St. Bridget Parish
August 27 & 28, 2016

When you are invited, go and take the LOWEST place so that when the HOST comes to you he may say, ‘My friend, move up to a HIGHER position.’ For everyone who EXALTS himself will be humbled, but the one who HUMBLEs himself will be exalted.

LUKE 14:10AB, 11

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Your Parish
Where Faith and Family Meet

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Catholic Church
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Fr. Ryan E. Wray, Pastor
Monsignor A. Robert Murphy
Community Administrator
Gail Redmond
Assistant Parish Staff

Office Hours:
Monday – Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Saturday: 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Mass Schedule:
Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:30 a.m.
HOLY DAYS: See Schedule in Bulletin
Reconciliation:
Sat. 4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.
by appointment
Baptism:
Parent preparation session is required. Please call church office prior to the birth of the child.
Eucharistic Adoration:
First Thursday of the month from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
Anointing of Sick:
As requested after Mass and by appointment.
Marriage:
Please call when engaged. A nine-month preparation period is required (diocesan policy). One party should be a registered, attending parishioner.

Confirmation:
Program for High-School students, according to Diocesan guidelines.

Prayer Chain Request:
If you wish to be added to the prayer chain, please contact Roberta Klein at 540-5980
New Parishioners:
Welcome! Please register after Mass or stop by the Parish Office for more information.

Staff:
Monsignor A. Robert Murphy, Pastor
Gary Kappler, Deacon (816) 540-4565
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Melissa Thomsenberry, Director of Youth Religious Education
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Kathleen Chastain - (816) 392-0011
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Jennifer Valenti – (816) 812-2500
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ST. BRIDGET PARISH LEADERSHIP

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Bill Heinzelman wbehta27@gmail.com
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August 27 – 28

LECTORS:
5:00 pm Claire Fleischmann, Chris Porter
D.J. Breitbach, Laura Long
9:00 am

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY EUCHARIST:
5:00 pm Maurice & Pat Devolder, Susan Zanier
9:00 am Nancy Bouchard, Pat & Trudy Garry, Pan Kappler, Tim Long, Mary Levy Gaidl
To Shut-ins: Susan Zanier

SERVERS:
5:00 pm Noah Bock, Aiden Fleischmann
9:00 am Tommy Puffett, Ryan Edenburn, Ryan Schaller

ROSARY LEADERS:
7:00 a.m. Rick & Nancy Bouchard

SACRISTAN:
5:00 pm Mary Ann Batliner & Stephanie Lewis
9:00 am Pam Kappler

USHERS:
5:00 pm TBA
9:00 am Ruth, Sheehan, Thornsberry, Vogel

MONEY COUNTERS:
August 27 & 28 Rita’s Team

CHURCH CLEANING:
Saturday, Sept 3 Delores’ Team

CANTORS:
Sat: Leilani, Pat & Steve w/Laura
Sun: Rick Worms w/Daniel

MOWING & TRIM:
September 2 Mowing: Bob & Sheila
Trim: Paul Canaan

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS WEEKEND
August 20 & 21

St. Bridget Parish: $2884.75
Love One Another Campaign: $10.00
Youth Group Collection: $20.00
Votive Candle: $9.00
Special Collection: $623.60

Please remember our Love One Another Campaign.
Each month St. Bridget needs Capital Campaign Contributions of $8,008.35 for our principal and interest payment.
August Debt (Collected) $4,044.00 - $8,008.35 (Obligation) = (Deficit) ($3,964.35)

Prayer
Lord, thank you for finding me when others leave me out.

Something to Draw
Draw God walking into heaven with his arm around you.

Sharing the Gospel
If you act bossy, you might get your way, but you won't make many friends. Jesus shared a secret about making friends. If you want to be “it” first. If it is time to line up to go outside, offer to go to the back of the line and let other kids in front of you.

Mission for the Week
When you sit down with your family for dinner tonight, ask if you can serve the food. You may surprise your parents and get some pretty big smiles from them.
I want to welcome my friend Father Sunoj Thomas, OSB this weekend. As you know, once a year a missionary is assigned to our parish. He takes up a collection for his order— or for his particular work. This is the first time in my 42 years as a priest that I not only know the priest assigned to our parish but he is a friend as well.

Father Thomas’ monastery is in India, his native land. When I was Vicar General, Fr. Thomas came to our Diocese to help at Co-Cathedral in St. Joe. The pastor, Msgr. Rick Dierkes, was quite ill and eventually died. Fr. Thomas not only filled in with faith and enthusiasm but came to be loved by the people of Co-Cathedral. He exemplifies the words of Jesus in today’s Gospel: “The one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

Msgr. Robert Murphy

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 avoiding and achieving pregnancy plus medical applications. Better than IVF for infertility. Register online at www.fertilitycare.com, or call the FertilityCare® Center of KC at (816) 858-0198. Para Espanol llama (816) 858-0198.

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, Vanco Systems which then integrates with our church census software to account for donations. Your transactions are secure and your data protection is secure. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

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 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.

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The keynote speaker will be Bishop Edward Rice, the new Bishop of the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau. There will be other workshops, the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, and special discussion of issues affecting millennials. The day will conclude with a Mass concelebrated by all the Catholic bishops of Missouri.

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Eucharist: Christ Himself, the One who alone is Holy. Let Him minister to you with His healing, merciful love, making reparation for our sins and those of the whole world and thanking Him for His gifts to us.

