

# ST. BRIDGET OF IRELAND

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

1024 W. Main Street, Berryville VA 22611

August 16, 2020



**S**aint 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. Saint 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. Saint Bridget laid strong foundations for the Church in Ireland. Her feast day is February 1, the first day of the Celtic Spring.

### Parish Office

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
540-277-2943 540-277-2945 (fax)  
office@stbridgetberryville.org

### Website

Stbridgetberryville.org

### Baptism

Contact parish office for information.

### Marriage

Contact parish priest at least six (6) months prior to proposed date of the wedding.

### Rosary

The Rosary is prayed after the 12:00 p.m. Mass on the First Friday each month.

### Hospitalized and Homebound

Contact the parish office so that hospitalized and homebound parishioners may receive pastoral care.

### FISH Food Collection

In the narthex on the second Sunday each month.

### Faith Direct

Faithdirect.net or 866-507-8757. Please use church code VA605.

### Bulletin

The bulletin deadline is 12:00 p.m. Monday.  
Email bulletin announcements to bulletin@stbridgetberryville.org.

### Religious Education

Religious Education classes are held from the Sunday following Labor Day until the first Sunday in May. Classes are Sundays from 10:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

### Knights of Columbus Council 16938

Michael Murrow, *Grand Knight*  
knights@stbridgetberryville.org  
For more information, please visit KofCberryville.org.

### Men's Club

George Darnell  
men@stbridgetberryville.org  
Meet the last Saturday of each month at 8:00 a.m. in Hobert Hall. Breakfast is served at 7:30 a.m.

### Women's Group

Ruth Hayes  
women@stbridgetberryville.org  
Meet the first Tuesday each month following 12:00 p.m. Mass.

### Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass  
Sunday, 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

### Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday & Tuesday, 12:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, 9:00 a.m.  
Thursday & Friday, 12:00 p.m.  
Saturday, 9:00 a.m.

### Holy Days

12:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

### Confessions

Mondays, 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
Saturdays, 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

### First Friday

Adoration following 12:00 p.m. Mass  
Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

### Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays during Confessions  
from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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## Twentieth Week in Ordinary Time

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

### FIRST READING \_\_\_\_\_ ISAIAH 56:1, 6-7

Thus says the LORD: Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed. The foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, ministering to him, loving the name of the LORD, and becoming his servants—all who keep the sabbath free from profanation and hold to my covenant, them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be acceptable on my altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.

**Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM \_\_\_\_\_ PSALM 67

*O God, let all the nations praise you!*

May God have pity on us and bless us;  
may he let his face shine upon us.  
So may your way be known upon earth;  
among all nations, your salvation. **R.**  
May the nations be glad and exult  
because you rule the peoples in equity;  
the nations on the earth you guide. **R.**  
May the peoples praise you, O God;  
may all the peoples praise you!  
May God bless us,  
and may all the ends of the earth fear him! **R.**

### SECOND READING \_\_\_\_\_ ROMANS 11:13-15, 29-32

Brothers and sisters:  
I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I glory in my ministry in order to make my race jealous and thus save some of them. For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?

For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable. Just as you once disobeyed God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now disobeyed in order that, by virtue of the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy.

For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all.

**Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jesus proclaimed the Gospel of the kingdom and cured every disease among the people.

### GOSPEL \_\_\_\_\_ MATTHEW 15:21-28

At that time, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon." But Jesus did not say a word in answer to her. Jesus' disciples came and asked him, "Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us." He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me." He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.



## PRAYER LIST

Please remember the following people in your prayers: Fr. Michael Dobbins, Jim Willis, Matthew Lewis, Jack Cameron, John Caroselli, Fred Curtis, Michael Boyd, Tony Tringale, Jim Lewandowski, Connie Guevremont, Victoria White, Maria Yeager, Patricia Cobb, Dan Purtill, Gayle Keenan, David Smith.



It is our Catholic Faith that our Blessed Mother, on her Assumption to Heaven, is solemnly reunited with her Son, and Our Lord Jesus has crowned Our Lady as Queen of Heaven and Earth. The Church celebrates the Queenship of Mary, Mother of God, as a share in the Kingship of Jesus.

Relatively new to our liturgical calendar, this Feast was established by Pope Pius XII in 1954. But Mary's Queenship is not only based on Sacred Tradition, but anciently rooted in the Scripture. The Archangel Gabriel, at the Annunciation, proclaimed that Mary would "bear a son, Jesus," who would be given "the throne of David his father" and "of his kingdom there will be no end" (Luke 1:31-33). Saint Elizabeth, at the Visitation, ardently addressed Mary as "the mother of my Lord" (Luke 1:43). Both narratives clearly point to how the mother of the *King* is herself a *Queen*.

