St.Bridget

JANUARY 30, 2022

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Mon Wed Fri 8:00 am

4TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

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





Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus Prayer of invocation to the Holy Spirit for an ecclesial assembly of governance or discernment (thus synodal)

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal

life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time,

in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen.

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For a Synodal Church: Communion/Participation/Mission

Dear Parishioners,

This week we will celebrate the Feast of St. Bridget. The Irish government has even added this day (Feb 1) as a new public holiday in Ireland! Tradition marks this, in Irish celebration, as the first day of spring.

We choose, then, to take this feast day as the beginning of our parish's participation in the worldwide Synod that Pope Francis inaugurated on October 17th. It is a two year process beginning with listening to you sharing and reflecting about your faith, your life in the Church, and how you see the whole Church journeying together in the future. The Holy Father is looking for a fraternal and collegial exchange, begun at the Second Vatican Council, to open new pathways and shed new light on how we might be church.

This invitation to have our voices heard is being responded to as we begin several listening sessions in our parish. The sessions will be available to a wide variety of people in the parish. They will be guided by myself or a staff member inviting people to share and respond to questions sent ahead of time that are meant to trigger feedback and discussion. Your responses will then be sent to the diocese of Phoenix, who will organize these and send them to Rome.

For more on what a synod is and what this one is attempting to accomplish there are many websites to choose from. The USCCB is a good place to start. I like the site explaining the Synod from the organization "Salt & Light."

I hope this small explanation and beginning will become clear as we proceed. We may pray the prayer for the Synod together throughout its unfolding;

"Holy Spirit of God, Lead the Church on our pilgrim path as we listen to You. Speaking through one another. Enkindle your love in our hearts to walk forward together as a Church that accompanies all of humanity on our common journey to You."

Pax Christi,

In Scott

You may have noticed as you came into church that we are beginning Phase III, which is the landscaping updates to the entire grounds. We are excited to be moving into this next Phase which is being funded by the P.O.P.E Fund and our distribution checks from the Capital Campaign. Thank you for your continued support to the parish!

REMINDERS & UPDATES

• <u>MASK UPDATE</u> 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.

• <u>SCAM EMAIL</u> 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. <u>This is a scam e-mail.</u>

WEEK AT A GLANCE-JANUARY 30-FEBRUARY 5, 2022

Sunday:	8:00am & 10:00am Mass, Church	6:30pm-Centering Prayer, Chapel
<u>Monday</u> :	8:00am Daily Mass, Church	<u>Thursday:</u> 6:30pm KOC Monthly Meeting, Collins Hall
Tuesday:	6:00pm RCIA, Chapel	Friday: 8:00am Daily Mass
<u>Wednesday</u> : 8:45am– C	8:00am Daily Mass, Church ontemplative Rosary, Spirituality Center	Saturday: 4:30pm Mass, Church

St. Bridget Irish Festival

Help us celebrate St. Bridget and all the Irish Saints.

The annual Irish Festival is always overflowing with an abundance of good ole' Irish fun. Enjoy a night of song, laughter, activities, and a delicious, traditional Irish dinner.

Festivities begin after Mass services.

Saturday, Feb. 26 - SAVE THE DATE



Friday Night at the Movies Presenting Disney/Pixar

"WALL-E"

A movie for ALL Ages!

February 11th, 6 p.m. in Collins Hall

Soups/snacks, drinks, door prizes

Hosted by Common Good Ministry

Suggested donation: \$5 per family

FORMATION & PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION



Class Schedule Wednesday Children's Formation Class Feb 2 Class, parents return at 6:45 for prayer service Feb 9 Class

Sacrament Prep Class Sundays 8:30 Collins Hall #4– Jan 30 #5-- Feb 6



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.

All are Welcome! Centering Prayer meets in the Prayer Chapel Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm.





