**St. Bridget Parish Leadership**

**St. Bridget Finance Council**
Chairman: Ross Dale  
Gary Crabtree  
Greg Dustman  
Joe Fiedler  
Robert Radmacher

**St. Bridget Parish Council**
Chairman: Rick Kittrell
Secretary: Rita Pilcher
Members: Bill Ruth  
Melissa Thornsberry  
Bob Dostal  
Mark Beek

**LECTORS:**
June 16 & 17  
6:00 pm  
Damon Caramela, Shirley Lewis
9:00 am  
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**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY EUCHARIST:**
June 16 & 17  
Dawn & Susan Kane, Stephanie Lewis
9:00 am  
*Marijo O'Malley, Dick Danjou, Cathy Vogel  
*Ianti Karr  
Need 3 More EMEs

**Homestead:**
Cathy Vogel

**SERVERS:**
June 16 & 17  
6:00 pm  
Need 1-2 Servers
9:00 am  
Brett Greuf, Olivia & Anna Caramela

**ROSARY LEADERS:**
9:00 am  
Rick & Nancy Bouchard

**SACRISTAN:**
June 16 & 17  
6:00 pm  
Mary Ann Baller, Stephanie Lewis
9:00 am  
Don & Cathy Vogel

**USHERS:**
June 16 & 17  
6:00 pm  
TBA
9:00 am  
Thornsberry, Sheehan, Ruth, O'Connell

**MONEY COUNTERS:**
June 16 & 17  
Dan's Team

**CHURCH CLEANERS:**
June 30  
Louise's Team

**CANTORS:**
June 16 & 17  
6:00 pm  
Grace Riley w/Laura Worms
9:00 am  
Rick Worms w/Daniel Young

**Mowing & Trimming June 22:**
Lance Rust & Bob Schmidt

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**WHAT'S GOING ON AT ST. BRIDGET! Continued**

**VBS**

**Hey Kids!**
Mark your calendars for VBS (Vacation Bible School)! Starting at 6 pm Sunday, July 8th – Wednesday, July 11th. For more information, check out our St. Bridget SOR Facebook page!

**St. Bridget’s Ledwidge Hall**

**K OF C NEWS**

**July**

3 – Parish Picnic  
12 – K of C Meeting

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**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS WEEKEND June 9 & 10**

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Please remember our Dream Campaign  
June Dream Fund MTD: $3,757.50

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**MSGR. MURPHY’S RETIREMENT**

**You're Invited**

Msgr. Murphy’s Retirement  
**DATE**
Sunday, June 24th  
(Following 9:00 am Mass)

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**VBS TEACHERS NEEDED**

VBS (Vacation Bible School) is set for Sunday, July 8th – Wednesday, July 11th. We will begin with dinner being served at 5:30 pm in Ledwidge Hall followed by VBS at 6:00 pm

If you would like to be a VBS teacher or have any questions for our upcoming VBS, please contact Mel Thornsberry at irish_girl7979@yahoo.com before Sunday, July 8th.
God the Gardener

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time B 1
Ezekiel 17:22-24

God the Gardener

This is Fr. Vogel, and Greetings to everyone who are long-time parishioners from my childhood years and Greetings to everyone whom I have not had the pleasure of getting to know just yet!

Being assigned as a Priest of Jesus Christ to one's home parish just three short years after being ordained is quite rare. Apparently, something similar happened to our bishop, Bishop Johnston, during his early years of the priesthood. I am excited to return home, and to return home as the priest for you all.

If you need to summarize how I approach the Roman Catholic Priesthood of Jesus Christ, it is summarized in one short sentence: the salvation of souls. I do my best to not just talk the talk but to also walk the talk. My dad having a German background in his upbringing and my mom being born and raised in Colombia, South America, I have grown up with a very strong sense of organization, passion, and compassion that I have isolated and used in the priesthood.

As we are now teamed up with St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Holden, things will naturally be different around St. Bridge's because of this new relationship, but what will remain the same is us all drawing closer to our Lord and our Jesus Christ. With the aid of our Guardian Angel, Patron Saint, Confirmation name Saint, St. Bridget herself, and the loving and powerful intercession of our Mother Mary, we will all delve even more deeply into God's tremendous and Infinite Merciful Love that is always readily available.

I love the Sacraments of the Catholic Church, and that's why I have provided more opportunities for the Sacrament of Confession and rather unique times for Mass so that we all may be able to draw the Objectives of these Sacraments to help us on our journey towards heaven. I pray you may discern how these may be of use to you in your life journey in drawing closer to God.

