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# ST. BRIDGET Catholic Church

April 19, 2026  
Third Sunday of Easter



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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  
**Office Hours**  
Mon. - Thur. 9:00 - 4:00 pm  
Friday 9:00 - 3:00 pm

"Were not our hearts burning within us  
while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?"

Luke 24:13-35

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Date	Servers	Ushers	Lectors	Sacristans	Rosary Leaders	Cantors Musicians	Homebound Ministers	Church Cleaners	Money Counters
<b>Saturday April 25</b>	Emmett T Bennett S	Chris Thornsberry	DJ Breitbach	Mary Adams Lilly L.	Shirley Baldwin	David Orson / Derek Olson			
<b>Sunday April 26</b>	Richard B	Tim Long	Scott Bennett	Don Ring	Kathy Meyer	David Orson / Judy Wolf	Marijo O'Malley		Stephanie's Team April 27

**MAY LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE WILL BE INSERTED NEXT WEEKEND!**



**Mass Intentions † Indicates deceased person**

Tuesday, April 21	9:00 a.m.	† <b>Kathy Murphy-Marx</b> by Gordon & Donna Johnson
Wednesday, April 22	6:00 p.m.	<b>David Kaibel (Healing)</b> by John Muller
Thursday, April 23	9:00 a.m.	† <b>Souls in Purgatory</b> by Kathy Meyer
Saturday, April 25	5:00 p.m.	<b>For the People of St. Bridget</b>
Sunday, April 26	8:00 a.m.	† <b>Jean Taylor</b> by Kathy Meyer

**Special Collections**

2026

May 3	Dream Fund Youth Group
May 14	Ascension
May 24	Peter's Pence

**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.**

GIFTS TO GOD & CHURCH			
OFFER RIGHT SACRIFICES & PUT YOUR TRUST IN THE LORD. PS 4:5			
Week ending 04/12/2026	Collection	EFT	Total
<b>St. Bridget Parish</b>	<b>\$3696.00</b>	<b>\$670.39</b>	<b>\$4366.39</b>
Dream Fund	\$90.00	\$0.00	\$90.00
Dream Fund MTD	\$772.75	\$0.00	\$772.75
Youth Group	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Votive Candle	\$63.00	\$0.00	\$63.00
SC - Holy Thursday	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
SC - Good Friday/Holy Land	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
SC - Easter	\$45.00	\$10.00	\$55.00
SC - Nuns of Gower	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
<b>Nuns of Gower TO DATE</b>	<b>\$12,370.00</b>	<b>\$2159.64</b>	<b>\$14,529.64</b>
Please remember the Dream Fund. Month to date: <b>\$772.75</b>			

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**Henry Saubers, Parish Custodian**

**Parish Leadership**

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**Victim Assistance Coordinator:**

Phone: 816-714-2357  
Email: victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org  
**Independent Ombudsman:**  
Phone: 816-213-6024  
Email: ombudsman@ombudsmankcsj.org

**Bulletin Announcements**

Bulletin announcements must be e-mailed one week prior to the weekend of distribution to [secretary@stbridgetph.org](mailto:secretary@stbridgetph.org).

**Sacraments**

**Baptism** Parent preparation session is required. Please contact the Administrative Assistant at Admin@stbridgetph.org or 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](http://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

**Rosary**

Before Mass Tuesday, Saturday, Sunday; Second Thursday at 6:30pm w/ Altar & Rosary Society, and Knights of Columbus

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

**Blessing** Have you experienced a miscarriage? Contact Father Vogel or Deacon Morgan to receive a blessing.

**Reporting Abuse**



**The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church.**

- 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.
  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**, at [ombudsman@ombudsmankcsj.org](mailto:ombudsman@ombudsmankcsj.org) or **816-213-6024**

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the **Victim Advocate**, at **816-714-2357** or [victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

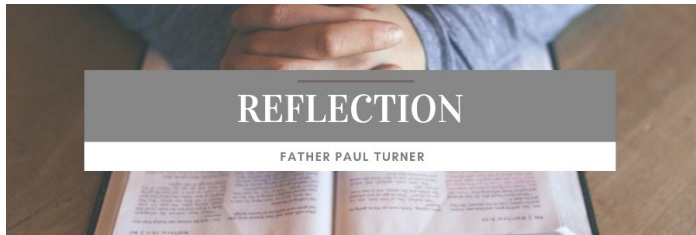
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## REFLECTION

FATHER PAUL TURNER

### Third Sunday of Easter

1 Peter 1:17-21

#### Priceless Friends

Some things truly are priceless. You may pay a lot of your hard-earned income to have a home, furnish it for comfort, feed the people who live there, and enjoy the amenities of life. You know the cost of the things you own.

