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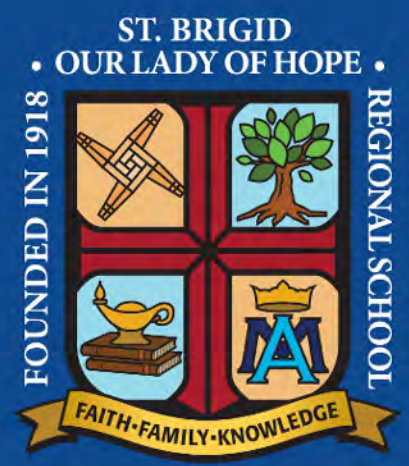


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Visit our Open House on Sunday, January 28 at 2 pm.



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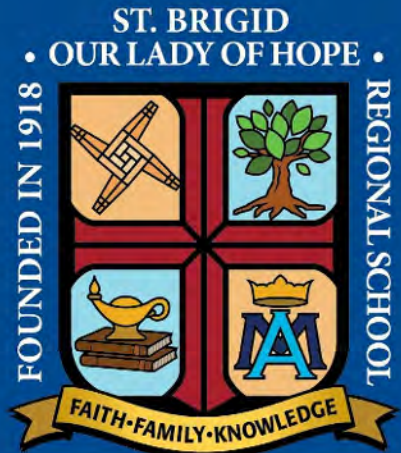


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Casa Abierta

Ven a visitarnos o unite a nosotros durante nuestra Casa Abierta el Domingo, 28 de enero a las 12 y 2 pm



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St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope Regional School Multicultural Celebration Celebración multicultural



Sunday, January 28, 2024
11:00 am in Msgr. Code Auditorium
domingo, 28 de enero de 2024
en el Auditorio Msgr. Code



Escuelas Católicas
Unidos en Fe y Comunidad

Estamos invitando a feligreses y miembros de la comunidad a compartir historias, comida, música, costumbres, artefactos, danzas, trajes típicos e idioma.



¿Te gustaría ser parte de esto? Utilice el código QR para enviar un correo electrónico al director Paul Clagnaz o llame a la oficina (516) 333-0580

We are inviting parishioners and community members to share stories, food, music, customs, artifacts, dance, costumes, and language.



*Would you like to be a part of it?
Use the QR Code to email Principal Paul Clagnaz or call the office (516) 333-0580*



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Our Catholic School



**REAL FOOD LIVE
WITH MSGR. JIM @ST. BRIGID'S!**

**An Elegant Evening
with Monsignor James C. Vlaun**

Saturday, March 9, 2024 + 7 p.m. + Code Auditorium

We are blessed to have Msgr. Jim as a priest here at St. Brigid's and we know he also has many other responsibilities in our Diocese. He hosts a cooking show on television called Real Food. On Saturday, March 9, 2024, he's going to bring Real Food to St. Brigid's for a live show right here on our campus!

Sponsorship Opportunities

*Opportunities for businesses, families and individuals to offset the cost of this awesome event to benefit our school.
Donations are tax-deductible.*

Sponsorship	Donation	Description
Event Sponsor	\$10,000	Pre-show access and preferred seating at dinner for table of ten, inside front or back cover ad in the journal, and commemorative journal.
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Bronze Sponsor	\$2,000	Seating at dinner for table of ten, full page ad, and commemorative journal.
VIP Session	\$250.00	Meet and Greet Monsignor Vlaun, pre-dinner Antipasto, seating at dinner, and commemorative journal.

**To purchase tickets, journal ads, or raffle tickets ONLINE, scan this QR code.
To register via phone, contact 516.334.0021 or email realfood@stbolh.org.**





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**REAL FOOD LIVE with
Msgr. Jim @St. Brigid's!**



Commemorative Journal

- Inside Front Cover...\$1,500**
- Inside Back Cover...\$1,500**
- Outside Back Cover...\$1,500**
- Gold Page...\$1,000**
- Silver Page...\$750**
- Full Page....\$400**
- Half Page....\$250**
- Quarter Page...\$150**

Camera Ready Art Sizes

- Gold, Silver and Full Page Ads
7"W x 10"H
- Half Page Ads 7" W x 5"H
- Quarter Page Ads 3.5"W x 5"H

As part of your journal ad, please consider sharing your favorite personal or family recipe.

Journal ads are due no later than February 16, 2024 to realfood@stbolh.org.



Individual Tickets

Individual Tickets are \$125.00.

Donations

I would love to support St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope School and the Real Food Dinner. I am unable to attend, but please accept my donation of _____.

