

The Parish Family of Saint Brigid

"I would like an abundance of peace. I would like full vessels of charity. I would like rich treasures of mercy. I would like cheerfulness to preside over all."...Saint Brigid

December 12, 2021 Third Sunday of Advent

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Welcome to our Parish Family

Church Address:

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School Chapel Address

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Fax: 516-334-0082

E-mail: parish1@saintbrigid.net

Parish webpage: www.saintbrigid.net

Call the Parish Office (516-334-0021 x 0) to arrange for Baptisms, Weddings and Memorial Masses.

The St. Brigid Parish Center at St. Anthony Hall is located at 85 Post Avenue, diagonally across the street from the Church.





life at *Saint Brigid*

Sacramental Life of our Parish

Baptism for children (*under the age of 7*) is celebrated in English on the first three Sundays at 1 pm; in Spanish on the last Sunday of the month at 1 pm; in Kreyol on the 3rd Saturday at 1 pm. Parents attend a preparation session on the first Monday of the month from 8 to 9:30 pm in the church. Please call the Parish Center (334-0021) to make arrangements to speak to one of our priests or deacons about your child's upcoming baptism.

Celebration of Marriage

Please call the Parish Center (334-0021) at least six months in advance to make arrangements for an interview with one of our parish deacons or priests who will meet with the engaged couple, set the time and date of the wedding, and make arrangements for our parish marriage preparation program.

Rite of Christian Initiation

Adults who have never been baptized are prepared for the reception of the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) through the RCIA process. Other adults may have already been baptized, but are seeking to receive Eucharist and/or Confirmation. Those interested in knowing more about the process of becoming a full member of the Catholic Church are invited to call Sister Ann Horn at 516-334-0021, ext. 353. Parents who have school-aged children who have never been baptized are also invited to speak to Sister Ann about their process of preparation for these sacraments.

Sacraments of School Age Children

Our parish faith formation program prepares children for the celebration of the sacraments of Eucharist, Reconciliation, and Confirmation. The norm is that children receive a two-year preparation for Reconciliation and Eucharist (normally celebrated in the second grade) and a two-year preparation program for Confirmation (normally celebrated in the eighth grade). Our religious education program deepens the experience of faith and religious formation in the years between the celebrations of these sacraments.

Parents who have children older than first grade and are seeking to have them receive the sacraments of Eucharist (First Communion), Reconciliation or Confirmation are asked to call the Religious Education office.

Communion to the Sick and Homebound

Anyone who is not able to attend Mass because of frailty, chronic or temporary illness, or admission to hospice can have Holy Communion brought to them at home on a regular basis. Please call the parish office to make arrangements for a lay minister to bring holy communion.

Care for those in need. . .

Parish Outreach Program

Our parish outreach program, located in the Father Schaefer Outreach Building, provides a range of social services for people of the local community. Ximena Aravena, Lupe Ramirez, Yanira Chacon and Barbara Powell are the coordinators of Parish Outreach which operates Monday to Friday between 10 am and 3 pm. 516-334-0021, ext. 361.

Casa Mary Johanna, also located in the Father Schaefer Outreach Building provides services and counseling. Yanira Chacon is the coordinator of Casa Mary Johanna and can be reached at 516-334-0021 ext 362

Our Parish Outreach Food Pantry is located in the Father Schaefer Outreach Building (75 Post Avenue). Hours of operation are: Monday (4:30 - 7pm), Tuesday (10:30am - 12 pm & 1 pm - 3 pm), Wednesday (10:30am - 12 pm & 1pm - 3pm), Thursday (10:30am - 12pm; 4:30 - 7 pm), Friday 10:30am to 12 noon. Food Donations are accepted: Monday 10am to 7pm, Tuesday 10am to 4pm, Wednesday 10am to 4pm, Thursday 10am to 7pm. Ximena Aravena (516-334-0021 (ext 327) is the coordinator of our food pantry.

Ministry to the Bereaved

We reach out to those who have suffered the death of a loved one. Joan McGovern coordinates our Bereavement Ministry throughout the year.

Parish Regional School

Saint Brigid/Our Lady of Hope Regional School offers an excellent education in the spirit of the Gospel for children from Nursery to 8th Grade. Students are prepared for the Sacraments of Penance, First Eucharist, and Confirmation. Liturgies and Prayer Services are celebrated throughout the school year. Programs are offered for a wide range of student needs and interests. To arrange a visit, please call the school office at 333-0580. Mr. Paul Clagnaz is the Principal. Father Tony Stanganelli and Father Thomas Arnao are co-pastors. Visit our Website at www.stbolh.org.