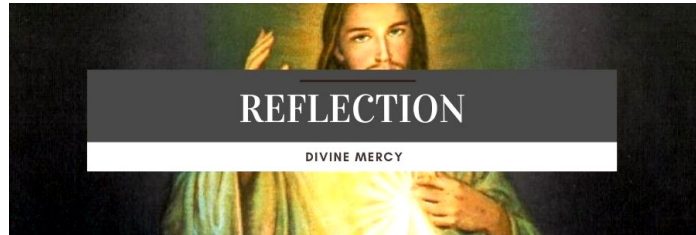
But some things are priceless—the children who play, the people who love you, experiences of friendship, the wonder of creation, fresh air, freedom, and faith.

At Easter it becomes evident that something else is priceless. We are. Jesus offered himself up to death for something that was priceless to him. The First Letter of Peter says, "You were ransomed from your futile conduct ... not with perishable things like silver or gold but with the precious blood of Christ." Jesus' own life was more precious than silver and gold, and he gave it up for what he valued: humanity.

At Easter we learn again how precious is human life. We come to a new realization of who we are and how much we mean to the God who made us. We are loved.

As we look around at other people, we see some we know well and some who are strangers. We see people we love and people we ignore. We see people in need and people of plenty. But if we see them as God sees them, we see people of value. Let us live in reverence of the life we have and the life we see. It is priceless. .

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## REFLECTION

DIVINE MERCY

### The Chaplet of Mercy

Prayer is essential to our Christian walk. When you pray, it is good to speak from the heart, pouring out your soul to God. But prayer must also follow your faith and all you know of God. It must reflect your true knowledge of God and call upon His Mercy. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is one such prayer that perfectly reflects your faith in the Mercy of God. (See Diary #475-476).



Do you pray? Do you pray every day? Is your prayer centered in faith and truth, enabling you to continually call on the Mercy of God? If you do not pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, try it every day for a week. Be faithful and trust in the faith revealed in the words spoken. You will see the doors of God's Mercy open if you commit yourself to this prayer.

*Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have Mercy on us and on the whole world. Jesus, I do trust in You.*

*(This free reflection can be found at <https://divinemercury.life/2026/04/13/reflection-104-the-chaplet-of-mercy-2/>)*



## FR. VOGEL'S COLUMN

PASTOR



Dear Friends in Christ,

The JOY of the Easter Season continues for us all! What a blessed Divine Mercy we had this past weekend. I heard around 100 Confessions over the course of Saturday through Sunday; what an amazing response to our Lord's special grace on this weekend you all

received in bringing your time in Purgatory to zero (if you fulfilled all of the other conditions too).

Furthermore, the final numbers are in for our Lent almsgiving to the holy Benedictine nuns in Gower, MO:

Total given by St. Patrick parish: \$10,732.00

Total given by St. Bridget parish: \$14,529.64

**Grand total of BOTH parishes combined: \$25,261.64**

Absolutely incredible, my dear parishioners! The charity from you all is exceptionally outstanding, and I am so proud of you all for your generous hearts in helping out these nuns who in turn help us out by praying for and supporting current and future priests. This is one of those almsgiving opportunities that you may not see much of the fruits in this life, but guaranteed God will show you the fruits and His Mercy towards you in the next life for your all's generous contributions.

God bless you all, may He reward you all, and He is Risen! Alleluia!

