St. Bridget Parish
August 21 & 22, 2016

Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, “Lord, will only a few people be saved?” He answered them, “Strive to enter through the narrow gate.”
— Lk 13:24-25

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**LECTORS:**
- 5:00 pm  
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- 9:00 am  
  Jim Holmes, Laurie Jo Holmes

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- 5:00 pm  
  Ross & Charles Dale, Cindy Glass
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  Jane Fry, Jami Karr, Pam Kappler, Cathy Vogel, Tim Long, Laurie Jo Holmes
- To Shut-ins:  
  Marijo O’Malley

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**CHURCH CLEANING:**
- Saturday, August 27  
  Marijo’s Team

**CANTORS:**
- 9:00 am  
  Leilani, Pat & Steve w/Laura
- Sun: Rick Worms w/Daniel

**MOWING & TRIM:**
- August 26  
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**August 20 – August 28**

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**08/21**  
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**08/22**  
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**08/23**  
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**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS WEEKEND**

**August 13 & 14**

**St. Bridget Parish:** $2,791.00

**Love One Another Campaign:** $365.00

**Parish Debt:** $115,527.54

**Youth Group Collection:** $90.00

**Votive Candle:** $10.00

**Special Collection:** $350.00

**Find and circle these words from today’s Gospel:**

**Jesus**  
TAUGHT  
NARROW  
DOOR  
SAVED  
LOCKS  
FEAST  
KNOCK  
KINGDOM

**J E U S E S A V**

**Sharing the Gospel**

Heaven will be wonderful. People from all over the world will be there to enjoy God’s friendship. No matter how small you feel now, you will always be important to God in heaven. Once you accept the gift of love from Jesus, you will want to change your life. You will want to spend time with God, and you will want to show love to other people. Then you can look forward to heaven.

**Mission for the Week**

Pray to God with your family, and ask God to change your hearts so that you love him more than anything else.
A Quiet Morning: Coffee and Silence
Thursday, September 8

We offer our space for private retreat times on days when we have no groups scheduled. Come for a morning or a day. Spend time in silence. Walk our beautiful grounds. We are often able to accommodate individuals at other times. Ask if you have a special day or time of interest.

For more information or to register, or call 913-360-6173 or visit Sophia Spirituality Center’s website at www.sophaspiritualitycenter.org

Anger, Conflict and Forgiveness
September 8-10
Thursday, 7:00 p.m. to Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

The spiritual approach of this retreat will help you to identify the unresolved anger and ensuring conflicts that affect all your relationships. You will learn the difference between forgiveness and reconciliation, and how to let go of the pain.

For more information or to register, call 913-360-6173 or visit Sophia Spirituality Center’s website at www.sophaspiritualitycenter.org

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. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to Diocesan Ombudsman, Jennifer Valenti, at 816-812-2500 or JenniferValenti@att.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@dioscesekcsj.org, or for more information contact the Office of Child and Youth Protection at 756-1850 (x540).

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. Fulfills marriage policy requirement. Helpful for achieving and avoiding pregnancy plus medical applications. Better than IVF for infertility.

Register online at www.fertilitycarekc.com, or call the FertilityCare® Center of KC at (816) 858-0198. Para Espanol llama (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 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, 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.

From Msgr. Murphy
With “sign-ups” starting this weekend for School of Religion and looking ahead to the Confirmation Meeting with Candidates and Parents after Mass on Sunday, Sept. 11, I wanted to share a concern with you. Both groups sign a “Covenant Agreement” promising to attend Mass and to make these classes a priority. On our part, we promise to all we can to impart the Catholic faith to these young people. I know many of you take this seriously. God bless you for that. I just ask all of you to pray over what you sign because we are making a Covenant with the Lord in signing this document.

Confirmation packets will be available after mass in the vestibule and on line. Confirmation students (9th grade or above) must be attending Mass every Sunday and have been either in the School of Religion or home-schooled. With no background in the faith and no participation in Sunday mass, Confirmation class, sadly, can’t do much to impact the faith.

I am happy to announce that Marc Cardarella, author of “Keeping Your Kids Catholic” will present a three night presentation here at St. Bridget on three consecutive Tuesdays (October 11; 18; and 25). Mark the dates in your calendar. More information to follow.

Msgr. Robert Murphy

K of C DICE RUN
Special Olympics Missouri DICE RUN Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Knights on Bikes Benefiting Special Olympics Missouri Saturday August 27, 2016

Registration starts at 9 a.m. Kickstarts up at 10 a.m. Approximately 100-mile ride. $25 – Rider, $15- passenger. High score wins $100 – Low score wins $50. The route: Gail’s Harley – Davidson, Belton, Harrisonville, Pleasant Hill for lunch and final roll.


Contact Don Vogel @ 816-786-8951

Twenty-first Century in Ordinary Time C 1
Isaiah 66: 16-21

Inviting All People

The greatest music ever written appeals to people of every culture. People who do not speak a common language can all enjoy the same music. If the music is well written, it will touch the spirit of any human.

