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## MASS TIMES

### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

\*Sunday 9:00am

\*live-streamed

### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Mon., Fri. at 9:00am  
Wednesday at 6:30pm

## SACRAMENTS

### CONFIRMATION, BAPTISM & O.C.I.A.

Please contact  
Sarah & Alex Chopyak  
**MARRIAGE**

Please contact Fr. Duc Nguyen

### RECONCILIATION

Wednesday - 5:30 pm or by  
appointment

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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# PARISH INFORMATION & NEWS

## SCRIPTURE READINGS & DAILY SAINTS

### **AUGUST 18**

R1, Prv 9:1-6  
Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7  
R2, Eph 5:15-20  
Gospel, Jn 6:51-58

**Saint Louis of Toulouse**

### **AUGUST 19**

R1, Ez 24:15-23  
DEUTERONOMY 32:18-19, 20, 21  
Gospel, Mt 19:16-22

**Saint John Eudes**

### **AUGUST 20**

R1, Ez 28:1-10  
Deuteronomy 32:26-27AB, 27CD-28, 30, 35CD-36AB  
Gospel, Mt 19:23-30

**Saint Bernard of Clairvaux**

### **AUGUST 21**

R1, Ez 34:1-11  
Ps 23:1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6  
Gospel, Mt 20:1-16

**Saint Pius X**

### **AUGUST 22**

R1, Ez 36:23-28  
PS 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19  
Gospel, Mt 22:1-14  
**Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

### **AUGUST 23**

R1, Ez 37:1-14  
Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
Gospel, Mt 22:34-40  
**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, Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b  
Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21  
R2, Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32  
Gospel, Jn 6:60-69  
**Saint Louis of France**

## A REFLECTION BY FR. WILLIAM HERIC

Dear Friends in Christ,

Last week at St. Bridget's, over 60 kids from all four of our parishes attended the annual **Vacation Bible School**. Most of them came last Sunday to lead the 9:00 am Mass at St. Bridget's with songs they learned at VBS. They were wonderful and as always, adorable. Teaching our children the word of God is one of our top priorities as a Catholic Community. This faith formation is an essential part of our children's education and is not something we do just in the summer. As we draw near to the **"Back to School"** season, it's time to address the year-round faith formation of all our children whichever school they attend.



One example of this is the **"Children's Church"** program which has been a huge success at St. Bridget's in recent years. Children present ages 4-8 are dismissed at the beginning of Mass to go celebrate their own liturgy of the Word and then rejoin their families later for the liturgy of the Eucharist. The kids and their parents love this program, which also goes by the name of **"Children's Liturgy of the Word."** CLOW has been offered at Assumption, OLL and St. Catherine's with varying levels of success. I'd like to ask that all of our parishes plan to offer this important program when our kids return to school this fall.

This kind of planning and implementation requires dedicated staff leadership and coordination, which presently we do not have in most of our family parishes. This weekend I am happy to announce the appointment of **Debra Willcoxon Ricard** who will serve as the **Director of Pastoral Ministries** for our NE Catholic Community. Debra has served in recent years at St. Luke Parish in Shoreline. Her ministry among us will include the recruitment, training, and supervision of the volunteers we will need to create dynamic and enjoyable faith formation programs for our beloved children. These programs are also opportunities for community service for our middle and high school students.

Please join me in welcoming Debra to our family of parishes! Stay tuned for more information about how you can contribute to helping our children become faithful and generous disciples of Christ!

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

Fr. William Heric, Pastor

**Holy Mary Mother of God...pray for us!**  
**St. Bridget of Kildare...pray for us!**  
**St. Catherine of Siena...pray for us!**  
**Live Jesus in our hearts...forever!**

## CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHINGS (CST)

### LIVING OUR CATHOLIC VALUES THROUGH ADVOCACY

Mali faces complex challenges that have worsened poverty and food insecurity, leading to widespread displacement. We've partnered with the Malian government and USAID to provide emergency assistance and protection for people across Mali. Visit [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org) for more information and to see how you can help!



The Annual Catholic Appeal directly supports the staff of St. Bridget's, Fr. Heric and Fr. Duc Nguyen on a daily basis. A range of centralized services are funded by this appeal, from property and risk management to parish financial services, to human resources – all to support our parish and allow our staff to focus on the pastoral needs of our community. Please give today through the ACA link on our parish website or by scanning the QR code. **We have currently raised \$63,570 with 18% parish participation. Help us reach our goal of \$83,000.**



## INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? It's time to register for OCIA (for adults 18+) or OCIC (for children 7-17). Whether you've never received Baptism, First Communion, or Confirmation, or if you've been baptized in another faith, these classes are for you. Anyone curious about learning more about the Catholic faith is also welcome to join.

This year, we're combining classes from all the parishes in our family. Classes will be on **Wednesdays from 6:30 – 8pm at Our Lady of the Lake**. Please register through the link below. For any questions, contact Alex Chopyak at [rcia@stbridgetseattle.org](mailto:rcia@stbridgetseattle.org).



## SOCIAL SENIORS

Are you a senior member of our community looking to connect with other seniors? Join us for our monthly "Social Seniors" gathering on **Wednesday, August 14, 2024, at 11 am** in the Fireside Room. Connect with old friends, meet new friends, and engage in enlightening conversations. We would love to see you!



## CALLING ALL STUDENTS!

Mark your calendars! On **Sunday, September 8, during the 9:00 am Mass**, we will be holding a special Blessing of the Backpacks. All students, from preschool to college, are encouraged to bring their backpacks for a special blessing as we begin the new school year. We look forward to seeing you there!

# UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS

## WEEK OF AUGUST 19 - 25

| MONDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                         | TUESDAY                                           | WEDNESDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                  | THURSDAY                                                | FRIDAY                                                                                                           | SATURDAY                                                                                                                 | SUNDAY                                                                                                                           |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AUGUST 19                                                                                                                                                                                                      | AUGUST 20                                         | AUGUST 21                                                                                                                                                                                                  | AUGUST 22                                               | AUGUST 23                                                                                                        | AUGUST 24                                                                                                                | AUGUST 25                                                                                                                        |
| <b>9:00am</b><br>Daily Mass @<br>+Assumption<br>& St. Bridget<br><b>3:00pm -</b><br><b>10:00pm</b><br>Adoration @<br>St. Bridget<br><b>7:00pm</b><br>Centering<br>Prayer @OLL<br>Chapel<br><br>+ Live-streamed | <b>9:00am</b><br>Daily Mass<br>@ St.<br>Catherine | <b>9:00am</b><br>Daily Mass @<br>+Assumption &<br>OLL<br><b>5:00pm</b><br>Holy Rosary @<br>St. Bridget<br><b>5:30pm</b><br>Reconciliation<br>@ St. Bridget<br><b>6:30pm</b><br>Daily Mass @<br>St. Bridget | <b>9:00am</b><br>Daily Mass<br>@ OLL & St.<br>Catherine | <b>9:00am</b><br>Daily Mass @<br>+Assumption &<br>St. Bridget<br><b>9:30am</b><br>Reconciliation<br>@ Assumption | <b>4:00pm</b><br>Reconciliation<br>@ OLL & St.<br>Catherine<br><b>5:00pm</b><br>Vigil Mass -<br>@ OLL & St.<br>Catherine | <b>9:00am</b><br>Sunday Mass<br>@<br>+Assumption &<br>+St. Bridget<br><b>10:30am</b><br>Sunday Mass<br>@ +OLL & St.<br>Catherine |

## NEWS & EVENTS

### ICON UPDATE

Please see our website or the flyers by the font for the latest from Icon Artist, Kathy Sievers regarding the projected completion of our icons.



### 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. It's easy and fast.



### STEWARDSHIP UPDATE YEAR OVER YEAR

| Year over Year            | 2024-2025         | 2023-2024       |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
|                           | 7/1/24 - 06/30/25 | 7/1/23-06/30/24 |
| 4101 - Sunday Collections | 21,942            | 31,566          |
| 4107 - EFT Collections    | 35,189            | 25,449          |

### Total Stewardship Collections, Year over Year

FY 2023-2024

57,131

FY 2022-2023

57,015

# PARISH INFORMATION



## 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 Wright Fedechkin Family**

*Anton, Anatalia, Roman & Mila*

**We're so glad you're here!**

### PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

**Ryan Oftebro** - Co-Chair

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**Cheryl Carey** - Co-Chair

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**Stephanie Eastman**

**Shallete D'Souza**

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

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### PRAYER CORNER

**Please pray for those who are ill:**

Ronnie Cross

Marilyn Davis

Irene Dunphy

Robert Earhart

John Ernest

Mary Gibson

Gary Hill

Daisy Lu

Catherine Lubatti

Mary Moore

Rex Noffsinger

Fr. Tim Sauer

Steve West

The patients in Seattle Children's Hospital

**For those who have died:**

Fr. Gordon Douglas

Fr. Thomas Vandenburg

## NEW LITURGY & WORSHIP TIMES FLYER

Please pick up one of our updated parish family flyers, which lists all our liturgical and worship opportunities. They are located by the font.

### MASS INTENTIONS

|           |        |    |        |             |                   |
|-----------|--------|----|--------|-------------|-------------------|
| Monday    | August | 19 | 9:00am | Daily Mass  | Dane & Wray Gould |
| Wednesday | August | 21 | 9:00am | Daily Mass  | Will Chopyak, HBD |
| Friday    | August | 23 | 9:00am | Daily Mass  | For the Parish    |
| Sunday    | August | 25 | 9:00am | Sunday Mass | For the Parish    |

### PARISH CLERGY & STAFF

|                                            |                        |                                  |                       |
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Pastor</b>                              | Fr. William Heric      | wheric@ne-catholic.org           | 206.522.7674 ext. 305 |
| <b>Pastor Assistant</b>                    | Jody Fitts             | jfitts@ollseattle.org            |                       |
| <b>Vicar</b>                               | Fr. Duc Nguyen         | dnguyen@ne-catholic.org          |                       |
| <b>Deacon</b>                              | Angus McDonell         | amcdonell@stbridgetchurch.org    |                       |
| <b>Parish Admin. &amp; Accountant</b>      | Lyanne Scott           | lyanne@stbridgetchurch.org       | Ext. 203              |
| <b>Director of Communications</b>          | Susie Lane             | susie@stbridgetchurch.org        | Ext. 204              |
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| <b>Pas. Asst. for Adult Faith Form.</b>    | Alex Chopyak           | RCIA@stbridgetchurch.org         | Ext. 223              |
| <b>Program Coordinator</b>                 | Melissa Malley         | melissa@stbridgetchurch.org      | Ext. 214              |
| <b>Advancement</b>                         | Anne Lovingear Earhart | anne@stbridgetchurch.org         | Ext. 214              |
| <b>Parish Office</b>                       |                        | parishoffice@stbridgetchurch.org | (206) 523-8787        |
| <b>Principal, ASB School</b>               | Kathleen Conklin       | kconklin@asbschool.org           | (206) 524-7452        |



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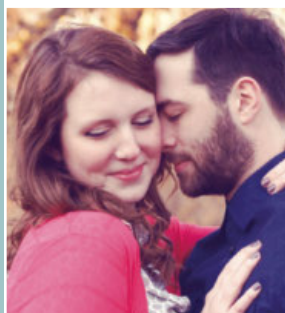
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