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as requested after Mass and by appointment.

CONFIRMATION
Program for high school students, according to Diocesan guidelines. Begins in the fall.

MARRIAGE
Please call the parish office when engaged. 

ANOINTING OF SICK
As requested after Mass and by appointment.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Thursday from 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

PERRY CHAIN REQUEST
If you wish to be added to the prayer chain, please contact Roberta Klein at (816) 540-5980.

NEW PARISHIONERS
Welcome! Please register after Mass, download registration form from our web site or stop by the parish office for more information.
LITURGICAL ROLES AND SERVICES

November 9 and 10

LECTORS
5:00 p.m. Greg Dustman, Liana Klipure
8:00 a.m. Rick Bouchard, Janice Motta

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION
5:00 p.m. Charlene Dale
8:00 a.m. Marlo O’Malley
Homebound Marlo O’Malley

SERVERS
5:00 p.m. Kennedy and Owen Thorburn
8:00 a.m. Aidan Flechteman, Ryan Cusan

ROASy LEADERS
5:00 p.m. Rick and Nancy Bouchard
8:00 a.m. Don and Cathy Vogel

SACRISTAN
5:00 p.m. Ross and Charlene Dale
8:00 a.m. Mike and Arlene Casey

USHERS
5:00 p.m. TBA
8:00 a.m. Thorburn, Vogel, Vogel, Saubers

MONEY COUNTERS
November 16 Rita’s Team

CANTORS
5:00 p.m. Kaitlin w/Judy Wolf
8:00 a.m. Mary Grahl and Thonya Kennedy w/Judy Wolf

LITURGICAL ROLES AND SERVICES

November 16 and 17

LECTORS
5:00 p.m. Ann Siebolt, Katy Crabtree
8:00 a.m. Mary Grahl, D. J. Breitbach

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
5:00 p.m. Cindy Glass
8:00 a.m. Tim Long
Homebound Cathy Vogel

SERVERS
5:00 p.m. Tavin Glass
8:00 a.m. Brett Grueblo, Kaylee Merrigan

ROASy LEADERS
5:00 p.m. Bill Kennedy
8:00 a.m. Chris Porter

SACRISTAN
5:00 p.m. Mary Ann Batliner, Stephanie Lewis
8:00 a.m. Tim Long

USHERS
5:00 p.m. TBA
8:00 a.m. Ruth, Sheehan, Boch, Breitbach

MONEY COUNTERS
Nov. 16 Rita’s Team

CANTORS
Nov. 17 Joyce W’s Team

5:00 p.m. TBA w/TBA
8:00 a.m. Kaitlin Long w/Daniel

GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH
November 2 and 3, 2019

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Please remember our Dream Campaign. Dream Fund MTD: $1,581.00

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BULLETIN announcements due Friday one week prior to printing.

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PARISHIONERS WELCOME TO Rcia

Those who are entering the Catholic faith are being invited to RCIA in RCIA. This class is open to everyone who is interested in learning more. One parishioner, a cradle Catholic, who went through RCIA in another parish, gained an entirely new appreciation for the faith as a result of learning things they never knew. This is the perfect opportunity to learn. Each class meets on Tuesdays at 6 p.m. (not every Tuesday.) Please contact Fr. Vogel if you would like to join so he can order a bible for you that is used in RCIA.

AMAZON SMILE/BLACK FRIDAY

Those of you who are avid Amazon shoppers are likely already aware of the upcoming deals to be found on Black Friday. This year, Black Friday falls on November 29. We hope you will choose this opportunity to support the works of Catholic Charities by identifying us as your charity of choice while shopping Amazon Smile. You can support Catholic Charities each time you order from Amazon simply by signing into your regular Amazon account at smile.amazon.com/ch/43-4887779. Each time you use the link, Amazon will donate a portion of your purchase to Catholic Charities KCSJ. Please contact Nancy Butters, Development Manager at nbutters@charities.org or 816-659-8256 for more information.

