

ST. BRIDGET CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

NINETEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

AND

TWENTIETH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

2023



From Fr. Joe's Desk:

I woke up to sad news this morning (8-2-23). Our Communication Specialist resigned her position. Her last day is August 16, 2023. I wish her well. She has a great opportunity to grow in her field of study. When an opportunity like that comes to you, you must take it. Although it saddens many of us and we will miss her, we also wish her only the best. May God continue to guide you today and always.

The job description for The Communication Specialist will be posted on our website and copies will be printed and placed in the school office and the information desk at of the church.

We have a new Communication Specialist policy. It is being reworked and will be posted soon so everyone is aware of how we communicate with this person once a new Communication Specialist is hired.

I know you are probably wondering what is happening at our parish and school. Why is there such a massive exodus? Well, it is not massive, but we do have our challenges before us. We have many people praying for a successful year. We believe in prayer and standing together. For where two or three are gathered in his name he is with them. We have received some very good candidates to teach our children at our Catholic School. We also have an awesome Administrative team (Dannell Nordstrom, Mike Leary, and Sonja Doughty). They have been searching hard for a new principal and teachers. I am very happy with their work and the people they have hired. If you are a parent of a child at school and you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call anyone of them. They are happy to pause in the preparations to talk to you. *If you are still looking for a school, please come and take a tour. We might just be what you are looking for.*

Our school has been a buzz this summer! Teams of teachers, parents, the Diocese of Superior Superintendent and myself have been working very hard interviewing candidates for principal. We are working hard to find person that is the right fit for the open position at our amazing school. Under direction of the DOS Superintendent we have decided to move forward asking Dannell Nordstrom (PreK Teacher here since 2003), Mike Leary (MS Social Studies and Religion Teacher here since 2003) and Sonja Doughty (a retired Teacher and Administrator from our Diocese) as our Interim Administrative Team/Interim Principals.

Our Administrative Team is already preparing for the new school year in many ways. Staff gathers socially weekly or biweekly, floors are being polished, air conditioners are being added to classrooms, new curriculum is arriving, and new students are enrolling. Jesus says to us: "For where two or three come together in my name, I am there with them." (Matt. 18:20) With Jesus Christ at our side, we are confident that we are going to have a strong school year with the Lord's help and yours. If you have any questions, please contact me or our Administrative Team at principal@stbparish.com; we are here to partner with you.

Fr. Joe

St. Bridget Website



Church Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday:
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday: Closed

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Church Building hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

WEEKLY MASSES & EVENTS AUGUST 13 - AUGUST 19

Sunday, August 13

8:45 a.m.	Rosary
9:30 a.m.	Mass - Frank Deja +
11:00 a.m.	Mass - St. Bridget, St. Mary's, & St. Thomas More +

Monday, August 14

8:00 a.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
6:00 p.m.	Knights of Columbus Meeting
6:30 p.m.	Youth Discipleship Committee Meeting

Tuesday, August 15

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Adoration
9:30 a.m.	Martha's Quilt Group
5:00 p.m.	Women's Cancer Support Group
5:15 p.m.	Mass - Kay Lundberg +
7:00 p.m.	Community Prayer Group

Wednesday, August 16

4:15 p.m.	Girls' Bible Study
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Thursday, August 17

5:15 p.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
5:00 p.m.	Hope for Creation Meeting

Friday, August 18

7:30 a.m.	Rosary
8:00 a.m.	Mass - Delores Noe +

Saturday, August 19

7:30 a.m.	Men's Group
4 - 4:30 p.m.	Individual Reconciliation
*5:00 p.m.	Mass - Deceased members of the Roger Bruggeman & Busher families +

The Radio Mass is aired 9:00 a.m. on Sundays over WEVR 1550 AM and 106.3 FM for those unable to join us in church.

