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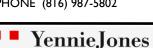
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Regular Mass Times for

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 Sunday

7:20 - 7:50 am 2nd Saturday After Mass

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Date	Servers	Ushers	Lectors	Sacristans	Rosary Leaders	Cantors Musicians	Homebound Ministers	Church Cleaners	Money Counters	Mowers Trimmers
Saturday September 20	TBD	Henry Saubers	David Orson	Rita Pilcher Ed Medlock	David Orson	No Music		Donna's Team September 19		Bob D / David O September 18
Sunday September 21	TBD	Tim Davis	Scott Bennett	Cathy Vogel	Kathy Meyer	Kaitlin Long / Judy Wolf	Cathy Vogel		Stephanie's Team September 22	
Saturday September 27	Emmett T Maxx S	Guy Emhoff	Liana Kilgore	Jenny Luttral	Marilyn Anderson	TBA / Judy Wolf				Steve Case September 25
Sunday September 28	Joseph H Alex H	DJ Breitbach	Tim Haake	Tim Long	Cathy Vogel	David Orson / Judy Wolf	Marijo O'Malley		Chris' Team September 29	



Mass Intentions † Indicates deceased person

Tuesday, September 16 9:00 a.m. NO MASS

Wednesday, September 17 6:00 p.m. † Paul Brownsberger by Barbara Boehm Thursday, September 18 9:00 a.m. † Patty Wagner by Richard Wagner Saturday, September 20 5:00 p.m. † Pat Ezell by Gary & Katy Crabtree Sunday, September 21 8:00 a.m. For the People of St. Bridget

Special Collections

2025

September 21 Church of Latin America

October 5 DREAM Fund Youth Group

October 19 Mission Sunday

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 Clergy at: (816) 987–3600.



Week ending 09/07/2025	Collection	EFT	Total	
St. Bridget Parish	\$22,671.00	\$2716.39	\$25,387.39	
Dream Fund	\$395.00	\$252.75	\$647.75	
Dream Fund MTD	\$395.00	\$252.75	\$647.75	
Youth Group	\$75.00	\$20.00	\$95.00	
Votive Candle	\$67.00	\$0.00	\$67.00	
SC - Church of Latin America	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	
SC - Holy Land (Special)	\$1512.26	\$0.00	\$1512.26	

Please remember the Dream Fund. Month to date: \$647.75



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Bulletin Announcements

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

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—7:00 p.m.

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

First Friday Mass and Devotions

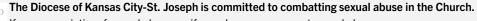
6:00 p.m.; devotions, adoration, and benediction follow

Rosarv

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



- HEAL If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:
 - 1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18).
 - 2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911.

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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.

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

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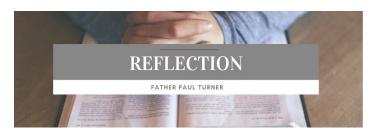


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Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time *Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14*

Forgiving Big Mistakes

If you say something stupid or do something inappropriate in the presence of people you love, you hope they will forgive you.

When we are with those we love, we relax. We speak more easily the thoughts of our heart, and we do more readily the impulsive deeds that bring relationships to life. Sometimes we act with the spontaneity that love enjoys, but with the inappropriateness that love does not tolerate. We say something insulting. We do something crude. We give in to the temptation to love someone else.

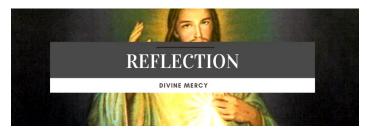
The best relationships tolerate mistakes. If someone loves you completely and wholly for who you are, that person will accept you, mistakes and all. Your misdeeds are a part of you, and to love you is to love the you that commits errors of judgment.

Moses reminded God about this. While Moses was on the mountain receiving the law from God, the people grew tired of waiting down below. They removed their jewelry and threw it into a fire. Out came something resembling a golden calf. So they worshiped it. They worshiped something that was not God. In the spontaneity of the moment, at a time when religious fervor ran high, the people committed a terrible mistake.

Moses reminded God of the covenant promised to all the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel. And God relented. God did not punish the people for their sin.

No matter how stupid our mistakes, God will forgive us.

