Liturgical Roles & Services
April 20 & 21, 2019

LECTORS:
8:00 pm 1st Reading: Laura Long; Exodus: Rick Bouchard
2nd Reading: Chris Porter; Epistle: Katy Crabtree
8:00 am Shirley Baldwin, Steve Himmelberg

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY EUCHARIST:
8:00 pm Maurice & Pat Devolder, Tim Long
8:00 am Pat & Trudy Garry, Mary Grah
Homebound: Marijo O’Malley

SERVERS:
8:00 am Brett Greule, Leland Edenshaw, Need 1 More
8:00 am Aidan Fleischmann, Wyatt Newman

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY EUCHARIST:
8:00 pm Ross Dale
8:00 am Pat & Trudy Garry, Mary Grahl

HOMEBOUND:
8:00 am Susan Zaner

SERVERS:
8:00 am Adam, Seth, Ella Greenwald
8:00 am Ryan & Curtiss Schaller

ROSARY LEADERS:
8:00 am Don & Cathy Vogel

SACRISTAN:
8:00 pm Maurice & Pat Devolder
8:00 am Pat & Trudy Garry

USHERS:
8:00 pm TBA
8:00 am C. Vogel, D. Vogel, Saubers, Ruth

MONEY COUNTERS:
April 20th & 21st Dan’s Team

CHURCH CLEANERS:
April 27 Joyce Anderson’s Team

CANTORS & INSTRUMENTALIST:
8:00 pm Kaitlin Long w/ Justin Hurst
8:00 am Jim Specht & Dana Gorman w/ Justin Hurst

Liturgical Roles & Services
April 27 & 28, 2019

LECTORS:
5:00 pm Lisa Kilgore, Katy Crabtree
8:00 am Mary Grahl, Jim Holmes

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY EUCHARIST:
5:00 pm Ross Dale
8:00 am Pat & Trudy Garry, Sharon O’Hanlon
Homebound: Susan Zaner

SERVERS:
5:00 pm Adam, Seth, Ella Greenwald
8:00 am Ryan & Curtiss Schaller

ROSARY LEADERS:
5:00 p.m. Bill Kennedy
8:00 a.m. Barry Schaller

SACRISTAN:
5:00 pm Ross & Charleen Dale
8:00 am Pat & Trudy Garry

USHERS:
5:00 pm TBA
8:00 am Sheahan, Bock, Breitbach, Glass

MONEY COUNTERS:
April 27 & 28 Rita’s Team

CHURCH CLEANERS:
April 27 & 28 Donna’s Team

CANTORS & INSTRUMENTALIST:
5:00 pm Kaitlin Long w/ David Bremer
8:00 am Laurie Jo Holmes w/ Daniel Yang

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SUNDAY COLLECTIONS WEEKEND
April 13 & 14

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CATHOLIC CHARITIES SOCIAL MEDIA

Recently we hired a new Social Media Coordinator to help spread the word more effectively on social media. Through these avenues you will be able to keep informed of upcoming events, programs, and ways to help those in need. You can find us on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram, and the web at www.catholiccharities-kcsj.com. For more information or to join us on social media, please contact Ellen Petersen, Digital & Social Media Coordinator at epetersen@ccharties.com or 816-659-8280.

UPCOMING TRAINING FOR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

May 7, 2019 6:00pm-9:00pm Sick and Homebound, St. Bernadette, Kansas City

Light dinners are provided for the participants

If you would like to attend either of these trainings, please contact the parish office as soon as possible. St. Bridget is currently in need of Sick and Homebound Ministers.

There is a session close to you! The FertilityCare™ System (Creighton Model) Introductory Session is offered monthly at a variety of area locations and long distance. This fulfills your marriage policy requirement, it’s helpful for achieving and avoiding pregnancy, it has medical applications and it’s better than IVF for infertility. Registration online at www.fertilitycarekc.com, or call the FertilityCare™ Center of Kansas City at (916) 850-0198.

As we celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord, Catholic Charities KCSJ would like to take this opportunity to wish you all the blessings of the season. Please continue to pray for all of those we serve in our outreach to the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. spreading the love of Christ while meeting the needs of those less fortunate is the foundation of our efforts. To help become a part of the solution in our area to reduce poverty, homelessness, and under unemployment, contact Christie Dade, Volunteer Coordinator at cdade@ccharties.com or 816-659-8216 to see how you can get involved.

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating 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), and 2) Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and 3) After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to Diocesan Ombudsmen, Jennifer Valenti, at 816-812-2500 or JenniferValenti@art.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Services Coordinator, Kathleen Chastain at 816-392-0011 or Chastain@diocesekcsj.org, or for more information contact the Office of Child and Youth Protection at 756-1850 (x540).

