



# St. Brigid's R.C. Church

**24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**XXIV DOMINGO ORDINARIO**

17 September 2023



# OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOL

*St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope Regional Catholic School*  
101 Maple Avenue, Westbury, NY 11590 + 516.333.0580  
Mr. Paul Clagnaz, Principal



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## PERDÓN: *Dar lo que tienes*

Querida familia parroquial:

Hace algunos años, un grupo de buenos amigos -del que yo formaba parte- pasó por un momento difícil en nuestra amistad y ésta terminó. Fue terriblemente doloroso e hiriente. Fue muy doloroso, y si soy sincero, todavía me duele. Pasé por la rutina habitual en estos casos: culpar a los demás, rabia, conseguir que los demás vieran la injusticia que se había cometido contra Mí, ira, tristeza, etcétera.

Luché durante algún tiempo para encontrar la manera de seguir adelante. Estaba atascado. Me costaba mucho perdonar a todo el mundo. Me pasaba un poco lo que Anne Lamott escribe sarcásticamente en *Dusk Night Dawn* cuando dice: "Sigo esperando pacientemente a que varias personas vengan a mí suplicándome perdón antes de morir...". (Ella admite que eso es muy poco probable).

Me costó perdonar a este grupo de amigos porque no asumí mi parte de responsabilidad en todo aquello. Puede que les cueste creer que a veces puedo ser demasiado intenso, demasiado implicado :). O tal vez las declaraciones desafiantes que hice (que pueden o no haber sido justas o correctas) fueron demasiado. O tal vez estaba demasiado ocupado para estar presente en esta amistad a veces. Y, tal vez... sólo tal vez, el miedo a perder esta amistad provocó algo de ira, resentimiento y distancia. (Tal vez... aún no estoy seguro de poder admitirlo todo).

Aunque suene a tópico, necesitaba perdonarme y permitirme encontrar el perdón de Dios. Sin embargo, para que eso ocurriera, tenía que reconocer y asumir mi parte de responsabilidad. Tenía que aceptar honestamente el daño que había causado. Entonces, y sólo entonces, podría perdonar a los demás por el daño que -sinceramente- me habían hecho. Esto me tomó mucho tiempo y la ayuda de buenos amigos y mentores. Admitir la culpa e incluso algunas de las razones que hay detrás de la culpa es brutal. De vez en cuando necesito regresar a esto y comprometerme a hacer el trabajo de nuevo.

¿No es esto parte de lo que escuchamos en el Evangelio de hoy? La parábola se llama a veces la parábola del Siervo que no perdona. En realidad trata

del Siervo Incapaz - el siervo incapaz de recibir el perdón de Dios. Si hubiera sido capaz de aceptar plenamente la misericordia y el perdón de Dios. Si el siervo hubiera comprendido plenamente la naturaleza radical de la misericordia de Dios, entonces perdonar al que estaba en deuda con él habría sido pan comido.

Yo soy así de siervo a menudo. Tantas veces que estoy convencido de que tengo razón y de que la otra persona está equivocada, incluso de que no merece mi perdón, tengo que admitir que no creo ser digno del perdón de Dios ni de nadie. Jesús sabe que luchamos. Por eso nos lo recuerda continuamente.

A menudo nos convencemos de que debemos perdonar a los demás de inmediato. Nos convencemos con afirmaciones como: "Jesús lo dijo..." "Está en la Biblia..." "Soy católico...". DE ACUERDO. Todas afirmaciones justas. Tal vez, sin embargo, sería mejor dar un paso atrás. Considerar nuestro papel en todo esto. Pedir al Señor que nos ayude a ver y a abrir nuestros corazones a su misericordia. Después, y esto puede llevar tiempo, ¡emprender mi trabajo hacia las setenta y siete veces de perdón!

Hace unos años leí el libro *El nombre de Dios es Misericordia*. Era el texto de la entrevista al Papa Francisco. En el libro -que recomiendo encarecidamente- escribe sobre un encuentro con una abuela en Argentina. Le dijo: "Abuela, ¿quieres confesarte?" "Sí", respondió ella. Y como yo ya estaba listo para irme, le dije: 'Pero si no tienes pecados...' Su respuesta fue rápida e inmediata: 'Todos tenemos pecados'. Pero a lo mejor el Señor no puede perdonarlos", le dije. El Señor lo perdona todo". Si el Señor no perdonara todo, nuestro mundo no existiría".

Recordemos, pues, la misericordia de Dios, que quiere perdonarlo todo (y a todos). Dedicemos tiempo a permitirnos recibir esta misericordia para que, finalmente, podamos compartirla unos con otros.

Por favor, si puedes, reza una oración por mí. Prometo hacer lo mismo.

*Feather*

# THE PASTOR'S POST

## FORGIVENESS: *Giving What You Got*

Dear Parish Family:

A number of years ago a group of good friends - which I was part of - had a difficult time in our friendship and the friendship ended. It was terribly painful and wounding. It is a pain, if I'm honest, that still hurts. I went through the regular routine in these things: blaming everyone else, righteousness, getting others to see the injustice done to ME, anger, sadness, and so on.

