



St. Brigid's R.C. Church



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT + EL SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

10 December 2023





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Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, ruega por nosotros!
Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!



THIS TUESDAY, December 12, 2023

Mass of Our Lady of Guadalupe - 8 p.m. - Our Lady's Chapel

Coronation of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Liturgy will be celebrated in Spanish and English

MARTES, 12 DE DICIEMBRE 2022

Misa de La Virgen de Guadalupe - 8 p.m. - Capilla

Coronacion de la Virgen de Guadalupe

La misa se celebrará en español e inglés.



All are welcome, wanted and needed at this beautiful liturgy!



THE PRESEPIO

Advent and Christmas at St. Brigid's

Take a journey of Faith and Commitment at the 31st presentation of St Brigid's Presepio located in the north transept of St Brigid's Church. Travel with Mary and Joseph during Advent along the road in our "moving piece of art" from modern Westbury to 17th 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 day until January 13th and take a beautiful faith journey! You will not be disappointed!

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

BAMBINELLI SUNDAY



DECEMBER 17

BRING THE BABY JESUS FIGURE FROM YOUR HOME NATIVITY SCENE TO ANY CHURCH OR CHAPEL MASS FOR A SPECIAL BLESSING.

THE BLESSING OF THE BAMBINELLI IS A ROMAN TRADITION WE CELEBRATE AT ST. BRIGID'S.



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

MSCR. CODE AUDITORIUM
IN THE SCHOOL

BREAKFAST IS SERVED AT 10:30 AM
(AFTER THE FAMILY MASS)

ENJOY PANCAKES, SAUSAGE,
CEREAL, BAGELS, AND MORE!

MEET SANTA!

TICKETS ARE ONLY \$10 EACH!
(CHILDREN 2 AND YOUNGER ARE FREE)

USE THIS QR CODE
TO ORDER
YOUR TICKETS





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Simbang Gabi

SIMBANG GABI LITERALLY MEANS NIGHT MASS. IT IS A FILIPINO TRADITION OF A 9-DAY NOVENA MASS DURING THE SEASON OF ADVENT, IN PREPARATION FOR THE BIRTH OF JESUS AT CHRISTMAS. THE CELEBRATION OF THESE MASSES TYPICALLY START EARLY IN THE MORNING AROUND 3AM OR 4AM. WE'LL BEGIN A LITTLE LATER AT ST. BRIGID'S :)

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15 -
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23**

**7:30 P.M. +
OUR LADY'S
CHAPEL**

(ON 12/21 - MASS WILL BE
CELEBRATED IN THE
CHURCH)



Filipinos proudly bring this Simbang Gabi tradition with them as they migrate all over the world. Here in the United States, the practice of holding dawn masses seems to have been modified due to cold weather. In most parishes, the Simbang Gabi is being celebrated at night around 7pm or 8pm. The Simbang Gabi, as a Eucharistic celebration, is our highest form of worship regardless of our race, color, and origin. It is a celebration of our Catholic Faith in which everyone is highly invited.



CAMINOS DIFÍCILES

Querida familia parroquial:

Les escribo esta noche - faltando horas y minutos para la fecha límite del boletín - desde la oficina de Formación de la Fe en el edificio de la escuela. Los martes y algunos miércoles, intento pasar parte de la tarde en esta zona de la parroquia. Mientras escribo, acabo de reunirme con los padres del Primer Año de Confirmación, precedido de una reunión con las familias que se preparan para la comunión, precedida de clases con los alumnos de 7º y 8º del colegio. Mientras escribo, oigo los vítores (y tal vez un abucheo o demasiado) del juego CYO por el pasillo.

Pienso en cada uno de estos esfuerzos en la vida parroquial aquí en Maple Avenue. Honestamente, ninguno de estos ministerios es fácil. El trabajo de una escuela católica y todo lo que conlleva es monumental, especialmente una escuela con una misión como la Escuela Católica Regional Santa Brígida/Nuestra Señora de la Esperanza. Siempre hay algunas colinas que subir. Pasar a un modelo más familiar en la formación de la fe no está exento de baches y críticas. Es un camino diferente que llama a las familias a caminar un poco diferente. Algunos caminos difíciles (y los mensajes de Facebook, he oído) en estos días. Tratar de ser un centro para CYO y crear un programa de atletismo que sea inclusivo, seguro y edificante nunca ha sido una tarea fácil. Gracias a Dios por algunos increíbles voluntarios que han dado apertura para ver algunos nuevos caminos.

