St. Bridget Parish
April 7 & 8, 2018

Sunday of the Divine Mercy

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DO YOU LOVE PLAYING TRIVIA?

Join us on Saturday, April 28th, @ 7:00 pm

50’s Rock & Roll Night

GRAB YOUR SHADES AND TRAVEL BACK IN TIME!

Join Us for an Evening of Food, Drinks, Trivia, And Lots of Fun, & Laughter

As You and Your Team Compete Against Other Teams for the Top Prize!

Only 20 tables available!

Sign-up on or Before Sunday, April 15th and pay only $100 per table.

After April 15th tables will be $125 each

Individuals not on a team: $20 per person

Must be 14 years of age or older

Table & Costumes must be with the 50’s Theme.

PRIZES AWARDED!

For 1st & 2nd Place Trivia Winners ~ Best Table Decorations ~ Best Team Costumes

(Proceeds go toward renovating Ledwidge Hall)

Sign-up & Rule Sheets Located in the Vestibule

For more information, contact Laurie Himmelberg @ 540-4563 or l.himm@embarqmail.com
Producing God's Children Workshop

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph will sponsor a Protecting God's Children Workshop on Monday, April 23 at 9:00am in the A/B Room at Holy Spirit Parish. Protecting God's Children is intended to raise awareness of child sexual abuse. Adults who attend the 3-hour session will come away with practical information about the warning signs of child abuse, ways to prevent it, and strategies for handling suspicions of abuse, and ways to respond. If you would like to attend our session, please pre-register online at www.rpinet.com. Click on the Registration button at the top right of the page. Select the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, MO and follow the steps for the information which follow.

If you experience any difficulty pre-registering, please contact Laurie Jo Holmes at holmes@diocesekcsj.org or (816) 820-0666; she is happy to help sign you up for the workshop. ALL volunteers working in children’s programs of our parish are required by the diocese to attend this session; however, all persons interested in making our world safer for children are welcome and encouraged to attend. You’re invited to join us beforehand for Mass at 8:00am and/or breakfast at 8:30am.

FERTILITYCARE™ CENTER of Kansas City

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. Register online at www.fertilitycarekc.com, or call the FertilityCare™ Center of Kansas City at (816) 858-0198.

Shelby Schaller, FertilityCare Practitioner
sschaller@fertilitycarekc.com
www.fertilitycarekc.com

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 1-800-392-3778 (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 Valentine at 816-812-2500 or JenniferValentine@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@dineckc.org, or for more information contact the Office of Child and Youth Protection at 756-1850 (x540).

We had to reschedule our retreat due to an illness by the speaker, and have rescheduled it as shown below.

All Women are invited to a retreat led by Anne Ogilvie to be held at St Robert Bellarmine Parish

Please join us the evening of Thursday, April 26 in the Parish Center
6:30-7:00 Register, enjoy homemade cookies and coffee, visit with friends
7:00-8:30 Anne Ogilvie will give a presentation on “Finding Faith When the Well is Dry”
There is no charge for this event, and all women are welcome.
Feel free to invite any friends and relatives you would like. We would like to have a count so we have the correct number of chairs set up and so we can estimate refreshments.
Please RSVP to Cindy Famuliner at cindyfam@comcast.net

What a great way to spend an evening during lent!

Second Sunday of Easter 8 2
1 John 5:1-6

Anthem, Allegiance, and Creed

When we sing the national anthem, recite the pledge of allegiance, or fly the flag at home, we citizens perform an action that expresses who we are and what we believe. We don’t have to recite the entire constitution. It’s enough to enact a smaller but central symbol of our country.

At church, we recite our creed every week. And on Easter we renew our baptismal promises—which put the creed in question... or the whole catechism. We say this smaller text to express who we are and what we believe. It is a symbol of our faith.

Easter is the season that renews our faith. Our central belief is the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. When we hold fast to that faith, everything else falls in line.

John writes in his first letter, “Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God.” Every Easter, those who are catechumen preparing for this day profess their belief in Jesus. In that faith they are baptized. They are born again. They are begotten by God.

Our Easter faith will see us through bad times and add meaning to our happy days. Jesus is the Christ, the anointed one of God, the promised redeemer, and he is risen. He is our anthem, our allegiance, and our creed.

Thanks to the efforts of Monsignor Murphy and the lay Clergy President, Pastor Dave Owsley we are again a full member of the lay Clergy Council.

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Each church member of the Lay Clergy is a sister or brother of the diocese. Our mission is to support and encourage the parish, diocesan, and other religious organizations. Each church member of the Lay Clergy is encouraged to have their own “Sharing of the Green” fundraiser. The next Sharing of the Green event will be at the Christian Church on May 18th. It will consist of a taco meal and fundraiser, more info to come.

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Meals on Wheels is permanently relocating to the lower level of the Christian Church on Cedar.