I struggled for some time to find a way to move forward. I was stuck. I found it very hard to forgive everyone. I had a little bit of what Anne Lamott writes sarcastically about in *Dusk Night Dawn* when she says, "I continue to wait patiently for several people to come to me begging for forgiveness before they die...." (She admits that's highly unlikely.)

It was hard for me to forgive this group of friends because I was not taking responsibility for my part in it all. It might be hard for you to believe that sometimes I can be too intense, too involved :). Or perhaps the challenging statements I made (which may or may not have been fair or correct) were too much. Or maybe I was too busy to be present to this friendship at times. And, maybe...just maybe, the fear of losing this friendship brought on some anger and resentment and distance. (Maybe...I'm not sure I can admit it all yet.)

While it sounds cliché, I needed to forgive myself and allow myself to encounter God's forgiveness. For that to happen, though, I needed to own it, to take responsibility. I need to acknowledge the hurt - honestly - I had caused. Then, and only then, could I forgive others for the hurt that was - honestly - done to me. This took a lot of time for me and the help of some good friends and mentors to navigate all of this. To admit fault and even some of the reasons behind the fault is brutal. Every now and then I need to revisit some of this and engage in doing the work again.

Isn't this part of what we hear in today's Gospel? The parable is sometimes called the parable of the Unforgiving Servant. It's really about the

Unable Servant - the servant unable to receive God's forgiveness. If he had been able to accept God's mercy and forgiveness more fully if the servant had fully understood the radical nature of God's mercy, then forgiving the one indebted to him would have been a breeze.

I am like that servant often. As many times as I can convince myself that I am right and the other person is wrong, even not worth my forgiveness, I have to admit that I don't think I am worthy of forgiveness from God or anyone else. Jesus knows we struggle. This is why he reminds us about this all the time!

We often convince ourselves that we must forgive others right away. We convince ourselves with statements like, "Jesus said so..." "It's in the Bible..." "I'm Catholic...". OK. All fair statements. Perhaps, though, we would be better to take a step back. Consider our role in all of it. Ask the Lord to help us to see and to open our hearts to His mercy. Then, and this may take time, start on my work towards seventy seven times of forgiveness! A number of years ago I read the book *The Name of God is Mercy*. It was the text of the interview with Pope Francis. In the book - which I highly recommend - he writes about an encounter with a grandmother in Argentina. He said, "Abuela, do you want to confess?" 'Yes,' she replied. And since I was ready to leave, I said: 'But if you have no sins...' Her answer was swift and immediate: 'We all have sins.' 'But maybe the Lord can't forgive them,' I said. 'The Lord forgives everything.' 'How do you know?' 'If the Lord didn't forgive everything, our world would not exist.'

So let us remember the mercy of God that wants to forgive everything (and everyone)! Let us take some time to allow ourselves to receive this mercy so, eventually, we may share that mercy with one another.

Please, if you can, say a prayer for me. I promise the same.

*Featherman*

# COMUNITÀ ITALIANA

*News from the Italian Community of St. Brigid's*



## **PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP OF WESTBURY**

Join Us For An Evening of  
Prayer, Praise and Thanksgiving  
Commemorating the Life and  
Transitus of  
St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina.

**Friday, September 22, 2023**

St. Brigid Church  
85 Post Avenue, Westbury, NY 11590



**6:30pm Living Rosary**

**7:00pm Candlelight Procession**

**8:30pm Transitus & Mass**

*Refreshments immediately following in St. Anthony Hall*

For additional information,  
directions to the St. Brigid Church or  
to participate in the Living Rosary  
call 516-334-0021



# FILIPINO COMMUNITY

*Information about parish prayer and liturgical life!*



## **Feast of Saint Lorenzo**

*Next Sunday,  
September 24, 2023*

**1:30 p.m.**

**Procession with the  
statue of St. Lorenzo**

**2:00 p.m.**

**Mass in Our Lady's Chapel**

**3:00 p.m.**

**Celebration in Code Auditorium**

***Come and be part of a beautiful  
day for our parish!***



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## Novena to Saint Lorenzo Ruiz

*The First Filipino Saint  
Patron Saint of Migrants*

Join with the members of our Filipino community for this special Novena that started this past Friday.

**7 p.m. each night via Zoom**

Meeting ID: 892 4594 1304

Passcode: stbrigid

**Saturday, September 23, 2023**

7 p.m. - Our Lady's Chapel

### *Novena Prayer*

**Please pray this Novena Prayer until September 23, 2023**

*O most merciful and almighty God, You bestowed as gift to Lorenzo Ruiz the strength to withstand the overpowering forces of death for the sake of his faith in You.*

*Through his prayers, help us to follow his example by overcoming all life's trials and eventually, increase our hope and love in You.*

*O St. Lorenzo Ruiz, you brought honor to your country, having been a level-headed and prudent father of the family, a witness of Christ in your life until your death.*

*We present all our petitions to God through your help so that by our actions, We may know more and love more Jesus our Lord and Savior.*

*We humbly implore your intercession O dear St. Lorenzo, for the infinite glory of God and in honor of your triumph as a martyr of Christ and defender of Christianity. Amen.*

# KOMINOTE AYISYÉN

## Information about parish's Haitian community

### Haitian Community, Commentary of the Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time A, 2023

Frères et sœurs, en e 24 -ème dimanche du Temps Ordinaire, la liturgie nous propose un enseignement sur le pardon, sur la miséricorde. Oui, chers amis, le pardon occupe une place importante dans notre vie car nous sommes tous pécheurs, imparfaits, nous offensoons Dieu et nous offensoons les uns les autres. S'il n'y avait aucune possibilité de pardon, la situation serait tragique.

