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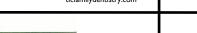
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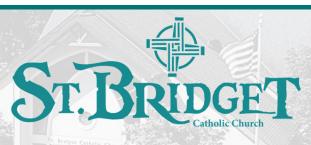
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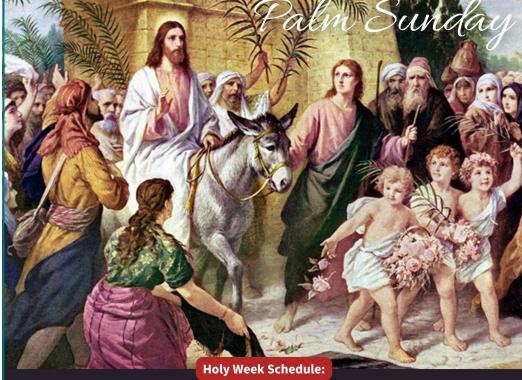
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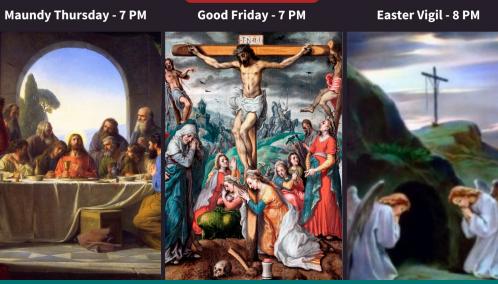


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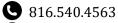


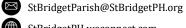
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Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 8:00 am Tuesday 9:00 am Wednesday 6:00 pm Thursday 9:00 am *First* Fridays 6:00 pm

Holy Days See Bulletin **Regular Confession Times**

Tuesday 8:25 - 8:50 am Wednesday 5:25 - 5:50 pm Thursday 8:25 - 8:50 am Thursday 6:15 - 6:45 pm *First* Friday 5:25 - 5:50 pm 7:20 - 7:50 am Sunday

2nd Saturday After Mass

Office Hours

Mon. - Thur. 9:00 - 4:00 pm Friday 9:00 - 3:00 pm



Date	Servers	Ushers	Lectors	Sacristans	Rosary Leaders	Cantors/ Musicians	Homebound Ministers	Church Cleaners	Money Counters
Thursday April 17 Holy Thursday	Alex H Joseph H	Henry Saubers	Damon Carrasco	Tim Long		Kaitlin & Choir/ Corbin Trimble			
Friday April 18 Good Friday	Emmett T Patrick O	Chris Thornsberry	Laura Long (1,2,N) DJ Breitbach (Voice)	Tim Long		Kaitlin Long / Melissa Neff		CJ's Team April 18	
Saturday April 19 Easter Vigil	Alex / Joseph H Eli M / Everett W Cole S / Emmett T	Tim Davis Tim Long	R1 - Scott Bennett R2 - Laura Long R3 - Guy Emhoff R4 - April Riley	Rita Pilcher Ed Medlock		Kaitlin Long / Corbin Trimble			
Sunday April 20 Easter	Patrick O	Ryan O'Hanlon	Liana Kilgore	Tim Long	Cathy Vogel	Carol Feuerborn / Melissa Neff	Cathy Vogel		Chris' Team April 22



Mass Intentions † Indicates deceased person

Tuesday, April 15 9:00 a.m. † Don Vogel by Kathy Vogel

Wednesday, April 16 6:00 p.m. † Loretta McClaskey by St. Bridget Parish Thursday, April 17 7:00 p.m. † Rose Marie Edwards by Gary & Katy Crabtree

Friday, April 18 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 19 8:00 p.m. For the People of St. Bridget

Sunday, April 20 8:00 a.m. † Jill Waddle by Tim & Janet Anderson

Special Collections

2025

Holy Thursday April 17

April 18 Holy Land (Good Friday)

DREAM Fund May 4 Youth Group

Charity Opportunity

Do you desire to help our Lord Jesus Christ by seeing Him in the poor and needy in our area? Consider donating towards The Pleasant Hill Lay Clergy Council, our local food pantry and charity organization. This is a 501C3 organization, thus your donation is tax deductible. There is no electronic giving yet, but you can write checks to "Pleasant Hill Lay Clergy," mail your donation to 100 Veterans Parkway, Pleasant Hill, MO 64080. If you desire to assist (i.e. Meals on Wheels - making and delivering low cost meals, then call 816-987-3952, working at the food pantry, working at the thrift store, etc.) OR have other questions, please contact the Pleasant Hill Lay lergy at: (816) 987-3600.