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Parish Ministries Coordinators

Altar Servers 334-0021	Ministry of Consolation - 334-0021 Jo Marino
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Organizations in Our Community

Alcoholics Anonymous 292-3040	Marriage Encounter Jim and Diane Popp - 516-794-0069
Birthright Emergency Hotline:1-800-550- 4900	Padre Pio 631-827-5334
Cursillo/Ulteria Carleen Barten - 640-5735	Prison Families Anonymous Kent Evans - 516-613-0877
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Durazzano Society	Saint Anthony Society Phyllis Caggiano - 796-2928
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Maria SS Dell'Assunta Society Glen Ullo - 516-790-1811	Westbury Senior Citizens Paul Ragusa-Schweitzer -334-5886

Upcoming Events

Collection Information -

Weekend Collection for 12/4 - 12/5: \$15,270.92

Mail-Ins: \$1,726

Avg. Weekly Auto Giving - Regular Collection: \$3,852

Avg. Weekly Auto Giving - Other: \$1,371

As we now resume regular collections (even though we are not up to 100% attendance), hopefully, our much needed weekly income will go up. We continue to rely heavily on what comes in the mail or by automated giving.

THANK YOU to everyone who continues to support us during this difficult time!

*Have you remembered our Parish in your will?
Please call Rob at 334-0021 x336 for more info.*

Super Bonanza Winners

12/5	Larry Beck	\$30
12/6	Jack Preiss III	\$30
12/7	Julia Match	\$30
12/8	Jean Toliana	\$30
12/9	Suzy Beltrami	\$30
12/10	Dan & Diane Girardi	\$30
12/11	Anne Rega	\$30



Adults 60 and Older... Join in the Fun & Learning at 360 Post Avenue...

Senior Citizens of Westbury, Inc. (The Center), proudly offers a wide array of programs and services designed to keep seniors' minds and bodies active, alert and as well as possible. The Center strives to empower senior residents of Westbury, and surrounding communities, to live their best lives – socially, emotionally, and physically, with a focus on comprehensive wellness.

Contact Paul or Andrea at 516-334-5886 for information and to schedule a visit today!



You choose to donate to St. Brigid's.

(You could share your financial resources anywhere else, but you choose to include St. Brigid's in your regular giving.)

You choose to participate in our Mission.

You choose to embrace our Vision.

**For this, we are RICHLY BLESSED
and SO VERY THANKFUL !**

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SALISBURY SENIORS CLUB

The Salisbury Seniors would like to invite you to join our club. We meet every Thursday at 11:30am in Levittown Hall. Coffee, tea, and donuts are available at our meetings. Pizza is provided by the club on the last Thursday of every month. Come and join us, meet your neighbors, make new friends and spend a fun afternoon playing bingo and socializing. Our yearly dues are \$25.00 per member. Please be our guest for your first meeting. If you have any questions about our club please call Sheila at 516 333-5969. Looking forward to meeting you.

We pray for those who are sick. . .

Jose Ayala
Annette,Dave,Thelma,Ella
Ann Marie Wilson
Dan Murphy
Kay Fucarino
Mickeyal Pereira
Edna Beltmare
Linda Oleksiak
Frances Sikorski
Joey, Rachel, & Susan
Purcell
Jaxson Rivera
Christine Clancy
Chris Caplice
Bob Leo
Martha Lucia y Antonio
Maria Díaz Salazar
Joseph Peter Giordano
Eileen Weingaertner
Jeannette Murphy
Connie Lopez

Maria Castro
Mrs. Dawn Heller
David R. Stayer
Sheila Leonard
Steven Jacaruso
Michael Gallo
Cynthia
James Tallman
Madeline Abbatiello
Marta Mendez
Jean Murray
Roberta Boccio
Patrick Gabriel
Steve Gregory
Josephine Morano
Daniel Murphy
Martin Gam
Robert Brady
Gordon Shaw
Anne Dsz and family
Grace Bivona

Larry Oberdenic
Denise DePew
Charles Bonafide
Eileen Janec
Lorraine Swass
Scott Smith
Eddie Wilber
Carmela Mosti
Shya Chen
Baby Michael Garcia
Maria Mauro
Asma Qureshi
Michelle Finan
Rosemarie Marciano
Albert Davide
Francesca Posillico
Bernice Campbell
Carley Barten
Denise Pratesi
William Michael Smith
William Lombardo

Kyle Herrmann
Yvonne Cruz
Ira Grazer
Marie Cantelmo
Lillian Morris
Joan Mitchell
Joe Wolyniec
Shahram Davood
Patricia DePinto
Wanda Melendez Martino
Rosanna Rivera DeLeon
Patti Purcell
Thomas Mitchell
Rayman Thormen
Al Cavalle
Johnny Miller
Baby Liam Collins
Catherine Dillon
Sean Pokress
Mary Murphy
Ralph Williams

*Due to space limitations, names placed on the sick list will remain for four weeks.
Please call the parish office or visit our website (see below) to remove or add a loved one.*

We pray for those who have died. . .

