

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM

11:00 AM—Bilingual

Weekdays

Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM

No Tuesday Mass

Holy Days

7:00 PM Vigil, 9:00 AM

& 7:00 PM

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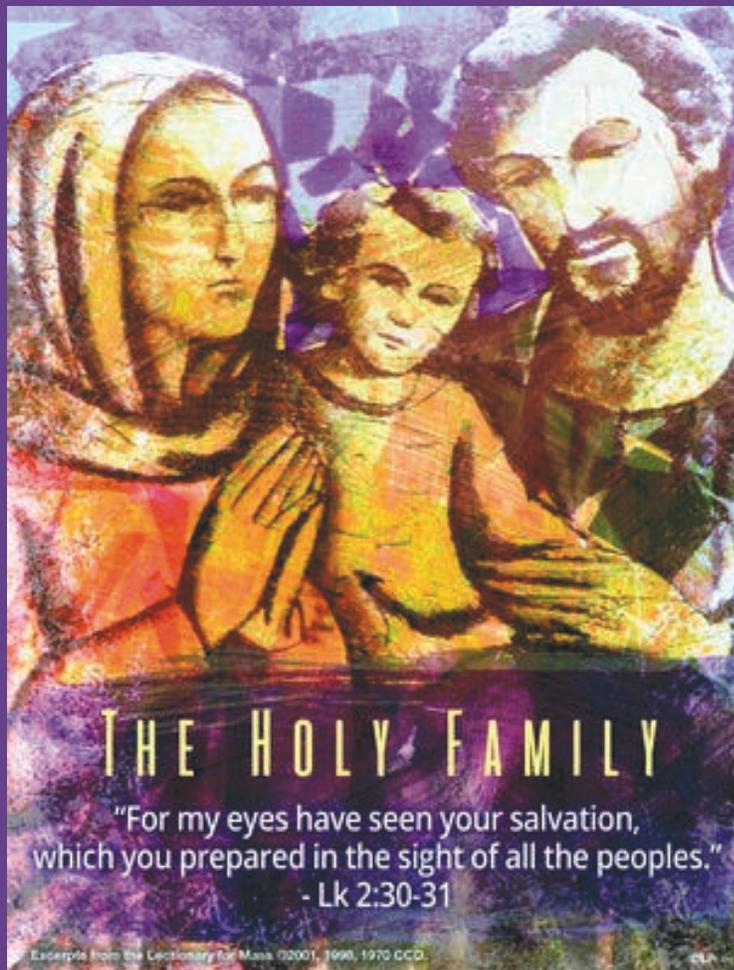
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at the Parish Offices.**

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Reading 1 SIR 3:2-6, 12-14

God sets a father in honor over his children; a mother's authority he confirms over her sons. Whoever honors his father atones for sins, and preserves himself from them. When he prays, he is heard; he stores up riches who reveres his mother. Whoever honors his father is gladdened by children, and, when he prays, is heard. Whoever reveres his father will live a long life; he who obeys his father brings comfort to his mother. My son, take care of your father when he is old; grieve him not as long as he lives. Even if his mind fail, be considerate of him; revile him not all the days of his life; kindness to a father will not be forgotten, firmly planted against the debt of your sins —a house raised in justice to you.

Responsorial Psalm PS 128:1-2, 3, 4-5.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways! For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork; blessed shall you be, and favored.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine in the recesses of your home; your children like olive plants around your table.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Behold, thus is the man blessed who fears the LORD.

The LORD bless you from Zion: may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Reading 2 COL 3:12-21

Brothers and sisters: Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Wives, be subordinate to your husbands, as is proper in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and avoid any bitterness toward them. Children, obey your parents in everything, for this is pleasing to the Lord. Fathers, do not provoke your children, so they may not become discouraged.

Alleluia COL 3:15A, 16A

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Let the peace of Christ control your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel LK 2:22-40

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, They took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord, *Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord, and to offer the sacrifice of a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons*, in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord. Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. He came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, He took him into his arms and blessed God, saying: "Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel."

The child's father and mother were amazed at what was said about him; and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted —and you yourself a sword will pierce— so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived seven years with her husband after her marriage, and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple, but worshiped night and day with fasting and prayer. And coming forward at that very time, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.