Raffle Tickets

\$50.00 to enter a raffle to win one of five baskets prepared by the various cultural communities of St. Brigid's.

Help!

If you would like to help before or on the day of the event, scan the QR code or email to realfood@stbolh.org



To purchase tickets, journal ads, or raffle tickets ONLINE, scan this QR code.

Donations and tickets are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

To register via phone, contact 516.334.0021 or email realfood@stbolh.org.





THE PASTOR'S POST

SLEEP

Dear Parish Family:

I tend to sleep with the phone near my bed. At times it rings during the night. Sometimes, I'm on call in the parish. Most nights though it stays on the dresser where I leave it. This morning (early Wednesday), the phone when off at 2:45 a.m. It was the fire alarm company alerting us to a possible problem in the Church. I went over and fortunately nothing was wrong - likely just the result of the wind and rain from the storm. I took a few pictures of some wind related leaks we are having in the Church and the Rectory and then tried to get back to bed.

I am an early riser. I always have been. I try to get up at 4 a.m. or 4:30 a.m most days. I find that time of the day, for me, is the time I can just be before the life of the day begins. Over the past few months and especially over the past few weeks, probably since Advent, and as I battle a bad cold over the past few weeks, I have come to appreciate more the importance of sleep, of rest. Perhaps part of it is a winter cold, perhaps part of it is age, or maybe just a deeper self-awareness that it's OK to rest, to take a break.

The physiological and psychological studies surrounding a good night's rest are pretty clear for every aspect of the human person. The body needs to rest and in that rest a great deal of work happens that heals, strengthens, and restores the body and mind and spirit.

I know this is not a health column! I share this in consideration, particularly, of this Sunday's first reading. This is a beautiful reading about the call of God and our need to listen, to listen well, even in our sleep. Samuel is able to hear God's voice. Was it a dream? Or a loud voice that awoke him. Eli - who is in the midst of a difficult and anxious time in his own life - is able to discern this voice to recognize the voice of God and to help Samuel navigate the next steps. After some rest and a little help, Samuel is able to respond, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening!"

The Scriptures are filled with stories of God speaking to people in their sleep. Think of St. Joseph. He was ready to give up and walk away from what God has asked. In a dream, God speaks. Joseph responds essentially with the words of Samuel. Think of Joseph in

the Old Testament and how he helped others to see how God was speaking. The story of salvation history continues in its beginning when God speaks to Abraham in the book of Genesis.

It may not be in the ways of Joseph and Abraham and others, but sleep and rest will show in how we live our lives each and every day. If we're better rested, aren't we more likely to better handle the adversities and anxieties of the days? If we can sleep a little more, can we be stronger in facing temptations that come our way, especially those that can impact the temple of our bodies as St. Paul warns us? If our minds are more rested, can't we better reason things out and make better decisions? If our eyes are closed (get off those devices at night!), are we better able to see the presence of Jesus in our midst as the disciples do in today's Gospel? If we give our bodies, minds, ears, and mouths a rest, isn't it true we're better able to focus, better able to listen to others and be present to them, better able to be present in our prayer with the Lord? If we have restored ourselves, are we not more resilient in the face of whatever comes our way or what we are called to do in the day ahead. Ultimately, these are all better responses for disciples to make each day, no?

You might be reading this and saying, "Fr. John, you don't know my life." This is true. We are called to live in different ways and at the different times in our lives. Some of us care for our loved ones - older and younger - and extended sleep is just not possible. For others, we face some health issues that makes sleep a little harder at times and moments. If you think I'm sleeping the suggested eight hours a night, forget it!

Perhaps the images of Eli and Samuel are reminders for us to find some times and places to rest, even if it's a power nap or just sitting quietly in our homes or another place during the day. If we're still and at rest, maybe it's a little easier for us to hear and find that presence of God.

Actually, it'll make it easier for God to find us!

So, what do you think?

Before you answer, sleep on it!

Please pray for me - I promise the same.



Fr. John



THE PASTOR'S POST

DORMIR

Dear Parish Family:

Suelo dormir con el teléfono cerca de la cama. A veces suena durante la noche. A veces, estoy de guardia en la parroquia. Sin embargo, la mayoría de las noches se queda en la cómoda, donde lo dejo. Esta mañana (madrugada del miércoles), el teléfono sonó a las 2.45. Era la compañía de la alarma de incendios, que nos alertaba de un posible problema en la iglesia. Fui y, afortunadamente, no había nada mal - probablemente sólo fue el resultado del viento y la lluvia de la tormenta. Tomé algunas fotos de algunas goteras relacionadas con el viento que estamos teniendo en la Iglesia y la Rectoría y luego traté de volver a la cama.

