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DECEMBER 11, 2022 | LEADING LIVES FULL OF **FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE**



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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

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Please contact

Fr. William Heric



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PARISH INFORMATION & NEWS

SCRIPTURE READINGS & DAILY SAINTS

DECEMBER 11

Third Sunday of Advent

R1, Is 35:1-6a, 10

Ps, 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

R2, Jas 5:7-10

Gospel, Mt 11:2-11

Saint Damasus I

DECEMBER 12

R1, ZEC 2:14-17

Ps, JUDITH 13:18BCDE, 19

Gospel, LK 1:26-38

Our Lady of Guadalupe

DECEMBER 13

R1, ZEP 3:1-2, 9-13

Ps, 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 AND 23

Gospel, MT 21:28-32

Saint Lucy

DECEMBER 14

R1, IS 45:6C-8, 18, 21C-25

Ps, 85:9AB AND 10, 11-12, 13-14

Gospel, LK 7:18B-23

Saint John of the Cross

DECEMBER 15

R1, Is 54:1-10

Ps, 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b

Gospel, Lk 7:24-30

Blessed Mary Frances Schervier

DECEMBER 16

R1, Is 56:1-3a, 6-8

Ps, 67:2-3, 5, 7-8

Gospel, Jn 5:33-36

Blessed Honoratus Kozminski

DECEMBER 17

R1, Gn 49:2, 8-10

Ps, 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17

Gospel, Mt 1:1-17

Saint Hildegard of Bingen

DECEMBER 18

R1, Is 7:10-14

Ps, 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6.

Gospel, Rom 1:1-7

R2, Mt 1:18-24

Blessed Anthony Grassi

A REFLECTION BY FR. WILLIAM HERIC

Dear Friends in Christ,

Much civic debate in recent decades revolves around the role of the **Supreme Court** of the United States as it interprets the meaning of **the original constitution** that is the foundation of our democracy as a country. It's not my intention here to comment on that, other than to encourage us to be united in our prayer for unity and respectful cooperation among all who dwell in our land.



As Roman Catholics, our life is ordered by another constitution found in the scriptures and the great tradition of our faith especially as it is described in the ecumenical councils of the church, the most recent being Vatican II. One of the United States Supreme Court's most famous documents was in 1965 and titled **"The Pastoral Constitution of the Church in the Modern World."** It is more commonly known as **"Gaudium et Spes"** Latin for joy and hope. The opening paragraph of the document lays a foundation for the Catholic Church that is more valuable today than ever before:

The joys and hopes, the grief and anguish of the people of our time, especially of those who are poor or afflicted, are the joys and hopes, the grief and anguish of the followers of Christ as well.

These words remind us of who we are as Catholics, and that we find joy and hope by lovingly sharing the grief and anguish of the people of our time. We do so as followers of Christ who always comes to save us. **Julian of Norwich** offers us an unshakable vision of hope and optimism when she said, "All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well." The third Sunday of Advent is known as **"Gaudete Sunday"** and invites us to **rejoice**, the Lord is near.

I find this joy in simple everyday graces and special moments that gather us as a faith community. One of those is the coming celebration of **Mass on Christmas Eve**, December 24th at 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm and **Christmas Day** at 9:30 am. Please extend an invitation to everyone you know, family friends, and neighbors, to join us for this great celebration of joy and hope! All are welcome!

Blessing of peace,

Fr. William Heric, Pastor

STEWARDSHIP & COMMUNITY CONNECTION



SOCIAL SENIORS

'Tis the Season for Cookies and Coffee! Please join us on **Wednesday, December 14 at 11 am** for our next Social Seniors gathering. We're having a Christmas cookie exchange, so bring two dozen of your favorite cookies, homemade or store-bought. There will be plenty for us to nibble while meeting and talking with our fellow seniors, then baggies will be available for you to take a small assortment home to enjoy later. Never been to Social Seniors before, don't be shy! Please come, and bring your spouse, neighbor, or friend. All are welcome!



GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING

Join us for Gingerbread House Decorating, festive drinks, treats, and more on **Sunday, December 18th** following Mass. Gingerbread houses and decorating supplies are provided but bring your own Christmas Spirit!

Please RSVP via Flocknote in the WW or to Amanda Cahill at children@stbridgetchurch.org.



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 Pasha Family

Julie, Raya and Rami

We're so glad you're here with us!

