

ST. BRIDGET CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

**TWENTY-SIXTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4



*awaken*FAITH



*build*COMMUNITY



*make*DISCIPLES

From the pastor...

This bulletin is for two weekends, September 27, the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time and October 4, the Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

[A Samaritan village refused to receive Jesus,] because it was clear that he was on his way to Jerusalem. When the disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Lord do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?" Jesus turned and rebuked them. Luke 9:53-56

The heated reaction of James and John in today's reading shows that they have not yet mastered this teaching of Jesus: "Learn from me, because I am gentle and humble of spirit." Matthew 11:29

When we hate our enemies, we give them power over us - power over our sleep, power over our health, power over our peace of mind. Our enemies would dance for joy if they knew our hatred was killing us but not hurting them in the least. (Annoymous)

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

[Jesus told this parable. "An owner leased his vineyard to tenants for a share of the crops. At harvest time, he sent his servants to collect the share due him. But the tenants abused and killed them. Then the owner sent other servants, but the tenants did the same thing. Finally, the owner] sent his son... When the tenants saw the son...they grabbed him...and killed him. [The owner punished the tenants] Matthew 21:37-6

In Jesus' parable, the vineyard owner stands for God; the vineyard, Israel; the tenants, Israel's leaders; the servants, the prophets; the son, Jesus.

The parable illustrates both God's patience and God's justice. God dealt patiently with Israel's leaders. But when they refused to respond, God passed judgement on them.

In what area of my life, especially, has God dealt very patiently with me?

All of us must appear before Christ, to be judged by him. Each one will receive what he deserves. 2 Corinthians 5:10.

(VISION 2000, Mark Link, S.J.)

October is Respect Life Month. All life is sacred. In the Pro-life Corner on page five it discusses that life is created in God's image and we have the duty to protect it.

*"to imitate Christ
and follow in his footsteps"
The Gospel of Life 51*

New Church Office Hours:

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

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New Church Building hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - Noon.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Sign-up for Mass

Please remember to sign up to attend weekend Masses. Call the office or go to our [website](#) and scroll to the Spotlight section to reserve a spot.

Weekly Masses ~ September 27 to October 3

Sunday, September 27	9:30 a.m. +Int: Ruth Koehler 11:00 a.m. +Int: Calvin Scott Nelson
Monday, September 28	8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
Tuesday, September 29	5:15 p.m. +Int: Roger Bruggeman
Wednesday, September 30	9:00 a.m. - School Mass +Int: Lawrence Huppert
Thursday, October 1	8:00 a.m. +Int: Eugene, Irene and Joe Huppert
Friday, October 2	8:00 a.m. +Int: Anne Grove
Saturday, October 3 <i>*For Senior/at-risk parishioners</i>	5:00 p.m. +Int: Living and Deceased Members of St. Bridget Council of Catholic Women

Weekly Masses ~ October 4 to October 10

Sunday, October 4	9:30 a.m. +Int: John Matzek 11:00 a.m. Int: Churches St. Bridget/ St. Mary's
Monday, October 5	8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
Tuesday, October 6	5:15 p.m. +Int: Dean Reis
Wednesday, October 7	9:00 a.m. +Int: Francis Timp
Thursday, October 8	8:00 a.m. +Int: Gene, Irene and Joe Huppert
Friday, October 9	8:00 a.m. +Int: Alvin Langer
Saturday, October 10 <i>*For Senior/at-risk parishioners</i>	5:00 p.m. +Int: Andrew Huppert

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Masses for Senior/At-Risk Parishioners

The Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass is now open for attendance but is reserved for our senior/at-risk parishioners. A reservation will need to be made as there is a limit of 75 people. Please sign up on our [website](#) or call the office to reserve a spot.

Daily Word for September 28 - October 4

Monday, September 28	Jb 1:6-22/Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday, September 29	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Jn 1:47-51
Wednesday, September 30	Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Lk 9:57-62
Thursday, October 1	Jb 19:21-27/Lk 10:1-12
Friday, October 2	Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/ Mt 18:1-5, 10
Saturday, October 3	Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/ Lk 10:17-24
Sunday, October 4	Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/ Mt 21:33-43

Daily Word for October 5- October 11

Monday, October 5	Gal 1:6-12/Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday, October 6	Gal 1:13-24/Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday, October 7	Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Lk 11:1-4
Thursday, October 8	Gal 3:1-5/Lk 11:5-13
Friday, October 9	Gal 3:7-14/Lk 11:15-26
Saturday, October 10	Gal 3:22-29/Lk 11:27-28
Sunday, October 11	Is 25:6-10a/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Radio Mass Aired Sundays at 9:00 a.m. WEVR 1550 AM/106.3 FM

The Mass for October 3 is in honor of the living and deceased members of the St. Bridget CCW

The Mass for October 10 is in loving memory of
Andrew Huppert

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, call Virginia Wagner at 715 - 220 - 7792.

