St. Bridget Catholic Community





Mass Schedule

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.

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.

This Week's Highlights:

P. 4 Pax Christi Award Recipient

P. 5 Employment Opportunities

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From the pastor...

On the Thirteenth Sunday [Jesus said,] "Anyone who keeps looking back is of no use for the Kingdom of God." Luke 9:62

Richie joins in his boy scout troop's project to devise a recycling plan for use in each scout's home. After a few weeks, though, he goes back to dumping all his

family's trash into big plastic bags for the trash collector. He says he didn't realize that sorting and saving would cut so much into the time needed for soccer practice.

("Stories for All Seasons" Gerard Fuller, O.M.I.)

On the Fourteenth Sunday [Jesus sent his disciples to preach the Good News to all, tell them,] "Whenever you go into a house, first say, 'Peace be with this house.'" Luke 10:5

Helen Keller could neither see nor hear. Yet she became a great public speaker. One night after a lecture someone asked her this question: "If you could have one wish granted, what would it be?" The questioner thought Helen

For Reflection

You can't shake hands with a clenched fist. -Indira Gandhi might say; "I'd wish for the ability to see and hear." But she said, "I'd wish for world peace." Jesus would have applauded Helen Keller's beautiful response. For that is what he told his followers to be: instruments of peace. "Happy are those who work for peace," Jesus told the crowds on the mountain. "God will call them his children!" (ACTION 2000, Mark Link, S.J.)

Between these two weeks we celebrate the 4th of July. Freedom is a precious gift that many worked and fought for in our nation. It is good to celebrate but more important to pray for our freedom.

As we prepare to commemorate the adoption of the Declaration of Independence this July 4th, let us take a few moments for silence and appreciation for all we have in our lives and for those who came before us who fought so that we may live in an independent country.

Fr. Harris on Vacation - I will be on vacation from July 1 to July 11 and gone the weekends of July 20/21 and July 27/28. I'll be in touch with the office staff for emergencies. Fr. Rich will be here covering weekend Masses, funerals and all spiritual needs.

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

Scrip Available in the Office:

For Reflection

Is our discipleship a

half-heartedness

or lukewarm

commitment?

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

Rest in Peace

Doris Pechacek

Bernard Motl

Matthew Yunker

Don Mongeon

Brother of Deb (Gene) Cernohous



Radio Mass Sundays at 9 AM
WEVR 1550 AM/106.3 FM
is in loving memory of
Lorraine Anderson - June 29
Bill Schmidbauer- July 6

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
Jo Dusek
Frances DeCoux
Rebecca Eckman
Michael Goodman
Judy Pechacek Harri
Ann Holland
Barb Ickler
Tricia Aguilera

Tanner Kelm
Sandra Lenagh
Zenda Moore
Gwen Paulson
Joseph Pentusa
Michelle Radtke
Paul Rebholz
Izabella Thompson
Jackie and family
Gary Lovell

TITHES AND OFFERING WEEK OF JUNE 16, 2019	
Adult Contributions	\$16,019.00
Loose Collection	\$774.26
Future Parish Needs	\$341.00
SCRIP Rebates (70 orders)	\$640.86
Priest Emergency Fund	\$350.00
Adult (ACH)	\$21.611.00
School Tuition (ACH)	\$10,367.84

Please pray for vocations to service the church. There are two versions to choose from.

- Thanks. Fr. Harris

View-From-The Pew Vocations Prayer

(Written by St. Bridget parishioner Jim Coady)

Oh God, through the teachings and example of Your son, Jesus, we have each been called to You. To each of us You have given special and unique gifts. Please bless those among us who are filled with the gifts of empathy, compassion, service, and servant leadership. Help us to recognize these gifts in others and in ourselves. Lead us to become the priests, brothers, sisters, deacons, and lay leaders that we, Your Church, needs to guide and accompany us on the journey to You. Mother Mary, we ask this in your son Jesus's name. Amen.

Diocese of Superior Vocations Prayer

O God, we earnestly ask you to bless our Diocese with many priests, brothers, sisters and deacons who will love You with their whole mind and heart and gladly spend their entire lives serving Your Church and making You known and loved. Bless our families, bless our children and choose from our homes those needed for Your work. Mary, Queen of the Clergy, pray for us; pray for our priests, religious and deacons. Obtain for us many more. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Solar Array Update - Join us for a short construction launch and blessing ceremony outside the church at 6 p.m. Mon., July 1. Materials for the solar array, which will be installed on the church roof, will be delivered and construction will begin next week.