Lay Clergy News

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at St. Bridget Catholic Church on Thursday, April 12, 2018. Five screenings will be offered that can scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package, which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from $149 ($139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this $129, please call 1-888-863-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle or text the word circle to 797979

“I AM INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?” Contact Msgr. Murphy

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Learn About Your Faith

ONLINE GIVING

Online Giving is here at St. Bridget Parish. You can easily access the web page by going to the parish website or by scanning the QR code. Electronic giving allows you the freedom to set up a regular monthly donation transaction, change your current transactions, or give a one-time gift to St Bridget. We have 42 families who currently utilize electronic giving every month via a checking or savings account or by using their credit card. Electronic giving is an easy and consistent method of donating to St. Bridget. Now, you can have more control of your donating activity.

All transactions are administered by a secure provider, Vantage Point, which then integrates with our church census software to account for donations. Your transactions are secure and your data protection is very important. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

The Lectionary Bulletin Inserts, Year C: First and Second...
**Calendrier des événements**

**Dimanche, 8 avril**
- 8:30 am Rosary
- 9:00 am Mass
- 6:00 pm EDGE

**Lundi, 9 avril**
- 8:30 am Mass
- 6:30 pm Finance Council
- 7:30 pm Parish Council

**Mardi, 10 avril**
- 8:30 am Mass
- 9:00 am Prayer & Rosary Group

**Mercredi, 11 avril**
- 8:30 am Mass
- 6:00 pm TMY
- 6:30 pm SOR
- 6:30 pm W of F

**Jeudi, 12 avril**
- 8:00 am – 6:00 pm Life Line Screening
- 8:30 am Mass
- 7:30 pm K of C Meeting

**Vendredi, 13 avril**
- 8:30 am Ceneration Service
- 9:00 am Bible Study
- 1:00 pm Bulletin Deadline for April 22nd Bulletin

**Samedi, 14 avril**
- 4-4:45 pm Reconciliation
- 5:00 pm Mass
- Sisters of St. Francis Book Sale
- Ledwidge Hall

**Dimanche, 15 avril**
- 8:30 am Rosary
- 9:00 am Mass
- K of C Breakfast following Mass
- Sisters of St. Francis Book Sale
- Register Your Trivia Team

**Today to Quality for the $100 Table Rate**
- 6:30 pm HSYG

**Welcome to St. Bridget!**

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 [www.stbridgetcatholicchurch.org](http://www.stbridgetcatholicchurch.org).

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

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**Sisters of St. Francis Book Sale:** Join the Sisters of St. Francis on Saturday, April 14 & Sunday, April 15 following each Mass in Ledwidge Hall, where they will be holding a book sale.

Found in Switzerland in 1378, the Sisters of St. Francis are a small group of women vowed to Jesus Christ in poverty, chastity and obedience, living in community and serving in the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph for over 125 years.

**Food Pantry Needs**

The Food Pantry is in need of the following items: Tuna, Peanut Butter, Juice, Soup and Crackers.

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**Little Sisters of the Poor Visit**

On the weekend of April 28th & 29th, the Little Sisters of the Poor will be visiting our Parish. Our Kansas City home is one of over 176 homes operated by the Little Sisters of the Poor in 36 countries throughout the World. Your support will enable them to continue their mission of caring for the elderly poor in a spirit of joy and dignity. Any assistance you are able to give will be deeply appreciated. Blessings!

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**SOR Weather Cancellation Procedure**

The St. Bridget SOR cancellation procedure will follow the Pleasant Hill School District for cancellation of classes due to bad weather. If Pleasant Hill Schools have been dismissed early or cancelled completely due to bad weather, St. Bridget’s SOR program will be cancelled that evening as well.

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**K of C Scholarship**

The St. Bridget Sons of Mercy Scholarship is intended to help a member of St. Bridget Catholic Church pursue post-secondary educations at an institution of higher learning. Funds from this $1000, one-time, non-renewable scholarship may be used at any two-year college, four-year college or technical school.

Requirements for this scholarship are as follows:

1. The student must be a member of St. Bridget Catholic Church.
2. The student must be a senior graduating in 2018.
3. The student must be enrolled in a two-year college, four-year college or technical school.

**Deadline for Application:** Friday, April 13, 2018 at 4:00 pm.

Applications are located on the table in the Vestibule. Applications are also available in the parish office or online at [www.stbridgetcatholicchurch.org](http://www.stbridgetcatholicchurch.org).

The winner of this scholarship will be notified in writing and the award will be presented during Mass.

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**Nelson Gipson Scholarship**

The Altar & Rosary Society offers a yearly $500 scholarship in memory of Nelson Gipson a beloved parishioner who played the organ at St. Bridget for over 50 years. Applicants can be anyone in the immediate family of registered St. Bridget parishioners (as of 03/01/2018) who is or will be enrolling in a program of higher education in the fall of 2018. Persons meeting either criteria #1 - Graduating seniors who are members of St. Bridget Parish and are planning to pursue a degree in any field or #2: Any parishioner who is currently enrolled in a program of higher education #3: Applicant must be a practicing Catholic, verifiable by the pastor and may not have received the scholarship previously.

**Application Deadline:** Applications must be turned into the parish office no later than 4pm on Friday, April 13, 2018.