What have I found a sincere blessing is that in the midst of us living in what has become more and more of a crazy world, there is one thing that always remains constant and it always will; it’s the God-Man Jesus Christ. More and more people want to put God on the side, as if He is in the way to live a good and happy life or that paying too much attention to Him just makes one’s life busier than it needs to be. When an individual, soaks in what is Good, Holy, True, and also Undying and also begins to realize how that enriches one’s life to such a degree that absolutely no pleasure in this world can replace it, all that the individual wants is more and more of that reality. That reality is Jesus Christ. It is on this day, Easter Sunday, that we accept more than any other day in the entire year, even over Christmas, how important God is in our lives.

This day shakes the world because Satan thought that he had won. The Devil thought himself victorious in finally killing God on the Cross. What he figured to be his triumph turned out to be his doom. In the God-Man that is Jesus Christ, uniting in His Person both a human and divine nature, His humanity died but His divinity certainly did not. Waiting for three shadowy days, He did what no Man dared to think was possible; in His Divinity He rose from the dead, fulfilling every prophecy that was ever proclaimed about Him.

The pain and the agony that Jesus went through in His Passion and on the Cross, it wasn’t so that we can go and commit whatever sins we desired because we know that God will forgive us. It was so that we may better ourselves in this world, become saints ourselves, and thus hopefully make it to heaven, since getting to heaven is a gift. On Easter, Jesus opened up the gates of heaven to us all, but we still need to live good and holy lives in order to hopefully make it to Paradise, because making it to heaven is still a gift. Our Lord’s Death and Resurrection was an act of sacrificial love so that we may draw closer to the God Who created us, which is the path to heaven; drawing closer to God is the way to heaven.

This act of sacrificial love is such a tremendous event that we still participate in it today every single time we come to Mass. What do we witness during the Liturgy of the Eucharist? We encounter the same Sacrifice of the Cross being mysteriously re-presented on our Altar in an unbloody manner that is in sacramental form. After the words of Consecration over the Bread and Wine, the Host and the Wine are transubstantiated (i.e., changed) into the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, what we commonly call the, “Eucharist.” When the Memorial Acclamation is said by the priest at Mass, “Through Him, With Him, and in Him, O God Almighty Father, in the Unity of the Holy Spirit, All Glory and Honor is Yours, Forever and Ever,” we encounter the Death of Jesus Christ. When the priest breaks the main Host in half and places a small piece inside the chalice containing the Precious Blood, one can think of the soul of Jesus Christ returning to His Sacred Body at this point of the Mass, in other words the Resurrection.

Think on these things. Look up the sacrificial aspect of the Mass in your Catechism of the Catholic Church. Realize the sincere richness of the Mass, which is us encountering the same Sacrifice on the Cross being offered in a different mode on our Altars. When we as Christians realize the depths of what goes on at Mass, we simply cannot wait until we have an opportunity on the next day to attend another Mass.

For those are visiting this weekend, welcome. I pray you come back to Mass. Not because I am begging, but because parishioners would love to have you here. I ask the priest would love to have you here, but what has the highest importance out of us all, it’s because God DIED for you and He WANTS you here. If one needs proof, then look at a Crucifix and recall what goes on at Mass with what was mentioned above. God cherishes you, and He wants you to cherish Him at Sunday Mass.

I pray this day is a blessed one for all. Easter Sunday is a day of joy, one to put in perspective of what is really important in life. May you encounter God on an even more intimate level today and throughout the entire Easter Season because He was dead and now has Risen.

Vivat Jesu Semper!

Fr. Vogel
WHAT’S GOING ON AT ST. BRIDGET!

Calendar of Events

Sunday, April 21
EASTER
7:30 – 7:50 am Reconciliation
7:30 am Rosary
8:00 am Mass
9:00 am K of C Easter Egg Hunt (ages 0 – 3rd grade)

Monday, April 22
Parish Office Closed
No Mass

Tuesday, April 23
No Prayer & Rosary
No Daily Mass

Wednesday, April 24
NO Daily Mass
6:30 pm TMY
6:30 pm SOR
6:30 W of F

Thursday, April 25
NO Daily Mass
Adoration

Friday, April 26
9:00 am Bible Study
1:00 pm Bulletin Deadline for May 5th Bulletin

Saturday, April 27
TRIVIA NIGHT!
5:00 pm Mass
6:00 pm Concession Stand Opens
6 – 6:45 pm Table Decorating
6:15 pm Team & Individual Registration
7:00 pm Trivia Begins

Sunday, April 28
7:30 – 7:50 am Reconciliation
7:30 am Rosary
8:00 am Mass

Parish News for All

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS: On Thursday, May 2nd the Altar & Rosary Society will meet in church for Rosary at 6:30 pm followed by their meeting at 7:00 pm in the Adult Ed Room of the SOR Building. May Hostess, Altar Cloths & Cemetery: Rita Jones

VOLUNTEER NEEDED: Meals on Wheels is looking for volunteer help in the kitchen – mornings. Talk to Ruth in the kitchen or call 987-3952.