Considero esto mientras empiezo a trabajar en la homilía de este domingo. Las lecturas nos ofrecen imágenes de carreteras enderezadas, valles rellenados, colinas reducidas y caminos accidentados allanados. Las lecturas prometen que estas cosas sucederán. No estoy seguro de que vivamos como si creyéramos en esta promesa de Adviento.

En mi caso, sé que hay que allanar los caminos difíciles, despejar las cosas, eliminar los obstáculos. Me convenzo de que soy yo quien tiene que hacerlo. En lugar de escuchar a los profetas -Isaías y Juan el Bautista- hoy me encuentro escuchando a mi propio ego. ¿Tal vez tú también, a veces? Tenemos que hacerlo. Este es el siguiente paso que tenemos que dar. Esto tiene que cambiar. Afirmaciones como ésta pueden ser ciertas, por cierto. Sólo hace falta que haya menos yo y nosotros. Porque cuando se trata más de lo que tengo que hacer o de lo que tenemos que hacer, ¿qué ocurre? La frustración y todo lo que conlleva. Ira, resentimiento, dolor, decepción, preocupación, miedo, ansiedad, etcétera.

Ahora me doy más cuenta de por qué es así. No estoy destinado a ser ingeniero en estos momentos. Dios lo es. La llamada del Adviento no es que yo haga los caminos rectos o las colinas más bajas o los senderos más llanos. Eso es obra de Dios. Por eso rezamos estos días por un Mesías. No rezamos para serlo, sino para recibirlo. No para que podamos hacer la obra del Mesías, sino para que dejemos que el Mesías nos haga a nosotros y al mundo en el que vivimos.

Cuando pienso en las obras en las que estoy involucrado -tanto personales como ministeriales- sé que lucho con esta realidad. A menudo olvido que Jesús vino para acompañarme en todos los momentos de mi vida: buenos y malos, fuertes y débiles, desesperados y llenos de esperanza. Esto no significa que seamos inactivos o pasivos. Esta no es la vida del discípulo. Significa que estamos activos y comprometidos con Jesús antes de trabajar en los desafíos que tenemos ante nosotros, ya sean personas, lugares o cosas.

Me siento frustrado cuando conduzco, a menudo de noche. Últimamente, me parece que tardo una eternidad en llegar a cualquier sitio. Lo que antes era un trayecto de 30 minutos a casa de mi madre, ahora, algunas noches de fin de semana, me lleva entre 45 minutos y una hora. Hace unas semanas, cuando volvía a casa desde la casa de acogida -cerca de las 11 de la noche- había tráfico y retrasos... un trayecto largo se hizo aún más largo.

Me doy cuenta de que la causa de gran parte de este tráfico está relacionada con las obras que se están llevando a cabo en las carreteras. Se están haciendo mayores inversiones en nuestras infraestructuras y, lo sé, es para mejor. En las últimas semanas ha habido varios desvíos, carreteras en mal estado mientras se preparaban para su pavimentación, etcétera. Supongo que nos irá mejor. Probablemente no haya mucho que podamos hacer al respecto.

Lo mismo ocurre con algunos de los bloqueos y obstáculos de nuestras propias vidas. Si confiamos en que Jesús camina con nosotros y le dejamos tomar la iniciativa, creo que probablemente descubriremos que somos mejores por ello en todas las áreas de nuestras vidas.

Por favor, oren por mí. Prometo hacer lo mismo.

Feather



THE PASTOR'S POST

ROUGH ROADS

Dear Parish Family:

I am writing tonight - with hours and minutes to the bulletin deadline - from the Faith Formation office in the school building. On Monday, Tuesday and some Wednesday afternoons, I try to spend parts of the afternoon in this area of the parish. As I type, we have just met with Confirmation Year I parents, preceded by a meeting with families preparing for communion, preceded by classes with 7th and 8th graders in the school. As I type now, I hear the cheers (and maybe a boo or too) from the CYO game down the hall.

I think of each of these endeavors in parish life down here at Maple Avenue. Honestly, none of these ministries is easy. The work of a Catholic school and all it entails is monumental, particularly a school with such a mission as St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope Regional Catholic School. There are always some hills to climb. Moving to more of a family model in Faith Formation is not without its bumps and criticisms. It's a different path that calls families to walk a little differently. Some rough roads (and Facebook posts, I hear) these days. Trying to be a center for CYO and creating a program of athletics that's inclusive, safe, secure, and uplifting has never been an easy task. Thank God for some incredible volunteers with an openness to see some new paths.