Week ending 04/06/2025	Collection	EFT	Total	
St. Bridget Parish	\$2377.00	\$2664.08	\$5041.08	
Dream Fund	\$430.00	\$227.50	\$657.50	
Dream Fund MTD	\$430.00 \$227.50		\$657.50	
Youth Group	\$40.00 \$20.00		\$60.00	
Votive Candle	\$155.25	\$0.00	\$155.25	
SC - Catholic Relief Services	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	
SC - Holy Thursday	\$0.00	\$10.10	\$10.10	
SC - Good Friday	\$0.00	\$10.10	\$10.10	
SC - Easter	\$0.00	\$380.00	\$380.00	

Please remember the Dream Fund. Month to date: \$657.50



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Bulletin Announcements

Bulletin announcements must be e-mailed one week prior to the weekend of distribution to secretary@stbridgetph.org.

Sacraments

Baptism Parent preparation session is required. Please call the parish office prior to the birth.

First Communion A sacramental preparation program is required through SOR or an approved other curriculum.

Confirmation Program for high school students, according to Diocesan guidelines.

Marriage Please call the parish office when engaged. A nine month preparation period is required (diocesan policy). One party should be a registered, attending parishioner.

Anointing of the Sick As requested after Mass and by appointment.

Devotions and Info

New Parishioners

Welcome! Please register by downloading a registration form from our web site, stbridgetph.weconnect.com or contact the parish office. We are glad you are here and look forward to meeting you! ***

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Thursday After Mass—8:00 p.m.

Fifth Fridays 24 hrs. 5:00pm—Sat. 4:45pm

First Friday Mass and Devotions

6:00 p.m.; devotions, adoration, and benediction follow

Before Mass Tuesday, Saturday, Sunday; First Thursday at 6:30pm w/ Altar Society; Second Thursday at 6:30pm w/ KofC

Prayer Chain Requests If you wish to be added to the prayer chain, please contact Roberta Klein at (816) 540-5980.

Reporting Abuse



- 1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18).
- 3. If the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph,

report the suspected abuse to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org.

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The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families.

Please contact Michelle Graff, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816-714-2357 or graff@diocesekcsi.org for more information.

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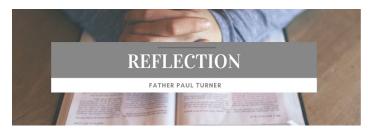
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Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion *Isaiah 50:4-7*

The Mystery of Suffering

The speaker of today's first reading is a victim. He speaks, but people beat him, pull out the hairs of his beard, slap and spit on him. Why? He suffers all this because he has spoken God's word. Every morning God speaks to him and enables him to speak to others. This word gets him into trouble.

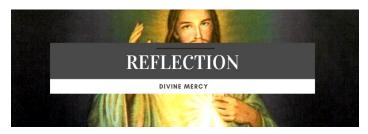
But the speaker does not quit. Nor does he curse God who gives him these pointed words. He remains firm, committed to the word God gives him, even in the face of resistance.

Although Isaiah wrote about the difficulties faced by faithful Israel in the midst of enemies, Christians read through these lines and see the image of Jesus. He received God's word, spoke it with eloquence, and suffered at the hands of his enemies.

Do your words ever get you into trouble? Does it happen even when you say the right thing? If so, you stand in a long line of those who suffer because they are servants of God.

The victim on the cross hangs in full view in our churches. Christians can face the agony of suffering as it befell Jesus and as it comes to us, because we know there is something more.

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The Scourge of Sin

Why was it that Jesus suffered as He did? Why did He receive such a severe scourging? Why was His death so painful? Because sin has consequences and is the source of great pain. But Jesus' voluntary and sinless embrace of suffering transformed human suffering so that it now has the power to purge us and free us from sin and all attachment to sin (See Diary #445).



