

ST BRIDGET OF IRELAND

CATHOLIC CHURCH

1024 W. Main St. Berryville, VA 22611

August 4, 2019



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.

Faith Direct: www.faithdirect.net

Mass Schedule:

Please check Mass Times and Intentions *for weekly changes inside bulletin.*

Saturday

9 AM and 5:30 PM (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday:

9 AM

Weekdays:

Monday & Tuesday Noon
Wednesday 9 AM
Thursday & Friday Noon

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:

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office@stbridgetberryville.org
Hours: Mon-Fri 9 AM - 4 PM (closed 12-1 PM)

Religious Education:

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dre@stbridgetberryville.org

Knights of Columbus:

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Bus. meeting 2nd Tue 7 PM Hobert Hall

Office of Youth Ministry:

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Jenny Sorenson jtsorenson@comcast.net

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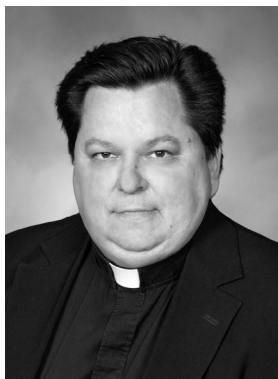
Men's Club:

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
Except for July and August
Christi McMullen
women@stbridgetberryville.org

St. Bridget's Bulletin Deadline Noon Monday
bulletin@stbridgetberryville.org
Ruth Hayes 540-277-2943



PASTOR'S WORDS

Each year, the parishes of the Arlington Diocese participate in a mission appeal. This year, St. Bridget of Ireland Parish will be welcoming Father Gaudfrey Philip Haidhuru from the Diocese of Shinyanga in Tanzania.

The mission appeal is a reminder that the Church is, and always has been, missionary in nature. Our Lord's last marching orders to his Apostles before ascending into heaven were to go and proclaim the Gospel to all nations and baptize in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

When the Apostles began carrying out those orders, it's not as if they went to places where churches were already in place. They were bringing Christ to those who never heard of him. Those missionary efforts continue today. Our support of those efforts, again, is rooted in the Scriptures. In his second letter to the Corinthians, Paul takes up a collection to support the church in Macedonia. Our love for Christ and his Church extends even to helping our brothers and sisters in other lands. We may never meet them personally, but they have been given the same Spirit we have been given to call God our Father; therefore, they are our brothers and sisters.

So please, join me in giving a warm welcome to Father Gaudfrey.

Finally, here is the final decision for the additional Sunday Mass. The new time will take effect on the first Sunday in October so that we can have a couple of weeks to get word to families in the religious education program.

The schedule will be as follows:

During the school year (September-May), the second Mass will be at noon.

During the summer (June-August), the second Mass will be at 5 p.m.

I'm hoping the noon Mass will be of greater benefit to families who would like a little extra time getting their children ready for RE classes while the evening Mass during the Summer will be of help to people who are travelling. Either way, I hope this will help alleviate the crowding – and the parking situation – during the 9 a.m. Mass.

*In Our Lord,
Fr. Paul Grankauskas*

Diocesan News & Events

Celebrating A Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary This Year? Were you married in 1969 or 1994? Then join Bishop Michael F. Burbidge for the 2019 Mass for Jubilarians to be celebrated on Sunday, October 13 that 2:30p.m.at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington, Va. Contact the parish office to register no later than September 30th. For more info, visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/MJM.

FYI

Only 2 seats remain! Tour of Ireland trip Oct. 15 – 23, 2019 with Fr. Paul. Please pick up application in narthex and sign up now!

Faith Direct is easy to use and directions can be found by visiting this website www.faithdirect.net. Our parish code is **VA605** or call **866-507-8757 (toll free)** for more information.

Mass Times & Intentions

Mass Intentions can be made at the Rectory office from 9 AM - 4 PM M-F

Monday August 5

Noon Mass Special Intention

Bryan Correa

1:30 PM RH † Ethel Nelson

Tuesday August 6

Noon Mass Special Intention

Bryan Correa

Wednesday August 7

9 AM † Bob Cain

Thursday August 8

Noon Mass † Wanda Sitek

Friday August 9

Noon Mass † Merrill Long Odom

Saturday August 10

9 AM Special Intention

Bryan Correa

5:30 PM Parish Family

Sunday August 11

9 AM † Patricia Clarke

Prayer List

Remember the following in your prayers:

Maryanne Jackson,
Richard Banzinger, Becky Jackson,
Gayle Keenan, Fred Curtis,
Katie Noland, Bob Lewis,
Josephine Vesey, Matthew Lewis,
Michael Boyd, Frank Cefalu,
Doug Kruhm, Jim Willis, Tony Tringale,
Ellen Kravetz, Eileen Murray,
Terry Lehman, Lisa Schaefer-Phillips
and her unborn twins

Contact Becky Jackson at 540-955-1715 for the person to **go on** the prayer list and when the person **no longer needs** to be on the list. We want the prayer list to be relevant to the needs.