Dieu, dans sa bonté, est venu nous apporter sa miséricorde et son pardon mais il exige aussi que nous sachions pardonner.

Pierre pense que pardonner sept fois à un frère est déjà énorme, et bien souvent nous sommes tentés de penser que pardonner une seconde fois une offense est déjà trop.

En proposant de pardonner jusqu'à sept fois, Pierre se montre donc très généreux. Cependant Jésus, dans sa réponse, se montre beaucoup plus radical : » Je ne te dis pas jusqu'à sept fois, mais jusqu'à soixante dix sept fois. Cela revient à dire : » toujours ». Il continue par nous dire que notre pardon ne doit pas être donné à contrecœur mais doit être généreux et plein de délicatesse.

Jésus veut que cet enseignement soit profondément enraciné dans notre cœur. De lui, nous apprenons que nous ne pouvons pas bénéficier de la miséricorde de Dieu si nous fermons notre cœur à nos frères. Il nous demande de vivre pour lui, de vivre dans son amour, d'être unis à lui dans la miséricorde.

Demandons-lui la grâce d'être vraiment disponible à sa miséricorde divine afin de la recevoir en nous mais aussi de partager et d'en faire bénéficier tous nos frères.

- Chak dimanch, nou genyen lamès an Kreyol a 2h30 PM, epi lamès an Fransè a, dènye dimanch chak mwa.
  - Haitian Kreyol Mass: Sunday at 2:30 Church - Post Avenue
  - Tout fanmy ki ap bezwèn fe Baptèm, Antèman oubyen Maryaj nan kominote Ayisyen lan, en Fransè oubyen en Kreyol ap bezwen rele nan biro pawas la dekwa pou yo kapab jwenn tout enfòmasyon ke yo ap bezwen sans saa.
  - For baptisms, marriages, funerals, memorial masses in Kreyol, French, families must call Parish Office for information.
  - Chak dezyèm Samedi nan Mwa yok Gwoup Ayisyen Karismatik la genyen Lapriyè a 8 h PM nan Legliz pawas la.
  - Charismatic Prayer: Every 2nd Saturday of the month, at 8 PM Church - Post Avenue.
  - Chak premye Samedi nan Chak Mwa se Randevou ak tout Asosye Monfortain yo nan chapèl lekòl Our Lady of Hope, Pawas la a 2h PM.
- Associate Montfort Group Mass: Every 1st Saturday of the month - 2 PM - Our Lady's Chapel Chapel, Maple Avenue.
- Pou tout aktivite pelerinaj yo ak lapriyè karismatik yo, rele Carismène Estimé nan nimero: 516 770 3248.
  - Pilgrimages: Contact Carismène Estimé at the Parish Office for Fr. Nesly Jean Jacques
  - 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 infomasyon yo mande 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.
  - To register and become member of the parish of St. Brigid's, please complete the Census (blue book) available in the Parish Office.
  - 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.

Confession  
Absolution

# PRAYER AND WORSHIP

*Information about the liturgical life of our parish!*

## ST. BRIGID'S MORNING RETREAT

Come gather at St. Brigid's to explore with other faith-filled people, what God's desire is for you and ways you can discern His movement in your daily routine. Through a combination of themed discussion, self-reflection and sacred sharing, we will discover different ways to recognize God's presence in our lives.

Next Meeting:

**Tuesday, September 26th**  
**from 10:30 am to 12 Noon**  
in the Parish Center  
at St. Anthony Hall



## On the Move...

The Sunday Night Mass has returned to Our Lady's Chapel.

The Six band **NEEDS YOU!** We need to grow the band if it is to continue and are in need of vocalists and instrumentalists - especially a bassist and a substitute drummer

Rehearsal & dedication are a requirement. Rehearsals take place most times before the Six each Sunday.

For more information, contact Elissa Hanson via [music@saintbrigid.net](mailto:music@saintbrigid.net) or 516.334.0021.

**...from Post to Maple!**

St. Brigid's  
RC Church  
**@ THE SIX**

# PRAYER AND WORSHIP

*Information about happenings in the life of our parish!*

 WE NEED YOU!

