

St. Brigid's R.C. Church



God Walks with His People

World Day of
Migrants and
Refugees

29-IX-2024



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
XXVI Domingo del tiempo Ordinario
29 September 2024

PRAYER & WORSHIP



**FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS
BLESSING OF
THE ANIMALS
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2024
5:30 P.M.**



**St. Brigid's Green
(outside of Church)**



COME BRING YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY – INCLUDING YOUR FOUR-LEGGED, WINGED, CRAWLING, AND GILLED CREATURES – AS WE CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS AND OUR ENTIRE PARISH COMMUNITY!



Each year, in October, the Church celebrates the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, a saint known for his kindness to animals. Did you know that St. Francis was the first one to use barnyard animals in the Nativity scene? Food and fellowship for all to follow – and each pet gets a special treat to take home with them!

We can use some help with this event. If you can lend a hand (or a paw), please email fatherjohn@saintbrigid.net or call 516.334.0021



PRAYER & WORSHIP



St. Brigid's is honored to welcome Bishop Wismick Jean Charles, SMM, back to St. Brigid's. Bishop Wismick served at St. Brigid's in the 1990s and in the 2000s and is always remembered with great affection.



Mass of Thanksgiving



Sunday, October 6, 2024 + 11:45 a.m.

(Mass celebrated in Kreyol and English)

We will gather on October 6, 2024 at 11:45 a.m. to give thanks to God and to pray with Bishop Wismick. Hospitality will follow in St. Anthony Hall.

PLEASE NOTE:

The 2:30 p.m. Mass will NOT be celebrated on October 6, 2024.



COMMUNITY MEAL + COMIDA COMUNITARIA



Each month, St. Brigid's hosts a community meal for those in need. It's a tremendous opportunity to support our brothers and sisters in need. Can you help? Consider joining this incredible ministry! For more information about our next Community Meal, email communitymeal@saintbrigid.net or call 516.334.0021.



Cada mes, Santa Brígida organiza una comida comunitaria para los necesitados. Es una gran oportunidad para apoyar a nuestros hermanos y hermanas necesitados. ¿Puedes ayudar? ¡Considera unirse a este increíble ministerio! Para más información sobre nuestra próxima Comida Comunitaria, envíe un correo electrónico a communitymeal@saintbrigid.net o llame al 516.334.0021.



THE PASTOR'S POST

TRANSPORTATION ISSUES

Dear Parish Family:

I have had some car issues of late. Nothing major. An annual inspection revealed the need for some significant - and costly - work. I have been fortunate to not have had too many issues over the past few years so it will be OK. Of course, right after I dropped off my car, I was called to help someone I look out for - nearly an hour away - and get back in time for our Prayer Service for Healing at 1:30 p.m. for National Migration Week. Thanks to Seminarian Nick for his generosity, transportation issue temporarily solved. I have been walking more over the past few days. It has been a little frustrating. It has taken me a little longer to get back and forth between the church and the school and forced me to curtail a few activities that I wanted to take part in. At the same time, I enjoy walking and it is helpful in my physical and spiritual life. I find that I try to talk to God about the people I have met during the day or the day prior. Other times, I try to talk through (not out loud) some of the challenges and struggles of the parish, of people I care for and, of course, some of my own. Sometimes, I feel like God and I are walking together. Other times, I think I might be walking alone not letting God walk with me.

"God walks with his people" is the theme for this year's World Day of Prayer for Migrants and Refugees. I think it is a good motto for each of us to remember in our own lives, especially our spiritual lives. We need to remember this, always. At times, on some of my walks, I stumble a bit. I think of the images in the Gospel. I am distracted by what I see and I trip. Other times, I might be holding on to too much causing me to lose balance. Sometimes there are obstacles in the way that slow me down or that I allow to take me off route. I'll even admit I have taken a phone call or responded to a text while walking. Some of the images might be literal - I am a klutz. More often, though, they are spiritual ones. On the outside I am walking in good form, but on the inside I may be missing the presence of God in the midst of it all.

Part of my walking this week brought me back and forth for the beautiful Prayer Services for Healing

sponsored by our Catholic school in the chapel and the church as we entered into National Migration Week. I could not help, in some very small way, imagine the journey that so many immigrants throughout the world make. There are dangers (many life-threatening) and distractions, many obstacles and weights, pains and the hope for new possibilities. As part of the prayer services, members of our school community who immigrated to this country or whose recent ancestors did so shared their stories - filled with obstacles and challenges, dreams and hopes, and some good humor too! They each spoke in some way about the importance of their faith and how it carried them through. They even knew God was walking with them - and perhaps -especially when the journey was most difficult.