Backpack Ministry: Donations of tuna or Chef Boyardee are greatly appreciated and continue into the summer months. We are helping to pack backpacks of food for 38 children in CCPS. Put donations in tubs in the Narthex. Thanks for your generosity! Any questions, please email M.K. Batka women@stbridgetberryville.org.

August 4, 2019 Divine Mercy Said: "If it hadn't been for this small imperfection, you wouldn't have come to Me. Know that as often as you come to Me, humbling yourself and asking for forgiveness, I pour out a superabundance of graces on your soul, and your imperfection vanishes before My eyes, and I see only your love and your humility. You lose nothing but gain much..."

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Veritas Young Adults Group: The Young Adults of Saint Bridget are sponsoring two events in August: Noon Mass at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in D.C. on August 11th and Hiking at Harpers Ferry on August 24th. See Flyer in the narthex for more information or email us at youngadults@stbridgetberryville.org.

Advertising: If you are interested in advertising your business to the parish please contact the Rectory 540-277-2943.

Fish Sunday: Food collection is in the narthex on the 2nd Sunday each month (next Sunday) FISH is always in need of non-perishable food items and staples like sugar, flour, coffee and tea. Pantry items such as paper towels, toilet paper laundry, dish and bath soaps are also appreciated. Thank you for your generosity.

Religious Education Program

Registration material Registration material for the 2019-20 school year has been emailed. If you didn't receive yours, please see the website or the table in the narthex for the forms. Please register as soon as you can so that we have sufficient supplies on hand for the first class.

First class for the 2019 – 2020 school year is September 8th.

Office of Youth Ministry (OYM)

High School Retreat at Sacred Heart: Saturday, August 10th - 8:30 AM-3:00 PM: All 8th-12th grade teens are invited to attend a day long summer retreat at Sacred Heart (Muldowney Hall), led by Seminarians Guillermo Gonzales and Philip Briggs, Laura Ricketts, and others. The retreat will start with 8:30am mass and end at 3:00pm. Cost is \$10 which includes breakfast, snacks and lunch. Adult chaperones also needed. Contact the OYM before Monday, August 5th for more information and to sign up!

Share Christ's Love! The OYM is looking for responsible Catholic adults in good standing with the Church to join our team to help share their experience of Christ's Love to our parish youth. Training will be provided.

RALLY 2019! The Arlington Diocese annual youth rally for 9th through 12th grades will be on Sunday October 20th. . Mark your calendars NOW!

Help Needed

Ride Needed: Parishioner living in Shenandoah Retreat is now in *real need* of a few rides to appointments in Berryville and to weekend Mass. Please contact the rectory if you are interested in helping out.

Saint of the Week

St. Mary MacKillop:

Mary was born in Melbourne in 1842, She grew up in a family that faced constant financial struggles. As a young woman she was drawn to religious life but could not find an existing order of Sisters that met her needs. In 1860, she met Father Julian Woods, who became her spiritual director. Together they founded a new community of women—the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart, also known as the Josephite Sisters. Its members were to staff schools especially for poor children, as well as orphanages, and do other works of charity. Mary insisted that her congregation should be governed by an elected mother general answerable to Rome, not to the local bishop. There also were disputes about whether or not the congregation could own property.

In the end, Rome proved to be Mary's best source of support. After a long wait official approval of the congregation - and how it was to be governed - came from Pope Leo XIII. Despite her struggles with Church authorities, Mary MacKillop and her Sisters were able to offer social services that few, if any, government agencies in Australia could. They served Protestants and Catholics alike. They worked among the aborigines. They taught in schools and orphanages and served unmarried mothers. The Sisters, who begged from door to door, were bolstered by faith and by the conviction that their struggles were opportunities to grow closer to God. By the time Mary was approaching the end of her life, the congregation was thriving.

She died in 1909 at the age of 67.

When she was canonized in 2010, she became Australia's first saint.

Her Feast Day is August 8.

Spiritual Thought

"If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous. Be happy anyway."

- Found written on the wall in Mother Teresa's home for children in Calcutta

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