



Our Lady of Mercy St. Brigid's Roman Catholic Family

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2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. - Jn 1:35-37

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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, January 18-January 18-25 is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity; Martin Luther King Day

7:30 a.m. † Helen and Joseph D'Angelo
by Estate of Dorothy O'Geen

Tuesday, January 19-Weekday

7:30 a.m. † Tina Vernaccini
by Gary and Carm Brown

Wednesday, January 20-St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr

7:30 a.m. † Judy Muehlig
by Peggy Williams

Thursday, January 21-St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

7:30 a.m. † Spike Carmichael
by Lorraine Maloy

Friday, January 22-Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

7:30 a.m. † MaryJane Mathis
by the Family

Saturday, January 23-St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin; BVM

9:00 a.m. † James Kanaley
by The McCulley Family

4:30 p.m. † Isabel "Bonnie" Gangi
by Margy, Mike, Beth, Coral, and Ruby Antinore

Sunday, January 24-3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:15 a.m. † Rose Francis Williams
by Bob and Arlene Gall

10:45 a.m. † Peg Mooney
by Pat and Donna Mooney

5:30 p.m. For the People of the Parish

St. Brigid's

Tuesday, January 19-Weekday

8:30 a.m. † Chris Hastings
by Tom and Janice Armstrong

Thursday, January 21-St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

8:30 a.m. † Rita Mayer
by Tom and Gail Riter

Sunday, January 24-3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. † Josephine Ivison
by Sam and Barb DeFazio



EUCCHARISTIC 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.

EUCCHARISTIC 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 January 17, 2021

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/
Jn 1:35-42

Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c [5]/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [11a]/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

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 (by reservation). Streamed Live on Facebook and YouTube with Communion in Church for online attendees (up to 45 minutes after Mass)

Sunday, 7:15am - Our Lady of Mercy-At Church, with Limited Capacity Attendance (by reservation). Streamed Live on Facebook and YouTube with Communion in Church for online attendees (up to 45 minutes after Mass)

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 (by reservation). Streamed Live on Facebook and YouTube with Communion in Church for online attendees (up to 45 minutes after Mass)

Sunday, 5:30pm – Our Lady of Mercy-Streamed Live on Facebook and YouTube from the Church with Communion in Church (up to 45 minutes after Mass)

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.)

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS January 3, 2021

Our Lady of Mercy \$6,428.05
Candles \$70.00
St. Brigid's.....\$1,620.00
Candles \$25.00

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Our Lady of Mercy Happenings

ADULT FAITH FORMATION—Join us every Wednesday evening from the comfort of your home from 6:30-8:00pm to learn more about our faith and enjoy inspiring conversation. To join in the group contact Denise Spadaccia at (585) 356-4174 or email her at youthminister@ourladyofmercyleroy.org.



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.

“The time is always right to do what is right.”

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

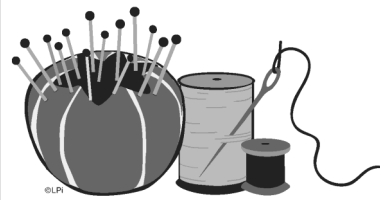
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St. Brigid's Happenings

HOLY NAME SOCIETY NEWS: On Sunday, February 14th, the Holy Name Society would normally hold its annual breakfast. The original intent of the breakfast was and still is to bring parishioners and others in the community together during a “bleak” time of year to enjoy each others company, have a few laughs, and raise funds for charitable activities. Those goals have been met with thousands of dollars raised from the breakfast and raffle supporting parish and charitable needs. This year the Society must forgo the breakfast because of the virus. However to meet its desire to continue supporting charitable activities, the annual raffle will be held with the drawing on February 14th at a “coffee hour” following the 9:00AM Mass.



This weekend the men of the parish (and women if they would like) are asked to take a book(s) of raffle tickets to sell and return at the coffee hour or before. A member of the Society will be in back of church after Mass distributing the tickets. Realizing that because of the lock downs and lack of social gatherings, selling tickets will be more difficult so any effort you make will be greatly appreciated.



The Sewing Day for t-shirt dresses for the children in Malaysia is being postponed until spring. We will wait until we can

gather our seamstresses and helpers in a safe and fun environment.