This Feast serves as a reminder for us to venerate Mary with much devotion and love, and to enthrone the Queen of Heaven and Earth in our hearts and homes.

Source: [thebestcatholic.com](http://thebestcatholic.com)

"Truly we are passing through disastrous times, when we may well make our own the lamentation of the Prophet: "There is no truth, and there is no mercy, and there is no knowledge of God in the land" (Hosea 4:1). Yet in the midst of this tide of evil, the Virgin Most Merciful rises before our eyes like a rainbow, as the arbiter of peace between God and man."

~Saint Pope Pius X

## Masses for the Week

† For the repose of the soul

### Daily Readings

### Mass Intentions

Ezekiel 24:15-23  
Response Deuteronomy 32  
Matthew 19:16-22

**Monday, August 17**  
12:00 p.m. Elder Maldonado

Ezekiel 28:1-10  
Response Deuteronomy 32  
Matthew 19:23-30

**Tuesday, August 18**  
12:00 p.m. Rachel Piescik

Ezekiel 34:1-11  
Psalm 23  
Matthew 20:1-16

**Wednesday, August 19**  
9:00 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory

Ezekiel 36:23-28  
Psalm 51  
Matthew 22:1-14

**Thursday, August 20**  
*Saint Bernard*  
12:00 p.m. † Isaac Jiron

Ezekiel 37:1-14  
Psalm 107  
Matthew 22:34-40

**Friday, August 21**  
*Saint Pius X*  
12:00 p.m. Sam McIlhearn

Ezekiel 43:1-7ab  
Psalm 85  
Matthew 23:1-12

**Saturday, August 22**  
*The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
9:00 a.m. Carmela Rao  
5:30 p.m. Parish Family

Isaiah 22:19-23  
Psalm 138  
Romans 11:33-36  
Matthew 16:13-20

**Sunday, August 23**  
*Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
9:00 a.m. John & Maggie Sengewalt  
12:00 p.m. Rev. Mr. Joe Townsend



From the apostolic constitution *Munificentissimus Deus* by Pope Pius XII

In their homilies and sermons on this feast the holy fathers and great doctors spoke of the assumption of the Mother of God as something already familiar and accepted by the faithful. They gave it greater clarity in their preaching and used more profound arguments in setting out its nature and meaning. Above all, they brought out more clearly the fact that what is commemorated in this feast is not simply the total absence of corruption from the dead body of the Blessed Virgin Mary but also her triumph over death and her glorification in heaven, after the pattern set by her only Son, Jesus Christ.

Thus Saint John Damascene, preeminent as the great preacher of this truth of tradition, speaks with powerful eloquence when he relates the bodily assumption of the loving Mother of God to her other gifts and privileges: “It was necessary that she who had preserved her virginity inviolate in childbirth should also have her body kept free from all corruption after death. It was necessary that she who had carried the Creator as a child on her breast should dwell in the tabernacles of God. It was necessary that the bride espoused by the Father should make her home in the bridal chambers of heaven. It was necessary that she, who had gazed on her crucified Son and been pierced in the heart by the sword of sorrow which she had escaped in giving him birth, should contemplate him seated with the Father. It was necessary that the Mother of God should share in the possessions of her Son, and be venerated by every creature as the Mother and handmaid of God.”

Saint Germanus of Constantinople considered that it was in keeping not only with her divine motherhood but also with the unique sanctity of her virginal body that it was incorrupt and carried up to heaven: “In the words of Scripture, you appear *in beauty*. Your virginal body is entirely holy, entirely chaste, entirely the house of God, so that for this reason also it is henceforth a stranger to decay: a body changed, because a human body, to a preeminent life of incorruptibility, but still a living body, excelling in splendor, a body inviolate and sharing in the perfection of life.”

Another early author declares: “Therefore, as the most glorious Mother of Christ, our God and Savior, giver of life and immortality, she is enlivened by him to share an eternal incorruptibility of body with him who raised her from the tomb and took her up to himself in a way he alone can tell.”

All these reasonings and considerations of the holy Fathers rest on Scripture as their ultimate foundation. Scripture portrays the loving Mother of God, almost before our very eyes, as most intimately united with her divine Son and always sharing in his destiny.

