

St. Bridget Catholic Church

June 28th: The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Rosebud



A disciple was walking with his older more seasoned master in the garden one day and the young man, feeling a bit insecure about what God had for him to do, he was inquiring of the older. The master walked up to a rosebush and handed the young man a rosebud and told him to open it without tearing off any petals.

The disciple looked in disbelief at his teacher and was trying to figure out what a rosebud could possibly have to do with his wanting to know the **WILL OF GOD** for his life and for his future. Because of his high respect for the master, he proceeded to **TRY** to unfold the rose, while keeping every petal intact. It wasn't long before he realized how impossible it was to do so. Noticing the young man's inability to unfold the rosebud while keeping it intact, the master began to recite the following poem.

"It is only a tiny rosebud, a flower of God's design; but I cannot unfold the petals with these clumsy hands of mine. The secret of unfolding flowers is not known to such as I. God opens this flower so sweetly. When in my hands they die. If I cannot unfold a rosebud, this flower of God's design, then how can I have the wisdom to unfold this life of mine? So, I'll trust in Him for leading each moment of my day. I will look to His guidance each step of the pilgrim way. The path way that lies before me, only my Heavenly Father knows. I will trust Him to unfold the moments, just as He unfolds the rose."

It is not given to the likes of us to know what is ahead; thus, we are all the time anxious. Should we repose our trust in the guidance of Existence of God - the anxiety is replaced with confidence.

-Fr. Balaraju Policetty



A big thank you to the generous donors of our new St. Bridget statue, and the renovation of the St. Bridget Cemetery steeple.

They are priceless additions to our Church, and we are so appreciative of the support.



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

(651)-300-4028

www.saintbridgets.org

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

St. Bridget Weekly Masses & Events...

JUNE 28TH-JULY 5TH

Sunday, June 28th: The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m.	Rosary
9:00 a.m.	Mass - <i>Care Givers for Those in Need</i>
11:00 a.m.	Mass- <i>St. Bridget & St. Thomas More Newman Center</i>

Monday, June 29th

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

Tuesday, June 30th

8:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer
9 a.m. -7 p.m.	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
4:30 p.m.	Individual Reconciliation
5:00 p.m.	Mass- <i>Harlyn Puhmann+</i>

Wednesday, July 1st

9:00 a.m.	Mass- <i>Sharon Kahler+</i>
1:30 p.m.	Mass @ <i>Comforts of Home Falls</i>

Thursday, July 2nd

7:30 a.m.	Individual Reconciliation
8:00 a.m.	Mass- Intention Open
2:30 p.m.	Mass @ <i>Comforts of Home Gardens</i>

Friday, July 3rd: Parish Office Closed

7:30 a.m.	Rosary
7:30 a.m.	Individual Reconciliation
8:00 a.m.	Healing Mass- <i>Patrick Baumgartner & Edward & Clara Larson+</i>
6:00 p.m.	Baptism Prep (2nd child)
6:30 p.m.	Baptism Prep (1st child)

Saturday, July 4th

7:30 a.m.	Men's Group
8:00 a.m.	Women's Group
3:00 p.m.	Individual Reconciliation
4:00 p.m.	Mass- <i>Jim & Bob Schmidt+</i>



Sunday, July 5th: The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m.	Rosary
9:00 a.m.	Mass- <i>Grace & Norman Radtke+</i>
11:00 a.m.	Mass- <i>DeWayne Meyer+</i>

DAILY WORD

DAILY WORD: JUNE 28TH-JULY 5TH

Sunday, June 28th	2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a, Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 / Matthew 10:37-42
Monday, June 29th	Acts 12:1-11 , 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 / Matthew 16:13-19
Tuesday, June 30th	Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12 / Matthew 8:23-27
Wednesday, July 1st	Amos 5:14-15, 21-24 / Matthew 8:28-34
Thursday, July 2nd	Amos 7:10-17 / Matthew 9:1-8
Friday, July 3rd	Ephesians 2:19-22 / John 20:24-29
Saturday, July 4th	Amos 9:11-15 / Matthew 9:14-17
Sunday, July 5th	Zechariah 9:9-10 , Romans 8:9, 11-13 / Matthew 11:25-30

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.

Michelle Radtke	Fred Larson
Linda Radtke	Virginia Steiner
Dorie Deiss	Angela Tatone
Donna Pechacek	Bernice Deiss
Mary Ellen Vorwald	Guillermo Guzmán
Barb Ickler	Maverick
John Benusa	Wyatt
Jeanne Rohl	Dr. Kathleen Delander
Andre Armstrong	Chuck Kamrowski
Marge Dusek	Greg Wells
Kathleen Brown	Wayne Staab
Sonia Steiner	Josias Franco
Raphael Timp	Boyd Huppert
Stanley Meyer	Susan Murray
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	Dennis Heidtke

Subscribe Digitally to Receive the New Bulletin!

