St. Bridget Catholic Community





Mass Schedule St. Bridget

Tuesday 5:15 p.m.

Wednesday 9:00 a.m.

Friday

8:00 a.m.

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Newman Chapel 6:00 p.m.

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Monday 8:00 a.m.

Thursday

5:15 p.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Adoration

Tuesday 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

St. Mary's - Hammond Mass Schedule

Saturday Sunday 7:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Sunday 7:00 - 7:30 a.m.

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From the pastor...

We are closing in on the end of the church year. This is the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary time. The readings are more challenging. The last verse speaks of an afterlife. [Asked about the afterlife, Jesus said,] "Moses clearly proves that the dead are raised...He speaks of the Lord as...the God of the living." Luke 20:37-38

A little girl bounced excitedly up the airport ramp to board a plane. "Where are you going?" the mother asked. Without missing a bounce, she said, "To Granny's! To Granny's! To Granny's!" The girl's answer helps to illustrate Jesus' point about the afterlife. We should think of it not so much as being a place as being with a person. Jesus says to Mary Magdalene, "Tell him [the disciples] that I am returning to ...my God and their God. (John 20:17)

(ACTION Praying Scripture in a Contemporary Way, Mark Lind, S.J.)

Blessing For All Veterans

God of peace, we pray for those who have served our nation and have laid down their lives to protect and defend our freedom.

We pray for those who have fought, whose spirits and bodies are scarred by war, whose nights are haunted by memories too painful for the light of day.

We pray for those who serve us now, especially for those in harm's way.

Shield them from danger and bring them home.

Turn the hearts and minds of our leaders and our enemies to the work of justice and a harvest of peace.

Spare the poor, Lord, spare the poor!

May the peace you left us, the peace you gave us, be the peace that sustains, the peace that saves us.

Christ Jesus, hear us! Lord Jesus, hear our prayer! Amen.



Scrip Available in the Office:

Monday: 12 p.m. – 3 p.m. Tuesday: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Wednesday: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Thursday: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Friday: 12 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Scrip is available in the Fellowship Hall before and after all Masses

Office Hours & Information:

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. 211 E Division St • PO Box 86 River Falls, WI 54022 715-425-1870 recept@stbparish.com

Pastoral Emergency: 715.869.6122

CALENDAR AND DAILY WORD

Monday, November 11 - Wis 1:1-7/Lk 17:1-6

8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

6:00 p.m. Grief Group

6:30 p.m. DivorceCare

6:30 p.m. Breast Cancer Support Group

7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting

Tuesday. November 12 - Wis 2:23—3:9/Lk 17:7-10

8:30 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

9:30 a.m. Pro-life Prayer Group

11:00 a.m. The Gathering

5:00 p.m. Books and Beverages - Nutty Squirrel

5:15 p.m. Mass +Int: Ken Cotrell by Gary Cotrell Family

5:45 p.m. YogaDevotion - Lubich Hall

6:30-9 pm Council and Sub-Committee Meetings

7:00 p.m. Pro-life Prayer Group

Wednesday, November 13 - Wis 6:1-11/Lk 17:11-19

8:00 a.m. Centering Prayer

9:00 a.m. School Mass +Int: Ruth Koehler by Donald and Phyllis Foley

3:15 p.m. Afternoon Middle School Faith Formation

5:00 p.m. Grade 3 - 5 Faith Formation

5:30 p.m. Faith Formation Meal

6:00 p.m. Youth Choir Practice

6:30 p.m. Grade 6 - 11 Faith Formation Classes

7:45 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal

Thursday, November 14 - Wis 7:22b—8:1/Lk 17:20-25

5:15 p.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

7:00 p.m. RCIA Gathering

7:00 p.m. SATB Choir Practice

Friday, November 15 - Wis 13:1-9/Lk 17:26-37

8:00 a.m. Mass +Int: Anne Jilek by Tony Jilek

Saturday, November 16 - Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/ Lk 18:1-8

7:30 a.m. Men's Group

7:30 a.m. Liturgical Dance Practice

5:00 p.m. Mass +Int: Jerome and Leola Marek by

family

Sunday, November 17 - Mal 3:19-20a/2 Thes 3:7-12/

Lk 21:5-19

8:45 a.m. Rosarv

9:30 a.m. Preschool, K, First Grade Faith Formation

9:30 a.m. Mass +Int: Lloyd and Thersa Marek by

family

11:00 a.m. Mass

Int: Churches of St. Bridget and St. Mary's

1:00 p.m. First Reconciliation Learning Centers

6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas More - Newman Center UWRF

6:30 p.m. High School Youth Group

Why go to Mass on Sunday?

YouTube Going to Mass each week is more important than you think. Check

out Fr. Brice Higginbotham's YouTube channel https://youtu.be/Crozo93Mupg.



Cousin of Alice Baldini

Dean Wieland

Father of Dee (Todd) Schulz

Raymond Karras

Brother of Leo Karras

Alvin Langer

Father of Gary (Sarah) Langer

Radio Mass Sundays at 9:00 AM



WEVR 1550 AM/106.3 FM November 9



All deceased members of the Knights of Columbus #4902

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 Magner at 715-684-2336.