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The Response of Total Gratitude

What should our response be to God? Oftentimes we become self-consumed in our relationship with God. We focus in on our troubles and needs. These must be given over to God and let go of. When we do this we will discover that we begin to see the glory and goodness of God at work in our lives and we will begin to be filled with the utmost gratitude toward God. Gratitude must consume us and fill our minds and prayers. We must allow gratitude to take over our passions and feelings and every part of our being. This is what we will do for eternity. Heaven will be one eternal act of thanksgiving to God for His goodness and Mercy. When we can turn our eyes away from ourselves and focus in on God, this gift of gratitude will begin to direct our lives (See Diary #1285-1286).

Are you grateful? You will be grateful only if you allow yourself to see the countless gifts that God lavishes upon you every day. It's easy to allow self-absorption to cloud our vision of these countless blessings from God. But if you can turn your eyes toward Heaven and see the truth, you will be amazed at God's infinite goodness. Do not let yourself miss out on this glorious discovery of all that God does for you day and night. Do not close your eyes to the abundance of His Mercy. Reflect, today, upon whether or not you allow yourself to see His merciful love lavished upon you and upon others. Fix your gaze upon this Mercy and allow this realization to foster within you a profoundly grateful heart.

My Lord, I thank You for all that You have done in my life and I thank You for all that You will continue to do in me. Help me to become increasingly aware of Your merciful love and the countless blessings You bestow upon me and upon all Your children. As I see Your handiwork all around, fill my heart with sincere gratitude. Jesus, I trust in You.

(This free reflection can be found at https://divinemercy.life/2025/09/09/reflection-253-the-response-of-total-gratitude/)

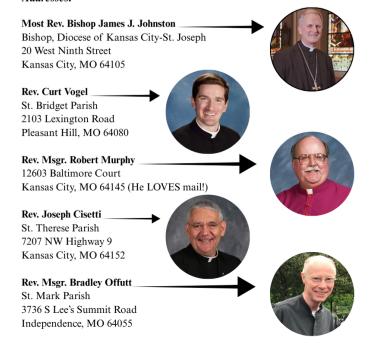


SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

Like Father's Day, let Priesthood Sunday be the one day a year when we make it a point to make priests feel truly appreciated and special. Priesthood Sunday is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. This nationwide event is coordinated and sponsored by the USA Council of Serra International—Vocations Committee. Ideas helpful in honoring the priests in your life:

- Pray for them, and all the priests serving in the diocese and elsewhere.
- Pray for the vocation programs for the diocese.
- Personally thank your priest(s) on Priesthood Sunday,
- Send a thank you note or letter to your priest.
- Invite children in SOR to draw notes of appreciation.
- Invite your priest for dinner with your family or friends.
- Send a card or letter to a priest(s) who served St. Bridget in the past.
- Send a card to Bishop Johnston.

Addresses:





Monday, September 15

Tuesday, September 16

NO MASS—Fr. Vogel Off

Wednesday, September 17

5:25 p.m. Confessions (with Fr. Haake)

6:00 p.m. Mass (with Fr. Haake)

6:30 p.m. Women of Faith—Starts

6:40 p.m. SOR—First Day

6:40 p.m. OCIA Class—(with Adrian)

Thursday, September 18

8:25 a.m. Confessions

9:00 a.m. Mass

9:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration Begins

6:15 p.m. Confessions 6:50 p.m. Benediction

Friday, September 19

8:00 a.m. Bible Study

5:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus —

Cruise Night

Saturday, September 20

4:30 p.m. Rosary 5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, September 21

7:30 a.m. Confessions

Mass

7:30 a.m. Rosary

8:00 a.m.



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COMMANDMENT OF THE MONTH FOR SEPTMEBER 2025

If you love me, you will keep my commandments. John 14:15 WEEK 2

The 1st Commandment "I am the Lord your God: you shall not have strange gods before me."

Why do you suppose God made the Commandment: "I am the Lord your God: you shall not have strange gods before me," the FIRST commandment, and not the second, fifth or tenth? What thoughts do your family and friends have about this? An easy way to remember that this is the First Commandment is to point your index finger, like a "1" upward to heaven and say, "there is only one God, He loves me and always wants what is best for me." Have some fun teaching this to the children in your life, and have a fun discussion with them about why God should always be first in their lives.

To help you prepare for discussing this Commandment, scan the code or go to IfULoveMe.org/ten-commandments.



Catechism of the Catholic Church

623 By his loving obedience to the Father, "unto death, even death on a cross" (Phil 2:8), Jesus fulfils the atoning mission (cf Is 53:10) of the suffering Servant, who will "make many righteous; and he shall bear their iniquities" (Is 53:11; cf. Rom 5:19).





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