



St. Brigid's R.C. Church



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
XXXIII Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

16 November 2025



ST. BRIGID/OUR LADY OF HOPE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

IS PLEASED TO INVITE YOU TO OUR

LA ESCUELA DE SANTA BRÍGIDA/NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LA ESPERANZA

SE COMPLACE EN INVITARLOS A NUESTRO

31ST ANNUAL SENIOR CITIZEN

THANKSGIVING LITURGY & LUNCHEON

LITURGIA Y CELEBRACIÓN DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2025

LUNES, 24 NOVIEMBRE 2025

SCHOOL CHAPEL. CAPILLA DE LA ESCUELA

101 MAPLE AVENUE WESTBURY, NY 11590

**LITURGY BEGINS AT 10:15 AM FOLLOWED BY STUDENT ENTERTAINMENT
AND LUNCHEON WITH TURKEY AND ALL THE TRIMMINGS IN CAFÉ CODE**

**LITURGIA EMPIEZA A LAS 10:15 AM SEGUIDA DE ENTRETENIMIENTO ESTUDIANTIL
Y ALMUERZO EN EL AUDITORIO CODE.**

**SCAN THE QR CODE TO LET US KNOW YOU ARE COMING
OR CALL THE SCHOOL OFFICE (516) 333-0580**

**ESCANEA EL CÓDIGO QR Y DEJANOS Y SABER SI ASISTIRÁS
O LLAME A LA OFICINA DE LA ESCUELA (516) 333-0580**





VIDA FAMILIAR FAMILY LIFE



Come be
an Angel or
Shepherd!

Come join us ~ Únete a nosotros

Audition for a
Lead Role!

ST. BRIGID'S ANNUAL

¡Audición para
un papel
principal!

¡Ven a
cantar!

Christmas Pageant Espectáculo de Navidad

Come to
sing!

REHEARSALS IN THE CHAPEL, MAPLE AVENUE
ENSAYOS EN LA CAPILLA, MAPLE AVENUE

¡Ven a ser
ángel o
pastor!

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18: 4:30 - 5:30PM

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25: 4:30 - 5:30PM

REHEARSALS IN CHURCH, POST AVENUE
ENSAYOS EN LA IGLESIA, POST AVENUE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2: 4:30 - 5:30PM

PERFORMANCE: FRIDAY, DEC. 5 AT 7:00PM

ACTUACIÓN: VIERNES, 5 DE DEC. A LAS 7:00PM

✕
Petting
Zoo!

Hot
Cocoa
and
Sweets!



✕
Live
Donkey!

Holiday
Treats!

EL POST DEL PARROCO

Estimada familia parroquial:

Hay una gran imagen en la primera lectura de hoy, tomada del libro del profeta Malaquías. El profeta escribe a quienes adoran y aman a Dios que «el sol de justicia con sus rayos sanadores» (Malaquías 3:20a). A medida que nos adentramos en días más oscuros, literalmente, y en momentos más oscuros a los que nos enfrentamos en estos momentos, es una imagen que me ofrece cierto consuelo.

Este fin de semana, con la ayuda de las Escrituras, quiero ofrecerles una pequeña actualización financiera sobre la parroquia. No voy a hablar de ello en las misas de este año, ya que lo hice en primavera. Pero les pido que le dediquen tiempo a leer esta carta y otra información que aparece en el boletín de hoy y, por supuesto, si tienen alguna pregunta, ¡no duden en preguntarme! Esta es nuestra parroquia y juntos debemos comprender esta parte de la vida de nuestra parroquia.

Agradecimiento. Gracias por su respuesta. Cada una de las tres lecturas de las Escrituras de hoy requieren una respuesta y quiero comenzar agradeciéndoles por esa respuesta. Cuando les hablé en primavera, compartí mi profunda preocupación por la realidad financiera a la que nos enfrentamos... y ustedes respondieron... y respondieron... y respondieron. Desde el aumento de las colectas dominicales, hasta los muchos que han ofrecido su tiempo y talento, pasando por los que han servido en los comités y los que han compartido los recursos que tenían... ¡Guau! Este verano, hemos podido llevar a cabo la mayoría de nuestros proyectos de mantenimiento con nuestro propio personal y con muchos voluntarios, lo que probablemente ha supuesto un ahorro para la parroquia de cerca de \$100,000 dólares. ¡Guau!