At the prayer services, we read part of Pope Francis' message for the World Day of Prayer for Migrants and Refugees. He wrote, *"Many migrants experience God as their traveling companion, guide and anchor of salvation. They entrust themselves to him before setting out and seek him in times of need. In him, they find consolation in moments of discouragement. Thanks to him, there are good Samaritans along the way. In prayer, they confide their hopes to him. How many Bibles, copies of the Gospels, prayer books and rosaries accompany migrants on their journeys across deserts, rivers, seas and the borders of every continent! God not only walks with his people, but also within them."*

I think the topic of immigration can be one of those topics that trips us up in our spiritual and moral life. It is a very complicated issue and it is not as simple as "let everyone in" or "send everyone back". It is not as ignorant and prejudiced as accusing certain immigrant groups of activities because of their home country or the color of their skin. That's just plain wrong. In this country and countries throughout the world, immigration has a major impact and solutions are not easy. I think if, there was a good answer, we would have chosen it by now. It will require courageous leadership from government authorities, encouraged and challenged by advocates, especially the Catholic Church. (I encourage you to visit

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justiceforimmigrants.org to learn more about the Church's teaching about immigration. I think you might be surprised.)

One way to not get tripped up is to remember the last line of the passage from Pope Francis above: "God not only walks *with* his people, but also *within* them." I wish when we speak about immigrants and immigration reform (and any other issues that impact human life), we can remember that God is within them, whoever the "them" might be, even those who disagree with the Church's teaching about this issue. We so easily forget and resort to labels, slander, violence, hate, etc. forgetting God is within them. (Again this does not mean that difficult conversations and debates are not necessary!) How can we, as Catholics, forget the presence of God in the other?

For our mission as Catholics is to get each other to heaven, isn't it? Whenever we celebrate the Votive Mass for Refugees and Exiles, we pray, "grant that in sincerity of heart we may show true compassion toward strangers and the abandoned, and that all of us may deserve to be gathered together at last in the land of the living." This is the land of the living we should be helping one another to reach. Unfortunately, at times, we are having some transportation issues that need to be addressed starting first, within each of our hearts.

I just came back from the mechanic. I walked there and yes, even took a phone call. I stumbled more than once and walked right by a young parishioner and his dad who greeted me in Spanish - ¿Como estas, Padre Juan? See you in Church". I had to get my eyes off my phone to answer!

My practical transportation issues are addressed. My car is repaired and restored. My spiritual transportation issues - getting myself and others to their ultimate homeland - are still in need of repair. Maybe yours too?

Good news! We have the best spiritual mechanic - this God who walks with his people. Let us pray that we can let him walk with us so we walk in his ways, not our own.

Please pray for me. I promise the same.

Father John

Querida familia parroquial:

Últimamente he tenido algunos problemas con el coche. Nada importante. La inspección anual reveló la necesidad de una reparación importante y costosa. He tenido la suerte de no haber tenido muchos problemas en los últimos años, así que todo irá bien. Por supuesto, justo después de dejar mi coche, me llamaron para ayudar a alguien a quien cuido - a casi una hora de distancia - y volver a tiempo para nuestro Servicio de Oración por la Sanación a las 1:30 de la tarde para la Semana Nacional de la Migración. Gracias al seminarista Nick por su generosidad. Problema de transporte temporalmente resuelto.

He estado caminando más en los últimos días. Ha sido un poco frustrante. Me ha llevado un poco más de tiempo ir y venir entre la iglesia y la escuela y me ha obligado a reducir algunas actividades en las que quería participar. Al mismo tiempo, me gusta caminar y me ayuda en mi vida física y espiritual. Intento hablar con Dios sobre las personas que he conocido durante el día o el día anterior. Otras veces, intento hablar (no en voz alta) de algunos de los retos y luchas de la parroquia, de las personas a las que cuido y, por supuesto, de algunos de los míos propios. A veces, siento que Dios y yo caminamos juntos. Otras veces, pienso que estoy caminando solo, sin permitir que Dios camine conmigo...

«Dios camina con su pueblo» es el lema de la Jornada Mundial de Oración por los Emigrantes y los Refugiados de este año. Creo que es un buen lema para que cada uno de nosotros lo recuerde en su propia vida, especialmente en su vida espiritual. Necesitamos recordarlo siempre. A veces, en algunos de mis paseos, tropiezo un poco. Pienso en las imágenes del Evangelio. Me distraigo con lo que veo y tropiezo. Otras veces, me aferro demasiado y pierdo el equilibrio. A veces hay obstáculos en el camino que me frenan o que permito que me saquen de la ruta. Incluso admito que he contestado a una llamada o a un mensaje de texto mientras caminaba. Algunas de las imágenes pueden ser literales: soy un torpe. Pero más a menudo son espirituales. Por fuera estoy caminando en buena forma, pero por dentro puede que me esté perdiendo la presencia de Dios en medio de todo.

