

# St. Bridget Catholic Church

June 14th and June 21st  
The Eleventh and the Twelfth Sundays in Ordinary Time.

## The Fisherman



A wealthy businessman once noticed a fisherman sitting peacefully on a dock in the early afternoon. The fisherman had already caught a few fish and was relaxing, smoking his pipe, and enjoying the beauty of the day.

Curious, the businessman asked, “Why aren’t you out there fishing? You could catch more fish and make more money.”

The fisherman calmly replied, “I have caught all I need for today.”

The businessman continued, “If you caught more fish and sold the extra, you could save money and buy a bigger boat.”

“And then what?” asked the fisherman. “With a bigger boat, you could go farther into the sea, catch more fish, and earn even more money.”

“And then what?” “Eventually, you could own a fleet of boats, become very wealthy, and make thousands of dollars every day.”

“And then what?” the fisherman asked once more. The businessman smiled and said, “Then you could sit back, relax, and enjoy life.” The fisherman looked at him and gently replied, “Isn’t that what I am doing already?”

This simple story challenges a common assumption in our society—that happiness is always somewhere in the future, waiting for us after we achieve more, earn more, or acquire more. Many people spend their lives chasing success, believing that one day they will finally have enough time to enjoy life. Yet in that relentless pursuit, they often miss the beauty of the present moment.

*-Fr. Balaraju Policetty*

## ***St. Bridget Garage Sale: June 18th-20th***

### **Drop Off Times:**

**June 13th-14th after Church Masses**

**June 15th-17th from 8am-8pm**

**We welcome donations of clothing, bikes, furniture, toys, books and household items. All items should be in good clean condition. We cannot accept large appliances, computers or computer monitors, infant car seats, mattresses, light bulbs, chemicals, and exercise equipment.**

### **Garage Sale Times:**

**June 18th: 8:00 a.m.- 8:00 p.m.**

**June 19th: 8:00 a.m.- 8:00 p.m.**

**June 20th: 8:00 a.m.- 12 noon.**

***Head to our Current Events page to sign up to volunteer for the event!***

***Please contact Lauren Baillargeon, 715-821-4308 or laurenbaillargeon445@gmail.com with questions.***

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

Phone (715)-425-1870

Pastoral Emergency

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*we awaken faith,  
build community,  
and make disciples.*

## St. Bridget Weekly Masses & Events...

JUNE 14TH - JUNE 21ST	
<b>Sunday, June 14th: The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
8:15 a.m.	Rosary
9:00 a.m.	<b>Mass - Marcella Mickelson<sup>+</sup></b>
11:00 a.m.	<b>Mass- St. Bridget &amp; St. Thomas More Newman Center</b>
<b>Monday, June 15th</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
6:30 p.m.	DivorceCare Group
7:00 p.m.	Community Prayer Group
<b>Tuesday, June 16th</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer
9 a.m. -7 p.m.	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
9:30 a.m.	Martha's Quilt Group
4:30 p.m.	Individual Reconciliation
5:00 p.m.	<b>Mass- Vickie Karras<sup>+</sup></b>
<b>Wednesday, June 17th</b>	
9:00 a.m.	<b>Mass- Harlyn Puhmann<sup>+</sup></b>
<b>Thursday, June 18th</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Individual Reconciliation
8:00 a.m.	<b>Mass- Clem Huppert<sup>+</sup></b>
8am-8pm	<i>The St. Bridget Garage Sale (School Gym)</i>
9:30 a.m.	<i>Mass @ Our House</i>
7:00 p.m.	Well Read Mom Group
<b>Friday, June 19th</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Rosary
7:30 a.m.	Individual Reconciliation
8:00 a.m.	<b>Mass- Maxine Matzek<sup>+</sup></b>
8am-8pm	<i>St. Bridget Garage Sale (School Gym)</i>
<b>Saturday, June 20th</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Men's Group
8am-12 noon	<i>St. Bridget Garage Sale (School Gym)</i>
3:00 p.m.	Individual Reconciliation
4:00 p.m.	<b>Mass- James &amp; Josaphine Vanda<sup>+</sup></b>
5:00 p.m.	<i>Senior Planning Event</i>
<b>Sunday, June 21st: The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
8:15 a.m.	Rosary
9:00 a.m.	<b>Mass- Jo-Ann Woeste<sup>+</sup></b>
11:00 a.m.	<b>Mass- For All Fathers on Father's Day</b>

