

ST BRIDGET of Ireland

CATHOLIC CHURCH

1024 W. Main St. Berryville, VA 22611

October 7, 2018



St. Bridget (or Brigid) of Kildare is one of the three major patron saints of Ireland along with Saint Patrick and Saint Columba. Saint Bridget's faith and labors for the Lord are remembered among the Irish people through prayers, sacred places, blessings and customs. St. Bridget was an extraordinary woman of faith: strong in her mission, loyal to the Lord, faithful to the Church, generous to the poor and hospitable to missionaries. St. Bridget laid strong foundations for the Church in Ireland. Her feast day is February 1st, the first day of the Celtic Spring.

Sacramental Information:

Baptisms:

Sunday, after 9:00 AM Mass
Contact the Rectory Office at 540-277-2943

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 9 AM - 4 PM

Marriage:

Contact parish priest at least six (6) months prior to proposed date of the wedding.
Contact the Rectory Office at 540-277-2943

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 9 AM - 4 PM

Confessions:

Saturday 4 PM - 5 PM
Sunday 8 AM - 8:30 AM

Rosary:

The rosary is prayed after the 12:05 PM Mass on the 1st Friday of each month

Prayer List:

Contact Becky Jackson at 540-955-1715

FISH:

Food collection is in the narthex on the 2nd Sunday each month. Please give generously.

Mass Schedule:

Saturday

9 AM and 5:30 PM (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday:

9 AM

Weekdays:

Monday & Tuesday 12:05 PM
Wednesday 9 AM
Thursday & Friday 12:05 PM

Holy Days:

12:05 PM and 7 PM

Nationwide Mass Schedule:

www.thecatholicdirectory.com

Hospitalized and Homebound:

Notify the rectory at 540-277-2943 so that the hospitalized and homebound parishioners may receive the pastoral care of the church.

Website:

www.stbridgetberryville.org

Coffee & Donut Sundays:

1st Sunday: Men's Club
2nd Sunday: Knights of Columbus
3rd Sunday: Youth Ministry

Pastor:

Father Paul Grankauskas

Rectory:

P 540-277-2943 • F 540-277-2945
office@stbridgetberryville.org
Hours: Mon-Fri 9AM - 4PM (closed 12-1 PM)

Religious Education:

John Sengewalt 540-277-2948
dre@stbridgetberryville.org
Office Hours: Sun after class until 1 PM
Wed 9 - 3 / Sat by apt
Tue & Thur 9 - 4 in the rectory.

Office of Youth Ministry:

Michael Murrow OYM@stbridgetberryville.org

Music Ministry:

Stacy Sefton Music@stbridgetberryville.org

Organist:

Jenny Sorenson jtsorenson@comcast.net

Eucharistic Minister / Lectors:

Chet Lewandowski 540-722-7231

Servers:

John Sengewalt 540-277-2948

Sacristan:

Becky Jackson 540-955-1715

Ushers:

Jim Willis sargewillis@yahoo.com

Men's Club:

Meets the last Saturday each month
8AM, in Hobert Hall (7:30 Breakfast).
Dick Drake men@stbridgetberryville.org

Women's Group:

Meets 1st Tues. each month after noon mass
Mary Kay Batka
women@stbridgetberryville.org

St. Bridget's Bulletin:

Deadline Noon Monday
office@stbridgetberryville.org
Ruth Hayes 540-277-2943



PASTOR'S WORDS

From the moment I arrived at St. Bridget Parish, I was made aware of the many repair jobs/construction projects that need to be done and the things people are hoping will be done. For example, I am aware of the desire for a stairway going from the front of the entrance of the parish hall down to the parking lot as well as better lighting near the main entrance to parish grounds.

I wanted to give a little update on these projects. I have given approval for a new, updated sign at the entrance to the parish grounds, identifying us as St. Bridget Catholic Church. Other signs will be placed on the parish grounds to identify Mass and confession times as well as the location of the parish offices. I'm also asking for reflectors to mark the entrance to our main driveway. I've had a few occasions of my own where I've driven right by it because it's hard to see at night. I'm hoping to change that.