Este año, que finaliza en agosto de 2025, presentamos un déficit significativo en gastos extraordinarios. Esa cifra es bastante volátil, si se me permite decirlo, cada año en sentido positivo y negativo. Este año es especialmente negativo debido a algunos de los proyectos que hemos tenido que emprender, así como a nuestras contribuciones del acuerdo a la quiebra diocesana

(\$388 000 dólares).

¡No se detengan ahora! Durante el último año, en respuesta a esas realidades financieras, hemos reducido los gastos, en algunos casos de manera significativa y dolorosa. Estamos más estables financieramente, pero debemos permanecer alertas, especialmente porque se avecinan algunos retos importantes. Pueden ver algunos de los esfuerzos que hemos realizado para mantener esta estabilidad, como nuestro estímulo al uso de las donaciones en línea, la Gala de Santa Brígida en febrero y mucho más.

Una vez más, y lo más importante, gracias.

Edificios. Una realidad de nuestra parroquia es la gran cantidad de edificios que necesitamos mantener, reparar y restaurar. Se trata de una tarea enorme en muchos sentidos, más de lo que puedo explicar aquí. Pero permítanme ponerles al día sobre algunos aspectos.

Convento. Estamos trabajando para vender el edificio y los terrenos del convento. Esto proporcionará un importante fondo para la parroquia, similar al Fondo del Milenio, que podrá invertir en la parroquia cada año. Esto proporcionará una importante seguridad para el futuro de la parroquia. Marcel Catafago, nuestro gerente comercial, Jenny Araujo, una de las administradoras de la parroquia, y Matthew Cahill, presidente de nuestro Comité de Finanzas, están liderando esta iniciativa. No será algo inmediato. Si encontramos un comprador, llevará algún tiempo gestionar la venta. Por el momento no hay nada definitivo que comunicar. (Si desea comprar la propiedad del convento o conoce a alguien que pueda estar interesado, póngase en contacto con Marcel Catafago).

Restauración. En mayo, me reuní con voluntarios que se ofrecieron a aportar su sabiduría y experiencia para revisar todos los edificios de nuestra parroquia y ayudarnos a identificar las áreas más necesitadas y determinar un orden de prioridad, teniendo en cuenta ante todo la seguridad. Muchos de los proyectos que emprendimos durante el verano (estacionamientos, parques infantiles, cemento,



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pintura, etc.) surgieron de esta evaluación inicial. El comité se volvió a reunir en noviembre y estamos terminando de elaborar esa lista. Esto requerirá cierto compromiso por nuestra parte en los próximos meses y años. Uno de mis objetivos es restaurar estos edificios y mantenerlos en buen estado para que la parroquia nunca vuelva a encontrarse en una situación como esta.

Las «tres principales» en este momento parecen ser las columnas de la parte delantera de la escuela en Maple Avenue, el piso de la iglesia y el muro de piedra en Post Avenue. Vamos a necesitar la ayuda de un ingeniero estructural. Si conoce a alguien o es usted mismo ingeniero, por favor, póngase en contacto con nosotros. No quiero que la parroquia haga ningún avance significativo en cuanto a dinero o tiempo sin tener una base sólida sobre la que trabajar.

Misión. Esta información que compartimos con ustedes NUNCA puede separarse de nuestra misión de difundir el Evangelio aquí en Sta. Brígida. Los esfuerzos financieros y prácticos son importantes, sí. Pero si no están conectados con nuestra misión común, entonces estamos desperdiciando nuestro tiempo y esfuerzo. Una vez más, comencemos con gratitud. Mientras preparaba esta columna, traté de recorrer mes a mes las muchas formas en que esta parroquia se ha unido, de maneras grandes y pequeñas, visibles e invisibles, para ser el Cuerpo de Cristo los unos para los otros. Piensa por un momento... considera el año pasado... ¡apuesto a que puedes recordar una o dos cosas, seguro! Qué señal de esos rayos sanadores, recibidos y dados. Ya sea la apertura de una tienda de segunda mano y un comedor social para atender a los necesitados, una escuela en crecimiento construida gracias a su apoyo, un programa de formación en la fe para familias que avanza con un ritmo nuevo y emocionante, y un programa de divulgación que nunca se detiene... y todo ello basado en la liturgia y la oración de la Iglesia. ¡Vaya!