Parte de mi caminata de esta semana me

PROBLEMAS DE TRANSPORTE

llevó de ida y vuelta a los hermosos Servicios de Oración para la Sanación patrocinados por nuestra escuela católica en la capilla y en la iglesia cuando entramos en la Semana Nacional de la Migración. No pude evitar, de alguna manera muy pequeña, imaginar el viaje que hacen tantos inmigrantes en todo el mundo. Hay peligros (muchos que amenazan la vida) y distracciones, muchos obstáculos y pesos, dolores y la esperanza de nuevas posibilidades. Como parte de los servicios de oración, miembros de nuestra comunidad escolar que emigraron a este país o cuyos antepasados recientes lo hicieron compartieron sus historias, llenas de obstáculos y desafíos, sueños y esperanzas, ¡y también algo de buen humor! Cada uno de ellos habló de alguna manera de la importancia de su fe y de cómo ésta les ayudó a salir adelante. Sabían que Dios caminaba con ellos incluso -y quizás- especialmente cuando el viaje era más difícil.

Creo que el tema de la inmigración puede ser uno de esos temas que nos hacen tropezar en nuestra vida espiritual y moral. Es un tema muy complicado y no es tan simple como «dejar entrar a todos» o «enviar a todos de vuelta». No es tan ignorante y prejuicioso como acusar a ciertos grupos de inmigrantes de actividades por su país de origen o por el color de su piel. Eso es sencillamente erróneo. En este país y en países de todo el mundo, la inmigración tiene un gran impacto y las soluciones no son fáciles. Creo que si hubiera una buena respuesta ya la habríamos elegido. Requerirá un liderazgo valiente por parte de las autoridades gubernamentales, alentado y desafiado por los defensores de la causa, especialmente la Iglesia católica. (Les animo a que visiten justiceforimmigrants.org para saber más sobre las enseñanzas de la Iglesia en materia de inmigración. Creo que se sorprenderá).

Como parte de su carta para ello, el Papa Francisco escribió: » «Dios no sólo camina con su pueblo, sino también dentro de él». Ojalá que cuando hablemos de inmigrantes y de la reforma de

la inmigración (y de cualquier otra cuestión que afecte a la vida humana) podamos recordar que Dios está dentro de ellos, quienesquiera que sean «ellos», incluso los que no están de acuerdo con las enseñanzas de la Iglesia sobre esta cuestión. Olvidamos tan fácilmente y recurrimos a etiquetas, calumnias, violencia, odio, etc. olvidando que Dios está dentro de ellos. (Una vez más, esto no significa que no sean necesarias conversaciones y debates difíciles). ¿Cómo podemos, como católicos, olvidar la presencia de Dios en el otro?

Porque nuestra misión como católicos es llevarnos los unos a los otros al cielo, ¿no? Cada vez que celebramos la Misa Votiva por los Refugiados y los Exiliados, rezamos: «Concédenos que, con sinceridad de corazón, mostremos verdadera compasión hacia los extranjeros y los abandonados, y que todos merezcamos reunirnos por fin en la tierra de los vivos». Esta es la tierra de los vivos que deberíamos ayudarnos a alcanzar. Desgraciadamente, a veces tenemos algunos problemas de transporte que hay que abordar empezando, en primer lugar, dentro de cada uno de nuestros corazones.

Acabo de regresar del mecánico. He ido caminando y, sí, incluso he llamado por teléfono. Tropecé más de una vez y pasé junto a un joven feligrés y su padre que me saludaron en español: «¿Cómo está, Padre Juan? Nos vemos en la iglesia». Tuve que apartar los ojos del teléfono para contestar. Mis problemas prácticos de transporte están resueltos. Mi coche está reparado y restaurado.

Mis problemas espirituales de transporte -llevarme a mí mismo y a otros a su patria definitiva- todavía necesitan reparación. ¿Tal vez los tuyos también?

Buenas noticias. Tenemos al mejor mecánico espiritual: este Dios que camina con su pueblo. Recemos para que le dejemos caminar con nosotros y sigamos sus caminos, no los nuestros.

Por favor, rezad por mí. Prometo lo mismo.



SAINT BRIGID'S LOVES FAMILIES



Fall Family Festival Fiesta Familiar de Otono

Sunday,

October 27, 2024

10:15 AM Bilingual Mass
in Code Auditorium

Family Festival:

11:30 AM - 3:30 PM

St. Brigid/OLH School,
Maple Avenue

Domingo,

27 de octubre, 2024

10:15 AM Misa Bilingüe
en la sala Code

Fiesta para la familia:

11:30 AM - 3:30 PM

La Escuela de St. Brigid/OLH,
Maple Avenue



Bounce
House!

