



THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF SAINT BRIDGET

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MISSION STATEMENT: the Parish Community of Saint Bridget, is a Eucharistic community rooted in the north side of Minneapolis and committed to being the peaceful, compassionate and welcoming presence of Christ in the midst of a changing neighborhood. We do this by listening and responding to the gospel, through our liturgical life, faith formation programs, pastoral care, social justice ministry, hospitality, and outreach to the wider community.

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Liturgy

Saturday Vigil—St. Bridget Campus 4:30 PM
Sunday—St. Austin Campus 9:30 AM
Monday, Wednesday, & Friday
St. Bridget Campus 8:00 AM
Tuesday & Thursday—St. Austin Campus 8:00 AM

Liturgy of the Hours

Monday through Friday 7:15AM

Devotions

O.L. Perpetual Help Novena Tuesday after Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays St. Bridget Campus 3:45-4:00 PM
(Doors of the Church open at 3:45 PM)
Seasonal Communal Services Advent and Lent

Sacrament of Baptism

Registered members should call the Parish Office at least one month prior to desired date.

Sacrament of Marriage

Registered members should call the Parish Office at least six months prior to desired date.

Sacrament of the Sick

Any time by appointment. Communal celebrations twice during the year.

Parish Membership

The Parish Community of St. Bridget welcomes your active membership. If you are new to the area or looking for a place to nurture and celebrate your faith, please call the Parish Office.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

(All are Masses, unless otherwise noted.)

Monday, August 22, St. Bridget
 8:00 AM People of the Parish *(Word-Communion service)*
 Tuesday, August 23, St. Austin
 + 8:00 AM Maynard King (Family)
 Wednesday, August 24, St. Bridget
 + 8:00 AM Alvin J. Claseman (Family)
 Thursday, August 25, St. Austin
 + 8:00 AM Sheldon Spack (Family)
 Friday, August 26, St. Bridget
 8:00 AM Allyson Tomford (Family)
 Weekend Liturgies
 Saturday, August 27, St. Bridget
 + 4:30 PM Robert Thill (Adrian and Joyce Thill)
 Sunday, August 28, St. Austin
 + 9:30 AM Al Stafford (Rosemary Stafford)

IN YOUR KINDNESS Please pray for the sick of our parish: **Kay Larson, Jean Eidem, Pam Murphy, Evie Lausen, Mary Ann Carter, Tammy Wolney, Helen Stock, Mark Johnson, Jane Freund, and Mark Shields.** Please remember in your prayers **Gerald Robeck**, husband of Sammy Robeck. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

FEAST OF SAINT AUGUSTINE The Feast of Saint Austin (short for Augustine) falls on Sunday, August 28th. There will be a light lunch reception immediately following the 9:30am Mass, serving sandwiches and salads. There will not be a charge, but an RSVP would be helpful to plan for food. Please call the parish office by Tuesday, August 23rd to let us know you are coming!

WELCOME TO THE CHURCH FAMILY! Sunday August 21, 2016, at the St. Bridget Campus, we welcome **Kateri Menamparampil**, daughter of Kalie Becker and Issac Cheriyaathu, into the Church through the waters of Baptism. Kateri, may you be strengthened to live fully the life in Christ! Congratulations!!

PRAYING FOR PEACE In light of the ever growing violence we experience not only throughout the world but right here in our own neighborhood, we wanted to respond and bring everything to the foot of the cross. Please join our Parish and two other Northside congregations for a prayer and worship service on Sunday, September 11, 2016 from 4-5:30 pm at the St. Bridget Campus.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Our monthly anointing Mass will be the weekend of September 3rd and 4th. The Anointing of the Sick is one of the seven sacraments celebrated in the Catholic faith. It is grouped together with reconciliation as a sacrament of healing. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) mentions the following three effects of the sacrament: 1) a strengthening by the Holy Spirit in the distress of illness, 2) the grace to unite one's own suffering with the Passion of Christ, 3) a contribution, through the suffering borne in faith, "to the good of all men" (CCC 1520-22).