Soy madrugador. Siempre lo he sido. Intento levantarme a las cuatro o cuatro y media de la mañana la mayoría de los días. Para mí, es el momento del día en el que puedo estar tranquilo antes de que empiece la vida cotidiana. En los últimos meses, y especialmente desde Adviento, y mientras lucho contra un fuerte resfriado en las últimas semanas, he llegado a apreciar más la importancia del sueño, del descanso. Tal vez en parte se deba a un resfriado invernal, tal vez a la edad, o tal vez simplemente a que debo tomar conciencia de que está bien descansar, tomarse un respiro.

Los estudios fisiológicos y psicológicos en torno a un buen descanso nocturno son bastante claros para todos los aspectos de la persona humana. El cuerpo necesita descansar y en ese descanso se produce una gran cantidad de efectos que cura, fortalece y restaura el cuerpo y la mente y el espíritu.

Sé que ésta no es una columna sobre salud. Lo comparto considerando la primera lectura de este domingo en particular; trata de una hermosa lectura sobre la llamada de Dios y nuestra necesidad de escuchar, de escuchar bien, incluso mientras dormimos. Samuel es capaz de oír la voz de Dios. ¿Fue un sueño? ¿O una voz fuerte que lo despertó? Elí -que se encuentra en medio de un momento difícil y angustioso en su propia vida- es capaz de discernir esta voz para reconocer la voz de Dios y ayudar a Samuel a dar los siguientes pasos. Tras un poco de descanso y un poco de ayuda, Samuel es capaz de responder: "¡Habla, Señor, que tu siervo escucha!".

Las Escrituras están llenas de historias de Dios hablando a la gente mientras duerme. Piensa en San José. Estaba dispuesto a rendirse y alejarse de lo que Dios le había pedido. En un sueño, Dios habla. José responde esencialmente con las palabras de Samuel. Piensa en Jose en el Antiguo Testamento y en cómo ayudó a otros a

descubrir cómo hablaba Dios. La historia de la salvación continúa en su principio cuando Dios habla a Abraham en el libro del Génesis.

Puede que no sea a la manera de José y Abraham y otros, pero el sueño y el descanso se notarán en cómo vivimos nuestras vidas cada día. Si estamos mejor descansados, ¿no es más probable que manejemos mejor las adversidades y ansiedades de los días? Si podemos dormir un poco más, ¿no seremos más fuertes para afrontar las tentaciones que se nos presenten, especialmente las que pueden afectar al templo de nuestro cuerpo, como nos advierte San Pablo? Si nuestra mente está más descansada, ¿no podemos razonar mejor las cosas y tomar mejores decisiones? Si nuestros ojos están cerrados (¡apaga esos aparatos por la noche!), ¿somos más capaces de ver la presencia de Jesús en medio de nosotros como hacen los discípulos en el Evangelio de hoy? Si damos un descanso a nuestros cuerpo, mente, oídos y boca, ¿no es cierto que somos más capaces de concentrarnos, más capaces de escuchar a los demás y estar presentes para ellos, más capaces de estar presentes en nuestra oración con el Señor? Si nos hemos restaurado, ¿no somos más resistentes ante lo que se nos presente o lo que nos toque hacer en el día que tenemos por delante? En definitiva, estas son las mejores respuestas que los discípulos pueden dar cada día, ¿no?

Puede que estés leyendo esto y digas: "P. John, no conoces mi vida". Esto es verdad. Estamos llamados a vivir de diferentes maneras y en diferentes momentos de nuestras vidas. Algunos de nosotros cuidamos de nuestros seres queridos -mayores y pequeños- y simplemente no es posible prolongar el sueño. Para otros, nos enfrentamos a algunos problemas de salud que hacen que dormir sea un poco más difícil en ocasiones y momentos. Si crees que duermo las ocho horas sugeridas por noche, ¡olvídalo!

Tal vez las imágenes de Elí y Samuel nos recuerden que debemos encontrar un momento y un lugar para descansar, aunque sea una siesta reparadora o simplemente sentarnos en silencio en nuestras casas o en otro lugar durante el día. Si estamos quietos y en reposo, quizá nos resulte más fácil escuchar y encontrar la presencia de Dios.

En realidad, ¡le será fácil a Dios encontrarnos! ¿Qué te parece? Antes de contestar, ¡consúltalo con la almohada!

Por favor, rezad por mí, les prometo lo mismo.

Feather

Lenten Retreat @ Home

This year, we are asking parishioners to “retreat” with us in a different way by joining a small group for the five weeks of Lent. Ash Wednesday begins on February 14, 2024....a little over one month away!