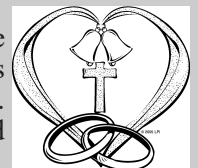
Please pray for those who are sick. We especially ask that you remember to pray for the following people:

Chris Beach, William Bochicchio, Janet Boehly, Michelle Balon, Virginia Bennetti, John Caccamise, Doug Charles, Diane Coccia, Kara John (Merica) Coduri, Fr. Eugene Costa, O. de M., Gasper DeFelice, Joshua Dinnar, Sister Janet Eppolito, John Ferrara, Pat Ridd Flaherty, Betty Forti, Arlene L. Glica, Sr. Jude Ellen Golumbieski, Joe Haitz, Lisa Hauslauer, Kira Hawes, Jeff Hoban, Barbara Howard, Anne Marie Hutchinson, Br. Martin Jarocinski, O. de M., Joanne Johnson, Arnold Kelly, Fr. Oscar Kozyra, O. de M., Joseph and Rita Kuzma, Anita LaMonica, Maryann Loiacono, Madonna Lee, Alex and Erika Lippold, Sharon McBurney, Rita Montgomery, Roger Medley, Suhair Musleh, Victoria Paladino, Louise Panepento, Marian Peck, Elizabeth Perrin, Frank Popowich, Donna Potter, Deb Pratt, Sarah Quirk, Beatrice Radley, Kathleen Rich, Sam Riggi, Phyllis Shephard, Ben Sherman, Rose Sherman, Juliana Spadacino, Berney and Joan Staats, Jennie Starowitz, Thomas and Sharon Steffenella, Barb Stein (Bergen), Donna Stephenson, and Ruth Dries Tusch.

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

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: If you have a family member at home who is seriously sick or has been admitted to the hospital or is in danger of death, please do not hesitate to call the office so that the office staff can inform the priests. If it is an emergency situation, please call Fr. Matthew's cell.

Marriages: Appointments must be made six months before the wedding. Couples are required to meet monthly with Fr. Matthew and are also required to attend Pre-Cana Class.



Baptisms: Notify parish office to request baptisms. Parents are required to attend a pre-baptism class. Godparents must provide a letter of recommendation.

Mass Cards: Contact the parish office to request a Mass Card. Please leave a message and calls will be returned. The suggested price is \$15.00 per Mass request.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 17, 2021

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our faith is not just about ideas. It's really about having an encounter with God and, in particular, the Risen Christ! Once we give ourselves over to the notion of God's presence, we have to train ourselves to listen for God's voice and be attentive to God's call. Having companions on our faith journeys is so incredibly important as they can help us fine-tune our listening skills and discern God's voice from others we may be hearing. Faith is all about having these profound encounters not only with God but with our brothers and sisters, and creation itself. Anyone or anything that is alive with God's presence becomes an occasion for God to speak and call us to deeper graces and experiences. "Come, and you will see."

The example and teaching of Jesus, the lives of the saints, those living among us and those glorified in heaven, and the wonder and beauty of creation can all serve to help us listen more clearly and assist in positioning ourselves for this profound God meeting. It is an encounter that can quickly and easily lead to a friendship and intimate intertwining of our souls to their Maker, making a claim on us like no other. Then, the Word of God moves from being just a body of ideas to something we simply accept and do. The person of Jesus Christ swiftly moves from being just a good prophet in word and deed to the incarnate presence of God Himself, the Lamb of God. The voice leads us to the Person behind it.

The Gospel is hard to follow. We can intellectually debate whether what Jesus said is really what we are asked to do. The Gospel ideas do not always make sense in our practical, secular world. The person of God always does. We can debate the practicality and sense of ideas and doing so often keeps the more difficult ones at a safe distance away from us. Jesus said to love our enemy, but we really don't need to do that, our minds try to convince us. It just doesn't make sense. Yet, if we are truly in love with the God who is behind the voice of those words, they make perfect sense. Our deep and intimate love of this God would even find us laying down our lives for Him if necessary. Speak Lord, your servant is listening.

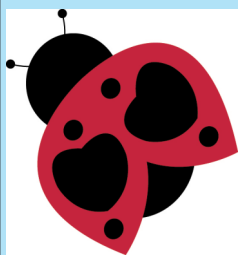
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RECYCLE FOR LOVE BUGS:



Your refund for can and bottle deposits can help our children at Love Bugs Preschool. Take your empty bottles and cans to Mickel's Nickels, 80 Lake Street, LeRoy and tell them you

would like the money to go to Love Bugs Preschool. It is that easy! We thank you now, and the children will thank you later!



2020 Annual Statement of Contributions

Do you need a copy of your Statement of Contributions for 2020? Annual Statements of your parish contributions are available by email or can be mailed to you by completing this form and providing the parish office with the following information. Return this by mail or drop it into the collection basket.

Envelope Number: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

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