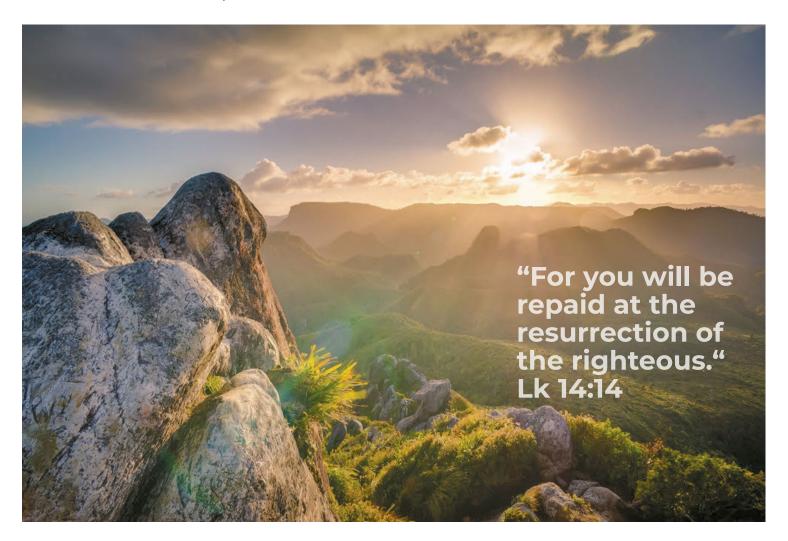




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PARISH INFORMATION & NEWS

SCRIPTURE READINGS & DAILY SAINTS

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

AUGUST 29

R1, 2 1 Cor 2:1-5 Ps, 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102 Gospel, Mk 6:17-29

Martyrdom of Saint John the Baptist

AUGUST 30

R1, 1 COR 2:10B-16 Ps, 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13AB, 13CD-14 Gospel, LK 4:31-37 **Saint Jeanne Jugan**

AUGUST 31

R1, 1 COR 3:1-9 Ps, 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21 Gospel, LK 4:38-44

Saints Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus

SEPTEMBER 1

R1, 1 Cor 3:18-23 Ps, 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Gospel, Lk 5:1-11 **Saint Giles**

SEPTEMBER 2

R1, 1 COR 4:1-5 7:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-

Ps: 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40 Gospel, LK 5:33-39

Blessed John Francis Burté and Companions

SEPTEMBER 3

R1, 1 COR 4:6b-15 Ps, 145:17-18, 19-20, 21 Gospel, LK 6:1-5 **Saint Gregory the Great**

SEPTEMBER 4

R1, Wis 9:13-18b Ps, 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17 R2, Phmn 9-10, 12-17 Gospel, Lk 14:25-33 **Saint Rose of Viterbo**

A REFLECTION BY FR. WILLIAM HERIC

Dear Friends in Christ,

The "Back to School" season begins this week with the opening of ASB on Wednesday, August 31, and neighboring Villa Academy and the public schools to follow. Blessings to all students, teachers, and staff as they prepare to begin a new school year. That includes all of us lifelong learners of any age.



As I recall, one of the tasks of the first weeks of a new school year is to review key material taught in the previous year, which students may have forgotten. This was always the case for me in math class! It's also true for the continuing education in the Christian life we share as a parish community. So, let's review.

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI reminds us that the church of Christ has three primary purposes. The first is to gather for **worship in the Eucharist**. We all worship something, and whatever or whomever it is reveals who we truly are in the depths of our souls. Our vocation as Christians is to make Jesus the center of our lives, and we do that through gathering together weekly to hear the word of God and to receive the body and blood of Christ. To help us grow in this area, I have formed a new **"Worship Team"** to help deepen the level of participation in our parish liturgies. Stay tuned for more from this new committee!

Every Mass concludes with the mission to "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord." That's not just a suggestion to be a nice person, but to actively care for others, especially the poorest and vulnerable in our community. This is the second essential purpose of the church and the work of our joint Assumption/St. Bridget St. Vincent de Paul Conference which I encourage everyone to support. Please also consider joining our SVDP and becoming an active participant in their outreach ministry to our part of Seattle.

