

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
(ANY CHANGES, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE.)
Aaron Furstenau, Tara Klostreich, Hunter & Taryn Denault Family; Ryan & Shelbie Goodoiien Family; Matt Byron; Aidyn Vondal-Rinde, Brad To-
kach, Larry Omdahl, Michael/Bonnie Lewis, Madi Letzring, Marilyn Cuccia, Lukas Falk, Sean DuPre, Michael Blevins, Cori Hartje, Troy Scharmn,
Richard Mitchell, Carol Olimb, Christine Berger, Carol Scholler, Judy Hultin, Jim Dunnigan, Lori Hill, Lucy Rieger, Patricia Rodvold, Heidi Gus-
tafson, Adrienne Wellman, Allison Bleick, Dale Hultin, Sherry McDonald, Brent Collins, Merle Larson, Melanie Fischer, Ruth Ivesdahl, Carol
Smith, Bernard/Aletha Schommer, Brianna Fernandez, Rick Kilichowski, Gary Olson, Joan Kerian, Robert Winkler ; Samuel Heck; Erik Finney

ST PATRICK ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Pray the Rosary: Sun at 8:00 am. Adoration with Confessions: Sat at 8:00 am. More Confessions: Sun 8:00 am. Jul Cleaners: Brian
& Sara/Frank & Alli. Collection: Sherry & Kari (Jul 6); Clay & Al (Jul 13). Reader: Al (Jul) Sanctuary Lamp: Harrison Young Family
(Jul 6); Salwei Family (Jul 13). Sacristan: Mary T (Jul 6); Duane (Jul 13). Rosary: Mary T (Jul 6); Richard (Jul 13).

ST BRIGID ANNOUNCEMENTS
Pray the Rosary: Sat @ 4:30 pm, Sun @ 10 am. Adoration with Confessions: Wed & Fri at 11:00 am; More Confessions: Sat 4-5:00
pm, Mon 4:45-5:15 pm. Jul Cleaners: A-F. Collection: Kevin & Mitch (Jul 6); Mike & Val (Jul 13). Readers: (Jul) Sat-Richard; Sun-
Trevor. Rosary: Volunteer (Jun). Sanctuary Lamp: Herman Schwartz (Jul 6); Brian/Alli Puppe, Dolores/Arni Johnson (Jul 13). Food
Basket: please: food items/donations for food box. Prayer Groups-St Brigid: after Sunday Mass; Tuesdays 7 am for Rosary!

Annual Salad Luncheon! Blessings to Tara Hartje and Kelly Vaughn who will coordinate this great event this year!
It is set for August 1st, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm! A Sign-up sheet to help out is in the lobby of the church! August 1st is approaching!

Mass Intentions: Mass is the best way to help souls on Earth and in Purgatory: “It *would be easier for the world to survive without the sun than to do without Holy Mass.*” – Saint Padre Pio

Catholic End-of-Life forms available: Truly Catholic Advanced-Directive Healthcare Forms are available in the church lobby.

Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Italy: Join Bishop Folda on a Jubilee Year pilgrimage that will take us through the Holy Door of St. Pe-
ter's Basilica and a special Jubilee exposition of the Shroud of Turin. October 28, 2025-November 6, 2025. Call 701-356-7900.

Family Faith Formation! **Catholic Vacation Bible School** is coming up—JULY 14—17, 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm each evening!!!
Sign-up your students, and/or sign-up yourself to help at this webpage: <https://www.myvbs.org/stbrigidcatholicchurch/>

Tuesday Evenings: Confessions and **Silent** prayer time with Jesus in the Monstrance on the Altar at St Brigid from 6:30 pm to 7:30
pm. Help the Pro-Life movement in our state and country. Come for a minute, the whole hour, or somewhere in between. The
North Dakota State Supreme Court will decide soon on our state’s laws to protect life. Please come and pray.



Holy Hour for Fallen-Away Catholics: Every second-Sunday of the Month (this Sunday!), from 3-4 pm (Divine Mercy) @ St Brigid.
The next holy for this is July 13th!!!

Meals on Wheels: It is our turn to transport the Meals on Wheels, from Monday, **June 23 to Friday, July 18.** Please sign-up in lobby!

Middle School Catholic Camp: @ Red Willow Bible Camp in Binford, ND. July 13-17. Call 701-356-7902

Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat: Healing from an abortion decision. Join us from *August 8-10, 2025*, for a safe, loving, and confidential
weekend to experience the healing power of God’s infinite mercy. Contact: Sherry at 701-520-1229 or Tim at 701-799-2051 or
email rvregister@yahoo.com.

Please Note: Thursday’s morning Mass is transferred to St Brigid this week for Marlene Stremick’s funeral.

