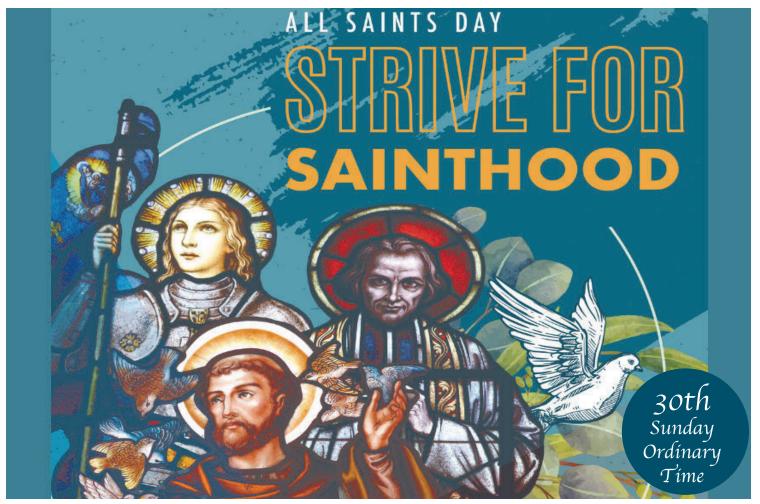




OCTOBER 29, 2023 | LEADING LIVES FULL OF FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE



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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

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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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PARISH INFORMATION & NEWS

SCRIPTURE READINGS & DAILY SAINTS

OCTOBER 29

R1, Ex 22:20-26 Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 R2, 1 Thes 1:5c-10 Gospel, Mt 22:34-40

Saint Narcissus of Jerusalem

OCTOBER 30

R1, Rom 8:12-17 Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21 Gospel, Lk 13:10-17

Saint Alphonsus Rodriguez

OCTOBER 31

R1, Rom 8:18-25 Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 Gospel, Lk 13:18-21

Saint Wolfgang of Regensburg

NOVEMBER 1 All Saints Day

R1, Rv 7:2-4, 9-14 Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 R2, 1 Jn 3:1-3 Gospel, Mt 5:1-12a **Solemnity of All Saints**

NOVEMBER 2 All Souls D<u>ay</u>

R1, Wis 3:1-9 Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 R2, Rom 6:3-9 Gospel, Jn 6:37-40

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

NOVEMBER 3

R1, Rom 9:1-5 Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 Gospel, Lk 14:1-6

Saint Martin de Porres

NOVEBMER 4

R1, Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29 Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18 Gospel, Lk 14:1, 7-11

Saint Charles Borromeo

NOVEMBER 5

R1, Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10 Ps 131:1, 2, 3 R2, 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13 Gospel, Mt 23:1-12

Saint Peter Chrysologus

A REFLECTION BY FR. WILLIAM HERIC

Dear Friends in Christ,

One of my favorite songs is **"Seasons of Love"** from the musical "Rent." It generally plays in the Christmas season, but the words really apply year-round: How do you measure a year in a life? How about love, seasons of love?



Our latest season of love as a parish commences this weekend with an invitation to consider our lives as **stewards of God's grace**. Everything we have in terms of our time, talent, and treasure is given by God and belongs to God. We show our gratitude for those blessings, and our trust in God's continued providence, by making our life a gift for others. **Ryan Oftebro from our Finance and Stewardship Council** will speak at Mass this weekend, inviting us all to consider what gift of our treasure we will give back to God in the coming calendar year as well as informing us about our new online giving platform, PushPay.

We celebrate the "Halloween Season" with a special carnival this Sunday, October 29th sponsored by the parents of our parish school ASB. All kids of the parish are welcome to come in costumes from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm to play games and enjoy special tricks or treats. All parents and friends of the parish are welcome as well to gather for fellowship. (Adult beverages, available.). Registration is required. Please see our website for more information.

Halloween for Christians of course is the anticipation of the great feast of "All Saints" on Wednesday, November 1. This great festival invites us to celebrate these friends of God whose memories encourage us to grow daily in the love of Christ. This is a **holy day of obligation** for Catholics, so we will gather for Mass at 9:00 am and 6:30 pm. Please plan on coming and bring your children!

Our seasons of love continue on Thursday, Nov. 2, with the commemoration of **All Souls Day**, our opportunity to remember in a special way our beloved dead, and all who have passed before us. We will acknowledge in a special shrine those whom we have buried out of St. Bridget's in 2023. There will also be a book of remembrance for you to write the names of those you are praying for in a special way. All Souls Day Mass will be at 9:00 am on Nov. 2.

Blessings of peace and love,

F. Wall Heric

Fr. William Heric, Pastor

PARISHSTAQ & PUSHPAY TRANSITION



The Archdiocese is migrating all parishes to a new database called

ParishStaq which will replace our PDS and Flocknote systems. Eventually, this system will change the way we communicate with you, offers a new giving site, and a new way to sign up to volunteer, including a useful parish app for your smartphone. In addition, there will be a new online giving platform called PushPay, which is a part of ParishStaq. More information to come soon about how you can transition your online giving to PushPay from OSV.