Above all, it must be noted that from the second century the holy Fathers present the Virgin Mary as the new Eve, most closely associated with the new Adam, though subject to him in the struggle against the enemy from the nether world. This struggle, as the first promise of a redeemer implies, was to end in perfect victory over sin and death, always linked together in the writings of the Apostle of the Gentiles. Therefore, just as the glorious resurrection of Christ was an essential part of this victory and its final trophy, so the struggle shared by the Blessed Virgin and her Son was to end in the glorification of her virginal body. As the same Apostle says: *When this mortal body has clothed itself in immortality, then will be fulfilled the word of Scripture: Death is swallowed up in victory.*

Hence, the august Mother of God, mysteriously united from all eternity with Jesus Christ in one and the same decree of predestination, immaculate in her conception, a virgin inviolate in her divine motherhood, the whole-hearted companion of the divine Redeemer who won complete victory over sin and its consequences, gained at last the supreme crown of her privileges—to be preserved immune from the corruption of the tomb, and, like her Son, when death had been conquered, to be carried up body and soul to the exalted glory of heaven, there to sit in splendor at the right hand of her Son, the immortal King of the ages.



Please join us for live streamed Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday and Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

Saturday at 5:30 p.m.

Sunday at 12:00 p.m.

On Monday evening at 7:30 p.m., we are live streaming the Holy Hour with Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Viewers can join the live stream of any program in progress or rewind to the beginning. After the conclusion of Mass, the recording will be available to watch for at least one week. The best way to reach the live stream is through our channel page which can be accessed at the following link

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6tw9dCHXuNp6p1MPAhGoQ/>



**DIVINE MERCY'S MOTHER SAID:** "My daughter, I strongly recommend that you faithfully fulfill all God's wishes, for that is most pleasing in His holy eyes. I very much desire that you distinguish yourself in this faithfulness in accomplishing God's will. Put the will of God before all sacrifices and holocausts."

(St. Faustina Diary, 1244)

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**Religious Education:** Classes will be conducted either onsite or via homeschool.



**R.C.I.A.**, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process developed by the Catholic Church for prospective converts to Catholicism who are above the age of infant baptism. Candidates are gradually introduced to aspects of Catholic beliefs and practices. It is also a program for baptized Catholics who wish to complete their Sacraments of Initiation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. If you want to learn more about our upcoming RCIA classes, please call the parish office.

## Outside of our Parish



# BIBLICAL SCHOOL

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH AND ACADEMY

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI said, "May we allow ourselves to be led by the Holy Spirit to an ever greater love of the Word of God." Amen! Is the Holy Spirit leading you to study the Bible in a deeper way? Don't ignore him! Only four more weeks until the new Catholic Biblical School begins at Sacred Heart of Jesus on Tuesday, Sept ember15, offered twice at 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.! The class is open to anyone. Pick up a brochure at the parish for a schedule of our free and fun information sessions and attend one of them! You can also find the list at [SacredHeartWinchester.org/Biblical-School](http://SacredHeartWinchester.org/Biblical-School) or call 540-808-2736 ext. 406.

## Saint of the Week

### Pope Saint Pius X

Giuseppe Melchiorre Sarto was born June 2, 1835 in Riesi, Province of Treviso, in Venice; the second of ten children in a poor family. Giuseppe became Pope Pius X at age 68. He was embarrassed by some of the pomp of the papal court. "Look how they have dressed me up," he said in tears to an old friend. To another, "It is a penance to be forced to accept all these practices. They lead me around surrounded by soldiers like Jesus when he was seized in Gethsemane." Interested in politics, Pope Pius encouraged Italian Catholics to become more politically involved. One of his first papal acts was to end the supposed right of governments to interfere by veto in papal elections—a practice that reduced the freedom of the 1903 conclave which had elected him. In 1905, when France renounced its agreement with the Holy See and threatened confiscation of Church property if governmental control of Church affairs were not granted, Pius X courageously rejected the demand. Two of the most outstanding accomplishments of Pope Pius were the inauguration of the liturgical renewal and the restoration of frequent reception of Communion, beginning in childhood. He also waged an unwavering war against the heresy and evils of Modernism, gave great impetus to biblical studies, and brought about the codification of Canon Law. Pope Pius left immortal words in his will that summarized his philosophy of life -- "I was born poor, I lived poor, I will die poor." His Feast Day is August 21.



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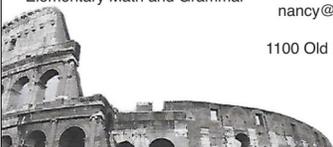
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