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April 26, 2020

3rd Sunday of Easter

Sacramental Life

RCIA JOURNEY

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic we'd love to share more about what we believe with you!

BAPTISMS: Infant/Children

Contact Parish Office.
Formation Session Required.

ANointing OF THE SICK

It is best to call at the beginning of a serious illness or when surgery is first scheduled.

MARRIAGE

Contact Parish Office at least 9 months prior to anticipated wedding date.

PENANCE

1st Saturday of every month
3:30-4pm or by appointment.

COMMUNION to HOMEBOUND

Ministers of Care will bring Communion to you when you are ill & unable to join us in Sunday worship.



Our Mission

We are a Catholic community welcoming all, consciously celebrating the Eucharist with joy, together personifying the compassion of God to the world.



OFFICE ON LIMITED HOURS

Due to limited hours, please email staff with any questions. We will get back to you as quickly as possible. Thank you for your patience.

Liturgy and Prayer

WEEKEND MASS -CANCELED

Saturday	4:30pm
Sunday	7:30am
	9:15am (signed)
	11am

WEEKDAY MASS-CANCELED

Monday-Friday	8am
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CENTERING PRAYER -CANCELED

Wednesdays
9:00am Spirituality Center
6:30pm chapel
Centering prayer is contemplative prayer that is centered entirely on the presence of God.



Week at a glance...

AS PER THE DIOCESE OF PHOENIX
ALL CHURCH EVENTS HAVE BEEN
CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday

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Finance@stbridget.org

Dear Parishioners,

It seems a beautiful thing that at least so many of us could be in spiritual communion through viewing and participation in the liturgies of Holy week and Easter. It was a poignant experience of the need for the body of Christ to be present as the Body of Christ to one another in order to derive the fullest and most real experience, and we pray and trust that we will soon be able to celebrate this fullest sense of being church.

The liturgy of the Easter season is consistent in its emphasis that the risen Christ is present and active in the world by being present and active in the life and activity of the community. The visible manifestation of an invisible reality (sacrament) finds fulfillment in the reality of the church and makes of it a sacrament for the world's salvation "VATII. The church belongs in the world just as Christ belonged and belongs in the world. The mission of us all as church is to be the active and saving presence of Christ in the world.

But all good work for the culture of Christ/Reign of God must also have deep rootedness in, intimacy with God in Christ. During a time that we cannot celebrate the sacraments most joyfully united, nor be very active in the world, we can use this more reflective space to pray and grow in our love and union. Our "works" flow from our awareness of being forgiven, of being loved and cherished by God this awareness is quickened when we take the time to reflect, ponder, pray, meditate; in other words, just being with God in the depths of our being. So continue the brave journey of stillness, quiet and more expansive God, conscious, realizing that this is the heart of everything, the foundation of our lives.

You are not alone when engaged in prayer contemplation, of course the Holy Spirit, our comforter, is present when we take these steps. We are bound spiritually to Christ and are one another (like even our computers can reveal!). Union most deeply and quietly with God is meant to heal loneliness, offer consolation, inspire wisdom and resolve, be all the peace we desire.

We are bathed in the light of the Gospel! We can be signs to one another and our world, still, especially in bleaker times, when we practice finding our equanimity through exploring our relationships to God in all the less public and more private ways we can. Christ remains with us always as we carry out our holy mission in the world, even while not too physically in it. We are totally engaged even, and especially, through prayer.

God's mercy and abundance of holy life bless and sustain you, as we assist our world and each other now.

Lumen Christi,

PRAY FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Let us pray for those in our parish in need of healing and strength.

