



ST. BRIDGET
CATHOLIC CHURCH



JULY 24, 2022 | LEADING LIVES FULL OF **FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE**

17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.” - Lk 11:9

MASS TIMES

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 5pm, *Sunday 9:30am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Mon., Thur. & Fri. at 9:00am

Wednesday at 6:30pm

***live-streamed**

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM & CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Please contact Amanda Cahill

CONFIRMATION & R.C.I.A.

Please contact

Sarah & Alex Chopyak

MARRIAGE

Please contact Fr. William Heric

RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 3:45pm - 4:30pm
or by appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact
Fr. William Heric

PARISH INFORMATION & NEWS

SCRIPTURE READINGS & DAILY SAINTS

JULY 24

R1, Gn 18:20-32
Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8
R2, Col 2:12-14
Gospel, Lk 11:1-13

Saint Sharbel Makhlouf

JULY 25

R1, 2 COR 4:7-15
Ps 126:1BC-2AB, 2CD-3, 4-5, 6
Gospel, MT 20:20-28

Saint James

JULY 26

R1, JER 14:17-22
Ps 79:8, 9, 11 AND 13
Gospel, MT 13:36-43

Saints Joachim and Anne

JULY 27

R1, Jer 15:10, 16-21
Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18
Gospel, Mt 13:44-46

Saint Titus Brandsma

JULY 28

R1, JER 18:1-6
Ps: 146:1B-2, 3-4, 5-6AB
Gospel, MT 13:47-53

Blessed Stanley Rother

JULY 29

R1, Jer 26:1-9
Ps: 69:5, 8-10, 14
Gospel, Jn 11:19-27

Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus

JULY 30

R1, JER 26:11-16, 24
Ps, 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34
Gospel, Mt 14:1-12

Blessed Solanus Casey

JULY 31

R1, Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23
Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17
R2, Col 3:1-5, 9-11
Gospel, Lk 12:13-21

Saint Ignatius of Loyola

A REFLECTION BY FR. WILLIAM HERIC

Dear Friends in Christ,

One of the songs that's playing in my head these days is a favorite of mine by Ella Fitzgerald that begins with **"Summertime, and the living is easy."** I especially love her version with Louis B. Armstrong playing the trumpet as only he could. I hope the lyrics describe in some way, your summer experience this year.



Our parish center and hall have gone through a summer refresh these last couple of weeks. We've recarpeted the offices, hallways, and fireside room, and retiled the parish hall and adjoining classrooms. Those spaces were built in the 1970s and decorated with colors that were popular then. I remember them fondly but am happy to say that our remodeled colors bring us into the **21st century!** Please take a moment to check them out after Masses this weekend.

As you may know from your own experience, recarpeting a space means you have to move everything that's been in there. We had to do that in a room known as the **parish library**, although practically speaking it has not been used as such for quite a while. Our late parishioner **Katie Mahoney** was part of a group that created and ran the library for many years. Thanks to her we have a rich selection of theological and spiritual readings which are **"Food for the Soul."** We've moved the library to the back of the church in a space we call the **"Crying Room"** where parents can take their children who may need a time out. Please take a moment to help yourself to a book you think might be interesting. It will operate like those small **book co-ops** you occasionally see in neighborhoods. Take a book and keep it if you want. Bring a spiritual book back that you think others might enjoy.

Here's hoping that your summertime living is easy and made rich by the music that lifts our spirits, and the literature that feeds our souls.

St. Bridget of Kildare...pray for us! Live Jesus in our hearts...forever!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fr. William Heric".

Fr. William Heric, Pastor

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHINGS (CST)

LIVING OUR CATHOLIC VALUES THROUGH ADVOCACY

Meet Juana, a chicken farmer who sells eggs and meat in Guatemala. With the support of "Communities Leading Development," she and other women created their poultry farms. The income from their businesses improves their families' living conditions. Visit www.crs.org to see how you can help!

WHEN I CALLED, YOU ANSWERED

Some of us have that friend about whom we are constantly discovering new things. Maybe we've known this person for ten or even twenty years, and one day at lunch we'll find out they're a direct descendant of a dead president or they once met a major celebrity.

"You never asked," they'll say with a shrug.

As annoying as this can be, it makes perfect sense, doesn't it? We never asked. There is something strangely sacred about the act of asking for something. It requires humility. It requires grace. It requires us to be awake, to be aware, to be vulnerable.

Too often we fall into a pattern of entitlement, even when it comes to information. We go through life thinking that a great cosmic

conveyor belt of what we want is going to roll on past us, and we'll barely even have to extend our arms. We read our Bible and we hear all these amazing promises from the Father who loves us, and we get sort of complacent. He's got this, we think, and we shut our eyes to take a snooze on the road trip of life, confident that someone else is going to look out for stop signs and wrong turns.

It's true: God's got this. He is going to take care of us. But He wants us to be in relationship with Him. He wants us to be an active, receptive participant in our own salvation. See his patience with Abraham's entreaties on behalf of the righteous of Sodom: He wants to answer, not simply to tell.

He wants us to stay awake for the drive.

