

St. Bridget

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



JANUARY 2, 2022

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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



The Epiphany OF THE LORD

"Since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people Israel." - Mt 2:6b

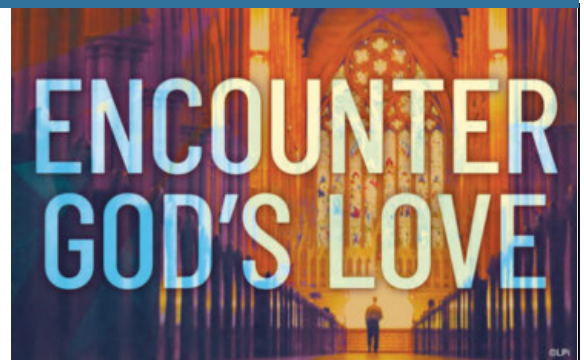
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REFLECTION

The Epiphany of the Lord

In his Apostolic Exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: “Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction.” Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, “Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God’s love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being.”



Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

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REMINDERS & UPDATES

- ◆ **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.

- ◆ **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.**

WEEK AT A GLANCE—JANUARY 2-8, 2022

Sunday: 8:00am & 10:00am Mass, Church

Thursday:

Monday: 8:00am Daily Mass, Church

Friday: 8:00am Daily Mass
4:30pm Mary Mother of God

Tuesday: 6:00pm RCIA, Chapel

Saturday: 10:00am-Common Good Meeting,
Spirituality Center

Wednesday: 8:00am Daily Mass, Church
8:45am—Contemplative Rosary, Spirituality Center

4:30pm Mass, Church

Welcome Sunday ~ Pancake Breakfast ~ January 9th

Join us January 9th after all morning Masses for Pancakes in the Plaza!

Welcome back all parishioners including our winter parishioners
who we missed last year at the height of the pandemic.

MENU: Pancakes & Bacon, Coffee & Orange Juice

Donations Welcome but not required Hosted by TEEN Ministry. Proceeds go to fund Teen Ministry

Wear your nametag so we can call you by name...
or order your St. Bridget nametag that day!

Want to learn more about ministries at St. Bridget?

Ministry tables will be on display, see what interests you and how you can participate.

St. Bridget's Women of Faith - Epiphany Celebration

LIVING GRACE

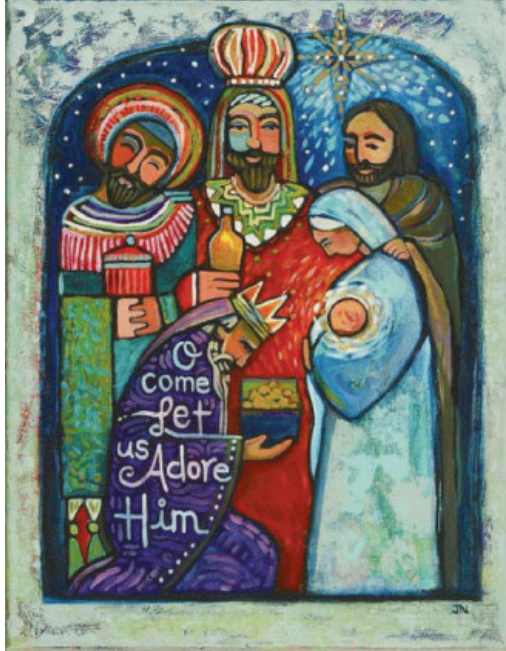
A Day to Reflect, Refresh and Reconnect

Saturday, January 15, 2022
11:00am—2:00pm in Collins Hall
\$5 Includes Lunch

Register to reserve your spot by signing up in the church office
Watch for sign up tables after Mass in the coming weeks

All Women are Welcome

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION



Artist in residence 2018 Jen Norton
Find her work at jennortonartstudio.com

Class Schedule

**Sacrament Prep Class -Jan 9, 2022 8:30am
in the Plaza**

Wednesday Formation Class resumes Jan 12, 2022

HIGH SCHOOL TEEN MINISTRY

**Teen Ministry Meeting Today!
January 2 EPIPHANY!
Bring a Friend, Wear a Mask**



**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 provided if you need one. For more information contact Kathy Perrin at willowroad1862@outlook.com.

ST. BRIDGET'S SPIRITUALITY CENTER

We invite you to discover and enjoy all that this unique space has to offer! Our primary purpose is to provide a Gathering Space that fosters a Culture of Encounter ~ that is, an encounter with one another, with sacred practices, and with the beauty of nature & art.



Spirituality Center Grounds and Gardens:

The garden is now open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 7:30am to 12:00noon. Please come and enjoy the St. Bridget Self-Guided Prayer Walk.

Please contact Kathy Perrin for more information, willowroad1862@outlook.com

Small Group Spiritual Direction:

Cathy Olds, bridgetspcenter@gmail.com and Charlotte Schwartz, char11@cox.net

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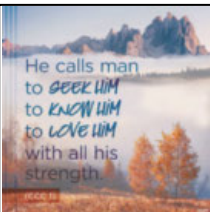
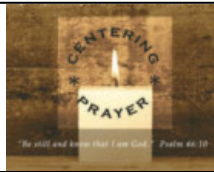
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Adult Spirituality Virtual Library:

Take in some good wisdom and learning from our Adult Spirituality Library on our website at stbridget.org.