Mary Woods, Maria Iadevaia, Carlito Sanchez and José D Vasquez Cruz

We pray for those who serve in the military. . .

Gregory Porretto - Army National Guard, Africa
Vladimir Julien - Naval Chief in Okinawa, Japan



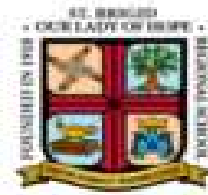
We have refreshed our Military Prayer List.

If you wish to place someone on the Military Prayer or Sick list, please go to the parish website and click on "Forms" and select "Prayer Requests." Or call the parish office.

Thank you.

On the Web: <https://saintbrigid.net/> By Phone: 516-334-0021 x 300

St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope Regional School



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1st Graders Class of 2029	2nd Graders Class of 2028	3rd Graders Class of 2027	4th Graders Class of 2026	5th Graders Class of 2025	6th Graders Class of 2024	7th Graders Class of 2023	8th Graders Class of 2022			

Many thanks to our generous sponsors for their support of our 4th Annual 5K Run/Walk. We couldn't have done it without you!



Breaking Open the Word

Reflecting on next Sunday's Gospel before you come to Mass can bring so much more meaning to your experience of liturgy. Here's the Gospel for next Sunday. How does this Gospel touch your life?

December 19th - Fourth Sunday of Advent

Luke 1:39-45

Mary set out

and traveled to the hill country in haste
to a town of Judah,
where she entered the house of Zechariah
and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting,
the infant leaped in her womb,
and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit,
cried out in a loud voice and said,
"Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

And how does this happen to me,
that the mother of my Lord should come to me?

For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears,
the infant in my womb leaped for joy.

Blessed are you who believed
that what was spoken to you by the Lord
would be fulfilled." he preached good news to the people.



Mary has made apparent her faith in God and it was recognized by Elizabeth. How can we show our faith to others so that they too can realize that the promise of eternal life that Jesus spoke of will be fulfilled. Mary took the "leap of faith" when the angel came to her. She put all of her faith in God. Both Mary and Elizabeth were waiting. This Advent we too are waiting. We too must have faith. What is it that we must let go of, or change in our lives so that we can make room for Jesus.

Gospel Reflection Questions

- Think of where you have seen God's work in places and in people you least expected.
- Think of what God has done in your own life to bring you to new life.
- Think of what might get in your way of doing God's will.

Some Questions for Families & Children

- Think of what you can do to help others prepare for the coming of Jesus.
- Think of how you are blessed by God.



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Sunday
Morning

POST

Keep It Simple Stanganelli!

E-mail Father Tony: FatherTony@saintbrigid.net

In the end, it's all about charity and reverence.

It's an unruly virus, this coronavirus. What I mean to say is that it seems that this virus doesn't play by the rules. It infects some and not others, the vaccinated, the unvaccinated. Some get mild symptoms, some have no symptoms, others become severely ill and yes, sadly, we all know people who have died. There is no "rule of thumb" except one. When in public indoor places (like Church) where you are not sure who is vaccinated and who isn't, wear a mask.

When I was a child, it was the law that all women must wear head coverings when entering Church. Remember those days when heads were donned with everything from hats to bonnets to kerchiefs and even hankies! It was an act of reverence (and I still have no idea why it never applied to men - but I digress).

So, let's make this act of reverence - for each other! Reverencing the presence of Christ in one another, I will not unwittingly expose you to danger or disease and I will wear a mask!

And I thank you for yours.

Please visit our website

Throughout the course of the week, we are working hard to keep our parish website engaging and informative, updating the information that is available there. As we draw closer to Christmas, we hope to receive many "visitors" to our page so that they can find out what is happening. Please visit us at www.saintbrigid.net.

Forty-two years ago, I was getting ready to celebrate my first Christmas as an ordained priest. As Christmas Day was soon approaching, I remember the pressure I was feeling in needing to deliver an out-of-the-ballpark-home-run homily for my very first Christmas. After all, I wanted to reach all of these once-a-year worshipers with a sermon that would knock their socks off. So, I went to my father, seeking advice. After all, he had heard a number of Christmas sermons throughout his long lifetime and he would surely know what works and what doesn't work.

"Pop," I asked, "what message do you think people need to hear from the priest on Christmas day? What should I say in my homily?" My father thought about it, and then he said, "Tell people to do something nice for someone else. Tell people to make that phone call that they need to make to that person whom they haven't spoken to in a while. Tell people to write a letter - not just a Christmas card - but a real letter that will tell them how they feel. Just tell people to keep it simple."

Did I follow my father's advice? Admittedly, I didn't - after all, his advice sounded too blah given the magnitude of the season and the awesome responsibility I felt, knowing that I had to speak the words that would bring people back to Church Sunday after Sunday. Keep it simple? Me? Not a chance!