Collection for August 14..... \$3,796.00

READINGS FOR AUGUST 28

First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21
 Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-6; 11-13
 Gospel Reading: Luke 13:22-30

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 27, 4:30 PM, St. Bridget

Altar Servers: Joe Mullery
 Lector: Peter Aubart
 Eucharistic Ministers: Dorothy Berghoff, Joe Berghoff, Dc. Rich Heineman
 Usher/Greeter: Bonnie Moore, Betty Mysliweic, Dorothy Vnuck, Kristine Vnuck

Sunday, August 28, 9:30 AM, St. Austin

Altar Servers: Quinlan Brogdon, Ellis Dossavi
 Lector: Linda Rogers
 Sacristan: George Ross *(with Alice Wortman)*
 Eucharistic Ministers: Carol Delzer, Dc. Rich Heineman, Jill Heineman, Marie Lorbiecki, Barb West
 Ushers & Greeters: Marlene Longpre, Emmett Mulcare, Dianne Mulcare, Alice Wortman

CHURCH CALENDAR

Mon. Aug. 22	Faithfully Fit	10:00AM	St. B
Tues. Aug. 23	Arts & Crafts	9:00AM & 6:00PM	St. A
Sat. Aug. 27	Steubenville Follow-up	5:30PM	SFR
Sun. Aug. 28	St. Augustine Lunch	10:30AM	St. A

SCHOOL DAYS, SCHOOL DAYS Although the children are loathe to admit it, school will soon be back in session. In fact, charter schools tend to open earlier than public schools. Both the Sojourner Truth Academy (Pre-K through Grade 8) and the new Mastery School (K through Grade 4) will be opening next month. In an effort to aid young scholars whose parents and families cannot afford to equip them with all the necessary school supplies, we will be collecting supplies during the month of August. Backpacks, binders, notebooks, pencils, pens, erasers, crayons, children's scissors, glue sticks, sanitary wipes, etc. are among the items that are needed. Your response in the past years has always been more than generous and greatly appreciated. We have every reason to believe that this year will be no different. *Remember, items may be placed in the receptacles in the vestibules of both campuses throughout the month of August.* THANK YOU!!

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

STEBENVILLE CONFERENCE FOLLOW-UP We will have a follow-up meeting for all participants of this summer's Steubenville Youth Conference on *Saturday, August 27th* following the 4:30 PM Mass in the St. Francis Room.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for Archdiocesan Youth Day 2016 (AYD16) on Saturday, October 29, 2016, 1:30-9:00 PM! Join Archbishop Hebda, Fr. Agustino Torres, CFR., SONAR, and youth from across the archdiocese for this packed day. Open to all high school age youth. Cost: \$15 per participant. Contact Alex at: alex@stbridgetnorthside.com to register.

REACHING OUT

For our parish community

I was recently walking through an abandoned Slovak Catholic church in northern Wisconsin. The very old former Sacristan living next door let me in. As we walked through where pews and altar and communion railings once were, I couldn't help seeing the ghosts of Christmas and Easter celebrations past. I felt a profound sadness at the passing of a quaint little parish community. I asked the sacristan why the church closed down. He said "the *immediate* reason was that we only had two families at the end, and the bishop didn't think it was worthwhile sending even a part-time priest up to our church." They kept it going for a while without a priest, before it was closed down completely.

"If that was the immediate reason, what was the more main reason?" I asked.

"We forgot we were disciples with a mission to reach out and bring in," he said, looking out the cracked window. "We were Slovak. And proud of it. And so we didn't reach out to invite in the other ethnic groups of the area. Anyone outside our circle of family and friends. Eventually, our people either married into other ethnic groups or moved away for a job or spouse. And this is the result ..." he said while pointing his cane to an empty little church.

In every parish that I have been assigned to – *either as associate pastor, vicar, and pastor, or as "Senior Associate Pastor" here at St. B's* – I always stress the Jesus-commanded importance of evangelizing, *Catholic-style*.

Perhaps not waving leaflets at street corners, or knocking on doors, but certainly spreading the news that something wonderful is happening at Saint XYZ parish. And then inviting them to join the inviter if the invitee seems a bit reluctant. Such easy-peasy lemon-squeezy evangelization includes seeing someone new coming into church, and inviting them to join you in your pew. What's more, actually introducing yourself to them and to those nearby.

