

Mass Schedule

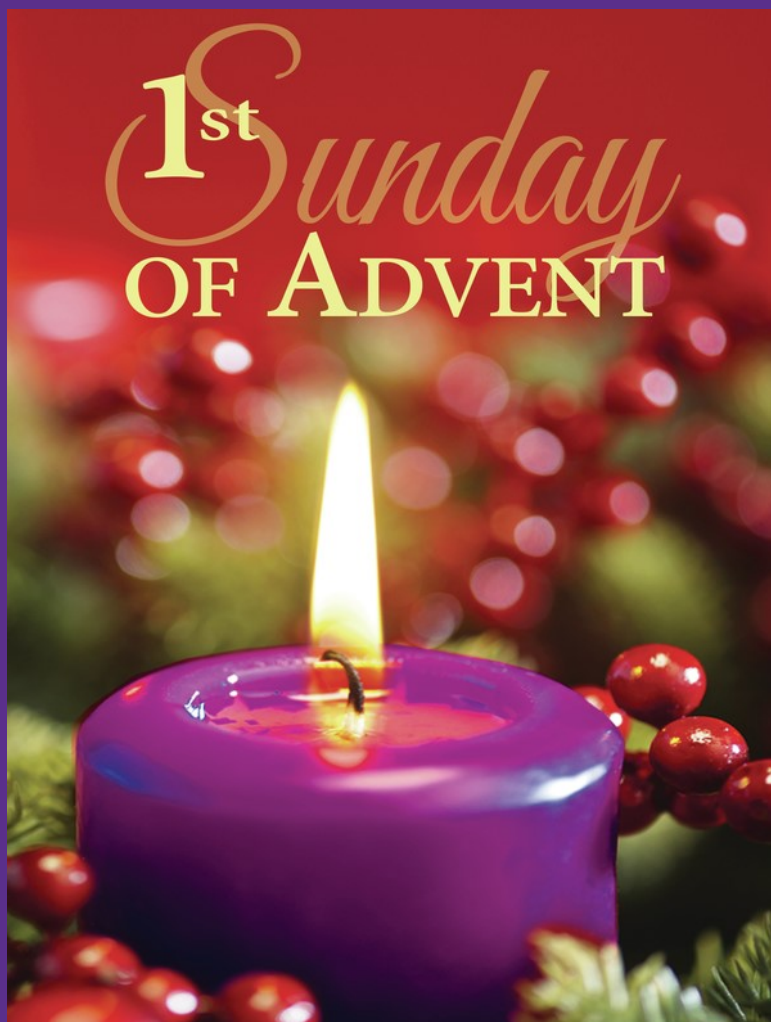
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM
11:00 AM—Bilingual

Weekdays
Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM
No Tuesday Mass

Holy Days
7:00 PM Vigil, 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Confessions
Saturday from 3:00 to 3:30 PM
at the Parish Offices.

Office Hours
Monday through Thursday
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Closed Friday



Pastor	Rev. John A. Rossi
Deacons	Joseph W. Loungo, Retired Samuel Soto
Campus Minister	Rebekah Hardy
PREP CRE	Sr. Janice Novak
Business Manager	Renee Mirenda
Admin. Assistant	Maryann Friedberg
Secretaries	Kathleen Capitanio Kathie Graham
Music Director	Florence Murtha
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Franciscan Missionary Sisters Convent
212 Ellis St., Glassboro
Phone: 856-881-4604

Mass Intentions, Prayers & Sacraments

Saturday November 28

4:30 PM Alice Nolan r/b Florence Roberts
For the Special Intentions of
Kathy & Sal Alibrando on their 50th
Anniversary r/b the Alibrando family

Sunday November 29

9:00 AM For the People of Our Parish
11:00 AM Sister Dorothy Aloisio r/b the Sisters

Monday November 30

9:00 AM Sister Valeria D'Angelo
r/b The Franciscan Missionary Sisters

Tuesday December 1 No Mass



Wednesday December 2

9:00 AM James Hardy r/b his family

Thursday December 3

9:00 AM Margaret Baron r/b Rich & Mary Baron

Friday December 4

9:00 AM Peggy Dougherty on her 1st Anniversary
r/b her husband Jim

Saturday December 5

4:30 PM Ronald Coulombe
r/b Wini, Bill, Kellene & Clare

Sunday December 6

9:00 AM For the People of Our Parish
11:00 AM Sister Dorothy Aloisio r/b the Sisters
David Dilks r/b Rose Marie Jurgaitis

Sanctuary Candle

This week the Sanctuary Candle burns
In Memory of the Smith/Alibrando Families
r/b Kathy & Sal Alibrando



Callen James Camardo was
baptized on November 15, 2020 at
St. Bridget. We congratulate him, his
parents and godparents. May the
Lord bless them.