*In Christo et Maria,*

Father Vogel



## CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Monday, April 20

#### Tuesday, April 21

8:25 a.m. Rosary & Divine Mercy Caplet  
8:25 a.m. Confessions  
9:00 a.m. Mass

#### Wednesday, April 22

5:25 p.m. Confessions  
6:00 p.m. Mass  
**6:00 p.m. SOR begins with Mass**  
**6:30 p.m. Women's Group**  
**6:40 p.m. Men's Group**  
**6:40 p.m. Altar Boys' training / pizza**

#### Thursday, April 23

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, April 24

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

#### Saturday, April 25

4:30 p.m. Rosary  
5:00 p.m. Mass  
**6:00 p.m. Trivia Night / Dinner**  
**7:00 p.m. Trivia Begins**

#### Sunday, April 26

7:30 a.m. Confessions  
7:30 a.m. Rosary  
8:00 a.m. Mass



Stay up to date with St. Bridget Parish! Download the Signal App and scan the QR code to join the "St. Bridget Parish Group".





## KNIGHTS CORNER

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SONS OF MERCY COUNCIL 13113

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Contact us after Mass by visiting [stbridgetknights.org](http://stbridgetknights.org) or speak with any Knight wearing a name badge. We'd love to visit with you!

### ST. BRIDGET CATHOLIC CHURCH

## SATURDAY Prayer Breakfast

Open to all MEN of St Bridget Parish



FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH  
8:00am Start  
Starting May 2<sup>nd</sup>

*We will share Food, Faith, and Fellowship.*

We will eat, discuss that weekend's Mass readings, and share any special intentions.

### Anticipating Vacation Bible School!



Join our first planning meeting for our Annual June VBS.

No commitment by attending.

*If you are interested in ensuring our parish hosts a VBS this year, please join us Saturday morning,*

**April 25 at 10am,  
St. Bridget Education Building,  
downstairs in the pre-k room.**

*Kids welcome.*

### St. Bridget Safety Committee News

A reminder that we will begin to lock the doors to St. Bridget after Mass begins, starting this weekend, April 11th & 12th. We will monitor the implementation and make adjustments as necessary. The doors will be monitored to allow for those who may arrive a few minutes late. Access to Mass will always be a priority and never be denied. We would remind everyone, that no access from the lower level Ledwidge Hall will be available and that exit from the building will always be available.

We appreciate your cooperation and invite parishioner input so that we can improve the safety of all who attend Mass at St. Bridget.

Thanks,  
St. Bridget Safety Committee



### COMMANDMENT OF THE MONTH FOR APRIL 2026

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

WEEK 3

The 8th Commandment

**"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor"**

Have you noticed how lies multiply and take on a life of their own. Like dandelions, one lie breeds more lies to conceal the first. As lies accumulate, they produce confusion, fear, disagreements, anger, and division. With each lie, our humanity and dignity diminish, making it difficult to recognize the truth, as we are led further from those we love and further from Jesus, who is Truth. Lies trap and enslave a person causing loneliness, anger and confusion.

Conversely, truth and integrity foster friendship, peace and clarity of thought.

To explore more about truth and wisdom of the 8th Commandment [ifuloveme.org/ten-commandments#8th-command-overview](http://ifuloveme.org/ten-commandments#8th-command-overview), or scan the code.

#### 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.*



### Catechism of the Catholic Church

“ 547 Jesus accompanies his words with many “mighty works and wonders and signs”, which manifest that the kingdom is present in him and attest that he was the promised Messiah. ”

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**SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH**

MEAL served after 5pm Mass  
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# BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN APRIL 25-26

**DEAR ST. BRIDGET,  
IT IS TIME FOR THE BABY BOTTLE DRIVE!**

On APRIL 25-26, Knights will be in the vestibule before and after Church with the bottles. Please take a baby bottle and fill it up with change or bills or checks (***payable to Knights of Columbus #13113!***)

The mission of this campaign will be to give 50% to ***Mother's Refuge*** (<https://www.mothersrefuge.org>). The other 50% will go to ***Meet Life***. Both recipients provide opportunities for mothers experiencing unplanned pregnancies to bond with their unborn babies and encourage them to carry their babies to term.

**Please return the bottles by 5/10/2026.**

Thank you!

**Rob Prewitt - Life Director**

St Bridget Sons of Mercy, K of C

