

# ST. BRIDGET CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
SUNDAY, APRIL 21

AND

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
SUNDAY, APRIL 28

2024



*awaken* FAITH



*build* COMMUNITY



*make* DISCIPLES

From Father's Desk

## From The Diocese

Catholic Home Missions Collection

Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Collection. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at [usccb.org/committees/catholic-home-missions](http://usccb.org/committees/catholic-home-missions). This past year, thanks to our generous collection response, the United States Bishops' Committee on the Home Missions awarded the Diocese of Superior \$90,000 for Lay Formation and Leadership Development, Seminary Education support, Priestly Education, and Diaconate Formation. With your support, the CHM Appeal can continue to provide essential pastoral outreach here in our Diocesan parishes.

## Purple Candle

The Purple Candle is here. This candle means that we (the Church) stand in solidarity with all those impacted by the priest scandal. We stand with those who were abused, with those who received their sacraments from a priest who was convicted of this crime (who were not abused but know the priest involved), and for anyone who has been affected by the priest abuse scandal. The Purple Candle will be placed in a special place in each church in our cluster as well as in the Thomas Moor Neman Center Chapel. Together we will pray for healing for everyone. For this crisis in our Catholic Faith affects all of us. May we come together to listen, to pray, and to allow Jesus to heal us. Amen.



*-Fr. Joe*

## From The Diocese

The Catholic Church is working diligently to prevent sexual abuse by parish employees, volunteers, deacons, and priests. If you have been sexually abused by someone associated with the Church and would like to report or discuss the experience, please contact: Bonnie Thom 715-718-1110. The Diocese of Superior welcomes your call and understands how difficult it may be to reach out in this situation. The phone number provided is confidential and dedicated solely to these calls. Know that your call will be treated with respect, dignity, and compassion. The Diocese of Superior is bound by civil and canon law to report sexual abuse of a minor to civil authorities. Anyone who believes that they have been sexually abused is strongly encouraged to report as well.

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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[www.saintbridgets.org](http://www.saintbridgets.org)

**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.

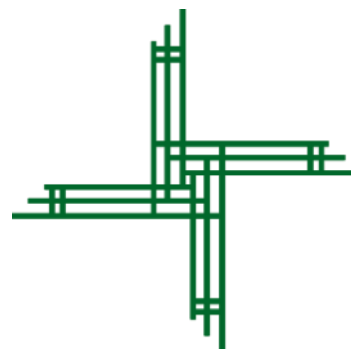
## WEEKLY MASSES & EVENTS APRIL 21 – APRIL 27

Sunday, April 21	
8:45 a.m.	Rosary
9:30 a.m.	<b>Mass</b> - JoAnn Woeste+
11:00 a.m.	<b>Mass</b> - St. Bridget, St. Mary's & St. Thomas More
1:00 p.m.	Listening Session
6:00 p.m.	<b>Newman Center Mass</b>
Monday, April 22	
8:00 a.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
7:00 p.m.	Community Prayer Group
Tuesday, April 23	
8:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer
9 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
9:00 a.m.	Bible Study
5:15 p.m.	<b>Mass</b> - Clarence, Florence, John, Barb, Anita, Joseph Peter and Linda Dusek+
Wednesday, April 24	
9:00 a.m.	<b>School Mass</b> - Open Intention
5:00 p.m.	Faith Formation Meal
6:45 p.m.	Closing Mass
Thursday, April 25	
12:15 p.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
5:45 p.m.	Praise Team Rehearsal
7:00 p.m.	SATB Choir Practice
Friday, April 26	
7:30 a.m.	Rosary
8:00 a.m.	<b>Mass</b> - Herman, Mildred, Loretta and Gervase Maier+
Saturday, April 27	
4 - 4:30 p.m.	Individual Reconciliation
5:00 p.m.	<b>Mass</b> - Gerald Thomas O'Malley+