I consider this as I also have started work on this Sunday's homily. The readings give us the images of highways made straight, valleys filled in, hills reduced, and rough roads smoothed out. The readings promise these things will happen. I'm not sure we live like we believe this Advent promise.

For me, I know those rough roads need to be made smooth, things cleared out, roadblocks removed. I convince myself that I am the one that will need to do it. Instead of listening to the prophets - Isaiah and John the Baptist - today, I can find myself listening to my own ego. Maybe you too, at times? We have to get this done. This is the next step we need to take. This has to change. Statements like this can be true, by the way. There just needs to be less of me and we. For when it's more about what I need to do or we need to do, what happens? Well, frustration is sure to follow and all that comes with that...anger, resentment, hurt, disappointment, worry, fear, anxiety, and so on.

I realize more now why that is! I'm not meant to

be an engineer in these moments. God is. The call of Advent isn't that I make the roads straight or the hills lowers or the paths smoother. That's God's work. That is why we pray about a Messiah these days. We pray not that we can be the Messiah but that we can receive one. Not that we can do the work of the Messiah, but that we might let the Messiah work in us and the world we live in.

As I think of the works I am involved in - both personal and ministerial - I know I struggle with this reality. I can often forget Jesus came so he can walk with me through the many moments of my life - good and bad, strong and weak, despairing and hope-filled. It does not mean that we are inactive or passive. This is not the life of the disciple. It does mean that we are active and engaged with Jesus before we work on the challenges before us - whether they be people, places, or things.

As I prepare to head back home, I find myself frustrated when driving, often at night. Lately, I feel like it takes forever to get anywhere. What used to be a 30 minute ride to my mom's house now on some weekend nights takes 45 minutes to an hour. A few weeks ago as I was driving home from the group home - close to 11 p.m. - there was traffic and delays...a long ride became even longer.

I realize that the cause for much of this traffic is actually related to a lot of road work getting done. Greater investments are being made in our infrastructure and, I know, this is for the better. Over the past few weeks there have been a number of detours, rough roads as they are being prepared for paving, and so on. I suppose we will be better off for it. There's probably not too much we can do about it.

The same is true with some of the road blocks and road work in our own lives. If we trust that Jesus walks with us and let him take the lead, I think we'll probably discover we're better for it in every area of our lives.

Please pray for me. I promise the same.

P.S. The picture on the front cover of the bulletin comes from a great artist, Brother Mickey McGrath. It was commissioned for Holy Innocents Church in Pennsylvania. You can learn more here - <https://www.bromickeymcgrath.com/>





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Lighting the Advent Wreath 2nd Sunday of Advent

Each day during the second week of Advent, at the evening meal, two purple candles are lighted. The following prayers accompany the lighting of the candles. All make the sign of the cross: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Someone at table reads the Scripture assigned to the liturgy of the day (one or both of the readings may be used - go to www.usccb.org). Then the Leader continues:

Leader: Lift up your hearts. **All respond:** We lift them up to the Lord.

The **Leader** prays:

God, the Father of mercies, you willed your Son to take flesh, in order to give life back to us. Bless these your gifts with which we are about to nourish our bodies, so that, receiving new strength, we may wait in watchfulness for the glorious coming of Christ.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

After the meal, the **Leader** says:

Let us live soberly, justly, and devoutly in this world as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ. All respond: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

As we begin the Camino of Advent, in preparation of the feast of Bethlehem, I encourage you to look out for angels in your daily life, they are definitely there. Be attentive to the signs pointing to the Child of hope and light, sidestep the Herods, and, instead, become instruments of kindness, angels, doing fewer things well, stone by stone, building slowly the secret of Bethlehem in yourself, in others and in the poor, devastated Holy Land. Small beginnings, greater ends.



-Fr. Michael Fish





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Prayer for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Our Lady of Guadalupe, O dark Madonna of the Americas, Come again to bring us the roses of compassion, justice and peace. In the midst of our winter,

Bestow your love on all those marginalized in these lands, and give us your gift to see dignity in the least of those among us. Amen.