## **ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED!/ ¡SE NECESITAN MONAGUILLOS!**

Please plan to attend 5 of the trainings  
/Planea asistir a 5 de los cursos de formación

**El lunes/Monday, September 18**

4:15 p.m./Chapel

**El miercoles/Wednesday, September 20**

4:15 p.m. - Chapel

**El sabado/Saturday, September 23**

12 Noon - Church

**El lunes/Monday, September 25**

4:15 p.m. - Chapel

**El martes/Tuesday, September 26**

6:45 p.m. - Church

**El lunes/Monday, October 2**

6:45 p.m. - Church

**El martes/Tuesday, October 3**

6:45 p.m. - Church

## **MANDATORY MEETINGS**

All servers must attend one  
of the following meetings:

**Wednesday, September 13**

3:45 p.m. - Chapel

**Thursday, September 14**

7:45 p.m. - Chapel

**Saturday, September 16**

1 p.m. - Church



Email Fr. John at [fatherjohn@saintbrigid.net](mailto:fatherjohn@saintbrigid.net), call 516.334.0021, scan the QR code to below!



# FAITH FORMATION

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## 2023-24 FAITH FORMATION YEAR

### REGISTRATION

- Registration is ongoing until **September 16, 2023** - online - [www.saintbrigid.net](http://www.saintbrigid.net) - or click the QR Code.
- Students enrolling in Grades 1-6 may attend classes on **one** of the following dates:
  - i. Sundays - 10:30- 11:45 a.m.
  - ii. Mondays - 5:30 -6:45 p.m.
  - iii. Tuesdays - 5:30 - 6:45 p.m.
  - iv. Wednesdays - 5:30 - 6:45 p.m.
- Students enrolling in Years I and II of Confirmation Preparation (typically Grades 7 and 8) will meet every other week and **ONLY** on Thursday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- The fee for registration remains the same as it was last year - For one child \$160.00 for two \$ 250.00 for three or more \$340.00

### INSCRIPCIÓN

- La inscripción está abierta hasta el 16 de septiembre de 2023 - en línea - [www.saintbrigid.net](http://www.saintbrigid.net) - o haga clic en el código QR.
- Tenga en cuenta que este año habrá algunos cambios en el horario de clases:
  - Los alumnos que se matriculen en los Grados 1-6 podrán asistir a clase en una de las siguientes fechas:
    - Domingos - 10:30- 11:45 a.m.
    - Lunes - 5:30 -6:45 p.m.
    - Martes - 5:30 - 6:45 p.m.
    - Miércoles - 5:30 - 6:45 p.m.
  - Los estudiantes que se inscriben en los Años I y II de la Preparación para la Confirmación (típicamente los Grados 7 y 8) se reunirán cada dos semanas y **ÚNICAMENTE** los jueves por la tarde de 7:00 p.m. a 8:30 p.m.
- La cuota de inscripción sigue siendo la misma que el año pasado - Para un niño \$160.00 para dos \$ 250.00 para tres o más \$340.00



# FAITH FORMATION

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## HELP OUR YOUNG PEOPLE! ¡AYUDA A NUESTROS JÓVENES!



Did you hear the call to put faith into action?  
Hai sentito la chiamata a mettere  
in pratica la fede?  
¿Escuchaste el llamado a poner la fe en acción?

### We Need

Kindergarten through 6th Grade Catechists  
Confirmation Group Leaders  
(for Grades 7 and 8 and Confirmation)

### Ingredients

Love of the Gospel  
Warm and patient heart  
Desire to share the faith  
Flexibility and a team player

### Preparation

Complete Volunteer Service Request Form:  
<https://forms.gle/Kj2iigEy5tSQAwZh8>  
Complete Safe Environment Training  
Safe Environment Training will be offered here on  
9/6 with more dates to come!  
If you already have taken this training, please  
provide a copy of the certificate to the Faith  
Formation Office.



### Necesitamos

Catequistas de Kindergarten a 6to Grado  
Líderes de Grupos de Confirmación  
(para Grados 7 y 8 y Confirmación)

### Ingredientes

Amor al Evangelio  
Corazón cálido y paciente  
Deseo de compartir la fe  
Flexibilidad y espíritu de equipo

### Preparación

Rellenar el formulario de solicitud de  
servicio voluntario:  
<https://forms.gle/Kj2iigEy5tSQAwZh8>  
Completar el Entrenamiento  
de Ambiente Seguro  
¡Entrenamiento de Ambiente Seguro se  
ofrecerá aquí el 9/6 con más fechas por  
venir!  
Si usted ya ha tomado este entrenamiento,  
por favor proporcione una copia del  
certificado a la Oficina de Formación de Fe.

# ST. BRIGID'S LOVES FAMILIES

Information about our liturgical life!



## VIDA FAMILIAR FAMILY LIFE



25° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Jesús, ayúdanos a dejar  
compararnos con los demás.  
Ponemos nuestra fe en ti.



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus, help us to stop  
comparing ourselves to others.  
We put our faith in you.

# Catechetical Sunday!

## OCTOBER 1, 2023

¡Todos los catequistas  
y animadores  
de pequeños  
grupos de fe!

Ven a la Misa a las  
9:30am en la Capilla  
de Nuestra Señora  
el 1 de octubre para  
celebrar al nuevo  
año escolar, una  
bendición especial, y  
el reconocimiento de  
todos los que guían a  
nuestros jóvenes en su  
camino de fe!



All catechists, small  
group faith leaders,  
and school teachers!