PAYMENTS: With the installation moved earlier, we would appreciate any pledges that can be paid before the July 31 due date. Many thanks to those who have already submitted their payments.

SCRAPBOOKERS wanted. Please contact Tony Jilek at 715-220-7527 or ajilek@comcast.net

TITHES AND OFFERING WEEK OF JUNE 23, 2019	
Adult Contributions	\$21,575.00
Loose Collection	\$901.40
Future Parish Needs	\$457.00
SCRIP Rebates (46 orders)	\$509.63
Priest Emergency Fund	\$319.50

CALENDAR AND DAILY WORD

Monday, July 1 - Gn 18:16-33/Mt 8:18-22

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

6:30 p.m. Faith Formation Sub-Committee Meeting

Tuesday, July 2 - Gn 19:15-29/Mt 8:23-27

Adoration is cancelled

5:15 p.m. Mass

+Int: Joanne Lunney

Wednesday, July 3 - Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29

8:00 a.m. Centering Prayer

1:30 p.m. Mass - Comforts of Home - Falls

+Int: Jack Delander by Joyce Grove

and Marlys Smith

1:30 p.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Kinnic Home

Thursday, July 4 - Gn 22:1b-19/Mt 9:1-8

Happy Independence Day!

Church and Office Closed

Friday, July 5 - Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Mt 9:9-13 **Church and Office Closing at NOON**

7:30 a.m. Rosary

8:00 a.m. Mass

+Int: Andy Huppert by Janet Huppert

Saturday, July 6 - Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Mt 9:14-17

7:30 a.m. Men's Group

4-4:30 p.m. Individual Reconciliation

5:00 p.m. Mass

+Int: Bill Schmidbauer by the family

Sunday, July 7 - Is 66:10-14c/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

8:45 a.m. Rosary

9:30 a.m. Mass

+ Int: Tom O'Connor by Sue O'Connor

11:00 a.m. Mass

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

The church and church office will be closed on Thursday, July 4. We will also be closing at noon.



Monday, July 8 - Gn 28:10-22a/Mt 9:18-26

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

6:30 p.m. Breast Cancer Support Group

7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting

Tuesday, July 9 - Gn 32:23-33/Mt 9:32-38

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

5:15 p.m. Mass

+Int: Donald, Duane and Dennis

Cernohous by Sharlene and family

Wednesday, July 10 - Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/ Mt 10:1-7

8:00 a.m. Centering Prayer

Thursday, July 11 - Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/

Mt 10:7-15

10:30 a.m. Jesus a Pilgrimage Book Study

1:30 p.m. Mass - Wellhaven

+Int: Cynthia and Gerald Murphy by the family

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

Friday, July 12- Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Mt 10:16-23

7:30 a.m. Rosarv

8:00 a.m. Mass

+Int: Living and deceased members of

the Wiskerchen family by

Pat Wiskerchen

9:30 a.m. Alzheimer's Support Group

Saturday, July 13 - Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Mt 10:24-33

7:00 a.m. Catholic Watchmen

9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry

4-4:30 p.m. Individual Reconciliation

5:00 p.m. Mass

+Int: Lee Matzek by Don Matzek and

family

Sunday, July 14 - Dt 30:10-14/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

8:45 a.m. Rosary

9:30 a.m. Mass

+ Int: Diane Bjork by Tony Jilek

11:00 a.m. Mass

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

6:00 p.m. High School Youth Group

There will be no Adoration on Tuesday, July 2

PARISH LIFE

Pax Christi Award

Mary Joan Sutton is the recipient of the Bishop Powers 2019 Christi PAXaward. This annual award was given out at the Superior Diocese Council of Catholic Women Annual Meeting. The Pax Christi legend appears on



the Bishops coat of arms – it means Peace of Christ. It recognizes the devout, hard working Christian women within our parishes. It's a way to honor deserving women who live their faith as an example for all. Congratulations Mary Joan!

MOLLIE B AND SQUEEZEBOX!

Thursday, August 1: 6:00-9:00 pm St. Bridget School Gym \$15 in advance/\$20 at the door (17 & under free with paid adult)

Tickets are going fast! Get yours in the church office, information desk or online at MollieB Tickets. Please note: there is a small convenience fee for online orders.



Church Summer Hours

Activities at the church slow down considerably during the summer. Please be aware that if no evening events are on our calendar, the church building will be locked when the office closes at 4 pm. If you have a group that is planning to meet, please call the office to be added to the schedule.

Catholic Watchmen Meeting - Saturday, July 13 7:00 - 8:30 a.m.

Breakfast, video and discussion. Meeting starts in the church with prayer and an opportunity for confession.