Laura Bowman	Irene Anderson
Linda Giardina	Rod Cina
Judy Pechacek Harri	Sharon Reese
Ann Holland	Tony Jilek
Barb Ickler	Dave Lindevig
Ray Belisle	Michelle Swenson
Michelle Radtke	Audrey Pfremer
Izabella Thompson	Martha Ciapetta
Sonia Steiner	Karin Jarosch
Steve Alberg	Ed Knolmayer
Grace Radtke	Barb Belongia
Katy Morris	Ric Parnell
Gwen Paulson	Lynwood Meyer
Linda Radtke	Judy O'Neil



Rest in Peace



Hilda Lovell

Esther Anderson

Elise Decamp

Niece of Bernard Hansen

Ioliene Grant

Mother of B.J. (Barb) Grant and
Mary (Chuck) Woiwode

Mike Halada

Brother of Tom (Mary) Halada

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Baptisms

Woodrow Brady Nelson

Son of Stephanie and Matthew Nelson



Catholic Services Appeal

This past weekend was the annual Catholic Services Appeal Commitment Weekend throughout northern Wisconsin. Our parish goal this year is that every family and individual will participate to the very best of their ability, in recognition and in thanksgiving for God's many blessings.

All registered parishioners should have received a special letter from Bishop Powers seeking their personal commitment and a pledge of support.

If you are among those in our parish family who have already responded in the spirit of stewardship and discipleship or will do so today, fervent thanks and blessings are yours. If you are still contemplating your Appeal gift, please give from your heart on behalf of those whose lives will be changed for the better because you cared. Every pledge and gift is vitally important and will bring us closer to reaching our goal. God will indeed bless and reward your generosity and concern for others, of that you can be assured.

CSA Envelopes are available at our church doors and information desk.

On-line donations can be made on our [website](#).

TITHES AND OFFERING

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13 & SEPTEMBER 30

Adult Contributions	\$28,082.00
Future Parish Needs	\$590.00
Loose Collection	\$475.25
Adult Contributions (ACH)	\$24,041.00
School Tuition (ACH)	\$11,530.55
Scrip Rebates (49 orders)	\$773.98
Priest Emergency Fund	\$950.00
St. Bridget School Student Sponsorship	\$3,200.00

FORMED
PICK OF THE WEEK

Powers and Dominions

In all of God's creation we see such splendor, beauty, mystery, and wonder. Within this creation there are beings with intellect and free will: humans and angels. This film explores the spiritual world, that very real but unseen realm: God, the human soul, angels, demons (fallen angels), spiritual warfare, the reality of demonic possession and exorcism, the dangers of the new age movement and the occult, and much more.



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PICK OF THE WEEK

Lectio: Philipians

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Towards the end of his life, under arrest and awaiting trial in Rome, Saint Paul writes a short but powerful letter to the Philipians. At the heart of this letter is Paul's eloquent hymn of Christ's total gift of self, the model for Paul's life. With his words and the example of his life, Paul exhorts the Philipians to have the mind of Christ, to live a life worthy of the Gospel, and, by God's grace, to gain Christ.

In six sessions, Dr. Tim Gray combines insight and practical guidance using the lectio divina disciplines to make the Scriptures come alive in Philipians: Life in Christ.



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HAVE FAITH. END HUNGER.

St. Bridget Bread for the World

This month's Year of the Child addresses child homelessness, and it explains why poor people and blacks in particular experience homelessness at disproportionately higher rates than non-poor whites.