I have also just hired a part-time facilities manager. Up until now, there has been no availability to do the routine maintenance work that needed to be done. We now have three buildings that need to be cared for, and we are now an independent parish. It is critical to have someone on hand to care for what we have. Anthony Coviello will be starting in the next few weeks. He is a parishioner here and is extremely excited about taking on the job. We're happy to have him.

He can help me figure out what to do about the proposed stairway. The estimate that I was given for putting one in was over \$20,000. Perhaps we can find a less expensive way to do that. When it comes to the list of projects, I have to manage the finances of the parish, which means I have to prioritize projects.

I just wanted to let you know that I've been made aware of some of our needs, and I am working on them.

*In Our Lord,
Father Paul Grankauskas*

Diocesan News & Events:

Columbus Day: St. Bridget of Ireland Parish office will be closed on Oct. 8th for holiday. Mass will be celebrated at 10 AM that day.

TODAY Give an hour- Change a heart - Change a life! Join the National Life Chain Sunday, October 7, 1-2:00 pm. Arrive at 12:45 pm. Stand prayerfully & peacefully for: Unborn children, Women victimized by abortion, God's gift of life. Be a link in this year's Life Chain. We will stand along Amherst St. in Winchester. Meet at Keating Dr. Official signs provided. Rain or Shine! Families welcome. Ice cream social after. For information, contact Frances Moyer at 571-992-5848 or francesmoyer@hotmail.com.

Rosary Coast to Coast: We will also be praying the rosary here at St. Bridget Parish today Sunday, October 7, at 4 p.m. in our round-about, or rosary garden, as someone has suggested. Please come join us as we join the nation in prayer.

Celebration of a Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary this year will be held at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington, with Bishop Michael F. Burbidge on Sunday, October 14th at 2:30 p.m. .

Looking for spiritual renewal? Cursillo is a lay Catholic movement approved by the Diocese of Arlington; the name means "short course in Christianity." The Cursillo begins with a weekend retreat, called the Three Days. There is a Men's Weekend on October 25-28. The weekend will be at Priest Field Retreat Center in Kearneysville, WV, just around the corner for us. If interested, please contact George Darnell, 703-850-2132.

Mass Times & Intentions

Msgr Krempa will be celebrating mass at St. Bridget on Oct. 22-25th while Fr. Paul is on retreat.

St. Bridget of Ireland Mass Intention Book for 2019 is open and intentions can be made at the Rectory office from 9am-4pm M-F.

Monday, October 8:

Columbus Day, a Diocesan holiday is at 10 AM. + Louis Milotte Sr

Tuesday October 9:

No Mass due to Priest Study Day.

Wednesday October 10:

9 AM Mass

Thursday October 11:

Noon Mass

+ Mary Elizabeth Peterson

Friday October 12:

Noon Mass + Frank & Lena Coviello

Saturday October 13:

9 AM + Dorothy M. Wojcik
5:30 PM + Jim Shell

Sunday October 14:

9 AM Special Intention
Parish Family

Prayer List:

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Julius Lee, Cara Kravetz,
Sean Henry, Tony Tringale,
Mary Ann Jackson, Donna Surina,
James May, Josephine Vesey
and Ellen Kravetz.

To add someone to this list, contact Becky Jackson at 540-955-1715.

FYI:

Visit Our Website: Please visit our beautiful website at www.stbridgetberryville.org for Mass, confession times and past bulletins. Our website is a great way to stay informed but it's even better to stay connected in person!

Knights of Columbus Council at St. Bridget of Ireland: Please contact our Worthy Chancellor, Tom Morley at tomleytr@gmail.com for more information on the Knights, our activities, and how to join our Council.