Calabazas!

Paseos en
pony!

Enjoy lots of family fun!

¡Disfruta de mucha diversión para la familia!

Bocadillos!

Pumpkin
Patch!

Food and
Drinks!

Por favor traiga mantequilla de maní y jalea
para los necesitados.

Please bring peanut butter and jelly for those in need.



SAINT BRIGID'S LOVES FAMILIES



VIDA FAMILIAR FAMILY LIFE



Grade Level Liturgy at 9:15am Mass!
Liturgia de nivel de grado en la Misa de 9:15am



*You're
Invited!*

*¡Están
Invitados!*



October 20, 2024

20 de octubre, 2024

Grades/Levels 1&2

Grados/Niveles 1&2

**AND ALL THOSE
PREPARING TO RECEIVE
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

**Y TODOS PREPARÁNDONOS
A RECIBIR
LA PRIMERA COMUNIÓN**

Please bring a
Can of Vegetables
for our offering for
those in need

Por favor trae un
Lata de Verduras
por nuestra oferta para
los necesitados

Our Lady's Chapel
St. Brigid/OLH School
101 Maple Avenue

La Capilla de Nuestra Señora
La Escuela de St. Brigid/OLH
101 Maple Avenue

**Coffee, Juice, and
Snacks after Mass!**

**¡Café, jugo y bocadillos
después de misa!**

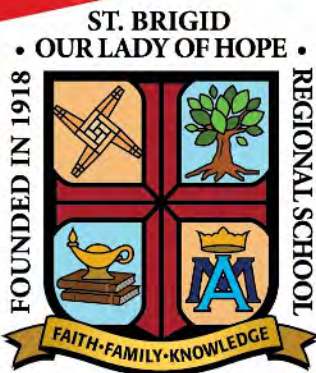
OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Join us October 3rd or 4th, 2024 for

SHADOW DAY

Follow a StB/OLH student in grades 3 to 8 from 9:30am - 2:30pm.



SCAN THE QR CODE
TO REGISTER OR
CALL THE OFFICE TODAY

Learn more about our...

- Catholic values and traditions
- Academic programs geared for each student
- Beautiful diversity
- Smaller class size
- Safe and secure environment
- Daily before and after care
- Student activities and athletics
- Financial aid (available next school year)
- Caring community of faith



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101 Maple Avenue, Westbury, NY 11590 516-333-0580 www.stbolh.org



OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOL

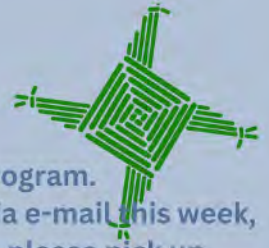
It was a beautiful day for St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope School's annual Golf Outing! Many thanks to our Golf Outing Co-Chairs: Monika & Kyle Rohde, Mitzi Santos & Daniela Silva-Ortiz, and our Marketing & Graphic Designer, Kathryn Casey and our Printer and Honoree, Tony Costanzo '79, JETCO Graphics.





FAITH FORMATION

Welcome / Bienvenidos



We welcome you to an exciting new year at the St. Brigid Family Faith Formation Program. **Registration is now closed.** Letters with the dates of the program have been sent via e-mail this week, please look for a letter from St. Brigid Parish. Also, if you have not done so already, please pick up your child's Mass Reflection Journal at St. Anthony, 66 Post Avenue. The mass journal should correspond to your child's school year (ie:3rd grade-Level 3). The Faith Formation hours are 1-5 pm Monday and Wednesday, and Tuesday until 8 pm. Please call 516-334-0021 x352 or x353 with any questions during these hours or email us at faithformation@saintbrigid.net.

Le damos la bienvenida a un año nuevo emocionante en el Programa de Formación de Fe Familiar de St. Brigid. **La inscripción ya está cerrada.** Esta semana se enviaron cartas con las fechas del programa por correo electrónico; busque una carta de la parroquia de St. Brigid. Además, si aún no lo ha hecho, recoja el Diario de reflexión de misa de su hijo en St. Anthony, 66 Post Avenue. El diario de misas debe corresponder al año escolar de su hijo (es decir: 3er grado-Nivel 3). El horario de formación de fe es de 1 a 5 p. m. los lunes y miércoles, y los martes hasta las 8 p. m. Llame al 516-334-0021 x352 o x353 si tiene alguna pregunta durante este horario o envíenos un correo electrónico a Faithformation@saintbrigid.net.

