

St. Bridget

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

24TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Mon Wed Fri 8:00 am



ST. BRIDGET MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Catholic community welcoming all, consciously celebrating the Eucharist with joy, together personifying the compassion of God to the world.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Contact the parish office for information on the following.

RCIA JOURNEY

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic we'd love to share more about what we believe with you!

BAPTISMS: Infant/Children

Formation Session Required.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

It is best to call at the beginning of a serious illness or when surgery is first scheduled.

MARRIAGE

Contact Parish Office at least 9 months prior to anticipated wedding date.

COMMUNION to HOMEBOUND

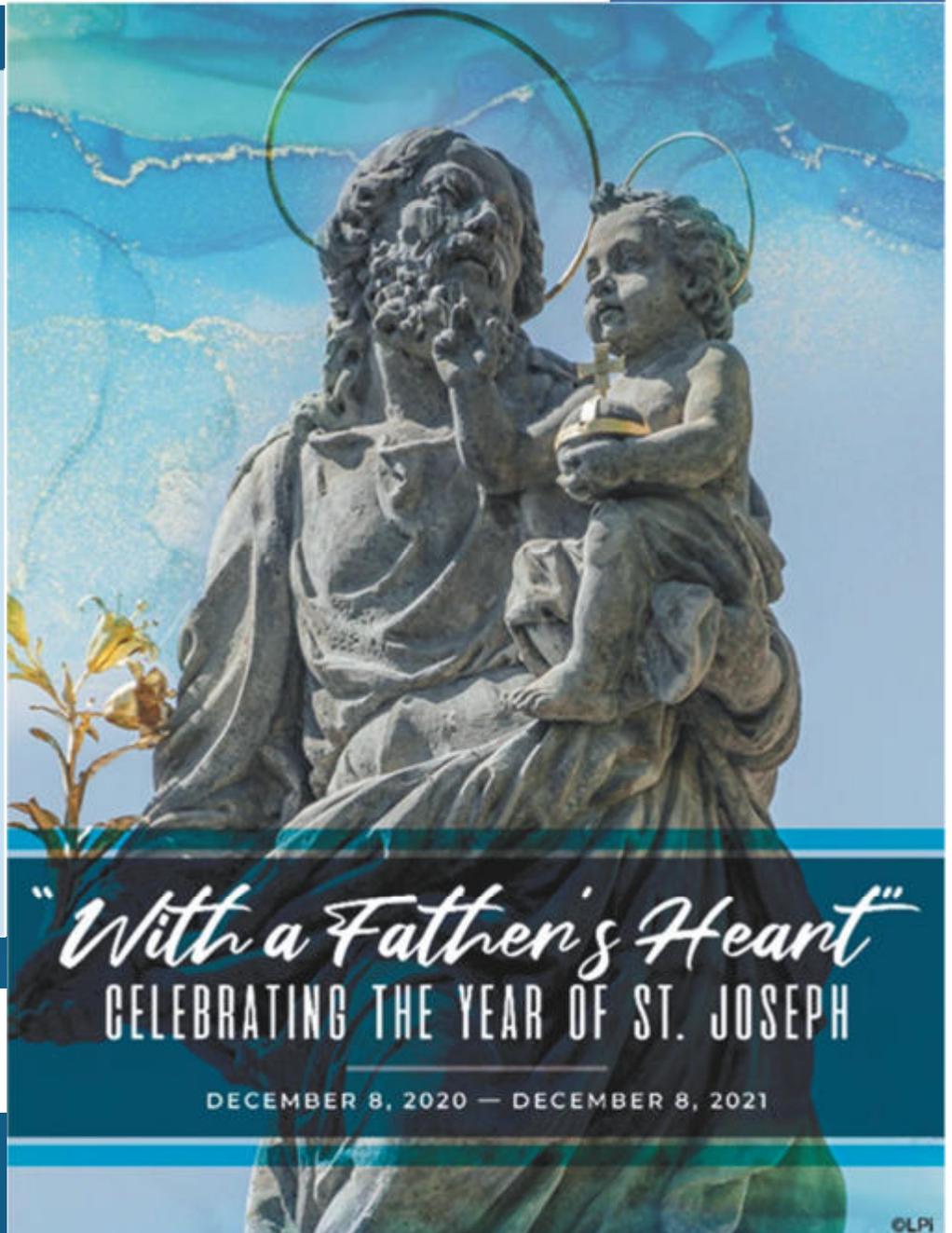
Ministers of Care will bring Communion to you when you are ill & unable to join us in Sunday worship.