		This week on formed.org learn about: St Augustine Zhao Rong and Com- panions, Martyrs; St Benedict, Abbot Sign-up, it’s free for you!			
Mon		Jul 7	5:15 pm	St Brigid	John Law
Tues		Jul 8	8:00 am	St Patrick	Carol Lewis
Wed	St Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions, Martyrs	Jul 9	Noon	St Brigid	Earl Law
Thur		Jul 10	10:30 am	St Brigid	Funeral for Marlene Stremick
Fri	St Benedict, Abbot	Jul 11	Noon	St Brigid	Rose Law
Sat		Jul 12	9:00 am	St Patrick	Parishes of St Brigid & St Patrick
			5:00 pm	St Brigid	David Lagein Family
Sun	Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Jul 13	8:30 am	St Patrick	Parishes of St Brigid & St Patrick
			10:30 am	St Brigid	Elian Martinez

Stewardship: as of 6-29-25	St Brigid	St Patrick		St Brigid	St Patrick
<i>Weekly Total</i>	1,462.00	430.00	<i>St Patrick’s Care Collection</i>		925.00
<i>YTD Total</i>	36,885.00	17,704.00	Gods Gift Appeal:	8,730.00	3,988.00
<i>Building Fund YTD</i>	1,635.00	3,825.00	Cemetery:	5,735.00	5,381.69

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verified than in our faith in the *Real Presence*. It is as if Christ in the Eucharist is saying “*That is why I am here, so that you may come to Me!*”

Adoration of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is to include, with great emphasis, our profession of hope in Him who died on the cross to save us from the world, the devil and our own sinful inclination. But remember: we must come to Him.

The blessings we may expect are the blessings already proven by the lives of all the great saints who were devoted to the Holy Eu-
charist. Not only does our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament give us the courage to cope with our natural fears, He also gives us the
ability to undertake great things for the sake of His name and the power to undergo great trials in our loyalty to His cause. We need
the strength to undertake what the Church tells us, and we need more divine strength to undergo the trials of life.

Faith tells us that this same Jesus, who said, “*Have confidence, I have overcome the world,*” is here on earth giving us the same
message today, assuring us that He will provide the help we need in this life. Whatever it is, He promises to give us all we need to
cope with the trials of this world and the light and strength we need to reach our eternal destiny in Heaven.

We must note how crucially important it is for us to distinguish divine hope from human hope. Unlike human hope, divine hope
may be painful! Even in symbolic language, anybody in his right mind knows that Heaven is above, not below. We do not get to
Heaven by sheer gravity. Nobody falls into Heaven; we have to climb up to it.

Professing our hope under heavy trial or temptation is a must. But we are also encouraged to profess our hope every day. Masters
of the spiritual life tell us to make acts of hope at least as aspirations (short prayers) frequently, regularly and even habitually. Why
should we profess our hope regularly? The difficulties and responsibilities people face in today’s world are naturally insurmounta-
ble. We all should profess our hope in God’s promises regularly, in order to obtain more grace from God, to help us persevere in
being faithful to our state of life and to grow in the virtue of divine hope.

The more unexpected seduction and temptations, the more one should cultivate the habit of professing hope. These are not ordinary
days. No wonder such strong efforts are being made throughout the Western world to legalize euthanasia – so much of the Western
world has become a hopeless world, dreading pain and running away from the Cross. In today’s world, we need to profess our hope
more than ever before.

Our hope is only as strong as our faith. Our hope is only as confident as our faith is sound. Our hope is only as courageous as our
faith in God and His goodness is unshakable. Those who believe in God hope to obtain from Him what He promised. “*Believing*”
people are hopeful people. “*Unbelieving*” people are hopeless people.

What does faith tell us about the *Real Presence*? It tells us God so loved the world that He became man and died on the Cross to
redeem us by His blood. Faith also tells us that on the night before He died, that same God who became man chose to change bread
and wine into His own living Self, the Incarnate God. We believe God became man not only to die on the Cross, but also to be
with us, near us, next to us.

The secret of professing our hope in Christ’s promises is to believe Jesus is here in this *valley of tears*, precisely to enable us in cop-
ing with the trials of life and trusting that He will not abandon us. This is exactly what the Real Presence means. It means God be-
came man, and the Incarnate God is now here with us to reassure us that we are not alone.

St. Alphonsus Liguori has a delightful story in his classic work on the Holy Eucharist. He says:

“*After her death, St. Theresa (of Avila), who was already in Heaven, said to a nun `Those who are in Heaven and those who are on earth should be one and the same in purity and in love; we are enjoying and you are suffering. That which we do in Heaven with the Divine Essence, you should do on earth with the Most Blessed Sacrament.*”“ (Holy Eucharist, 135)

In the last analysis, what is the reason for discouragement or dread of not reaching Heaven? It is fear of ourselves. We know our-
selves too well. We know our weakness and sinfulness and instability, and we are all afraid. But that is why God became Incarnate
and dwells with us in the Blessed Sacrament—that we might look confidently to our Heavenly home and trust peacefully in the
strength that only He, our Eucharistic Lord, can give us. This is the abundant blessing found in coming to our Lord in the Blessed
Sacrament and professing our hope in His Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist.

(from: *The Real Presence Association*)

Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

St Brigid & St Patrick

July 6, 2025

“*I Will Give You Rest*” (Mt 11:28)

We believe Christ knows and understands and is ready to provide for all our
needs on the way to Heaven. He knows exactly what we need. All we have to do
is come to Him, as He told us: “*Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavily*
burdened, and I will give you rest.” Nowhere in our faith is that more profoundly

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