BREAD

BREAD is our new family faith formation for families with students in Grades 1- 6.

OPENING PRAYER SERVICES

(Students and families attend ONE. Services take place in the Church - 66 Post Avenue.)

September 30 - 5 p.m. OR September 30 - 7 p.m.
OR October 2 - 5p.m.

SESSION #1

(Parents or caregivers attend ONE of the following sessions. Attendance of a Parent/caregiver is REQUIRED. Sessions takes place in Our Lady's Chapel - 101 Maple Avenue)

October 7 - 5 p.m. or 7 p.m.
October 9 - 5 p.m. or 7 p.m.

IMPORTANT LEVEL PARENT MEETINGS

(Parents or caregivers must attend one. Attendance is required.)

Level 1 (FHC 2026): October 21 - 5 p.m. or October 23 - 7 p.m.

Level 2 (FHC 2025)October 21 - 7 p.m. or October 23 - 5 p.m.

FIRE

FIRE is St. Brigid's unique approach to preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

IMPORTANT LEVEL PARENT MEETINGS

(Parents or caregivers must attend. Attendance is required.)

Confirmation Year 1 on Monday, September 30 - 6pm

Confirmation Year 2 on Monday, September 30 - 7:30pm.

This is a date change due to conflict with public school calendars (Meet The Teacher).

**FIRE Year 1 - 2024-2025
Calendar**

September:

- Opening Prayer Service: Thursday, 9/26 7pm (Each student must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.)

October

- Student sessions begin - Thursdays from 7pm - 8:30pm (Chapel)
- 10/10, 10/24

**FIRE Year 2 - 2024-2025
Calendar**

September

- Opening Prayer Service: Thursday, 10/3 7pm (Each student must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.)

October

- Student sessions begin - Thursdays from 7pm - 8:30pm (Chapel)
- 10/17, 10/31

Small Group Leaders needed! If you are a confirmed Catholic 21-99 years old - We need you! Contact vince.b@saintbrigid.net



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 for Immigration concerns, food insecurity, serious illness, economic problems, mental health concerns and many other 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.



CASA MARY JOHANNA

516-334-0021 ext. 362
Yanira Chacon, Director

¿Necesita una carta de la iglesia para algún trámite legal? Llene el censo parroquial para obtener esta carta. Censo disponible en la oficina parroquial y en sitio web de la parroquia.

If you need a letter from the church for any legal matter, fill out our church census to obtain the letter. The census is available in our offices and website of the parish.

www.saintbrigid.net

.Se les hace un llamado a los beneficiarios del programa TPS que aun no han hecho su reinscripción a hacerlo cuanto antes. Para El Salvador la fecha limite es 9 de Marzo de 2025. Honduras y Nicaragua 5 de Julio de 2025. De no hacerlo las consecuencias son muy serias. Para mas información contacte las oficinas de ayuda a la extensión 362.

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.

- Pasta (No Spaghetti)
- Evaporated Milk
- Progresso Soup
- Healthy Choice Soup
- Canned Beets
- Canned Spinach
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Baby Wipes

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

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

Receptionist:

Carla Escobar
516-334-0021 x. 376

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



PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY



Catholic
Health

Feeling Sick?

Do you have an ongoing health issue?

Contact: 516-334-0021 EXT. 376 or 362
for a FREE telehealth visit with a Catholic Health Doctor

- Appointments available Mondays and Wednesdays, 9 am - 1 pm
- Must complete a registration form in advance
- Social Worker available to assist with additional services
- Free or low cost medication may also be supplied

Tu sientes mal?

Tienes un problema de salud crónico?

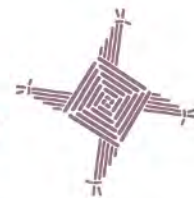
Llama: 516-334-0021 EXT. 376 or 362
para una visita GRATUITA de telesalud con un médico de Catholic Health

- Citas disponibles los lunes y miércoles, de 9 am y 1 pm
- Debe completar el formulario de registro con anticipación
- Trabajadora social estara disponible para ayuda con servicios adicionales
- También se pueden suministrar medicamentos gratuitos o de bajo costo



PRAYER & WORSHIP

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
Tuesday, October 22 - St. Elizabeth / Melville
Tuesday, October 29 - St. Elizabeth/Melville
Thursday, November 14 - St. Agnes Cathedral/RVC
Wednesday, December 4 - St. Agnes Cathedral/RVC



Training Dates - Readers
Tuesday, October 22 - St. Elizabeth/Melville
Thursday November 14 - St. Agnes Cathedral/RVC

YOU MUST CONTACT FR. JOHN BEFORE ATTENDING ANY TRAINING.