Yet, simplicity is what it is all about! Look at today's gospel. Here is John the Baptist, in simple garb, eating the simple meal of wild locusts and honey, a simple "voice in the wilderness" calling people to a baptism of repentance. When asked by the crowd, "What should we do?" his directives are so simple: "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise. . . . Stop collecting more than what is prescribed. . . . Do not practice extortion, do not falsely accuse anyone, and be satisfied with your wages." It sounds like John the Baptist and my father were on the same page.

It would seem to me that over these past two years, we have been reduced to simplicity in many ways - certainly in our gatherings and in forsaking some of more elaborate traditions as we remain in this Covid-driven world. Even now, we are sick of the simplicity. We are tired of having virtual gatherings around the holiday meal. But however we intend to spend this Christmas, let's try to keep it simple - reach out to that one who is lost - make that phone call and drop that note in the mail! And in that simplicity, let's honor the God who clothed himself in simplicity, lying in an animal's feeding trough, greeting the field workers who came by to visit. Yes, Pop, you were right.



Outreach

WINTER BEREAVEMENT GROUP

We will be having a six-week support group for the newly bereaved, which will meet on Wednesdays starting on **January 5, 2022, through Feb. 9th, 2022, from 7:00 pm - 8:15 pm.** Meetings will take place in St. Anthony Hall at 85 Post Ave., Westbury.

The group is designed to assist the newly bereaved in coping with their grief and in learning to live in a world without the deceased. It is open to all who have recently lost a loved one.

There is a \$25 registration fee which is collected the first session.

Joan McGovern, experienced grief counselor and parishioner will facilitate the group. If you have further questions about the group or to register she can be reached at 516-238-5633. You may also email: bereavement@saintbrigid.net

WINTER COATS

Those who wish are invited to bring new or gently used coats to the Outreach Building 75 Post Ave., Monday and Thursdays, 9:30 am to 7:00 pm, Tuesday and Wednesdays, 9:30 am to 4:00 pm, and Fridays, 9:30 am to 1:00 pm. Thank you for your generosity.

Those in need or know of someone in need of a winter coat or jacket should contact the Outreach staff.



Coats for the Cold

Oficina De Ayuda

GRUPO DE DUELO EN INVIERNO

Tendremos un grupo de apoyo de seis semanas para los recién deudos, que se reunirán los miércoles a partir del **5 de enero de 2022 hasta el 9 de febrero, 2022, de 19:00 a 20:15 horas**. Las reuniones se llevarán a cabo en St. Anthony' Hall en el 85 Post Ave., Westbury.

El grupo está diseñado para ayudar a los recién afligidos a hacer frente a su dolor y en aprender a vivir en un mundo sin los difuntos. esta abierto a todos los que recientemente han perdido a un ser querido.

Hay una tarifa de registro de \$ 25 que se cobra en la primera sesión.

Joan McGovern, consejera de duelo con experiencia y feligrés, facilitará el grupo. Si tiene más preguntas sobre el grupo o para registrarse, ella puede ser contactada al 516-238-5633. También puede enviar un correo electrónico bereavement@saintbrigid.net

ABRIGOS DE INVIERNO

Aquellos que lo deseen están invitados a traer abrigos nuevos o poco usados a la oficinaDe Ayuda 75 Post Ave., lunes y jueves, de 9:30 am a 7:00 pm, martes y miércoles, de 9:30 a. m. a 4:00 p. m., y viernes, de 9:30 a. m. a 1:00 pm. Gracias por tu generosidad.

Aquellos que necesitan o conocen a alguien que necesite un abrigo o chaqueta de invierno debe comunicarse con el personal de la oficina.



Happening at St. Brigid

HELP WANTED

We are seeking someone who has a good knowledge of computers and would be able to operate our **live-streaming video** equipment for various Masses and services on a periodic basis in the school Chapel and/or the Church.

Initial commitment is once a month or so. This is ideal for someone with a flexible schedule - such as a retired individual or a college student. Paid training would be provided. A nominal stipend will be given for each video session.

Please email Rob at bizmgr@saintbrigid.net for info.

Almost Ready...

St. Brigid Parish Survey

- We've reached out to those who requested contact or needed assistance
- We've compiled all the data
- We're preparing the full report

Our goal is to present a summary narrative of the results, plus a full, online report by next weekend.



THANK YOU TO ALL WHO RESPONDED TO THIS IMPORTANT PARISH SURVEY!

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- \$25 per ticket
- 365 Winners per Year
- All tickets remain in the barrel each day waiting for the daily winner to be picked
- \$30 Daily Prizes
- Special monthly \$100 and periodic \$500 prizes



Use the QR code above to get your tickets and gift certificates. Or call 334-0021 x0 or visit the Parish Center or website:
saintbrigid.net/bonanza

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE LORD, YOUR GOD, IS IN YOUR MIDST,
A MIGHTY SAVIOR;
HE WILL REJOICE OVER YOU WITH GLADNESS,
AND RENEW YOU IN HIS LOVE.