Domingo dentro de la octava de Navidad La Sagrada Familia

Primera lectura Si 3, 3-7. 14-17a

El Señor honra al padre en los hijos y respalda la autoridad de la madre sobre la prole. El que honra a su padre queda limpio de pecado; y acumula tesoros, el que respeta a su madre. Quien honra a su padre, encontrará alegría en sus hijos y su oración será escuchada; el que enaltece a su padre, tendrá larga vida y el que obedece al Señor, es consuelo de su madre. Hijo, cuida de tu padre en la vejez y en su vida no le causes tristeza; aunque se debilite su razón, ten paciencia con él y no lo menosprecies por estar tú en pleno vigor. El bien hecho al padre no quedará en el olvido y se tomará a cuenta de tus pecados.

Salmo Responsorial Sal 127, 1-2. 3. 4-5

R. (cf. 1) Dichoso el que teme al Señor.
Dichoso el que teme al Señor y sigue sus caminos:
comerá del fruto de su trabajo, será dichoso, le irá bien.
R. Dichoso el que teme al Señor.

Su mujer, como vid fecunda, en medio de su casa;
sus hijos, como renuevos de olivo, alrededor de su mesa.
R. Dichoso el que teme al Señor.

Esta es la bendición del hombre que teme al Señor: "Que el Señor te bendiga desde Sión, que veas la prosperidad de Jerusalén todos los días de tu vida."
R. Dichoso el que teme al Señor.

Segunda lectura Col 3, 12-21

Hermanos: Puesto que Dios los ha elegido a ustedes, los ha consagrado a él y les ha dado su amor, sean compasivos, magnánimos, humildes, afables y pacientes. Sopórtense mutuamente y perdónense cuando tengan quejas contra otro, como el Señor los ha perdonado a ustedes. Y sobre todas estas virtudes, tengan amor, que es el vínculo de la perfecta unión. Que en sus corazones reine la paz de Cristo, esa paz a la que han sido llamados, como miembros de un solo cuerpo. Finalmente, sean agradecidos. Que la palabra de Cristo habite en ustedes con toda su riqueza. Enséñense y aconséjense unos a otros lo mejor que sepan. Con el corazón lleno de gratitud, alaben a Dios con salmos, himnos y cánticos espirituales; y todo lo que digan y todo lo que hagan, háganlo en el nombre del Señor Jesús, dándole gracias a Dios Padre, por medio de Cristo. Mujeres, respeten la autoridad de sus maridos, como lo quiere el Señor. Maridos, amen a sus esposas y no sean rudos con ellas. Hijos, obedezcan en todo a sus padres, porque eso es agrada-

ble al Señor. Padres, no exijan demasiado a sus hijos, para que no se depriman.

Aclamación antes del Evangelio Col 3, 15. 16

R. Aleluya, aleluya.
Que en sus corazones reine la paz de Cristo; que la palabra de Cristo habite en ustedes con toda su riqueza.
R. Aleluya.

Evangelio Lc 2, 22-40x

Transcurrido el tiempo de la purificación de María, según la ley de Moisés, ella y José llevaron al niño a Jerusalén para presentarlo al Señor, de acuerdo con lo escrito en la ley: *Todo primogénito varón será consagrado al Señor, y también para ofrecer, como dice la ley, un par de tórtolas o dos pichones.* Vivía en Jerusalén un hombre llamado Simeón, varón justo y temeroso de Dios, que aguardaba el consuelo de Israel; en él moraba el Espíritu Santo, el cual le había revelado que no moriría sin haber visto antes al Mesías del Señor. Movido por el Espíritu, fue al templo, y cuando José y María entraban con el niño Jesús para cumplir con lo prescrito por la ley, Simeón lo tomó en brazos y bendijo a Dios, diciendo: "Señor, ya puedes dejar morir en paz a tu siervo, según lo que me habías prometido, porque mis ojos han visto a tu Salvador, al que has preparado para bien de todos los pueblos; luz que alumbra a las naciones y gloria de tu pueblo, Israel". El padre y la madre del niño estaban admirados de semejantes palabras. Simeón los bendijo, y a María, la madre de Jesús, le anunció: "Este niño ha sido puesto para ruina y resurgimiento de muchos en Israel, como signo que provocará contradicción, para que queden al descubierto los pensamientos de todos los corazones. Y a ti, una espada te atravesará el alma". Había también una profetisa, Ana, hija de Fanuel, de la tribu de Aser. Era una mujer muy anciana. De joven, había vivido siete años casada y tenía ya ochenta y cuatro años de edad. No se apartaba del templo ni de día ni de noche, sirviendo a Dios con ayunos y oraciones. Ana se acercó en aquel momento, dando gracias a Dios y hablando del niño a todos los que aguardaban la liberación de Israel. Y cuando cumplieron todo lo que prescribía la ley del Señor, se volvieron a Galilea, a su ciudad de Nazaret. El niño iba creciendo y fortaleciéndose, se llenaba de sabiduría y la gracia de Dios estaba con él.