PENANCE

1st Saturday of every month
3:30-4pm or by appointment.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 9am-3pm
Friday & Saturday office closed
Sunday office closed



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REFLECTION

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We need to get our bearings straight and properly lay life's cornerstone. Otherwise, the rest of our journey will be skewed, and our judgment clouded. We can recall Jesus' famous rebuke of Peter, "You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Even he, as one of Jesus' closest friends struggles with understanding things and grasping the big picture. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955) a renowned and learned French Jesuit priest often has these words attributed to him: "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." Whether they were actually from his lips, they certainly mimic his thought. These wise words orient us and capture the essence of who we really are.



Many people consider spirituality an option. It is no wonder that they come to this conclusion when they predominantly define themselves using human terms and concepts. Immersed in this world view, they struggle finding any semblance of God because God does not work according to human expectations! This is especially true when suffering and death enter life's picture. If we are only human beings having a spiritual experience, then we wrongly expect our spirituality to serve us as we desire. The human expectation is that my spiritual life is something that is useful in avoiding pain, hardship, and death, not something that gives the courage to live through it!

So, when we protest and get upset with God because our journey is becoming difficult, painful, treacherous, disappointing, and even pointing us toward death, Jesus rebukes us as he did Peter and gently reminds us how to see. It is God who inspires and opens hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, the true meaning of things is understood, and we receive a depth of insight and understanding that is not found following purely human paths. It is not our task to understand God, as God is beyond human understanding. Ours is the joyful privilege of simply resting in God's presence simply because God is God and we are who we are. As spiritual beings having an exciting and adventurous human experience, it is in our DNA to do so. Through prayer we can let go and let be. This is how we lose our lives but then save them.

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REMINDERS & UPDATES

- ♦ **SCAM EMAIL** If you receive an e-mail or text that says it is from Fr. Scott or any St. Bridget staff member requesting some sort of financial help or asking you to e-mail them back, please do not reply to the message and delete it. **This is a scam e-mail.**
- ♦ **MASK UPDATE** want to welcome all to the St. Bridget Church Community. We understand that wearing a mask is a personal choice for each person but for the continued protection for the Priests, our unvaccinated children and each other, we are encouraging you to continue to wear your mask and practice social distancing while on the church grounds and at Mass. We feel this is beneficial to keeping everyone safe.

We thank you for your continued support to the church and ask that you continue to show kindness and understanding to each other both on the church grounds and when you are out in the community.

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Liturgy 101

Presentation by Fr. Scott
September 21, 2021 @ 7:00pm



- **New liturgical ministers Must Attend**
- **Active liturgical ministers who have not attended**

It is required for all new Liturgical Ministers that signed up during our ministry appeal to participate in this presentation. Fr. Scott will present the true meaning of engaged and vibrant participation at Mass. Participants will learn about the special role of liturgical ministers along with the role of the presider and the assembly in a post-Vatican II worship experience.

All are welcome to come discover the foundations of contemporary Catholic Worship!



Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God's gifts and shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor.

Stewardship is:

Gratitude – Living a life of gratitude – taking the time every day to recognize the gifts that God has given and to be grateful for them.

Transformative – Once we embrace the stewardship message it changes the way we look at every decision we make. Stewardship becomes a total way of life.

Sharing Talent – Recognizing that God has given each individual unique skills and talents so that together we can do the work of our Lord, we strive to share our own talents and to encourage and welcome others to also use their talents to carry out the mission and ministry of the Church.