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, Oh Virgen Morena de las Américas, ven de nuevo a traernos las rosas de compasión, justicia y paz. En medio de nuestro invierno concede tu amor a todos los marginados de estas tierras, y danos tu don de ver dignidad en los más pequeños de entre nosotros. Amén.

—Jane Deren, Education for Justice

“Waiting is essential to the spiritual life. But waiting as a disciple of Jesus is not an empty waiting. It is a waiting with a promise in our hearts that makes already present what we are waiting for. We are always waiting, but it is a waiting in the conviction that we have already seen God’s footsteps. As we wait we remember him for whom we are waiting, and as we remember him we create a community ready to welcome him when he comes.”

— Henri Nouwen, *Bread for the Journey*

Advent gives us time to make our perceptions finer. Spiritual insight sees with the eyes of the heart. The glitter that decks the halls triggers our love for the beauty of the earth. Our family and friends gathered around the tree and at the table reflect the dignity of our common humanity made in the image of God. When love illuminates, beholding follows—and then Christmas wonder and gratitude linger all year long. - -Fr. Richard Gula, SS

The end of the ages is already with us. The renewal of the world has been established, and cannot be revoked. In our era it is in a true sense anticipated: the Church on earth is already sealed by genuine, if imperfect, holiness. Yet, until a new heaven and a new earth are built as the dwelling place of justice, the pilgrim Church, - Lumen Gentium, 48

The soul that is attached to anything, however much good there may be in it, will not arrive at the liberty of divine union. For whether it be a strong wire rope or a slender and delicate thread that holds the bird, it matters not, if it really holds it fast; for, until the cord be broken, the bird cannot fly.

-St. John of the Cross, Feast Day, December 15

Every year we celebrate the holy season of Advent, O God. Every year we pray those beautiful prayers of longing and waiting, and sing those lovely songs of hope and promise.

-Karl Rahner





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for Parents and families who have lost a child in any way, from before birth to death of an adult child....

Mass for Healing and Hope

Tuesday, December 19, 2023 + 7:00 p.m.
in St. Brigid Church.

Homilist: Msgr. Jim Vlaun

Let us pray for and with one another in these days of Advent and Christmas. Please consider sending your child's name to spirituality@saintbrigid.net so we may remember them at the liturgy or leave a message at the front desk.

Fellowship with light refreshments to follow.



Las Posadas

The Journey to Christmas

BEGINS Saturday, December 16 through 24, 2023

Las Posadas - The Inns - is a beautiful Mexican religious tradition of journeying with Joseph and Mary from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Aware that Mary and Joseph had to make stops along the way, we journey to different homes throughout these final days of Advent, remembering the refuge and welcome offered to them.

Here at St. Brigid's, we symbolically journey from places in Westbury; New Cassel, Hicksville, and more. All are welcome - no matter what language you speak - from December 16 - December 24, 2023.

To learn the stops of this year's "Las Posadas" call the Parish office at 516-334-0021 or email to frontdesk@saintbrigid.net.

What a beautiful way for our parish to come together!





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VIDA FAMILIAR
FAMILY LIFE



Come be
an Angel or
Shepherd!

Come join us ~ Únete a nosotros

¡Audición para
un papel
principal!

Audition for a
Lead Role!

ST. BRIGID'S ANNUAL

¡Ven a
cantar!

Christmas Pageant Espectáculo de Navidad

Come to
sing!

REHEARSALS IN CHAPEL ENSAYOS EN LA CAPILLA

¡Ven a ser
ángel o
pastor!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6: 4:15 - 5:30PM

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13: 4:15 - 5:30PM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16: 9:30 - 11:00AM

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20: 4:15 - 5:30PM

PERFORMANCE: CHRISTMAS EVE AT 4:00PM

ACTUACIÓN: NOCHEBUENA A LAS 4:00PM

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE PAGEANT!



Scan for more information!



Advent Day of Confession

Monday, December 18th +1 - 8 p.m.

Give yourself a beautiful gift this Christmas and come to Advent. Priests will be available in the Church
66 Post Avenue
Westbury, NY 11590



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve

Sunday, December 24, 2023

4 p.m. - Church - English

5 p.m. - Chapel - English

(Pageant begins at 4 :30 p.m.)