Mass Intentions, Prayers & Sacraments

- Saturday December 26**
4:30 PM Edith & Harry Francis r/b their children
- Sunday December 27 *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph***
9:00 AM For the People of Our Parish
11:00 AM Sister Dorothy Aloisio r/b the Sisters Vincent Lobascio, Sr.
r/b Kathleen & Michael DiClaudio
- Monday December 28**
9:00 AM Joseph Barca r/b Rich & Josephine Jackson
- Tuesday December 29**
9:00 AM **No Mass**
- Wednesday December 30**
9:00 AM Robert Stailey r/b family
- Thursday December 31 *New Year's Eve***
4:00 PM For All Our Parishioners
11:00 PM For All Our Parishioners
- Friday January 1 *Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God***
10:30 AM Deceased Members of the Consalo, Giunta, Guccio and D'Ottavio Families
- Saturday January 2**
4:30 PM For the healing of Will & Dolores Fennal r/b Pat Herrschaft & family
- Sunday January 3 *The Epiphany of the Lord***
9:00 AM For the People of Our Parish
11:00 AM Elsie Brusco r/b Joe Viola & family

PRAYER LIST

Lynda Bancroft, JoAnne Carothers,
Julia Rivera, Maria Genovese
and Louis Hill

We are starting a new prayer list, which will be updated every three months. Please call the Parish Center at 856-881-2753 to have your name put on the prayer list. Thank You.

If you wish, you may receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Contact the Parish Center at 856-881-2753 to make an appointment with the priest.

We pray for the safety and the Lord's protection of our men and women in the military, especially Colonel Eric Baus; Anthony R. Brown, Jr., USANG, Major Matthew Lisa, USAF; Ensign William Stephens, USCG; Sean Patrick Stailey, USN and Luke Wible, USMC.

PRAYER CHAIN: Do you or someone you know need the blessing of prayer? That's why the St. Bridget Prayer Chain is here for you. Please contact Annadora Shipley, Coordinator, at 856-589-0334, and prayers will begin for you.

ATTENTION VETERANS!

Having problems? Need help?

The NJ Veterans Helpline might be your answer. This is a 24-hour service manned by veterans who counsel callers and direct them to a wide range of services. Call 1-866-838-7654.



Happy New Year

You crown the year with Your goodness, and
Your paths drip with abundance.

Psalm 65:11



Sanctuary Candle

This week the
Sanctuary Candle burns
In Memory of All Our
Dearly Departed Parishioners

Dear Lord,
Bless our family.
Be so kind as to give us the unity, peace, and mutual love that You found in Your own family in the little town of Nazareth.

Saint Joseph,
pray for the head of our family.
Obtain for him the strength, the wisdom, and the prudence he needs to support and direct those under his care.

Mother Mary,
pray for the mother of our family.
Help her to be pure and kind, gentle and self-sacrificing.
For the more she resembles you, the better will our family be.

Lord Jesus,
bless the children of our family.
Help them to be obedient and devoted to their parents.
Make them more and more like You.
Let them grow, as You did, in wisdom and strength and grace before God and man.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
by your intercession, love, and holy example, make our family and home more and more like Yours, until we are all one family, happy and at peace in our true home with You.

Amen.

Thank You!