Join us at the  
9:30am Mass in  
Our Lady's Chapel  
on October 1st  
for a kick-off to the  
new school year, a  
special blessing, and  
recognition of all who  
lead our young people  
in their faith journey!

Family Mass Music Ministry

CHILDREN'S CHOIR WILL SING

on SEPTEMBER 24th!

All students in grades K - 4  
are invited to join  
St. Brigid's Children's Choir!  
familymass@saintbrigid.net

FAMILY  
MASS

Sunday - 9:30am  
(English)  
Our Lady's Chapel  
in St. Brigid/OLH  
School



COFFEE  
HOUR

After Mass  
in Code  
Auditorium

# LIFE @ SAINT BRIGID'S

*Information about happenings in the life of our parish!*

SIGN UP TODAY!

## LECTORS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS NEEDED!



IF YOU'RE INTERESTED, CONTACT FR. JOHN AT  
FATHERJOHN@SAINTBRIGID.NET OR CALL 516.334.0021 TO BE  
CONNECTED TO OUR MINISTRY LEADERS!

### Training Dates Extraordinary Ministers

**Saturday, September 30 - Our Lady of Loretto/Hempstead - Spanish**  
**Tuesday, October 10 - St. Elizabeth/Melville - English**

### Training Dates Readers

**Saturday, September 23 - Our Lady of Loretto/Hempstead - Spanish**

**YOU MUST CONTACT FR. JOHN BEFORE ATTENDING ANY TRAINING.**

## ATTENTION EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

As part of the Eucharistic Revival, we ask all Extraordinary Ministers and those who are considering becoming Extraordinary Ministers to attend a special night of reflection on

**Monday, September 25, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in Our Lady's Chapel.**

Como parte del Avivamiento Eucarístico, pedimos a todos los Ministros Extraordinarios y a aquellos que están considerando convertirse en Ministros Extraordinarios que asistan a una noche especial de reflexión sobre

**Lunes, 25 de septiembre de 2023 a las 19:00 en la Capilla de Nuestra Señora.**



# PARISH OUTREACH

*We are here to serve and care for you!*

If you're struggling with something and not sure where to turn, please turn to St. Brigid's. We may not be able to address all concerns but will do our best to help and/or refer you for additional support. Our Parish provides confidential support and assistance. Immigration concerns, food insecurity, serious illness, economic problems, mental health concerns and many others are issues we may all face at different times in our lives.

Si tiene problemas con algo y no está seguro de a dónde acudir, diríjase a St. Brigid's. Es posible que no podamos abordar todas las inquietudes, pero haremos todo lo posible para ayudarlo y/o recomendarlo para obtener asistencia adicional. la oficina de ayuda provee apoyo y ayuda confidencialmente. Las preocupaciones de inmigración, la inseguridad alimentaria, las enfermedades graves, los problemas económicos, los problemas de salud mental y muchos otros son problemas que todos podemos enfrentar en diferentes momentos de nuestras vidas.

**Our Parish Outreach program, located in the Father Schaefer Outreach Building, provides a range of social services for people of the local community.**

**Address:**  
75 Post Avenue,  
Westbury NY 11590  
516.334.0021

**DIRECTOR OF OUTREACH & COORDINATOR OF CASA MARY JOHANNA,**  
St. Brigid's Immigration Outreach Ministry  
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516.334.0021 x. 362  
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**THE WELL**  
Barbara Powell  
516.334.0021 x. 361  
barbarap@saintbrigid.net

**FOOD PANTRY:**  
Ximena Aravena  
516.334.0021 x. 327  
ximena@saintbrigid.net

**Hours of operation:**  
**Monday** 4:30p - 7p  
**Tue. & Wed.** 10:30a - 12p  
1p - 3p  
**Thursday** 10:30a - 12p  
4:30p - 7p  
**Friday** 10:30a - 12p



**SAINT BRIGID'S CASA MARY JOHANNA**

Alentados por el amor y la palabra de El Espíritu Santo, damos la bienvenida a los interesados en aprender Inglés como Segunda lengua. Ofreceremos grupos pequeños una vez a la semana. Si esta interesado/a llame al 516-334-0021 ext 362. También si le gustaria enseñar una clase por favor llame al 516-334-0021 ext 362

Encouraged by the love and word of the Holy Spirit, we welcome all who are interested in learning English as a second language. Classes will be offered in small groups meeting once a week. If you are interested, please call 516-334-0021 ext. 362. Also, if you would like to volunteer to teach a class, please call 516-334-0021 ext. 362

## CASA MARY JOHANNA

¿Necesita una carta de la iglesia para algún trámite legal? Llame el censo parroquial para obtener esta carta. Censo disponible en la oficina parroquial. -  
¿Necesita un identificación de la parroquia? Presente un documento de su país de origen. (Pasaporte, acta de nacimiento ó tarjeta de elector).

## PANTRY SHOPPING LIST

These are the items our pantry is in particular need of this week. You can drop them off at the Schaefer Center or leave them at the doors of the Church or Chapel.

