

# ST. BRIGID

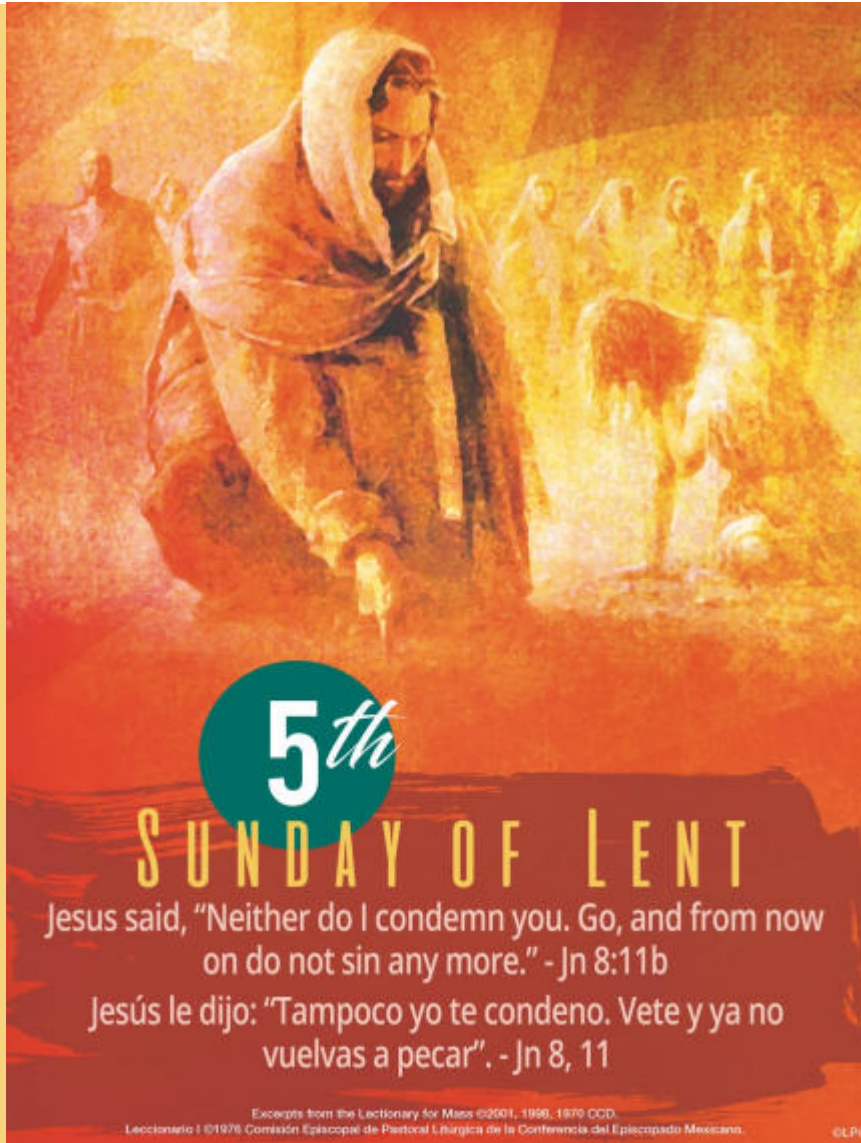
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"Vete y ya no vuelvas a pecar." (Juan 8:11). Que hermosas palabras para esta mujer sorprendida en adulterio. Que alivio para ella poder respirar nuevamente la vida. Que gran manifestación del amor de Dios que defiende lo que le pertenece. No es favoritismo al defenderla, es simplemente defender la justicia. En aquel entonces, y ahora, el mundo vive tensiones de dureza de corazón. La enseñanza de Jesús es ayudar a reconocer que todos somos pecadores, por lo tanto, todos merecemos la Misericordia infinita de Dios; ¡Su perdón! La Cuaresma es un tiempo que abre nuevos horizontes de vida nueva en Jesús.

Los fariseos y los letrados juzgaban a la mujer con la ley. Jesús, con su autoridad de Hijo de Dios, la libera con sus palabras evangélicas, con su mirada de amor inconfundible hacia los pecadores. La misericordia y la conversión se encuentran en este domingo. El 18 de junio en la audiencia jubilar en la plaza de San Pedro, el Papa Francisco dijo:

"La auténtica conversión se produce cuando experimentamos en nosotros el amor de Dios y acogemos el don de su misericordia; y un signo claro de que la conversión es auténtica es cuando caemos en la cuenta de las necesidades del prójimo". Queda poco tiempo para llegar a la Pascua. Sin embargo, viene lo difícil, lo doloroso, el camino de la cruz, la subida a Jerusalén. Señor, sé que Tú me puedes purificar para quedar limpio, como dice el salmo 50. Solo me queda reflexionar y preguntarme: ¿Cómo le respondo al Señor al ser perdonado? ¿Cómo va mi conversión en esta Cuaresma? ¿De qué forma voy con Él al Calvario? Ojalá que en todos los actos de la vida seamos justos y bondadosos con los demás.



