



SAINT *Bridget of Kildare* PARISH



JANUARY 2, 2022 • THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday:
9:00AM–12:00PM, 1:00–3:00PM
(The office is closed on weekends)

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigils 4:00PM & 5:30PM
Sunday 8:00AM, 10:00AM & 12:00 Noon
Weekdays Monday thru Friday at 8:30AM
2nd Thursday Mass with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is celebrated on the 2nd Thursday of each month at the conclusion of the 8:30AM Mass

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 3:00PM in School Meeting Room #3, or by appointment.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Our warmest welcome. To register at the parish, please call the parish secretary at 440-886-4434. If you have a question about the Catholic faith, we will always do our best to help. Please ask to speak with the pastor.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Bridget of Kildare, a Roman Catholic parish, exists to live and to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We welcome all as we reach out to the entire community through prayer, sacrament, education and support.

PARISH STAFF

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Assisting Celebrant
Assisting Celebrant
Deacon
Business Manager & Pastoral Associate
Secretary to the Pastor/Parish Office Secretary
Parish Catechetical Leader
Youth Ministry Director
Parish Music Director
Parish Accountant
Parish Nurse
Facilities Manager

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process of welcoming new members into the Catholic faith. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or completing your initiation into the Catholic Church, please call the pastor. The initiation rites for children (First Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation) are provided through the parish school and the PSR program.

BAPTISM: Parents are asked to attend an information and faith enrichment session before scheduling the baptism of their first child. Sessions are held in February, June & October. The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the second Sunday of the month at 1:00PM. Arrangements can be made by calling the parish office.

MARRIAGE: Please contact the pastor to make arrangements for your wedding before any other arrangements are made. Diocesan policy requires at least a six month notification in order to complete the necessary preparation.

HOSPITAL & NURSING HOME VISITATION WITH COMMUNION: Please notify the parish office if you will be hospitalized or require an extended stay at a nursing facility.

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Music for Today's Liturgy

OPENING HYMN

WE THREE KINGS

KINGS OF ORIENT

Verses



1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; Bear - ing gifts we
2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, Gold I bring to
3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; In - cense owns a
4. Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume Breathes a life of
5. Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and God and

1. tra - verse a - far Field and foun - tain, Moor and moun - tain,
2. crown him a - gain, King for - ev - er, Ceas - ing nev - er
3. De - i - ty night; Prayer and prais - ing Glad - ly rais - ing,
4. gath - er - ing gloom; Sor - rowing, sigh - ing, Bleed - ing, dy - ing,
5. Sac - ri - fice; "Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!"

Refrain

1. Fol - low - ing yon - der star. O star of won - der,
2. O - ver us all to reign.
3. Wor - ship him, God on high.
4. Sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
5. Sounds through the earth and skies.

star of night, Star with roy - al beau - ty bright; West - ward
lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to thy per - fect light.

Text: 88 44 6 with refrain; based on Matthew 2:1-11.
Text and music: Carols, Hymns and Songs, 1963; John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891, alt.

CLOSING HYMN

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

MEDELSSOHN

Verses



1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing: "Glo - ry to the
2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er -
3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of

1. new - born King; Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild,
2. last - ing Lord; Late in time, be - hold him come,
3. Righ - teous - ness! Light and life to all he brings,

1. God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!" Joy - ful, all ye
2. Off - spring of a vir - gin's womb. Veiled in flesh the
3. Ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Mild he lays his

1. na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies; With an -
2. God - head see! Hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty! Pleased as
3. glo - ry by, Born that we no more may die, Born to

1. gel - ic hosts pro - claim: "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
2. man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - ell
3. raise us from the earth, Born to give us sec - ond birth.

Refrain

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King."

Text: 77 77 D with refrain; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.
Music: Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-1847; arr. by William H. Cummings, 1831-1915.

Mass Intentions & Schedule for the Week

Monday, January 3 ~ The Most Holy Name of Jesus

8:30AM Bob Lunato

Tuesday, January 4 ~ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

8:30AM Stanley Zielaskiewicz

Wednesday, January 5 ~ St. John Neumann, Bishop

8:30AM The *All Souls* Intentions

Thursday, January 6 ~ St. Andre' Bessette, Religious

8:30AM The *All Souls* Intentions

Friday, January 7 ~ St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest

8:30AM The *All Souls* Intentions

Saturday, January 8

4:00PM George Gardner

5:30PM Brendan Koch

Sunday, January 9 ~ The Baptism of the Lord

8:00AM George Darby

10:00AM The *All Souls* Intentions

10:00AM *Children's Liturgy of the Word*

12:00PM Elsie Becker

Thank You for Your Kindness!



Dear Parishioners,

A very special "thank you" to parishioners who sent Christmas cards, gifts, or brought bakery to the rectory. Your thoughtfulness added to the spirit of this holy season and was very much appreciated!