I have three Great Loves and they are in this order: (1) the Catholic Priesthood of Jesus Christ. These three Great Loves help to me to dive more into the great Mystery of the Most Holy Trinity so that I may be the best priest that God is wanting me to be for the parishioners here at St. Bridge's and St. Patrick's. You all have been in my daily prayers since I heard of this new parish assignment, and never hesitate to let me know if you need prayers for a particular intention. Please pray for me, even one devout Hail Mary can make all the difference, so that God dominates, and His Kingdom is brought forth.

Godspeed.
Fr. Vogel
**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, June 17**  
Father’s Day  
8:00 – 8:50 am Reconciliation  
8:30 am Rosary  
9:00 am Mass  
**Monday, June 18**  
No Mass  
**Tuesday, June 19**  
No Mass  
**Wednesday, June 20**  
8:20 Prayer & Rosary  
No Mass  
**Thursday, June 21**  
No Mass  
**Friday, June 22**  
9:00 am Bible Study  
1:00 pm Bulletin Deadline for July 1st Bulletin  
**Saturday, June 23**  
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**ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS:** Due to our upcoming July Garage Sale we will not hold a July meeting. Cemetery & Altar Cloths – Ann Seibolt.  

**EVENT LEADERS NEEDED:** During the year St. Bridget hosts 4 events for our parishioners. Three of these are fundraisers for our parish. They are the Annual Mardi Gras & Chili Cook-off held the Saturday before Ash Wednesday, Autumn Fest held in late September or early October, & Trivia Night. We are currently looking for a Committee/Individual to take over Chairing the Autumn Fest. We have had many volunteers over the years who have worked very hard to develop this wonderful community event. Planning begins in early June, so a chairperson or co-chairperson are critical. If you would like to be involved with this event, please contact Tim or Laurie at the parish office as soon as possible.

**ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY GARAGE SALE NEWS:** We have received several phone calls about dropping off donations for our upcoming Garage Sale. At this time, we cannot accept any items until Monday, June 25th. We ask that before you drop off your donations that you call the parish office at 540-4565.  

**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.

**GARAGE SALE NEWS**

With the Altar & Rosary Society’s Annual Garage & Bake Sale just around the corner on July 26th – 28th, they would like to let you know ahead of time a list of items that they will **NOT** accept:

1. Computers and peripherals  
2. Old style non-flat panel TVs  
3. Mattresses  
4. Adult Clothes  
5. Non-working appliances  
6. Worn out upholstered furniture  
7. ALL infant car seats  
8. ALL drop-side cribs  

If you have any questions about any of the above listed items, please contact the Altar & Rosary Society for more information.

Gently used household treasures needed. We will once again accept and sell new and gently used infant and children’s clothing.

**NOTE:** Please call the parish office before you drop off any items for the Altar & Rosary Society Garage Sale. Thank you!

**TRAINED**

**Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministry Training:**  
Saturday, July 28, 2018: 8:30 am – 12:30 pm @ our Lady of Lourdes Harrisonville. If interested, please contact St. Bridget’s Parish Office.

**PITCHING FOR PRIESTS**

**Friday, July 6th 7:00 PM**

hosted by Catholic Radio Network

**PitchingforPriests.com**

**WATCH MISSOURI PRIESTS VS. KANSAS PRIESTS PLAY SOFTBALL**  
COMMUNITY AMERICA BALLPARK - T-BONES STADIUM

**PURCHASE TICKETS ONI INF. QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL CATHOLIC RADIO AT 816-630-1090**

Fr. Vogel will be playing in the game this year!  
Tickets: Adults $12, Child (12 & under) $5  
Tailgating will begin at 4:00 pm

**St. Bridget Parish Picnic & Welcome Reception for Fr. Vogel Tuesday Evening, July 3rd!!**

Join us for St. Bridget’s Independence Day Picnic and fireworks extravaganza brought to you by the Knights of Columbus. This year’s festivities will once again take place at the home of Don and Cathy Vogel at 32210 E. 179th Street, Pleasant Hill.

This year’s picnic will also include a MEET & GREET for Fr. Curt Vogel as we welcome him to St. Bridget.

The Knights will be providing grilled meat, homemade ice cream, plates/napkins/silverware, and a fireworks show. Singles and couples are asked to bring a side dish to share and families are asked to bring two sides. Everyone should also bring their own beverages and lawn chairs.

**Date is Tuesday, July 3rd, with Dinner beginning at 7:00 pm. Please RSVP on the sign-up sheet located in the vestibule on the oak table.**