



## 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 29, St. Bridget (*Word-Communion Service*)  
 + 8:00 AM Cyprian Mercieca (Alice Wortman)  
 Tuesday, August 30, St. Austin  
 8:00 AM People of the Parish  
 Wednesday, August 31, St. Bridget  
 8:00 AM Jill Rice (Family)  
 Thursday, September 1, St. Austin  
 + 8:00 AM James Leonard (Edward Foss)  
 Friday, September 2, St. Bridget  
 + 8:00 AM Fr. Ed Sabo, TOR. (Alice Wortman)  
 Weekend Liturgies  
 Saturday, September 3, St. Bridget  
 + 4:30 PM Theresa Ross (Friends)  
 Sunday, September 4, St. Austin  
 9:30 AM Joyce & Solis Families (John Joyce)

**IN YOUR KINDNESS** Please pray for the sick of our parish:

**Kay Larson, Jean Eidem, Pam Murphy, Mary Ann Carter, Mark Johnson, Evie Lausen, Tammy Wolney, Helen Stock, Jane Freund, and Mark Shields.**

**WELCOME TO THE CHURCH FAMILY!** This past Sunday, August 21, 2016, at the St. Bridget Campus, we welcomed **Grayson Jovan Hill**, son of Jovan Thompson-Hill and Megan Carson, into the Church through the waters of Baptism. This Sunday, August 28, 2016, at 2PM at the St. Austin Campus, we will welcome **Jonathan Beachaine**, grandson of Gerri Nyberg, into the Church through the waters of Baptism. Grayson Jovan and Jonathan may you be strengthened to live fully the life in Christ! Congratulations!!

**ANNOINTING OF THE SICK** Our monthly anointing Masses will be the weekend of September 3rd and 4th.

**COME TOGETHER: SEEKING GOD'S 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 New Creation Church for a prayer and worship service on Sunday, September 11, 2016 from 4-5:30 pm at the St. Bridget Campus.

**COFFEE & CONVERSATION** Our pastor, Fr. Anthony, used to hold Coffee & Conversations around certain topics of interest to parishioners. My staff colleagues have asked me to host some of these after a morning Mass, which I am absolutely willing to do. All I need are your topics. Please call or email those to the Parish Office: 612-529-7779 or jeane@stbridgetnorthside.com. The first one is set for September 28, 8:30 to 9:00 AM, at the St. Bridget campus. Please look for others in the calendar.  
 ~ Fr. Paul

## YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

**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.

Collection for August 21 ..... \$2,926.00

## READINGS FOR September 4

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18  
 Second Reading: Philemon 9-10; 12-17  
 Gospel Reading: Luke 14: 25-33

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### Saturday, September 3, 4:30 PM, St. Bridget

Altar Servers: Bob Homles, Alice Wortman  
 Lector: Mike Johnson  
 Eucharistic Ministers: Rose Chyrklund, Linda Lohman, Judy Neiss  
 Usher/Greeter: Mark Johnson, Bob Holmes, Ken Kloncz, Gerry Nyberg

### Sunday, September 4, 9:30 AM, St. Austin

Altar Servers: Alice Wortman  
 Lector: Tim Peiffer  
 Sacristan: Sammy Robeck  
 Eucharistic Ministers: Richard Ashfeld, Sharon Brisk, Kathy Purdes, Sammy Robeck, Lea Schuett  
 Ushers & Greeters: Bernice Ashfeld, Hannah Brogdon, Rick Mysliweic, John Joyce

## CHURCH CALENDAR

Mon. Aug. 29	Faithfully Fit	10:00AM	St. B
Tues. Aug. 30	Arts & Crafts	9:00AM & 6:00PM	St. A
Sat. Sept. 3	Anointing of the Sick	5:30 PM	St. B
Sun. Sept. 4	Anointing of the Sick	10:30 AM	St. A

**CONGRATULATIONS!** This past Saturday, August 20, 2016, at the St. Bridget Campus, **Francesca Silva and Jeffrey Drew** celebrated the sacrament of Marriage. May God bless your life together!!

**ATTENTION ADULT CHOIR MEMBERS** Due to a scheduling conflict rehearsals will be on Thursday evenings at the St. Austin Campus from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM, starting September 8th.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** was held at the St. Austin Campus last week. Twenty seven children participated, with twelve adults and older youth working together in leadership roles. We were introduced to the countries of Israel, Togo, Mexico, Papua New Guinea, and the United States, and a Saint from each! Thank you to **Fr. Dale Korogi, Fr. Paul Jarvis, Laura D'Almeida, and Mary Jo Pfarr** who took the time to come and present information to us. You all inspired and informed us, and we appreciate you very much!

We would also like to thank our adult and youth leaders, **Sharon Brisk, Emily Walsh, Marlene Lussier, Alex Schindler, Sam Pender, Chris Pender, Jeff Walsh, Bridget Niemi, Lizbet Martinez, and Brandon Martinez**, who made the week run so smoothly. We appreciate you sharing your faith, time and talents! Each Year we try to make something to give to others in need in our community. This year the children made beaded garlands that we wrapped around glass vases, which will be filled with fresh flowers. Fr. Paul Jarvis will be volunteering at St. Joseph's Hospital, and will help to distribute them to patients there. We thank **Diane Liemandt-Reimann and Mary Regan** for helping fund this project!  
 Prayerfully in Christ,  
 Anne Attea and Mary Majkozak

Greetings!

