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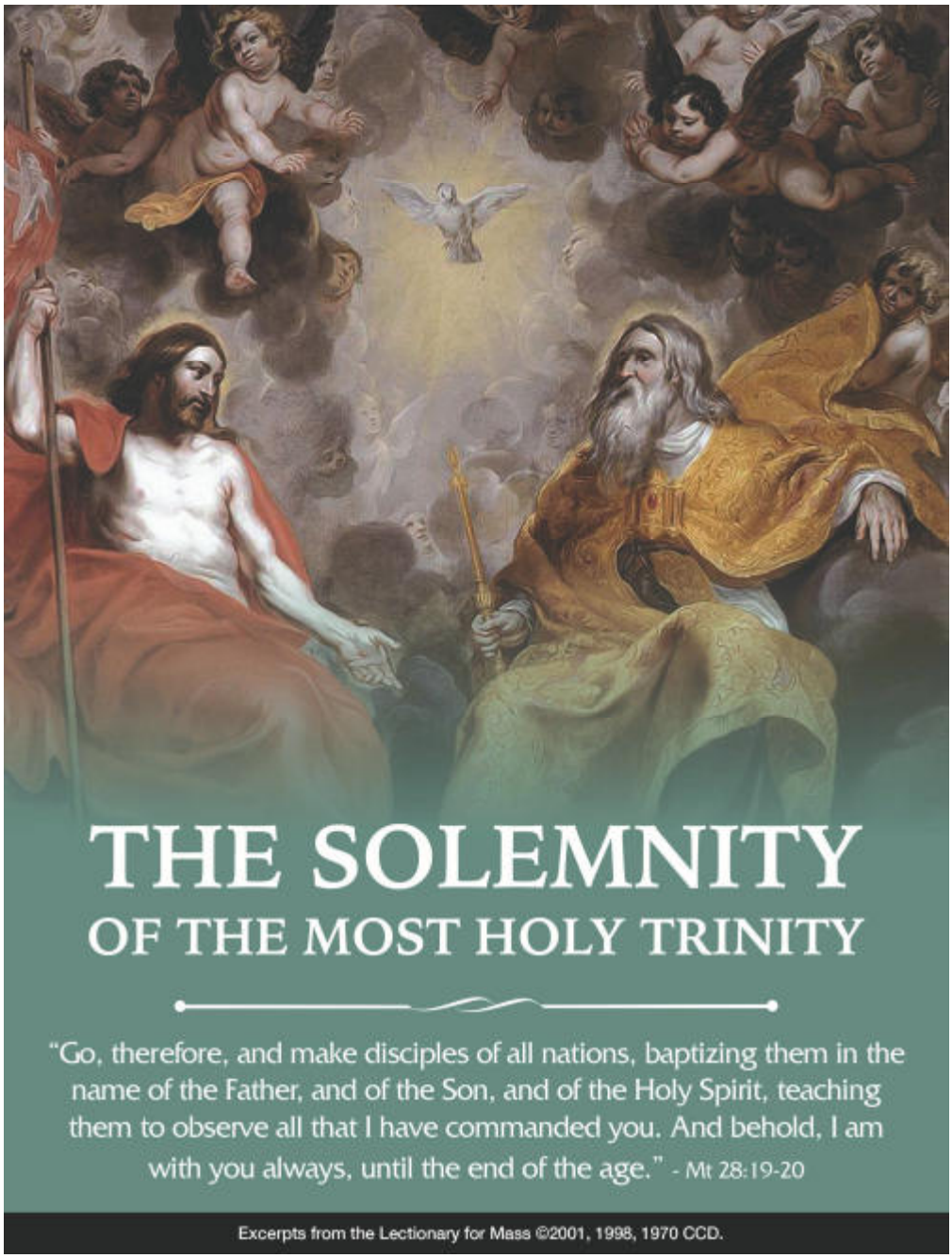

CONFESSIONS

Our Lady of Mercy Parish
Saturday: 3:00-4:00 PM
Tuesday: 7:00-7:30 PM
Thursday: 6:00-6:30 PM

St. Brigid's Parish
Saturday: 2:00-2:30 PM

Mass Intentions

Our Lady of Mercy Parish

Monday, May 31-The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
7:30 a.m. † Mary Jane Mathis
by Joe and Family