Finally, Pope Benedict XVI reminds, us that the church has a primary mission to **evangelize**, **to proclaim the "Good News"** that Christ has risen from the dead, and those who follow him will be raised to a new and more abundant life. This is at the heart of two important opportunities in the parish this fall: **Our Confirmation Prep program** for students in grades 7-12, and our **RCIA process** for those adults interested in being baptized or received into full communion in the Catholic Church. Please check the bulletin or our all-knowing parish website for more information about these important opportunities.

A blessed year of learning and growth to all students of the Christian life!

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Fr. William Heric, Pastor

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

People who are concerned with their own advancement and agenda have little room for anyone else. With an almost addictive pursuit of esteem and acknowledgment from others, they become little more than entitled embodiments of the vice of pride. Public humiliation or embarrassment can hit them hard. While avoiding humiliation and embarrassment may be advantageous to obtaining worldly success, they are much less desirable motivations for entering the Kingdom of God. Avoiding embarrassment is a self-serving motivation. Pride and all of its manifestations have no place on God's agenda, neither do worldly success and fulfillment. In fact, we have been clearly told that if we love our lives, we will lose them. Therefore, if you really want to find your true station in life, learn to give yourself away.

While this may sound foolish to secular ears, it actually makes perfect sense. God, who is love, makes each of us in His image. Love, and therefore God, is in our DNA. That being the case, love is never love if it is kept to oneself or hoarded. Love needs to be shared and given away.



Therefore, it is the only proper motivation for entering the Kingdom of God. The door to happiness is only opened when we realize that all we are and all we have is due only to God's grace. Without God we are nothing.

Love is the remedy for pride and protects us from ourselves. God asks us to be humble. Only when we are free from the traps of pride and arrogance that we can begin to follow the path to true humility. Only one who is humble can rightly love and be of service to God. "God makes use only of

the humble as his instruments (Jean-Pierre de Caussade)." The humble one does not need others to give them worth and value. Their self-esteem comes from the much more secure foundation of God. Only those who are entirely free can give themselves freely to others. Love must always be our motivation for doing all things. Be content that God has invited you to the banquet of life. Concern yourself with accepting the invitation, and don't worry about where you will sit.



BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Preparing for a baptism? 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! Please note, we are rescheduling this class do to a conflict. Please contact Amanda Cahill at children@stbridgetchurch.org for more information.



St. Vincent de Paul For our collection next weekend, 9/4, please bring laundry soap, dish soap, cleaning wipes and cleaning products

UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS

WEEK OF AUGUST 29 - SEPTEMBER 4

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
AUGUST 29	AUGUST 30	AUGUST 31	SEPTEMBER 1	SEPTEMBER 2	SEPTEMBER 3	SEPTEMBER 4
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	First day of School - ASB 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 9:30am Anointing of the Sick	9:00am - 6:00pm Church is open 3:45pm - 4:30 pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Vigil Mass 6:00pm Anointing of the Sick	9:00am - 3:00pm Church is open 9:30am+ Sunday Mass -Children's Church -Blessing of the Backpacks 10:30am Anointing of the Sick





ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Join us following Mass on July 1, 2 & 3, this coming Friday, Saturday and Sunday, to receive this sacrament meant for anyone living with serious illness or injury of any kind, physical, emotional or spiritual. Senior citizens living with the various challenges of older age, are also welcome to receive this sacrament of healing.



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!



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

LET'S CELEBRATE!

Assumption St. Bridget School Homecoming Celebration, 75 Years! Friday, September 9, 5-8pm

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

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.



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Nicole Cummins
John Ernst
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	28	9:00am	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Tuesday	August	29	9:00am 9	Service of Word & H	loly Communion
Wednesday	August	30	6:30pm	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Thursday	August	31	9:00am	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Friday	Sept.	1	9:00am	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Saturday	Sept.	2	5:00pm	Vigil Mass	For the Parish
Sunday	Sept.	3	9:30am	Mass	For the Parish

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