WEEKLY MASSES & EVENTS AUGUST 20 - AUGUST 26

Sunday, August 20

8:45 a.m.	Rosary
9:30 a.m.	Mass - Anne Jilek +
10:30 a.m.	Family Ministry Play Day!
11:00 a.m.	Mass - Patrick, Robert, Donald & Virgil Baumgartner +

Monday, August 21

8:00 a.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
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Tuesday, August 22

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Adoration
9:30 a.m.	Alzheimer's Support Group
10:00 a.m.	Music Madams
5:15 p.m.	Mass - St. Bridget, St. Mary's, & St. Thomas More +
7:00 p.m.	Community Prayer Group

Wednesday, August 23

4:15 p.m.	Girl's Bible Study
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Thursday, August 24

5:15 p.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
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Friday, August 25

7:30 a.m.	Rosary
8:00 a.m.	Mass - : In honor of Len & Mary Cernohous' 50 th Wedding Anniversary +

Saturday, August 26

4 - 4:30 p.m.	Individual Reconciliation
5:00 p.m.	Mass - Int. Needed +

* Saturday's 5:00 p.m. Mass is live-streamed on our YouTube Channel: [youtube.com/saintbridget](https://www.youtube.com/saintbridget). Links can also be found on our [Facebook](#) page and [website](#), www.saintbridggets.org, or scan the QR code.



DAILY WORD FOR AUGUST 14 - AUGUST 20

Monday, August 14	Dt 10:12-22/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday, August 15	1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28
Wednesday, August 16	Dt 34:1-12/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday, August 17	Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday, August 18	Jos 24:1-13/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday, August 19	Jos 24:14-29/Mt 19:13-15
Sunday, August 20	Is 56:1, 6-7/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

DAILY WORD FOR AUGUST 21 - AUGUST 27

Monday, August 21	Jgs 2:11-19/Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday, August 22	Jgs 6:11-24a/Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday, August 23	Jgs 9:6-15/Mt 20:1-16
Thursday, August 24	Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51
Friday, August 25	Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Mt 22:34-40
Saturday, August 26	Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Mt 23:1-12
Sunday, August 27	Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

REST IN PEACE

Sharlene Cernohous

Marlin Krear



PRAYER LIST

Let us know if someone would like to be prayed for in church or be listed in the bulletin prayer list. To be included in the prayer line, contact Pat Purfeerst at pjpurfeerst@gmail.com or 715-222-9533.

Judy Pechacek Harri	Betty Merriman
Michelle Radtke	Coby Clark
Linda Radtke	JoAnn Woeste
Tony Jilek	Pat Ryan
Boyd Huppert	Amy Denver
Dorie Deiss	Ryan Sell
Sandy DeCoux	Sonia Steiner
Kaleigh and	Francis Ogden
Jordan Wildauer	Mike Simons
Leah Krygowski	Kathleen Kusilek
Donna Pechacek	Barry Orso
Alice Johnson	Emily Hennemann
Sheila Carlson	Dave Gavin
Stephanie Clevenger	Kevin Larson
Ken Huppert	Kevin Shilling
Chester Huppert	Andy Jaszczak
Mary Ellen Vorwald	Darlene Arndt
Barb Ickler	Katy Pupungatoo
John Benusa	Jerry Trollan
Mary Moravec	Bill Lubich
Mike Sutton	

TITHES AND OFFERING

July 30, 2023

Adult Contributions	\$10,340
Loose Collection	\$721
Scrip Rebates	\$293

August 6, 2023

Adult Contributions	\$16,155
Loose Collection	\$788
Scrip Rebates	\$629

Faith Formation Registration is Open!



Registration for PreK-11 Faith Formation, First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation is open! Paper forms are available in the information rack in the church foyer. Register online via the links on our website or by scanning the QR code. For more information on our programs, please contact Diane Wengelski (PreK-1-Grade 6) or Tessa Schuermann (Grades 7-12).

Family Ministry Sunday Playdays!

August 20



Come play with the Family Ministry group! Once a month, this group meets after the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays to get to know our fellow families and give our kids the opportunity to grow up together in faith. Head over to the parish school playground after Mass and join in the fun! In case of rain, meet in Lubich Hall.

Youth Group Campfire & Night Games

Sunday, 8/27, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

All high school youth are invited to join us on Sunday, 8/27, from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. for night games & s'mores. Rumor has it that Fr. Anil will dominate at the games! Mark your calendars & come find out!



Dorothy Maule Nursing Scholarships

The Maule family is pleased to give two scholarships instead of one. Both applicants' information were so outstanding that each applicant will receive a \$2,000 scholarship. **Ella Peters** is accepted at Gustavus Adolphus and **Abigail Morning** is accepted at a Winona State. Congratulations!