Tuesday, June 1– St. Justin, martyr (memorial)
7:30 a.m. † Margaret McQuillen
by John and Linda Boyce

Wednesday, June 2-Weekday
7:30 a.m. † Special Intention—Holy Souls in Purgatory
by Mark and Mary Moochler

Thursday, June 3-St. Charles Lwanga and companions, martyrs (memorial)
7:30 a.m. † Sandy Uberty
by Bob and Family

Friday, June 4-Weekday
7:30 a.m. † Florence Macaluso
by Her Loving Family

Saturday, June 5-St. Boniface, bishop and martyr (memorial)
9:00 a.m. † Ann Costa
by the Family
4:30 p.m. † Patty Kellog
by Mary and David Fee

Sunday, June 6-The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
7:15 a.m. † Rachel Klinkbeil
by Mike and Barb Perry
10:45 a.m. † Rooster McBurney
by John Holthaus
5:30 p.m. For the People of the Parish

St. Brigid's

Tuesday, June 1—St. Justin, martyr (memorial
8:30 a.m. † Al Capurso
by Norm and Sandy Pawlak

Thursday, June 3-St. Charles Lwanga and companions, martyrs (memorial)
8:30 a.m. † Donald, Betty and Peter Cummings
by Bob and Rosemary Lowden

Sunday, June 6-The Most Body and Blood of Christ
9:00 a.m. † Barb DeFazio
by the Holland Family

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AT ST. BRIGID: On the first Sunday of each month, there will be a period of Eucharistic Exposition following the 9:00 am Mass. At 2:30 pm, the Rosary and Holy Hour for Our Nation will commence.

EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION AT OUR LADY OF MERCY: There will be Eucharistic Exposition every Sunday at 2:30pm with the Rosary and Holy Hour for Our Nation. This will continue every Sunday with the exception of the first Sunday of each month which will take place at St. Brigid Church. Join us!

Readings for the week of May 30, 2021

Sunday:	Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20
Monday:	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [6]/Lk 1:39-56
Tuesday:	Tb 2:9-14/Ps 112:1-2, 7-8, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday:	Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Ps 25:2-3, 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [1]/Mk 12:18-27
Thursday:	Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 12:28-34
Friday:	Tb 11:5-17/Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mk 12:35-37
Saturday:	Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8 [1b]/Mk 12:38-44
Next Sunday:	Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

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Current MASS SCHEDULE at this stage of reopening during Covid-19 Pandemic

Saturday, 4:30pm -Our Lady of Mercy (Vigil Mass)-At Church, with Limited Capacity Attendance.* Streamed Live on Facebook and YouTube.

Sunday, 7:15am - Our Lady of Mercy-At Church, with Limited Capacity Attendance.* Streamed Live on Facebook and YouTube.

Sunday 9:00am - Saint Brigid, Bergen-NO RESERVATIONS REQUIRED however this Mass has limited capacity and requires physical distancing. Streamed Live on YouTube.

Sunday, 10:45am – Our Lady of Mercy-At Church, with Limited Capacity Attendance.* Streamed Live on Facebook and YouTube.

Sunday, 5:30pm – Our Lady of Mercy-Streamed Live on Facebook and YouTube from the Church. *Anyone attending in church is asked to mask, distance, and sanitize your pew after Mass with the spray provided in the back of the church.*

** Reservations are helpful to our ushers, although not required. CALL OR TEXT **(585)709-2764** or email request to **events@ourladyofmercyleroy.org**. (If you call, please leave a voicemail if the call is not answered.)*

If medical prudence requires you to remain at home, please call the office or one of the priests cell phones to arrange the reception of Holy Communion.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS
May 16, 2021

Our Lady of Mercy $6,392.00
Candles $3.00
St. Brigid's……..……..$1,890.00
Candles $18.00

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Our Lady of Mercy Happenings

ADULT FAITH FORMATION—

"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven" (Ecclesiastes 3:1). The divine ordering of things is a truth that strikes a deep chord within us, no matter how much we like to be in control. This divine order is especially important when it comes to the divine encounter of prayer. As the author of Ecclesiastes continues in verse 7, there is "a time to keep silence, and a time to speak." In our first session we were reminded that prayer is supposed to be a dialogue. This past week we examined the specific order to this dialogue, from God initiating the conversation through the stages of our response.