8-foot banquet tables for sale

• \$20 - Cash or Check

- Used but in <u>Good</u> Condition
- 30 available
- First Come, First Served!

Contact the School Office for more information

715-425-1872 or principal@stbparish.com

Funeral Food Ministry

Are you able to help provide a salad or dessert to support our parish families as part of our funeral ministry? Five funerals last week required approximately



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Bridget Catholic Church is a Christian Community which exists to continue the mission of Jesus Christ under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. As such, we are committed to working for the coming of God's Kingdom. We accomplish this through worship, community life, Christian education and service to those who are in need.

SPRITUAL GROWTH

Labyrinth -

What is it and why are we talking about it?

A labyrinth is an ancient Christian symbol used for prayer. The earliest Christian labyrinth dates back to 324 AD.

St. Bridget will have its own labyrinth, with work to begin in early August in the grass space by the west entrance. Thank you to the Joany Shepard Fund for financing this project and to Jonathon Hartwig who has chosen this as his Eagle Scout project.



Arise Together in Christ

Are you interested in meeting your Sunday pew mates or developing new friendships, building stronger faith, and having a deeper relationship with God? With a commitment of 6 short weeks, these desires can be accomplished.

PARISH SCHOOL

River Falls Day Parade Celebration

Visit our food stand during the River Falls Day Parade on Friday July 121 Located on the



Friday, July 12! Located on the Division Street side of our school, we will be selling burgers, hot dogs, and pop/water. Sales will begin at approximately 4:15. This event raises many of the funds needed throughout the school year for Home & School activities such as Family Back to School Night, Mardi Gras, and Staff Appreciation Week! We appreciate your support and look forward to seeing you!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Parish Administrator - St. Bridget Church

The parish administrator is responsible for the supervision and management of all financial activities, administrative functions, human resources, church office personnel, parish facilities, and all related processes and systems for the parish. Under the general direction of the pastor, the parish administrator provides leadership with the purpose of allowing the pastor maximum freedom to provide pastoral care to the parish community. Please contact Fr. Harris pastor@stbparish.com or call 715-425-1879 ext 103 for more information.

School Lunch Manager - St. Bridget Parish School

Responsible for planning, cooking, and serving school hot lunch; ordering food and supplies; maintaining inventory; and completion of production worksheets. Food service experience preferred. Approximately 25 hours per week. Send letter of interest and resume to Brenda Steward, Principal, St. Bridget Parish School, 135 E. Division St., River Falls, WI 54022 or principal@stbparish.com

Campus Minister: University of Wisconsin River Falls St. Thomas More Newman Center

The campus minister encourages spiritual and moral growth of students; plans and directs faith based programs and activities; and promotes the Catholic mission and identity. Full-time position - includes housing. Must be a practicing Catholic in good standing with the church. Please contact Fr. Harris pastor@stbparish.com or call 715-425-1879 ext 103.

FAITH FORMATION



Thank you to all who supported the St. Bridget Garage Sale through volunteering, donations, shopping, hauling furniture, and spreading the word! The sale raised over \$6,000, which will benefit youth trips, St. Bridget School, Knights of Columbus, and Council of Catholic Women. A special thank you to RCD for donating the use of a dumpster.

FORMED PICK

Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati

By Fr. Tim Deeter

Man of the Beatitudes

Born in 1901 in Italy into a family of wealth and status, Pier Giorgio found that deep prayer, service to the poor, and a passion for bringing others to Christ led to a life of purpose, peace, and happiness. Get to know this modern man of virtue.

Listen on formed.org



"This audio made me fall in love with this saint. It shows how real he was and inspires me to be just like him."

-Kasey K., Old Monroe, MO

FORMED PICK

Elements of the Catholic Mass

See the Beauty of the Mass

Each of the 3–5 minute videos in this series is designed to help Catholics better appreciate the depth and meaning of the Mass. Learn the "whys" behind the "whats" of the liturgy with Father Douglas Martis.

Watch on formed.org





"An awakening! Very helpful in understanding the depth of where the Mass can and wants to lead us."

-Robert L., Chardon, OH

Prayer for Independence Day

God, source of all freedom, this day is bright with the memory of those who declared that life and liberty are your gift to every human being.

Help us to continue a good work begun long ago. Make our vision clear and our will strong: that only in human solidarity will we stand in liberty, and justice only in the honor that belongs to every life on earth.

Turn our hearts toward the family of nations: to understand the ways of others, to offer friendship, and to find safety only in the common good of all.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. R/. Amen. (From the Diocese of Dallas, Texas)



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