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SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more." - Jn 8:11b

Jesús le dijo: "Tampoco yo te condeno. Vete y ya no vuelvas a pecar". - Jn 8, 11

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"The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle." The episode of the woman caught in adultery is a powerful story. We have perhaps all felt as the woman has at some point in our lives, surrounded by those who would condemn us. The beauty of Christ's mercy at the end is clear? and a welcome relief as we all struggle to be good and holy people. But have we ever imagined ourselves on the edge of the circle? Have we pictured ourselves in the sea of dusty robes? Perhaps, we hope, we're hovering at the edge of the circle of judgment. But we've all been there.

How easy it is to be righteous when someone else's reputation is at stake. When the small child is acting up in the grocery store or on the plane. When another company has a scandal break or a major error sets back their profits. Could it be easy to pick up the stone and feel its weight and heft in our hands? Because if we've got a stone in our hands, our own righteous category

is clear. Our judgment is our insurance that we won't be on the receiving end of the criticism. If we can point out a wrong, surely we are firmly in the right.

"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her' ? they went away one by one." This Lent, not only are we invited to receive God's mercy, but to show God's mercy. As the season begins to wind to a close, consider those in your life you tend to judge the most harshly. What is one concrete way you can drop your stone?

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### OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday .....9 am - 3:30 pm

### SACRAMENTS

Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration.....6:00—7:00 pm  
 First Friday All Day Adoration.....8:00 am— 5:00 pm  
 Sacrament of Penance, Saturday.....4:00-4:30 pm  
 .....Or by appointment

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## Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 7	The Ill of Our Parish-
Tuesday, April 9	+Jeannie Carlile
Wednesday, April 10	+Marie Anderson
Thursday, April 11	+Jeannie Carlile
Friday, April 12	+Lavada Knebel
Saturday, April 13	St. Brigid Parishioners



**Weekend Masses:**  
 Saturday 5:00 pm  
 Sunday 9:00 am English  
 12:00 pm Spanish  
**Weekday Masses:**  
 Tuesday 5:30 pm  
 Wednesday 5:30 pm  
 7:00 pm (Spanish)  
 Thursday 12:15 pm  
 Friday 8:15 am

## Pope's April Prayer Intention:

For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators  
 in war zones, who risk their lives  
 to save the lives of others.

## FAITH ENRICHMENT—PARISH ACTIVITIES

**Religious Ed News:** There will be no RE classes on Easter Sunday. Confirmation Mass is April 28 at 5pm, with practice on Thursday, April 25 at 6 pm in the church.

**C.S.O.** - The Catholic Student Organization at NSU is the campus ministry for Catholic students here in Tahlequah. CSO has a student activity every Wednesday evening at 8 pm. All NSU students are welcome... Bring your friends! For more information contact CSO President Anna Gormley at 918-440-1460.

**R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)** meets on Sundays at 10:15 am in the Activity Center. This is a great way of learning about the faith for Catholics and those who are curious about the Catholic faith.

**Little Portion Fraternity** of Secular Franciscans meets the third Saturday of each month in the conference room. Contact Mary Mead 918-457-7409.

**WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS:** Next meeting will be Tuesday, April 9, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Mark your calendars for the Bake Sale on Palm Sunday!

**Quilting/Needlework Group** will not meet in April due to Easter. The next meeting will be in May. Contact Barbara Partak for more information: 918-456-9345.

**Tahlequah Community Knitting Group** meets in the conference room of the Parish Hall on Mondays from 9-11 am. Want to learn to knit or crochet? We can teach you!

**YOUNG AT HEART** will be Wednesday, April 10, at 12:00 noon. The main dish is roast turkey. Everyone 55 and older is encouraged to attend. Bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share.

**Readings for the week of April 7, 2019**

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11  
Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [4ab]/Jn 8:12-20  
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21 [2]/Jn 8:21-30  
Wed: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Jn 8:31-42  
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Jn 8:51-59  
Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 [cf. 7]/Jn 10:31-42  
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Jn 11:45-56  
Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14--23:56 or 23:1-49

**COLLECTION FOR THE WEEK**

**March 30-31 Collection: \$2887.50**

**Solidarity with Foreign Churches: \$3036.00**

This weekend's 2nd collection will benefit the St. Brigid Building Fund. What is the Building Fund, and why do we take up a monthly collection for it? Anticipating the need for future building improvements and additions, our Building Fund is designated capital that makes large projects financially feasible. We raise the money monthly now and invest it so that we have it in hand when future building needs arise.