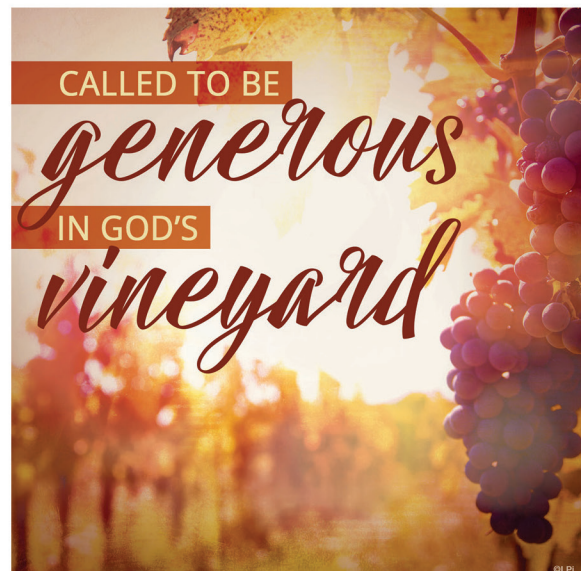
—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP OUR FAMILY PRACTICE OUR FAITH EACH DAY?

Some families practice their religion together as just another event on their schedule: go to church, observe Lent, help at the parish picnic, go to a meeting, volunteer time, make your confession, use your envelope... But the focus needs to be on who we are—God's people, in relationship with him, loved, forgiven, and redeemed, and called to live and proclaim the Gospel. Our awareness of God's presence and our sense of mission are supported by the daily rituals, celebrations, and traditions that help us stay focused. Sharing our faith strengthens us and clarifies the beliefs and values of Christian living.

Daily family practices include time for prayer—before meals, before bed, before important meetings and activities. Attend Sunday Mass together and discuss the homily afterward. Create family celebrations for holy days and holidays. Make religion a regular part

of your discussions. Include others, especially the elderly and the less fortunate, in your activities and charitable efforts. By applying the virtues of faith, hope, and love to each day, faith becomes part of who your family is. It influences how you act towards others, what you value, and how mindful of God you are. Faith is the leaven of life that helps all of us rise to our calling and dignity as God's people.



UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS

WEEK OF JULY 25 - 31

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
JULY 25	JULY 26	JULY 27	JULY 28	JULY 29	JULY 30	JULY 31
9:00am-5:00pm Church is open 9:00am Daily Mass 3:00pm-10:00pm Adoration	9:00am-5:00pm Church is open 9:00am Service of the Word with Communion	9:00am-7:00pm Church is open 5:30pm Holy Rosary 6:30pm Daily Mass	9:00am - 5:00pm Church is open 9:00am Daily Mass	9:00am - 5:00pm Church is open 9:00am Daily Mass	9:00am - 6:00pm Church is open 3:45pm - 4:30pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Vigil Mass	9:00am - 3:00pm Church is open 9:30am+ Sunday Mass

+Live-streamed

Fall Kick Off

September 4, 2022
10:30 am

Join on following Mass on Sunday, September 4 as we celebrate the official opening of our newly redecorated parish hall and kick off fall together! Enjoy a latte from Mocha Motion, breakfast treats, activities for the kids and more. Great things are happening at St. Bridget's, let's celebrate together!

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INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Are you someone who is curious about the Catholic faith? Maybe you have a spouse or good friend who is Catholic and would like to learn more? R.C.I.A. is the perfect place to discover more about the Catholic faith in a no-pressure environment with others who may be curious as well. Please contact Sarah and Alex Chopyak, sfesalbon002@gmail.com for more information.



St. Vincent de Paul

For our collection next weekend, please bring Laundry Soap, Dish Soap, Cleaning Wipes and Cleaning Products.

Thank you!

TOGETHER WE CAN BE CHRIST TO OTHERS!

ACA UPDATE!

The funds pledged will support many archdiocesan-wide ministries including **CYO camps, faith formation for all ages, and vocations to the priesthood.**

PARISH GOAL: \$108,500.

FAMILIES PARTICIPATING TO DATE: 174

PERCENTAGE OF PARISH PARTICIPATING: 27.4%

TOTAL PLEDGES & GIFTS RECEIVED: \$92,730.00

Annual Catholic Appeal

Providing ministries for our brothers and sisters in Western Washington

TOGETHER WE CAN be Christ to Others



"Mission is not what we have. It is who we are. We are the body of Christ."
— Archbishop Paul D. Etienne

Please make your ACA gift today!

Go to archseattle.org/GiveACA or point your phone camera below:



PARISH INFORMATION

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Bridget Parish is a community of believers, in the tradition of the Roman Catholic Church, located in the Archdiocese of Seattle. Strengthened and sustained by the Eucharist, we are dedicated to spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ in today's world. Faithful to the teachings of the Church, we strive to lead lives of faith, hope, and love, marked by the joy of the Gospel and a spirit of service to those in need. Guided by our patroness, St. Bridget of Kildare, we are a community of peace, charity, and mercy which is open to all who hunger for an encounter with Living and Risen Jesus.

STEWARDSHIP

Parish Fiscal Year

July 1st, 2022 - June 30th, 2023

Sun. Collections, EFTs, WTD: \$9,873.00
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 Stewardship Goal YTD: \$23,714.43
Over/(Under) YTD: \$(508.43)

Thank you for your generous contributions!

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PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for those who are ill:

Mary Gibson
 Phil Hart
 Roseanne Hart
 Frank Holland
 Chris Kane
 Bill Mitchell
 Hank Nicholson
 Jeannie Shields
 Betty Anne Smith
 Jonathan Spencer

and the patients at Seattle Children's Hospital



SPECIAL MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	July	25	9:00am	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Tuesday	July	26	9:00am	Service of Word & Holy Communion	
Wednesday	July	27	6:30pm	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Thursday	July	28	9:00am	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Friday	July	29	9:00am	Daily Mass	Wil B. Nelp, RIP
Saturday	July	30	5:00pm	Vigil Mass	For the Parish
Sunday	July	31	9:30am	Mass	For the Parish

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