

ST BRIDGET of Ireland

CATHOLIC CHURCH

1024 W. Main St. Berryville, VA 22611

November 24, 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 and Noon

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:

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

Knights of Columbus:

knights@stbridgetberryville.org
Bus. meeting 2nd Tue 7 PM Hobert Hall

Office of Youth Ministry:

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:

Parish Office 540-277-2943

Men's Club:

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

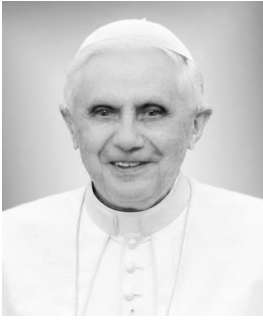
Women's Group:

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



Words of Wisdom

"The Solemnity of Christ the King was established by Pius XI in 1925 and, later, after the Second Vatican Council, it was placed at the close of the liturgical year. The Gospel according to Saint Luke presents, as in a great painting, the kingship of Jesus at the moment of his crucifixion. The leaders of the people and the soldiers taunt 'the firstborn of all creation' and put him to the test to see whether he has the power to save himself from death. Yet precisely on the cross, Jesus is exalted to the very 'height' of the God who is Love. It is there that he can be 'known.' Jesus gives us life because he gives us God. He can give God because he himself is one with God. From the One who 'is before all things, and in him all things hold together' the so-called 'Good Thief' straight away receives forgiveness and the joy of entering the Kingdom of Heaven.... Jesus from the throne of the Cross welcomes every human being with infinite mercy."

*Sincerely in Christ,
Pope Benedict XVI*

FYI

December 1st Bulletin: Parish bulletin deadline for Thanksgiving week will be **Friday, November 22nd by noon!**

The Parish office will be closed on Thursday and Friday this week for Thanksgiving holiday. Have a blessed Thanksgiving from the Staff.

Thanksgiving Mass collection will be donated to our local FISH of Clarke County. Please be generous and bless you.

Join Father Stephen Schultz, Chaplain at Paul VI Catholic High School, for an Advent Day of Prayer Saturday, December 14, 2019, at San Damiano Spiritual Life Center. The theme is "Open Wide the Doors to Christ." Let us make this Advent a fruitful time of preparation for Our Lord's birth. Check-in begins at 9 am and the day concludes with Mass at 2:45 pm. The cost of the day is \$30 which includes lunch. Registration forms are available at www.arlingtondiocese.org/San-Damiano-Retreat-Center/Events/ and are due by December 6, 2019.

Faith Direct 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.

Knights Of Columbus:

Christmas Decorations for New Eve Maternity Home: On November 30th we will be helping the residents decorate for Christmas. We need volunteers and donated decorations consistent with the Keep Christ in Christmas theme.

Poster Contest: for youth ages 5 - 14. Posters should illustrate our theme. Posters will be on display in Hobert Hall. Prizes and an opportunity to compete in the district and state contests for the winners.

Go to KofCBerryville.org to contact us for more information or look for one of our green-badged Knights!

Mass Times & Intentions

Mass Intentions can be made at the Parish office from 9 AM - 4 PM M-F
GF-Green Field RH-Rose Hill

Monday November 25

Noon Mass Special Intention
Christian Correa

Tuesday November 26

Noon Mass Special Intention
Morleny Laguada

Wednesday November 27

9 AM † Julius Lee

Thursday November 28

Thanksgiving Mass

10 Mass Special Intention
Maximiliano & Natalia Godoy

Friday November 29

Noon Mass Special Intention
Jeffrey Chavez

Saturday November 30

9 AM Special Intention
America Gomez
5:30 PM † Mike Solma

Sunday December 1

9 AM † David Odiorne
Noon Mass Parish Family

Prayer List

Remember the following in your prayers:

Kavik Katroba, Margie Howard,
Stacy McForland, Matthew Lewis,
Kim Marks, John Cameron,
Maggie O'Connor, Theresa Vesey, Bob Otey, Phyllis Keene, Lara Schafer, John Caroselli, Fred Curtis, Bob Lewis, Michael Boyd, Jim Willis, Tony Tringale, and Eileen Murray.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Daniel Ried, and for his family

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.

November 24, 2019 Divine Mercy Said: "My daughter, help Me to save souls. You will go to a dying sinner, and you will continue to recite the chaplet, and in this way, you will obtain for him trust in My mercy, for he is already in despair." (St. Faustina Diary, 1797)

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Backpack Ministry: Thank you so much for your generous support. Together with twelve other Clarke County Churches, we are helping to feed 75 CCPS students each weekend and holiday. You may contribute tuna and Chef Boyardee products in the clear tubs in the Narthex. Any questions, or if you would like to help out, email batkamk@hotmail.com

Veritas Young Adults Group: The Young Adults of Saint Bridget are sponsoring 2 events in December: Adoration/Holy hour from 6-7 pm on December 6th, and White elephant Christmas party and movie night at 6 pm on December 15th. For more information email us at youngadults@stbridgetberryville.org.

St. Bridget Women's Group: Please join us for the annual Christmas Brunch on December 1st, after the 9 am Mass. In addition to brunch, there will be a Kids' Crafting Station and Silent Auction. Please bring a dish to share. Our next business meeting/luncheon will be held on Tuesday, December 3rd after the Noon Mass. All are invited.

Are You New to Our Parish? Registration forms are available in the narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance. Please return the completed form to an usher or place in the collection basket.

Advertising: There are a few spaces available. If you are interested in advertising your business to the parish please contact the Rectory 540-277-2943. Remember to patronize these businesses their advertising dollars help defray the cost of the bulletin.

Religious Education Program

No Religious Class December 1st

Office of Youth Ministry (OYM)

The Youth Ministry of High school age students will be continuing studies from the book *Decision Point*, produced by Dynamic Catholic Publishing. Our topics will be focusing on achieving holiness. Sessions will be held on Sunday evenings from 6-7 PM starting November 3rd through November 24th. For additional information contact Antonia Cummings at 540-692-4036.

Help Needed

We need Ushers at all three of the Saturday & Sunday Masses. Please contact the parish office if interested. This opportunity is open to High School Youth.

Help is requested Volunteer requested for a wonderful, elderly woman who could use some rides to daily mass. If you can help, call the parish office 540-277-2943.

Saint of the Week

St. Flora

Flora was raised in Spain by a Christian mother in a Muslim household. After her father died, her mother formed her in the faith. But her older brother, a totally committed follower of Mohammed, forced her to go through the motions of practicing Islam. One day, Flora slipped away from home and sought to live as a Christian. Her influential brother had her priest friends arrested and punished. Because she saw that her flight had caused suffering in the church, she came out of hiding and boldly confronted her brother.

She said: "I know how eagerly you seek me and how keen you are about it. Well, now you have me! I come, like a good Christian, armed with the sign of the cross. Now, tear this faith from me, separate me from Christ if you can. I think it will be very difficult, for I am ready to suffer every torture for him. I speak strongly—do I not? Well, during martyrdom, I shall speak more strongly. Flora's brother had her taken in front of a judge as an infidel.

The judge threatened to sell Flora as a prostitute. So she gathered her strength and endured shameful suffering in a brothel until her captors finally beheaded her.

And a week after Flora died.
Her Feast Day is November 24th.

Spiritual Thought

"What can you do to promote world peace?
Go home and love your family."

- St. Mother Teresa - Calcutta



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