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Holy Hour is an hour spent in the presence of the Holy Eucharist: Christ Himself, the One who alone is Holy. The most important thing to realize about making a private Holy Hour is that all you have to do is BE PRESENT TO THE ONE WHO IS PRESENT TO YOU.

This silent presence to the Lord is a precious treasure for here in the silence the Lord speaks to us. Let Him minister to you with His healing, merciful love, making reparation for our sins and those of the whole world and thanking Him for His gifts to us.

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Join us at the Ministry Fair on September 10th and 11th for a celebration of the many ministries supported by the many stewards in our parish. Consider ways that you can be more fully involved in the life of our parish or consider new opportunities. Consider the ministries in the parish, such as the liturgical ministries listed each week in the bulletin, adult and youth ministries and more. Visit the fair and then prayerfully discern what special skills and talents God might be calling you to share in our parish. Through the gifts of time and talent that our parishioners so generously share we are able to truly be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ in our parish and community. Many thanks to all those faithful and generous stewards in our parish!
**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, August 28**
- 8:30 am Rosary
- 9:00 am Mass- 2nd Collection
  - Visiting Missionary

**Monday, August 29**
- 8:30 am Mass

**Tuesday, August 30**
- 8:30 am Mass
- 9:00 am Prayer & Rosary
  - Group

**Wednesday, August 31**
- 8:30 am Mass
- 3:00 pm Revelations Study
  - Group
- 6:00 pm TMY

**Thursday, September 1**
- 8:30 am Mass
- 2:30 pm Adoration
- 7:00 pm Altar & Rosary
  - Society Meeting

**Friday, September 2**
- 8:30 am Communion Service
- 9:00 am Bible Study
- 1:00 pm Bulletin Deadline for September 11th Bulletin

**Saturday, September 3**
- 4:45 pm Reconciliation
- 5:00 pm Mass- 2nd Collection
  - Parish Debt

**Sunday, September 4**
- Coffee & Donuts Sunday
- 8:30 am Rosary
- 9:00 am Mass- 2nd Collection
  - Parish Debt

**HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS**

**LABOR DAY**

The parish office will be closed on Monday, September 5th for Labor Day.
Our regular office hours will resume Tuesday, September 6th.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?**
Contact Msgr. Murphy at frmurphy@hotmail.com

**COFFEE & DONUTS SUNDAY RETURNS!**
Coffee & Donuts Sunday begins next Sunday following Mass. Join us in Ledwidge Hall for some camaraderie. Everyone one is invited.

**ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS:** Our next scheduled meeting will be Thursday, September 7th. Rosary will begin at 6:40 pm in church and our meeting will begin immediately afterwards. Altar Cloth, Hostess, & Cemetery for September: Chris Porter

**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.

**LAY CLERGY NEWS**

Food Pantry Needs—Some items we are really low on are soup, ramen noodles and juice.

New Web page for The Lay Clergy: TLCPhill.com

**AUTUMN FEST NEWS**

Our Fall Festival is 4 weeks away and we really need volunteers. We are so desperate we have even enlisted Msgr. Murphy to help with the serving. We are still in need of table servers, ice cream sundae assistants and game assistants.

The menu has changed this year. The meal is being prepared by Kurzweils’ Country Meats and it will consist of brisket, smoked or baked turkey, baked beans, coleslaw, rolls, ice cream sundae bar, and tea, water or coffee to drink. If you purchase your tickets early, you can save some money. The tickets go on sale this weekend after Mass in the vestibule. Purchase your dinner tickets early and be entered into a raffle for early purchase!

We also will have two raffles, the first is a side of beef donated by Dr. Mark Bock, valued at $1300. Tickets for this item will be $5.00 per chance or $20 for 5 chances. The second item to be raffled is a Fire Pit designed, built and donated by Roy Brinkoetter. Tickets for this item are $1.00 per ticket or $5.00 for 6 tickets. Drawing for both items will be at 2pm on Sunday the 25th. Winners do not need to be present to win.

We will have our Silent Auction as in the past, more on that in next weeks’ bulletin.

**WOMEN OF FAITH NEWS**

Women of Faith is a faith sharing group for women of St. Bridget Parish. We read weekly material at home then come together on Wednesday nights to discuss it. Dates and times run concurrently with SOR. This year we will be making a “do-it-yourself retreat” by reading Consoling the Heart of Jesus by Fr. Michael Gaitley, based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. There will also be DVD presentations by Fr. Gaitley. The first meeting is Wednesday, September 14th at 6:30 pm in the Adult Ed Room with 6:00 social & gathering time.

To register, contact Linda Ochs at 809-8088 or Laurie Jo Holmes at 820-0656.

**K OF C NEWS**

September
- 8th – K of C Meeting
- 18th – Breakfast

October
- 13th – K of C Meeting
- 16th – Breakfast
- 29th – Host Lunch for MOSO (ALPs)

**CLIP & SAVE**

August
- 27/28 – Mission Appeal Weekend

September
- 3rd-2nd Collection for Parish Debt
- 4th-2nd Collection for Parish Debt
- 5th – Labor Day/Parish Office Closed
- 7th –SOR Teachers Meeting
- 11th – Meeting with Parents & Confirmation Candidates.
- 14th – SOR Classes Begin
- 18th – 1st Confirmation Class
- 25th – St. Bridget Autumn Fest

**WHAT’S GOING ON AT ST. BRIDGET!**

Welcome to our parish family, Justin & Jaidyn Wood! We pray that you have a wonderful visit and a safe return journey home. 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

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Shelby Schaller
Fertility Care Practitioner Intern
www.fertiliticarek.com

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