Trust in God – We believe that our generous God will always provide for us. None of us will ever have all that we want, but we always will have all that we need.

Accountability – We are called to recognize that each of us will someday be asked by God to give an accounting of all that we have done with the gifts that have been given to us. Similarly, the parish is accountable for the way in which the parish uses the gifts entrusted to it.

Thank you for taking the time this weekend to fill out the Time & Talent Commitment Card! You can also visit our web site and fill out an online form to volunteer for a Ministry or just to learn more about the Ministry!

“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied Grace.”

1 Peter 4:10

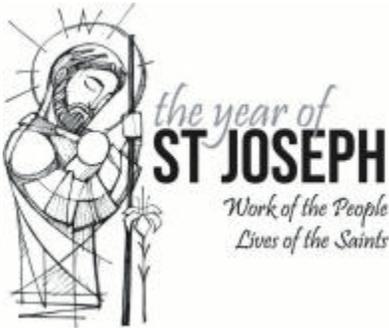
New Committee: Phase III Landscaping-Projects Our Parish Envision (POPE)

Our outside environment creates a first impression and should reflect the beauty of the community and the indoor environment that we have created for our liturgical celebrations. We would like to form a committee to help us to start the planning for Phase III Landscaping. This would include finding companies that we share our ideas with and receive bids for the work that needs to be completed. If you are interested in helping with this committee, please contact Pat Shaneyfelt @finance@stbridget.org.

New Ministry: Video & Sound Ministry

If you have audio visual experience and would like to be involved with the Live Streaming of the Sunday Liturgy, prayer services and other events we have at the parish, please call the office.

**CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION
REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!**



**CLASS BEGINS
SEPTEMBER 15
AT 6PM
IN THE CHURCH.**

**Preparation for the
Sacrament of
Reconciliation
begins in 1st grade.**

**We welcome ALL CHILDREN
preschool age 4 through Jr-high**

**Preschool & Kindergarten children
begin their formation in our
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
program (must be at least 4 yrs old-only 2 spots left)**

When: Wednesdays, 6pm-7:30pm

LAST DAY TO REGISTER SEPT 12

**Please contact me for more details
Diana Rosales faithformation@stbridget.org**

**HIGH SCHOOL TEEN MINISTRY
KICK OFF TODAY! SEPT 12 After 10 Mass
In Collins Hall**

**Parents come hear what we have planned for
Teen Ministry this year!**

Didn't get a chance to register?
No problem come anyway!



**Teen Minister: Andie Valenzuela
youthministry@stbridget.org
[@stbteens](#) (Snapchat, Twitter, Instagram)
[@StBridgetTeens](#) (Facebook)**

**ST. BRIDGET'S SPIRITUALITY CENTER
Grows All Summer Long**

Join in on some of the GROWING Ministries at
St. Bridget's Spirituality Center

**Below is a list of ways to keep your spiritual growth
alive throughout the summer along with who to
contact to get involved:**

Growing a Parish Library and Resource Center:
Spencer Stopa, stopa@q.com
Rebecca Gourrinat, rebecca.gourrinat@gmail.com

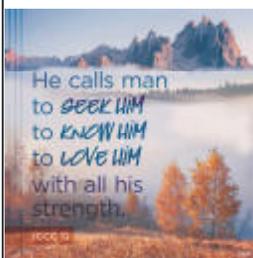
Spirituality Center Grounds and Gardens:
Kathy Perrin, willowroad1862@outlook.com

Small Group Spiritual Direction:
Cathy Olds, bridgetspcenter@gmail.com and
Charlotte Schwartz, char11@cox.net

Spiritual Direction:
Cathy Olds, bridgetspcenter@gmail.com and
Pat Root, rootpatricia60@yahoo.com

Adult Spirituality Virtual Library:
Stay well watered this summer by taking in some good
wisdom and learning from our Adult Spirituality
Library on the website at stbridget.org. We have
worked to bring the wisdom, teaching and prayer
experience of many local scholars and pastoral leaders
on various areas of Catholic Spirituality.