Aquí, una vez más, tengo que decir: «¡No paren!». La obra del Evangelio nunca termina. Nunca podemos dejar de estar atentos, de tender la mano, de servir y de desafiar a los marginados. ¿Es agotador? ¡Por supuesto! ¿Abrumador? Sí. ¿Una razón para parar? ¡Nunca! No sé qué nos depararán las próximas semanas y meses. ¿A qué nos enfrentaremos? ¿Cómo se nos pedirá que respondamos en oración y en acción? No estoy seguro. Confío en que se nos pedirá que demos testimonio con nuestras vidas (Lucas 21:13) y que se requerirá una gran perseverancia (21:19).

También reconozco que algunos de los que están leyendo esto quizá no se sientan realmente parte de la misión de Santa Brígida. Ha habido cambios que han hecho que algunos se sientan excluidos o ignorados. Para otros, esto requiere un cambio de mentalidad y de actuación que quizá no estamos preparados para hacer. Y para otros, existe la sensación de que no son queridos ni necesarios, de que se sienten descuidados o rechazados. Para algunos, esa es la realidad de una parroquia grande y diversa, y para otros, sé que, en cierta manera, es por mi culpa. En esos momentos en los que soy culpable, agradezco a quienes han compartido sus preocupaciones y espero aprender mejores formas de ampliar la misión. Cada día me recuerdo a mí mismo que tengo mucho que aprender para ser mejor persona.

San Pablo nos recuerda que él y sus seguidores buscaban dar ejemplo a los demás. Espero que podamos hacer lo mismo. Rezo para que, al enfrentarnos a retos y oportunidades, hagamos todo lo posible por imitar a San Pablo, pero, lo que es más importante, a Jesucristo, quien nos dirá todo lo que necesitamos decir, hacer y responder en estos tiempos. Entonces, rezo para que, al llevar los rayos sanadores de nuestro Dios a los demás, ellos se sientan inspirados a hacer lo mismo.

Por favor, recen | *Featherman* hacer lo mismo.





THE PASTOR'S POST

HEALING RAYS

Dear Parish Family:

There is a great image in the first reading today from the book of the prophet Malachi. The prophet writes to those who worship and love God that "the sun of justice with its healing rays" (Malachi 3:20a). As we move into darker days, literally, and some darker times we face in these moments, it's an image that offers me some consolation.



On this weekend, with the help of the Scriptures, I want to offer a little bit of a financial update about the parish. I am not going to speak at Masses this year as I spoke about these issues in the Spring. But I ask you to take some time with this letter and some of the other information in today's bulletin and, of course, if you have questions, ask! This is our parish and together we need to understand this part of our parish's life.

Gratitude. Thank you for your response. Each of the three Scripture readings today call for a response and I want to begin to thank you for that response. When I spoke to you in the Spring, I shared my deep concerns about the financial realities we were facing...and you responded....and responded...and responded. From an increase in Sunday collections, to so many who have offered their time and talent, to those who have served on committees, to those who have shared whatever resources they have had...wow! This Summer, we were able to handle most of our maintenance projects with our own staff and with so many volunteers, probably saved the parish close to \$100,000. Wow!

This year ending August 2025, we show a significant deficit in extraordinary expenses. That number is pretty volatile, if I can say, each year in positive and negative ways. This year, it is particularly negative because of some of the projects we had to undertake as well as our contributions to the diocesan bankruptcy settlement (\$388 K).

Now, don't stop! Over the past year, in response to those financial realities, we have reduced expenses, in some significant and painful ways. We are more stable financially but need to remain vigilant, particularly as some real challenges are on the horizon. You can see some efforts to maintain this between our encouragement to use online giving, the St. Brigid's Gala in February and much more. Again, and most important, thank you.

Buildings. A reality of our parish is the significant amount of buildings we need to maintain, repair, and restore. This is an enormous job on many levels - more than I can write about totally here. But let me give you a few updates.

