, our Lectionary omits six verses in which Jesus predicts the unbelief of the crowd and further develops his connection with God the Father. In these verses, Jesus says that he was sent by God to do the Father’s will. Jesus promises that those who look upon the Son with faith will find eternal life. Some of these themes are repeated in today’s Gospel reading.

Today’s Gospel begins with a report that the Jews complained about Jesus’ claims regarding his identity. They knew his family, and they knew he was the son of Joseph. They could not comprehend what Jesus meant when he said that he came down from heaven. Jesus responds to the complaints by saying that only those who are chosen by God will recognize him as the one that God sent. This is a recurring theme in John’s Gospel, that God has chosen those who will have faith in Jesus.

In the verses that follow, Jesus talks more about his unity with the Father. He is the one who has seen the Father and, therefore, knows the Father. Those who listen to God will recognize that Jesus is the one sent from God. Those who believe will have eternal life. Jesus concludes with the central element of our eucharistic theology. He promises that the bread of life will bring eternal life to those who partake of it, and he tells us that the bread of life will be his own flesh, given for the life of the world.

In today’s reading, we hear Jesus say again, as he did in last week’s Gospel, that he is the bread of life. We also hear Jesus add that he is the living bread. Both of these statements help us understand better the gift that Jesus gives us in the Eucharist. We celebrate this gift of Jesus each time we gather for Mass. We believe that receiving Jesus in the Eucharist will lead us to eternal life.

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For more information to better understand the readings, bit.ly/3jpG742

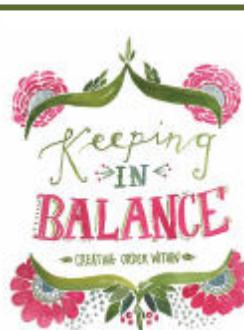


Activities for this Week’s Liturgy

Word Search—bit.ly/3inIAOn

Coloring Page—bit.ly/3innb6G

Decoder Puzzle—bit.ly/3xrOMYK



Our next *Walking with Purpose* Bible Study is “Keeping In Balance”

This 22 week study begins

Tuesday September 14th, at 6:30 pm
in Fr. Frisbee Hall

The book can be ordered from

<https://walkingwithpurpose.com>

For questions and to register, contact

Patti Flynn-Harris at flynnharrispati@gmail.com

“Ministry of Hope and Healing” Bereavement Support Group

**A 9-week Bereavement Seminar will begin on
Thursday, September 9, 2021.**



The group will meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Saint Bridget School Library. The seminar provides hope, healing and support for participants while they adapt to their loss. The group is guided by trained facilitators as participants journey from grief to healing.

Registration is necessary. To register please contact:

Joan @ 203-271-2372 or jroczynski@yahoo.com



St. Bridget School Update

Principal: Dr. Nancy Testa
Assistant Principal: Ms. Liz Plasky

SBS Pre K Program

With the academic year just around the corner, St. Bridget's Pre K program is growing every day. With part time and full time options, as well as a before and after care program, our curriculum can accommodate any family schedule. Our program begins with curriculum standards that encourage learning within a safe and nurturing environment, educating the mind, body and spirit. Please contact us for more information about this fantastic program.



Look Who's Back!

First Grade teacher Mr. Casey was among many of the teachers who returned to school in the past few weeks, preparing for the year. Mr. Casey looks like he's pretty happy to be back!



Register Now! Limited Space in Some Grade Levels!

We are now accepting 2021-2022 applications for Grades PK-3 & PK-4 through Grade 8. Call us to set up your **in-person** tour of our beautiful and spacious campus. Our school is completely air-conditioned with bright and spacious classrooms. We have athletic fields, multiple playscapes, a full-size gym and dining hall.

We offer **Registered Catholic Grants, Sibling Grants, as well as Tuition Assistance.** For more information or questions, please contact our Admissions Director, Mrs. Christina Cummings, at 203.272.5860, or email at ccummings@stbridgetschool.org.



Save the Date!

2021-2022 St. Bridget School

Golf Tournament

Monday September 27th, 2021



Check out our Facebook page to learn more about our wonderful programs and activities at SBS.

Our Facebook pages are
St. Bridget School, Cheshire and
St. Bridget School Cheshire Alumni Page

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Office of Religious Education
Donna Yatcko, DRE
dyatcko@stbridgetschool.org
203.272.6504

Monday – Friday 8:30 am to 1:30 pm

Religious Education Registration Info

Registration has begun for the 2021-2022 year.

Forms and payment information have been emailed to each family.

The link to the registration forms is:
bit.ly/SBoSRelEdRegister21-22

The link for online payment is:
bit.ly/SBoSRelEdPay21-22

If you have any questions, please contact the office at 203-272-6504 or dyatcko@stbridgetschool.org

CATECHISTS NEEDED!