SVDP NARRATIVE

Helping Our Neighbors in Need

Today, I visited a sweet elderly lady who lives in low-income housing in Magnuson Park. Her only request of SVDP had been for food from our pantry and a Safeway gift card to buy things the pantry couldn't provide. She had explained to me on the phone that for health reasons (she had recently spent 6 days in the



hospital), she needed to be on a very low salt diet, and she realized that many of the items in our pantry wouldn't work for her. Still, it was nice to find the oatmeal, applesauce, and no salt canned goods that we did have. I was also able to supplement with some fresh veggies from my garden, and also provide some hygiene items that she needed.

She greeted my partner and me at the door to her apartment building on a walker, accompanied by her part time caregiver. She seemed to really enjoy our short visit, the conversation centering mostly around how to cook eggplant! Her appreciation for the few groceries and veggies was truly heartwarming.

Not all of the neighbors we visit as easy to relate to. I find it a kind of spiritual exercise to meet them all, even those not so relatable. Honestly, I don't always know how to respond to the various needs we encounter. That's the beauty of having a group of other Vincentians to lean on and get advice from. I appreciate the leadership in this group of volunteers, and thank our parishioners for their food pantry donations, and financial support. All of our neighbors deserve our help, even the ones that are not as easy to relate to as this elderly woman was.



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 Xue Hu Family

Rui & Evan

The Strick Family

John, Allison, Leo & Gwen

Louisa Jones

The Scott Family

Josh, Bart, Oliver, Elliot & Amelia

We're so glad you're here!

PREPARES BABY SUPPLIES DRIVE

October is Respect Life Month! St Bridget's will be holding a drive for baby supplies from **October 14th - October 29th**. All supplies will be donated to PREPARES for distribution to needy parents and children. Donation bins and needs lists are located in the Narthex by the Parish Office window. Thank you so much for your support!

UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS

WEEK OF OCTOBER 30 - NOVEMBER 5

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
OCTOBER 30	OCTOBER 31	NOVEMBER 1	NOVEMBER 2	NOVEMBER 3	NOVEMBER 4	NOVEMBER 5
9:00am- 5:00pm Church is open 9:00am Daily Mass 3:00pm- 10:00pm Adoration	Halloween 9:00am- 5:00pm Church is open	All Saints' Day 9:00am- 7:00pm Church is open 9:00am All Saints' Day Mass #1 5:30pm Holy Rosary 6:30pm OCIA Meeting 6:30pm All Saints' Day Mass #2	All Souls' Day 9:00am - 10:00pm Church is open 9:00am Daily Mass	9:00am - 9:00pm Church is open 9:00am Daily Mass 9:30am Anointing of the Sick	9:00am - 10:00pm Church is open 10:00am Annual BPSG Mass & Brunch 3:45-4:30pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Vigil Mass 6:00pm Anointing of the Sick	9:00am - 3:00pm Church is open 9:30am+ Sunday Mass 10:30am Anointing of the Sick 10:30am Confirmation Class #5 10:30am Coffee and Donuts 2:30pm Kid's Manners

UPCOMING EVENTS

ALL SAINTS' & ALL SOULS' DAYS

Join us as celebrate **All Saints' Day on November 1**. We will be offering two Masses; 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM. **All Souls' Day on November 2**. We will commemorate those who have passed at our usual 9:00 AM Mass. In remembrance of those who have passed away in the past year, Our Lady of Guadalupe shrine will post a comprehensive list of names throughout the month of November. Additionally, a book of Remembrance will be available for individuals to add the names of their loved ones who have departed. Furthermore, the Bereaved Parent Support Group will hold its annual memorial Mass on November 4th, dedicated to honoring all the children who have left us.

ASB OPEN HOUSE

Assumption-St. Bridget School is now accepting applications for the 2024-25 school year! Come to



our Open House on **Thursday, November 2nd at 9:30am** to learn more about our academics, programs, admissions process, and community at ASB! Online registration for our open house can be found on our school website at asbschool.org. Questions? Please email admissions@asbschool.org.

THANKSGIVING CENTERPIECE ENRICHMENT CLASS

Craft a unique Thanksgiving centerpiece with Corks and Canvas at St. Bridget's. Join us for an evening of personalized floral instruction, complete with all supplies, an apron to wear during class, and a vase. Please pre-register to secure your spot by scanning the QR code below! The cost is \$75.

Date: Monday, November 20, 2023 **Location:** St. Bridget Parish Hall

Time: 6:30 pm: Check-in

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm: Expert floral instruction

Create a one-of-a-kind Thanksgiving centerpiece to adorn your holiday table. Your masterpiece will vary based on floral availability, ensuring it's truly special. Don't miss this creative and social experience. Reserve your spot today!



ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of the Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN ON THE PARISH WEBSITE!

Classes will continue on Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:00 pm. All are welcome! For information please contact Alex Chopyak at RCIA@Stbridgetchurch.org

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Please pray for those who are ill:

Betty Coady Ronnie Cross Joseph Daniel Marilyn Davis Irene Dunphy John Ernest Mary Gibson Gary Hill Linda Lovinger Daisy Lu Catherine Lubatti Henry Lubatti Fr. Tim Sauer Jeanne Shields Jonathan Spencer Doug Woods The patients in Seattle Children's Hospital

SPECIAL MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	Oct.	30	9:00am	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Wednesday	Oct.	31	6:30pm	Daily Mas	For the Parish
Thursday	Nov.	1	9:00am	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Friday	Nov.	2	9:00am	Daily Mass	For the Parish
Saturday	Nov.	3	5:00pm	Vigil Mass	For the Parish
Sunday	Nov.	4	9:30am	Sunday Mass	For the Parish

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