



## 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, September 26, St. Bridget (*Word-Communion Service*)  
 + 8:00 AM Richard Longpre (Marlene Longpre)  
 Tuesday, September 27, St. Austin  
 + 8:00 AM Henry Backmann (Alice Wortman)  
 Wednesday, September 28, St. Bridget  
 + 8:00 AM Theresa Ross (Family)  
 Thursday, September 29, St. Austin  
 + 8:00 AM Aleda King (King Family)  
 Friday, September 30, St. Bridget  
 8:00 AM People of the Parish  
 Weekend Liturgies  
 Saturday, October 1, St. Bridget  
 4:30 PM Jill Rice (Family)  
 Sunday, October 2, St. Austin  
 9:30 AM James Mueller (Ann Svobodny)

**IN YOUR KINDNESS** Please pray for the sick of our parish:  
**Kay Larson, Jean Eidem, Dianne Mulcare, Pam Murphy, Mary Ann Carter, Mark Johnson, Evie Lausen, Helen Stock, Jane Freund, Phyllis Skavnak, Bernice Ashfeld, and Mark Shields.** Please remember in your prayers **Vivian Provo.** May her soul and all of the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

**OCTOBER HEALING MASS** Start inviting your friends and colleagues to the upcoming Healing Mass at 10:30 AM on Friday, October 21st, at the St. Austin Campus. There will be two priests, Fr. Jim Devorak and Fr. Paul Jarvis, present to administer the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

**PLEASE NOTE:** *This Mass will take the place of the Anointing of the Sick on the first weekend of the month.*

**Senior Luncheon** to follow, again at the St. Austin Campus. Please RSVP for the luncheon at the parish office: 612-529-7779. \$5 per person.

**COATS FOR KIDS** Knights of Columbus Council #4451 will be collecting coats during September & October. There will be drop boxes at the entrances of both St. Austin's and St. Bridget's campuses. Please donate so many kids will keep warm this winter.

**A NOTE FROM THE FAITH FORMATION DEPARTMENT**

If you are 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. Thank you!

**AN OPPORTUNITY TO GROW** 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". Did you know there are more references to the Virgin Mary in the Koran than in all the New Testament? Did you know that the Divine Praises and various litanies are similar to Islam praises of God? In the diverse and multicultural world in which we live, we do well to try to understand our neighbors....what they believe, how they worship, and the truth about their religion....rather than the distorted view often portrayed in the media or from the mouths of uninformed political candidates. Understanding breaks down fear and helps us to realize that diversity can be enriching, rather than threatening. We hope you will join us and bring a friend or neighbor.

Collection for September 18 ..... \$3,706.80  
 Special Collection: Mission Appeal..... \$230.00

**READINGS FOR October 2**

First Reading: Habakkuk 1: 2-3; 2:2-4  
 Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14  
 Gospel Reading: Luke 17:5-10

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, October 1, 4:30 PM, St. Bridget**

Altar Servers: Joe Mullery  
 Lector: Diane Weber  
 Eucharistic Ministers: Rose Chyrklund, Bob Holmes, Alice Wortman  
 Usher/Greeter: Jacque Karas, Frank Plant, Mary Plant, Carol Wolney, Judy Neiss

**Sunday, October 2, 9:30 AM, St. Bridget**

Altar Servers: Ethan Nevalainen, Madison Nevalainen  
 Lector: Kay Larson  
 Sacristan: Sammy Robeck  
 Eucharistic Ministers: Carol Delzer, Dan Lindquist, Marie Lorbiecki, Barb West, George Ross  
 Ushers & Greeters: Bernice Ashfeld, Emmett Mulcare, Sam Pender, Ronald Willis, Mary Ann Svobodny

**CHURCH CALENDAR**

Mon. Sept. 26	Faithfully Fit	10:00 AM	St. B
Tues. Sept. 27	Arts & Crafts	9:00AM & 6:00PM	St. A
	Muslim-Christian Convo.	6:30 PM	SFR
Wed. Sept. 28	Coffee & Conversation	8:30 AM	SFR
	Confirmation Class	6:30 - 7:45 PM	OLV

**THE BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**, in honor of St. Francis of Assisi (patron saint of animals), will be **Sunday, October 2, 12:00 PM at the St. Bridget Campus.** One need not be a parishioner, nor own a pet, to attend. Let your friends and family know. Remember to give your friends the St. Bridget Campus's address:  
 3811 Emerson Avenue N., Minneapolis 55412

Since St. Francis was a deacon, in addition to being the founder of the Franciscan community, we are hoping a great many deacons will help in blessing dogs (please keep them on a leash), cats, snakes, frogs, birds, llamas, fish spiders, and perhaps little brothers. Whether one walks on two legs, four legs, eight legs, no legs, slithers or swims...all are welcome. **NOTE: If you're able to join Fr. Paul in being a Holy Pooper Scooper, please let the parish office know.**

**YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS**

**GAME NIGHT** Saturday, October 1st following the 4:30 PM Mass, there will be a game night in the Saint Francis Room. Bring your favorite board/card game and a friend!

**ARCHDIOCESAN YOUTH DAY 2016 (AYD16)** will take place on **Saturday, October 29, 2016, from 1:30-9:00 PM!** Join Archbishop Hebda, Bishop Cozzens, 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](mailto:alex@stbridgetnorthside.com) to register by **October 9th, 2016.**

It's a WONDERFUL LIFE, isn't it?

We've been given this life in order that we might love, worship, serve, and share – to get off our bums and DO something for the good of the parish and the local community, with the ultimate goal of helping others come to know Jesus.