Catechists help us support our students through our various programs. If you have any interest, please share your information on the registration form or email us at dyatcko@stbridgetschool.org.

The role requires a passion for sharing our faith with the children and compliance with the Safe Environment requirements (a brief online VIRTUS training session and background check).

Materials and support are provided.



Come and journey with us.

The process by which adults come into full communion with the Catholic Church is known as "The RCIA", which is short for: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. If you feel God is calling you to this conversion of heart, please join us on this journey to a closer relationship with God and His Church. For more information, or if you have a friend or family member who might benefit, please contact:

Deacon Wilber at Dcnrw.stbridget@gmail.com or
Donna Yatcko at dyatcko@stbridgetschool.org

VIRTUS REMINDER

Virtus Updates Needed—Training Available

The Office of Safe Environment has directed that any parishioner who submitted a background check before January 1, 2011 needs to submit a new background check in order to continue volunteering in the parish.

Please contact the Religious Education Office at 203-272-6504

Dyatcko@stbridgetschool.org

or

PTodman@stbridgetschool.org

so we can make arrangements for you to submit a new background check and receive the new Archdiocese of Hartford Policy and Codes of Ministerial Behavior booklet and acknowledgement page.

At the present time the Virtus Training can be done online. If you have not completed this training or are interested in attending a virtual training session, please contact Donna Yatcko.

If you are not sure if you are due for an updated Background Check, please call the Religious Education Office at 203-272-6504 to inquire.



Sister Mary Rose is organizing a

Fall Bus Trip

to Lancaster, PA on October 19th & 20th.

Join us for an exciting journey to Pennsylvania Dutch Country where we will enjoy a theatrical retelling of the biblical tale of "**Queen Esther**", a painting experience with **Creatives by Michelle**, and delectable meals as a community.

Registration is open! For more information or to reserve your seats, contact Sister Mary Rose at 203-272-3531, ext. 1312, or srmaryrose@cheshirecatholic.org



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by Harold Metz, Council Lecturer

Grand Knight, Jason Moliterno —jason_moliterno@yahoo.com

The First "Modern" Olympian

Well folks, for over 2 weeks now we've been immersed in the Olympics from Tokyo for better or worse with some improbable sports like beach volleyball, 3 X 3 basketball and water polo. Gone are the days when the Olympics meant track and field competition highlighted by the decathlon medals as the crowning achievement in sport. Gone also, but not forgotten, is the first Olympian of the modern era, James B. Connolly of Boston, Mass. The son of Irish Immigrants, James honed his athletic skills growing up in the streets and parks of South Boston—all that was available to one of 12 children of a poor fisherman. James's life was full of contrasts; an elementary school dropout accepted to Harvard but resigned when denied a leave of absence to compete in the first modern Olympics in Athens in 1896.



He won the first place medal (silver back then) in the Triple Jump, the first event after the opening ceremony.



And why do we mention James Brendan Connolly, First Olympian of the Modern Era? Because he was a Knight of Columbus of course. Why don't you join us Tuesday night at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center to hob-nob with Knights of lesser accomplishments, but good guys all the same, in service to God, our Parish and our fellow men. Ask for Jason or me and we'll introduce you all around.

Apologetics 101: Judas

- Judas is known as the Apostle who betrayed Jesus. But he wasn't the only one. Peter betrayed Jesus as well by denying him three times.
- If both betrayed Jesus, why is Judas' name synonymous with treachery and Peter went on to become one of the most famous and beloved saints of all time?
- The answer is because Peter **repented**, that is, he humbled himself to ask for forgiveness whereas Judas **despaired**, he believed he was too far gone to be forgiven.
- You and I also betray Jesus when we knowingly do what is wrong – when we sin.
- No matter what you have done, you can be forgiven for it. All you need to do is approach Jesus in the Sacrament of Confession with sincere sorrow for your sins and you will be forgiven. That's it.
- **Do not despair of God's mercy! It is endless, infinite, lavish and extravagant.**

Our parish offers drive-through Confession every Saturday afternoon at 3 pm, on the second Tuesday of the month from 5-6pm, and by appointment.



Handmaids of the Lord is a brand new high school girls group at St. Bridget of Sweden Parish. If you know a young lady in high school that is interested in deepening her Catholic faith and learning about authentic Catholic womanhood this group is for her!

After confirmation, so many of us seem to become inactive at church and lose sense of faith. This group led by Blair Santoro and Lauren Wells under the paternal guidance of Father Anthony Federico is for young ladies ages 14-18 to come together and learn about their faith on a deeper level. Our core group of high school girls have provided the topics for discussion. All of our meetings involve faith, friends, food, and fun. We hope that this new ministry will bless

many young ladies in our community of Cheshire.