Why? We are used to doing big things at St. Brigid’s, right? It is sometimes really valuable to be in a smaller setting to share faith in different ways. It will be a chance for us to pray in a smaller setting and grow closer to Christ and to one another. I hope and pray that small groups will help us to get to know one another better as we walk together in these days.

What? Each week, a group will gather to pray over the scriptures, share about the Lenten journey, and we hope, come closer to Christ in the Eucharist. Of course, there will be some time for fellowship and I hope a snack or two!

Where? This group will meet in a fellow parishioner’s home or at St. Brigid’s and be led by a trained facilitator. Groups will be led in Spanish or English.

SIGN UP TODAY!!!! use the QR code and return the form in the collection basket or call at 516.334.0021

Name _____

Address (helpful to assign you to a group closer to you...)

Phone # _____

Email _____@_____



Days Available (Circle all that apply): Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Best time of Day (Circle all that apply): Morning Afternoon Evening

I am interested in leading to lead a small group.

I am willing to host a small group.



LENT @ St. Brigid's

RETIRO DE CUARESMA EN CASA

Este año, pedimos a los feligreses que se "retiren" con nosotros de una manera diferente, uniéndose a un pequeño grupo durante las cinco semanas de Cuaresma. El Miércoles de Ceniza comienza el 14 de febrero de 2024.... ¡falta poco más de un mes!

¿Por qué? Estamos acostumbrados a hacer grandes cosas en St. Brigid, ¿verdad? A veces es muy valioso estar en un ambiente más pequeño para compartir la fe de diferentes maneras. Será una oportunidad para que oremos en un entorno más pequeño y crezcamos más cerca de Cristo y de los demás. Espero y rezo para que los grupos pequeños nos ayuden a conocernos mejor mientras caminamos juntos en estos días.

¿Cómo? Cada semana, un grupo se reunirá para orar sobre las escrituras, compartir sobre el viaje de Cuaresma, y esperamos, acercarse a Cristo en la Eucaristía. Por supuesto, también habrá tiempo para el compañerismo y espero que algún que otro refrigerio.

¿Dónde nos reuniremos? Este grupo se reunirá en la casa de un feligrés o en Santa Brígida y será dirigido por un facilitador capacitado. Los grupos serán dirigidos en español o inglés.

¡¡¡¡INSCRIBETE HOY!!!! Utilice el código QR y devuelva el formulario en la cesta de recogida or
o llame al 516.334.0021.

Name _____

Dirección (útil para asignarte a un grupo más cercano...)

Teléfono: _____

Email _____@_____

Días disponibles Lunes Martes Miércoles Jueves Viernes Sábado

Mejor momento del día Mañana Tarde Noche

___ Estoy dispuesto a dirigir un grupo pequeño.

___ Estoy dispuesto a ser anfitrión de un grupo pequeño.



Christmas



Epiphany Concert

On Friday, January 5, members of our music ministry came together for evening of prayer, tradition and music. Special thanks to each of the groups and choruses that came together and to Susan Porteus, our Director of Music, for organizing the evening!

El viernes 5 de enero, los miembros de nuestro ministerio de música se reunieron en una velada de oración, tradición y música. Un agradecimiento especial a cada uno de los grupos y coros que se reunieron y a Susan Porteus, nuestra Directora de Música, por organizar la velada.



Christmas



Epiphany Sunday

El domingo 7 de enero, nuestra Comunidad Italiana organizó un acto especial con motivo del Domingo de Reyes. Invitando a las familias y comunidades a traer sus nacimientos y presentando la historia de la Natividad, ofrecieron a nuestra parroquia una hermosa manera de concluir la celebración de la Navidad. On Sunday, January 7, our Italian Community hosted a special event on Epiphany Sunday. Inviting families and communities to bring their nativities and presenting the story of the Nativity, they provided a beautiful way for our parish to conclude the celebration of Christmas.



PRAYER AND WORSHIP

WE WANT
YOUR
FEEDBACK



Mass Schedule Changes

Dear Parish Family,

When I spoke at the end of November, I shared with you some concerns regarding our Mass schedule. I want to reach out to you to ask for your input and consideration, if you wish to share it. Our hope is to implement a new Mass schedule on **Solemnity of Pentecost, May 19, 2024**.