WEEKLY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Thursday the Blessed Sacrament is exposed on the altar at St. Bridget for Eucharistic Adoration, beginning after 9:00 a.m. Mass and ending at 8:00 p.m. There are still 1 hour openings for weekly adorers. Please contact the parish office if you would like to spend time with Jesus in this way. The blessings are immeasurable!

REPORTING ABUSE

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:

Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at (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 the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at (816) 812-2500 or crayon@ombudsmankc.org, 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 the Abuse Victims Services Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at (816) 392-0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

welcomes all students and their families to our annual Open House! Saturday, Nov. 16th, 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Register to attend the Open House at https://smacatholic.org/open-house/. Come early to attend the optional special sessions with administrators beginning at 9:00 a.m. Tours of the school begin at 10:00 a.m. and conclude at Noon. Meet our faculty and staff and learn about how you will fit into SMA! Don’t miss this opportunity. Can’t wait to see you there! For Admissions questions, contact our Director of Admissions, Colin Karr, ckarr@smacatholic.org.

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REFLECTION: SILENCE
This reflection can be found at: https://divinemercy.life/2019/10/30/reflection-303-silence/

One of the dangers many encounter in our modern technological world is that of constant noise. We are easily bombarded with chatter all day long. It could be through the radio, TV, Internet, or the ceaseless conversation of another. Rarely do we find times of great silence. As a result, when silence is offered us, we often look to fill that silence immediately. But is this wise? Is it good to occupy our minds day and night with noise? Though every person will be different, especially depending upon their vocation, every person does need times of regular silence and solitude. Without this it is hard to be recollected and to hear the Voice of God. God speaks in the silence and He desires to communicate to us through this sacred language. Do not run from silence for, if you do, you will be running from the Voice of God (See Diary #1476).

Try to take some time today alone in silence. If you find that it is difficult to do even for five minutes, then this is a sign that there is too much noise in your life. Entering silence can bring on a form of “withdrawal” from noise. We tend to be comfortable with it as we are entertained all day long. But try to take time in silence today. Resolve to do so as long as you can. Turn off the radio in the car, go for a walk, or sit and pray without thinking or speaking, just being quiet in the presence of God. The gift of silent communication with God is a gift that you need and you will learn more from silence than from hours of the noise of the world.

Lord, I desire to seek You in the silence. I choose to listen to Your quiet promptings of love spoken in this way. Give me the wisdom and strength I need to re-collect myself to moments of quiet every day. May these moments bring clarity to my soul and understanding to my life. Jesus, I trust in You.

THE FERTILITYCARE SYSTEM
INTRODUCTORY SESSION
In Thanksgiving for Life, attend the FertilityCare System (Creighton Model) Introductory Session. It is offered monthly at a variety of area locations and long distance. This fulfills your marriage policy requirement, is helpful for achieving and avoiding pregnancy, has medical applications and is better than IVF for infertility. Register online at www.fertilitycarekc.com or call the FertilityCare Center of Kansas City at (816) 858-0198.

MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday, November 9
5:00 p.m. + Terry Kiger by Gary and Katy Crabtree
Sunday, November 10
8:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Bridget
Monday, November 11
No Mass
Tuesday, November 12
9:00 a.m. + Betty Schuster
Wednesday, November 13
6:00 p.m + Josephine Heinen
Thursday, November 14
6:00 p.m. + Jack Hennessey by a classmate
Friday, November 15
No Mass
Saturday, November 16
5:00 p.m. + Patty Ruth by Pete and Katherine Sheehan
Sunday, November 17
8:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Bridget

+ In Memory of
Confessions prior to weekday and Sunday Masses
Rosary prayed 30 min. prior to weekend Masses
Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy prayed prior to Tuesday morning Mass

