



ST. BRIDGET OF IRELAND CATHOLIC CHURCH

1024 West Main Street • Berryville VA 22611

Sunday Mass Schedule
Saturday 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass
Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 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. & 7:00 p.m.

Confessions
Mondays 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Saturdays 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

First Friday
Adoration following
12:00 p.m. Mass
Rosary &
Divine Mercy Chaplet

Eucharistic Adoration
Mondays during Confessions
from 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Father Paul Grankauskas
Pastor

John Sengewalt
Religious Education

Stacy Sefton
Music Program

Jenny Sorenson
Organist

JoAn Drake
EMHC & Lectors

Becky Jackson
Prayer List, Sacristan

Parish Office
Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
540-277-2943
office@stbridgetberryville.org
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 First Friday
each month.

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

FISH of Clarke County
Food donations may be left
in the narthex on the second
Sunday each month.

E-Giving
Our e-giving partner is Faith
Direct. Our church code
VA605.



Bulletin
The bulletin deadline is
12:00 p.m. Friday one week
before publication.

Religious Education
540-277-2948
dre@stbridgetberryville.org
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
Meetings are the first Saturday
of each month at 10:00 a.m. in
Hobert Hall. Breakfast is served
following 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Women's Group
Ruth Hayes
women@stbridgetberryville.org
Meetings are the first Tuesday
each month following
12:00 p.m. Mass.

Veritas Young Adults Group
Laurel Morris
youngadults@stbridgetberryville.org
For adults in their 20s and 30s.
Join us for faith, service and
fellowship!

30th
Sunday
in
Ordinary
Time

“You shall love
the Lord your
God, with all
your heart, with
all your soul, and
with all your mind.

This is the
greatest and the
first commandment.”

Matthew 22:37-38

Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face

FIRST READING _____ EXODUS 22:20-26

Thus says the LORD: "You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you were once aliens yourselves in the land of Egypt. You shall not wrong any widow or orphan. If ever you wrong them and they cry out to me, I will surely hear their cry. My wrath will flare up, and I will kill you with the sword; then your own wives will be widows, and your children orphans.

"If you lend money to one of your poor neighbors among my people, you shall not act like an extortioner toward him by demanding interest from him. If you take your neighbor's cloak as a pledge, you shall return it to him before sunset; for this cloak of his is the only covering he has for his body. What else has he to sleep in? If he cries out to me, I will hear him; for I am compassionate."

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM _____ PSALM 18

I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, O LORD, my strength,
O LORD, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer. **R.**
My God, my rock of refuge,
my shield, the horn of my salvation, my stronghold!
Praised be the LORD, I exclaim,
and I am safe from my enemies. **R.**
The LORD lives and blessed be my rock!
Extolled be God my savior.
You who gave great victories to your king
and showed kindness to your anointed. **R.**

SECOND READING _____ THESSALONIANS 1:5C-10

Brothers and sisters:
You know what sort of people we were among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, receiving the word in great affliction, with joy from the Holy Spirit, so that you became a model for all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia.

For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth not only in Macedonia and in Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has gone forth, so that we have no need to say anything. For they themselves openly declare about us what sort of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God and to await his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus, who delivers us from the coming wrath.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him and we will come to him.

GOSPEL _____ MATTHEW 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a scholar of the law tested him by asking, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments."

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.



Prayer List

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Fr. Dobbins	Dianne Seaver
Jim Willis	John Lewandowski
Matthew Lewis	Connie Guevremont
Jack Cameron	Victoria White
John Caroselli	Alan Lummannick
Fred Curtis	Tricia & Courtney
Tony Tringale	Dabney
David Smith	Mary Leps
John Kochler	

Also pray for the repose of the souls of Daniel Layman and Lawrence McClure, may their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Indulgence for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. From November 1 through November 8, a plenary indulgence, applicable only to the Holy Souls, is granted to those who visit a cemetery and pray, even if only mentally, for the faithfully departed.

Only ONE plenary indulgence can be gained per day.

Here is what you need to do to gain an indulgence:

In addition to visiting a cemetery, you must be in a state of grace (not to have any unconfessed mortal sins on your soul), and these conditions must be met:

- ◆ You must receive the Sacrament of Confession within 20 days before or after the indulgence is to be gained.
- ◆ You must receive Holy Communion on that day on which the indulgence is to be gained.
- ◆ You must recite prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father (the prayers you choose to pray are up to you, but an “Our Father” and a “Hail Mary” are suggested).
- ◆ Finally - you must not have any attachment to sin, even venial sin.

Masses for the Week

† For the repose of the soul

Daily Readings

Ephesians 4:32-5:8
Psalm 1
Luke 13:10-17

Ephesians 5:21-33
Psalm 128
Luke 13:18-21

Ephesians 2:19-22
Psalm 19
Luke 6:12-16

Ephesians 6:10-20
Psalm 144
Luke 13:31-35

Philippians 1:1-11
Psalm 111
Luke 14:1-6

Philippians 1:18b-26
Psalm 42
Luke 14:1, 7-11

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14
Psalm 24
1 John 3:1-3
Matthew 5:1-12a

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 26

12:00 p.m.
† Dolores Colon

Tuesday, October 27

12:00 p.m.
† Nathan Sanchez

Wednesday, October 28

Saints Simon and Jude
9:00 a.m.
Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, October 29

12:00 p.m.
Charlie Christiansen

Friday, October 30

12:00 p.m.
Marge Rao

Saturday, October 31

9:00 a.m.
Marge Rao
5:30 p.m.