- Toothpaste
- Toothbrush
- Soap
- Shampoo
- Conditioner

If donating food to the pantry via delivery, the address is 75 Post Avenue, Westbury, NY

# PARISH OUTREACH

*We are here to serve and care for you!*



## Care for Creation in Action

In 2017 the Diocese of Burlington, Vermont celebrated a Year of Creation. The Year included creation-themed liturgies, a Catholic schools' ecological awareness and action project, an ecological justice conference and an initiative to "Laudato Si-ify your Advent." To learn more, please visit [bit.ly/YOC-VT](http://bit.ly/YOC-VT).

*"The ecological conversion needed to bring about lasting change is also a community conversion."*

-Pope Francis  
*Laudato Si'*, no. 219

## The Season of Creation: *September 1 – October 4*

The Season of Creation spans five weeks between the **World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation** (September 1) and the **Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi** (October 4). This "time for creation" offers, in the words of Pope Francis, "individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live."<sup>1</sup> Below are some ways to live out these three dimensions of Pope Francis' call, both as individuals and as a community.

### 1. Reaffirm Our Vocation as Stewards of Creation

#### **As individuals and families:** *Counteract the "Throwaway Culture"*

In *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis brings attention to our "throwaway culture," which "quickly reduces things to rubbish" (no. 22). In your daily life, try to identify the ways in which you can choose reusables, rather than disposables, such as coffee mugs, reusable bags, or cloth napkins, and commit to making one change during this month.

#### **As a community:** *Educational Program*

Use the educational program "Befriend the Wolf" from the Catholic Climate Covenant to reflect on our vocation as stewards of creation. The program is designed to help your community contemplate the connections between all creatures under God our Creator. Visit [bit.ly/CCC-BTF](http://bit.ly/CCC-BTF) to access this resource.



### 2. Thank God for His Wonderful Handiwork



#### **As individuals and families:** *Meal Prayer*

Before and after meals, say a short prayer of thanksgiving for the lifegiving food that sustains and nourishes us. Briefly consider how all nourishment ultimately comes from the earth, and give thanks for all the human hands that helped bring this food to your table. May we recognize, as *Laudato Si'* has

taught us, that this "moment of blessing, however brief, reminds us of our dependence on God for life" (no. 227).

<sup>1</sup> Pope Francis, "Letter of His Holiness Pope Francis For the Establishment of the 'World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation,'" September 1, 2015.



JUSTICE,  
PEACE AND  
HUMAN  
DEVELOPMENT

# LIFE @ ST. BRIGID'S

*Information about happenings in the life of our parish!*



John James Brennan, Jr.  
James Michael Ciliotta  
Mila Altagracia Gutierrez  
Capri Moon Mascioli  
Julissa Mariela Ortega



"I tell you solemnly once again,  
if two of you on earth agree to ask  
anything at all, it will be granted to  
you by my Father in heaven."

Matthew 18:19

## MARRIAGE BANNES



### FOR THE FIRST Time BETWEEN

Gabriella Fuschetto - St. Brigid

Brian Andreski - St. Bernard

### FOR THE SECOND Time BETWEEN

Emily Kata, - St. Patrick, Huntington

Shamus Conor Naughton - St. Brigid

### FOR THE THIRD Time BETWEEN

Francesco Matra - St. Frances Cabrini,  
Brooklyn

Christina Capotorto - St. Frances Cabrini,

and

Andrew Patrick Salvia - St. Elizabeth, Ozone  
Park

Kristen Mary Grechkosey- Our Lady of Hope

# WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

## ORAMOS POR LOS QUE ESTAN ENFERMOS

Sabas Montero	Kimberly Bayron	Medina	Catherine Dillon
Kenneth Dudkewic	Dominic Modesto	Chris Agnaspol	Michael Pereira
Michael Genzale	Fernando Raposo	Carolina Charouf	Jillian Breslin
Elizabeth Pennisi	John Downey	Jeanette Murphy	Baby Mason Anthony
Grace Bivona	John Mangano, Sr.	Michael F.	(3 months old
Christine Clancy	Debbie Deagan	Vincent Manna	In critical care
Bernice Campbell	Julianna Giordano	Patrick Fasco	Has undergone several
Carley Barten	Chris Bagnasco	Carol Roth	major surgeries)
Gavin L. Turner	Elizabeth Giordano	Steve Caputo	Sydney Giardina
Michael Zenick	Adela Santamaria	Anthony Iovino	Eleanor Greene
Maria Manna	Medina	Richard Abbate	Richie Molloy
Michael Cappola	Kyllian Solinsky	Tony Perfetti	Donale Kenzie
Viola Cleo Bradshaw	Sunie Riviera	Barbara Alfonso	Robyn Kenzie
Rafael Tabudlo	Amilia Ascencio	Carla Christine	Rita McDougal
Bringas	Adela Santamaría	Prosper Champagne	Michael Bustillo
			Michael Guadagnoli

## REZAMOS POR LOS QUE HAN MUERTO.....

## WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED...

Martin Palmer, Teofilo Blanco, Mariann Nusslein

## WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE IN THE MILITARY...

## ORAMOS POR AQUELLOS QUE SIRVEN EN LAS FUERZAS ARMADAS...

Vladimir Julien - Naval Chief in Okinawa Japan  
 John Gaeta - Lnc. Corporal USMC Northern Europe  
 Cameron Crosby - Corporal Marines  
 Dillon Puglisi - STSSR US Navy, Guam  
 Patrick Simons, Lieutenant, US Navy  
 Daniel Tilghman

### We have refreshed our Military Prayer List

If you wish to place someone on the military prayer or sick list, please go to parish website and click on "Forms" and "Prayer Requests", or call the parish office.

