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BAPTISM:
Parent preparation session is required. Please call church office prior to the birth of the child.

EUCHARISTICADORATION: First Thursday of the month from 2:00 pm until 7:00 pm

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.

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― Mt 4:14b-17

On those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death light has arisen.
From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

St. Bridget Parish
January 21 & 22, 2017
**Liturgical Roles & Services**

**January 21 & 22**

**LECTORS:**
5:00 pm  Ann Seibolt, Katy Crabtree
9:00 am  Greg Dustman, Lorraine Hamilton

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY EUCHARIST:**
5:00 pm  Maurice & Pat Devolder, *Susan Zaner
9:00 am  Pat & Trudy Garry, *Dick Danjou, Jane Fry,
         Cathly Vogel, *Pam Kappler

**To Shut-ins:**
   Cathly Vogel

**SERVERS:**
5:00 pm  Kolton Kincaid, Ryan Schaller
9:00 am  Adam, Seth, & Ella Greenwald

**ROSARIES:**
5:00 pm  Rick & Nancy Bouchard
9:00 am  Pam Kappler

**USHERS:**
5:00 pm  TBA
9:00 am  Bock, Vogel, Thornberry, Sheehan

**MONEY COUNTERS:**
January 21 & 22  Dan’s Team

**CHURCH CLEANERS:**
January 28
Hilde’s Team

**January 28 & 29**

**LECTORS:**
5:00 pm  Guy Emhoff, Shirley Baldwin
9:00 am  Claire Fechtinham, Chris Porter

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY EUCHARIST:**
5:00 pm  *Ross & *Charleen Dale (Only need 2)
9:00 am  June Karr, Katherine Sheehan, *Liana Kilgore, *Mary Graham, Tim Long, Nancy Bouchard

**To Shut-ins:**
   Marijo O’Malley

**SERVERS:**
5:00 pm  Noah Bock
9:00 am  Aidan Fechtinham, Caleb Long, Cole Myers

**ROSARIES:**
5:00 pm  Rick & Nancy Bouchard
9:00 am  Pam Kappler

**SACRISTAN:**
5:00 pm  Mike & Arlene Casey
9:00 am  Tim Long

**USHERS:**
5:00 pm  TBA
9:00 am  Ruth, O’Connell, Kelch, Heintzelman

**MONEY COUNTERS:**
January 28 & 29  Stephanie’s Team

**CHURCH CLEANERS:**
February 4  Louise’s Team

**CANTORS:**
5:00 pm  Lesani, Pat, Laurie & Steve w/Laura Worms
9:00 am  Rick Worms w/Daniel Yung

**ST. BRIDGET PARISH LEADERSHIP**

**St. Bridget Finance Council**
Chairman: Ross Dale
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Greg Dustman
Joe Fiedler
Robert Radmacher
St. Bridget Parish Council
Chairman: Rick Kitchell
Rita Pilcher
Members:
Bill Ruth
Melissa Thornberry
Bob Dostal
Peter Sheehan

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS WEEKEND**

**January 14 & 15**

**St. Bridget Parish:**
Collection: $3,098.00
EFT: $405.00
Total: $3,503.00

**Love One Another Campaign:**
Collection: $1,470.00
EFT: $95.00
Total: $1,565.50

**Parish Debt:**
$62,499.99

**Youth Group Collection:**
Collection: $150.00
EFT: $40.00
Total: $190.00

**Votive Candle:**
Collection: $5.00
EFT: $0.00
Total: $5.00

**Special Collection:**
Collection: $699.00
EFT: $0.00
Total: $699.00

**Extra Collection:**
Collection: $0.00
EFT: $80.00
Total: $80.00

**Please remember our Love One Another Campaign.**
Each month St. Bridget needs Capital Campaign Contributions of $7,791.41 for our principal and interest payment.

January Debt (Collected mtd) $6,307.50 - $7,791.41 (Obligation) =
Overage: $1,483.91

**Prayer**

Lord, I want to be a flashlight leading others to you.

**Something to Draw**

Draw Jesus shining a flashlight on the road to heaven in front of you.

**Puzzle**

Circle the picture that is facing the wrong way. Then color in all the pictures.

**Sharing the Gospel**

Today’s Gospel talks about people living in darkness.
When you think about darkness, you may also think about stumbling, falling, or even being afraid. That’s what your life could be like without God. You could stumble around trying to find Love or happiness, but without God you will only fall. Jesus brings light into a dark, unhappy world.

With Jesus, you no longer need to stumble, and you don’t need to be afraid. God loves you.

**Mission for the Week**

Sing the song, “This Little Light of Mine.”
Is God calling you? Come and See!
The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration invite single women, ages 18-40, who are considering religious life, to attend a Monastic Experience at their monastery in Clyde, MO, March 18-22, 2017. It’s a chance to experience contemplative monastic life and to learn about discernment and prayer. There is no cost to attend, and details can be found at www.benedictinesisters.org. To register, contact Sr. Maria Victoria at 660-944-2251 ex. 127 or e-mail vocation@benedictinesisters.org.