Convent. We are in the process of working to sell the convent building and property. This will provide a significant fund for the parish - similar to the Millennium Fund - that can provide an investment in the parish each year. This will provide significant security for the parish for the future. Marcel Catafago, our Business Manager, Jenny Araujo, one of our parish trustees, and Matthew Cahill, the chair of our Finance Committee are spearheading this effort. This will not happen soon. If and when we find a buyer, it will take some time to navigate this sale. There is nothing definitive to report at this time. (If you want to buy the convent property :) or know someone who might, please contact Marcel Catafago.)

Restoration. In May, I met with volunteers who came forward to offer their wisdom and expertise to go through every building of our parish and to help us identify areas of greatest need and to determine an order of priority, considering safety first. Many of the projects we undertook over the Summer (parking lots, playgrounds, cement, painting, etc.) came from this initial evaluation. The committee reconvened in November and we are in the process of finalizing that list. This will require some commitment on our





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part in the months and years to come. One of my goals is to restore these buildings and keep them maintained so the parish never finds itself in a situation like this again.

The "top three" right now appear to be the columns in the front of the school on Maple Avenue, the floor of the Church, and the stone wall on Post Avenue. We are going to need a structural engineer to assist us. If you know someone or are one, please reach out. I do not want the parish to make any significant advances in money or time without having a solid foundation to work from.

Mission. This information shared with you can NEVER be separated from our mission of spreading the Gospel here at St. Brigid's. The financial and practical efforts are important, yes. If they are not connected to our common mission then we are wasting our time and effort. Here again, let us begin in gratitude. As I was preparing this column I tried to walk month by month to see the many ways this parish has united - in ways big and small, seen and unseen - to be the Body of Christ for one another. Think for a moment....consider the past year...I bet you can recall one or two things, for sure! What a sign of those healing rays, received and given. Whether it be the opening of a Thrift Shop and soup kitchen to serve those in need, a growing school built up by your support, a family faith formation program that is walking in a new and exciting rhythm, and an outreach program that never stops.....and all of this grounded in the liturgy and prayer of the Church. Wow!

Here, again, I need to say, "Don't stop!" The work of the Gospel is never finished. We can never

stop being aware, reaching out, serving, and challenging those on the margins. Is it exhausting? You bet! Overwhelming? Yup. A reason to stop - never! What will the weeks and months ahead bring, I really don't know. What will we face? How will we be called to respond in prayer and action? I'm not sure. I trust that we will be called to testify by our lives (Luke 21:13) and will require great perseverance (21:19).

I also recognize that some of us who may be reading this don't really feel part of this mission of St. Brigid's. There have been changes that have caused some to feel eliminated or disregarded. For others, it requires a change in thought and action that perhaps we're not ready to make. And for others, there is a feeling that you are not wanted or needed, feeling neglected or put off. For some that is the reality of a large, diverse parish and for others, I know, that's because of me in some way. In those moments where I am at fault, I am grateful to those who have shared concerns and hope to learn better ways to expand the mission. Each day, I am reminded, I have a lot to learn to be a better human.

St. Paul reminds us that he and his followers sought to set an example for others to follow. I hope we can do and be the same. I pray that as we face challenges and opportunities we do all we can to imitate Saint Paul, but even more importantly, Jesus Christ who will tell us all we need to say, do, and respond in these times. Then, I pray, as we bring the healing rays of our God to others they, will be inspired to do the same.

Please pray for me. I promise the same.