**FEED MY SHEEP** - The next time St. Brigid cooks will be Holy Thursday, April 18, preparing a meal of ham, sweet potatoes, and green beans. St. Brigid traditionally does the Holy Thursday meal at Feed My Sheep, so this is a very special dinner for us and for the guests we serve. Thank you to all who make Feed My Sheep happen each month. Donations and volunteers are always welcome. Contact Jeannie VanVeen to assist (918-456-0114).

**Stations of the Cross & Lenten Meals**

Stations of the Cross are celebrated every Friday during Lent at 5:30 pm in English and 7 pm in Spanish. The Secular Franciscans host a Bread & Soup dinner at 6:15 followed by a short faith enrichment video.

**Faith & Works Appeal Update**

St. Brigid has been doing well with the 2019 Faith & Works Appeal for the Diocese of Tulsa & Eastern Oklahoma. As of March 25, our parishioners have contributed \$21,176, just \$3957 short of our goal. We also have 33% participation from our registered households (not including anonymous in-pew cash contributors). If you have yet to make a contribution to this year's appeal, there are donation materials available on the table in the foyer. Contributions may be sent to the diocesan office, our parish office, or dropped in the Sunday collection. You may also contribute online at [www.dioceseoftulsa.org/annualappeal](http://www.dioceseoftulsa.org/annualappeal). Thank you to everyone supporting this year's Faith & Works appeal!

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Anita Brockman, Ruth Winter, Marty Barnett, Dean Harless, Don Leak, Terry Dunlap, Angie Fay, Gary Harrington, Maddie Cochran, Kirby Merrill, Gerald Allen, Sally Hilger, Marquette Lyons, Renee Ridge, Mary Fulk, Ann Payette, Carol Carroll, Tiffany Robinson, Dixon Davis, Caden Murphy, John Albarano, Eugene Nottingham, Kylee Osburn, Donald Sizemore, Zack Kelley, Carrie Ann Mitchell, Melynda Elias, Missy Caughman, Kim Harris, Melanie Medaris, Kelly Callaway, Nedra Tinker, Janie Hanson, Mary DeHaas, Kathy Seidletz, David Alley, Andy Groat, Walter Sizemore, Jessie Casey, Michael Murphy, Tony Croman, Calvin McCoy, Laura Lollar, Cathy Farinelli, Deloris Ackerman, Tom Carlile, Mary Mead and all men and women in the military.

**Women's Guild Bake Sale** The St. Brigid Women's Guild will be holding their semi-annual Bake Sale after all the Palm Sunday Masses April 13-14. There's always a great selection of home-baked goods, so come prepared!

Ladies, don't forget the April 9 meeting of the Women's Guild, 6:30 pm in the Activity Center!

**MONASTIC MOMENT** - St. Joseph Monastery in Tulsa will be holding a weekend experience of Benedictine life for single Catholic women age 18-35. This opportunity to spend time in prayer, reflection, and conversation with the Sisters will begin Friday, April 12, at 6:30 pm, and conclude the following Sunday at noon. Contact Sr. Marie Therese at 918-289-9251 or [stjomonastery@gmail.com](mailto:stjomonastery@gmail.com) to inquire or register.

**DIOCESAN SUMMER CAMP** - Youth in grades 6-8 (including just-graduated 8th) are invited to take part in the Diocese of Tulsa & Eastern Oklahoma's summer camp June 24-28 at Sequoyah State Park west of Hulbert. Cost is \$200. Registration material is available on the parish hall bulletin board, or by contacting the Diocesan Youth Office (918-307-4907) [www.dioceseoftulsayouth.org](http://www.dioceseoftulsayouth.org).

**Angelic Warfare Confraternity**

Dominican priest Fr. James Brent will be coming to Tulsa the weekend of April 27-28. On Saturday the 27th at St. Bernard Church in south Tulsa, Bishop Konderla will celebrate a 10 am Mass with a special ceremony to bless marriages and families. On Sunday the 28th at 1 pm at St. Bernard's, Fr. James will give an overview of the Angelic Warfare Confraternity, a centuries-old fellowship to help Catholics pursue and promote chastity, followed by an opportunity for enrollment in the Confraternity.



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