

ST BRIDGET of Ireland

CATHOLIC CHURCH

1024 W. Main St. Berryville, VA 22611

November 3, 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

November 1 – All Saints Day

The solemnity of All Saints invites the pilgrim Church on earth to a foretaste of the everlasting feast in the community of heaven, and to revive our hope in eternal life. The Pantheon – one of the oldest and most famous of the Roman monuments – was dedicated to Christian worship and named after the Virgin Mary and all the Martyrs: Santa Maria ad Martyres. The temple of all the pagan divinities was thus converted to commemorate all those who, as the book of Revelation says, “have come out of the great tribulations; they have washed their robes and made

them white in the blood of the Lamb”(Rev 7:14). Subsequently, the celebration of all the martyrs was extended to all the saints: “a great multitude which no man could number, from every nation, from all tribes and people and tongues” (Rev 7:9), according to St. John.

How beautiful and comforting is the communion of saints! It is a reality that instills a different dimension to our whole life. We are never alone! We are part of a spiritual “company” where profound solidarity reigns: the good of each one is for the benefit of everyone, and vice versa; common happiness shines on every individual. It is a mystery that in some measure we can already experience in this world, in the family, in friendship, and especially in the spiritual community of the Church.

November 2 – All Souls Day

I would like to invite you to love this annual celebration in keeping with a genuine Christian spirit, that is, in the light that proceeds from the Paschal Mystery. Christ has died and risen and has opened to us the way to the house of the Father, the kingdom of light and peace. He who follows Jesus in this life is received where he has preceded us. Therefore, while we visit cemeteries, let us remember that there, in the tombs, only the mortal remains of our loved ones rest, while awaiting the final resurrection. Their souls – as Scripture says – already “are in the hand of God (Wisdom 3:1). Hence, the most appropriate and effective way to honor them is to pray for them, offering acts of faith, hope, and charity. In union with the eucharistic sacrifice, we can intercede for their eternal salvation, and experience the most profound communion while waiting to be reunited again, to enjoy forever the love that created us and redeemed us.

– Pope Benedict XVI
Angelus Address – November 1 & 2, 2009

FYI

St. Bridget Book Club: Join fellow St. Bridget parishioners beginning Sunday, October 27, 2019 for **33 Days to Morning Glory: A St. Bridget's Group and Do-It-Yourself Retreat in Preparation for Marian Consecration on December 8.**

The Retreat works this way: Each day, for 33 days, a participant will read and ponder a very brief section of Father Michael Gaitley's book, **33 Days to Morning Glory.** Under the guidance and direction of our own Father Paul, participants will then meet as a group once a week for 6 Sundays from 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM in Hobert Hall to discuss their thoughts and ponderings on the week's brief readings and listen to short DVD lectures by the book's author, Father Michael Gaitley. The retreat will consist of 5 group meetings from 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM on the following Sundays plus the consecration day on Sunday, December 8. October 27, November 3, 10, 17, and 24, from 4 - 5:30 PM No meeting on Sunday December 1 due to Thanksgiving holiday weekend **Consecration Day.** December 8, 2019: 4:00 to 5:30 PM.

Visit Nuns at St. Dominic's Monastery in Linden Virginia: Experience the joy, peace, and beauty of St. Dominic's Monastery on Friday, November 8. Interested St. Bridget's parishioners are invited to gather at church parking lot at 10:00 AM and carpool to the Monastery in time for 11:00 AM Mass. Then we will enjoy a short visit with the nuns followed by lunch at nearby Fox Meadow Winery before returning to St. Bridget's around 3:00 PM. Space is limited. There is no charge, but donations to St. Dominic's Monastery are welcome. To register email women@stbridgetberryville.org or call Victoria Hughes 703 434-0070.