Here are some thoughts for your consideration:

- St. Brigid's currently offer 12 Masses for a Sunday (2 on Saturday evening and 10 on Sunday)
- We presently have three assigned priests and one resident priest. We do not anticipate another associate being assigned to St. Brigid's.
- We do hope to have Fr. Alfred and Fr. Anthony assist in the summers but cannot rely on that for a number of reasons.
- It is not just about "numbers" i.e. attendance and collection, but that is a significant reality that needs to be part of our consideration.
- Any change to the Mass schedule will cause some discomfort for those who pray with us.
- Four of our masses (7 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 6 p.m.) have averaged under 110 persons since Fall 2023 in worship spaces that can hold between 300 and 400.
- The largest number of people attend Mass at St. Brigid's between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. (Sunday Mid morning)
- Many of our Spanish Masses are beyond the capacity of Our Lady's Chapel.
- Changing mass schedules will impact our music ministers and liturgical ministers.
- The schedule on Sunday mornings in Our Lady's Chapel needs to be better spaced out.
- There is a value to having Masses that more people attend ...greater sense of spirit, great participation of the community, etc.
- Whatever changes are made are not eternal, they are made with the present situation in mind and must always be
- Between 100-125 people attend Daily Mass at St. Brigid's each day. The one evening Mass we presently have (in Spanish) draws over 150 people. Perhaps another night time option might be considered?



Click the QR code to complete [the online survey](#). Paper copies are available at the doors of the Church and in St. Anthony Hall. Please take some time over the next few weeks to share your thoughts and ideas! We ask that all comments and considerations be made by January 31, 2024 so we can move to the next phase of planning.

Let's pray for each other during these times of change and transition.



PRAYER AND WORSHIP

¡QUEREMOS
SU
OPINIÓN!



Cambios en los horarios de las misas

Querida familia parroquial,

Cuando hablé a finales de noviembre, compartí con ustedes algunas preocupaciones con respecto a nuestro horario de las misas. Quiero llegar a ustedes para pedirles su opinión y consideración, si desean compartirla. Nuestra esperanza es implementar un nuevo horario de misas en **la Solemnidad de Pentecostés, el 19 de mayo de 2024.**

He aquí algunas ideas para su consideración:

- Sta. Brígida actualmente ofrece 12 misas en un domingo (2 el sábado por la tarde y 10 el domingo)
- Actualmente tenemos tres sacerdotes asignados y un sacerdote residente. No prevemos que se asigne otro asociado a Santa Brígida.
- Esperamos que el P. Alfred y el P. Anthony nos ayuden en los veranos, pero no podemos contar con ello por varias razones.
- No se trata sólo de "números", es decir, asistencia y recaudación, pero es una realidad significativa que debe formar parte de nuestra consideración.
- Cualquier cambio en el horario de las misas causará algunas molestias a quienes rezan con nosotros.
- Cuatro de nuestras misas (7 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. y 6pm) han promediado menos de 110 personas desde el otoño de 2023 en espacios de capacidad de un por medio de entre 300 y 400 personas.
- El mayor número de personas asisten a misa en Santa Brígida entre las 9:30 y las 11:30 a.m. (domingo a media mañana).
- Muchas de nuestras misas en español sobrepasan la capacidad de la Capilla de Nuestra Señora.
- Cambiar los horarios de las misas afectará a nuestros ministros de música y ministros litúrgicos.
- El horario de los domingos por la mañana en la Capilla de Nuestra Señora necesita ser mejor repartido el espacio.
- Hay un valor en tener misas a las que asista más gente... mayor sentido del espíritu, gran participación de la comunidad, etc.
- Los cambios que se hagan no son eternos, se hacen teniendo en cuenta la situación actual y deben ser siempre
- Entre 100 y 125 personas asisten a la misa diaria en Santa Brígida. La única misa nocturna que tenemos actualmente (en español) atrae a más de 150 personas. ¿Quizás se podría considerar otra opción nocturna?

Hay un enlace para una encuesta y copias en papel están disponibles en las puertas de la Iglesia y en el Salón de San Antonio. Por favor, tómese un tiempo en las próximas semanas para compartir sus pensamientos e ideas. Pedimos que todos los comentarios y consideraciones se hagan antes del 31 de enero de 2024 para que podamos pasar a la siguiente fase de planificación.



Recemos unos por otros durante estos tiempos de cambio y transición.



PRAYER AND WORSHIP

INTRODUCING THE ST. ZITA SOCIETY

CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Do you like to dust? Enjoy sweeping and mopping? Want those windows to shine beautifully? Love things to be neat and in order?

WE NEED YOU!

We seek her intercession as we seek volunteers to keep our Church cleaned up. A crew or two would meet at a set time during the week to keep our Church in tip top shape! Times and days to be decided!

For more information contact Fr. John at fatherjohn@saintbrigid.net or call 516.334.0021

Did you know that Saint Zita is the patron saint of housecleaners and domestic workers?