Handmaids will meet every second Friday of the month at 7:30pm in the Saint Bridget School gym. All high school girls are encouraged to bring friends and an open mind and heart to each meeting. We hope to see you soon.

Our next meeting is Friday, August 13th at 7:30pm in the school gym.

Do you need a Dentist? Plumber?
Realtor? Or other service?

Check out the advertisements in the back of
this bulletin! Thanks to our sponsors, this
bulletin is **FREE** to the parish!



Next Generation of Disciples
High School Youth Group



NO MEETING THIS WEEK

Next meeting: Wednesday, August 25th
6:30-8:30pm in the Father Frisbie Hall
Topic: Saint Pius X

**High School Volunteers needed to help
with Family Movie Night on 8/21**

Verse of the Week

Psalm 37:8

“Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath! Fret not yourself;
it tends only to evil.”

Saint of the Week

Saint Lawrence

Feast Day: August 10th

Bio: We know very little about the life of Saint Lawrence apart from his martyrdom. He lived in Rome during the 3rd century and served as a Deacon under Pope Saint Sixtus II. During Sixtus' pontificate, the Roman Emperor Valerian began brutally persecuting Christians. The Pope was murdered by Roman troops, and Lawrence saw his end approaching as well. He gathered all the treasures of the Church and began distributing them to the poor of the city. A Roman official apprehended Lawrence, told him he had 3 days to bring the Church's treasures to him as tribute to Caesar, and let him go. Three days later, Lawrence returned with a large group of blind, lame, maimed, leprous, orphaned, and widowed people. “These are the treasure of the Church,” said Lawrence. The Roman official ordered Lawrence executed in retaliation. The method of his martyrdom was particularly cruel, as Lawrence was placed on a large gridiron with hot coals beneath it and slowly burned to death. About halfway through, despite the intense pain, he is said to have remarked, “It is well done. Turn me over!” Saint Lawrence, pray for us!

Patron Saint of Cooks, Deacons, and The Poor

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT



SATURDAY, AUGUST 21ST

RETURN REGISTRATION FORMS TO THE
RECTORY OFFICE OR
RONEILL@CHESHIRECATHOLIC.ORG BY 8/18

**Join us for pizza and a movie on the
St. Bridget School field!**

Start time: 6:00pm -- Movie begins at dark
Water and Snacks provided free of charge

Bring a Chair or a Blanket to sit on!

Return the form below and payment to the
Rectory by 8/18/21

OR email to: roneill@cheshirecatholic.org

Family Movie Night Order Form

Family Name _____

Number of people attending _____

You can bring your own food

OR

for your convenience, we can order pizza for you!

Cost for movie only: \$15 per family

Cost for movie and Vespucci's CHEESE pizza: \$30 per
family; \$15 for each additional pizza

Please indicate your preference below:

Yes! Please order _____ pizza(s) for my family!

My total cost is:

\$15 (movie) + \$15 x _____ (# of pizzas) = _____

No thanks, I'll bring my own food.

My total cost is: \$15.00

Ask Father

Dear Father: Is it a sin to say "Oh, my God"?

Dear friend in Christ,

If you are saying it in surprise, exasperation or frustration – yes. But remember, if you say it intentionally to God it can be one of the most powerful prayers ever spoken. This is similar to what Jesus said on the Cross – “My God, my God – why have you forsaken me?” (Matthew 27:46).

The intention of the speaker makes all the difference. We need to learn other ways of expressing ourselves that don't treat the name of the Lord casually.

Here's an excellent article with a really helpful tip on how to break the habit of taking the Lord's name in vain: if you slip up, immediately say: “Oops! I meant to say ‘may the name of the Lord be praised!’”

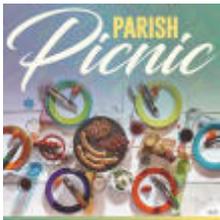
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Welcome

TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

We would like to welcome the following families to our Parish family!

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information cards on each child's size and color preferences. **We ask that all donations be dropped off at the pantry by Friday, August 13th.**

If you are interested, you will be assigned a child and given their wish list. Our hope is to have you shop and fulfill each child's unique preferences as closely as possible. We understand this is a significant undertaking and as a guideline we would estimate the total for sponsoring a child is \$200.00 - \$250.00 to provide all requested back to school items including clothing, sneakers, and backpacks.

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If you cannot commit to sponsor a child for back to school, we will gladly accept monetary donations in ANY amount to be used towards the program.

THANK YOU SO MUCH for your continuous support for our kids!





Our U.S. Military Prayer List



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If you have a name to place on our U.S. Military prayer list, please contact Mary Beth in the Rectory at 203-272-3531 or office@stbridgetcheshire.org with the names of family & friends who are on active duty. Please provide name and branch of service. In this way, our whole parish community can help bring them home safely by our prayers.

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