COMUNITÀ ITALIANA



St. Anthony Society of Westbury Food Drive

9-3 PM SATURDAY
OCTOBER 5TH

Drop Off at St. Anthony Hall
85 Post Avenue, Westbury

Donations Needed

Canned Goods, Cookies, Snacks, Sugar,
Cereal, Jelly, Peanut Butter, Pasta, Juice
Boxes, Diapers sizes 5,6,7, Baby Wipes,
Toiletry, Formula

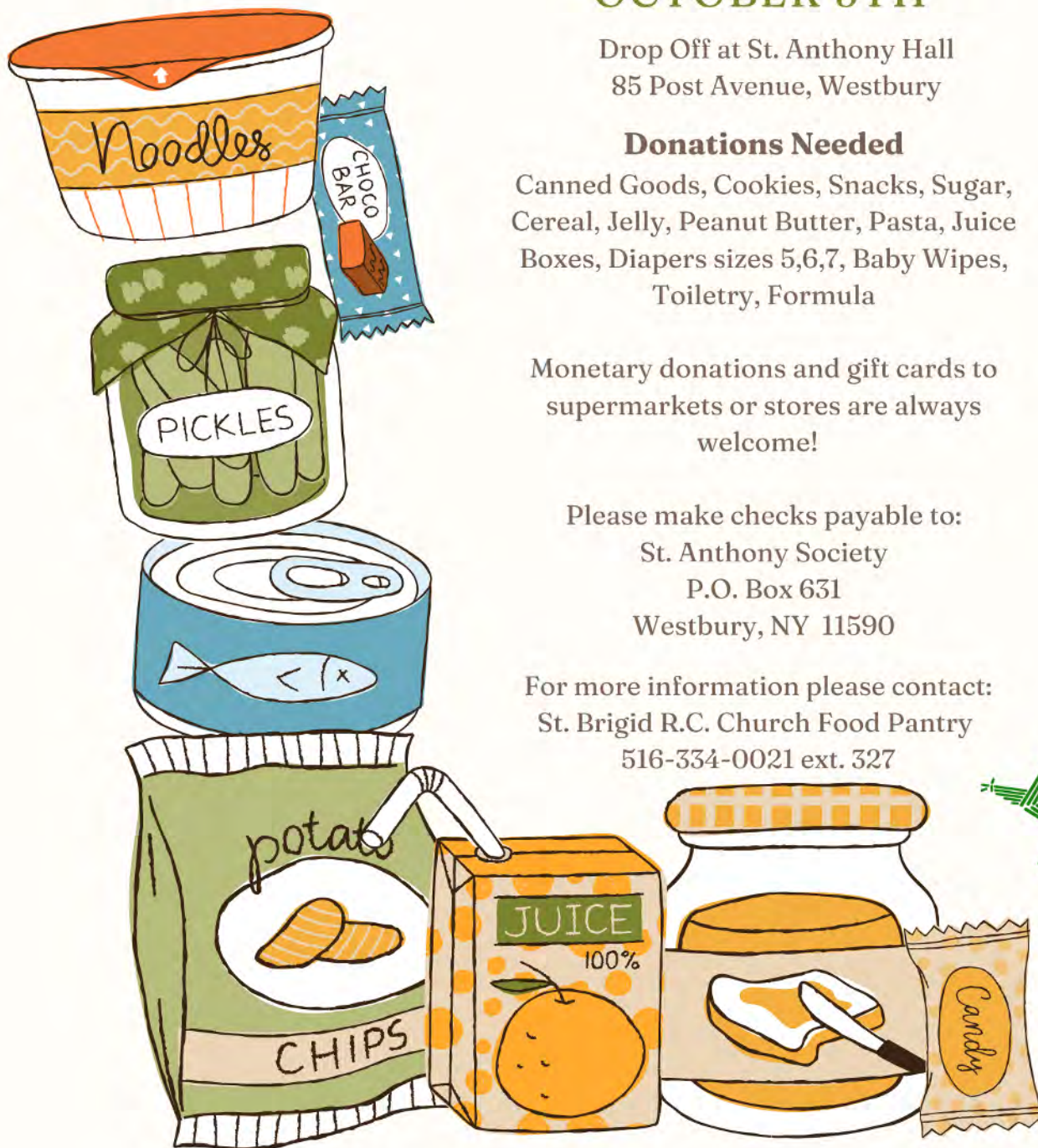
Monetary donations and gift cards to
supermarkets or stores are always
welcome!

Please make checks payable to:

St. Anthony Society
P.O. Box 631
Westbury, NY 11590

For more information please contact:

St. Brigid R.C. Church Food Pantry
516-334-0021 ext. 327



FILIPINO COMMUNITY

Everyone is invited !!!