**See the back table in the narthex
for more information.**



**Do you or someone you know
have questions about
becoming Catholic ?**

Dear members of St. Bridget,
please join in prayer for all the
people whom the Holy Spirit wants
to identify and have join the RCIA
program this year. The prayer of the
community is powerful. **If you know any adult who is
seeking Sacraments in the Catholic Church please
have them call the Parish office (480/924-9111).**

**Praying the Contemplative Rosary
Wednesdays at the
Spirituality Center @ 8:45am**



Rosary prayer offers an opportunity to
cultivate solitude while contemplating the
way and life of Jesus. Rosaries are provid-
ed if you need one. Contact Kathy Perrin
for more information at
willowroad1862@outlook.com.



**BAPTISMS—baptism@stbridget.org
We are now accepting registrations
for infant Baptism.**

Baptism Prep Class, Sunday October 10
Rite of Baptism, Sunday November 21

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480-807-1493



Spiritual

In today's Gospel Jesus says, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." The cross of Jesus and the crosses of his members can evangelize us: the sick, who bear illness with courage; the grieving, who hope against hope; the dying, who clearly trust in the resurrection; the suffering of our poor brothers and sisters who are hungry and homeless, but who still trust in God's love.

Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a message for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Pantry Needs

At this time, our pantry could use the following: toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, macaroni & cheese, jelly, spaghetti, canned tomatoes, tomato sauce, canned black or kidney beans. Please drop pantry items in the cart outside the SVDP office between 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. Thank you for your generosity!!

Membership

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society (SVDP) is open to all those who seek to live their faith, loving and committing themselves to their neighbors in need. Membership in the St. Bridget Conference of the Society of the SVDP is open to individuals who seek to answer the call to service.

For more information, please contact the office at 480-807-1493.



COMMON GOOD

**Why live simply?
So that others may simply live!**

All of us are descended from migrants. None of us is a native of the place we call home. We move when it is intolerable to stay where we are. We move because of environmental stresses and physical dangers and the small-mindedness of our neighbors - and to be who we wish to be, to seek what we wish to seek.

Ours is a migratory species. Humans have always moved. Our ancestors did, our contemporaries are moving, and our descendants will move too. They will move as the climate changes, as sea levels rise, as wars are fought, as one mode of economic activity dies out...

And yet we are told that such movement is unprecedented, that it represents a crisis, a flood, a disaster. We are told not only that movement through geographies can be stopped but that movement through time can be too, that we can return to past, to a better past, when our country, our race, our religion was truly great. All we must accept is division. The division of humanity into natives and migrants. A vision of a world of walls and barriers, and of the guards and weapons and surveillance required to enforce those barriers.

Perhaps thinking of us all as migrants offers us a way out of this. If we are all migrants, then possibly there is kinship between the suffering of the woman who has never lived in another town and yet has come to feel foreign on her own street and the suffering of the man who has left his town and will never see it again.

Hamid, Mohsin. "We Are All Migrants." *National Geographic*, vol. 236, no. 2, Aug. 2019, pp.17-19.

Knights of Columbus Council #9800



The Knights of Columbus and their families have been supporting our priests, churches, parishioners and communities since 1882 through the charity and caring legacy of our founder, The Blessed Michael J. McGivney. As he approaches Sainthood, we reach out to those men who want to deepen their Catholic Faith through Faith, Family, Community, and Life based programs. The KOC also offers optional top-rated Insurance and Mutual Funds with plans consistent with Catholic teachings. Learn more about the Knights of Columbus at www.kofc.org and <https://kofc.org/joinus>. Ask any Brother Knight at St. Bridget about our programs at the parish and in the community or contact me, Grand Knight Dennis Schauer, at 480-363-8791 or djschauer@cox.net. Business meetings are at 7:00 PM in Collins Hall the first Thursday of every month.