**St. Brigid
Parish Finances
for Fiscal Year end 8/31/25 with Budget for 2025-26**

	Budget 2025-26	FYE 8/31/25	FYE 8/31/24	FYE 8/31/23	FYE 8/31/22	one year change	pct	four year change	pct
Income									
Collection Revenue	\$ 1,639,300	\$ 1,582,885	\$ 1,496,296	\$ 1,366,759	\$ 1,317,794	\$ 86,589	5.8%	\$ 265,091	20.1%
Fund Raising Income	\$ 80,000	\$ 105,940	\$ 66,615	\$ 42,942	\$ 67,939	\$ 39,325	59.0%	\$ 38,001	55.9%
Parish Programs Revenue	\$ 325,100	\$ 343,916	\$ 385,259	\$ 481,004	\$ 314,038	\$ (41,343)	-10.7%	\$ 29,878	9.5%
Auxiliary Revenue	\$ 440,800	\$ 677,419	\$ 512,722	\$ 796,017	\$ 808,781	\$ 164,697	32.1%	\$ (131,362)	-16.2%
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 2,485,200	\$ 2,710,160	\$ 2,460,892	\$ 2,686,722	\$ 2,508,552	\$ 249,268	10.1%	\$ 201,608	8.0%
Expenses									
Salaries	\$ 659,000	\$ 681,667	\$ 675,919	\$ 715,250	\$ 765,182	\$ 5,748	0.9%	\$ (83,515)	-10.9%
Fringe Benefits	\$ 406,092	\$ 375,299	\$ 460,943	\$ 434,035	\$ 416,005	\$ (85,644)	-18.6%	\$ (40,706)	-9.8%
Fundraising	\$ 24,000	\$ 21,989	\$ 7,560	\$ 3,060	\$ 26,948	\$ 14,429	190.9%	\$ (4,959)	-18.4%
Parish Program	\$ 254,000	\$ 350,441	\$ 299,084	\$ 431,018	\$ 251,149	\$ 51,357	17.2%	\$ 99,292	39.5%
School Subsidy	\$ 190,320	\$ 190,320	\$ 190,320	\$ 186,860	\$ 179,940	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 10,380	5.8%
Printing and Office	\$ 138,450	\$ 155,163	\$ 154,986	\$ 153,475	\$ 148,256	\$ 177	0.1%	\$ 6,907	4.7%
Auxiliary	\$ 327,750	\$ 335,817	\$ 315,024	\$ 301,313	\$ 229,059	\$ 20,793	6.6%	\$ 106,758	46.6%
Rectory Household	\$ 21,000	\$ 22,155	\$ 18,264	\$ 17,818	\$ 25,955	\$ 3,891	21.3%	\$ (3,800)	-14.6%
Building, Utilities & Maint	\$ 460,300	\$ 529,016	\$ 392,680	\$ 443,262	\$ 415,451	\$ 136,336	34.7%	\$ 113,565	27.3%
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 2,480,912	\$ 2,661,867	\$ 2,514,780	\$ 2,686,091	\$ 2,457,945	\$ 147,087	5.8%	\$ 203,922	8.3%
Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 4,288	\$ 48,293	\$ (53,888)	\$ 631	\$ 50,607	\$ 102,181	-189.6%	\$ (2,314)	-4.6%
Non-Ordinary Operating Activity	\$ 75,575	\$ 289,460	\$ 397,483	\$ 180,634	\$ (335,163)	\$ (108,023)	-27.2%	\$ 624,623	-186.4%
Diocesan/3rd Party Collections (net)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
Extraordinary Activity (net)	\$ (214,400)	\$ (818,991)	\$ 175,428	\$ (166,312)	\$ (354,136)	\$ (994,419)	-566.9%	\$ (464,855)	131.3%
Net Total Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (134,537)	\$ (481,238)	\$ 519,023	\$ 14,953	\$ (638,692)	\$ (1,000,261)	-192.7%	\$ 157,454	-24.7%

Notes:
The loss of the rental property in January 2024 resulted in the decrease in auxiliary revenue from FYE 8/24 and also this past year. That is being addressed by reducing costs and increased generosity at Sunday Mass.
In 2024-25, parishes paid off the bankruptcy settlement, and in 2023-24, we realized profits from the sale of the convent on Maple Ave. Those two events resulted in the shift of \$1M



The Parish of
St. Brigid



Join! ¡Únete! Antre nan! Giuntura! Sumali!



St. Brigid's Multicultural Choir!



¡Coro Multicultural!

Koral Miltikiltirèl

Coro multiculturale!

Needed/Necesitamos/Kailangan namin/Abbiamo bisogno/Nou bezwen:

**Singers and instrumentalists of all ages:
adults, young people, and children.**

**Cantantes y los instrumentistas de todas las edades:
adultos, jovanes, niños.**



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27
9:30 AM - OUR LADY'S CHAPEL

**Mandatory rehearsal/Ensayo obligatorio:
Monday, November 24: 7 – 9pm in Our Lady's Chapel**



For more details or to sign up/Para más información:
Stephanie Clagnaz - sclagnaz@gmail.com



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!*

November 23, 2025
BREAD Program Levels 5 & 6
Students in Grades 5&6

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

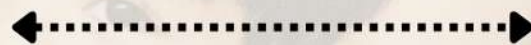
*Students in our Family Faith Formation **BREAD PROGRAM LEVELS 5 & 6.***
Students in grades 5 and 6 who attend St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope School.