Masquerade Party *Dinner Dance*

Hosted By:
Filipino Community of St. Brigid

Saturday, October 12, 2024 @ 6:00pm

Venue: St. Brigid Code Auditorium
101 Maple Avenue, Westbury, NY 11590

\$50 per person (adult & child)
Includes dinner, soft drinks, coffee & dessert

(Costume and Mask are required)

For more info please contact:
St Brigid Church - Front Desk: 516 334 0021





DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

September 23, 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

At this year's general election, New York voters will decide whether to approve a proposed amendment to the State Constitution. Officially known as "Proposal One", the amendment would add new language to the State's version of the "Bill of Rights" that, if approved, could insert gender ideology into child and adult sports, schools, hospitals, and even our churches.

The proponents of Proposal One refer to it as the "Equal Rights Amendment" and claim that the amendment is intended to protect the right to access an abortion. Proposal One, however, does nothing to ensure "equal rights" nor does it have anything to do with the legality of abortion in New York.

Since 1938, the State Constitution has guaranteed the right to the equal protection of the laws and has barred discrimination against any individual by a public or private institution based upon "race, color, creed or religion." Now, eighty-five years after the adoption of the Constitution's prohibition on discrimination, the State Legislature has discovered that we need an "Equal Rights Amendment" that ensures a "right" to an abortion in New York.

New York's abortion laws are already among the most permissive in the nation. Proposal One does nothing to alter the abortion laws or to further liberalize them. In fact, the word "abortion" does not appear anywhere in the proposed amendment. New Yorkers who vote in favor of Proposal One because they believe it will provide additional legal guarantees related to abortion are victims of a misleading campaign that masks the true purpose of the amendment.

Voters need only to read the language set forth in Proposal One to learn its actual purpose and to discern its potential for harm. While they will find no mention of abortion, voters will discover that, if adopted, Proposal One would prohibit discrimination based upon "gender identity" or "gender expression." This language would transform the laudable and longstanding anti-discrimination article in the State Constitution into a legal weapon that would force institutions across the state—public and private, religious, and secular—to accommodate the most radical forms of gender ideology.

Under this language, for example, a CYO girls' basketball team, or a local girls' soccer club, could be forced to allow a biological male to participate on the team if he wishes to do so because of his "gender expression." To bar such a person from the team would constitute an act of illegal discrimination.



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The same language can be employed against health clubs, public and private schools, restaurants, and other public places to mandate that these institutions open their bathrooms and locker rooms to anyone, regardless of biological sex, based upon an individual's "gender identity." To restrict access to a bathroom or locker room according to biological sex would be another form of unconstitutional discrimination.

Furthermore, Proposal One would undermine the bedrock religious liberty protections that the State Constitution is supposed provide for Catholic parishes, schools, and hospitals, as well as for the religious institutions administered by other faiths. The amendment would expose a church or school to a lawsuit if, for example, it refused to hire a "transgender" catechist or dismissed an employee for the promotion of notions about gender that are antithetical to Church teaching. A teacher could demand to be called by a "preferred pronoun", as could any student, regardless of age. A refusal to adopt this sort of language regime would violate the Constitution.

Catholic hospitals that do not perform gender-related surgeries could be sued for illegal discrimination against people who wish to express their gender identity through a medical procedure.

Supporters of Proposal One dismiss these concerns as far-fetched fearmongering. Yet they cannot offer any other plausible application of the language in the amendment. Unlike proposals in other states that were designed to limit the power of a state legislature to regulate access to abortion, Proposal One never mentions abortion, nor does it expressly restrict the power of the State Legislature to pass laws related to abortion. Instead, the amendment adds a "word salad" of terms to the State Constitution that would turn the shield of anti-discrimination protection into a sword that can be used to pierce religious and secular institutions in order to impose, by force of law, a gender ideology that voters have never endorsed.

New York's Constitution has, for nearly a century, expressly prohibited discriminatory practices. Proposal One does nothing to enhance the universally accepted principle of equality before the law. Proposal One is, instead, a deceptive effort to impose an ideological agenda upon the State disguised by popular and inoffensive rhetoric about "equal rights" and by appealing to voters who believe the state's abortion laws are at risk of change. But, to paraphrase the Gospel, by its language you shall know it. The words of Proposal One reveal its true intent and the effects it would have if adopted.