<https://saintbrigid.net> - 516.334.0021 ext. 300



# THE MASS

## FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 18

### MONDAY/LUNES SEPTEMBER 18

7:00am - Donald Engelhart (Anniversary)  
12:10pm - Donald Engelhart

### TUESDAY/MARTES SEPTEMBER 19

7:00am - DaCosta Family  
12:10pm - Sister Gerri O'Neil

### WEDNESDAY/MIERCOLES SEPTEMBER 20

7:00am - James & Kristen Bryceland  
12:10pm - Helen, Louis & Louis Jr. Ferolito  
7:30pm - Divina Misericordia

### THURSDAY/JUEVES SEPTEMBER 21

7:00am - Albert Sargent  
12:10pm - Ellen Palmer

### FRIDAY/VIERNES SEPTEMBER 22

7:00am - Marion Nana Cassidy (Anniversary)  
12:10pm - Mary Brennan

### SATURDAY/SABADO SEPTEMBER 23

8:00am - Novena Mass -  
5:00pm - Leo Pesquira (Birthday)  
7:00pm - Eleazar Pichardo

### SUNDAY/DOMINGO SEPTEMBER 24

7:00am (English) - Ralph Zeolla  
8:00am (Spanish)\* - Jose Sergio Bonilla (12 años de fallecida)  
8:30am (Italian) - Carmina Buffolino, Michele D'Alessandro,  
Angela Piscitelli, Antonietta Iadevaia  
9:30am (English)\* -  
10:00am (English) - Yolanda Cody, Ottavio Thomas Lagnese,  
Kathryn Riley (Birthday), Raymond Thomen, Leonido Maala  
10:45am (Spanish)\*-  
11:30am (English) - Mary Rafferty Malitzis  
12:15am (Spanish)\* - Miguel Enrique Ayala  
2:30pm (Kreyol) - Mr. & Mrs. Denis and Family (In  
Thanksgiving), Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Roosevelt Modestil  
(Anniversary)  
6:00pm (English) - Christina Perotti

*\*Mass is celebrated in Our Lady's Chapel - 101 Maple Avenue  
Daily Masses are celebrated in the Church.*

## Looking Ahead....25th Sunday Ordinary Time

*Consider praying this prayer from the Roman Missal that will be part of our liturgy for next Sunday:*

*O God, who founded all the commandments of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbor, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life. Through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.*

*Consider rezoar esta oración del Misal Romano que será la parte de nuestra liturgia para el próximo domingo.:*

*Señor Dios, que has hecho del amor a ti y a los hermanos la plenitud de todo lo mandado en tu santa ley, concédenos que, cumpliendo tus mandamientos, merezcamos llegar a la vida eterna. Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, El que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo y es Dios por los siglos de los siglos.*

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Here is some basic information about our parish community. Visit [www.saintbrigid.net](http://www.saintbrigid.net) for more detailed information or call the Parish Office at 516.334.0021 e-mail [frontdesk@saintbrigid.net](mailto:frontdesk@saintbrigid.net)

## PARISH LEADERSHIP

**Fr. Nesly Jean Jacques, SMM**

*Associate Pastor*

**Fr. Andres Velez**

*Associate Pastor*

**Fr. Alfred Emeka Okakpu**

*In Residence*

**Rev. Msgr. James Vlaun**

*In Residence*

**Deacon Jim Morris**

**Deacon Frank Pesce**

**Deacon Manuel Ramos**

**Ximena Aravena**

*St. Brigid's Food Pantry*

**Vince Buzzeo**

*Director of Confirmation*

*Preparation*

**Marcel Catafago**

*Business Manager*

**Yanira Chacon-Lopez**

*Director of Outreach*

*Casa Mary Joanna*

**Paul Clagnaz**

*Regional School Principal*

**Jacqueline DeLeon**

*Director of Family Faith*

*Formation*

**Susan Porteus**

*Director of Music*

**Barbara Powell**

*St. Brigid's Well*

**Johanna Rodriguez**

*Director of Youth Activities*

**Fr. John Sureau,**

**Pastor**

[fatherjohn@saintbrigid.net](mailto:fatherjohn@saintbrigid.net)

## We Celebrate the Eucharist (Mass)

**Saturday Evening** (Church - Post Avenue) 5:00 pm (English) - 7:00 pm (Spanish)

**Sunday (Church- Post Avenue)** 7:00 am (English) - 8:30 am (Italian) - 10:00 am (English) 11:30 am (English) - 2:30 pm (Kreyol) - 6:00 pm (English)

**Sunday (Our Lady's Chapel in the School - 101 Maple Avenue)**

8:00 am (Spanish) - 9:30 am (English) - 10:45 am (Spanish) 12:15 pm (Spanish)

**Daily Mass (Monday - Friday):** 7 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. (St. Brigid's Church)

**Wednesday (Spanish):** 7:30 p.m. (St. Brigid's Church)

Saturday Mornings: 8 a.m. (St. Brigid's Church)

## We Welcome Sinners/

### Damos la Bienvenida a Los Pecadores

Confessions are heard Monday - Friday after the 12:10 p.m. Mass,

Wednesdays from 6:45- 7:15 p.m.

