**ST. BRIDGET PARISH LEADERSHIP**

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**May 7 & 8**

**LECTORS:**
5:00 pm  Katy Crabtree, Laura Kilgore  
9:00 am  Laura Long, Mary Levy Grahl

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY EUCHARIST:**
5:00 pm  Maurice & Pat Devolder, *Susan Zaner  
9:00 am  Nancy Bouchard, *Pam Kappler, Jani Kar,  
*Katherine Sheehan, Cathy Vogel, Tim Long

To Shut-ins:  
Marco O’Malley

**SERVERS:**
5:00 pm  Brenden McKeone, TBA  
9:00 am  Brett Greufe, Cole Myers

**ROSARY LEADERS:**
5:00 pm  Bob & Shafy Baldwin

**SACRISTAN:**
5:00 pm  Maurice & Pat Devolder  
9:00 am  Tim Long

**USHERS:**
5:00 pm  TBA  
9:00 am  Glass, Greufe, Martin, Heintzelman

**MONEY COUNTERS:**
May 7 & 8  
Elsie’s Team

**CHURCH CLEANING:**
Saturday, May 21  
Cathy’s Team

**CANTORS:**
Sat: Rick Worms w/Laura Worms  
Sun: Laurie Jo Holmes & Choir w/David Bremer

**MOWING & TRIM:**
May 13th  
Mowing: Bob & Sheila Dostal  
Trim: Ed/Jarod Medlock
From Msgr. Murphy

We welcome the Little Sisters of the Poor at both masses today. They have the finest retirement center in the Kansas City area. Their witness to the love of Christ for the elderly spills over to everyone who works at the Jeanne Jugan Home. We will take up a 2nd collection to aid their work.

We salute all of our Mothers this weekend, both living and deceased. “A mother’s love is like God’s love; God loves us not because we are lovable but because it is God’s nature to love, and because we are God’s children”

As the Lord ascends this Sunday, he promises to send the Holy Spirit. Next Sunday we celebrate this gift on the Feast of Pentecost. Take a moment to look at the gifts of the Holy Spirit stenciled around the ceiling in our Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Msgr. Robert Murphy

“I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one.” John 17:20-21

The gospel of John constantly tells us that Jesus is always thinking of those who would become his followers. The primary task of his followers is to love one another. How are we to do that? What steps are we to take to show our love for one another?

CONGRATULATIONS!

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JOB OPPORTUNITY

Administrative Assistant: Catholic Cemeteries Associated, a ministry of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, is seeking a qualified and professional individual to provide administrative support and assistance to the Cemeteries team. The position is primarily responsible for the Cemeteries Memorial Marker ordering process, from the initial order to placement of the memorial marker – ensuring high customer satisfaction to customers (families) and Cemetery staff. This position is considered Full-time, and will be located at Mt. Olivet Cemetery, on Blue Ridge in KCMO.

TO APPLY:
http://app.hireology.com/s/127042

ONLINE GIVING

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Adult Confirmation is Wednesday, June 8, 2016 at the Cathedral. If you haven’t been confirmed and would like some preparation for this sacrament, call the Parish Office.

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The Ascension of the Lord ABC 1
Acts 1:1-11

Until We Meet Again

We have many ways of saying goodbye. “So long.” “See you later.” “Take care.” Goodbyes are softened with the promise of another meeting. “Till we meet again.” The time between the goodbye and the reunion is filled with joyful hope and anxious waiting.

Surely the disciples wondered if they had the tools they needed to survive that time. Jesus had been their leader, visionary, messiah, and friend. Without him, life would lose its center.

Jesus’ goodbye came with two promises. He promised the Holy Spirit would guide the disciples in his absence, and he promised that he would come again.

In fact, that is where we are too. We are in between the visits of Jesus, a time of hope and anxiety. We often wonder if we have the tools we need to survive. We need vision and companionship on life’s long road.

We have at our disposal the first promise of Jesus, the gift of the Holy Spirit. That Spirit will guide us through times of loneliness, into good decisions, amid the sorrows of sad goodbyes. The Spirit is our center.

The next Weekend in Kansas City is May 13-15, 2016. For more information or to apply, please visit our website: www.wwme4youande.me or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066 or email tonybarzb@prodigy.net

Our Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend was the most joyous and stimulating time of our lives. We had the chance to see how each of us needs to love and be loved and it has made such a difference in our relationship ever since.

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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 Ombudsmen, Jennifer Valenti, at 816-812-2500 or JenniferValenti@at.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 Advocate Mary Bultmann at 816-392-0011 or bultmann@diosesekc.org for more information.

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**HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY!**
8:30 am Rosary
9:00 am Mass-2nd Collection
10:00 am K of C Mother's Day Breakfast
Little Sisters of the Poor Visit

**Monday, May 9**
8:30 am Mass
6:30 pm Finance Council
7:30 pm Parish Council

**Tuesday, May 10**
8:30 am Mass
9:00 am Prayer & Rosary Group

**Wednesday, May 11**
8:30 am Mass
6:00 pm TMY
6:30 pm SOR Teachers Dinner
6:30 pm Women of Grace

**Thursday, May 12**
Pleasant Hill HS Graduation
8:30 am Mass
7:00 pm K of C Meeting

**Friday, May 13**
8:30 am Communion Service
9:00 am Bible Study
1pm Deadline for May 22nd Bulletin

**Saturday, May 14**
4-4:45 pm Reconciliation
5:00 pm Mass-2nd Collection

**Sunday, May 15**
8:30 am Rosary
9:00 am Mass-2nd Collection

**MOWING & TRIMMING:** Starting in this week’s bulletin and throughout the mowing season the Mowing & Trimming schedule will be included in the Liturgical Roles & Services section of the bulletin. Mowing & trim for May 6th is: Mowing Rick Kitchell; Trim: Chris Koehler

**AED TRAINING:** The AED Training will begin at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, May 17th. All parishioners are invited to attend this life saving training.

**BACCALAUREATE NEWS:** Pleasant Hill High School Baccalaureate is Wednesday, May 11th at United Methodist Church. Seniors are to please RSVP ASAP.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** This Weekend we will hold a 2nd Collection for the Little Sisters of the Poor who will be visiting our parish on Saturday evening & Sunday morning.

**Food Pantry Needs – The pantry is in need of the following items:** crackers, peanut butter, canned beans, juice and mac n cheese for the pantry.

**ATTENTION 2016 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES**
If you are a 2016 high school or home schooled graduate and a member of St. Bridget parish or if you know of a St. Bridget school student that will graduate please contact Laurie Himmelberg at the parish office (816) 540-4563 or lhimm@embarqmail.com by Friday, May 6th.

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**MOTHER’S DAY BREAKFAST**
Knights of Columbus News
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Bring her to the Knights of Columbus breakfast.
We invite you to join us in Ledwidge Hall for breakfast Sunday (May 8th) after Mass.
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**LOOK WHAT’S GOING ON AT ST. BRIDGET!**

**THANK YOU**
Thank you to everyone who donated tips for our granddaughter Kinley during St. Bridge’s Trivia Night. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

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