PRAYER LIST

Lynda Bancroft, Julia Rivera

We are starting a new prayer list, which will be
updated every three months. Please call the
Parish Center at 856-881-2753 to have your name
put on the prayer list. Thank You.

If you wish, you may receive the Sacrament of
Anointing of the Sick. Contact the Parish Center
at 856-881-2753 to make an appointment with the
priest.

We pray for the safety and the Lord's
protection of our men and women in the
military, especially Colonel Eric Baus; Anthony R.
Brown, Jr., USANG, Major Matthew Lisa, USAF;
Ensign William Stephens, USCG; Sean Patrick
Stailey, USN and Luke Wible, USMC.

PRAYER CHAIN: Do you or someone you
know need the blessing of prayer? That's why the
St. Bridget Prayer Chain is here for you. Please
contact Annadora Shipley, Coordinator, at 856-
589-0334, and prayers will begin for you.

During the month of November

let us continue to pray for our All Souls:

Vincent Stango	02/26/19
Antoinette Militello	09/28/19
Marianna D'Angelo	10/24/19
Kenneth J. Cancglin	11/11/19
Margaret "Peg" Dougherty	12/04/19
David H. Dilks	12/08/19
Louis V. Castagna	12/10/19
Charles Laspata	01/25/20
Henry Smith	01/30/20
Patricia Daniels	02/20/20
Frances Flamma	03/17/20
Martin Flynn	03/21/20
Violet Joannides	03/27/20
Louis J. Gerlack	04/09/20
Jose L. Rodriquez Gonzales	04/18/20
Christina Fama Guarrera	05/04/20
Carol Harwood	05/26/20
Joseph DiRaddo	05/28/20
Rocco A. Romano	06/11/20
Louis Przelomiec	06/29/20
Virginia Hoffman	08/03/20
Mildred "Dolly" Tierno	08/18/20
Virginia Richardson	08/30/20
Barbara Cassaday	10/11/20
Ruth Regensburg	10/19/20

Dear Friends,

The holy season of Advent is upon us! It is a grace-filled time in which we reflect on the coming of Christ the Savior into our lives. We recall how Jesus Christ fulfilled the prophecies of the Hebrew Scriptures when He came the first time as a little baby in Bethlehem. Yet we also remember the promise that our Lord is coming again in all His glory.

What are your plans this year to celebrate our Savior's birth? During this season, you will be hearing me preach about spiritual preparations we make to celebrate the birth of Christ in each of our hearts. We are encouraged to pray, fast, make good confessions, and give of ourselves in charity.

I take this opportunity to write about physical preparations for attending Mass on Christmas. Last year, when we had no idea about the pandemic, approximately 500 people attended our children's 4pm Mass! What are we to expect this year? As I write this letter, our church is safely allowed to accommodate 120 people with social distancing protocols in place. We never reached that limit and reservations to attend Mass have not been necessary so far. However, we would like to know ***your plans*** for Christmas Mass this year.

If you plan to come to church in person, please let us know by **calling the parish office between Monday and Thursday 9am-3pm** and reserving spots for yourself and family members **sooner rather than later**. Our options this year are Christmas Eve Mass at 4pm and 11pm. The Christmas Day Mass will be 10:30am.



Remember, we can take only a maximum of 120 persons in the upper church. So, if we hear from you early, we can also plan to accommodate an overflow of 120 extra persons to worship and receive Holy Communion in the parish hall. At this point, we cannot take more than 240 people in the combined space upstairs and downstairs.

