

ST BRIDGET of Ireland

CATHOLIC CHURCH

1024 W. Main St. Berryville, VA 22611

November 4, 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 - 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 9 AM - 4 PM (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:

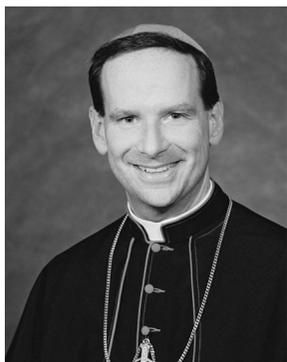
Meets the last Saturday each month
8 AM, in Hobert Hall (7:30 Breakfast).
Dick Drake men@stbridgetberryville.org

Women's Group:

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

St. Bridget's Bulletin:

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



Bishop's Message

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
The U.S. bishops are joining together in a commitment of prayer and reparation leading up to the bishops' General Assembly (November 12 - 15), where we will be making critical decisions in response to the clergy sexual abuse crisis. With my brother bishops across the nation, I will be dedicating myself to seven days of intensified prayer and fasting, from Monday, November 5, through Sunday, November 11. The intentions for this period of prayer and sacrifice are three-fold:

- For the healing and support of all victims of clergy sexual abuse.
- For the conversion and just punishment of the perpetrators and concealers of sexual abuse.
- For the strength of the bishops to be holy shepherds in protecting and leading their sheep from all harm.

If you feel called to do so, you are welcome to join me in praying for these intentions. I would also be grateful for any prayers for me and my brother bishops during our General Assembly, that we may follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit in responding to the tragedy of clergy sexual abuse in the Church.

Please be assured of my prayers for you as well.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael F. Burbidge".

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge
Bishop of Arlington

Diocesan News & Events:

Please Visit: www.arlingtondiocese.org scroll down to Featured News and Announcements and click on the red text under Frequent Asked Questions to learn how the Arlington Diocese is addressing the sexual abuse issue facing our Church.

FYI:

Envelope reporting: Always use an envelope with your parish number, amount and Check# on it when placing into collection basket. This will insure it gets annotated on your giving history. Contact rectory office if you have questions about the collections.

Faith Direct is an on-line giving program that makes it easy to give to your parish on a regular basis. Information can be found by going to www.faithdirect.net and following the directions to sign up and start today in supporting your parish.

St. Bridget of Ireland Women's Group will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 6th. We welcome new guests and members! Please join us for Mass at noon, followed by a luncheon and meeting in Hobert Hall.

Knights of Columbus Council at St. Bridget of Ireland The St. Bridget Knights of Columbus council 16938 is sponsoring a "Keep Christ in Christmas" campaign. We are selling Christmas cards that exemplify the theme. We will be in Hobert Hall after masses for the next several weeks. KIDS: We are also having a poster contest that demonstrates the theme. Watch the bulletin carefully for rules and info. All men of the parish are invited to join the Knights of Columbus. www.KofCBerryville.org

Mass Times & Intentions

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

Monday, November 5:
Noon Mass + All Souls

Tuesday November 6:
Noon Mass + All Souls

Wednesday November 7:
9 AM Mass + All Souls

Thursday November 8:
Noon Mass + All Souls

Friday November 9:
Noon Mass + All Souls

Saturday November 10:
9 AM + All Souls
5:30 PM + Bill O'Connor

Sunday November 11:
9 AM + Margaret Windisch

Prayer List:

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Julius Lee, Cara Kravetz, Tony Tringale, Donna Surina, Josephine Vesey, Larry Krasinski, Anita Rittelmeyer and Frank Cefalu

If you would like to add someone to this list, please contact Becky Jackson at 540-955-1715.

Spiritual Thought

"If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one."

St. Teresa of Calcutta

November 4, 2018 Divine Mercy said: "...I went to the cemetery at dusk. Although it was locked, I managed to open the gate a bit and said, 'If you need something, my dear little souls, I will be glad to help you to the extent that the rule permits me...'. In the evening, these souls came and asked me to pray for them, and I did pray very much for them...when the procession was returning from the cemetery, I saw a great multitude of souls walking with us into the chapel and praying with us..." (St. Faustina Diary, 518 and 519)

Hostess with the Mostest! You can either be a "hostess" or a "guest", but both will have a fun evening supporting New Eve Maternity Home. Author Michael Foley will speak about his book *Drinking with the Saints: A Sinner's Guide to a Holy Happy Hour* while all enjoy complimentary appetizers and sample a flight of drinks from his book. How it works: Hostesses invite friends to join their table of 8, have fun decorating their table, (prize awarded for the best table) & supply a dessert for your table. Or reserve a place as a guest. When: Saturday, December 1, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Where: Muldowney Hall at Sacred Heart Cost to attend: Guests-\$20, Hostess/spouse-no charge 6:30 pm table decor voting begins 7:00 pm Introductions followed by appetizers, drinks, dessert & coffee during talk. For details or interested in being a guest or in hosting a table, call JoAnn Blaker 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.

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 There will be an OYM meeting on November 11th at 6 PM in Hobert Hall. This session's primary purpose will be the viewing of *Tricked: Inside the World of Teen Sex Trafficking*. This video training program explains the dangerous realities of sexual trafficking. A short social with snacks will follow the video.

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 or call 540 - 550-7984

Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers are needed also. Contact office@stbridgetberryville.org, call 540-277-2943 or talk to Fr. Paul.

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 in the in the Rectory 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 AM - 4:00 PM 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. Achilles

Achillas was born to an imperial Roman patrician family, he received a good education, especially in philosophy. On the death of his parents, he sold all his property, gave the money to the poor, and went on pilgrimage to the Holy Lands and then to Rome, Italy. He became Bishop of Larissa, Thessaly, Greece. and then of Alexandria, Egypt, one of the most powerful cities in the world at the time, succeeding as bishop a man named St. Peter the Martyr. Achilles was a strong theologian who lived in an era of dispute in the Church. As bishop, Achilles ordained Arius, who was to begin the influential heresy of Arianism (A heresy denying the divinity of Christ. This heresy maintained that the Son of God was created by the Father and was therefore neither coeternal with the Father, nor consubstantial). When Achilles recognized the untruths in Arius' preaching, he took steps to defend the faith and was attacked by Arius and another heretical group called the Meletians. Achilles remained firm in the faith. A council held in Alexandria condemned Arius and forced him to flee to Palestine. Achilles, however, did not live to see this condemnation. Achilles' feast day is November 7th.

No RE class this weekend. Classes will be on November 11th and 18th ONLY this month.

All are invited to Discover Sacred Heart Academy the week of November 11 - 17, Sacred Heart Academy will be joining other Catholic schools across the nation in sponsoring "Discover Catholic Schools Week." It's not too early to consider sending your child to the Academy next school year. Please contact the Academy office for a personalized tour or please plan to attend our Open House on Thursday, November 15 from 6:00pm until 7:30pm. Come and see faithful Catholic academy excellence in action. For more information, email lanthonyprice@sacredheartva.org.

Good Shepherd School, a Pre-K through 8th grade Classical and Montessori school in Purcellville, cordially invites St. Bridget's families to our Fall Open House. Our classrooms will be open for tours and teachers will be available to answer questions. We expect to have very limited openings for 2019-2020 placement, with enrollment beginning December 1st. Please email your questions to our Director of Admissions, Katheryn Caro admissions@goodshepherdschoolva.com.

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