ST. ELIZABETH - ST. BRIGID PARISH

July 23, 2018 – July 29, 2018 *16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

(†) Deceased (℄) Living

Monday, July 23 ~ St. Bridget
8:30 AM (St. Elizabeth) Rosary for Vocations
9:00 AM (St. Elizabeth) Mass: Steve Urban†

Tuesday, July 24 ~ St. Sharbel Makhluf
8:45 AM (St. Brigid) Morning Prayer
9:00 AM (St. Brigid) Mass: Theodore Kutasinski †

Wednesday, July 25~ St. James
8:45 AM (St. Elizabeth) Novena
9:00 AM (St. Elizabeth) Mass: Bruce Martin †

Thursday, July 26 ~ SS. Joachim and Anne
8:45 AM (St. Brigid) Morning Prayer
9:00 AM (St. Brigid) Mass: Carmela & Salvatore Monaco†

Friday, July 27 ~
8:45 AM (St. Brigid) Rosary for Vocations
9:00 AM (St. Brigid) Mass: Diane R. DeSanto †

Saturday, July 28 ~
5:00 PM (St. Brigid) Mass: The O'Callaghan Family
6:30 PM (St. Elizabeth) Mass: Louise Pickel †

Sunday, July 29 ~ 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM (St. Brigid) Mass: August Ventura †
9:30 AM (St. Brigid) Mass: Joseph Jasontek †
10:30 AM (St. Elizabeth) Mass: For the Parishioners
11:30 AM (St. Brigid) Mass: Ann Leonora Mandelos †

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

""…come away by yourselves to a lonely place and rest awhile. "MARK 6:31 Do you spend time, every day, alone and in silence listening to how God is calling you? If not, you are missing out on a wonderful opportunity to develop a more person relationship with Him. Unless we talk and more importantly, listen to God every day, how else will we know how He is calling us? Consider making a retreat this year, spend some "alone" time with God.

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Metuchen is offering Counseling and Wellness Services. If you or someone you know needs counseling or is impacted by addiction, we can help. Individual and family therapy for children and adults is available.
For an appointment, call (800) 655-9491.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, July 28, 2018

St. Brigid ---------- 5:00 PM
(E) Jennifer D'Andrea (R) Christina Ross
(A) *Assistance Needed*

St. Elizabeth ---------- 6:30 PM
(E) Kathryn Blejwas (R) Pat Riedel
(A) *Assistance Needed*

Sunday, July 29, 2018

St. Brigid ---------- 7:30 AM
(E) Holland Kochanski (R) Justin Hendrickson
(A) *Assistance Needed*

St. Brigid ---------- 9:30 AM
(E) Barbara Carlson (R) Eleanor Van Arsdale
(A) Margaret Gaspar

St. Elizabeth ---------- 10:30 AM
(E) Gloria La Grassa (R) *Assistance Needed*
(A) *Assistance Needed*

St. Brigid ---------- 11:30 AM
(E) Fred Grigni (R) Amanda Bowman
(A) Luke & William Mahala

Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish

"For *everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven…*"

A time to heal… *Please pray for the sick of our parish including: Ruth Stahl, Maria Nucci, Ann Buttacavoli, Victoria Gass, Barbara Giarretta, Phyllis Munstis, Mike Tocci, Mary Hanlon, Richard LaPointe, Philipa Reist, Brigitta Reist, Charlie Blake, Barbara Ryan, Collin Perrone, Larry Gaffney, Kieran Flynn, Mary Christensen, Paul Erwin, Joanna Jasontek, Ginny Jones, Edward Rowan, Linda Maria Serrano, and Deborah Marcus.*

A time to die… *Please pray for those who have recently passed away: Gino Montrone*

PRAY FOR POPE FRANCIS AND HIS INTENTIONS

Priests and their Pastoral Ministry. That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.

Peace in Jesus

16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 23:1-6

In this passage, God denounces false leaders who have scattered his people. He promises that they will be reunited and led by one who is just and wise.

SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 2:13-18

Paul explains that through Jesus Christ, there is no longer hostility between Gentile and Jew. Instead, through the Spirit of Christ, both groups become one body and are equal in the eyes of God.

GOSPEL: MARK 6:30-34

The apostles returned after their first mission and told Jesus what they had done and taught. He told them to rest, but the people kept coming to them. So they went to find a private place, but the people learned where they were going and arrived first. Jesus felt sorry for them and decided to teach them instead of resting.

SAINT ELIZABETH-ST. BRIGID PARISH CONTACT LIST

Parish Group	Contact Name and E-mail
Bible Study/Book Club	Sr. Donna Marie Kemberling, SCC AdultEd@sainteb.org
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Daughters of Mary	Tess Johnson Daughters_of_Mary@sainteb.org
Knights of Columbus	Abe Van Beveren III kofc11386@gmail.com or KofC@sainteb.org
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Parish Pastoral Council	Vera Ricciardi-Zachman PastoralCouncil@sainteb.org
RCIA	Margaret Mulrooney ParishLife@sainteb.org
Religious Education	Denise O'Callaghan RelEd@sainteb.org
Reverence for Life	Kathy Marie Denuel RevforLife@sainteb.org
St. Vincent de Paul	Denise O'Callaghan Svdp@sainteb.org

FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 22, 2018 TO JULY 28, 2018

Altar Bread and Wine at
St. Elizabeth & Brigid Church are being offered
For the Special Intentions of
Rev. Robert Pinnisi

The Sanctuary Candle at
St. Elizabeth & St. Brigid Church are being offered for
For the Special Intentions of
Larry Nagle
In honor of his Retirement

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Attention all incoming 6th through 9th graders for the upcoming school year; we'll be doing our *uServe Camp* the week of Tuesday 8/7 through Friday 8/10

This will be an amazing opportunity to serve those in need and grow closer to God.

Register NOW
boldym.com/sesb/userve

uServe by Fist Ventures Matthew 25:40

Ramil Caragay| SESB@boldym.com | 908-443-1802

FIND NEARBY CHURCHES

For information on Catholic Churches while you are traveling: Visit www.masstimes.org Remember to bring one a bulletin or two to share what is happening in other churches.

2018 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

To date, the development Office has received pledges totaling $ 314,791.95 and payments totaling $ 301,956.53 from 287 parishioners. This represents 98.4% of our $ 320,000 goal. Thank you to all you have already given to the Bishop's Annual appeal. If you have not yet made a gift, it's not too late to participate.

SAVE THE DATE!

September 25, 7 – 8:30PM

An Evening of Recollection, Appreciation & discussion for all Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Music, Altar Servers, Ushers and Greeters.

More Details to Follow!

Congratulations to the following couple who were united in marriage at St. Brigid Church:

Holly Ponichtera and Benjamin Umiker

July 14, 2018

May their life together be filled with God's abundant blessings

Congratulations to the following children Baptized in St. Brigid Church this past weekend:

Emilia Ann Arpino

Child of Michael & Mary Arpino

And

Andres Rodriquez Vergara

Child of Mariela Rodriguez & Francisco Vergara

PLEASE REGISTER FOR OUR 2018-2019 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR GRADES K-8

You can choose from two Sunday morning sessions, either 8:15 AM to 9:25 AM or from 10 AM to 11:10 AM. Registration forms were e-mailed home on April 10th and are also located at the back of both churches. Feel free to email, mail or drop off your completed forms and payment to the Parish Center. If you need additional forms, please contact the office at (908) 234-1524.

Volunteers are needed as Catechists, Hall Monitors and Substitutes.

For students transferring from another Parish's Religious Education Program or from a Catholic school please include a letter of verification indicating grade levels completed, sacramental history, progress reports and certificates of Baptism and First Holy Communion.