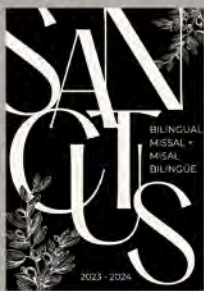


Where are the readings?

As was announced for many weeks, the Sunday readings in Spanish and English (Sanctus) and in English (Sunday's Word) were made available for all parishioners. The new music issues do not contain the readings. There are a few reasons for this change:

1. We will be able to use the music issues a little longer as opposed to changing them every year.
2. We want you to be able to take the readings homes with you. Each one of us should read and pray with the readings throughout the week so we are prepared for Sundays. (We have added new reflections questions in each issue of the bulletin to assist with this.)
3. Ideally, and I recognize this is not possible for each one of us, we should LISTEN to the readings at Mass, not read them. As the word of God is proclaimed and as we listen, we hope we can better hear God speaking to our hearts. We believe God speaks through his Word and we need to listen.

Additional copies of *Sunday's Word* are available at the main doors of the Church this week if you would like to take a copy home with you!



PRAYER AND WORSHIP

JOIN US FOR SOMETHING NEW A BOOK DISCUSSION

Back by popular demand St. Brigid's Book Discussion

This season we will be discussing *Sensible Shoes: A Story About the Spiritual Journey* by Sharon Garlough Brown. Join us as we spend time together on this journey.

Groups will meet on Monday Jan 22, Feb. 5 and Feb. 12 in St Anthony's. We will meet at 9-10:30 in the morning and 7-8:30 in the evenings.

Books are available on Amazon or at Barnes and Noble (on line and in store)

Please send an email to judi.k@saintbrigid.net or call the main office at 516-334-0021 to let us know you are coming and which session you will be attending.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Taize Prayer

**MONDAY,
JANUARY 29, 2024
7:30 P.M.**

Join us as we unwind from the Christmas rush and begin to prepare for Lent. The evening will consist of Scripture readings, quiet music, and time for personal reflection presented in the format of Taize prayer.

Join us in this wonderful evening. If you have come before, bring a friend. If you haven't, NOW is the time... Come pray with us!

LENT @ St. Brigid's



**Come join fellow St. Brigid's
parishioners and others...**

**...for a unique Lenten experience
Saturday March 16, 2024,
bus leaves at 7 am, show at 3 pm**



**A Sight and Sound Production
Lancaster, PA**

- **Limited Seating- 2 Buses**
- **Call front desk at 334-0021 to reserve early with payment**

**\$170/Adult + \$100/Child
*includes show, transportation,
light breakfast on bus and lunch***



ST. BRIGID'S LOVES FAMILIES



VIDA FAMILIAR FAMILY LIFE



Grade Level Liturgy at 9:30am Mass!
Liturgia de nivel de grado en la Misa de 9:30am

You're Invited! *¡Están Invitados!*

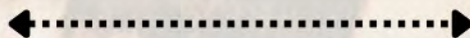
**JANUARY 21ST: GRADES 1&2
AND ALL WHO ARE PREPARING FOR
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

*Students in levels 1 & 2 in our Family Faith Formation Program
Students in grades 1 and 2 who attend St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope School
ALL who are preparing for First Holy Communion!*

WHEN: 9:30am Mass on January 21, 2024

WHERE: Our Lady's Chapel at the SCHOOL



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

CHILDREN'S CHOIR
will lead song on
January 21st.
Rehearsal after Mass on
January 14th.

**COFFEE
HOUR**
After Mass
in Code
Auditorium



Scan our QR code for questions or more information!



LIFE @ ST. BRIGID

IF YOU WOULD LIKE A STATEMENT OF YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS FOR THE 2023 CALENDAR YEAR, PLEASE CONTACT THE BUSINESS MANAGER, MARCEL CATAFAGO, BY SENDING AN EMAIL TO **MARCEL.C@SAINTBRIGID.NET**. INCLUDE YOUR NAME, YOUR ADDRESS, AND IF POSSIBLE, YOUR ENVELOPE NUMBER. YOU MAY ALSO CALL AT 516 334-0021 EXT 336. WE ARE EVER SO GRATEFUL FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT. THANK YOU

A parish like ours is only made special by the generosity of its parishioners. And we appreciate any amount of contributions and donations- no amount is too small or too large. We especially appreciate the automatic giving option using Vanco, as it assures a steady and predictable stream of revenue. It's safe and easy!

<https://saintbrigid.net/forms/contribute-to-st-brigids>

2024 Calendars

We apologize for the delay but there were some challenges in obtaining calendars for this year. We have now been able to do so. Limited copies should be available this weekend or next.

