**ST. BRIDGET PARISH LEADERSHIP**

**Chairman:** Ross Dale  
**Secretary:** Rick Kitchell  
**Members:** Bill Ruth, Melissa Thornsberry, Bob Dostal, Mark Bock

**ST. BRIDGET FINANCE COUNCIL**

**Chairman:** Ross Dale  
**Secretary:** Rick Kitchell  
**Members:** Bill Ruth, Melissa Thornsberry, Bob Dostal, Mark Bock

**ST. BRIDGET PARISH COUNCIL**

**Chairman:** Rick Kitchell  
**Secretary:** Rita Pilcher  
**Members:** Bill Ruth, Melissa Thornsberry, Bob Dostal, Mark Bock

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**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS WEEKEND**  
May 13 & 14

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**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.

May Debt (Collected mtd) $5,498.50 - $7,791.41 (Obligation) =  
Overage + (Deficit) ($2,292.91)

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**SACRISTAN:**

- May 27 & 28: Ross & Charleen Dale, Mary Ann Batliner & Stephanie Lewis
- May 13 & 14: Pam Kappler
- May 20 & 21: Mary Ann Batliner & Stephanie Lewis
- May 20: Mary Ann Batliner & Stephanie Lewis
- May 22: Mary Ann Batliner & Stephanie Lewis
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- May 26: Mary Ann Batliner & Stephanie Lewis
- May 27: Mary Ann Batliner & Stephanie Lewis
- May 28: Mary Ann Batliner & Stephanie Lewis

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**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY EUCHARIST:**

- May 27 & 28: Ross & Charleen Dale, Mary Ann Batliner & Stephanie Lewis
- May 13 & 14: Mary Ann Batliner & Stephanie Lewis
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**USHERS:**

- May 27 & 28: TBA
- May 13 & 14: TBA
- May 20 & 21: TBA
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- May 21: TBA
- May 22: TBA
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- May 24: TBA
- May 25: TBA
- May 26: TBA
- May 27: TBA
- May 28: TBA

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**SERVERS:**

- May 27 & 28: Noah Bock
- May 13 & 14: Noah Bock
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**CANTORS:**

- May 27 & 28: No Music
- May 13 & 14: No Music
- May 20 & 21: No Music
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**WOMEN’S TEAM:**

- May 27 & 28: Louise’s Team

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**MOWING & TRIMMING JUNE 6**

- Lance Ruth & Paul Canaan

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**ST. BRIDGET PARISH**

**LEADERSHIP**

- Just don’t stand there! Help me get back up!
- Don’t miss out on next year’s fun! Contact Adrian & Hattie Johnson to find out how you can join our Middle School EDGE program!
- For more information about our wonderful SOR (School of Religion Program) which begins in September and our upcoming VBS (Vacation Bible School) in July, contact Melissa Thornsberry our Director of Education.
- And if you are in High School, don’t worry we haven’t forgotten you! Our HSYG is just for you. Contact Lisa Thomas for more information and find out more about the NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference) trip this fall in Indianapolis, Indiana!
Marian Conference III

The Marian Conference III --- a 2-day spiritual and inspirational event --- will be hosted for our Diocese at St. Robert Bellarmine, in Blue Springs, on June 23 and 24, 2017. This year’s event coincides with 2 important feast days for our church: The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus AND the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Parishioners, families, and friends are encouraged to attend. Look for flyers in the back of church or go to: Roverbellarmini.org/mc3 to learn more.

Clay and Fire

Friday, May 26, 7:00 pm – Sunday, May 28, 2:00 pm
Sophia Spirituality Center, a ministry of the Benedictine Sisters of Mount St. Scholastica
751 South 8th Street, Atchison, KS

“Come, go down to the potter’s house and there I will let you hear my Word.” (Jer. 18:2). Working with the medium of clay, participants will listen to God speaking to them through the elements of creation. The day is led by Sister Alberta Hermann, OSB.

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

The story goes that Philip the deacon went from Jerusalem to Samaria to preach the gospel there. But after he baptized ... Holy Spirit. It appears from the story that Philip needed help. It looks like he did not do a very good job on his own.

Catholic Key - Missions

For all who would like to send Tyler Toomay a card for his 25th Birthday on May 25, his new address is:

Tyler Toomay #1234157
Western Missouri Correctional Center
609 E Pence Road
Cameron, MO 64429

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 consistent method of donating to St. Bridget. Now, you can have more control of your donations.

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

MSGR. MURPHY

From Msgr. Murphy:

We had a prayerful remembrance of deceased members of our Knights of Columbus last Thursday at a Memorial Mass. Rick Bouchard is to be commended for his hard work in putting this together. As we pray for those who have gone before us, we ask for their intercession for our lives here on earth.