God our Healer, support for our human weakness, look with compassion on those suffering; relieve the pain of the sick and bring them to full recovery; give strength to all caregivers and medical personnel who care for them; and comfort their fami-

lies during this time of deep stress. Welcome into the peace of your kingdom those who have died, and console the loved ones of those who we have lost. Give us wisdom and help us all to persevere in faith throughout this time of tribulation. Keep us all in your merciful love. we ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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All those who have lost their jobs

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Signature

Date



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SACRAMENTAL PREP CLASSES

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THE DIOCESE OF PHOENIX



Find us on social Media:
St. Bridget Teen Ministry
@stbteens / @StBridgetTeens
youthministry@stbridget.org



**A Huge Thanks to Sean & Sam Brennan for all
their work on our on-line liturgies!**

NEXT MEETING: TBD

Check social media:

@stbteens (Snapchat, Twitter, Instagram)
@StBridgetTeens (Facebook)
Teen Minister: Thomas Rosales



May be subject to change

Vacation Bible School

June 8th-12th, 9 am-12 pm
4 years old - 6th grade
On-line registration
opening May 2nd

CANCELED CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD—CLOW

Breaking open the word for children
offered during the 11:00am Mass most
Sundays. All children are encouraged to
come forward when Father invites them.
They are escorted to the prayer chapel by
two adult leaders who present the Sunday readings at a
level for the children's understanding. Please encourage
your child to participate in this beautiful program.
If your child is nervous, a parent is welcome to join.



BAPTISMS—baptism@stbridget.org

Looking forward:
We are now accepting registrations
for infant Baptism.

St. Bridget Spirituality Center

The Lenten Soup and Spirit Program was off to an
exceptional start this year. The speakers were all kind
enough to film their presentations so we can continue
the series in an online format during the Easter season.

Woman's Wisdom for our Times, Encouragement from the Women Doctors of the Church.

A doctor of the church is a title given to saints
recognized as having made a significant contribution to
theology or doctrine through their research, study or
writing.

There are 36 doctors of the church, 4 of them are
women. The first woman to be honored with the title
of doctor of the church was St. Theresa of Avila in
1970.

To draw from their exceptional lives and contributions
can offer us wonderful wells of nourishment in these
difficult times.

Watch your email for it to come to you over the next
four weeks. It will also be available on the parish
website.

The Schedule will be as follows:

St. Theresa of Liseiux with Richard Groves -
Week of April 20th

St. Theresa of Avila with Fr. Ron Oakham -
Week of April 27th

St. Catherine of Siena with J.D. Long Garcia -
Week of May 4th

St. Hildegard of Bingen with Fr. Scott Brubaker -
Week of May 11th

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING (SET)

POLICY & PROCEDURES AVAILABILITY:

"Diocese of Phoenix Policy & Procedures for the Protection of Minors" may be viewed online in two places:

1-If you are compliant with current safe environment requirements, you can use your UserID/Password to login to CMGConnect.org. Once there, click on "Resources" near the top right corner of your display. The above manual, as well as the "Catholic Diocese of Phoenix Guidelines for Pastoral Care of Vulnerable Adults" are there.

2-If you DON'T have a profile with CMGConnect, you can Google www.stbridget.org. Once there, click on the drop-down menu "About Us," then click on "Safe Environment," and then scroll down to the end of the Adult section. Both of the above manuals are there (just click on the title).

If you don't have a computer and would like a hard copy of either of these manuals, contact me.

Jean McCarthy, Safe@stbridget.org OR call/text 602-300-8293, 9-9, every day

Knights of Columbus Council #9800

Men of St. Bridget's Parish, are you interested in supporting our priests, our parish and your family, as well as all of our community?

The K.O.C. and their families have been doing just that since 1882, and *you can be part of it all*. Come join the largest Lay Catholic Men's organization in the world and see how fantastic it is to be with your fellow Catholic men serving our parish and our community.

Just stop and ask any Brother Knight about the benefits and the fraternity available to you and your family or contact GK James Moore at jmoore237@cox.net or call me at 480-415-8713. Meetings are held in Collins Hall the first Thursday of every month at 7:30 P.M.

Charity—Unity—Fraternity—Patriotism



"Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?"

Let your hearts burn for Jesus and your spouse. Learn how on the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends on May 15-17 in Phoenix. To apply online, and for more weekend dates around the state of Arizona visit www.wmearizona.com

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Common Good Ministry

We cannot allow ourselves to write the present and future history by turning our backs on the suffering of so many people.