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Year over Year

Jul - Nov 21

Sunday Collections \$171,281.88

EFT Collections \$109,570.00

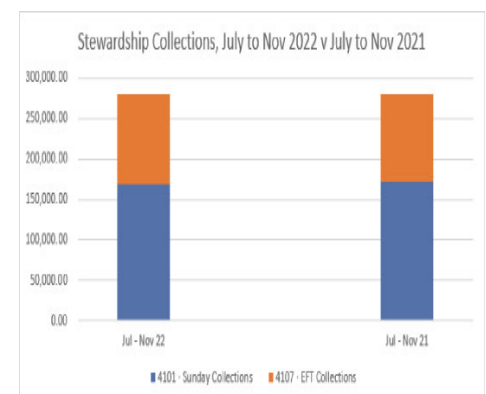
Total \$281,241.21

Jul - Nov 22

Sunday Collections \$168,023.21

EFT Collections \$113,218.00

Total \$280,851.88



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winter coats for men & women
men's belts
toiletries, including travel size
small appliances, especially
toasters, blenders, rice cookers, etc.

Donations may be placed in hall anytime church is open.

Thank you for your generosity!

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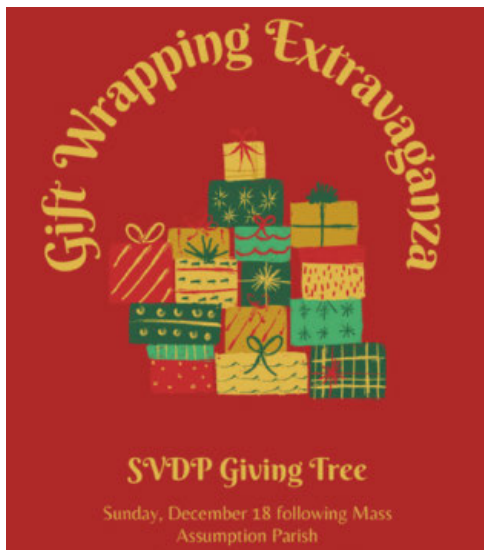
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UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS

WEEK OF DECEMBER 12 - 18

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
DECEMBER 12	DECEMBER 13	DECEMBER 14	DECEMBER 15	DECEMBER 16	DECEMBER 17	DECEMBER 18
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 Word and Communion Service	9:00am-7:00pm Church is open 11:00am Social Seniors 5:30pm Holy Rosary 6:30pm Mass	9:00am - 5:00pm Church is open 9:00am Daily Mass 7:00pm Advent Communal Reconciliation	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+ Third Sunday of Advent Mass -Children's Church - Pageant Rehearsal During CC 10:30am SVDP Gift Wrapping @ Assumption



SVDP CHRISTMAS GIFT-WRAPPING EXTRAVAGANZA

The gifts collected for our St Vincent DePaul families will be gift-wrapped for delivery on **Sunday, December 18th following the 9 am Mass at Assumption Parish**. The wrapping party will take place in the Assumption Parish Hall immediately following their Mass. If you are attending the 9:30 Mass at St Bridget's that weekend, just head to Assumption after Mass; there will be plenty of gifts still to wrap. All are welcome. This is a great family event! Following the gift-wrapping party, volunteers will again set out to deliver the wrapped Christmas gifts to our families. Our Neighbors are truly grateful for your generosity! Many thanks to all the parishioners who have contributed to the Thanksgiving effort. Over 50 families are being helped this year! Safeway gift cards were delivered (inside specially crafted cards created by our ASB students) the weekend prior to Thanksgiving.

PARISH REGISTRATION

New to St. Bridget's? Welcome! We would love to have you join our growing community! Simply scan the QR code below to find the online form.



INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

An open invitation to anyone who would like to learn more about the catholic faith in a casual, no-pressure environment to ask questions and inquire. Please contact Sarah and Alex Chopyak if you are interested in learning more.
rcia@stbridgetchurch.org

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION

Children in 2nd grade and older are invited to join us for First Reconciliation & First Communion classes beginning in 2023. Please register using the QR Code.



PARISH INFORMATION



QR CODE AND TEXT-TO-GIVE FOR STEWARDSHIP IS HERE!

For those who would like to make a gift, but don't have cash on hand, simply point and click your smart phone camera to make a donation, or text to give to this number:

(206) 350-1620
Easy peasy!

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PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for those who are ill:

Betty Anne Coady
Nicole Cummins
Marilyn Davis
Irene Dumphy
John Ernest
Roseanne Hart
Chris Kane
Daisy Lu
John Monk
Jeannie Shields

and the patients at Seattle Children's Hospital



SPECIAL MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	Dec.	12	9:00am	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Tuesday	Dec.	13	9:00am	Service of Word & Holy Communion	
Wednesday	Dec.	14	6:30pm	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Thursday	Dec.	15	9:00am	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Friday	Dec.	16	9:00am	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Saturday	Dec.	17	5:00pm	Vigil Mass	For the Parish
Sunday	Dec.	18	9:30am	Mass	For the Parish

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