New Yorkers who do not wish to see the State Constitution used to implement a harmful gender ideology that would reach into nearly every facet of ever day life, from sports to schools, from bathrooms to gyms to hospitals—even into churches, synagogues and mosques—must vote "NO" on Proposal One.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre





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St. Mary's College Preparatory High School

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St. Anthony's High School

October 2024

SAT, OCT. 5 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Chaminade High School

SAT, OCT. 5 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Kellenberg Memorial High School

SAT, OCT. 5 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Sacred Heart Academy

SUN, OCT. 6 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
St. John the Baptist Diocesan
High School

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FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED -

POR LOS QUE EN MUERTO

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FN Juan Jose Velasco, Goose Creek, SC

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.

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For the FIRST time between

*Alyssa Acierno
Matthew Manteria*

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*Ashley Ayers  
Christopher D. Jordan*

*For the SECOND time between*

*Angelica Zambrano  
Shane Fallon*

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*Elizabeth M. Sayoc - St. Brigid
David V. Ortiz - St. Brigid*

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*Jaclyn A. Koch  
Nicholas Saverio Caiazzo*

*For the THIRD time between*

*Claudia Bustillo  
Baudilio E. Umana Henriquez*

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*Maria Ruiz - Holy Family, Hicksville
Vincent Lombardo - St. Raphael's*

Respect Life Sunday

Sunday, October 6th is Respect Life Sunday, a day dedicated to reflecting on the sanctity and dignity of all human life. On this day, we are reminded that threats to life and human dignity take many forms in our world. The Diocese works tirelessly to strengthen our commitment to promoting a culture of life through advocacy, education, and parish outreach. Your generosity in the Respect Life envelope collection will support this essential mission. We deeply appreciate your prayers and support.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 31

MONDAY/LUNES SEPTEMBER 30

7:00am - Souls of Purgatory
12:10pm - Thomas Moore

TUESDAY/MARTES OCTOBER 1

7:00am - James & Kristen Bryceland
12:10pm - Richard Fleming

WEDNESDAY/MIERCOLES OCTOBER 2

7:00am - Jimmy Michael Frank (Birthday)
12:10pm - Agnes & John
7:30pm - Diana Vanegas (Living/Birthday)

THURSDAY/JUEVES OCTOBER 3

7:00am - Glenn Augustave
12:10pm - Mr. Gelin & Mr. Edex Raphael

FRIDAY/VIERNES OCTOBER 4

7:00am - Joseph P. Napolitano
12:10pm - Arthur Whalen

SATURDAY/SABADO OCTOBER 5

8:00am - Novena Mass
5:00pm - Orsola & Domenico Abbatiello (Anniversary)
7:00pm - Elsa Rodriguez (Birthday)

SUNDAY/DOMINGO OCTOBER 6

7:30 am - (Chapel/Spanish)* -
8:00am - (Church)Michele - For all the people of the Parish, Giuseppina Sciardone, Lucille Finamore, Ralph Zeolla, Jr., Carmine & Rosa Zaino (50th Wedding Anniversary)
9:15am - (Chapel/English)*-George & Kathryn Fedor
10:00am -(Church/English)- Alexander Randy Vaccaro, Rosa Trapuzzano, Antonio Trapuzzano, Elisabetta Marasco, Tomasso Marasco & Nicola Marasco, Ottavio Thomas Lagnese, Vincenzo DeLucia (30th anniversary of passing), Varghese Athickal & A.V. Joseph Athickal
11:00am - (Chapel/Spanish)*- Vincent Brennan
11:45am -(Church/English)- Angela Zampini
12:45pm - (Chapel/Spanish)* -Hermandad de El Seor de los Milagros (In Thanksgiving)
2:30pm - (Church/Kreyol)- Mr. & Mrs. Denis and Family (In Thanksgiving)
6:00pm - (Church/English)- Anne Amoruso

Our Lady's Chapel is located in our school building at 101 Maple Avenue.

Looking Ahead... *Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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

First Reading: Genesis 2:18-24

"A man leaves his father and mother and clings to his wife, and the two of them become one flesh."

- What problem was presented in Genesis 2:18?

Second Reading: Hebrews 2:9-11

"He who consecrates and those who are being consecrated all have one origin."

- What did Christ inherit when he suffered death out of obedience to God?

Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

"So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate."

- What did Jesus say is God's design for marriage?
- Why were the little children being brought to Jesus?

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 extension 300 - e-mail frontdesk@saintbrigid.net

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Pastor

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We Celebrate the Eucharist (Mass)

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

Sunday (Church- Post Avenue) 8:00 am (English/Italian) - 10:00 am (English) - 11:45 am (English) - 2:30 pm (Kreyol) - 6:00 pm (English)

Sunday (Our Lady's Chapel in the School - 101 Maple Avenue) 7:30 am (Spanish) - 9:15 am (English) - 11:00 am (Spanish) 12:45 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  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.