DAILY READINGS
Saturday - Sunday, November 9 - 10
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Ps 88 (87): 3
Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord. 2 MC 7:1-2, 9-14 / PS 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 / 2 THES 2:16-3:5 / LK 20:27-38
COMMUNION ANTIPHON Cf. Ps 23 (22): 1-2
The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me. Or. Cf. Lk 24:35  The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of bread.
Monday, November 11
ST. MARTIN OF TOURS
VETERAN’S DAY
WIS 1:1-7 / PS 139:1B-3, 4, 6, 7, 8-9 / LK 17:1-6
Tuesday, November 12
ST. JOSAPHAT
WIS 2:2-3:9 / PS 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 / LK 17:7-10
Wednesday, November 13
ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI
WIS 6:1-11 / PS 82:3-4, 6-7 / LK 17:11-19
Thursday, November 14
WIS 7:22B-8:1 / PS 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 / LK 17:20-25
Friday, November 15
Saturday - Sunday, November 16 - 17
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Jer 29: 11, 12, 14
The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place. MAL 3:19-20A / PS 98:5-6, 7-8, 9-2 / 2 THES 3:7-12 / LK 21:5-19
COMMUNION ANTIPHON Ps 73 (72): 28
To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord. Or. Mk 11: 23-24
Amen, I say to you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you will receive, and it shall be given to you, says the Lord.

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Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time C2
2 Thessalonians 2:16—3:5
Rock Solid Paul
St. Paul seems invincible. He authored a series of letters of towering importance for Christianity. He devoted his entire life to the gospel. He traveled amid great hardship, endured shipwreck and imprisonment, and debated the truth with friend and foe alike. Throughout it all, it seemed as though nothing could stop him. We all know people like that. They are great leaders, committed to a cause, who persevere in the midst of natural and human obstacles to obtain the prize they seek. Solid as a rock, they invite admiration.
St. Paul was like that. But once in a while, we see a different Paul, a more human Paul, one who needed help to stay the course. The Second Letter to the Thessalonians comes from Paul and some of his companions. They had success in Thessalonica, and they hoped it would repeat elsewhere. But there were obstacles. “Brothers and sisters, pray for us, so that the word of the Lord may speed forward and be glorified, as it did among you, and that we may be delivered from perverse and wicked people, for not all have faith.”

“Not all have faith.” In those few words hide a world of sorrow, disappointment, and pain. Not all have faith. Not everyone believes as we do, and it is sometimes hard to persevere. Paul seemed invincible, but only because he relied on the help of others, who prayed for him in his distress.


2019 Second Collections Schedule
Please be generous. Thank you.
Nov. 10 Archdiocese for Military Services
Dec. 1 DREAM Fund
Dec. 8 Religious Retirement
Jan. 1 Sollemnity of Mary, the Mother of God
Jan. 5 Subscription Sunday for The Catholic Key
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, November 9
4:30 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, November 10
7:30 - 7:50 a.m. Confession
7:30 a.m. Rosary
8:00 a.m. St. Bridget Church
5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class
6:00 - 7:30 p.m. EDGE Middle School Program
6:00 - 7:30 p.m. High School Youth Group

Monday, November 11
No Mass

Tuesday, November 12
8:25 - 8:55 a.m. Confession
8:25 a.m. Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet
9:00 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, November 13
5:25 - 5:55 p.m. Confession
6:00 p.m. Mass
6:00 p.m. SOR (begins with Mass)
6:30 p.m. Women of Faith
6:30 p.m. That Man Is You

Thursday, November 14
8:25 - 8:55 a.m. Confession
9:00 a.m. Mass
10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, November 15
No Mass
9:00 a.m. Bible Study

Saturday, November 16
4:30 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, November 17
7:30 - 7:50 a.m. Confession
7:30 a.m. Rosary
8:00 a.m. Mass
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A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

From our Listening Session, it was asked to have a Q & A Session on the Faith, and Apologetics connected to it. As was announced this past weekend, I am beginning to teach RCIA classes at St. Bridget. While not directly addressing these points from the Listening Session, the RCIA classes actually could.