All are Welcome!

Centering Prayer meets in the Prayer Chapel Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm.



RCIA resumes in the Prayer Chapel Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 6:00pm



BAPTISMS- baptism@stbridget.org
We are now accepting registrations for our Lenten Series of infant Baptisms.

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Spiritual

Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, where the Magi find the newborn king and offer him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

In the spirit of the Magi, your gift to St. Vincent de Paul brings comfort and peace to a newborn child.

Gratitude

Thank you for your year-end contributions! Your donation will go a long way not only during the Holidays, but the whole year through! We deeply appreciate your support.

Membership

Looking for a new experience in the New Year? 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.

Knights of Columbus Council #9800

Men of St. Bridget's Parish, are you interested in supporting our priests, our parish and your family, as well as all of our community?



The K.O.C. and their families have been doing just that since 1882, and you can be part of it all. Come join the largest Lay Catholic Men's organization in the world and see how fantastic it is to be with your fellow Catholic men serving our parish and our community.

Just stop and ask any Brother Knight about the benefits and the fraternity available to you and your family. For more information on the Knights go to www.kofc.org 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



Women of Faith Epiphany Celebration
A Day to Reflect, Refresh & Reconnect

January 15th 11am – 2pm
in Collins Hall

See page 3 for more details



Common Good



The World Day of Peace — established by St. Paul VI in 1968 — is celebrated each year on January 1st, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. The Pope provides a message for the occasion, which is addressed to government and spiritual leaders, and all man and women of good will around the world.

Last year, for World Day of Peace, Pope Francis wrote that there can be no peace without a culture of care, saying we need to “work together to advance towards a new horizon of love and peace, of fraternity and solidarity, of mutual support and acceptance,” never yielding “to the temptation to disregard others, especially those in greatest need, and to look the other way;” but instead, “strive daily, in concrete and practical ways, to form a community composed of brothers and sisters who accept and care for one another”.

This year, in his message for the celebration of the 55th World Day of Peace, Pope Francis writes, “let us walk together with courage and creativity on the path of intergenerational dialogue, education, and work. May more and more men and women strive daily, with quiet humility and courage, to be artisans of peace. And may they be ever inspired and accompanied by the blessings of the God of peace!”

The Common Good Ministry wishes you and yours a happy, healthy, and peaceful 2022.

St. Bridget Safe Environment

To those who serve in Ministry....
login to phoenix.cmconnect.org and complete your Safe Environment Training.



Please call Pat or Caroline with any questions.



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Faith Formation & Teens
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CONSTANT CONTACT FROM ST BRIDGET

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

COMMUNITY PRAYER & STEWARDSHIP



January 2-8, 2022

Sunday	8:00am <i>For the Parishioner of St. Bridget Parish</i>
	10:00am + <i>Gwen Young</i>
Monday	8:00am Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday	8:00am Cheryl Tangen
Friday	8:00am
Saturday	4:30pm David Fellows

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

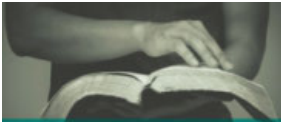


For all in our parish community who are in need of our prayers:

- ◆ Shirley Wolterman
- ◆ Bobby Duro
- ◆ Shawn Busby
- ◆ Carmen Canez
- ◆ Keith Vaughn



Please pray for all the deceased of our parish, their family and friends.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF Jan 3, 2022

Monday:	1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday:	1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday:	1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52
Thursday:	1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a
Friday:	1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30
Next Sunday:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

To stay informed visit our web site at www.stbridget.org
Click on our parish **You Tube** Page and subscribe.



Financial Information December 18-19, 2021

Plate & Mail In	\$ 5,154.00
Tithley On-line	\$ 2,116.70
ACH Checks	\$ 5,530.00
Total	\$12,800.70

POPE	\$630.00
Christmas	\$1,325.00
Christmas Flowers	\$125.00
Deficit Reduction	\$1,000.00

Due to early printing of the bulletin, December 25-26 financial information will printed next weekend.

If you would like more information about ways to give financially, please contact Pat Shaneyfelt at finance@stbridget.org

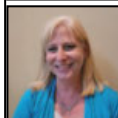
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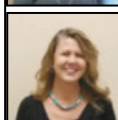
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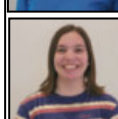
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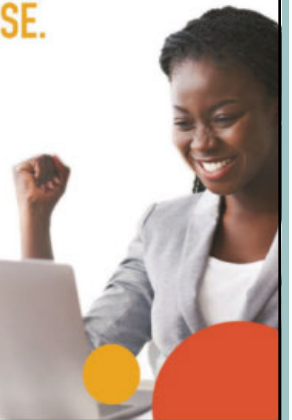
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