The celebration of the Christmas Masses would not have been possible without the many volunteers and ministers who gave of their time and talent: the church decorators, music ministry, sacristans, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, readers, ushers, and offertory counters. Thank you very much!

Finally, thank you to our parishioners and visitors for your generosity to St. Bridget of Kildare Parish throughout the year, and especially at Christmas.

May God bless us all in 2022. Happy New Year!

Fr. Rob

Liturgical Fund Update

In Memory Of:

Tyler "Buzzy" Ruch

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Annamarie Slaby

In Honor Of:

The Christ Child

Gift Of:

George & Wallie Reinprecht

Hannelore Strothmann

Elsie Wisniewski

Gift Of:

Rose Marie Tatalick

Offertory Collection Update

Due to the office holiday schedule, the offertory collection amounts for December 19/20, Christmas - December 24/25, The Feast of the Holy Family, December 26, the Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God, January 1, and the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, January 1/2 will be listed in next weekend's bulletin. Thank you for your generosity!

Welcome to St. Bridget of Kildare Parish

Looking for a New Year's Resolution?



89 Day Parish Gospel Challenge

Have you ever read all the Gospels? The Gospels are a wonderful place to encounter Jesus and his teachings; to witness his love, compassion, mercy and forgiveness. When you read the Gospels try placing yourself right there alongside our Savior. Experience his healings and miracles. See him cast out demons. Listen to his storytelling and parables. Endure the walk with him to his passion and celebrate the joy of his glorious resurrection.

There are four Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. All together they total 89 chapters of the Bible (*Matthew has 28, Mark has 16, Luke has 24 and John has 21*). Can you challenge yourself to read just ONE chapter of the Gospel every day for 89

days? Take the 89 Day Parish Gospel Challenge! Clear your mind, quiet your heart, rest your soul and walk with Jesus as you read one chapter a day. This experience could change your life forever.

We will begin the challenge on January 18th. Your 89th day will take you to Holy Saturday, April 16th. What a triumphal way to celebrate Easter Sunday this year.

Help us Surprise Fr. Bayer on His 90th Birthday!

Pastor Emeritus, Fr. Lawrence Bayer will turn 90 years old in January. We want to flood him with cards and well-wishes from parishioners, possibly including a memory or a story or two to remind him of his time spent here ministering to the people of St. Bridget of Kildare Parish. Our wish is to collect all of your cards and notes and deliver them to him in time for his birthday. **Please send your sealed cards with Fr. Bayer's name on the envelope to the Parish Office no later than Monday, January 17th via the collection basket at Mass or drop them off during office hours.** Thank you for helping to make Fr. Bayer's 90th Birthday an extra happy day for him!

Cluster Young Adult Gathering

All young adults ages 18 to 40 are invited to join us for our next parish cluster gathering on **Friday, January 21st** from 6:30-8:00pm at St. John Bosco Parish in the Bell Tower. We will host "Game Night" so please feel free to bring any card or board games, as well as snacks to share! Looking forward to seeing you there! For additional information on our cluster young adult ministry, please contact Dana Steimle at 440-886-1468, x17 or sbkpsr@gmail.com.

Parish Activities this Week

Monday, January 3

No RCIA Classes

8:25AM Miraculous Medal Novena (CH)

Tuesday, January 4

1:00PM Seniors Club (M2)

Wednesday, January 5

9:00AM-6:30PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (CH)

Thursday, January 6

9:00AM Avilas (CH)

Friday, January 7

9:00AM Rosary Makers Meeting (M2)

Saturday, January 8

9:30AM Good Shepherd Retreat (S)

3:00PM The Sacrament of Reconciliation (M3) *{Enter the school through the silver breezeway doors between the church and school.}*

Sunday, January 9

10:45AM PSR/RCIC (S)

Blair Hall	School	School Music Room
Catechetical Office	School Meeting Room 1	Narthex
Church	School Meeting Room 2	Rectory Meeting Room
School Commons	School Meeting Room 3	Grove

Good Samaritan Ministry Updates

The next meeting for members of the Good Samaritan Ministry will be held on Monday, January 10th at 9:15AM in the narthex. Volunteers are needed to work in the clothing section of the Southwest Ozanam Food Pantry one Saturday a month. If you would like to assist, call Rita Pollack at 440-886-1663. Thank you!

Sacred Steps to Peace Divorce Recovery Program

Any person who is separated or divorced is invited to attend the Sacred Steps to Peace Program at St. Joseph Parish in Strongsville. Sacred Steps is a spiritual journey that helps heal the participants from the trauma and grief associated with divorce. The group meets once a month, usually on the third Friday of the month from 7:00-9:00PM in the Holy Family Center. If you are interested in taking this journey, please call Deacon Bob Lester at 440-238-5555, ext. 110.