*"God has a special love for the poor and vulnerable." [Catholic Bishops of the Wisconsin Catholic Conference and the U.S. Council of Catholic Bishops 2020 voting guides.]
The Bishops call us to a "preferential option for the poor", stating that the "moral imperative to respond to the needs of our neighbors".... includes "assurance of shelter".
They call for "increasing funding for safe and affordable housing."*

- Our nation has failed over many years to meet the housing needs of the poor. Our principal housing policy, Section 8 Housing, has been underfunded for decades, leaving years-long waiting lists for poor women and their children. And we have no policy that adequately meets the needs of the homeless.
- Pre-COVID data revealed that families with children made up 33% of the homeless. These families are typically headed by young, single, and poorly educated women.
- Homelessness has worsened amidst COVID, especially among poor families with children. Unless they have established home equity in a home they own, they often have no wherewithal to borrow money to get them through a crisis (such as illness and unemployment). They are often one paycheck away from homelessness.
- Homelessness has a negative impact on children's education, health, sense of safety, and overall development. Children experiencing homelessness have been shown to:
 - 1) Have higher levels of emotional and behavioral problems
 - 2) Be at increased risk for serious health problems
 - 3) Have greater likelihood of separations from their families
 - 4) Experience more school mobility, repeat a grade, be expelled or drop out of school, and have lower academic performance
- Homelessness also has a racial dimension. Since poverty and home-ownership rates vary considerably between non-Hispanic whites and Blacks [poverty rates are 8.8% for whites and 22.0% for Blacks; home-ownership rates are 73% for whites and 42% for Blacks], Blacks are disproportionately more likely to be in precarious housing situations.



What can we do?

We can contact our legislators at www.house.gov and www.senate.gov.

We can vote.

For more information email st.b.bfw@gmail.com.

Source: National Alliance to End Homelessness, www.endhomelessness.org.

PARISH LIFE

Martha's Quilt Group

Tuesday, October 6 ~ 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Wearing of masks and social distancing is observed with plenty of space in Lubich Hall for all sorts of quilting projects. Christmas and patriotic fabric can be picked up for your next quilt top. A large number of quilts are needed for the November/December distribution so plan to drop off finished quilts by early November. Bring your own brown bag lunch if joining us at noon. Coffee will be provided and individually wrapped treats. New members welcome!

Voting

Catholic Christians have the right to vote. The United States Postal Service recently sent out postcards on **voting by mail** and that your request your mail in ballot at least 15 days before Election Day and they recommend that you mail your ballot at least 7 days before Election Day.

Resources for Catholics

Resources for Catholics to assist in the formation of conscience were in last week's church bulletins as an attachment and paper copies are available in the back of St. Bridget and St. Mary's Churches. They can be mailed to you on request. Please take the time to read and form your conscience. Fr. Harris

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

RCIA

It's not too late to enter the RCIA journey. This process is for adults seeking to become fully initiated members of the Catholic Church. If you or someone you know might be interested, please email Jodie Rubenzer at jrubenzer@stbparish.com

Journaling as Prayer Workshop

Saturday, October 10 ~ 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

We will look at ways to journal as well as ways to be guided to create a journal for daily use and prayer use. Sign up by emailing Jodie at spiritualgrowth@stbparish.com or at the information desk. Limited to 20 participants. We will assure adequate space for social distancing guidelines.

FAITH FORMATION

THERE'S STILL TIME TO REGISTER FOR FAITH FORMATION!

Forms and registration can be found on our [website](#).

Faith Formation and/or First Reconciliation books are available for pickup! Check your email for details.

PRO-LIFE CORNER

Live the Gospel of Life - Respect Life Reflection

Twenty-five years ago, Pope St. John Paul II wrote that the Gospel of life is at the *heart* of Jesus' saving message to the world (*Evangelium vitae* 1). In taking on human flesh, dwelling among us, and sacrificing his very life for our redemption, Christ reveals the profound dignity of every human person. This God-given dignity does not change with our stage of life, abilities, level of independence, or any other varying circumstance.

Rather, it is rooted in the permanent fact that each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, created to share in the very life of God himself. The human person is a "manifestation of God in the world, a sign of his presence, a trace of his glory" (EV 34). And we must reflect this truth in how we act and how we treat one another.

The truth of the Gospel of life is at the foundation of who we are as followers of Christ. In his earthly life, Jesus provided the perfect model for how we are to love our neighbor and live out the Gospel call: "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me" (Mt. 25:40).

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, may Our Lord grant us the grace to truly and courageously live his Gospel of life.

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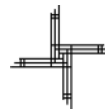
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