WHEN: 9:15am Mass on November 23, 2025

WHERE: Our Lady's Chapel at the SCHOOL

FAMILY MASS

Sunday - 9:15am
(English)
Our Lady's Chapel
in St. Brigid/OLH
School



ALL STUDENTS are asked
to bring a food offering of
THANKSGIVING FOODS
OR \$25 GIFT CARD TO
LOCAL FOOD STORES

COFFEE HOUR

After Mass
in Code
Auditorium
Please bring a
snack to share!

Thanksgiving Accion de Gracias FOOD DRIVE



This Thanksgiving, we need the entire community of St. Brigid's to come together to help those in need! There are many ways to be involved.

DONATE FOOD

in the Church, Our Lady's Chapel, the Outreach Center or St. Anthony's Hall

SPONSOR A FAMILY

Provide a needed meal for a family. Have your family help another family.
Contact Parish Outreach at 516.334.0021, x362 for specifics.

PUT IT ALL TOGETHER

We need help on Saturday, November 22, Sunday, November 23, and Monday, November 24 with food sorting and distribution.

Este día de Accion de Gracias necesitamos que toda la comunidad de Santa Brigida se una para ayudar a aquellos que estan en necesidad! Hay varias maneras de involucrarse!

DONE ALIMENTOS

en la Iglesia y Capilla, en St Anthony's Hall

APADRINE A UNA FAMILIA

Provea comida a una familia!
Que su familia ayude a otra familia!
comuniquese con la Oficina de Ayuda.

PONGAMOS TODO JUNTO!

Necesitamos ayuda el Sábado 22 de de Noviembre, el Domingo 23 de Noviembre, y Lunes 24 de Noviembre arreglando los alimentos y la distribución.

Sign Up Today! Apuntese ahora!

Name/Nombre: _____

Telephone/Teléfono _____

E-mail/Correo Electrónico _____

_____ I can sponsor a family of (Circle) 4 5 6 7

_____ Yo puedo apadrinar una familia de (marque) 4 5 6 7

_____ I can help/Yo puedo ayudar el

_____ Saturday/Sábado Noviembre 22- 10 a.m. - Packing

_____ Sunday/ Domingo, Noviembre 23 - 12:45 - 4 p.m. - Distribution

_____ Monday/Lunes, Noviembre 24 from 1-5 p.m.

_____ I cannot help with the above, but here is my financial contribution.

_____ No puedo ayudar esos días, pero aquí esta mi donación financiera.





THANKSGIVING DAY MASS MISA DEL DÍA DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS MESSA DEL GIORNO DEL ARAW NG PASASALA MATRINGRAZIAMENTO MÈS JOU DI BONDYE MÈSI



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2025 9:30 A.M. - OUR LADY'S CHAPEL 101 MAPLE AVENUE - NOT IN THE CHURCH

- At this liturgy, we give thanks to God for his many blessings in our lives and the diversity of our parish community in many languages and cultures.
- We invite parishioners to bring non-perishable food items for our food pantry to be part of the procession with gifts.
- We will distribute bread for all to share at their Thanksgiving table at home.
- We will seek God's blessing upon the food we will use for our Thanksgiving meals. (Please bring something from your Thanksgiving table to be blessed.)
- EN ESTA LITURGIA, DAMOS GRACIAS A DIOS POR SUS MUCHAS BENDICIONES EN NUESTRAS VIDAS Y LA DIVERSIDAD DE NUESTRA COMUNIDAD PARROQUIAL EN MUCHOS IDIOMAS Y CULTURAS.
- Invitamos a los feligreses a traer alimentos no perecederos para nuestra despensa de alimentos para que sean parte de la procesión de ofertorio.
- Distribuiremos pan para que todos compartan en su mesa de Acción de Gracias en casa.
- Buscaremos la bendición de Dios sobre los alimentos que usaremos para nuestras comidas de Acción de Gracias. (Por favor traiga algo que tendrá en la mesa de Acción de Gracias para que sea bendecido).