Thank you for your patience.



ATTENTION EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION



Please check your email this week for an email from Fr. John regarding our new scheduling program.

If you did not receive an email or do not have email, please contact Fr. John at 516.334.0021 or email to fatherjohn@saintbrigid.net





Safe Environment

PROMISE
to Protect



Pledge
to **HEAL**



SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

in St. Anthony Hall

All volunteers and employees at St. Brigid's are required to participate in a VIRTUS training course and to go through a background check. You can sign up for the VIRTUS classes by visiting www.drvc.org or clicking here: <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/index.cfm> We offer a class or two each month at St. Brigid's. You may take the class anywhere it is offered.

UPCOMING CLASSES AT ST. BRIGID'S
Wednesday, January 17, 2024
4:30 p.m.

Monday, January 22, 2024
7:00 p.m.

If you need help registering for the class or filling out paperwork, WE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU! Please contact the Parish Office - 516.334.0021 or email elvia.l@saintbrigid.net or irma.c@saintbrigid.net. Appointments available during the day and at night.

REMINDERS FOR VOLUNTEERS

Please check your email regularly to complete monthly updates. (Be sure to check your "spam" or "Junk" folder.)

PASTORAL INTERVENTION TEAM The dedicated telephone line for reporting allegations of sexual abuse (516-694-9063) continues to be available. If the caller does not reach someone directly, messages can be left on an answering machine connected to the phone. Those messages will be retrieved by a member of the Intervention Team and returned as soon as possible. All appropriate steps will be taken to protect the reputation and privacy of those involved. For more information on the Charter for the Protection of Children / Young People, please visit drvc.org.

Todos los voluntarios y empleados de St. Brigid's deben participar en un curso de formación VIRTUS y someterse a una verificación de antecedentes. Puede inscribirse en las clases de VIRTUS visitando www.drvc.org o haciendo clic aquí: <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/index.cfm>? Ofrecemos una o dos clases cada mes en St. Brigid's. Usted puede tomar la clase en cualquier lugar que se ofrece.

PRÓXIMAS CLASES EN ST. DE BRIGIDA

Miercoles, 17 de enero -
4:30 p.m. (inglés)
Lunes, 22 de enero-
7:00 p.m. (inglés)

Si necesita registrarse para la clase o llenar papeleo, ESTAMOS AQUI PARA AYUDARLE! Por favor, póngase en contacto con la Oficina Parroquial - 516.334.0021 o correo electrónico elvia.l@saintbrigid.net o irma.c@saintbrigid.net. Citas disponibles durante el día y la noche.

RECORDATORIOS PARA VOLUNTARIOS

Por favor, revise su correo electrónico con regularidad para completar las actualizaciones mensuales. (Asegúrese de revisar su carpeta de "spam" o "Junk").

EQUIPO DE INTERVENCIÓN PASTORAL

La línea telefónica dedicada para reportar acusaciones de abuso sexual (516-694-9063) sigue estando disponible. Si la persona que llama no consigue hablar directamente con alguien, puede dejar mensajes en un contestador automático conectado al teléfono. Esos mensajes serán recuperados por un miembro del Equipo de Intervención y devueltos lo antes posible. Se tomarán todas las medidas oportunas para proteger la reputación y la intimidad de los implicados. Para más información sobre la Carta de Protección de la Infancia y la Juventud, visite drvc.org.



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
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

CAN YOU HELP?

Parish Social Ministry is looking to embark on two new endeavors in the months ahead...



Community Meal

A monthly meal served in St. Anthony Hall. Cooks (from home), servers, planners, organizers needed!

Tentative Hope:

Begin in January/February 2024

Thrift Shop

A place for great deals and bargains, particularly for those in need.

Tentative Hope:

Begin Spring 2024

Contact the Parish Office or email fatherjohn@saintbrigid.net

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.

- Canned Peas
- Cookies
- Canned Beets
- Canned Salmon
- Chili with Beans
- Tomato Sauce (Jars)
- Snacks
- Cup Fruit
- **If donating food to the pantry via delivery, the address is 75 Post Avenue, Westbury, NY**



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 nimerò: 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 sekretè 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.