Finally, ***we will need parishioners to prayerfully consider serving in liturgical ministries once again***. We are seeking individuals to learn how to distribute Holy Communion according to the new sanitary protocols we've been using since June. We also need lay people to volunteer to read and altar servers to resume their duties. If any of these possibilities interest you, we ask you to call the parish office and let us know at what Mass(es) you can offer your assistance. We will not be scheduling as we have in the past, but we will take volunteers on a week-to-week basis.

Thanks and God bless, Fr. John

First Sunday of Advent

Reading 1 IS 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7

You, LORD, are our father, our redeemer you are named forever. Why do you let us wander, O LORD, from your ways, and harden our hearts so that we fear you not? Return for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your heritage. Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, with the mountains quaking before you, while you wrought awesome deeds we could not hope for, such as they had not heard of from of old. No ear has ever heard, no eye ever seen, any God but you doing such deeds for those who wait for him. Would that you might meet us doing right, that we were mindful of you in our ways! Behold, you are angry, and we are sinful; all of us have become like unclean people, all our good deeds are like polluted rags; we have all withered like leaves, and our guilt carries us away like the wind. There is none who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to cling to you; for you have hidden your face from us and have delivered us up to our guilt. Yet, O LORD, you are our father; we are the clay and you the potter: we are all the work of your hands.

Responsorial Psalm PS 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

R. (4) **Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.**

O shepherd of Israel, hearken, from your throne upon the cherubim, shine forth. Rouse your power, and come to save us.

R. **Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.**

Once again, O LORD of hosts, look down from heaven, and see; take care of this vine, and protect what your right hand has planted the son of man whom you yourself made strong.
R. **Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.**

Mark Your Calendars

Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Tuesday, December 8—Mass schedule

Monday, December 7—7:00 PM Vigil and
Mass of Healing and Remembrance

Tuesday, December 8 - 9:00 AM, 7:00 PM (Bilingual)

Our Lady of Guadalupe
Saturday, December 12—Mass at 7:00 PM

Christmas Penance Service
Wednesday, December 16—7:00 PM

Hope

May your help be with the man of your right hand, with the son of man whom you yourself made strong. Then we will no more withdraw from you; give us new life, and we will call upon your name.

R. **Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.**

Reading II 1 COR 1:3-9

Brothers and sisters: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always on your account for the grace of God bestowed on you in Christ Jesus, that in him you were enriched in every way, with all discourse and all knowledge, as the testimony to Christ was confirmed among you, so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will keep you firm to the end, irreproachable on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, and by him you were called to fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Alleluia PS 85:8

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Show us Lord, your love;
and grant us your salvation.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel MK 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in charge, each with his own work, and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch. Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to all: 'Watch!'"

Once again during the Christmas season, the Compassionate Care Ministry is sponsoring the Christmas Giving Tree located in the back of the church.

The ornaments on the tree are numbered. Please take one or more ornaments and record your name and phone number next to the corresponding number in the book near the tree. Suggested price range for the gifts is \$15—\$25. Please wrap the gift and tape the ornament on it and place the present under the tree.

We especially need your help this year because so many families are affected by this health crisis.

Please have all gifts under the Christmas Giving Tree no later than Sunday, December 13.



Primer Domingo de Adviento

Primera lectura Is 63, 16b-17. 19b; 64, 2b-7

Tú, Señor, eres nuestro padre y nuestro redentor; ése es tu nombre desde siempre. ¿Por qué, Señor, nos has permitido alejarnos de tus mandamientos y dejas endurecer nuestro corazón hasta el punto de no temerte? Vuélvete, por amor a tus siervos, a las tribus que son tu heredad. Ojalá rasgaras los cielos y bajaras, estremeciendo las montañas con tu presencia.

Descendiste y los montes se estremecieron con tu presencia. Jamás se oyó decir, ni nadie vio jamás que otro Dios, fuera de ti, hiciera tales cosas en favor de los que esperan en él. Tú sales al encuentro del que practica alegremente la justicia y no pierde de vista tus mandamientos.

Estabas airado porque nosotros pecábamos y te éramos siempre rebeldes. Todos éramos impuros y nuestra justicia era como trapo asqueroso; todos estábamos marchitos, como las hojas, y nuestras culpas nos arrebataban, como el viento.