Celebrating ALL SAINTS' DAY



The Saints came marching in to First Grade on All Saints Day! The students came in dressed like a Saint of their choice and then told the class a little bit about their Saint. We then took it on the road and visited Kindergarten and some other classes to share our saintly knowledge with them.



MIDDLE SCHOOL BIBLE BLESSING

This year, students in the middle school will use The Catholic Youth Bible as part of their religion classes. These bibles will allow students to move more deeply into God's Word and apply it to their lives. Recently, fifth and sixth graders participated in a special prayer service where their bibles were blessed.

At St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope, we develop the whole child: mind, body and spirit! To learn more, please visit www.stbolh.org and learn about all that is happening in our Catholic School

Scan the QR code for more information or to schedule a visit.

Tuition Assistance is available for children in grades K-8.
Visit tomorrowshopefoundation.org to apply and learn more.
Applications must be filed by April 30.

 (516) 333-0580  stbolh.org

101 Maple Avenue
Westbury, NY 11590





Feast of St. Brigid

Dinner Dance

St. Brigid



Our Mission to the Margins

1 February 2026 + 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

COMMEMORATIVE JOURNAL

This is a great way for individuals, organizations, ministries and companies to support St. Brigid's.

If you would like a letter and sponsorship packet to bring to a local organization, please contact Marcel Catafago at marcel.c@saintbrigid.net.

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Please submit all ads in .pdf or .jpeg format
no later than January 18, 2026.

For any questions about the journal, please email to:
dinnerad@saintbrigid.net or call the Parish Office at 516.334.0021



Feast of St. Brigid Dinner Dance

St. Brigid



Our Mission to the Margins 1 February 2026 + 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. *Verdi's of Westbury*

To celebrate the Feast of Saint Brigid in 2026, we will come together in celebration while also raising much needed funds for our community.

TICKETS: \$125.00 PER PERSON

Tickets can be purchased in person in St. Anthony Hall. A paper ticket is required. Tickets are limited so buy today!!



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Your support will allow us to continue our mission to serve those in need, as well as to undertake needed capital projects in our parish.

TITLE	Description
KILDARE – \$5000.00	Includes 4 tickets, 1 full page ad, 4 T-shirts, Event recognition
GAEL – \$3000.00	Includes 3 tickets, 1 full page ad, 3 T-shirts, Event recognition
CELTIC – \$1000.00	Includes 2 tickets, 1 full page ad, 2 T-shirts, Event recognition
CLOAK – \$500.00	Includes half page ad, 1 T-shirt, Event recognition

DONATIONS

In addition, we are aware some would like to attend this event who may not be able to afford it. If you would like to sponsor a ticket click on the qr code or email dinner@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? Llame 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. Census is available in our offices and website of the Parish.

(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.

- Jelly
- Canned Green Beans
- Canned Chili
- Canned Beets
- Cup of Noodle Soup
- Ramen Noodle Soup
- Cookies
- Snacks
- Oil (any size)

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

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
Assistance includes helping you apply for social services, federal programs, utility relief, and to receive other help through the local community.
Barbara Powell
516.334.0021 x. 361
barbarap@saintbrigid.net

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

Food Pantry Assistant:
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



Gift Cards NEEDED!

Outreach is in need of \$25.00 gift cards to Walmart, Target, Fine Fare, Stop 'N Shop, Aldi, and Bravo for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Outreach está en necesidad de \$ 25.00 tarjetas de regalo a Walmart, Target, Fine Fare, Stop 'N Shop, Aldi, y Bravo para el día de acción de Gracias y la Navidad.

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!



OFF 5TH AVENUE THRIFT SHOP MINISTRY

IN OUTREACH CENTER + 75 POST AVENUE, OFF 5TH AVENUE. 334-0021 X335



Gift
Shopping

MON- LUNES & THURS-JUEVES
4:00 - 6:30
SAT-SABADO 10:00 - 12:30
CASH ONLY SOLAMENTE EFECTIVO

Follow
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Christmas
Begins Nov 3rd
Spectacular
DONATIONS



Mon & Thurs
4-6:30
Sat. 10-12:30

ALL clothing must be placed in bags when placed in the green bins behind the Outreach Building. (75 Post Avenue)
Houseware items only may only be dropped off on Saturdays from 10:00-11:00am or Thursdays 3-4pm at our Green door on Post Ave.