Charity—Unity— Fraternity—Patriotism

COUNCIL 9800 IS COLLECTING BOTTLED WATER IN SUPPORT OF ANDRE' HOUSE IN PHOENIX.

Please drop off donations in Collins Hall at the north wall through September 12th. Your support is much appreciated!



**St. Bridget Safe Environment
ATTENTION ALL MINISTERS**

THANK YOU!

**to everyone who has completed their
Safe Environment Training!**

If you still need to complete your Safe Environment Training please **login to phoenix.cmgconnect.org**. Returning ministers need to complete 2021-2022 ONLINE RENEWAL and if you're new to ministry please look for the ONLINE Foundation Training.

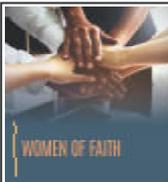
Please call Pat or Caroline with any questions.



Working with:
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Pat Shaneyfelt:
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Faith Formation & Teens
Caroline Gonzalez:
office@stbridget.org



**WOMEN OF FAITH
NEXT MEETING SEPT 13
Please text Gail Jones with questions
480-332-1859**

COMMUNITY PRAYER & STEWARDSHIP



September 11-12, 2021

Sunday	8:00am	<i>For the Parishioners of St. Bridget</i>
	10:00am	
Monday	8:00am	
Wednesday	8:00am	
Friday	8:00am	
Saturday	4:30pm	



For all in our parish community who are in need of our prayers:

- ◆ Agnes & George Valenzula
- ◆ Keith Vaughan
- ◆ Shirley D'Agostino
- ◆ Shirley Wolterman
- ◆ Garnett Bryan



Please pray for all the deceased of our parish, especially for Raymundo Ollada Jr.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF Sept 13, 2021



Monday:	1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [1Cor 11:26b]/Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Wednesday:	1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Thursday:	1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10 [2]/Lk 7:36-50
Friday:	1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday:	1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2]/Lk 8:4-15
Next Sunday:	Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37



Financial Information
August 28-29 2021

Plate & Mail In	\$ 2,181.00
Tithley On-line	\$ 1,356.00
ACH Checks	\$ 530.00
Total	\$ 4067.00
Pope	\$ 50.00
Deficit Reduction:	\$ 75.00

Collection information for September 4-5, will be in next weekends bulletin.

Thank you!

We are thankful for your continued support, especially as we work on repair projects with the buildings and grounds of the church. For more information on ways to give, please contact Pat Shaneyfelt finance@stbridget.org

Contact Information

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If you would like to receive Constant Contact emails from the parish, please be sure we have your updated email address.

Contact: Finance@stbridget.org

If you are interested in joining our Prayer Chain, please call the Parish Office at 480-924-9111.

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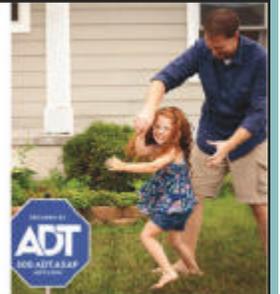
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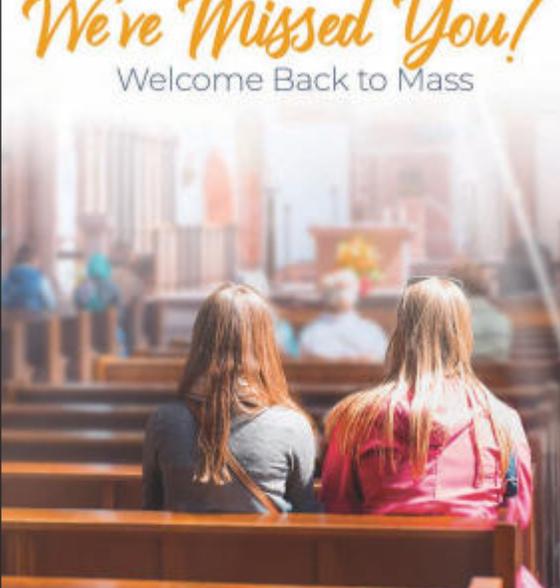
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