This year, we are doing things a little differently. THIS weekend, we host the Ministry Fair in the school gym after both weekend Masses. The Fair is an opportunity to talk to ministry coordinators, gather information, and ask questions about the many ways you can get involved in the MINISTRY LIFE of the parish.

Throughout the week, we ask that you review the information you've taken. Pray. Listen. Pray some more. This is so important, yet so often overlooked. In this loud, loud world, God is found in the whispers. Listen with the ears of your heart – where are you being drawn?

Then, NEXT weekend (October 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>) is Commitment Weekend. At the beginning of both weekend Masses, you can pick up your envelope, which will contain a brochure, pledge card, and the current information we have for you (census data). You will have the opportunity to not only update your contact information, but also to sign up for various ministries within the parish, stretching yourself to try something new or perhaps a little out of your comfort zone – wherever you feel called. You will turn in the brochure and pledge card that very day.

If you are unsure of what to do this week, try offering this simple prayer, followed by time of silence to really listen:

*Jesus, I trust where You are leading me. Help me discern the plans you have for me in this parish community. Allow me use the gifts and talents with which I have been blessed to please You.*

It truly is a WONDERFUL MINISTRY LIFE here at the Parish Community of Saint Bridget, and we ask that you step out in faith and get involved.

~Heather Johnson, Director of Worship

HONORING THE BLESSED MOTHER October is the month that the Church celebrates and honors the Blessed Virgin Mary for her role in salvation history. Please join fellow parishioners in honoring our Blessed Mother during the month of October by praying the Rosary before the Sunday morning Mass. Rosary will begin at 8:55 AM. *Our Lady of Guadalupe (Patroness of the Americas), pray for us!*

FEAST OF SAINT FRANCIS On Tuesday October 4th at 7 PM, we will celebrate the feast of Saint Francis at the St. Austin Campus. The Secular Franciscans invite you to join in the celebration.

We are one of the few Franciscan parishes remaining in the Archdiocese. So we have to do this up BIG! There will be a reception after the 7 PM Mass of Solemnity in Brennan Hall.

*(Please note: there will be no 8:00 AM Mass that day.)*

Not only are all Franciscans welcome. Not only are all those with a love for Saint Francis and Pope Francis welcome. Everyone is welcome.

Give your friends this address for their GPSes:  
4050 Upton Avenue North, Minneapolis 55412

Please help me with my homily for that day. What does Saint Francis - or Pope Francis - mean to you? Anecdotes preferred. Saint Francis is one of my patron Saints, and I believe he has really gotten me out of jams throughout my life.

*Please send your thoughts or anecdotes to  
frpaul@stbridgetnorthside.com*

~Fr. Paul Jarvis, Senior Associate Pastor

SOMETHING TO CONSIDER

Next weekend, October 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>, we will take a few moments at the start of Mass to commit ourselves to various ministries in the church. However, an equally important part of the Commitment Weekend is the Pledge Drive—your annual opportunity to examine your financial stewardship to support the mission of the parish and the work of the Church.

As you've heard many times before, and as our bishops have tried to teach us, financial stewardship is not optional; it is an integral part of discipleship. To be a good disciple is to be a good steward and to be a good steward is to examine our resources and priorities honestly and prayerfully and pledge a portion of what we have to the work of the Church...not what is left after we meet our responsibilities and indulge our appetites, but the "first fruits," trusting that God will provide for our needs and reward our generosity.

On some level, we have grown complacent over the years because of the ample cushion that our relationship with Sojourner Truth Academy gives us. We were indeed fortunate to be able to rent our school building, most especially to a tenant that values and respects our property and has a good reciprocal relationship with the parish community, while regularly paying us a generous rent each month. When our Finance Council worked on this fiscal year's budget, they came to the startling realization that 47%—almost half—of our annual budget is funded by the income our school produces. While we recognize we are a relatively small and aging community and that a number of our parishioners are on fixed incomes, we cannot grow lazy about our responsibility to be good stewards and make the sacrifices our discipleship entails.

It is a reality that the cost of everything goes up each year—our utilities, the gas we put into our cars, the coffees and lattes we seem not to be able to live without, the groceries we purchase—and yet how many of us are still contributing to the church the same amount we have for the past five or ten or more years? The parish's expenses go up as well, and we need your responsible and faithful stewardship to meet our obligations so that we can keep our doors open, our lights on, pay the parish staff a just wage, and strive to do the works of the gospel.

So as we celebrate our upcoming Ministry Fair and Pledge Drive, may we do the hard work of examining our financial stewardship and, if we have been negligent or hesitant when it comes to financially supporting the work of the parish, let's place our trust in the Lord who loves a cheerful giver and promises to provide for us the things we need in order to live the lives he created us to live.

SPECIAL THANKS to Ethan and Madison Nevalainen for watering the trees at the St. Bridget Campus this summer!!

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION WITH FR. PAUL Stay after morning Mass this coming Wednesday, September 28. And come to the 8:30 AM COFFEE AND CONVERSATION in the St. Francis Room on the St. Bridget Campus to listen to a half hour presentation on *Religious Icons*, by Fr. Paul. Fr. Paul has a rather extensive collection of icons to show you... some of which are more than 300 years old. And he would like to show them to you. *Spoiler alert: Icons are not art. They are windows into another dimension. More on this later.*

Please submit future Coffee and Conversation topics to the parish office.

BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE Please submit all bulletin submissions to info@stbridgetnorthside.com by **noon the Monday before the bulletin's issue date.**