Saint Peter's Gianna Center located in New Brunswick, NJ is dedicated to offering truly prolife women's health care, including infertility services, general gynecologic care, and more. All services are provided in accordance with the US Catholic Bishops Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services. For more information contact us at 732-565-5490 or visit www.saintpetershcs.com/ Services/Gianna-Center

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Remember in your prayers the members of our Armed Services, especially Patrick Blankenship of the USMC & Ryan O'Connor of the US Army, close friends of Jean Fall; John F. Stahl of the US Army, son, Joseph Stahl of the Navy, grandson, and Eric Hummel of the US Army nephew of Ruth Stahl; Brendan Patrick Duffy of the US Army, son of Deacon Larry & Denise Duffy; Jordan Weaver of the Air Force, husband of Christy (LaPointe) Weaver; Charles Clough of the USMC, son of John & Jan Clough; John Walker of the Air Force, grandson of Bernard & Joan O'Reilly; Christopher Jibilian, US Navy pilot and Matthew Jibilian US Navy Seal, grand-nephews of Charlie & Pina Jibilian; Specialist Kyle Patterson of the US Army, godson of Mary Oswald; Matthew Blejwas USMA West Point, grandson of Walter and Kathryn Blejwas.

FOR YOUR MARRIAGE

Here to help you live out a happy & holy marriage! Helps couples at all stages of life to understand and live God's plan for happy, holy marriages.

For Your Marriage is an initiative of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Check out http://www.foryourmarriage.org/

RESOURCES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities has a Facebook page that provides daily updates with short inspirational reflections for people with disabilities, family members and care givers. The site also provides endless resources for those with physical, emotional, cognitive, visual, auditory and other special challenges. To access our Facebook page (even if you are not a member of Facebook), type the following into your search engine: Diocese of Metuchen Office for Persons with Disabilities.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Father you call each one of us by name and ask us to follow you. Bless your Church by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons, and Lay Ministers. Inspire us as we grow to know you, and open our hearts to hear your call. We ask this in Jesus name, Amen.

SAVE THE DATE!

DIOCESAN OFFICE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES CHRISTMAS PARTY

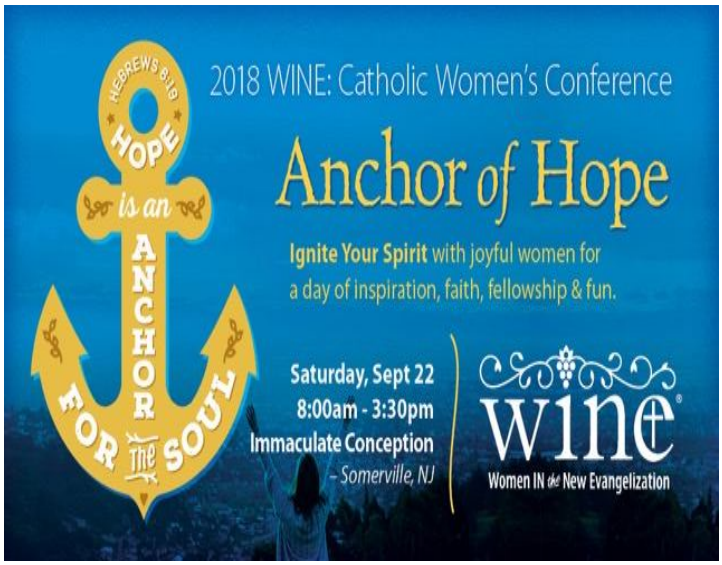
The Christmas Party for children and young adults with special needs will take place on Saturday, December 15, 2018 (1:30 PM – 3:30 PM). More information to follow.

VATICAN II AND THE CHURCH OF THE THIRD MILLENNIUM

St. John Neumann Pastoral Center
146 Metlars Lane in Piscataway
Wednesdays, August 8, 15, 22 and 29
10 to 11 AM

Vatican II and the Church of the Third Millennium is a video series with discussion with Dr. Richard R. Gaillardetz, Ph.D. The course is described as an exploration of the enduring power of Vatican II's teachings in our day. It is an opportunity to reflect on the challenges facing the Catholic Church today. Each week with cover a different topic. The program is free. No registration is required. For information, call (732) 529-7933

CALLING ALL WOMEN!