MARRIED COUPLES - Work out from the Holidays? Are you looking for a way to avoid the January blues? How about a special weekend, just for the two of you? Register for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend today! The next weekend in Kansas City is January 27-29, 2017. For more information or to apply, please visit our website: www.wmmeyouandme.org or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066 or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net

MARDY CLERGY NEWS

1) Pastor Kent Dubner is now the newly elected President of the Lay Clergy Council.  
2) Julie Roepeke, Client Assistant Coordinator has resigned and that position is being reorganized by the client assistant committee, headed by Pastor Todd McLean.  
3) Sharing of the Green will be held on March 11, the Saturday before St. Patrick’s Day. St. Bridget will again coordinate the basket auction.  
4) If you know of anyone needing car gas to get to a new job or medical appointment, that service is being provided by the Community of Christ Church, contact Jean Hoover at (816)223-6190  
5) We could use a second representative from St. Bridget to attend the monthly meeting, held the second Tuesday of the month at 12:30. If you are interested, please contact Marijo O’Malley at (816)520-4232  
6) March is St. Bridget’s Month to help at the food pantry. Look for sign-up sheet next month.

From Msgr. Murphy:
Last weekend I found myself humming: “Oh, the weather outside is frightful...but at St. Bridget it is so delightful...that since you have some time to pass...come to Mass...come to Mass...come to Mass.” I sure prayed that we wouldn’t be hit hard and not lose power. Thank you Lord.

Today (Sunday) is the 43rd anniversary of Roe v. Wade and the legalization of abortion. We have made strides in the “Right to Life” but we can’t let our guard down. It is still a divisive issue in our country. Next Friday, Jan. 27, is the annual “March for Life” in Washington. We have several folks from our parish going. Their theme this year is “The Power of One”. One person can make a big difference. One can either stand up for Life or look away. They are right: There is “Power in One.”

Msgr. Robert Murphy

LEARN ABOUT YOUR FAITH

And Jesus said to Simon Peter and Andrew, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for food.” Matthew 4:19

Simion and Andrew were fishermans, but surely had never thought about catching people. No doubt Jesus’ words opened a whole new world of opportunities for them. So for us...Jesus invites us to look around and see the myriad ways we can be of service, care, compassion and concern.

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.stbridgecatholicchurch.org. If you are just visiting, we pray that you have a wonderful visit and a safe return journey home.
**CONFIRMATION CLASS NEWS**

Due to the inclement weather last Sunday Confirmation Class was canceled and has been rescheduled for next Sunday, January 28th at 10:15 am.

Chris Homan, a parishioner and High School Counselor, will once again this year present an important program: “Called to Protect” on Sunday, Feb. 5 following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. This is for our Confirmation Class but any High School Youth can attend. This is a **Mandated** diocesan annual youth safety awareness program.

**WHAT’S GOING ON AT ST. BRIDGET!**

**SOUPE R BOWL SUNDAY:** Once again, the Lay Clergy will hold their annual Souper Bowl Sunday fundraiser on Sunday, February 5th. Baskets will be placed in the vestibule to collect cans of soup and dollar donations that will be donated to the Pleasant Hill Food Pantry. Check out next weekend’s bulletin for more information.

**UPCOMING LITURGICAL WORKSHOP:** The diocese will be hosting a Liturgical Workshop on Saturday, January 28th at the Catholic Center, 28th W. 9th St., Kansas City, MO 64105.

The workshop schedule is as follows: 8:30 am - Reader training begins 9:45 am – Break & (EMHC check in) 10am - Theological presentation for both EMHC and Readers 11am – Theological presentation will end (Reader training is complete and readers are free to leave.) 10am – 1pm EMHC training.

If you would like to attend these trainings, please contact the parish office before the 28th and we will get you registered.

**PARISH NEWS FOR ALL**

**Sunday, January 22**
- 8:30 am Rosary
- 9:00 am Mass-2nd Collection for Military

**Monday, January 23**
- 8:30 am Mass

**Tuesday, January 24**
- 8:30 am Mass
- 9:00 am Prayer & Rosary Group

**Wednesday, January 25**
- 8:30 am Mass
- 6:00 pm TMY #14
- 6:30 pm Women of Faith

**Thursday, January 26**
- 8:30 am Mass

**Friday, January 27**
- 8:30 am Communion Service
- 9:00 am Bible Study
- 1:00 pm Bulletin Deadline for February 5th Bulletin

**Saturday, January 28**
- 4:45 pm Reconciliation
- 5:00 pm Mass
- Ladies Parish Dinner

Immediately Following Mass
- 10:15 Confirmation Class

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**

The Food Pantry is in desperate need of the following items: Tuna, Juice, Soup, Mac & Cheese, Pasta & Sauce, Hamburger Helper, Pasta Sides, Peanut Butter, Cereal, & Crackers. The Food Pantry served 61 families last month. Our shelves are bare and we need your help to restock them. Thank you for your generosity.

**PARISH NEWS OF EVENTS**

**January 28 – Ladies Dinner**

**February 29 – Corporate Communion Sunday**

**March 19 – K of C Breakfast**

The challenge is on to see who can unseat our 3 time Champion Mr. Ed Medlock! Join us for an evening of Mouse Races, Chili cook-off competition, & Mardi Gras fun!

This is a great family event and fun for all who come!