6 p.m. - Church - English

7:30 p.m. - Chapel - Spanish

8:30 p.m. - Church - Spanish

12 Midnight - Church - English

12 Midnight - Chapel - Kreyol



Christmas Day

Monday, December 25, 2023

7:00 a.m. - Church - English

8:30 a.m. - Church - Italian

10:00 a.m. - Church - English

10:45 a.m. - Chapel - Spanish

11:30 a.m. - Church - English

12:15 p.m. - Chapel - Spanish

1:30 p.m. - Church - Kreyol

The 8 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Masses will NOT be celebrated on Christmas Day.



Church: 66 Post Avenue, Westbury
Our Lady's Chapel - 101 Maple Avenue,
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PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

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
Yanira Chacon
516.334.0021 x. 362
yanira@saintbrigid.net

THE WELL
Barbara Powell
516.334.0021 x. 361
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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

Can You Help?
Puede Ayudar?

We Are In Need of Wrapping Paper and Tape!
Necesitamos papel de regalo de Navidad

Please leave - favor dejarlo en/at Parish Center or Outreach Building



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.

- Bottles of Juice (any size)
- Cookies
- Laundry Detergent (any size)
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Baby Wipes

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

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CHRISTMAS HELP NEEDED

**PARISH OUTREACH AND CHURCH
DECORATING NEED YOUR HELP!**



Sign Up Today!!!

Name _____
Phone # _____
E-mail _____

_____ I can still sponsor a family of (circle one) 4 5 6 7 (or call 516.334.0021 x. 362 for more info)

OUTREACH

I can help on

- Saturday, December 16 - 11-4
- Sunday, December 17 - 11-4
- Monday, December 18 - 4-7
- I cannot help with the above, but here is my financial donation
- I love to shop! Let me know how I can help!

CHURCH DECORATING

Friday, December 22 - Times TBA



Gift Cards NEEDED!



Outreach is in need of \$25.00 gift cards to Walmart, Target, and the above food stores for Christmas.

Please place your gift cards in the weekly collection, or drop off at St. Anthony Hall or the Outreach Center.

Thank you for your help!



PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

We are here to serve and care for you!

St. Brigid's Angel Tree

Árbol de los Ángeles de Santa Brígida



**THIS
WEEKEND!**

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In addition to the Toy Drive, you may also take a tag from one of our Angel Christmas Trees in the Church or Our Lady's Chapel. Gifts should be returned - UNWRAPPED - with the tag on it NO LATER than December 10, 2023.

Además de la Colecta de Juguetes, usted también puede tomar una etiqueta de uno de nuestros Árboles de Navidad de Ángeles en la Iglesia o en la Capilla de Nuestra Señora. Los regalos deben ser devueltos - UNWRAPPED - con la etiqueta NO MÁS TARDE del 10 de diciembre de 2023.



Family FAITH FORMATION

Advent/Adviento

Pope Francis invites us to go and encounter God through prayer, patience, and works of charity. As we prepare ourselves for the coming of Christ through the celebration of Christmas, do this work with your children. Do it together, pray, show kindness to each other, and do works of charity for those in need this holiday season.

El Papa Francisco nos invita a ir al encuentro de Dios a través de la oración, la paciencia y las obras de caridad. Mientras nos preparamos para la venida de Cristo mediante la celebración de la Navidad, haz este trabajo con tus hijos. Háganlo juntos, oren, muestren bondad unos a otros y hagan obras de caridad para los necesitados en esta temporada.



Classes in Session- Clases en sesión

As I walk through the hall checking in on class sessions, I hear great things: “Our Father”, “What can we do with our families this Advent season”, and “Let us close our eyes and listen to our hearts.”

Mientras camino por el pasillo revisando las sesiones de clase escucho muy buenas cosas: “Padre nuestro”, “¿Qué podemos hacer con nuestras familias en este tiempo de Adviento?”, “Cerremos los ojos y escuchemos nuestro corazón”.





Family FAITH FORMATION



GRATEFUL

Some of the children share what they are grateful for this past November. Algunos de los niños comparten aquello por lo que están agradecidos en noviembre pasado.



HIGHLIGHTS FOR DECEMBER

- 12/17 Breakfast with Santa
- Christmas Pageant 12/24 @4p
- No classes 12/24 -1/6/2024

Please continue the Family Catechesis and come to mass - Holy Days of Obligation - Christmas mass and New Years day

AVISOS PARA DICIEMBRE

- 17/12 Desayuno con Papá Noel
- Concurso de Navidad 24/12 @4p
- No hay clases del 24/12 al 6/1/2024

Por favor continúe con la Catequesis Familiar y venga a misa - Días Santos de Obligación - misa de Navidad y Año Nuevo

Our families Need YOU!!!!