—ZEPHANIAH 3:17

All Volunteers

ATTENTION!

ALL Parish Volunteers & Group Members

ANY Adult serving in ANY parish group or ministry needs to be properly screened according to diocesan regulations.



If you haven't been screened, please note the date for our next set of **VIRTUS** training sessions:

Monday, December 13th

REGISTER ONLINE NOW!

Use the QR Code or go to virtus.org



(Two opportunities available that day:

2 to 5 pm **-OR-** 7:00 to 10 pm

REGISTER ONLINE NOW!

Comunidad Hispana de Santa Brígida



Casa Mary Johanna
1-516-334-0021 Ext.362

- ¿Necesita una carta de la iglesia para algún trámite legal.

Llene el censo parroquial para obtener esta carta. Censo disponible en la oficina parroquial.

- ¿Necesita un identificación de la parroquia? Presentar un documento de su país de origen.

(Pasaporte, acta de nacimiento ó tarjeta de elector). Se agradece una donación.

Caridades Católicas ofrece Servicios de Inmigración
Oficina de Asistencia Social, Iglesia en Post Ave. El cuarto miércoles de cada mes a partir de las 10:00 am. Atención en consulta.

En este momento esta suspendido este servicio. Se anunciará cuando se re inicie.

Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial

Para apoyar a las parejas casadas durante este tiempo de distanciamiento social, el Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial está patrocinando experiencias matrimoniales virtuales. Algunas son los fines de semana y otras se presentan los martes y jueves durante 7 sesiones de 7:00PM – 9:30PM en la comodidad de su hogar. Las parejas explorarán sus estilos de personalidad individuales, mejorarán las habilidades de escucha y comunicación, entenderán el plan de Dios para su matrimonio y aprenderán a mantener su relación como una prioridad. El cupo es limitado y se requiere una cuota de solicitud de \$100.00. Para obtener más información o para registrarse, llame a Felipe y Rosa Ruano Teléfono 203 -979-6109 o renuevatumatrimonio.org

Misa en Español:
Sabado 7:00 pm Church
Domingo
8:00 am Chapel
10:45 am Chapel
12:15 pm Chapel

Miercoles a las 4 pm
Reflexion
dirigida por el Padre
Rómulo

Misa a las 7:30 pm

Outreach.

“The Well” necesita voluntarios bilingües 1.516.334.0021 Ext.308

Hermanos Ayudémonos Unos A Otros

Necesidades en la Despensa de Comida. 516-334-0021 ext. 327 Ximena

Favor traiga comida no percedera a la misa y depositela en la canasta que esta disponible. Que Dios le bendiga por su generosidad.



Comunidad Hispana de Santa Brigida

Domingo III De Adviento Ciclo C “Conversión Es: Desarraigar Los Pecados Personales Y Sociales”.

En el llamado a la conversión que nos dirige la Iglesia en el adviento, llega un momento en que, si lo tomamos en serio, nos hacemos la misma pregunta de las gentes a Juan Bautista: “Entonces qué hacemos? Porque en la conversión Cristiana el Espíritu, que por una parte ha cambiado nuestra manera de ver la vida (la conversión es una luz nueva), nos lleva ineludiblemente a actuar, a la eficacia de la fe y del amor (la conversión es una nueva praxis Cristiana). Las respuestas de Juan son simples, adecuadas a su auditorio. Aparentemente toca actitudes exteriores (repartir lo que nos sobra, no extorsionar, no exigir más de lo debido, no aprovecharse de los demás...), pero el mensaje que ello envuelve es más radical: pone el dedo sobre los comportamientos decisivos de la praxis Cristiana: una actitud nueva ante la riqueza y ante el poder.

La tentación de enriquecerse haciendo grave injusticia al derecho de los pobres y de utilizar continuamente a los demás en beneficio propio, están en la raíz del pecado social, sobre el cual el Bautista llama especialmente la atención.

Para el Evangelio, la conversión no sólo erradica nuestros vicios personales, como el erotismo y la impiedad ante Dios, ciertamente indispensable para entrar en el Reino. La erradicación de los pecados sociales es decisiva. Jesús ha denunciado la piedad y el culto que no lleva a la justiciar y a la misericordia, como farisaicas. (Mateo 23,23 ss). Para Él la praxis

de la justicia llega a ser criterio de justificación o reprobación; en las palabras del bautista, “lo que reúne el trigo en el granero o quema la paja en una hoguera”. Juan es un precursor, y su enseñanza sobre la relación entre la salvación y la justicia y los derechos del pobre está aquí sólo insinuada. Jesús, en su discurso del juicio final, le dará un carácter definitivo (Mateo 25,31ss) “Id al Reino, porque tuve hambre y me disteis de comer, etc...”.

