



ST. BRIDGET
CATHOLIC CHURCH



AUGUST 21, 2022 | LEADING LIVES FULL OF **FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE**

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PSALM 117



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

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Fr. William Heric



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PARISH INFORMATION & NEWS

SCRIPTURE READINGS & DAILY SAINTS

AUGUST 21

R1, Is 66:18-21

Ps, 117:1, 2

R2, Heb 12:5-7, 11-13

Gospel, Lk 13:22-30

Saint Pius X

AUGUST 22

R1, 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12

Ps, 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5

Gospel, Mt 23:13-22

**Queenship of the Blessed Virgin
Mary**

AUGUST 23

R1, 2 THES 2:1-3A, 14-17

Ps, 96:10, 11-12, 13

Gospel, MT 23:23-26

Saint Rose of Lima

AUGUST 24

R1, Rv 21:9b-14

Ps, 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18

Gospel, Jn 1:45-51

Saint Bartholomew

AUGUST 25

R1, 1 COR 1:1-9

Ps, 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7

Gospel, MT 24:42-51

Saint Louis of France

AUGUST 26

R1, 1 COR 1:17-25

Ps: 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11

Gospel, MT 25:1-13

Saint Joseph Calasanz

AUGUST 27

R1, 1 Cor 1:26-31

Ps, 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21

Gospel, Mt 25:14-30

Saint Monica

AUGUST 28

R1, Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

Ps, 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11

R2, Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a

Gospel, Lk 14:1, 7-14

Saint Augustine of Hippo

A REFLECTION BY FR. WILLIAM HERIC

Dear Friends in Christ,

One of the hallmarks of modern life is the intense **pluralism** of viewpoints, cultures, ideologies, philosophies, and religions that the internet and social media make available for our daily consumption. Properly understood, the great diversity of outlooks and lifestyles available to moderns is something we should all appreciate, respect, and even find ways to celebrate.



It does have a downside, however, especially when it feeds an attitude about our faith that some have called **"Cafeteria Catholicism."** This is when we pick and choose what beliefs and practices we find agreeable, and basically ignore and disregard those things that challenge our personal preferences. That can promote an attitude among some Catholics to take what you like and leave the rest.

I hope the Catholic Faith we share at St. Bridget's goes deeper than that. What does that look like? One of my favorite theologians, Fr. Ron Rolheiser OMI in "The Holy Longing: The Search for a Christian Spirituality" proposes these **four things** revealed by Christ as being **non-negotiable** for authentic Christian discipleship:

- a) *Private prayer and private morality*
- b) *Social justice*
- c) *Mellowness of heart and spirit*
- d) *Community as a constitutive element of true worship*

Fr. Rolheiser suggests that these are not elements we may choose or not choose to incorporate within our spiritual lives. They comprise the essence of the spiritual life. They also supply its balance. Only when all four of these are present in our lives are we healthy, as Christians and as human beings. **How healthy are you?**

The one that challenges me the most is to live with a **mellowness of heart and spirit**; to not take life too seriously, and to take regular moments to enjoy the lighter side of things. Perhaps that comes from my failure at times to remember that there is a savior, and I am not him. Hope and confidence come from believing that **Jesus is Lord**, and I must follow him with integrity in the community of the church, whose mission is among many things to care for the poor and create peace by working for justice. Let's pray for and encourage one another to share a Catholic life and sensibility that is balanced and rich in its depth and vitality.

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

Fr. William Heric

Fr. William Heric, Pastor

SOCIAL SENIORS, CONTINUING THE FUN!

Monthly gatherings keep this group connected

Have you been wondering where the big social gathering is happening each month? No, it's not a Capital Hill block party or a music festival at one of the sports stadiums downtown. Look no further than the St. Bridget's Fireside Room. Don't let the "seniors" in the title fool you, this enjoyable and lively group of men and women bring the *social* to St. Bridget's.



During the pandemic, many of our parishioners were "locked down" in their homes and didn't have a social outlet to connect with others. About a year ago, an enthusiastic group came to Fr. Bill requesting a time once a month where seniors could gather to socialize, connect and enjoy each other's company. Since the beginning, this group has earmarked the second Wednesday of the month as a sacred time to come together, enjoying coffee and lights snacks, conversation and fun. Are you a social senior looking to connect with others? Join us on **September 14th at 11:00am** for coffee and catching up with each other.

Fall Kick Off

Date Change
September 11, 2022
10:30 am

Join on following Mass on Sunday, September 11 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!

 **Welcome**
NEW PARISHIONERS

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all new parishioners and visitors to our church!

Visitors, we hope that you've enjoyed your time with us. If you would like to join our family here at St. Bridget we invite you to become a registered parishioner.