The Compassionate Care Ministry of St. Bridget University Parish wishes to thank all those who participated in the Christmas Giving Tree for needy families. Your care, concern and love for others brought much joy and gladness to many in our own parish family and beyond.

May God bless and reward all your goodness.



Mark Your Calendars New Year's Schedule

*Holy Day of Obligation
Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin
Mary, Mother of God*

New Year's Eve

Thursday, December 31

Vigil—4:00 PM

New Year's Day

Friday, January 1

10:30 AM

Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday, January 2 — 4:30 PM

*Sunday, January 3—9:00 AM and
11:00 AM (Bilingual)*



MLK Blood Drive: Honor the Dream! Annual Blood Drive

Saint Bridget University Parish invites you to participate in their annual Blood Drive sponsored by Black Catholic Ministries on Monday, January 18, from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM in St. Bridget Church Hall. The American Red Cross depends on people like you who generously donate their blood to those whose lives depend on it. To make an appointment, please call 800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767) or go online at www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: MLK Glassboro.

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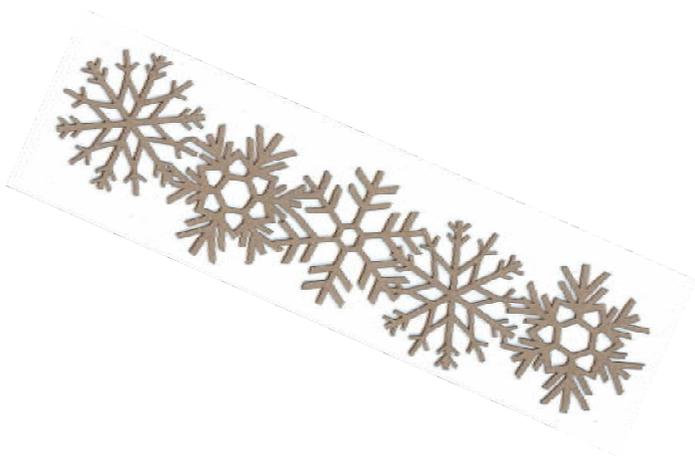
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Look at the Candy Cane

What do you see?



Stripes that are red

Like the blood shed for me

White is for my Savior

Who's sinless and pure!

*"J" is for Jesus My Lord,
that's for sure!*

*Turn it around
And a staff you will see*

Jesus my shepherd

Was born for Me!

Forgiving Stewards

"...as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive."
- COLOSSIANS 3:13

Forgiving is one of the hardest things for people to do. We can't give what we don't have. Through **stewardship**, we need to receive God's mercy and forgiveness first before we can give it to others. Go to the sacrament of Reconciliation and receive God's mercy and forgiveness. Then, share the gift of forgiveness with someone – a family member, a friend or a co-worker. Pick up the phone or text someone right now.

Thank you for your generosity.

Samaritan Center

Did you know that most of the food and donations we collect on the first Sunday of the month go to support the Samaritan Center, located on High Street in Glassboro?

They **really** need donations of **tuna, jelly, juice, sandwich bread and snacks for children.**



The Samaritan Center of Glassboro is in need of donations of gently used (or new) winter clothing for both children and adults.

If you would like to volunteer to help, you can call Stacy at (856)863-9030.

Poor Box

If you cannot donate food, please consider dropping a food gift card or cash in the poor box in back of the church. As always, thank you for your generosity.

Our Mission

St. Bridget University Parish in Glassboro is called to be a living church, a diverse Catholic faith community on fire with the love of Jesus Christ; passionate about what happens to one another, disturbed by injustice, and eager for the Kingdom of God.



Music

The First Nowell

Traditional English Carol, 17th century

1. The first Nowell, the angel did say, was two certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; in fields where they lay keeping their sheep, on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Refrain: Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

2. They looked up and saw a star shining in the east, beyond them far; and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.



Go, Tell it on the Mountains

American Spiritual, 1940

Refrain: Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and ev'rywhere; go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

1. While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night, behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light.
2. The shepherds feared and trembled when high above the earth rang out the angel chorus that hailed our Savior's birth.

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New Year Prayer

This New Year's Day,
We are reminded that by Your amazing grace,
Each day is new,
Fresh and bursting with love,
From here to eternity.

Thank you Lord.



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