Liturgical Roles & Services
August 17 & 18
LECTORS:
5:00 pm  Jim Holmes, Laurie Jo Holmes
8:00 am  Chris Porter, Rick Bouchard
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY EUCHARIST:
5:00 pm  Dan Zander
8:00 am  Cathy Vogel
Homebound:  Cathy Vogel
SERVERS:
5:00 pm  Ella & Seth Greenswald
8:00 am  Garrett & Ryan Canaan
ROSARY LEADERS:
5:00 p.m.  Jim & Laurie Jo Holmes
8:00 a.m.  Chris Porter
SACRISTAN:
5:00 pm  Mike & Arlene Casey
8:00 pm  Rick & Nancy Bouchard
USHERS:
5:00 pm  TBA
8:00 am  Ruth, Sheehan, Bock, Breitbach
MONEY COUNTERS:
Aug 17 & 18  Rita’s Team
CHURCH CLEANERS:
August 24  Donna's Team
CANTORS:
5:00 pm  Katlin Long w/ Justin Hurst
8:00 am  Jenny Hamilton w/ Daniel Yung
Mowing & Trimming August 25:  Lance Ruth & Ed Medlock

Liturgical Roles & Services
August 24 & 25
LECTORS:
5:00 pm  Rick Bouchard, Liana Kilgore
8:00 am  Mary Grahl, Jim Holmes
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY EUCHARIST:
5:00 pm  Pat Devolder
8:00 am  Cathy Vogel
Homebound:  Marijo O’Malley
SERVERS:
5:00 pm  Tavin Glass
8:00 pm  Ryan & Curtiss Schaller
ROSARY LEADERS:
5:00 p.m.  Dan Zander
8:00 a.m.  Chris Zander
SACRISTAN:
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8:00 pm  Rick & Nancy Bouchard
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August 17 – August 25
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SUNDAY COLLECTIONS WEEKEND August 10 & 11
Collection  EFT  Total
St. Bridget Parish:  $1,284.00  +  $ 439.13  $1,723.13
Dream Fund:  $ 805.00  +  $ 5.00  $ 805.00
Youth Group:  $ 0.00  +  $ 25.00  $ 25.00
Votive Candle:  $ 0.00
Special Collection:  $ 0.00
Extra Collection:  $ 0.00

August 17 & 18  Rita’s Team
August 24 & 25  Dan’s Team
August 30  Bob Dostal & Fred Becvar

Sharing the Gospel
Would you like to live forever? Jesus would like you to. God sent Jesus so that one day we could live with him forever in heaven. Remember how the Israelites waited every morning for manna? Do you remember they got so hungry they cried? Well, Jesus wants us to wake up every morning, excited to meet him and talk to him. When we read God’s word, and when we pray every day, he wants to come inside our hearts. He wants to be the one to fill every one of our needs.

Mission for the Week
Ask your parents if you can have a snack of grape juice and bread today. Talk about how the Israelites came to get manna every morning. How can you as a family make Jesus a part of your day, every day?
Stop the medical and moral worrying! The FertilityCare™ System (Creighton Model) Introductory Session is offered monthly at a variety of area locations and long distance. This fulfills your medical policy requirement, it’s helpful for achieving and avoiding pregnancy, it has medical applications and it is better than IVP for infertility. Register online at www.fertilitycarekc.com, or call the FertilityCare™ Center of Kansas City at (816) 858-0198.

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 convenient method of donating to St. Bridget. Now, you can have more control of your donating activity.

All transactions are administered by a secure provider, Vanco Systems 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.

VOLUNTEERS

There are multiple opportunities throughout the year to volunteer at Catholic Charities KCSJ. If you’re looking for something rewarding to do with your free time or can only help occasionally on certain project, we are the place for you. Different times of the year find us working on various projects and often people are looking for service hour opportunities. To find out what our specific needs are, please contact Linda Hopkins, Volunteer Coordinator at 816-659-8205 or hopkins@ccharities.com.

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VOLUNTEERS

K of C DICE RUN

Spirit Rider tickets will be sold following Mass next weekend. More information will be included in next week’s bulletin.

The Pleasant Hill, Holden, Warrensburg, Blue Springs, and Lee’s Summit Councils of the Knights of Columbus are co-hosting their 9th annual Dice Run for Special Olympics Missouri.

Over the last eight years we have raised over $29,000 for Special Olympics Missouri and we are looking to add to that total.

Join us on Saturday, September 7th for a 110-mile trek through the countryside. Leaving Pleasant Hill and stopping in Warrensburg, Odessa, and Blue Springs to roll the dice, with a final roll and lunch in Lee’s Summit. High and low score totals will win a cash prize and high rollers will win at each stop.

This dice run isn’t just for motorcycles, take this opportunity to cruise in a classic car, your hot rod, heck even your daily driver! $35-Rider $15-Passenger

Pre-Register before August 17th to guarantee a T-Shirt!

For more information or sponsorship opportunities contact:
Don Vogel (816) 786-8951 or
Mark Wells (816) 674-5258

ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE MISSOURI CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

The Catholic Bishops of Missouri invite you to attend the Annual Assembly of the Missouri Catholic Conference on Saturday, October 5th, in Jefferson City.

Come learn about public policy from the experts who are involved in advocacy on a daily basis. The theme of this year’s gathering is “Raising the Next Generation of Catholic Advocates.” The event is free and includes lunch and childcare for children above four years of age. A youth track is available for students in middle school and up and includes a mock legislature where students can debate bills on the floor of the Missouri Senate.

To register for the event, go to MOChatholic.org or call 1-800-456-1679. See you on October 5th!