Sunday, November 1

Solemnity of All Saints

9:00 a.m.
Parish Family
12:00 p.m.
† Ada Kalbian



The Pope Francis' words at the Angelus prayer, October 29, 2017

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

This Sunday's liturgy presents to us a brief but very important Gospel passage (cf. *Mt* 22:34-40). The evangelist Matthew recounts that the Pharisees came together to put Jesus to the test. One of them, a Doctor of the Law, asked Him this question: "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" (v. 36). It is an insidious question, as the Law of Moses mentions more than six hundred precepts. How can one distinguish, among all these, the greatest commandment? However, Jesus does not hesitate, and answers: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." And He adds: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (v. 37, 39).

Jesus' answer is not to be taken for granted because, among the many precepts of the Jewish Law, the most important were the Ten Commandments, communicated directly by God to Moses, as conditions of the pact of the Covenant with the people. However, Jesus wants it to be understood that without love for God and for one's neighbor, there is no true fidelity to this Covenant with the Lord. You can do many good things, fulfil many precepts, many good things, but if you don't have love, it is worthless.

This is confirmed by another text of the book of Exodus, the "code of the Covenant", where it states that one cannot be in the Covenant with the Lord and mistreat those who enjoy His protection. And who are those who enjoy His protection? The Bible says they are the widow, the orphan, the stranger and the migrant; namely, those who are most alone and vulnerable (cf. *Ex* 22: 20-21). In responding to those Pharisees who had questioned Him, Jesus tries to help them put their religiosity in order, to re-establish what really counts and what is less important. Jesus says: "On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets" (*Mt* 22: 40). They are the most important and the others depend on these two. And Jesus in fact lived His life precisely in this way: preaching and doing what truly counts and is essential, namely, love. Love gives impetus and fruitfulness to life and to the journey of faith: without love, both life and faith remain sterile.

What Jesus proposes in this page of the Gospel is a marvelous ideal, which corresponds to the most authentic desire of our heart. In fact, we were created to love and to be loved. God, Who is Love, created us to make us participants in His life, to be loved by Him and to love Him and, with Him, to love other people. This is God's "dream" for man. And, to realize it, we need His grace; we need to receive in ourselves the capacity to love, which comes from God Himself. Jesus offers us the Eucharist precisely for this reason. In it we receive Jesus in the greatest expression of His love, when He offered Himself to the Father for our salvation.

May the Holy Virgin help us to receive in our life the "great commandment" of love for God and for our neighbor. Indeed, even if we have known this since we were children, we will never cease to be converted to it and to put it into practice in the different situations in which we find ourselves.



All Souls Novena begins on Tuesday, November 2, All Souls Day. Nine Masses will be offered for our beloved deceased. If you would like your beloved deceased remembered in our All Souls Novena, Novena envelopes are available on the small tables behind the last pews. Simply write their names on the envelope and return it to the poor box or place it in the Sunday collection basket. The typical offering for this Novena is \$10. Envelopes with names will be placed in the sanctuary during the Novena of Masses.

Religious Education: There will be no religious education class on November 1.



DIVINE MERCY SAID: "I remind you, My daughter, that as often as you hear the clock strike the third hour, immerse yourself completely in My mercy, adoring and glorifying it; invoke its omnipotence for the whole world, and particularly for poor sinners; for at that moment mercy was opened wide for every soul. In this hour you can obtain everything for yourself and for others for the asking; it was the hour of grace for the

whole world--mercy triumphed over justice." (St. Faustina Diary, 1572) "Used with permission of the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception of the B.V.M."



Coat/boot/shoe drive: Thanks for your VERY generous donations to this year's drive to benefit Winchester Rescue Mission. Your generosity brought them 70 coats, 42 boots or shoes and 10 pairs of gloves. Matt 25:36 "I was naked and you clothed me."

The Keep Christ in Christmas card sales are postponed to November 1 through November 22. Watch for the catalog bulletin insert next week.

Your Knights of Columbus St. Bridget of Ireland Council wants you to know that you are not alone. Now, more than ever, we are committed to our duty to serve you, our parish family. We can help with simple household repairs and chores, grocery shopping, and more. If you are in need of help or know someone who is, please contact our Grand Knight, SK Michael Murrow, at Knights@StBridgetBerryville.org or via the parish office at 540-277-2943.

Saint of the Week

Saint John Houghton

John was born in 1487 in Essex, England. He graduated from Cambridge with degrees in civil and canon law. John was ordained in 1501 and served as a parish priest for four years. He then became a Carthusian monk, doing his novitiate in the London Charterhouse, and making his final vows in 1516. John briefly became the Prior of the Beauvale Carthusian Charterhouse in Northampton, England in 1531, before being named Prior of the London Charterhouse later that year. In 1534 he was the first person to oppose King Henry VIII's *Act of Supremacy*, and thus was imprisoned. When the oath was modified to include the phrase "in so far as the law of God permits", John felt he could be loyal to Church and Crown; he and several of his monks signed the oath, though with misgivings. Father Houghton was released, and a few days later, troops arrived at the Charterhouse and forced the remaining monks to sign the modified oath. On February 1, 1535, Parliament required that the original, unmodified oath be signed by all. Following three days of prayer, John contacted Thomas Cromwell to seek an exemption for himself and his monks. He was immediately arrested and thrown in the Tower of London. True to his Carthusian vow of silence, John would not defend himself in court, but refused to cooperate or sign anything. The jury could find no malice to the king, but when threatened with prosecution themselves, they found John and his co-defendants guilty of treason. He became the first person martyred under the Tudor persecutions. His Feast Day is October 25.



Parish fall clean-up is on Saturday, November 7 at 10:00 a.m. following 9:00 a.m. Mass. If you want to help or are able to provide a pick-up truck and/or wheelbarrow, please contact our Facilities Manager, Anthony Coviello, facilities@stbridgetberryville.org.