This weekend, we celebrate the feast day of one of the great doctors of the Church, St. Augustine of Hippo, the patron saint of our St. Austin campus (adapted for Austin Dowling, the second archbishop of our archdiocese).

We, as Christian people, are ALL called to be saints. How on earth could I possibly be a saint? I'm not really that good!

Well, lucky for all of us – most saints weren't that good, either! They quickly become people to whom we can more easily relate. Sure, you have the few saints that were destined for sainthood from an early age, so their transgressions were few; but the majority of saints did not start out so saintly at all.

St. Augustine was no exception. Born in a small town in north Africa, he was an intelligent, well-educated, and mischievous boy, who ultimately fell into a loose lifestyle, despite the endless prayers of his mother, St. Monica. (He is the one known for saying, "Lord, make me chaste...but not yet," – aware of his guilt but unwilling to change.) At the age of seventeen, he entered into a long relationship with a young woman, who remains unnamed in all of his writings. She later conceived and gave birth to a son, whom Augustine named Adeodatus (meaning "Gift from God"). The woman and his son traveled with him as he journeyed to Rome and then Milan. The couple almost got married (which would have appeased St. Monica), but for unknown reasons, the marriage never went to contract. The woman, who agonized over her own poor lifestyle, experienced a strong conversion. She selflessly gave Adeodatus to his father and abandoned worldly things, devoting herself to a life of penance in a monastery in Carthage.

St. Augustine, however, was not as quick to respond. He desired many of the temptations of the world. He struggled with his beliefs and with what he wanted in his life. While in Milan, he was mentored by St. Ambrose, a man he greatly respected. Augustine had come to believe that Christianity was the one true religion, but did not convert at that time, because he thought he could never live a pure life.

He had heard of several people who converted after reading about the life of St. Anthony. After much agonizing, he said to a friend, "What are we doing? Unlearned people are taking Heaven by force, while we, with all our knowledge, are so cowardly that we keep rolling around in the mud of our sins!"

Do you ever blindly open the Bible and drop your finger on a verse, hoping to have some divine inspiration or direction? Well, that is close to what Augustine did. While in a garden in Milan, he lamented over his lifestyle, and more specifically, his attachment to worldly desires, and he cried out to God. At that moment, he heard a child's voice say, "Take up and read." Assuming those words were intended for him to hear, he opened the Letters of Saint Paul at random to find a verse from Romans: "Not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying, but put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh to fulfill the lusts thereof."

St. Ambrose of Milan baptized both Augustine and his son at the Easter Vigil of 388. (His son died about a year after his baptism, around the age of 16.) His book, Confessions in Thirteen Books (later, The Confessions of St. Augustine), outlines his sinful youth and his conversion. His confessions boldly expose his vulnerabilities – vulnerabilities that we all have. I don't know about you, but I'd prefer to not write mine down for others to read for hundreds of years. However, it is in confessing that we release our own guilt and open ourselves up to healing and the desires Christ has for us. "Our hearts are restless until they rest in You."

I think that if Saint Augustine were alive today, he would be like of those people you see on weight-loss commercials who insist, "if I can do it, anyone can." No matter how deeply entrenched in sin you think you may be, God's grace is for all. Look to the saints, not strictly as holy people to admire, but as people who sinned, suffered, and ultimately turned to Jesus during their rock-bottom moments, and who were saved because of it.

Heather Johnson, Director of Worship

**SAVE THE DATE** On Tuesday, September 27th at 6:30 PM in the Saint Francis Room please join Sr. Gert, OSF and others as we begin a conversation on Christian-Muslim faith. We hope to have a Muslim speaker join us and reference the book "My Neighbor is Muslim".

**MONTHLY BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS** The second Sunday of each month following the 9:30 AM Mass **Marie Schmelz** will be offering free blood pressure checks. This will coincide with the fellowship time will begin on September 11, 2016.

**A NOTE FROM THE FAITH FORMATION DEPARTMENT**

Anyone interested in sharing their faith as a catechist or volunteer in our Faith Formation program this year please give Mary Majkozak a call at 612-521-7454. She can answer any questions you may have.

**ST BRIDGET-ST AUSTIN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN**

**(SB-SACCW)** First meeting will be on Monday, September 12 at the St. Austin Campus. Rosary at 6:45 PM, followed by the business meeting, then a time for fellowship with treats provided.

**SCHOOL DAYS, SCHOOL DAYS** 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. *Items may be placed in the receptacles in the vestibules of both campuses throughout the month of August.* THANK YOU!!

**BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE** Please submit all bulletin submissions to [info@stbridgetnorthside.com](mailto:info@stbridgetnorthside.com) by **Noon the Monday before the bulletin's issue date.**

**MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT: EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

"In the sacred Host, He is present, the true treasure, always waiting for us. Only by adoring this Presence do we learn how to receive Him properly."

Eucharistic Adoration will resume in the fall on Fridays. While Adoration is available for anyone, we sign up volunteers in one-hour shifts, to ensure there is always someone with the Blessed Sacrament. This once-a-week commitment is an amazing opportunity to sit in the presence of Christ to draw closer in relationship with Him.