JUNE 22ND - JUNE 28TH	
<b>Monday, June 22nd</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
7:00 p.m.	Community Prayer Group
<b>Tuesday, June 23rd</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer
9 a.m.-7 p.m.	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
5:00 p.m.	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion</i>
<b>Wednesday, June 24th</b>	
9:00 a.m.	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion</i>
<b>Thursday, June 25th</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Individual Reconciliation
8:00 a.m.	<b>Mass- Eric Pechacek<sup>+</sup></b>
1:30 p.m.	<i>Mass @ Comforts of Home Lodge</i>
<b>Friday, June 26th</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Rosary
7:30 a.m.	Individual Reconciliation
8:00 a.m.	<b>Mass- Andrew Huppert<sup>+</sup></b>
<b>Saturday, June 27th</b>	
3:00 p.m.	Individual Reconciliation
4:00 p.m.	<b>Mass- Evelyn (Dusek) Johnson<sup>+</sup></b>
<b>Sunday, June 28th: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
8:15 a.m.	<i>Rosary</i>
9:00 a.m.	<b>Mass - For The Care Givers for Those in Need</b>
11:00 a.m.	<b>Mass- St. Bridget &amp; St. Thomas More Newman Center</b>

### National Concerns Collection

On June 20-21 2026, the Diocese of Superior has asked all parishes in the Superior Diocese to take up the National Concern Collection. This collection supports 5 national initiatives:

- The National Religious Retirement Office
- The Catholic Campaign for Human Development
- The Catholic Communication Campaign
- The Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA
- The Catholic University of America

In this bulletin, you will find a letter from Bishop James Powers with more information about the collection. Envelopes will be available in your parish offertory packets, and extra envelopes will be at the Information Desk on June 20 & 21.

### In Remembrance

- † James Francis O'Malley (brother of Tim, David, and Pat O'Malley).
- † Marie Miller (mother of Greg Miller).
- † Shelby Schommer (sister-in-law of Roxy [Randy] Koller and Audrey [Dennis] Wussler).

## DAILY WORD

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<b>Sunday, June 14th</b>	Exodus 19:2-6a, Romans 5:6-11 / Matthew 9:36–10:8
<b>Monday, June 15th</b>	1 Kings 21:1-16 / Matthew 5:38-42
<b>Tuesday, June 16th</b>	1 Kings 21:17-29 / Matthew 5:43-48
<b>Wednesday, June 17th</b>	2 Kings 2:1, 6-14 / Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
<b>Thursday, June 18th</b>	Sirach 48:1-14 / Matthew 6:7-15
<b>Friday, June 19th</b>	2 Kings 11:1-4, 9-18, 20 / Matthew 6:19-23
<b>Saturday, June 20th</b>	2 Chronicles 24:17-25 / Matthew 6:24-34
<b>Sunday, June 21st</b>	Jeremiah 20:10-13, Romans 5:12-15 / Matthew 10:26-33

### DAILY WORD: JUNE 22ND-JUNE 28TH

<b>Monday, June 22nd</b>	2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18 / Matthew 7:1-5
<b>Tuesday, June 23rd</b>	2 Kings 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36 / Matthew 7:6, 12-14
<b>Wednesday, June 24th</b>	Isaiah 49:1-6, Acts 13:22-26 / Luke 1:57-66, 80
<b>Thursday, June 25th</b>	2 Kings 24:8-17 / Matthew 7:21-29
<b>Friday, June 26th</b>	2 Kings 25:1-12 / Matthew 8:1-4
<b>Saturday, June 27th</b>	Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19 / Matthew 8:5-17
<b>Sunday, June 28th</b>	2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a, Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 / Matthew 10:37-42

## 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	Fred Larson
Linda Radtke	Virginia Steiner
Dorie Deiss	Angela Tatone
Donna Pechacek	Bernice Deiss
Mary Ellen Vorwald	Guillermo Guzmán
Barb Ickler	Maverick Wyatt
John Benusa	Dr. Kathleen Delander
Jeanne Rohl	Chuck Kamrowski
Andre Armstrong	Greg Wells
Marge Dusek	Wayne Staab
Kathleen Brown	Josias Franco
Sonia Steiner	Boyd Huppert
Raphael Timp	Susan Murray
Stanley Meyer	Chris Plana
Judy Pechacek Harri	Mary Lynn Wiskerchen
Kaye McFarland	Eugene Webster
Richard Andrea	Leonard Wiskerchen
Jeff Carow	Steve Ryan
Karla Furlano Berra	Pat Ryan
Robb Scott	Jeni Rohl
Miranda Carlson	Nancy Carlson
Patricia Bujalski	Richard Pechacek
Matt Huppert	Steve Linehan
Carol Ann Gregg	Teresa Heinkel
Richard Bujalski	Mary Woiwode
Ryan Sell	



**SACRED HEART OF JESUS,  
HAVE MERCY ON US!**

## PARISH LIFE

### The Sacred Heart of Jesus

The month of June is dedicated in the Catholic Church as the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. On our website (in the **Spotlight Section**) is a sheet about Catholic devotions on The Sacred Heart of Jesus given to us by the Diocese of Superior.



### Parish Nurse

Someone from the Parish Nurse team will be in the Westview room following all Masses the weekend of **June 20-21** checking blood pressures and answering simple health questions.