The new St. Bridget bulletin airs next weekend, July 5th! Our new bulletin will be hosted digitally on a website called: Parishes *online*. You can subscribe to get the bulletin emailed to you by Parishes *online* by scanning the QR code, or by contacting Sophie in the parish office (715-425-1870 ext. 111 OR communications@stbparish.com).



We will be using Parishes *online* exclusively for emailing bulletins, so if you would like the bulletin in your inbox every week, please subscribe!

TITHES & OFFERINGS

June 14 2026

Adult Contributions	\$10,166
Loose Collection	\$712

June 21 2026

Adult Contributions	\$7,963
Loose Collection	\$726

Parish Budget - YTD (6/30/2026) \$857,008.68

Adult Contributions - YTD (May 31, 2026) \$815,609.01

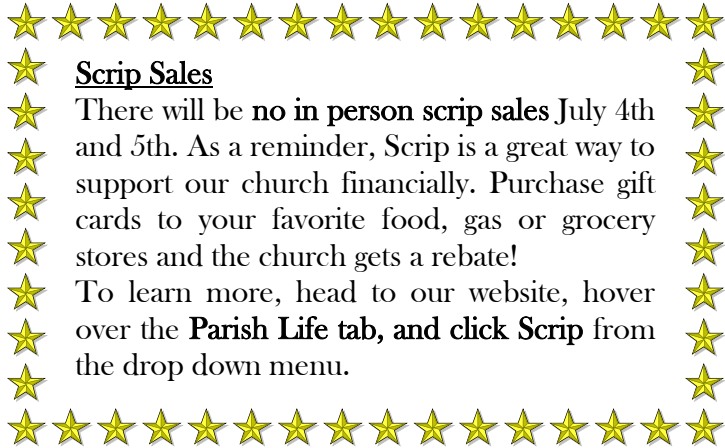
Loose Collections - YTD (May 31, 2026) \$39,449.69

Total Collections - YTD (May 31, 2026) \$865,684.70

In Remembrance

- † Marjorie Dusek
- † Doug Mountain (brother of Dave Mountain)

PARISH LIFE



Scrip Sales

There will be **no in person scrip sales** July 4th and 5th. As a reminder, Scrip is a great way to support our church financially. Purchase gift cards to your favorite food, gas or grocery stores and the church gets a rebate!

To learn more, head to our website, hover over the **Parish Life tab**, and **click Scrip** from the drop down menu.

Coming this Fall!

Why is everything so obviously messed up? And why is there something, rather than nothing? Hear answers to these and other challenging questions at St. Bridget's *Encounter Parish Mission*.

Sunday, Sept. 20 & Monday, Sept. 21
Dinner, speaker, praise & worship, adoration
Mark your calendar! Watch for details later this summer. Childcare will be available.

St. Bridget Wish List

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
We are deeply grateful for your faithful stewardship and the generosity you show through your regular giving. Your support makes it possible for our parish/community to carry out its daily ministries and remain a spiritual home for so many. Today, we humbly invite you to prayerfully consider helping with several **special needs that fall outside of our normal budget.**

Current Wish List:

- School playground equipment upgrades - risk assessment -\$2,400.00
- School Elementary Roof Repair (Breezeway) - \$3,500
- Parish network infrastructure upgrade - \$14,000 - \$16,000

Whether your gift is large or small, it is a powerful act of faith and love. Together, we can ensure that our parish continues to be a place where Christ is encountered, the Gospel is lived, and charity flourishes. Thank you for your continued generosity. Please know that you are remembered in our prayers, especially at the altar.

PARISH LIFE

Parish Office Closed

Due to Saturday being the Fourth of July this year, the parish office will be closed all day on Friday, July 3rd. Have a fun and safe Fourth of July!



Volunteers Needed!

Celebrate River Falls Days with St. Bridget Catholic Church and School on **July 10th!**

This is a wonderful opportunity for our parish and school to come together and celebrate our community. You can join in the fun by volunteering at the St. Bridget food stand, or walk with us in the parade.

We need many volunteers to make this event possible. If you would like to volunteer, head to the **Spotlight** section of our website, click the link, and choose the time slot that works best for you.

Please call the office with any questions. Proceeds benefit our wonderful school!



We can't wait to see you there, and thank you in advance for your continued support of our parish and school.

FAITH FORMATION

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd at St. Bridget

Registration for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) opens August 1st for children ages 3-6 years old. To learn more about this Montessori based program, head to our website under the **Spotlight**



section. Assistants are needed to help in the atrium (the room prepared for CGS). Training will be provided in September.

If you have any questions, please contact Tessa in the parish office.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Food Pantry Needs



The River Falls Food Pantry is in need of cereal, toothpaste, tuna, pancake mix, and mac and cheese. Any contribution you can make is greatly appreciated by the Food Pantry and its guests.

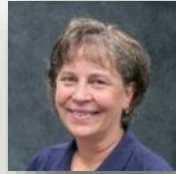
PARISH LIFE

Congratulations!

