# St. Bridget ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

#### APRIL 10, 2022

#### PALM SUNDAY

#### **WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

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Saturday 4:30 pm

Mon Wed Fri 8:00 am

Sunday 8:00 ai

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.



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.

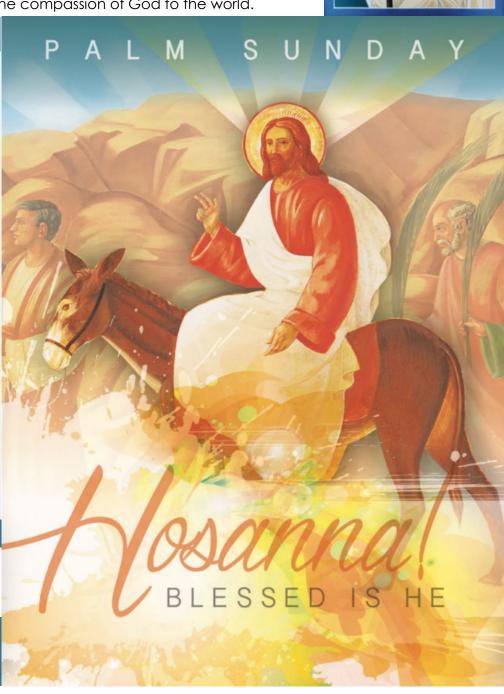
#### **PENANCE**

*I<sup>st</sup> 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

#### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Pope St. John Paul II rightly taught, "To believe in Jesus is to accept what he says, even when it runs contrary to what others are saying. It means rejecting the lure of sin, however attractive it may be, in order to set out on a difficult path of Gospel virtues." Acceptance, rejection, suffering, betrayal, fear, reluctance, persecution, and painful, undeserved and unjust death are all played out in dramatic fashion today. Jesus spoke of God's unconditional love, mercy, and forgiveness. Who doesn't like hearing about love, especially God's? Jesus did not have backs turned on him, face intense suffering, and succumb to a horrific death because he spoke of God's love. All of those things occurred because of the implications of actually believing in God's love.



God's love comes with an intimate and equal bond with love of neighbor. This moves the believer outward to truly see their brothers and sisters as equals and compels them to work for a world that mirrors God's kingdom: a world based on justice, peace, mercy, and forgiveness. Sometimes, people want to keep God's love to themselves and use it solely for their own benefit. When they only want to use God's love to justify their own intentions and for their own projects, problems occur.

Sin makes something hurtful, destructive, and self-serving look very attractive and justifiable. The lure of sin creates friends who begin to believe the lie that the sin expounds. This is what happened on Calvary. When you begin actually doing what Jesus is saying and translate love into action, it inevitably will upset popular and longstanding conventions and structures. Many of these serve to protect status, foster personal gain and success, and further divide those who have from those who do not. Most people who hear the Gospel are attracted to what they hear, at first. When they realize that it means standing apart from popular opinion, even if that opinion is against the Gospel and sinful, they cower back in fear and join the throngs shouting, "Crucify him!" There is an ambivalence found in many believers as they struggle with whether their belief is strong enough "to set out on the difficult path of Gospel virtues."

It takes a lot of courage to admit that the system is broken. It takes even more courage to point out the sin. And it takes an unbreakable love of God to then accept the consequences of doing so. ©LPi

#### 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.

• <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-APRIL 10-16, 2022

**Sunday:** 8:00am & 10:00am Mass, Church **Thursday:** 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper,

Monday: 8:00am Daily Mass, Church Church

9:00am Centering Prayer, Friday: NO DAILY MASS-Good Friday

Spirituality Center 12:00pm Stations of the Cross, Plaza

Tuesday: 6:00pm RCIA, Chapel 7:00pm –Passion of the Lord, Church

Wednesday: 8:00am Mass Saturday: 8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass, Church

8:45am Contemplative Rosary,
Spirituality Center

#### PARISH LIFE



Saturday April 23, 2022 9am-Noon

Plan to attend a day of fellowship and inspiration with stories from

Beth and Jennifer

In the beautifully shaded gardens of the backyard of the Spirituality Center!

Enter through the back gate!

RSOP to MSGDBJ@yahoo.com

or text to 480-332-1859

Please bring a dainty dish or a delicate dessert for four to share!

Lemonade, water, and iced tea will be provided.

H\$5 donation suggestion would be appreciated at the door.



# Easter; New Life & New Hope Happy 40th Anniversary Fr. Scott!

Join us for a Parish Celebration on Saturday, May 7th at 5:30 pm in the Plaza.

Dinner will be free for parishioners and will be provided by Mokis Hawaiian Grill.

We will have sign ups after Mass next weekend and you can drop off a card for Fr. Scott for his 40th Anniversary!

#### **The Sacred Triduum**

Holy Thursday April 14, 2022

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday April 15, 2022

7:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Stations of the Cross at Noon ~ Led by Faith Formation 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm Church open for silent prayer

**Holy Saturday** April 16, 2022

8:00 pm <u>Easter Vigil</u> ~ Fire Blessing & Easter Candle Procession,

Orchestral Word Celebration, Blessing of Easter Baptismal Water,

First Eucharist of Easter & Confirmation

Liturgy begins outside

**Easter Sunday** April 17, 2022

8:00 am Mass 10:00am Mass

Easter Liturgies will be held in the Plaza.

#### FORMATION & PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

#### CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION



#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 13-17 9AM-12PM



Online registration begins APRIL 25 Spots are limited 4years old to 6th grade.