Join us Wednesday evenings from the comfort of your home from 6:30-8:00pm. Each weekly session includes prayer, a video presentation and inspiring discussion. To join in the group, contact Denise Spadaccia at (585) 356-4174 or email her at youthminister@ourladyofmercyleroy.org.

WEDDING BANNS: ***Patrick Longhini and Tammy Spence***

THE DEACON'S CLOSET: The purpose of this ministry is to assist those who cannot afford medically needed equipment to assist with in home care with items such as wheelchairs, canes, walkers, commodes, etc. If you need the use of items, please call 585-813-3588.

Please pray for those who are sick. *We especially ask that you remember to pray for the following people:*

Michelle Balon, Chris Beach, George Behrens, William Bochicchio, Janet Boehly, Virginia Bennetti, John Caccamise, Diane Coccia, Kara John (Merica) Coduri, Fr. Eugene Costa, O. de M., Gasper DeFelice, Joshua Dinnar, Lloyd Dodge, Sister Janet Eppolito, John Ferrara, Betty Forti, Arlene L. Glica, Sr. Jude Ellen Golumbieski, Joe Haitz, Lisa Hauslauer, Jeff Hoban, Barbara Howard, Anne Marie Hutchinson, Br. Martin Jarocinski, O. de M., Joanne Johnson, Fr. Oscar Kozyra, O. de M., Joseph and Rita Kuzma, Anita LaMonica, Maryann Loiacono, Madonna Lee, Joe Mathis, Marlene McMahon, Rita Montgomery, Roger Medley, Suhair Musleh, Victoria Paladino, Louise Panepento, Marian Peck, Elizabeth Perrin, Frank Popowich, Donna Potter, Deb Pratt, Jim and Sarah Quirk, Beatrice Radley, Sam Riggi, Phyllis Shephard, Ben Sherman, Rose Sherman, Juliana Spadacino, Berney and Joan Staats, Jennie Starowitz, Thomas and Sharon Steffenella, Donna Stephenson, Patrick Sullivan, Ruth Dries Tusch and Jim Woodruff.

If you or a loved one is sick and would like to be added to this parish list, please call the parish office.

St. Brigid's Happenings

St. Brigid's Holy Name's HART (Home and Apartment Repair Team) reminds parishioners that if they are in need of small home repairs such as sticking doors, leaky faucets, electrical issues, caulking, or a host of other things that they need done, please fill out a request form in the Social Center and a HART representative will contact them. Thank you.

Ladies of Charity—Annual year-end dinner will be held at Stones Countryside Tavern on Monday, June 14th at 6:00pm. Please let Sandy Pawlak (585-414-5522) or Jan Bausch (585-315-2717) know by June 7th if you would like to attend. A very short meeting will be followed by a very good opportunity to socialize. Order off the menu, separate checks.

Senior Recognition—Please join us in recognizing this year's St. Brigid graduates, Hope Hersom and Joey Oliver, at the 9:00am Mass on Sunday, June 13.

Share A Yarn—will be having their end of the year picnic on Monday, June 7th at 6pm. Please note the earlier time.

Help Fund Preschool Faith Formation—St. Brigid will offer **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS)** for 3-6 year olds this fall. Monetary donations are needed for Rectory Basement refurbishing, classroom materials, and catechist formation training. The opportunity for our children and Parish to grow and thrive starts with our children's education. Please support this new ministry. *Checks may be written to St. Brigid Catholic Church, [***Memo: CGS***] and placed in the collection or sent to the parish office. For cash donations or WeShare donations, please indicate "for CGS."*

Spring Clean and Donate to Furnish St. Brigid CGS—While you spring clean your home, please keep in mind CGS is in need of household items you may be able to donate. A few are listed here and **a complete list may be found on the bulletin boards in both churches and by the poster in St. Brigid's Parish Center.**

- Dehumidifier
- Red, white, green, & purple fabric (1 yd. each)
- Wooden children's chairs
- Low wood tables/ stands
- Nativity figurines of wood, plastic, resin
- Doilies 3-5"
- Religious greeting cards & prayer cards
- Short, single flower vases
- Decorative hinged-lid boxes
- Wood, metal, or plastic trays

To donate any of these items or to learn more about CGS at St. Brigid, contact Chelsea Fink: *chelseafink15@gmail.com, or 489-5591.*

Mark your calendars! Vacation Bible School (**"*Tracking Mary—Mysteries and Messages*"**) has been scheduled for July 12-16, 2021 from 9am till Noon, and will be IN PERSON this year!!!!