Cheer on the St. Bridget Softball Team!



Come be a part of the St. Bridget fan section at Hoffman park! The next softball game is on August 14 vs River Church at 6:30 p.m. Visit our [website](#) for the full summer schedule.

WE'RE HIRING!

St. Bridget is hiring for a Parish Administrator and a Communication Specialist! Stop by the parish office to apply.

Donuts are Back, but we need YOU!



Would you be willing to organize a team – comprised of your family or group of friends? Or if you are an individual who would like to join us, **we'd love to have you join our donut making or selling team!** Children ten or older, working with an adult family member, can be part of the team as well. Please stop by the information desk after Sunday Mass for more details or call Donna Licht at 715-220-8975 or Stephanie Knolmayer at 715-222-1864. Thank you to all who have agreed to help continue this important 50 year-old ministry.

Healing ministry conference

Learn how to partner with the Holy Spirit and bring healing to those around you. Join a group of St. B parishioners going to this conference.

Fri., Sept. 30 6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Sat., Oct. 1 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church in Rhinelander

Info and registration: <https://encounterministries.regfox.com/rhinelander-wi-school-of-healing>.

Questions? Contact Mary Joan Sutton at 715-441-9699, maryjoansutton@gmail.com.

PARISH LIFE

Stuff the Bus!

August 7 - 20, Culver's of River Falls

Stuff the bus with school supplies! Donate three or more school supplies, and receive a free mini Concrete Mixer from Culver's!



Euchre is Back!

Ladies afternoon Euchre starts Thursday, September 7 in Lubich Hall!



The group meets the first Thursday of each month, September through May at 1:00 p.m. Cost for the year is \$10. All women are welcome! You do not need to be a St. Bridget Parish member to play. Get a partner and come join the fun! For more information, please contact Lauren Baillargeon, 715-821-4308.

Parish Nurse

Our parish nurse will be available after all Masses on Saturday, August 19 and Sunday, August 20 in the West View for blood pressure checks and general questions.



PARISH SCHOOL

Now Hiring!

Job openings in our parish school:

**Full or Part Time Middle School Language Arts/
English and or Reading Teacher**

Full Time Elementary Teacher (3rd grade)

Full or Part Time Art Teacher

Full Time Pre-K teacher (3-5 year olds)

Full time positions have opportunities to job-share! Apply on WECAN, or in person at the school. Thank you!

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Well-Read Mom Group

The Well-Read Mom group at St. Bridget accompanies all women, (you don't only need to be a Mom,) in reading great books and spiritual classics to encourage personal growth, friendship, and meaningful conversations.



The group reads one book per month and meets to discuss once a month.

This group will meet the 2nd Thursday of the month beginning September 14, from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Watch for more information coming soon, but mark this date on your calendar now!

If you have questions, please contact Jodie in the church office or Marijana Brinkman at marijanabrinkman@gmail.com.

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

What is RCIA? This is a formation process that not only educates and initiates you into the faith of the Catholic Church but immerses you into a deeper prayer relationship with God and the community of the Church. Through a series of gathering times, prayer, and participation in weekly Mass, you will grow in basic understanding of the rituals and richness of the Catholic faith. Understanding peoples' schedules and needs are unique, this process can be tailored to fit your life's needs. Please reach out to Jodie Rubenzer if you'd like more information.



SAVE THE DATES



This year we are hoping to designate Tuesdays as "Walking with Purpose Women's Study Day", with a start date of September 12. Join other women of all ages for this study. Stop by the information desk with questions and to sign up.

You are invited to enter an interior pilgrimage of prayer using the book *When you Pray*, by Edward Sri. We will begin this journey on Wednesday, September 13 at Mystical Rose Garden. Save this date now and watch for details. If you have questions, please email Jodie, jrubenzer@stbparish.com



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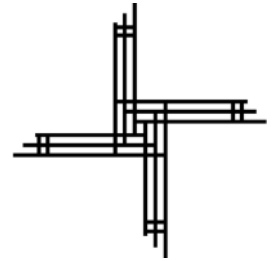
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