RCIA classes are held on Tuesdays 6:00pm in the Prayer Chapel. Please call the Parish office for more information. 480-924-9111



BAPTISMS- baptism@stbridget.org If you are even THINKING of an infant Baptism this Spring or Summer, please attend the Baptism Prep Class, on February 27 Rite of Baptism, April 24

HIGH SCHOOL TEEN MINISTRY

Next Teen Ministry Meeting February 6th Bring a Friend, Wear a Mask



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 \sim 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, *charl1@cox.net*

Spiritual Direction:

Cathy Olds, *bridgetspcenter@gmail.com* and Pat Root, *rootpatricia60@yahoo.com*

Adult Spirituality Virtual Library:

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

SERVICE OUTREACH & COMMUNITY

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 480-807-1493

Vincentian Vignette

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"I knew that God had guided my destiny to become a nurse to support and care for my brother and ultimately care for others in need in our community." Transferring from a banking career, one Vincentian went back to college to study nursing, eventually working for Banner Health. As her brother's illness progressed, she became his private nurse. Two parishioners who were also Vincentians brought communion to her brother and later to her. With his passing, she felt personal stress, depression, and loneliness. The Vincentian couple continued the friendship encouraging her to help herself by helping others. She joined SVdP which became a life changing connection. She is quick to say, "This invitation saved my life." Today, she is the backbone of our conference combining her financial knowledge with her empathic, compassionate manner. She also likes to say it comes from the heart and we know it comes from her very soul. The Four Missions of our Society are: Spirituality, Fellowship, Serving those in need, and Giving others the

opportunity to serve.

The Lord works in interesting ways! Perhaps SVdP can help fill the void in your life through 'Servant Leadership', following in the footsteps of Christ.

Pantry Needs

At this time, our pantry could use the following: canned fruit, jelly, macaroni and cheese, and dry soup mixes. Please drop pantry items in the SVdP grocery carts located outside of church during weekend Mass, thank you!

Charitable Tax Credit for 2021

AZ Tax Credit donations can still be made up until April 15, 2022 to be included in tax year 2021 tax form filings.

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

All Women Are Welcome!

Join us at our next meeting **February 7 at 6pm in Collins Hall** For more information on Women of Faith text Gail Jones 480-332-1859 or Char Binfet 253-951-8954



Common Good

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing." 1 Corinthians 13:1-3

Sometimes environmentalists can be accused of being downright rigid and judgmental in their manner of living a "green life" and trying to persuade others to do the same. Spend some time this week remembering the reason(s) behind your efforts to tread more lightly on the earth. It's probably because you love and cherish this marvelous, stunning world which God created. Enjoy a film from the Environmental Film Festival in the Nation's Capital (DCEFF) this week, as a reaffirmation of your love for God's creation: dceff.org/watchnow * Or better yet! SAVE THE DATE for our very 1st Friday Night at the Movies on February 11th, featuring Disney and Pixar's Wall-E, a film about a garbage collecting robot left to clean abandoned earth where life is no longer sustainable as it has become covered with trash.

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St. Bridget Safe Environment

Thank you to all who have completed their Safe Environment requirement for the year continuing to keep our church family safe!





Please call Pat or Caroline with any questions.

Working with: Ministries & Groups Pat Shaneyfelt: <u>finance@stbridget.org</u>

Working with: Faith Formation & Teens Caroline Gonzalez: <u>office@stbridget.org</u>

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 30-February 5, 2022

Sunday	8:00am
	10:00am For the Parishioner of St. Bridget Parish
Monday	8:00am
Wednesday	8:00am
Friday	8:00am
Saturday	4:30pm +Winston Gazda

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

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

Sharon Whitehead

Keith Vaughn

Beth Valencia

Terri Hines

- Shirley Wolterman
- Bobby Duro
- Shawn Busby
- Beverly Parker

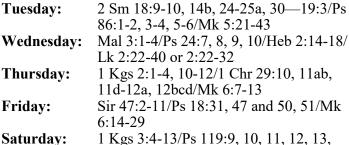


Please pray for all the deceased of our parish, their family and friends.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF Jan 31, 2022

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1 -20



aturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34

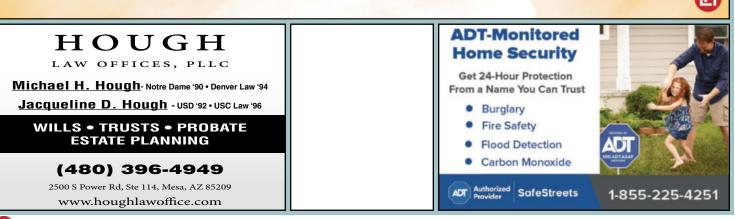
Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/ Lk 5:1-11

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