The same can be said of architecture, sculpture, and painting. People of all cultures can share the same treasures. This is also true of many sports like soccer and athletic achievements like running a marathon.

It is also true of the gospel. The message of Jesus Christ appeals to believers all over the world because it proclaims the news that all can be saved.

In the prophecy of Isaiah, God promised to gather together people of every language. Representatives from Israel would go to foreign nations and distant coastlands. Foreigners would hear about God and would come back to Jerusalem to make an offering there. New leaders would be raised up from these foreigners. It is a bold vision proclaiming the universality of God’s intent.

In both the Old and the New Testament, it slowly became evident that God intended to invite all people of all nations into a holy relationship.

How do you help God’s work? Do you know the names of people at church? Do you invite your neighbors and friends? Do you introduce yourself to newcomers? Anyone can understand the Christian message, but first it must be heard.
**PARISH NEWS FOR ALL**

**ANNUAL LIFE & JUSTICE CAMPAIGN PARISH COLLECTION-August 20 & 21:** Join the campaign to share your gifts! The Life & Justice Campaign supports local organizations dedicated to defending the dignity of the person and the sanctity of human life. To learn more, please visit www.lifeandjusticekc.org.

**MINISTRY FAIR:** A Ministry Fair is planned for the weekend of September 10th & 11th following each Mass. One volunteer from each ministry is needed to help with sign ups and to help answer any questions about their particular ministry during the fair. Please contact Linda Ochs before the fair date if you can help. Please note the date correction. Last weekend’s bulletin had the incorrect date for the ministry fair.

**HELPING TYLER TOOMAY:** The friends of Tyler Toomay want to sponsor Tyler again for his 6th College course. This one will be Creative Writing and cost $500 plus books. If you wish to help, please make your check to St. Bridget Church with Prison Ministry in the memo section of your check.

**LAY CLERGY NEWS**

**Food Pantry Needs** – The food pantry is struggling to meet needs this summer. We continue to receive great donations from individuals and Walmart but some meal stretching items we are having to buy weekly. These include Hamburger Helper, canned soup, pasta sides and tuna. Please consider adding these to your shopping lists.

**LOVE FUND**

School supplies: Can you believe we are getting to that time already! Applications are available at the Thrift Store for residents of Pleasant Hill and Strasburg school districts. We will be accepting donations for school supplies at Community Bank of Pleasant Hill on 7 hwy. Pencils, pens, dry erase markers, trapper keeper or similar binders, composition books, notebook paper, two pocket solid color folders with or without brads, crayons, erasers, twistables, markers- any of the usual school supplies. You can bring donations by the Thrift Store.

**EME'S **

**ROSAry LEADERS**

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**Cantor's**

**GREETERS**

**HOMEBOUND**

**NEEdED!**

**USHERS**

**CHOIR MEMBER'S**

**sACRISTANS**

**K OF C BLOOD DRIVE**

Give the Gift of Life!

**Thursday, August 25th, 2016**

St. Bridget’s Knights of Columbus will host a blood drive from 3:00 – 6:30 pm in Ledwidge Hall

Sign-up Sheet located in the Vestibule

**WOMEN OF FAITH NEWS**

**SON Registration Weekend**

School has finally started and we will once again turn our attention to the kids with all their activities. But don’t forget that St. Bridget offers some great opportunities for your children as well. Why not check out our Middle School EDGE Group & HSYG Facebook page to see all the fun things they do throughout the year. Contact Bill Kennedy or Lisa Thomas if you would like to join in on the fun.

Registration for our 2016-17 School of Religion (SOR) program will begin on August 20th & 21st. Contact Melissa Thornsberry for more information.

If you would like to be an SOR (School of Religion) teacher, teacher’s aide, or a substitute for the 2016-17 SOR session, please contact Melissa Thornsberry this weekend following each Mass or the parish office.

Do you have a child who is of confirmation age? Contact Msgr. Murphy for more information.

Confirmation classes will begin Sunday, September 18th following 9:00 am Mass.

Confirmation packets are now ready and located on the small white table in the vestibule for those who will be attending Confirmation Classes this year. If you take a packet, please sign your name to the form so we will know how much material to order for this year’s class.

A Youth Mass & picnic is planned for 4:00 pm Sunday afternoon October 4th at the Pleasant Hill City Park.

**CLIP & SAVE**

**August**

20/21 – SOR Registration Weekend

25 – K of C Blood Drive

27/28 – Mission Appeal Weekend

**September**

4 – Labor Day/Parish Office Closed

7 – SOR Teachers Meeting

11 – Meeting with Parents & Confirmation Candidates.

14 – SOR Classes Begin

18 – 1st Confirmation Class

25 – St. Bridget Autumn Fest

Shelby Schaller
Fertility Care Practitioner Intern
www.fertilitycarekc.com

**K of C NEWS**

August

25 – K of C Blood Drive

27 – K of C Dice Run – We cook lunch.

September

8 – K of C Meeting

18 – Breakfast

**WHAT’S GOING ON AT ST. BRIDGET!**