Nadie invocaba tu nombre nadie se levantaba para refugiarse en ti, porque nos ocultabas tu rostro y nos dejabas a merced de nuestras culpas. Sin embargo, Señor, tú eres nuestro padre; nosotros somos el barro y tú el alfarero; todos somos hechura de tus manos.

Salmo Responsorial Sal 79, 2ac y 3b. 15-16. 18-19

R. (4) Señor, muéstranos tu favor y sálvanos.

Escúchanos, pastor de Israel, tú, que estás rodeado de querubines, despierta tu poder y ven a salvarnos.

R. Señor, muéstranos tu favor y sálvanos.

Señor, Dios de los ejércitos, vuelve tus ojos: mira tu viña y visítala, protege la cepa plantada por tu mano, el renuevo que tú mismo cultivaste.

R. Señor, muéstranos tu favor y sálvanos.

Que tu diestra defienda al que elegiste, al hombre que has fortalecido. Ya no nos alejaremos de ti; consérvanos la vida y alabaremos tu poder.

R. Señor, muéstranos tu favor y sálvanos.

Segunda lectura 1 Co 1, 3-9

Continuamente agradezco a mi Dios los dones divinos que les ha concedido a ustedes por medio de Cristo Jesús, ya que por él los ha enriquecido con abundancia en todo lo que se refiere a la palabra y al conocimiento; porque el testimonio que damos de Cristo ha sido confirmado en ustedes a tal grado, que no carecen de ningún don, ustedes, los que esperan la manifestación de nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Él los hará permanecer irreprochables hasta el fin, hasta el día de su advenimiento. Dios es quien los ha llamado a la unión con su Hijo Jesucristo, y Dios es fiel.

Aclamación antes del Evangelio Sal 84, 8

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Muéstranos, Señor, tu misericordia y danos tu salvación.

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Evangelio Mc 13, 33-37

En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a sus discípulos: "Velen y estén preparados, porque no saben cuándo llegará el momento. Así como un hombre que se va de viaje, deja su casa y encomienda a cada quien lo que debe hacer y encarga al portero que esté velando, así también velen ustedes, pues no saben a qué hora va a regresar el dueño de la casa: si al anochecer, a la medianoche, al canto del gallo o a la madrugada. No vaya a suceder que llegue de repente y los halle durmiendo. Lo que les digo a ustedes, lo digo para todos: permanezcan alerta".

An Evening of Remembrance and Healing

Celebrated by Msgr. Michael Mannion and Fr. John Rossi

For those who have suffered the loss of a child of any age through miscarriage, still birth, abortion, SIDS, illness, overdose, suicide, disease or any untimely death. We encourage and welcome all members of the family and friends affected by the loss of this child, to join in this Mass of celebration for the life that touched you briefly, yet stays in your heart forever.

**Monday, December 7—7:00 PM
St. Bridget Church**

Please bring a picture or special remembrance of your child (roses will be available to those who lost their child before birth)

Please contact Kathy@609-828-1105 or email @ LTSDANZ@verizon.net to register and to have your child's name listed in our Mass booklet. Due to COVID, RSVP is required as space is limited.

Sponsored by Mary of Mercy and St. Bridget University Parishes Pro-Life Ministry



Thankful Stewards

"Take heed, watch and pray; for you do not know when the time will come."
- MARK 13:33

We all take things for granted. In particular, we take time for granted. We make our lives too busy. We plan our time, our days, weeks, months, even years in advance. Remember, our time on earth is a gift. None of us knows how long we will be here. Start today and begin thanking God through your **sewardship** for each and every day. Take time in silence, every day, and listen to how God is calling you right now to help build His kingdom on earth.

	This Year	Last Year
Offertory	\$ 3,413	\$ 6,318
On-line Collection	\$ 3,095	\$ 410

Thank you for your generosity.

Around the Diocese

Apply for Energy Assistance: What is it?

LIHEAP is a federally funded program that can assist families with their energy bill. **Who qualifies?** The applicant household must meet income eligibility to qualify and be responsible for heating or cooling costs, either directly or included in the rent. **How do I sign up?** Visit or call the Hispanic Family Center of Southern New Jersey (HFC) to get information or obtain an application. Energy Assistance Program, 21 Delaware Street, Woodbury, NJ. (856) 848-7150. Pick up your application today!