LIFE @ ST. BRIGID



We Welcome the Newly Baptized

Dean Robert Di Lorenzo
Monte Rosario Iannucci
Matthew Arnold Schlosser

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO ST. BRIGID PARISH

*Emilio Frometa
Yvonne Galindo
Ingrid Fuentes
Mr. & Mrs. Matthew & Alyssa Aksionoff
Mrs Jossie Smith & Velasco Family
Guevara Family
Beganskas Family*



WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

ORAMOS POR LOS QUE ESTAN ENFERMOS

Luca Gucciardo	Ana Divinia Siegel	Kebira Begum	Bernice Campbell
Alan Demascus	Jeannette Murphy	Rita McDougall	Carley Barten
John & Rose	Liam S.	Joshua Bourassa	Gavin L. Turner
O'Dougherty	Miguel Henriquez	Michael Bustillo	Michael Zenick
Melissa Anzano	Rudy Capece	Bezerly Morton	Maria Manna
Rosemary Fisher	Mario Constain, Jr.	Scott Comunale	Michael Cappola
Jeff McBride	Michael Pereira	Gordon Shaw	Viola Cleo Bradshaw
Ashley	Catherine Dillon	Mary Ellen Ciento	Rafael Tabudlo Bringas
Lauretta Henning	Tony Perfetti	Vincent Ciento	Kimberly Bayron
Baby Joshua Love	Debra Dibella	Raymond Thormne	Dominic Modesto
Steve Caputo	Jillian Breslin	Ed Nolan	Fernando Raposo
Alex	José López	Kenneth Dudkewic	John Downey
Gloria Godwin	Baby Marisol	Michael Genzale	John Mangano, Sr.
Ashley Johnson	Guadalupe Acevedo	Elizabeth Pennisi	Debbie Deagan
Joel Wax	Rudimar Pegoraro	Grace Bivona	Julianna Giordano
		Christine Clancy	Chris Bagnasco

REZAMOS POR LOS QUE HAN MUERTO..... WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED...

Theresa Luong Thi Nu Lan

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 JANUARY 15

MONDAY/LUNES JANUARY 15

7:00am - Bette Costantino
12:10pm - Daniel Martinez

TUESDAY/MARTES JANUARY 16

7:00am - Fern Augustave (Living)
12:10pm - Dr. John (Babu) Chirayil

WEDNESDAY/MIERCOLES JANUARY 17

7:00am - Rev. Msgr. Domenick T. Graziadio
12:10pm - Marianne Coogan
7:30pm - Maria Elva Serrano Jimenez (Anniversary)

THURSDAY/JUEVES JANUARY 18

7:00am - Rev. John T. McGratty
12:10pm - Carol Callahan (Birthday)

FRIDAY/VIERNES JANUARY 19

7:00am - The DaCosta Family (Living)
12:10pm - Jimmy Piscitelli

SATURDAY/SABADO JANUARY 20

8:00am - Novena Mass
5:00pm - Minnie Agnetti (Anniversary)
7:00pm - Eleazar Pichardo

SUNDAY/DOMINGO JANUARY 21

7:00am (Church/English) - Gerard Adams
8:00am (Our Lady's Chapel/Spanish) - Fani Yanira Elias (En Accion de Gracias Feliz Cumpleanos)
8:30am (Church/Italian) -
9:30am (Our Lady's Chapel/English) - The Soul of Pragas Mary Turvankar (Anniversary)
10:00am (Church/English) - Bernand & Carol Bossiere, Guillermo Torres, Carmela Soltiz, Joseph Cumella, Mary Malitzis, Catherine Rafferty, Karl Livigni
10:45am (Our Lady's Chapel/Spanish)- The People of the Parish
11:30am (Church/English) - Ellen Palmer
*12:15pm Our Lady's Chapel/Spanish) Bonifacio Sanchez Perez
2:30pm (Church/Kreyol) Mr. & Mrs. Denis & Family (In Thanksgiving), The Magloire Family (In Thanksgiving), Euphanie LaRoche "mommy"
*6:00pm (Our Lady's Chapel/English) - The People of the Parish
Our Lady's Chapel is located in our school building at 101 Maple Avenue.



**IN OBSERVANCE OF
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY**
**ALL PARISH OFFICES ARE CLOSED ON
MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2024.**
Masses will be celebrated at 7 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will not take place.

Looking Ahead...3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pray with next Sunday's readings and consider these questions. You can access the readings at www.usccb.org or making use of the Sunday's Word or Sanctus books.

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5,10

- How does Jonah react to God's forgiveness of the oppressors? It is God who decides who is deserving of punishment or mercy.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

- As you read St. Paul's words, "Time is running out", is there an area in your own life you know you must face with God's help?

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

- How does the message of Jesus link to what St. Paul writes in the first reading?
- The disciples abandoned their nets. They had to leave things behind so they can fully follow Jesus? What do you need to abandon, to let go of?
- What does this gospel tell us about discipleship?

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 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 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.