We are looking for volunteers to make this an extra-special week for our children. If you can help, please contact Denise at the office (768-6543) or by email (youthminister@ourladyofmercyleroy.org).

The office that serves both Our Lady of Mercy and St. Brigid's is open on Tuesday mornings from 8:30 am till noon, and is located in the Parish Center at 44 Lake Street in LeRoy.

CHRIST HAS VISITED AND REDEEMED HIS PEOPLE. God may be calling you to visit and free those Christian captives who, by circumstances contrary to the Gospel and dignity of the human person, are in danger of losing their faith.
Contact Fr. Daniel Bowen, O. de M. at 727-348-4060, or visit *orderofmercy.org*

From the Diocesan Vocation Office:
The Most Holy Trinity – May 30, 2021
Next weekend, Bishop Michael Fisher will ordain four new priests for our diocese! There's room for many more -- perhaps you? If God is inviting you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

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SANCTUARY LAMP REMEMBRANCE

May 8—June 4, 2021

For God's blessings upon the HFS Class of 1974, our teachers, and our parents. May God grant peace to the souls of Phil Caccamise, John Callahan, Brenda Costa Fisher, and departed teachers and parents.
By: A thankful alumnus

To request a Sanctuary Lamp Remembrance, please contact the office. Each sanctuary lamp burns for 14 days, and the cost is $15. Your remembrance will remain in the bulletin as your lamp burns.

This year's **Paschal Candle** (Easter Candle) at Our Lady of Mercy was donated in memory of Jay and Emily Flensted, by their daughter, Kathleen Henning.

GOSPEL MEDITATION **May 30, 2021**
The Most Holy Trinity

Let God be who God is. This is often one of the hardest things to do. Rather than allowing the mystery of being created in the image and likeness of God unfold and take root in our lives, we change the dynamic. We want to be the creators who want to make God into the image and likeness we need God to be. We have a hard-enough time letting the people in our lives be who they are. We struggle even more so with God. It is almost as if we want God to be our imaginary friend who is not only with us whenever we need but becomes the Being we need God to be. Who is it that we want God to be today? A protector, disciplinarian, champion for justice, healer, advocate for our cause, grantor of prayers, guardian of my life, or the avenger? Our prayers tell an interesting story. When you pray, what does God look like?

Recently, a young woman who was feeling invisible, overlooked, ignored, and misunderstood by her husband struggled to make her feelings known and get his attention. Finally, she screamed, "Listen to me!" Thus, birth was given to a renewed and healthier relationship. We spend so much time storming heaven with our agenda and trying to make God into a "god" of our desires that we do not hear God saying, "Listen to me!" God is desperately trying to get our attention. God is saying, I am here among you as not one but three, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Many people seldom notice God's presence because they are so caught up with other spiritual cares and concerns. And, when the "god" they fashion and create doesn't produce as they desire, they shake the dust from their feet and move on. "I tried," they exclaim, "but God didn't listen."

Healthy relationships aren't built on making someone be who we need them to be. Healthy relationships are built on encounters of persons and the development of an appreciation of someone solely for who they are. Deeper relationships can even be found with two people marveling at each other and almost experiencing a childlike joy and giddiness when they see the other coming. Do you ever have these feelings about God? Believe it or not, God does for you! There is a joyful laughter that gives rise to and connects all three members of the Holy Trinity. It is this laughter, flowing from the very depths of the Godhead that not only keeps the Trinity in joyful unity but spills over into the creation of all beings and things. It is an expression of Divine Delight! Have you ever taken time away from your agenda to experience the Divine Joyfulness of God?

We can reach a connection of Presence wherein even the smallest of creatures suddenly radiate the fullness of God: the wonderful creation of their being, the innocence and playfulness of their movements, and the sustaining life breath that flows through their veins. The same God who created the heavens and the earth is the same God who wants you to call him 'Dad' and the same God who preserves your life and has all things in His care.

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