Join likeminded Catholic men ...
In support of Faith, Family, and
Community. Join the Knights of
Columbus at



KofC.org/join

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St. Bridget's Assumption 3397

Samaritan Center

Did you know that most of the food and donations we collect on the first Sunday of the month go to support the Samaritan Center, located on High Street in Glassboro?

They **really** need donations of **tuna, jelly, juice, sandwich bread and snacks for children.**



The Samaritan Center of Glassboro is in need of donations of gently used (or new) winter clothing for both children and adults.

If you would like to volunteer to help, you can call Stacy at (856)863-9030.

Poor Box

If you cannot donate food, please consider dropping a food gift card or cash in the poor box in back of the church. As always, thank you for your generosity.



"Bountiful Blessings" 50/50 Raffle

2500 Tickets Available • \$5/Ticket • \$20/Book of 5
Last Day for Ticket Sales: Monday, November 30th
Drawing: Tuesday, December 1st at 10:00 AM
First place drawing for 30% of the proceeds.
Second place drawing for 20% of the proceeds.

NJ LGCC ID #83-1-39252

Municipal RL #762

Contact SMRS for Your Chance to Win 1 of the 2 Prizes!



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Pro Life Corner

NEW MINISTRY —

Welcoming all to join the movement for Pro Life.

ProLife Ministry of St. Bridget University Parish,
Mary, Mother of Mercy Parish and Catholic Campus
Ministry at Newman House

Contact Kay Aliberti @ bellanonna3@gmail.com

Nuestra Mision

La Parroquia Universitaria de Santa Brígida en Glassboro está llamada a ser una iglesia viva, una comunidad diversa de fe católica encendida con el amor de Jesucristo; apasionada por lo que sucede en uno al otro, desconcertada por la injusticia, y ansiosa por el Reino de Dios.

Music

Save Us O Lord

Words & Music Bob Dufford, S. J.
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Refrain

Save us, O Lord; carry us back. Rouse your power and come.
Rescue your people; show us your face. Bring us back.

1. O Shepherd of Israel, hear us. Return and we shall be saved.
Arise, O Lord; hear our cries, O Lord: bring us back!
2. How long will you hide from your people? We long to see your face. Give ear to us. Draw near to us, Lord God of hosts!



Soon, and Very Soon

Words and Music Andrae Crouch
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- 1 Soon, and very soon, we are going to see the King; soon, and very soon, we are going to see the King soon, and very soon, we are going to see the King;

Refrain: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!

- 2 No more crying there, we are going to see the King; no more crying there, we are going to see the King; no more crying there, we are going to see the King;
- 3 No more dying there, we are going to see the King; no more dying there, we are going to see the King; no more dying there, we are going to see the King;

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Rowan-Glassboro Neighbors Table

New program brings food to the Borough residents during the holiday season.

Glassboro residents in need of food assistance may register for a Neighbors Table meal using the link on below. Meals are delivered or available for pick-up on Friday evenings. The deadline to register for a Friday delivery is at 6 p.m. every Wednesday. Registration is confidential and required each week to ensure availability of food for participants.

Food provider dates: Lorenzo's: December 4, 11, and 18.

- Neighbors Table meals are available to Glassboro residents who complete a confidential registration each week.
- Meals are delivered on Friday evenings or may be picked up at Rowan University Commuter Parking Lot C between 4-4:30 p.m. (Entrance at 654 Carpenter Street, Glassboro, 08028.)
- The deadline to register for a Friday meal delivery/pick-up is Wednesday 6 p.m. each week that Neighbors Table is available.
- Pre-Orders must be placed no later than the Wednesday before the date of pick-up/delivery at 6 pm. A new registration must be submitted for each individual date.

This community assistance program is made possible through the generosity of Gourmet Dining (Rowan's food service provider) and its partners, Jersey Mike's Subs and York Street Market. Rowan University volunteers and staff deliver the meals.

Individual friends also support the project with private donations to the Rowan University Foundation. Rowan students who are food-insecure are encouraged to visit [The SHOP](#).