Saturdays from 4- 4:45 p.m. and 6:15-6:45 p.m.

Habr  confesiones de lunes a viernes despu s de la misa de las 12:10 p.m.

Mi rcoles de 6:45 pm a 7:15 p. m.

S bados de 4:00 pm a 4:45 p.m. y 6:15-6:45 p. m.

## Celebramos el Bautismo/

### We Celebrate Baptism

For more information about celebrating the baptism of your child, please contact the Parish Office at 516.334.0021 or email

[frontdesk@saintbrigid.net](mailto:frontdesk@saintbrigid.net) to set a baptism intake appointment.

For children above the age of 7 and adults who desire baptism or confirmation, please contact the Office of Faith Formation at 516.334.0021 or email [faithformation@saintbrigid.net](mailto:faithformation@saintbrigid.net).

Para obtener m s informaci n sobre c mo celebrar el bautismo de su hijo, comun quese a la Oficina Parroquial al 516.334.0021 o env e un correo electr nico a [frontdesk@sainOficinatbrigid.net](mailto:frontdesk@sainOficinatbrigid.net) para programar una cita inicial para el bautismo. . Para ni os mayores de 7 a os y adultos que deseen bautizarse o confirmarse, comun quese con la de Formaci n en la Fe al 516.334.0021 o env e un correo electr nico a [Faithformation@saintbrigid.net](mailto:Faithformation@saintbrigid.net).

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

## **We Love Children and Families at St. Brigid's!**

### **¡Nos encantan los niños y las familias en Santa Brígida!**

For information about St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope Regional School, please call (516) 333-0580 (or scan this QR code). For information about our Faith Formation Program, for public school children in Grades 1-12, go to [saintbrigid.net](http://saintbrigid.net) or call the Parish Office at (516) 334-0021, ext. 352



Para obtener información sobre la Escuela Regional St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope, llame al (516) 333-0580 (o escanee este código QR. Para obtener información sobre nuestro Programa de Formación en la Fe, para niños de escuelas públicas en los grados 1-12, visite [saintbrigid.net](http://saintbrigid.net) o llame a la Oficina Parroquial al (516) 334-0021, extensión 352

## **¡Nos encantan las bodas! / We Love Weddings!**

Comuníquese con la Oficina Parroquial o envíe un correo electrónico a [frontdesk@saintbrigid.net](mailto:frontdesk@saintbrigid.net) para programar una cita inicial. Para aquellos que están casados por lo civil y desean que su matrimonio sea reconocido por la Iglesia, llamen a la Oficina Parroquial. Los planes deben hacerse por lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha deseada para la boda.

Please contact the Parish Office or email [frontdesk@saintbrigid.net](mailto:frontdesk@saintbrigid.net) to schedule an initial intake. For those who are married civilly and desire to have their marriages recognized by the Church, please call the Parish Office. Plans should be made at least six months before your desired wedding date.

## **We Care for the Sick and the Homebound/**

### **Nos preocupamos por los enfermos y los confinados en casa**

Just because you may not be able to come to St. Brigid's does not mean you are any less a part of our parish family. If you or a loved one would like to receive communion at home or be anointed by a priest, please contact the Parish Office.

El hecho de que no pueda venir a Santa Brígida, no significa que no sea parte de nuestra familia parroquial. Si usted o un ser querido desea recibir la comunión en casa o ser ungido por un sacerdote, comuníquese con la Oficina Parroquial.

## **Oramos ante el Santísimo Sacramento/**

### **We Pray Before the Blessed Sacrament**

La exposición del Santísimo Sacramento se lleva a cabo en la Iglesia de lunes a viernes desde la 1 p.m. hasta las 5 p. m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in the Church Monday - Friday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

## **We Want to Help/Queremos Ayudar**

Our parish offices are located at St. Anthony Hall - 85 Post Avenue, Westbury, NY. Office hours are Monday - Friday from 12 Noon to 8 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please call us at (516) 334-0021 or e-mail to [frontdesk@saintbrigid.net](mailto:frontdesk@saintbrigid.net)

Nuestras oficinas parroquiales están ubicadas en St. Anthony Hall - 85 Post Avenue, Westbury, NY. El horario de oficina es de lunes a viernes de 12:00pm a 8:00pm, sábado y domingo de 9 am-3:00 pm.

Llámenos al (516) 334-0021 o envíe un correo electrónico a [frontdesk@saintbrigid.net](mailto:frontdesk@saintbrigid.net).