### Bulletin Updates

The new St. Bridget **weekly bulletin** will come out the weekend of **July 5th**. The new bulletin is designed to be easier to read, with weekly news and updates about our parish. Because of the new bulletin format, space may be limited. If you wish you submit a notice for our bulletin, please try and keep it brief. Please keep in mind that we may have to edit your notice if it is too lengthy.

**Gina Shaughnessy**, our parish representative from LPi, is currently coordinating advertising for the new bulletin. If you own a business—or know of one in the community—this is a wonderful opportunity to gain consistent visibility while supporting the parish. *Contact Sophie in the office with questions!*

### Senior Planning Seminar

**Ed Vlack**, parishioner and recently retired St. Croix County judge and attorney will help lead an informational meeting on senior planning. Some topics include estate planning along with power of attorney for healthcare and financial matters and general things to consider as we grow older. **Barrett Grove** will discuss planning your funeral Mass and burial here at St. Bridget's, and there will be a representative from Bakken-Young funeral home here to give information on the services they offer.

Please join us on Saturday, **June 20 from 5-6pm** immediately following the 4pm Mass in the fellowship hall. Please sign-up at the information desk or call the office so we are prepared with enough handouts.



## PARISH LIFE

### Adoration Partners Needed

Adoration is on Tuesdays from 9am-7pm in church. We are in need of prayer partners for the following Adoration times: 11AM- 12PM, and 6PM-7PM. This allows us to have two people present each hour (we call them prayer partners) to ensure that someone is always in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.



**Please contact Barrett in the office if you can help. Thank you!**

### Social Justice

At its May meeting, the Social Justice Committee funded two worthy organizations: Our Neighbors' Place and Among Friends. Following is the very nice thank you we received from Shelly Smith, Our Neighbors' Place Executive Director.

*St. Bridget Social Justice Committee, Thank you for your donation in support of our Day Center! We appreciate your generosity as we work to help the many who struggle with transportation needs in rural Wisconsin!! Thank you for all the ways you've supported Our Neighbors' Place and other nonprofits in the River Falls community. With gratitude, Shelly Smith, Director.*

The Social Justice Committee would like to invite members of the parish to join our committee and to help us develop ways the parish can put the Church's social justice teachings into action. If interested, please contact **Jeanne Poole, Chair**, at 419-704-2678 or at [jkjp@AOL.com](mailto:jkjp@AOL.com).

In May the parish contributed 310 items to the River Falls Food Pantry. The Food Pantry consistently appreciates and is grateful for the parish's support of its mission and its guests.



When grocery shopping this week, please consider the Pantry's current needs for protein (chicken, tuna, salmon, spam) and snacks suitable for children (popcorn, pretzels, chips, granola bars, crackers/peanut butter/cheese packets, and fruit rolls).

## PARISH LIFE

### Quarterly Bulletin Announcement

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, we urge you to 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.

La Iglesia Católica está trabajando arduamente para evitar que sus empleados, voluntarios, diáconos y sacerdotes cometan abuso sexual. Si usted ha sido abusado sexualmente por alguien asociado con la iglesia y le gustaría poder reportarlo o hablar con alguien, le pedimos que por favor se comuniquen con : **Bonnie Thom 715.718.1110.**

La diócesis de Superior entiende que es difícil pedir ayuda en casos de abuso sexual. Por eso el número telefónico es estrictamente para reportar estos casos y la llamada es confidencial. Su llamada será tratada con respeto y dignidad. Conforme a la ley civil y de la iglesia, la diócesis de Superior está obligada a reportar a las autoridades cualquier reporte de abuso sexual a un menor. A cualquier persona que piense que ha sido abusada sexualmente se le sugiere o recomienda reportarlo.

### Membership Information

The Parish will be starting a process to update our contact information for all parish members. We will be doing this to ensure that we have the most up-to-date information in our system.

Please be aware that you may be getting a call from the Parish office to check on and confirm information that is currently on file.

## PARISH SCHOOL



While the school year has officially come to a close, there's still plenty happening around St. B's!

On the last day of school, our teachers and staff gathered for an end-of-the-year dinner, appreciating the chance to relax, reflect, and enjoy each other's company. While they may pass one another in the hallways every day, finding time to simply sit and visit is rare, making these moments together especially meaningful.

Summer school is now underway, with students enjoying classes that blend learning and fun throughout the month. It's going to be a great summer, so be sure to stay tuned for pictures!



The classrooms may not be bustling with activity, but they're far from quiet.

Rooms are being cleaned, organized, and prepared for another wonderful school year ahead.

We hope everyone enjoys a fantastic month of June, makes the most of the sunshine, and finds plenty of ways to stay cool this summer!

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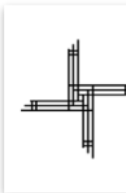
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