¿Entonces qué hacemos?”. La respuesta del Evangelio a esta pregunta, que nos lleva a la praxis de la justicia sin abuso del poder, requiere de los cristianos, no sólo la vaga Buena voluntad de “hacer algo” al respecto, sino igualmente una información, un análisis de las condiciones de injusticia, una orientación concreta de los caminos de justicia y de liberación de los pobres. Porque el “repartir las túnicas y la comida” de que habla Juan, hay que traducirlo a cada época y a cada situación.

De ahí la importancia, insustituible para el Cristiano, de conocer las orientaciones de la Iglesia actual en materia de justicia, a todos los niveles, que quieren traducir a nuestras condiciones las palabras del Evangelio de hoy sobre la injusticia de las riquezas y del poder. Cuestionan radicalmente una Sociedad donde hay represión a las reivindicaciones de los pobres, donde no hay trabajo para todos, donde la economía sirve a los ricos, donde los pobres lo son cada vez más, donde el poder representa sólo a las clases pudientes...

NUEVO HORARIO DE LA DESPENSA DE COMIDA

El siguiente es el nuevo horario de nuestra despensa de comida que está en efecto ahora.

Distribución de Alimentos

Lunes 4:30 a 7 pm
Martes 10:30 a 12 mediodía
y de 1 a 3 de la tarde
Miércoles 10:30 a 12 mediodía
y 1 a 3 de la tarde
Jueves 10:30 a 12 mediodía
y de 4:30 pm a 7:00 pm
Viernes 10:30 a 12 mediodía

Donación de Alimentos son aceptadas

Lunes 10: am a 7 pm
Martes 10: am a 4 pm
Miércoles 10 am a 4 pm
Jueves 10 am a 7 pm

El Centro de Educación Religiosa

Inscripciones para
Catecismo y Primera
Comunión, para
mayor información favor
llamar al tel #334-0021 ext.
#355 (español).

Inscripciones Para Bautismos

Llamar
inmediatamente a
Sra. María Piñeiro
(516-334-0021, X333)

O visítarla en la Oficina Parroquial

Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions for week beginning December 13

Monday - December 13

7:00 am - Maria Del Carmen Guzman

12:10 pm - Fr. Ed Kealey

Tuesday - December 14

7:00 am - Luciana Lazarich

12:10 pm - Raphael & Martha Jean-Noel

Wednesday - December 15

7:00 am - Julia Stranges

12:10 pm - William Lichtenberger

7:30 pm - Blanca Agustina Martinez de Gonzalez

Thursday - December 16

7:00 am - Joseph N. Pascarella

12:10 pm - Kenneth DuCalo

Friday - December 17

7:00 am - Jack Graham

12:10 pm - Rita Hofmann Mood

Saturday - December 18

8:00 am - Novena Mass

5:00 pm - Church - Tony Marino

7:00 pm - Church (Spanish) - Cesar Lorenzo, Sr., Leovigildo Maldonado (1st year anniversary)

Sunday - December 19

7:00 am - Church (English) - DaCosta Family

8:00 am - Chapel (Spanish) - Emilio Gonzalez

8:30 am - Church (Italian) - Giacomina Petti, Pasquale Iannotta, Lucia Mastroianni, Linda Mastroianni, Stefano Altobelli

9:30 am - Chapel (English) - Marilyn & Jack Graham

10:00 am - Church (English) - Mary Rafferty Malitzis, Msgr. John Martin, Leonila & Ferdinand Valbuena, Ned Sullivan, Frantz Joseph Jean-Baptiste, Agostino Buffolino

10:45 am - Chapel (Spanish)

11:30 am Church (English) - Ernest Strada, Joseph J. Napolitano, Thomas R. Buckley, Albert Vito Rosselli, George & Maggie Sweeny, Sandra McGrath

12:15 pm - Chapel (Spanish) - Maria Yolanda Peña de Tamayo, Tomaza Galindo Moreno

2:30 pm - Church (Kreyol) - Mr. & Mrs. Denis and the Family (In Thanksgiving)

6:00 pm - Chapel (Rock Mass) - Alan & Albert Pratesi

*For the Week of December 11th
Bread & Wine is dedicated in
loving memory of
Maureen Zaikowski
from The Zakowski Family*

*Liturgical Candles are dedicated in
loving memory of
Monsignor John Martin
from Catherine Ducalo*

IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers





Kominote Ayisyén

Haitian-American Apostolate

Haitian Commentary, Third Sunday of Advent C

La liturgie de ce troisième dimanche de l'Avent nous invite tous à la joie, car le Seigneur est proche.

De la bouche de Saint Paul et du prophète Sophonie, le Seigneur nous dit que nous n'avons plus à craindre le malheur, ni à être inquiet de rien, car le Seigneur est présent au milieu de nous. Soyons dans la joie, nous disent-ils. Pour Paul, cette joie s'ancre dans une certitude qui ouvre à la confiance.