Do you realize that the extreme pain and suffering Jesus went through was on account of your own sin? It's important to acknowledge that humbling fact. It's important to see a direct connection between His suffering and your sin. But this should not be a cause of guilt or shame, it should be a cause of gratitude. Deep humility and gratitude.

Lord, I thank You for all that You endured in Your holy Passion. I thank You for Your suffering and Cross. I thank You for redeeming suffering and transforming it into a source of salvation. Help me to allow the sufferings I endure to change my life and purge me of my sin. I unite my sufferings to Yours, dear Lord, and pray that You will use it for Your glory. Jesus, I trust in You.

(This free reflection can be found at https://divinemercy.life/2025/04/08/reflection-99-the-scourge-of-sin/)





Dear Friends in Christ,

Beginning now with Palm Sunday Mass, we enter into Holy Week. As the name indicates, this is the most sacred week for us all. It is the week in which we remember the most vivid of all mysteries that our Lord Jesus Christ endured and instituted.

We start off with Palm Sunday Mass, more traditionally known as Passion Sunday since we read the Lord's Passion at this Mass, after we read of His triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Later in the week, we enter into Holy Thursday in which our Lord Jesus instituted the Eucharist, the Holy Mass, and the Catholic priesthood at the Last Supper. On Friday, known as Good Friday, we recollect the strangest and saddest day in the world in which our Lord Jesus Christ died. Lovingly, we enter into Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday in which we remember and live out the beautiful truth of our Lord Jesus Christ conquering the Devil, sin, and death with His glorious and triumphant Resurrection.

My friends, I recommend not to take these days lightly. They are at the core of your salvation. I suggest coming to the Holy Week liturgies on Holy Thursday and Good Friday to help you more so draw closer to our Lord Jesus Christ. He did all of this out of love for you. Can you, in the love you have for our Lord Jesus Christ, sacrifice your Thursday and Friday evenings to be with Him? Can you do something different this week to help you enter more into these moments of salvation our Lord Jesus did for you, instead of just skipping over them and waiting for Easter to arrive?

This is how we deepen our relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ most easily over these upcoming days. May you be enriched by His love for you as we enter into these most sacred mysteries this Holy Week.

*In Christo et Maria,*Father Vogel



Monday, April 14

Tuesday, April 15

8:25 a.m. Confessions

8:25 a.m. Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:00 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, April 16

5:25 p.m. Confessions

6:00 p.m. Mass

6:30 p.m. Men's Group 6:40 p.m. OCIA Class

Thursday, April 17— *Maundy Thursday* 7:00 p.m. Mass (with Fr. Jim Carlyle)

Friday, April 18— *Good Friday*

11:30 a.m. Station of the Cross Noonish Luncheon provided

by Altar & Rosary Society

7:00 p.m. Mass (with Fr. Jim Carlyle)

Saturday, April 19— *Easter Vigil NO 5PM MASS*

8:00 p.m. Mass

8:00 a.m.

Sunday, April 20— Easter

Mass

7:30 a.m. Confessions7:30 a.m. Rosary

9:00 a.m. Knights of Columbus—

Easter Egg Hunt

Office will be closed Easter Monday April 21, 2025



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Catechism of the Catholic Church

559 How will Jerusalem welcome her Messiah? Although Jesus had always refused popular attempts to make him king, he chooses the time and prepares the details for his messianic entry into the city of "his father David". Acclaimed as son of David, as the one who brings salvation (Hosanna means "Save!" or "Give salvation!"), the "King of glory" enters his City "riding on an ass". Jesus conquers the Daughter of Zion, a figure of his Church, neither by ruse nor by violence, but by the humility that bears witness to the truth. and so the subjects of his kingdom on that day are children and God's poor, who acclaim him as had the angels when they announced him to the shepherds. Their acclamation, "Blessed be he who comes in the name of the Lord", is taken up by the Church in the Sanctus of the Eucharistic liturgy that introduces the memorial of the Lord's Passover.



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COMMANDMENT OF THE MONTH FOR APRIL

If you love me, you will keep my commandments.