## WEEKLY MASSES & EVENTS APRIL 28 – MAY 4

Sunday, April 28	
8:45 a.m.	Rosary
9:30 a.m.	<b>Mass</b> - Vernon Kusilek+
11:00 a.m.	<b>Mass</b> - St. Bridget, St. Mary's & St. Thomas More
4:00 p.m.	Listening Session
6:00 p.m.	<b>Newman Center Mass</b>
Monday, April 29	
8:00 a.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
7:00 p.m.	Community Prayer Group
Tuesday, April 30	
8:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer
9 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
9:00 a.m.	Bible Study
5:15 p.m.	<b>Mass</b> - John and Marilyn Karras, Kirsten Morrow and Brandan Jensen+
Wednesday, May 1	
9:00 a.m.	<b>School Mass</b> - Clarence Heit Jr.+
Thursday, May 2	
12:15 p.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
5:45 p.m.	Praise Team Rehearsal
7:00 p.m.	SATB Choir Practice
Friday, May 3	
7:30 a.m.	Rosary
8:00 a.m.	<b>Mass</b> - Dorothy Maule+
Saturday, May 4	
8:00 a.m.	Women's Prayer Group
4 - 4:30 p.m.	Individual Reconciliation
5:00 p.m.	<b>Mass</b> - Deceased Members of the Bruggeman and Buscher Families+

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



# ST. BRIDGET CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

## DAILY WORD FOR APRIL 22 – APRIL 28

Monday, April 22	Acts 11: 1-18/ Jn 10: 1-10
Tuesday, April 23	Acts 11: 19-26/ Jn 10: 22-30
Wednesday, April 24	Acts 12: 24– 13: 5a/ Jn 12: 44-50
Thursday, April 25	1 Pt 5: 5b-14/ Mk 16: 15-20
Friday, April 26	Acts 13: 26-33/ Jn 14: 1-6
Saturday, April 27	Acts 13: 44-52/ Jn 14: 7-14
Sunday, April 28	Acts 9: 26-31/ 1 Jn 3: 18-24/ Jn 15: 1-8

## DAILY WORD FOR APRIL 29 – MAY 5

Monday, April 29	Acts 14: 5-18/ Jn 14: 21-26
Tuesday, April 30	Acts 14: 19-28/ Jn 14: 27-31a
Wednesday, May 1	Acts 15: 1-6/ Jn 15: 1-8 or Gn 1: 26– 2:3 or Col 3: 14-15, 17, 23-24/ Mt 13: 54-58
Thursday, May 2	Acts 15: 7-21/ Jn 15: 9-11
Friday, May 3	1 Cor 15: 1-8/ Jn 14: 6-14
Saturday, May 4	Acts 16: 1-10/ Jn 15: 18-21
Sunday, May 5	Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48/ 1 Jn 4: 7-10/ Jn 15: 9-17



### Remembering

Paul Kelly, Brother of Mary Webster  
Ernie Maier brother of JoAnn Martin and Terry Swinburne

## 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](mailto:pjpurfeerst@gmail.com) or 715-222-9533.

Michelle Radtke	Arlyne Bruggeman
Linda Radtke	Tara Olson
Tony Jilek	Richard Bujalski
Boyd Huppert	Steve Hines
Dorie Deiss	Jim Hines
Donna Pechacek	Elaine Hines
Chester Huppert	Andre Armstrong
Mary Ellen Vorwald	John Hueg
Barb Ickler	Marge Dusek
John Benusa	Missy Tarnowski
Mary Moravec	Kathleen Brown
Mike Sutton	Sonia Steiner
Ryan Sell	Tom Gunderson
Francis Ogden	Mary Wolf
Kathleen Kusilek	Kaye McFarland
Emily Hennemann	Jim McFarland
Katy Pupungatoa	Bob Leary
Jeanne Rohl	Dave Gerrish
Patricia Bujalski	Richard Dean Andrea
Carol Ann Gregg	Barb Pechack
	Frank Cernohous

If you do not see yours or your loved one's name listed in the bulletin their name has been moved to our prayer book in the West Entrance. If you would like a person added to this prayer list, please stop in or contact the Parish Office. The name will appear in the bulletin for one month (unless indicated longer) and then moved to the West Entrance Prayer book. May the Grace of God continue to anoint you and your loved ones.