Pope Francis to *Vida Nueva*,

April 17, 2020

These past few weeks have been challenging to say the least, but we have come to enjoy the little things again. We're connecting with family and friends. Families are walking together, cooking and eating together, praying together. Some of us are finally able to exercise or read those books we never had time for before.

We find hope and inspiration in the despair, and courage and purpose in the darkness.

We learned of Meaghan Mathews, a former St. Bridget's parishioner and Religious Education alumni, who is volunteering in New Orleans, working with restaurant owners now struggling to keep afloat, to prepare and deliver food to the brave and overworked hospital front liners and service workers, while employing out-of-work artists and musicians to deliver it. Her team efforts started with one hospital and have now grown to include every hospital in the city! Check out their inspiring story at www.feedthefrontlinenola.org/.

We see our grocery store employees working around the clock to make sure shelves are stocked.

We see folks setting up networks with local food banks to make sure all who are hungry are fed.

We see teachers spreading themselves thin by teaching their students from home while caring for their own kids.

Let's be a source of hope and inspiration. Reach out to one another.

RAISED



"The Lord has truly been raised!"

LUKE 24:34

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Spiritual

In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you!" During Mass we turn to each other and say, "Peace be with you!" Your gift to St. Vincent de Paul says, "Peace be with you!" to those who are poor and hungry.

Pantry Needs

At this time, our pantry could use the following: baby wipes, jelly, toothpaste, canned vegetables, and canned soup. Please drop pantry items in the cart outside the SVDP office between 9 a.m. - 12 noon. Thank you for your generosity!!

Membership

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society (SVDP) is open to all those who seek to live their faith, loving and committing themselves to their neighbors in need. Membership in the St. Bridget Conference of the Society of the SVDP is open to individuals who seek to answer the call to service.

For more information please contact the office at 480-807-1493.



**Readings for the week
Of April 26th**

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]/Jn 6:22-29
 Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]/Jn 6:30-35
 Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66: 1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/Jn 6:35-40
 Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/Jn 6:44-51
 Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59 *St. Joseph the Worker*: Gn 1:26—2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 12-13, 14 and 16 [cf.17b]/Mt 13:54-58
 Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/Jn 6:60-69
 Next Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

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During front office closure, prayer chain requests for the bulletin can be emailed to Char Prado
char.prado@yahoo.com

BULLETIN DUE DATES:

Bulletin is due 9:00am on the Tuesday before publication date. (LPI guidelines)

Weekend of April 12, 2020

Plate	\$ 0
Tithely On-line	\$ 4,233.88
ACH Checks	\$ 490.00
Mail in	\$ 3,022.55
Easter	\$ 11,287.56
	\$19,033.99

Weekend of April 19, 2020

Plate	\$ 0
Tithely On-line	\$ 2,561.35
ACH Checks	\$ 6,095.00
Mail in	\$ 3,215.00
Easter	\$ 640.00
	\$ 12,511.35

For your convenience we have installed a secured lock box by the elevator. The box is checked daily for any donations that are dropped off.

For more information about online giving, please contact Pat Shaneyfelt at fince@stbridget.org or call the office.



April 20—April 26

Monday	8:00am	Pro populo
Tuesday	8:00am	Special Intentions
Wednesday	8:00am	Special Intentions
Thursday	8:00am	Special Intentions
Friday	8:00am	Special Intentions
Saturday	4:30pm	Special Intentions
Sunday	7:30am	Special Intentions
	9:15am	Special intentions
	11:00am	Special Intentions



For all in our parish community who are in need of our prayers:

- ◆ Danielle Steiner
- ◆ Harold Amiot
- ◆ Val Hernandez
- ◆ Lynn Scriven
- ◆ Elaine Westhaus
- ◆ Ha Khanh Tran
- ◆ All Caregivers, First Responders, Nurses, Doctors and all Health Personnel
- ◆ All those who have lost their jobs

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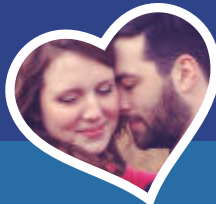
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