Laura Bowman Rod Cina Frances DeCoux Michael Goodman Judy Pechacek Harri Ann Holland Barb Ickler Sandra Lenagh Gwen Paulson

Joseph Pentusa Michelle Radtke Izabella Thompson Sonia Steiner Steve Albera Grace Radtke Tricia Aguilera Larry Potton

TITHES AND OFFERING WEEK OF NOVEMBER 3

Adult Contributions	\$20,515.00
Loose Collection	\$840.05
Future Parish Needs	\$945.00
SCRIP Rebates (93 orders)	860.57
All Souls Day	\$930.00

St. Bridget Solar Panel Dedication **Sunday November 17**

The formal dedication of the Solar Panel Project on St. Bridget's roof will take place on Sunday, morning, November 17 at 10:40 a.m. in St. Bridget's Church. It will be a brief dedication after the 9:30 mass. We will have fellowship in the parish hall and members of the Solar Committee will be on hand to answer any questions. Thanks to all of you who made this happen. Fr. Harris

PARISH LIFE

What's New in the Joany Shepard **Memorial Library**

- Books by Pope Francis, Father James Martin, Father John Riccardo, Terry Hershey, Karen Kingsbury, Terry Barber, Mitch Finley, and Lysa Terkeurst.
- 123 DVDs including Unplanned, Breakthrough, The Best of Enemies, The Long Goodbye: Kara Tippetts and many new children's and Christmas DVDs.

Don't forget to check out the free books in the Fellowship Hall!

Surviving the Holidays a **DivorceCare Special Session** Monday, November 18 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Our Surviving the Holidays seminar is for people who are separated and divorced. You'll learn how to deal with the many emotions you'll face during the holidays, get helpful tips for surviving social events and much more.

Please register for this free event online, email divorcecare.ic.stb@hotmail.com or call 715-425-1870.

Grace of Giving

Monday, November 18 · 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. St. Bridget Fellowship Hall

Learn about estate planning and qualified charitable donations. Presented by Jennifer O'Neill, Certified Elder Law Attorney and Vince Seidling, Financial Advisor. Sign up on our website or at the information desk. Refreshments will be served.



The Gathering - Tuesday, November 12

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Don't miss this presentation on the miraculous story of Our Lady of Guadalupe. This is the last weekend to sign up at the information desk.

St. Bridget Bread for the World: Year of the Child for **November:** Thanking God for families, friends, and food, we acknowledge that U.S. hunger has a child's face. One in 6 children live in poverty, and 1 in 8 families struggle for enough food. Budgets for food programs are threatened, as is access to food programs by legal immigrant children. St. Bridget BFW asks you to contact our legislators at www.senate.gov or www.house.gov. For more information email st.b.bfw@gmail.com.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Save the Date! Advent Opportunities at St. Bridget



Advent Evening of Reflection with Marty Haugen Sunday, December 1

6:00 p.m.

Waiting with Joy

Tuesday, November 26, and Fridays, December 6, 13, 20

Four weeks to pray the Advent Gospels Using Lectio Divina.

FAITH FORMATION

Chili Cook Off and Brownie Bake Off

Warm up this Sunday, noon - 1:30 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall with chili and brownies! Vote for your favorites, and prizes will be awarded! There is

no cost, however, we will accept free will donations to help fund our Faith Formation meal packing event February.



Parish Christmas Program "Our Family Tree"

Sunday, December 15, from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. St. Bridget Church

Let our hearts be opened wide to the aift of Jesus, Our King, born in a manger. Join us for the program, or sign up to take part in it! You can sign up at the information desk, or online.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Rake-A-Difference What a great day!





A small but mighty crew of members of your Youth Group answering the call to "Serve Others."

FORMED'

Pick of the Week

Mary: The Indispensable Mother of God

by Tim Staples



What role should Mary play in our lives?

Learn how correct knowledge of our Mother reveals our own identity in Christ, and empowers us to say, "Yes" to God!

"Tim Staples gives inspiring and reliable examples of how to respond to common questions about Mary."

-Charlie M., Winston-Salem, NC

LISTEN ON FORMED ORG

Partnering for Our Sustainable Community: A Public Conversation

Thursday, November 14, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
River Falls High School
Join your neighbors and fellow parishioners for a continued conversation that began here at St. Bridget several years ago in response to Pope Francis' encyclical, Laudato Si: Care for Our Common Home.
Sponsored by Hope for Creation and RFSD Community Education. Free registration encouraged at

https://rfsd.cr3.rschooltoday.com.

CSA Update

If you have not yet responded to the 2019/20 Catholic Services Appeal, please set aside a moment to prayerfully consider a gift amount that your means will permit. Be assured that the Lord knows what is in your heart

and how you share your gifts. While it is understood that we cannot all give equally, we are still called by the Gospel to give of ourselves in a way that reflects our blessings. Your gift whether large or small matters greatly to the diocese, our parish and to the Lord! Scripture tells us, 'There is more happiness in giving than receiving!'

2019/20 CSA Goal \$143,282 CSA contributions as of November 1 = \$60,049 (42%)

(This total includes electronic fund transfers and pledges.)

Thanksgiving Community Meal

St Bridget will host this year's non-denominational, community wide Thanksgiving dinner. All are invited to join us from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Delivery will also be available to River Falls addresses for those unable to attend. Free or free-will offering accepted. Delivery requests can be processed here or call the church office.

Volunteers are needed for set-up, kitchen, serving, delivery, and clean up. If you can help, please sign up here. For more information contact Esther 715-425-6282.



ALTAR SERVING

ABOUT THE
ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY...

This ministry is open to those in fifth through twelfth grade.

Duties include helping Father, preparing the altar, receiving the gifts, and setting a good example by participating in the Mass.

Servers will become more familiar with the Mass and learn to work as a team.

About a 1 hour training session is required. Once trained, servers will be scheduled for the Mass time preferred. On average, servers serve about once per month.

WHAT OSCAR
WANTED TO SHARE...

"I think altar serving is a fun experience and I get to be on the altar during Mass. I enjoy helping Father. I like seeing how things work during Mass and I get to do things I could never do before, like lighting the candles before Mass. If you are considering this ministry, this is a cool experience where you get to do good things and have fun at the same time."