We Recommend--The Letter to the Hebrews says we can build up our endurance by reflecting on the perseverance of others. They shed the sins that kept them from their goals. “Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persuade in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus.” He endured the cross, “in order that you may not grow weary and lose heart.” Set your goals high. Thinking about them will bring you joy. But do not despair if they are hard to meet. Reaching your goals is always a struggle.

Hebrews 12:1-4

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time C 2

The next weekends in the Kansas City area will be October 4-6 and November 15-17, 2019.

Create a safe and inclusive community for everyone. Take part in the events of the next weekend. More information will be included in next week’s bulletin.

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.weconnect.com

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

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time C 2

Meeting the Challenge

Set your goals high. Thinking about them will bring you joy. But do not despair if they are hard to meet. Reaching your goals is always a struggle.

In Christian life, obstacles hamper our goals. But most of us are not facing the obstacles of the early Church. Those Christians were persecuted for their faith. Some of them were tempted to abandon Christ. In their struggle against sin, some of them resisted to the point of shedding blood. That has not happened to most of us.

Still, sin tempts us in many ways. Many young people, for example, set high goals for themselves: not to abuse drugs, not to foster racism, not to have sex outside of marriage, not to commit acts of violence, not to drink and drive. But those goals are hard to reach. Temptation appears every day.

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For more information, or to apply for a weekend, visit www.wmme4youandme.org, or call/email Tony & Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, tonybarzb@prodigy.net.
St. Bridget Autumn Fest: The date for this year’s Autumn Fest is set for Sunday, September 22nd. This is one of our biggest events and many volunteers are needed to help make it a success from the planning stage to working during the event. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Kat Crabtree or any committee member.

Individuals and Couples Needed: Our Homebound Ministry needs your help! The Homebound Ministry visits and takes the Holy Eucharist to the sick and homebound. Currently we have men & women that we visit at Pleasant Hill Rehab that look forward to our visits. But in order to keep these visits going we need more ministers to help, especially men. Currently, we have only 3 homebound ministers. A sign-up sheet has been placed on the oak table in the vestibule. If you would like more information on this very special ministry, please contact Kathy Vogel or the parish office.

Dream Fund & Ledwidge Hall Update

Dear Parish friends, a very brief update with regards to the Ledwidge Hall remodel project. There has been a flurry of meetings over the last few months with regards to the first phase of the project, HVAC. Andy Anderson has met with several contractors (KC AC, HONN Heating and Cooling, Design Mechanical). The bids have ranged from very, very high, to more reasonable expectations. No decisions have been made as we continue to assess the needs and options. We will reconvene the committee very soon to discuss the project. Many blessings to all who have invested their time and talents in the project.

THANK YOU:

Thank you, St. Bridget for making the last 11 years so amazing! I have been truly blessed to be a part of St. Bridget’s staff and I have made some wonderful friends during my time here. It’s hard to leave a job I love so much and will miss seeing and talking with you on a daily basis.

I would like to take a moment to say a special thank you to those who over the years have helped me in so many ways. I could not have done it without you! I have also loved working with the K of C and the Altar & Rosary Society over the years as well. Thank you to Tim, Msgr. Murphy & Fr. Vogel. There was never a dull moment coming treats, lol! This is not a good sign, I’m sure we will be seeing each other at Mass and at upcoming events. Until then God Bless and thank you so much for your love, support and friendship.

Love Always
Laurie Himmelberg

Sacrament of Confirmation

This year’s Confirmation classes will be starting on Thursday, September 5. If you have a youth who is going into 9th grade, and you would like for them to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact the parish office, Father Vogel, or you can contact Matt and Penni Warner at (660) 233-9159. Please keep an eye on the bulletin for further details.

Are You Interested in the Catholic Faith?

Are you interested in becoming Catholic, or just learning more about the Catholic Faith? RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) classes will be beginning in September. If you interested in attending classes, please contact the parish office, Father Vogel, or you can contact Matt and Penni Warner at (660) 233-9159. Please keep an eye on the bulletin for further details.

Confirmation Parent Meeting

If you have a youth who is planning on being Confirmed this year, there will be a parent meeting August 24 after the 5:00pm Mass in the parish hall. You will be able to meet the teachers and receive information on this year’s class. If you cannot make it, please contact Matt and Penni Warner at (660) 233-9159.

Life & Justice

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph will sponsor a Protecting God’s Children Workshop on Sunday, September 15th at 9:30am in the Adult Education Room at St. Bridget Parish Education Building. Protecting God’s Children is intended to raise awareness to 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 abuse, strategies for handling suspicions of abuse, and ways to respond. If you would like to attend our session, please pre-register online at www.virtus.org. Click on Registration at the left, select the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, MO and follow the requests for the information which follow.

If you experience any difficulty pre-registering, please contact Laurie Jo Holmes at holmes@diocesekcsj.org or (816) 820-0656; 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 a quick breakfast in the Parish Hall at 9:00am.

K of C 2019 Second Collections Schedule

Aug. 18: Diocesan Life & Justice
*Aug 21-22: K of C Blood Drive
*Sept. 8: Visiting Missionary Collection
Sept. 15: Latin America Apostolate
Oct. 6: DREAM Fund
Oct. 26: Mission Sunday
Nov. 3: DREAM Fund
Nov. 10: Archdiocese for Military Services
Dec. 1: DREAM Fund
Dec. 8: Religious Retirement
* Change in 2nd Collection Schedule

K of C Blood Drive

Give the Gift of Life on Tuesday, August 20, 2019

St. Bridget’s Knights of Columbus will host a blood drive from 3:00 – 7:00 pm in Ledwidge Hall