This coming week you will receive the first of two letters about our annual Pledge Drive. Our theme this year is: “Replace Debt with a Dream”. As we look to paying off our debt this year, we want to begin to build for the “dreams” of our parishioners about the future of St. Bridget.

LEARN ABOUT YOUR FAITH

SOURNALIST PRESS

Sixth Sunday of Easter A 1
Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Surprising Heroes

The story goes that Philip the deacon went from Jerusalem to Samaria to preach the gospel there. But after he baptized the people, Peter and John still had to follow after him to lay hands on the new believers so they could receive the Holy Spirit. It appears from the story that Philip needed help. It looks like he did not do a very good job on his own.

But give credit where it is due. Samaria was hardly the place the apostles expected the gospel to take root. They must have been surprised that Philip got anywhere at all with the people who had been enemies of Jerusalem for so long.

Remember how Jesus surprised people with the parable of the Good Samaritan, and that the only grateful leper among the ten he cured was Samaritan too. Nobody expected Samaritans to be heroes. But Philip the deacon made headway in enemy territory. He preached, expelled demons, and cured the paralyzed. Not a bad record.

LEARN ABOUT YOUR FAITH

The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Saturday, June 4, 2017 at 2:00 pm. The celebration includes those Anniversary couples whose 50th Wedding Anniversary falls between June 1st and June 30th this year! PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD!!! The celebration will begin at 3:30 pm with the game beginning at 7:00 pm!

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The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting 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, Jenifer Valenti, at 816-812-2500 or JeniferValenti@art.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.

Everyone is welcome to come and help. Many hands make for quick work!
**WHAT'S GOING ON AT ST. BRIDGET!**

**Parish News for All**

**PLEDGE LETTERS:** The first of 2 pledge letters will be going out in the mail this week. If you do not receive your letter, please contact the parish office as soon as possible.

**REGISTRATION WEEKEND:** If you are new to St. Bridget and have not yet registered with our parish you will have the chance to do so during the weekend of June 10th & 11th following each of our weekend Masses. Or perhaps you have been attending Mass here on a regular basis for some time but never had a chance to register, if so we ask that you please do so during this Registration Weekend.

**MEALS ON WHEELS:** Meals on Wheels needs help 4 hours a day to help package food. If you can help, call Ruth at (816)914-3317.

**Food Pantry**

The Food Pantry is in need of the following items:
- Tuna
- Soup
- Spaghetti & Sauce
- Peanut Butter

**Job Opportunity**

Program Coordinator: Immigration & Refugee Ministry

This position will be responsible for assisting the Director of Human Rights Office with the implementation, coordination and maintenance of the diocesan program for immigration and refugee concerns. This will include activities associated with education, pastoral care, prayer and worship, and public policy advocacy, as well as the execution of basic administrative responsibilities. This role will serve as the primary point of contact for questions and requests for assistance and resources from the members of our diocese. This is a part-time, non-exempt position located at the Chancery based upon a flexible schedule of 15-20 hours per week.

To Apply:

**Attention High School Youth Group!**

National Catholic Youth Conference is this fall in Indianapolis, Indiana! Twenty-Five thousand Catholic youth from all over the United States coming together to worship and learn more about our faith! To learn more about this fantastic opportunity, come to a meeting May 21st after Sunday Mass in the Adult Education room.

Bring your parents, too.

**Garage Sale News**

With the Altar & Rosary Society’s Annual Garage & Bake Sale just around the corner on July 27-29, they would like to let you know ahead of time a list of items that they will **NOT** accept.

- Computers and peripherals
- Old style non-flat panel TVs
- Mattresses
- Adult Clothes
- Non-working appliances
- Worn out upholstered furniture
- ALL infant car seats
- ALL drop-side cribs

If you have any questions about any of the above listed items, please contact Jane Fry 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!

**K of C News**

- May 20 – Admission Degree Harrisonville 7 pm
- June 24 – K of C Blood Drive

**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.

**Memorial Day Masses**

- Monday, May 29, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.
  - Memorial Day holiday.

**KCSJ Catholic Cemeteries**

Mass will be celebrated at each Diocesan cemetery on Memorial Day, Monday May 29, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

- **Mount St. Mary’s Cemetery,** 2201 Cleveland Avenue, Kansas City, 64127
  - Celebrant: Reverend Thomas Ludwig

- **Mount Olivet Cemetery,** 7601 Blue Ridge Boulevard, Kansas City, 64138
  - Celebrant: Reverend Sean McCaffery

- **Resurrection Cemetery,** 5001 NE Cookingham Drive, Kansas City, 64156
  - Celebrant: Reverend Michael Roach

- **Mt. Olivet Cemetery,** 26th and Lovers Lane, St. Joseph, 64506
  - Celebrant: Most Reverend James V. Johnston, Jr.