Welcome

The Willis Tropea Family
Nick, Liz, Matteo, Miles & Sloane

blessing of the backpacks



Students, bring your backpacks to Mass on **September 4th**! Father Bill will say a special blessing over them to start your school year off strong!

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Preparing for a baptism? Join our Baptism Preparation Class on **Sunday, September 4th** immediately following Mass in the Parlor. This class is for parents and godparents who are planning to baptize a child in the next year. Expecting? It is never too early to plan ahead! RSVP to Amanda Cahill at children@stbridgetchurch.org.





St. Vincent de Paul
For our collection next weekend, 8/28, please bring **paper goods; toilet paper and paper towels**

UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS

WEEK OF AUGUST 22 - 28

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
AUGUST 22	AUGUST 23	AUGUST 24	AUGUST 25	AUGUST 26	AUGUST 27	AUGUST 28
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 - 4:30 pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Vigil Mass	9:00am - 3:00pm Church is open 9:30am+ Sunday Mass

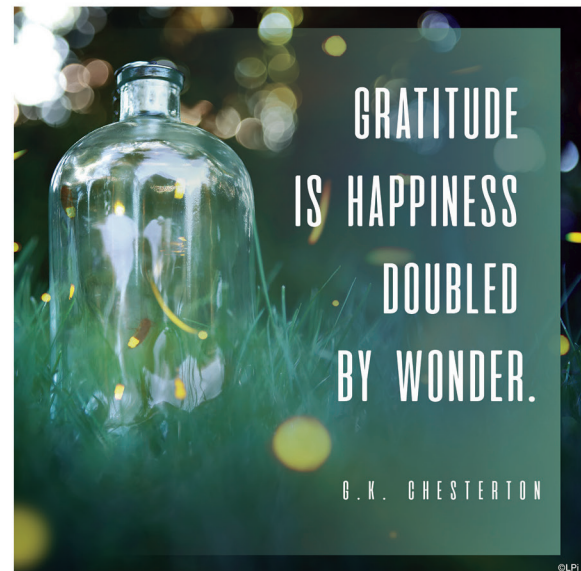
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HOW CAN I PRACTICE GRATITUDE IN MY EVERYDAY LIFE?

God has given each of us many blessings. Fostering an “attitude of gratitude” might be easier than you think. Simple, concrete practices can help us to be more thankful more often. Incorporate it into your dinner with your spouse, or as you tuck the kids into bed at night. *“What are three things you’re thankful for today?”* Make a habit of writing one note a week to someone special in your life, thanking them for how they’ve impacted you. This is also a good practice in the workplace. Consider opening your weekly meetings with a quick round of gratitude sharing. *“I’m grateful John helped me with that last-minute change to my presentation last week. I wouldn’t have finished it in time for the meeting without him.”*

Another way is to designate a few minutes to thank God. This could be the first bit of your daily prayer time or after you receive

communion on Sundays. You can also integrate it into your daily routine. How about while brushing your teeth? There’s probably nothing so important it can’t wait two minutes. Brush your teeth, quiet your mind, and thank God from your heart for His blessings throughout the day. Get creative! Any moment is an opportunity to praise and thank God.



75th Homecoming Celebration
Friday, September 9th
5:00-8:00PM | Assumption Parking Lot

LET'S CELEBRATE!

Assumption St. Bridget School Homecoming Celebration, 75 Years!

Enjoy food, beverages, live music, and an opportunity to explore the newly updated campus! Please RSVP: <http://asbschool.org/>

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: \$8,555.00
 Sun. Collections, EFTs, YTD: \$77,265.70
 Stewardship Goal YTD: \$88,929.00
Over/(Under) YTD: (11,663.30)

St Vincent de Paul Society
 donations year to date: \$2,005.00
Thank you for your generous contributions!

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for those who are ill:

Margaret Campbell
 Betty Anne Coady
 Ronnie Cross
 Nicole Cummins
 Erin Fend
 Mary Gibson
 Phil Hart
 Roseanne Hart
 Chris Kane
 Daisy Lu
 Jeannie Shields
 Jonathan Spencer

and the patients at Seattle Children's Hospital



SPECIAL MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	August	22	9:00am	Daily Mass	Bobby Skinner, RIP 3rd Anniversary
Tuesday	August	23	9:00am	Service of Word & Holy Communion	
Wednesday	August	24	6:30pm	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Thursday	August	25	9:00am	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Friday	August	26	9:00am	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Saturday	August	27	5:00pm	Vigil Mass	For the Parish
Sunday	August	28	9:30am	Mass	For the Parish

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