Cost per person: $55 for early registration and $65 after September 1 - $25 for Religious sisters or Consecrated.

Register Online: newjerseywine2018.eventbrite.com or make checks out to WINE(Women In the New Evangelization) and send to 3500 Vicksburg Lane N Suite #400-172 Plymouth, MN 55447

Questions? Email:pjannuzzi@icsomerville.org or call (908) 725-1112, ext. 1124

HelpOurMarriage.org
RETROUVAILLE
A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?
UPCOMING WEEKEND:
August 24-26, 2018

- Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
- Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
- Are you constantly fighting?
- Or, do you simply shut down?
- Have you thought about separation or divorce?
- Does talking about it only make it worse?

…Retrouvaille is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages. The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. For more information call the Family Life Office at 732-243-4573 or to register call Rich & Annette Colasuonno at 732-236-0671 or e-mail 3024@retrouvaille.org.

PARISH INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP

"Lord, teach us to pray" Luke 11:1

Sacred Scripture is filled with those who excel at praying: Abraham, Moses, Ruth and of course our Holy Mother Mary. Prayer is a powerful tool given to us to enter into relationship with Him and to be used for the benefit of all His children. *Would you like to be good at praying*? Come join us as we meet to pray for the needs of the Parish. We will be meeting at the Parish Center Monday evenings at 7:15 PM. If you are interested, curious or have a prayer request call Denise O'Callaghan at 908 234-1524.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING AWARNESS

This year's National NFP Awareness Week is July 22-28. The theme proposed by our Bishops' Conference is "It's time! Say 'yes' to God's plan for married love. " Call the Family Life Office/ Diocese of Metuchen (732) 562-1990 Ext. 1705 or email familylife@diometuchen.org for more formation or to register for classes at a location near your home.

SILVER & GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday, October 21, 2018

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the church of Metuchen. Renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service in the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen.

Applications forms may be secured by contacting your parish office or by logging onto the diocesan website: www.diometuchen.org/silverandgold. The system will automatically send a confirmation message for your records. The deadline for registration is Wednesday, October 3rd, 2018. For more information, call Aida Matos at 732-243-4573 or email amatos@diometuchen.org.

GREETING MINISTRY

The St. Elizabeth-St. Brigid Parish family always wants to ensure all feel welcomed in both our Churches. To support that objective, we recently added a Mass greeter ministry to the various ministries of our Parish, specifically at the Saturday, 5 PM and Sunday 11:30 AM St. Brigid Masses. Many people have provided positive comments on the welcoming provided by the greeters. We would love to add this role to all our Masses. If you want to, in a small way, show your love for our faith and faith community, and can extend a warm smile or handshake to entrants into our Masses, please let us know. All that is required is to show up 10 or 15 minutes prior to the Mass you typically attend and greet folks as they enter the Church. You never know when such a simple gesture can influence unsettled hearts or brighten someone's day. Please contact Pastoralcouncil@SaintEB.org if you are interested and would like to learn more!

DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration is now being held in the chapel at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway. Adorers and intercessors are needed Monday through Friday, 9 to 11:45 AM. Daily Mass is held at 11:45 AM. For information or to volunteer, call Laura Ferreras, (732) 529-7932. To submit a prayer request, call (732) 765-6445 or email Adoration@diometuchen.org.

PROJECT RACHEL

Are you suffering after an Abortion?
Help is available!

If you or someone you know is suffering after an abortion, confidential, non-judgmental help is available! Experience God's merciful love and begin the journey of healing: Call Project Rachel's local toll-free helpline number: 877-877-4300 or visit HopeAfterAbortion.org. Spanish-speakers may visit EsperanzaPosaborto.org or call Sisters of Life at 866-575-0075 or email: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org

JOIN US IN A NIGHT OF FUN AUGUST 14th