Protecting God's Children

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present **suspected inappropriate behavior** toward children by priests, deacons, religious lay ecclesial ministers, or any personnel associated with the Catholic Church, please contact the Diocesan Response Services office at 216-334-2999 or response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org. You are also asked to immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior.

The Epiphany of the Lord ~ January 2, 2022

Please Pray for our Faithful Departed



Please remember in prayer our faithful departed, including *Dorothy Dorsey, Mildred Hulec, mother of Lydia Hritz*, and all who have gone before us. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

Parma/Parma Hts. Parishes Monthly Anointing Mass Schedule

The Parma/Parma Heights parishes offer the monthly opportunity to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. All are welcome to attend Mass and be Anointed. The schedule is as follows:

1st Monday each month - St. Charles at 7:00PM
1st Friday each month - St. Anthony of Padua at 8:00AM
2nd Thursday each month - St. Bridget of Kildare at 8:30AM
3rd Tuesday each month - St. John Bosco at 7:30AM
3rd Thursday each month - St. Columbkille at 7:00AM
3rd Thursday each month - St. Columbkille at 8:15AM
4th Wednesday each month - St. Francis de Sales at 8:45AM
4th Friday each month - Holy Family at 8:30AM

Seniors Birthday Bash

The Seniors Social Club cordially invites all seniors of the parish 55 and older to a **Birthday Bash on Tuesday, February 1st, 2022**, to kick off the new year! Come enjoy cake and ice cream while enjoying great entertainment provided by Michael Mage, a magician who will keep you asking yourself "how does he do that?" throughout the performance. You are encouraged to bring in a picture of yourself as a child for all to enjoy. The event will be held in Meeting Room 2 of the school building and will begin at 1:00pm. **The cost is only \$5.00 per person** for an afternoon of food, fun and frolic. If you are paying by check, please make it payable to St. Bridget Parish. **Reservation forms must be returned by Monday, January 24.** If you have any questions, call Betty Lou Dembkowski at 440-888-5896.

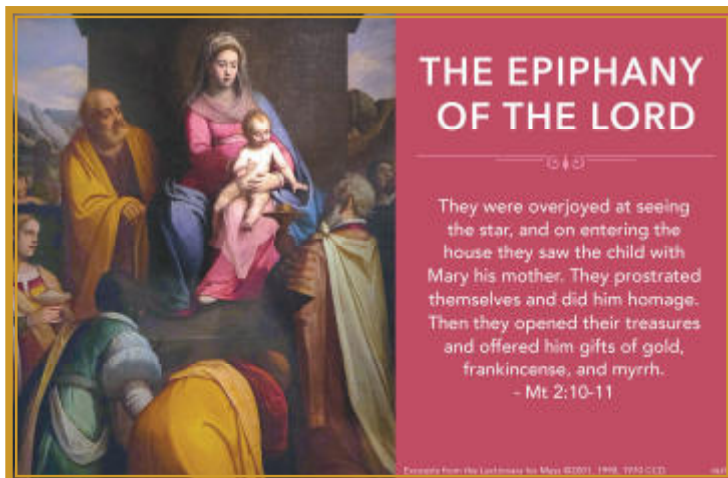
Seniors Birthday Bash Celebration Reservation Form: Please complete and return this form in an envelope marked, *Seniors Birthday Bash*, along with your payment of \$5.00 per person, via the collection basket at Mass or to the Parish Office, by Monday January 24, 2022.

Name(s): _____

Phone #: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Amount Enclosed for all Guests: \$ _____



Parish Guide Book & Directory

We are in the process of updating our parish Guide Book & Directory, containing all the pertinent information about our parish, including our various commissions, ministries and groups, plus a complete directory of all registered families. **The family contact information for all registered parishioners will automatically be included in the Directory**, listing the names of the head(s) of household, address, primary phone number and email address. If you have had a recent change in contact information and have not yet notified us, contact the Parish Office with the changes by Monday, January 31st at bridgetparma@dioceseofcleveland.org or 440-886-4434. **If you do not want to be listed in the Directory, please let us know by January 31st.**

Finally, if you have any children over the age of 21 that are still residing in your household, we ask that they contact the Parish Office to register under their own membership record. Thank you for helping us to update the Guide Book, which will arrive by mail to all households, whether you are included in the directory or not, in the spring of 2022.

Parish Council Meeting, January 12th



The Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Wednesday, January 12th at 7:00PM in School Meeting Room #2.

Baptism Information & Faith Formation Session



The Sacrament of Baptism is the foundation of our Christian faith and the "door to the Church." Parents are asked to attend an *Information and Faith Enrichment Session* before scheduling the baptism of their first child. Our next session will take place on **Sunday, February 6th** from 1:00 to 3:00PM in School Meeting Room #1. To register, contact Dana Steimle in the Catechetical Office at sbkpsr@gmail.com or 440-886-1468, x17 by February 4th.



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