We still need "subs" and Hall Monitors Mondays and Tuesdays 5:30-6:45p.m.

Can you help us "once in a while"? This would be a huge help if you can cover a class for a catechist who may be sick or unable to teach one week. Works on your schedule and your convenience!!!

Por favor, sea voluntario

Todavía necesitamos "subs" y Monitores de Pasillo los lunes y martes 5:30-6:45p.m.

¿Puedes ayudarnos "de vez en cuando"? Sería una gran ayuda si puedes cubrir una clase para un catequista que puede estar enfermo o no puede enseñar una semana.

¡¡¡Trabaja en tu horario y a tu conveniencia!!!

Celebrating Christ the King - Celebrando a Cristo Rey



Family Faith Formation Office
faithformation@saintbrigid.net
516-334-0021



KOMINOTE AYISYÉN

Information about parish's Haitian community

- 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 infòmasyon 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.

GETTING READY FOR LENT 2024/PREPARÁNDONOS PARA CUARESMA 2024

As part of our planning for Lent 2024, we will have an At Home Retreat for our parish. In January, we will ask parishioners to join small faith sharing groups to pray about the Scriptures and grow closer to one another in our parish community. We will ask for parishioners to sign up in January 2024. For now, we are looking for group leaders and parishioners who are willing to host a small group 8-10 people in their homes. If you can help, please complete the form below or email to spirituality@saintbrigid.net

Name _____ Phone # _____ Email _____ @ _____

Language(s) Spoken: Spanish _____ English _____

YES! I can lead a small group! YES! I can host a small group in my home.



Como parte de nuestra planificación para la Cuaresma de 2024, tendremos un Retiro en Casa para nuestra parroquia. En enero, pediremos a los feligreses que se unan a pequeños grupos para compartir la fe, orar sobre las Escrituras y acercarse unos a otros en nuestra comunidad parroquial. Pediremos a los feligreses que se inscriban en enero de 2024. Por ahora, estamos buscando líderes de grupo y feligreses que estén dispuestos a acoger un pequeño grupo de 8-10 personas en sus casas. Si usted puede ayudar, por favor complete el siguiente formulario o mande un a spirituality@saintbrigid.net

Nombre _____ Teléfono: _____ Correo electrónico _____ @ _____

Idioma(s) que habla: Español _____ Inglés _____

¡Sí! ¡Puedo dirigir un grupo pequeño! ¡Sí! Puedo acoger upequeño grupo en mi casa.

LIFE @ ST. BRIGID'S



We Welcome the Newly Baptized

Mia Grace Aksionoff
Maëlle Irene Deniz Campbell
Nyla Joseph
David Carlos Mejia
Sara Luz Mejia
Francesco Posillico
Valentina Ward

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO ST. BRIGID PARISH

*Ms. Maria Velasques Figueroa
Mr. & Mrs. Jorge and Andrea Pedinha
The Cornejo Family*

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, December 19
from 10:30am to 12 noon
in the Parish Center
at St. Anthony Hall



WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

ORAMOS POR LOS QUE ESTAN ENFERMOS

Gloria Godwin	Guadalupe Acevedo	Michael Genzale	Fernando Raposo
Ashley Johnson	Rudimar Pegoraro	Elizabeth Pennisi	John Downey
Joel Wax	Kebira Begum	Grace Bivona	John Mangano, Sr.
Ana Divinia Siegel	Rita McDougall	Christine Clancy	Debbie Deagan
Jeannette Murphy	Joshua Bourassa	Bernice Campbell	Julianna Giordano
Liam S.	Michael Bustillo	Carley Barten	Chris Bagnasco
Miguel Henriquez	Bezerly Morton	Gavin L. Turner	Elizabeth Giordano
Rudy Capece	Scott Comunale	Michael Zenick	Adela Santamaria
Mario Constain, Jr.	Gordon Shaw	Maria Manna	Medina
Michael Pereira	Mary Ellen Ciento	Michael Cappola	Kyllian Solinsky
Catherine Dillon	Vincent Ciento	Viola Cleo Bradshaw	Sunie Riviera
Tony Perfetti	Raymond Thormne	Rafael Tabudlo	Amilia Ascencio
Debra Dibella	Ed Nolan	Bringas	Adela Santamaria
Jillian Breslin	Sabas Montero	Kimberly Bayron	Medina
José López	Kenneth Dudkewic	Dominic Modesto	Chris Agnaspol
Baby Marisol			

REZAMOS POR LOS QUE HAN MUERTO.....