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

RH - Rose Hill

Monday November 4

Noon Mass † All Souls Novena
RH 1:30 PM † Michael O'Grady

Tuesday November 5

Noon Mass † All Souls Novena

Wednesday November 6

9 AM † All Souls Novena

Thursday November 7

Noon Mass † All Souls Novena

Friday November 8

Noon Mass † All Souls Novena
7 PM † All Souls Novena

Saturday November 9

9 AM † All Souls Novena
5:30 PM † All Souls Novena

Sunday November 10

9 AM † Clarence Buxton
Noon Mass Parish Family

Prayer List

Remember the following in your prayers:

John Cameron, Maggie O'Connor,
Theresa Vesey, Bill Drescher,
Bob Otey, Phyllis Keene,
Lara Schafer, John Caroselli, Gayle
Keenan, Fred Curtis, Bob Lewis,
Michael Boyd, Jim Willis,
Tony Tringale, Eileen Murray,
and Alina Learned

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Celeste Jallette, and for her 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.

Hostess with the Mostest Dinner: Trivia with a Twist. Come support New Eve Maternity Home Saturday, November 16, 2019 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at Sacred Heart, Muldowney Hall. Complimentary pasta dinner & coffee will be provided. Opportunities to make a financial gift will be given. Commit to Host a Table of 8 by November 8th. Host or hostess provides a decorated table with dessert and beverages. Bring cash for 50-50. If you don't feel like you can host a table, you're still welcome to come! Seating is available. Call Jo Ann Blaker, 304-839-8890 or email jblaker16@outlook.com

Election Day: Election Day is this Tuesday November 5th.

Knights Of Columbus: Catholic men do you want to make a difference in our community, celebrate and develop Faith and Fellowship with other Catholic men? Be part of a tradition with almost 2 million members who last year donated over \$185 million to charity and over 75 million hours of hands-on service. Join us! Knights@stbridgetberryville.org.

"Seeking Men Who Cook" is the theme of the Chili Cook-off sponsored by the Men's Group on Saturday, November 16th following 5:30 Mass. More to come! men@stbridgetberryville.org

November 3, 2019 Divine Mercy Said: "Before All Souls' Day, 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..." (St. Faustina Diary, 518 "In the evening, these souls came and asked me to pray for them, and I did pray very much for them. In the evening 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. I prayed a good deal, for I had my superiors, permission to do so." (St. Faustina Diary 519)

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Backpack Ministry: Donations of tuna or Chef Boyardee are greatly appreciated and have started back up now that school is back in session. 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.

Veritas Young Adults Group: The Young Adults of Saint Bridget are working on winter events and coming soon to the bulletin, so please stay tuned. See Flyer in the narthex for more information about our group at youngadults@stbridgetberryville.org.

St. Bridget Women's Group: Thank you to everyone who participated in our Bake Sale! Because of your generosity, our sale was a tremendous success!! Our next Bake Sale will be on Sunday, November 24th. Get ready for some delicious Thanksgiving pies, along with the usual fare. We hope you can join us for our monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 5th after the noon Mass; or at our evening "Taco Tuesday" event being held on Tuesday, November 12th at Camino Real from 6:00-7:30 p.m. All women of the parish are invited! For more information on upcoming events, please see the copies of our agenda and calendar in the Narthex!

St. Bridget Tai Chi For Health Class meets on Wednesday from 9:30-11AM in the hall. Call or text Victor (540) 532-4372 to register, \$5 fee required.

Religious Education Program

No Religious Education Class: Today, November 3rd.

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 Sunday Masses. Please contact the parish office if interested. This opportunity is open to High School Youth.

Help is requested of a wonderful woman who could use some rides to daily Mass. If you can help, please call the parish office 540-277-2943.

Saint of the Week

St. Pirmin:

Pirmin was born in Aragon, Spain in the late 7th Century. He was of Visigothic descent and was forced to flee Spain when the Arabs invaded in the eighth century. Pirmin journeyed to the Rhineland where he founded abbeys at Reichenau, Amorbach, and Murbach, and rebuilt or restored other churches and monastic communities including Dissentia Abbey. Each of the abbeys he founded, and the monasteries he restored, instituted the Benedictine Rule. He was honored by the Pope with the rank of chorepiscopus, or regional prelate, adding to his reputation as one of the foremost Benedictines in Germany. Pirmin wrote Dicta Pirinini, a popular catechism. His Feast Day is November 3rd.

Spiritual Thought

"Give the world the best you have, and you'll get kicked in the teeth. Give the world the best you have anyway."

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





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