John 14:15 WEEK 2

The 8th Commandment "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor"

In the 8th Commandment, God is calling us to protect something that is Holy and Sacred. TRUTH, the foundation for good relationships, is a necessary ingredient to live in harmony with one another and to live a peaceful and joyfilled life. Truth establishes honor and respect for one another, and truth is a pillar of trust necessary for healthy marriages, strong families, and most importantly, salvation.

To protect truth, we need to understand Satan's strategies of twisting truth, sowing doubt and causing confusion.

To better appreciate truth and to learn how to easily detect when Satan's strategy is at play so you can easily choose the path of truth, go to www.ifuloveme.org/register, or scan the code. Access is free for all St. Bridget and St. Patrick Parishes members.

Prayer Intention for April

Dear Jesus, help us to persevere in our commitment to truth and in our search for truth, knowing that by doing so, it will lead us to you, who is Truth.





IGNATIAN WEEKEND: BECOMING PILGRIMS OF HOPE Saturday, May 3, 2025 9:00am - 4:00pm

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Carol will lead us in a reflection on Becoming Pilgrims of Hope, bringing together the vision of St. Ignatius as a pilgrim and the Jubilee Year of Hope.

The day will end with Mass in the Mabee Chapel at Rockhurst University at 3 p.m.

Ignatian Day Registration - \$95 Young Adult Registration (35 and under) - \$50 Scan QR Code to register.



HOLY WEEK! Journey to the Cross!

April 14 - 18, 2025

Services will start at 11:30 AM with a light lunch following each service.

The Pleasant Hill Lay Clergy Holy Week services as follows:

† Monday, April 14: Big Creek Baptist Church, 1517 N. State Route 7

† Tuesday, April 15: United Methodist Church, 1300 Lexington

† Wednesday, April 16: HIS Church, 1210 N. State Route 7

† Thursday, April 17: Grace Family Fellowship, 125 Armstrong

+ Friday, April 18: St Bridget Catholic Church, 2103 Lexington

MASS OF THE LAST SUPPER - HOLY THURSDAY

• April 17: 7pm Mass (w/ Fr. Carlyle)

No Morning Mass / No adoration

LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION - GOOD FRIDAY

- April 18: 7pm Mass (w/ Fr. Carlyle)
- Stations of the Cross: 11:30a.m. followed by luncheon
- Parish Office Closed

EASTER VIGIL - HOLY SATURDAY

• April 19: 8 pm Mass

EASTER SUNDAY

- April 20: 8 am Mass
- Easter Egg Hunt: 9 am (Sponsored by Knight of Columbus)

Parish Office Closed Monday April 21, 2025



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- 3:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 3:05pm sung Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 3:30pm 6:40pm Confessions (with a guest priest and Fr. Vogel)
- 6:45pm Benediction
- 7:00pm Mass

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On Divine Mercy weekend, every Catholic soul in the world has the opportunity to remit all temporal punishment due to sin, which is the reason we go to Purgatory. Another way of saying the same thing is: it's as if you are freshly baptized.

If one were to take advantage of the special graces that are available to us only on Divine Mercy Sunday, and if you were to unfortunately die soon afterwards, you would skip over Purgatory and go straight to Heaven.

How can I receive these special graces on Divine Mercy Sunday? Below are the conditions:

- 1. To receive special graces that our Lord promised for Divine Mercy Sunday, the only condition is to receive Holy Communion worthily on Divine Mercy Sunday (or the Vigil celebration) by making a good Confession beforehand and staying in the state of grace and trusting in His Divine Mercy.
- 2. The special graces promised by our Lord for Divine Mercy Sunday can be received by a soul in a state of grace, but with imperfect love for God, and imperfect contrition for sin-as long as the soul merely trusts in the mercy of God, and clings to Him because of His promised benefits.
- 3. The special graces that our Lord promised for Mercy Sunday can only be received for oneself, through the devout reception of Holy Communion on Mercy Sunday (as stated in #1 above).
- 4. The most special grace promised by our Lord for Mercy Sunday is nothing less than the equivalent of a complete renewal of baptismal grace in the soul: "complete forgiveness (remission) of sins and punishment."

Come to our Lord Jesus so that He can give you His Mercy on this one unique opportunity out of the whole year.





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