### April 7, 2024

Adult Contributions	\$8,525
Loose Collection	\$860
Scrip Rebates	\$405
Adult (ACH) Contributions	\$22,406

### April 14, 2024

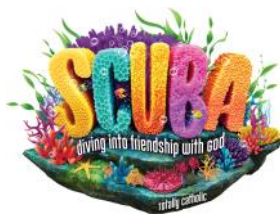
Adult Contributions	\$21,170
Loose Collection	\$747
Scrip Rebates	\$203

## FAITH FORMATION

### Vacation Bible School

**June 10-13, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.**

Students who will be going into grades K-5 next fall are invited to participate in our super fun VBS on June 10-13! Our theme this



year will be: "**SCUBA: Diving into Friendship with God!**" Registration opened Monday, April 1. (Middle and High school leaders, please save these VBS dates, and Thursday, June 14, which will be our leader-only fun day!)



### First Communion Candidates



Adalena McArdle	Kinsley Wirth
Alexis Rohl	Lilian Johnson
Amara Peters	Louis Niesl
Amelia Wolfe	Lucas Bodin
Annika Andrzejczak	Luke Carlson
Axton Fischer	Molly Rohl
Brecken Tousley	Noah Baldeshwiler
Dylan Connolly	Nolan Bach
Eloise Johnson	Stevie Johnson
Evan Swanson	Sutton Merta
Giovanni Vargas	Teagan Munger
Grant Gasior	Tenley Francis
Henry Oestreich	Theo Jensen
Jameson Meredith	Victoria Adams
Jayne Pistohl	William Mortensen
Joseph Gettelman	

### Youth Group For Grades 6-8:

Youth in grades 6-8 are invited to Youth Group on Sunday, Apr. 28, from 6:30-8:00 p.m., in the St. Bridget School Gym. Lead by Tessa, Diane, and other adults and HS youth of the parish, each night will include high energy games, service projects, snacks, music, Bible skits, and prayer. Please RSVP: <https://forms.gle/MYm3T6pyjQNb4j97>

## PARISH LIFE

### St. Bridget Cemetery Clean-up

Saturday, April 27 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Stop in anytime that day and help get our cemetery cleaned up and ready for mowing. Bring your own rakes, shovels, tarps, trailers and wheelbarrows. This is a great opportunity for individuals or families to join together for our parish community. Please remove all winter decorations you wish to save by April 24. Any decorations left will be disposed of.

### Video Ministry

Please prayerfully consider joining our Video Ministry! We are looking for some new members to be a part of our Video ministry team! If you are interested in learning more or being trained, please contact Bethany! We would be honored to have you join this wonderful ministry!

### SCRIP

SCRIP is in need of volunteers for weekend in person sales for all Masses as well as the weekday processing work on Monday and Friday mornings and local card pick-ups on Thursday mornings. Training will be provided. Sign up forms are available at the SCRIP Desk or contact the office with your interest.

### Spring Cleaning?

**Keep St. Bridget Garage Sale in mind, June 20th – June 22nd.** We need a lot of items

to make this a successful event. When you clean out your basement, garage or closets this Spring, think of us!! We welcome donations of clothing, bikes, furniture, toys, books and household items. All items should be in good clean condition. Sorry, we cannot accept large appliances, computers or computer monitors, infant car seats, mattresses, light bulbs, chemicals and exercise equipment. Please contact Lauren Baillargeon, [laurenbaillargeon445@gmail.com](mailto:laurenbaillargeon445@gmail.com) or 715-821-4308 with questions.



### Tootsie Roll Drive

The Knights of Columbus Council #4902 will be conducting our Annual Tootsie Roll Drive on April 17th - April 20th around the community and after Mass on Sunday, April 21st. Proceeds are used to help people with intellectual disabilities. Thank you for your support.