De lui, nous apprenons que la joie est libératrice. Elle nous rend plus disponible intérieurement et fort pour le partage. Libres de nous mêmes, nous pouvons contribuer plus généreusement au déploiement du règne de Dieu sur la terre.

Mais, comment être en joie lorsque nous regardons les turbulences dans lesquelles nous sommes amenés à vivre.

Oui, frères et soeurs, c'est au coeur même de ce monde que Dieu viendra nous combler de joie. Il reste que rien ne se fera sans nous.

Que devons nous faire?

Jean Baptiste enseigne comment faire: regardez autour de nous, voyez nos frères, aimez-les. Nous avons à partager un de nos vêtements à celui qui n'en a pas, de donner de la nourriture à celui qui en manque, de mettre la violence aux abonnés absents. Oui, frères et soeurs, notre joie ne sera jamais complète sans la bienveillance à l'égard de nos frères. Nous devons chercher à donner de l'amour et de la joie autour de nous.

Viens Seigneur Jésus, pour nous libérer, éclairer et guérir nos coeurs blessés. Aide-nous à vous accueillir avec un coeur vraiment nouveau.

- Chak dimanch, nou genyen lamès an Kreyol a 2h30 PM, epi lames an fransè a, dènye dimanch chak mwa.

- Chak samdi a 3hPM nan Lekòl pawas St. Brigid, Sr. Cécilia Duchesne, FDM, ap tann tout timoun ki gen laj 6 lane pou rivé 12 lané nan fòmasyon ki ap fèt pou yo.

- N'ap fè tout fanmy yo konnen ke genyen "bap-tèm" chak twazyèm samedi nan mwa yo. Fòk nou pa bliye ke lè nap chwazi marenn ak parenn yo, fòk yo se katolik, epi fòk yo konnen vini legliz. Pou nou ka pran randevou Sr.Cécilia rele li nan nimerò sa yo 516 334-0021, ext. 357 or 516 333-8795.

- Chak samdi swa apati 7h PM nou genyen "lapriyè karismatik" nan chapèl lekòl St.Brigid la. Chak dezyèm samedi lapriyè karismatik la ak expozisyon Sen sakreman fèt nan legliz a 8h30 PM. Nap tan nou tout.

- Pou tout aktivite pelerinaj yo ak lapriyè karismatik yo, rele Carismène Estimé nan nimerò: 516 770 3248.

- Tout moun ki genyen proje "marye", "reprann lakominyon", "konfime", se pou yo rele Sr.Cécilia nan nimerò saa: 516 333 8795

- Pa bliye ranpli "Census la", nou tout ki ta renmen anregistre pou vini mamb nan kominote yo. N'ap jwenn ti livrè saa le nou apènn rantre legliz la ak nan biwo pawas. N'ap pran li, nap ranpli infòmasyon yo mandé nou yo . Epi nap remetli bay secretè ki nan biwo a. lap fè swivi tout bagay pou nou epi konsa nap vini mamb nan paroisse la.

- Chak premye samedi nan chak mwa, "asosye Monfoten" gen lames nan "Shrine Our lady of Island", Eastport ak tout mamb yo a 2h PM. Tout fidèl yo invite tou. Nap tan nou tout.

Christmas Schedule

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH
75 Post Ave., Westbury, NY 11590
www.saintbrigid.net

Day of Reconciliation Monday, December 20th

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Fr. Nesly (E, K) Fr. Romulo (S), Fr. Tony (E, I)

6:00pm – 7:00pm

Fr. Raj (E), Fr. Nesly (E, K) Fr. Romulo (S)

7pm – 8pm

Fr. Tony, (E, I), Fr. Nesly (E, K) Fr. Romulo (S),

Father Raj (E)

Christmas Day -Saturday, December 25th

7:00 am - (English) – Church

8:30 am - (Italian) – Church

9:30 am - (English) – Chapel

10:00 am - (English) – Church

11:00 am - (Spanish) – Chapel

11:30 am - (English) – Church

1:30 pm - (Kreyol) - Church

Christmas Schedule, 2021

Christmas Eve - Friday, December 24th

Evening Masses in celebration of Christmas

4:00 pm - (English) – Church

4:00 pm - (English) – Chapel (Family Liturgy)

5:30 pm - (English) – Church

8:00 pm - (Spanish) – Code Auditorium

Midnight Mass

12 Midnight – (English) - Church

12 Midnight - (English) – Chapel

12 Midnight - (Kreyol) - Code Auditorium

No Saturday evening Masses Christmas Day

Feast of the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

Friday, December 31st

5:00pm – (English) – Church

Saturday, January 1st

9:00 am Mass – (English) – Church

11:00 am Multi-lingual Concelebrated Mass



Journey to Bethlehem

Take a journey of Faith and Commitment at the 30th year of St Brigid's Precepio located in the north transept of St Brigid Church. Travel with Mary and Joseph during Advent along the road in our "moving piece of art" from modern Westbury to 15th century Naples to Bethlehem passing a market, the Inn where the Holy Family was rejected, the Town Hall, a restaurant and local sights. See our beautiful Angel Tree with 26 angels and 30 cherubs inspired by the tree at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City. There is no display exactly like it anywhere in the world with over 3000 pieces! Come each week until January 15th and take a beautiful faith journey! You will not be disappointed!