## Adult, Teen & Jr high VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Pre school leader needed

Email Diana at faithformation@stbridget.org



#### **Come Celebrate the Holy Triduum with**

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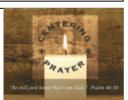
#### Praying the Contemplative Rosary Wednesdays at the Spirituality Center @ 8:45am

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 willowroad 1862 @outlook.com.

Centering Prayer meets in the Spirituality Center on Mondays during Lent at 9:00am and in the Prayer Chapel on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm

All are Welcome!





Summer baptisms are scheduled as and when needed. Registration forms are on the parish website. Please contact the baptism team for more information: baptism@stbridget.org

#### HIGH SCHOOL TEEN MINISTRY

Our Next Meeting TODAY!

Sunday April 10, after the 10 Mass

Lets talk about Holy Week

& Vacation Bible School!

Bring a Friend!



#### 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 Book Club: Meeting on the third Tuesday of the month at 10am in the east garden of the Spirituality Center. All are welcome to come join in fellowship and lively discussion. The first book club gathering is March 15<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Kathy Perrin for more information, willowroad1862@outlook.com

#### **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. Contact Kathy Perrin for more info, willowroad1862@outlook.com

#### **Small Group Spiritual Direction:**

Cathy Olds, bridgetspcenter@gmail.com and Charlotte Schwartz, charl 1@cox.net

#### **Spiritual Direction:**

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

<u>Centering Prayer</u>: Mondays of Lent at 9:00am in the east garden. For more information email Mary Koszarek, maryrosekos@yahoo.com

#### SERVICE OUTREACH & COMMUNITY

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480-807-1493



#### Vincentian Vignette

After Sunday Mass I was approached by a Vincentian asking if I would consider giving some time to support the parish conference. She said the time commitment was completely up to me and could be as little as supporting the scheduled drives and events throughout the year to weekly or monthly activity. There would be a period of training and if I needed to change my commitment at any time I could.

After thought and prayer I decided to give two or three mornings a month plus help out whenever I could. What I received was so much more than the good feeling of helping our neighbors in need. I met a family of wonderful friends and a way to increase my spirituality. I thought helping the needy was the main goal of the SVDP; however, the four missions of the society are Spirituality, Fellowship, Serving those in need, and Giving others the opportunity to serve.

Consider this your initial NUDGE and see where the Holy Spirit leads you. If you would like to learn more, contact us by calling our office or leave a message at 480-807-1493.

#### **Pantry Needs**

At this time, our pantry could use the following: canned fruit, jelly, peanut butter, dry soup mixes, and #5 & #6 diapers. Please drop pantry items in the SVdP grocery carts located outside of church during weekend Mass. Thank you for your generosity!

# Welcome All Parishioners, Winter Visitors, and Neighbors of St. Bridget





Friday Lenten Fish Fry

Traditional Lenten Fish Fry Returns!

<u>Every Friday</u> during Lent
(except Good Friday) Beginning after
the Stations of the Cross

'The Knights of Columbus welcome any donation of lemons that you may have from your trees.

Any unused lemons will go to St. Vincent de Paul

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#### **COMMON GOOD**



The whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen ... Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

Luke 19:37, 39-40

This week, spend some time in nature, whether it's in the desert, in your backyard, or even just contemplating a weed growing through a crack in the sidewalk. Quiet yourself and look and listen for how creation praises the Lord.

If you sometimes feel overwhelmed by the direction the climate crisis is going, consider reading chapter 43 from Isaiah as an antidote. Or read chapter 3 of Pope Francis' Laudato Si' which you can find online for free). He reminds us, *The Spirit of God has filled the universe with possibilities and therefore, from the very heart of things, something new can always emerge* (#80).

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#### **BIBLE STUDY**

Join us for "The Gospel of Luke: A Spiritual and Pastoral Reading" by Pope Francis. Drawn from homilies, writings, and speeches since Francis became pope and arranged in order of the chapters of Luke, the words of Pope Francis invite us into the world of Jesus, forming readings that shine light on our own lives.

Evening or morning sessions available. Beginning Tues, April 19 at 7pm Wed. April 20 9am, in the library

Please sign up in the office for the session you'd like to attend and to order your book.

Books are also available to purchase from Amazon for approximately \$25.

We are excited to share this journey with you.

Contact Spencer Stopa at 480-244-7264, or Liz Carter at 480-833-5818 for more information

#### 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



#### **April 10-April 16, 2022**

**Sunday** 8:00am For the Parishioners of

St. Bridget

10:00am Larry Bergb, S.I.

**Monday** 8:00am + Catherine Rohtert

**Wednesday** 8:00am For the Souls in Purgatory

Friday 8:00am NO DAILY MASS

(Good Friday)

**Saturday** 8:00pm *Mary Zafft, S.I.* 

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:

Sharon Ackley

• Marion Ballentyne

 Nancy & Bill Cowperthwait



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



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF April 11, 2022

**Monday:** Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3,

13-14/Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday:** Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and

17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday:** Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-

34/Mt 26:14-25

**Thursday** Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex

12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16abc, 17-

18/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

**Friday:** Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16,

17, 25/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

**Saturday:** Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a, Ex 15:1

-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 [1b], Is 55:1-11, Ps 63,

Rom 6:3-11, John 20:1-9

**Next Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-

23 [24]/Col 3:1-4, Jn 20:1-9

To stay informed visit our web site at <a href="https://www.stbridget.org">www.stbridget.org</a>
Click on our parish **You Tube** Page and subscribe.



#### Financial Information April 2-3, 2022

Plate & Mail In \$8,502.00 Tithley On-line \$1,401.08 ACH Checks \$4,787.00 Total \$14,690.08

POPE \$ 325.00 Easter Flowers \$ 398.00

Thank you for your continued support to the parish!



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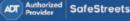
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