October 7, 2018 Divine Mercy Said: "My daughter, tell him (confessor) everything and reveal your soul to him as you do before Me. Do not fear anything. It is to keep you in peace that I place this priest between your soul and Myself. The words he will speak to you are My words. Reveal to him your soul's greatest secrets. I will give him light to know your soul." (St. Faustina Diary, 232)

Save the Date! Join New Eve Maternity Home on Saturday, December 1st at Sacred Heart Church, in Muldowney Hall for our "Dessert Hostess with the Mostest". More info to come! Contact JoAnn Blaker at 304-839-8890.

Backpack Ministry: Thank you for your continuing, generous support of this program. This school year, St. Bridget's has been asked to donate tuna and/or Chef Boyardee items. Regular sized cans are fine, as are the smaller serving sizes, which suit the younger children. Please put donations in the plastic bin in the Narthex. If you have any questions, contact Mary Kay Batka 540-955-3715. Thanks.

Envelope reporting: *Always* use an envelope with your parish number on it to deposit your checks or cash that you want annotated for a yearly statement. Envelopes are recorded in your parish record for giving. Contact rectory office if you have questions.

St. Bridget Window Books: Did you know that there are 16 stained glass windows in the church and 12 depict something indigenous to Virginia or local spots of interest and history. "Upon this rock I will build my church, window #3 contains the state bird of Virginia, the cardinal." Books on sale for \$10, contact Patty Doyle, 540-955-0438. Buy one or a couple books for keeping or giving as gifts.

Youth Ministry:

RALLY for the Diocese, Sunday October 21: High School students are invited to the annual youth rally, with good music, food, fun and almost a thousand other youth from around the Diocese. Bishop Burbidge will be celebrating Sunday Mass. See <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/youth-ministry/rally/> for more details. Contact OYM to reserve your place.

CORN MAZE! October 14: The OYM is sponsoring an afternoon of fun for the whole family at Wayside Farm's annual corn maze with this year's theme: Emoji. If the rains stop and the field is dry, plan to arrive at 2PM. Father Paul and John Sengewalt challenge you to a race through the maze. People with mobility challenges can sit with me in the pavilion and cheer on the others. <https://www.waysidefarmfun.com/> for more info! *If you want to join us for this event but need help paying for tickets, we have a generous parishioner that has agreed to sponsor you. Contact the OYM for info.*

OYM's Halloween Food Drive: Watch here next week for information about the food drive.

Help Needed:

Ushers Needed: We are steadily growing as a new parish, so are needs for ushers at the Saturday vigil mass at 5:30 pm. Please contact Jim Willis at sargewillis@yahoo.com (540) 550-7984

Advertising: We have a few more ad spaces to fill. This is a great opportunity to connect with our parish about your products, services or special events. Contact Ruth Hayes at (540) 277-2943

FISH of Clarke County is a Christian organization of volunteers. There are several vacancies on both the Help Line and Driver sections. For the Help Line, we are asking for one day a month to answer our Help Line phone. We will forward the FISH line to the comfort of your own home for that one day and hours are 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Training will be provided. For volunteer Drivers, we ask that you have a good driving record and willing to drive to medical appointments round-trip from Clarke County to Winchester. Please call the FISH Help Line (955-1823) and Volunteer!"

2018-19 Religious Education Program

Saint of the Week: St. Daniel:

Daniel, the Franciscan provincial of Calabria, Italy, led a contingent of Franciscan friars who were inspired by the example of Saint Bernard to preach the Gospel in North Africa in 1227. The six other friars were Angelo, Dominus, Hugolino, Leo, Nicholas, and Samuel. They arrived in Ceuta, Morocco, where the Christian merchants warned them against preaching. The friars, however, were so enthusiastic they preached openly, but were immediately imprisoned. Unpersuaded by bribes and threats, they refused to renounce their faith. Like the early Christians in the Colosseum, Daniel and his companions went to their deaths singing. Their bodies were taken to Spain following their beheadings. Daniel was canonized in 1516, his feast day is October 10th.

Please pray for the students who are doing their Confirmation retreat this weekend

Students in Grades 1, 5, 6, 7, and 8 will have their Formation of Christian Chastity lesson during class on October 14th

Spiritual Thought

"Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies."

St. Teresa of Calcutta

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