We congratulate and welcome our 4 new Parish Council members: **Dan Weishaar, Elizabeth Gunderson, Philip Koehler & Cassandra O'Leary**. Thank you for volunteering your time and your talents to help the St. Bridget Catholic community flourish and grow. We also thank Frank Ginther, Jason Kjos, Stephanie Knolmayer and Chris Plana for all their hard work on the council.



Dan Weishaar



Elizabeth Gunderson



Philip Koehler



Cassandra O'Leary

St. Bridget Summer Softball Schedule

Cheer on the St. Bridget softball team at their games this summer!

Date	Time	Field #	Opponent
Monday 6/1	7:30	1	UCC
Monday 6/8	6:15	2	Spirit of Grace
Monday 6/15	7:30	1	River Church
Monday 6/22	6:15	1	First Covenant
Monday 6/29	7:30	1	UCC
Monday 7/6	7:30	2	Servant of the Shephard
Monday 7/13	6:15	2	River Church
Monday 7/20	7:30	1	Spirit of Grace
Monday 7/27	6:15	1	Abundant Life
Monday 8/3	NO GAME -----		
Monday 8/10	6:15	2	Luther Memorial
Monday 8/17	TBD	TBD	TBD
Monday 8/24	TBD	TBD	TBD

St. Bridget Garage Sale

Thank you to those who volunteered at the St. Bridget Garage Sale. We extend a special thank you to Lauren Baillargeon, who has organized the St. Bridget Garage Sale for many years. Your dedication to our parish and school community does not go unnoticed. Thank you Lauren!

PARISH SCHOOL



Summer is here! While school may be out, the fun is just getting started at summer camp! Our campers have been busy creating colorful works of art and whipping up some deliciously sweet treats. It's been a great start to summer filled with creativity,

laughter, and fun! A big **thank you** to everyone who shopped the St. Bridget Garage Sale! We hope you found some wonderful treasures and "new-to-you" goodies to take home.

River Falls Days is almost here! Join us on **July 10** as we celebrate this year's theme: **Christmas in July!**

There are two festive ways to be part of the fun:

-Volunteer at the St. B Food Stand

Help grill hotdogs, flip burgers, serve meals (and smiles!), and spend the day with our amazing school community.

-Walk with us in the River Falls Days Parade

March alongside fellow St. Bridget families, spread holiday cheer, and show off your St. B spirit!

Whether you're walking in the parade, helping at the grill, or simply coming out to enjoy the festivities, we'd love to have you join us!

Please check out the sign-up link below, or on our website. Signing up is easy—just choose a time slot that works for you, click the sign-up button, enter your name, and you're all set!

River Falls Day Parade: River Falls Day Parade 2026

And don't forget—**St. Bridget Parish School's 75th Anniversary** is coming up, and we need your help to make it a celebration to remember!

We want to hear from you:

◆ Alumni — share your stories, photos, and favorite memories

◆ Parents — tell us why you love St. B's

◆ Families and friends — send us your ideas on how we should celebrate this milestone year Help us celebrate big by sharing your ideas and memories at kkastens@stbparish.com.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of St. Bridget Parish School!

St. Bridget Catholic Church Contact Information



Fr. Balaraju Policetty, Pastor
Office (715) 425-1879 ext. 103
Emergency: (651)-300-4028
pastor@stbparish.com



Deacon John Woehrle
715-425-1879
deaconjohn@stbparish.com



Steven Mark, Parish Administrator
715-425-1879 ext. 102
parishadmin@stbparish.com



John Munkelwitz, Accountant (part-time)
715-425-1879, ext. 104
accountant@stbparish.com



Lindsey Andrea, Administrative Assistant (part-time)
715-425-1870 ext. 101
receipt@stbparish.com



Sophie Kolars, Communications Coordinator
715-425-1879 ext. 111
communications@stbparish.com

Parish Council Chair & Finance Council Chair Contacts

- † **Frank Ginther:** Parish Council Chair
fgginther@yahoo.com
- † **Craig Gasior:** Finance Council Chair
cjgasior@gmail.com

Parish Trustees Contacts

- † **Barb Liddell:** Trustee
bliddellrf@hotmail.com
- † **Bob Casey:** Trustee
rjcaseymba@gmail.com



Barrett Grove, Coordinator of Liturgical Ministries
715-425-1879 ext. 108
liturgy@stbparish.com



Randy Koller, Maintenance (part-time)
715-425-1879 ext. 112
facilities@stbparish.com



Mike Soward, Custodian (part-time)



Scott Johnson, Head of Maintenance



Tessa Schuermann, Prek-8th grade Faith Formation (part-time)
715-425-1879 ext. 106
childrensFF@stbparish.com



Jessie O'Malley, 9-12th grade Faith Formation (part-time)
715-425-1879 ext. 105
teenFF@stbparish.com



Dannell Nordstrom, Principal
715-425-1872
principal@stbparish.com