What I have found awesome from teaching RCIA classes in the past is how our Catholic Faith makes so much sense. I use the Bible and the Catechism when I teach RCIA, using a program from Catholic Answers, which is a very Catholic Apologetic podcast. We start from very basic topics and build up from there.

This program is great because it is designed to be more discussion based which does open for any questions to be asked. From my time in the seminary to my short time as an ordained priest, I have heard many veteran Catholics say how they have enjoyed attending RCIA classes because they learn something new, or relearn something that they have not heard about since the moment they were a child or when they entered the Catholic Church.

I encourage any and all parishioners to come to our RCIA classes. For me, teaching RCIA is invigorating and fun. I thoroughly enjoy it.

If you are interested in joining our RCIA classes, please contact the parish office about the needed materials and for the date and time for the next class. Due to my busy schedule between the two parishes, I cannot have RCIA classes on a weekly basis, so we schedule the next RCIA class based on when I am available. Let’s all dive in to see how much our God blesses us in being a part of His Church by learning more about what our beautiful Catholic Faith teaches. God bless you all.

In Christo et Maria,
Father Vogel

FOR I WAS HUNGRY and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink ...Lord, when did we see thee hungry and feed thee, or thirsty and give thee drink? And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.’ Matthew 25:35b, 37b, 40

MERCY MINISTRIES OF THE PLEASANT HILL LAZ CLERGY COUNCIL

The Pleasant Hill Lay Clergy Council provides four Mercy Ministries to our community.

The food pantry is in need of the following food items for the Christmas boxes. You may leave your items in the vestibule where pantry items are collected. Please be generous as the holiday season comes upon us. Canned yams, frosting, cranberry sauce, box potatoes, Jello, cornbread mix, gravy and chicken broth.

Meals on Wheels is in need of drivers. If there aren’t enough drivers, some shut-ins may not receive their meals. If you are able to help provide for others in this way, please call Sue Hess, board member, at (816) 914-2507.

Thrift Store provides low cost clothing and home goods. Donations are welcome during business hours of Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Thursday 9:00 a.m. –5:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Items should be clean and in good condition.

Love Fund/Utility Assistance provides utility assistance for households that meet the HHS Poverty Guidelines. Please contact the Thrift Store at (816) 987-3600.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

St. Bridget Church
Wednesday, December 4th
7:00 p.m.
More details in next week’s bulletin

FIFTH FRIDAY 24-HOUR ADORATION

In the month of November, there is a fifth Friday, which means we will have 24 hours of adoration beginning at 5:00 p.m. on that day and going to 5:00 Saturday night Mass. This is the day after Thanksgiving. Many people travel this weekend, so if you are in town (and have family who will be in town who may be interested), please sign up to make a holy hour. This will be a great need this month in particular. Watch for the sign up in the vestibule.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

Sixteen St. Bridget parishioners have donated $4,858.00 to the ACA, which is 19% of our goal. Thank you to all who have offered your gifts of treasure to the diocese, which does so much to help us. Those of you who have not yet contributed: please pray about what God is asking you to do regarding this campaign. You may donate using the information that you should have received so if you are in town (and have family who will be home during the holiday season), please sign up to make a holy hour. This will be a great need this month in particular. Watch for the sign up in the vestibule.

MOCAN REGISTRATION DRIVE TODAY: Today you will have an opportunity to become a member of the Missouri Catholic Advocacy Network (MOCAN) of the Missouri Catholic Conference (MCC), the official public policy agency of the Catholic Church in Missouri. Through this network, Catholic across Missouri work together to pass legislation that protects the sanctity and dignity of all human life and promotes the common good. As a MOCAN member, you will receive email updates and alerts on issues important to the Catholic faith. Participation is free. You may register to become a MOCAN member by texting MOCAN to 50417 or by filling out a MOCAN enrollment form at Mass.