The materials, additions, repairs and upkeep for the Presepio creates additional expense for St. Brigid. Your donations keep the Presepio in fine condition each year. Please consider us and place your donation in the box next to the sign-in book or drop it off at the Parish Center. Your donations are very much appreciated. Volunteers to dismantle the display on January 15th 10:00 am to 4:00 pm are needed. Community service credit given to students. If you are interested call 516-334-0021

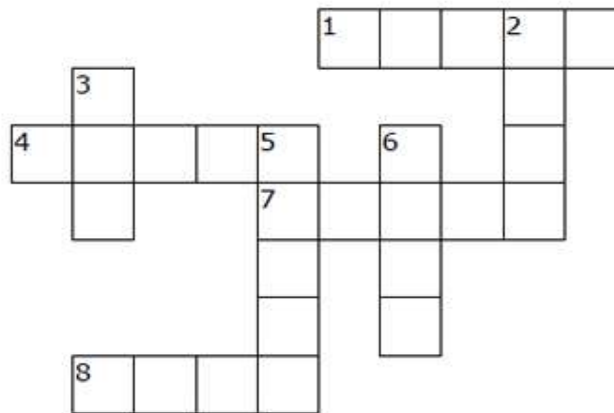


Not Just for Kids

Be Prepared

So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.
Matthew 24:44 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 24:42-44



ACROSS

1. The time of day when it is dark
4. To keep an eye on; to guard
7. The person who has something such as property
8. A particular moment in the day, such as eight o'clock

DOWN

2. A period of sixty minutes
3. A period of 24 hours
5. The place where a person or family lives
6. To have information about something; to be aware of something

TIME	OWNER	WATCH	HOUR
KNOW	HOUSE	DAY	NIGHT

Thank You

Family Mass

Bambinelli Sunday - Sunday December 12 at 9:30 am Family Mass - Have the children bring the baby Jesus figure from your Nativity Set to Mass for a special blessing. (Bambinelli means little in Italian). This is a celebration that takes place with the Pope each year in Rome that we have brought to St. Brigid.

Come join the cast of St. Brigid's Children's Christmas Pageant!

When: Wednesdays from 3:45 - 4:30 pm
Where: Our Lady's Chapel, St. Brigid School

Young people in grades kindergarten through grade 8.

Needed: singers, actors, narrators, instrumentalists

Questions: email Ms. Stephanie at sclagnaz@gmail.com



Family Mass Planning Committee

Anyone interested in helping plan our 9:30 am Family Mass liturgies and events is invited to join the Family Mass Planning Committee. Please contact us if you are interested at

familymass@saintbrigid.net



Donohue-Cecere Funeral Home

Thank you for providing the calendars each year for our parishioners. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

From
All of us at St. Brigid

Prepare
the way
of the
LORD.

ISAIAH 40:3

Schedule of Masses

Mass Schedule for week of December 13 thru 19

Weekday Masses

Monday December 13

7:00 am - Fr. Nesly
12:10 pm - Fr. Rajan

Tuesday December 14

7:00 am - Fr. Tony
12:10 pm - Nesly

Wednesday December 15

7:00 am - Fr. Rajan
12:10 pm - Fr. Tony

Thursday December 16

7:00 am - Fr. Tony
12:10 pm - Fr. Nesly

Friday December 17

7:00 am - Fr. Rajan
12:10 pm - Fr. Tony

Weekend Schedule

Saturday December 18

8:00 am - Fr. Nesly
5:00 pm - Fr. Rajan

7:00 pm - Fr. Romulo

Sunday December 19

7:00 am - Church - Fr. Tony
8:00 am - Chapel - Fr. Romulo
8:30 am - Church - Fr. Tony
9:30 am - Chapel - Fr. Tony
10:00 am - Church - Fr. Rajan
10:45 am - Chapel - Fr. Romulo
11:30 am - Church - Fr. Rajan
12:15 pm - Chapel - Fr. Romulo
2:30 pm - Church - Fr. Nesly
6:00 pm - Chapel - Fr. Nesly

Confession

The sacrament of reconciliation is offered in the Church from 4pm to 5pm on Saturdays, and on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays after the 12:10 pm Mass (when there are no holidays).