Another simple evangelization idea can be done even by the homebound, but it's most fully done by every parishioner. It's cracking open that parish directory, and letting your fingers do the walking through the back pages. And calling up some folks you haven't seen in church lately. **NOT GUILTING OR SHAMING THEM.** Just saying, "I had a few moments, and thought I'd give my old parishioner-friend a call. ... Hey, did you know it's St. Austin's Feast Day coming up on August 28th? We're having a lunch afterward. Want to join us?"

People feel very alone today, even as our cities grow more populated. Mother Teresa said loneliness was our country's biggest sickness. Folks don't always know it, but everyone is looking for a welcoming, hospitable faith community that will notice them when they come.

I can say this without any doubt. Those communities that

stop reaching out and welcoming in are doomed to be someday closed ... like that Slovak church I walked through. And those communities that thrive are those who never forgot Jesus' command to evangelize:

Basically, to invite. To welcome. To sit down next to. To introduce to others. To invite to join the group going for coffee afterwards.

For Peace

September 11th is the day that we in America and many throughout the world remember the violence visited upon the World Trade Center 15 years ago. But that New York landmark is not the only place that has been cursed with violence.

We seem to hear about it every week. With a terroristic mass shooting overseas. Or Mass shootings in some school, dance club or workplace within our borders. We've been reading a lot about it in the news in the Twin Cities: violence against the unarmed, violence by the armed. Most tragically, we read about kids being caught in the crossfire.

There's been so much violence on so many levels, we just had to respond as a parish community. This is why we've reached out to two local non-Catholic congregations to organize a **Prayer & Worship Service on Sunday, September 11, from 4 to 5:30 pm at the St. Bridget campus**, to SEEK PEACE amidst all the violence on every level. We see there being music, prayer, reflection, and time to get to know one another in the liturgy. That's where God's PEACE starts.

Through the email

As we grow as a parish, communications via the internet will be increasingly important, especially for the younger generation that tends not to read the bulletin. We're re-opening our parish's Facebook page. And we're greatly expanding our e-newsletters – especially appreciated by "summer cabin people" and "winter snowbirds."

And so if you're a registered parishioner, and now have a different email ... send us the correct email address. Or if you and other members of the registered households have more than one email address, send them in as well.

If you are not currently a registered household-member and still want to be on our e-newsletter list, then send us your email address(es).

The quickest way is to contact the parish office: 612-529-7779. Please pronounce slowly and as clearly as possible each character of the email address ... TWICE. This is especially true if leaving a voicemail message.

Another way is to send us the email through "Contact Us" at www.stbridgetnorthside.com. (Remember, the website ends with .com and not .org!)

Blessings! *Fr. Paul*

OUR WEBSITE EMAILS ARE WORKING! We are excited to say that after several technology issues all of our parish emails are up and running! Please contact the office at 612-529-7779 if you encounter any further problems. THANK YOU!

ATTENTION ADULT CHOIR MEMBERS Rehearsals will resume on Thursday evenings at the St. Austin Campus from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM, starting September 8th.

BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE UPDATE In light of Jean's limited hours, we have asked Alex Schindler, Director of Youth Ministry, to edit the bulletins going forward. Please submit all bulletin submissions to info@stbridgetnorthside.com by **noon the Monday before the bulletin's issue date.**

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT: MAINTENANCE

It is a misconception that you need to be mechanically-inclined or have vast amounts of time to aid in maintenance at the church. "Maintenance" is the broader term that encompasses gardening, church cleaning, lawn mowing, as well as occasional assistance for those with specialized training. Both campus buildings are over 50 years old, and require somewhat of a "all hands on deck" mentality with regards to building care. Whether you can avail yourself once throughout the year, or once each month, you are needed! Church deep-cleaning happens twice a year, with gardening and mowing bit more often. If you are "hands-on," or have an eye for tidy-ness, this ministry might be right up your (well-manicured) alley!