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED...

Silvio Catena, Joeph Cumella, Hubert & Marisa Ruhs, Elia Iadevaia, Alexander Gorlesky, Frank Costa, Joan L. Dick, Luis A. Mujica, Biagio Vigliotti,

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
John M. Pereira

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 DECEMBER 11

MONDAY/LUNES DECEMBER 11

7:00am - Mary Catafago (Birthday)
12:10pm - William Lichtenberger

TUESDAY/MARTES DECEMBER 12

7:00am - DaCosta Family
12:10pm - Stella Celio (Birthday)
8:00pm - Maria Pineiro (Living)

WEDNESDAY/MIERCOLES DECEMBER 13

7:00am - Rita Fortino
12:10pm - St. Lucy (In Thanksgiving)
7:30pm - Maria Del Carmen Guzman

THURSDAY/JUEVES DECEMBER 14

7:00am - Luciano Cireseanu
12:10pm - Louis Biundo

FRIDAY/VIERNES DECEMBER 15

7:00am - Ann Kielczewski
12:10pm - Marie & Harry Cottam

SATURDAY/SABADO DECEMBER 16

8:00am - Novena Mass -
5:00pm - Joseph Nicholas Pascarella
7:00pm - Griselda Orante de Amaya y Luz de Maria Amaya

SUNDAY/DOMINGO DECEMBER 17

7:00am (English) - Charles Coyle
8:00am (Spanish)* - Lázaro Romero (Anniversary)
8:30am (Italian) - Michele D'Alessandro, Tony Posillico, Antonietta Iadevaia, In Thanksgiving to Santa Lucia, Salvatore Posillico, Biagio Vigliotti
9:30am (English)* - Rev. Msgr. Dominick T. Graziadio
10:00am (English) - Giacomina Petti, Filippo & Angelina Petti, Sebastiano & Maddelena Abbatiello, John & Marilyn Graham & son Thomas Graham, Sandro Razzano, Paul Stanchfield, Gaetano & Teresa Lascavino, Dan, Lucy & Mary Ann Cremin
10:45am (Spanish)* - Emilio Gonzalez, Maria Rodriguez, Maria Mercedes Sanchez
11:30am (English) - Catherine Raffarty
12:15am (Spanish)* -
2:30pm (Kreyol) - Louise Alleyne (Living), Mr. & Mrs. Denis, In Thanksgiving (Living)
6:00pm (English)* - Kevin Logan (Birthday)

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

Looking Ahead... Third Sunday of Advent

Pray with next Sunday's readings and consider these questions:

First Reading + [Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11](#)

1. Why does Pope Francis say we can "experience" God when we do the things Isaiah suggests in the First Reading: "... to bring glad tidings to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release the prisoners"? What can you yourself do for the poor, the millions of children who are hungry right now, the brokenhearted, the prisoners or captives?

Second Reading + [1 Thessalonians 5:16-24](#)

How can you ensure that the Spirit has opportunities to work in you? How can anyone "rejoice always" when they are suffering? Do you know people who seem to do that? Do you find that all things work together for you if you love God? If you realize such a thing, could that be "praying without ceasing"?

Gospel + [John 1:6-8, 19-28](#)

The Gospel has John the Baptist saying to the questioners, "There is one among you whom you do not recognize ..." How about you? Do you recognize Christ in all the different faces and manners he comes to you each day?

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Here is some basic information about our parish community. Visit www.saintbrigid.net for more detailed information or call the Parish Office at 516.334.0021 e-mail frontdesk@saintbrigid.net

PARISH LEADERSHIP

Fr. Nesly Jean Jacques, SMM

Associate Pastor

Fr. Andres Velez

Associate Pastor

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

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)

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) - - 6:00 pm (English)

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  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 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.

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@saintbrigid.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 Oficina de Formaci n en la Fe al 516.334.0021 o env e un correo electr nico a 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 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 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 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 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 3 p. m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in the Church Monday - Friday from 1 p.m. to 3 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

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.