FIRST COMMUNION & MAY CROWNING: Join us at Mass on Saturday, May 4th as Maggie Anderson, Declan Cannon, Owen Cribbs, Mikah Heiman, Kinsey Scrutchfield & Jovie Scrutchfield make their 1st Communion and celebrate May Crowning.

Food Pantry

The Pleasant Hill Food Pantry is in need of the following items: Crackers, Soup & Pasta Sides.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS
The Parish Office will be closed on Monday April 22nd in observance of the Easter Holiday. Regular office hours will resume at 8:00 am on Tuesday April 23rd.

WELCOME!
If you are new to our parish, please take a moment to introduce yourselves and register with us. Forms are available in the vestibule, parish office or online at https://stbridgetph.wconnect.com

If you are just visiting, we pray that you have a wonderful visit and a safe return journey home.

2019 Second Collections Schedule
May 5: DREAM Fund
May 19: Tomorrow’s Priests: Vocation Fund
June 2: DREAM Fund
June 16: Communications
July 7: DREAM Fund
Aug. 4: DREAM Fund
Aug. 18: Diocesan Life & Justice
Sept. 8: DREAM Fund
Sept. 15: Latin America Apostolate
Oct. 6: DREAM Fund
Oct. 20: Mission Sunday
Nov. 3: DREAM Fund
Nov. 10: Archdiocese for Military Services
Dec. 1: DREAM Fund
Dec. 8: Religious Retirement

2019 Second Collections Schedule

TRIVIA NEWS!

Join us for St. Bridget’s 5th Annual Trivia Night
Date: Saturday, April 27th
Table Decorating from 6:00 – 6:45 pm
Team Registration
@ 6:15 pm
Trivia Begins Promptly
@ 7:00 pm

Cost: $100 per table (No limit on team members. Tables can sit 8 comfortably.)
No team? No worry! Individual Cost: $20

Prizes
$200 for 1st Place Team
$100 for 2nd Place Team
$50 for 3rd Place Team
$50 Best Decorated Table Theme (Costumes Optional)

Sign-up sheets are now available in the vestibule or if for questions, please contact Laurie Himmelberg at the parish office or email l.himm@stbridgetph.org

Concession Stand will be available during event.

We follow Jesus this week on our Lenten journey as he enters Jerusalem, a community he knew well. CRS Rice Bowl asks us to prayerfully enter into our own communities, to find those who are hungry and thirsty, those who need our help. How does our Lenten journey motivate us to serve those we encounter in our daily lives? Don’t forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl this weekend. Thank you!

Jesus revealed to St Faustina, “The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My mercy.” (Diary, 699)

How can we observe the Feast of Divine Mercy?
1. Celebrate the Feast by attending the celebration offered at St Bridge’s Parish in Pleasant Hill with a Holy Hour from 3-4pm on Sunday, April 28th. During this Holy Hour there will be Exposition, the Divine Mercy Chaplet (please bring your Rosary, available Confessions, and Benediction).
2. Sincerely repent of all our sins
3. Place our complete trust in Jesus
4. Go to Confession, preferably before Divine Mercy Sunday (Fr. Vogel is always willing to hear Confessions, even outside of the scheduled Confessions)
5. Receive Holy Communion on Divine Mercy Sunday
   “The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet.”
6. Venerate the Divine Mercy image (which will be present at the Holy Hour at St. Bridge) make a gesture of deep religious respect
7. Be merciful to others, through our actions, words, and prayers on their behalf

Saint John Paul II canonized St. Faustina on Divine Mercy Sunday in 2000. He also established Divine Mercy Sunday as a feast day for the entire Church. This includes receiving a plenary indulgence to all those who celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday!

A Divine Mercy Novena will begin on Good Friday, April 19th. Instructional pamphlets explaining the novena will be handed out after our weekend Masses soon. Our Lord said to St. Faustina:
“Encourage souls to say the chaplet which I have given you… Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy. I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those souls who trust in My mercy…Through the Chaplet you will obtain everything, if what you ask for is compatible with My will.”