# PARISH LIFE

## Well - Read Mom Group

This month the Well - Read Mom group will be reading *The Ghost Keeper*, by Natalie Morrill. The group meets on the second Thursday of each month to discuss and will be meeting on May 9, at 7 p.m. in the Garden View room. ALL WOMEN are welcome to join. For more information visit <https://wellreadmom.com> or contact Marijana at [mjekvall@gmail.com](mailto:mjekvall@gmail.com)

## Centering Prayer Group

Centering prayer is a contemplative form of prayer. A group will be gathering from 8:00 a.m. – 8:40 a.m. on Tuesday mornings in the Garden View Room beginning Tuesday, April 23. Please contact Jodie at [jrubenzer@stbparish.com](mailto:jrubenzer@stbparish.com) for more information.



## Baptism Preparation for First time Parents.

There will be a Baptism Prep class for parents seeking Baptism for their first child. This will take place on Sunday, April 21 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. in the Garden View Room. Please call the church office to register or if you have any questions, please contact Jodie Rubenzer in the church office.

## Social Justice / Green Team

**Environmental Tip:** Before buying plastic items, think about using products made out of other materials. Plastic lasts for a thousand years. Bits of it are found in plant and animal life – and eventually in our bodies. Give up plastic grocery/store bags' use cloth totes instead that can be washed and used for years.

### **Social Justice:**

Food Pantry Needs: Mayo, Cereal, Ranch Dressing, Feminine care products. You can drop off your donations at church in the grocery cart under the stairs. The Social Justice/Green Committee meets once a month, Sept – May. If you would like to join please contact Jeanne Poole: [jkjp@aol.com](mailto:jkjp@aol.com)

## Parish Council Candidates needed

We have three (3) parish council members terms expiring this spring. Donna Licht, Jerry Liddell and Paul Kliszcz. God bless you for your serving the parish this way. Ideally, we need 2 candidates for each open position. If you are interested or know of someone who would be interested in serving, please contact Barrett Grove, parish administrator. To serve on the Parish Council, you must be a member of the parish and active in the Catholic faith. The Parish Council meets once a month, eight times a year. It is a great opportunity for bringing new ideas built on our faith tradition.

## Catholic Watchmen

The Catholic Watchmen meeting will be moved to the second Saturday of each month beginning May 11 from 7:30-9:00 a.m. All men of the parish welcome. Contact Tony Jilek for details at 715-220-7527

## Parish Nurse

Tom Zenk, parish nurse, will be available after all Masses in the Westview room the weekend of April 20 -21. He'll be providing blood pressure checks answering basic health questions.

# PARISH SCHOOL

## St. Bridget Musical

Save the date for the Middle School Musical—*Alice In Wonderland Jr.* at 7pm on April 26th and 27th! Ticket cost: Free will donation at the door.

## Fangmeier Benefit

Please join us in supporting the Fangmeier family on Friday May 3, 4-7pm! There will be a free-will donation spaghetti dinner at St. Bridget Church in the Fellowship Hall. Sarah and Woody have been long-time supporters of our school. They have dedicated a lot of time and energy on various events and contributed generously over the years to St. Bridget School. If you are unable to attend but would still like to donate, here is the link to their Go Fund Me page [LINK](#). If you would like to volunteer at the event, please use the Sign Up Genius [LINK](#)

## Staffing Updates

As we have begun to plan for the 2024-25 school year, we wanted to take a moment to update our school community on the following staffing changes. We would like to thank Ms. Rachel Albee, Mrs. Cheryl Richardson, and Mrs. Therese Stacy for making a difference in many lives here at St. Bridget Parish School. We wish them well in their next endeavors. Ms. Albee is heading off to grad school, Mrs. Richardson plans to retire, and Mrs. Stacy is stepping away to spend more time with family while she contemplates what her next chapter of life will look like.

## Now Hiring

St. Bridget Parish School is now hiring the following positions for the 2024-25 School year: Before and After Care, Kindergarten Teacher, Music Teacher, Art Teacher, Middle School Social Studies Teacher, and Middle School Religion Teacher. Positions available are part time, with full time options available. If you have a passion for working with our youth and helping form the future please contact [principal@stbparish.com](mailto:principal@stbparish.com) or 715-425-1872.

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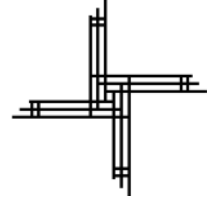
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