Items left outside the green bins will be discarded.

Decorations
Entertaining



JOIN THE PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP
FOR AN EVENING OF FAITH AND INSPIRATION

THE TESTIMONY OF KEVIN BECKER



Monday, November 17, 2025

St. Brigid Church

85 Post Avenue, Westbury

Testimony at 7:00PM

Followed by Holy Mass and Blessing with St. Frassati Relic

In 2011, Kevin Becker suffered a devastating brain injury. As family and friends prayed, they turned to the powerful intercession of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati. Against all odds—and medical expectations—Kevin made an extraordinary recovery. Now, he shares his story of healing and hope.

November is the month we pray especially for our loved ones who have passed on. We encourage you to bring a photo of a loved one so we can pray for them together.

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AT 516-334-0021 WITH QUESTIONS

The Word of God + La Palabra de Dios

Beginning this weekend, books with the Sunday readings in Spanish and English (*Sanctus*) are available by the statues of St. Patrick and St. Brigid in the Church and in the Main Lobby in Our Lady's Chapel. The *Sunday's Word* books which contain Daily Mass responses and the Sunday readings in ENGLISH ONLY will be available in the next few weeks.

We request, if possible a \$10.00 free will offering is requested for each book.

A partir de este fin de semana, *Sanctus*, los libros con las lecturas del domingo están disponibles por las estatuas de San Patricio y Santa Brígida en la Iglesia y en el vestíbulo principal en la Capilla de Nuestra Señora.

Los libros de la *Palabra del Domingo* que contienen las respuestas de la Misa Diaria y las lecturas del Domingo en **INGLÉS SOLAMENTE** estarán disponibles en las próximas semanas.

Pedimos, si es posible una ofrenda de \$10.00 por cada libro.



WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO ST. BRIGID PARISH

Familia Carcamo Sanchez

Familia Mateo

Alba & Abraham Chavez Millan

Mr. & Mrs. Orlando & Carina Bustillo

Familia Madrid Duran

Mr. & Mrs. Andrian & Magda Coto Chang

Mr. Paul Hannwacker

Ms. Magda Rodriguez

Mr & Mrs. Saralee & Tyshwan Good

Mr & Mrs. Sean & Nancy Reyes

Dr. Maria & Dr. Giovanni Como

Mr. & Mrs. Grace & Dominick Basile



ENVELOPE UPDATES

We have received notice from our envelope company that, due to the government shutdown, some mail distribution centers may be affected, and; therefore, you may not be receiving envelopes. If that is the case, please utilize temporary envelopes, or even better, consider using electronic giving. Your weekly donation is critical to our mission and deeply appreciated.

THANK YOU!!



PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

FOR THE SICK -

POR LOS QUE ESTAN ENFERMOS

Paul Homer	Richard Hyppolite
Zoraida Garcia	Nohora Barbini
Eileen Heaney	Jeanette Murphy
Susan Santilli	Stephanie M.
Kaelin Espinosa Bradshaw	Joan Sommese
Manuel Giron	Noah Langan
Larine Esposito	Marta Gonzalez
Brian McGrath	Liam Collins
Rose Richard	Chris Bagnasco
Angel Hernandez	Michael V.A.
Sally McCardell	George Kazandjian
Elaine & Michael Pereira	Maria Manna
Micharel & Andrew	Vinny Manna
Butthkosky	Lynn Shubert
Raymond Henning	Bernice Campbell
Bernadeth Manetta	Rosemary Fischer
Frank Lofaro, Jr.	Daniela Pareja
Gordon Shaw	Jean Dorazio
Diane Healy	Baby Maia Duryea
Carley Barten	Christine Clancy

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED -

POR LOS QUE EN MUERTO

*Antonio de Jesus Navarrete Alvarado, Teresa Fay,
Christian Yves Dubuche*

FOR THOSE WHO SERVE IN THE MILITARY - 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
 Patrick Simons, Lieutenant, US Navy
 Daniel Tilghman
 John M. Pereira
 MMN3 Juan Jose Velasco, Goose Creek, SC
 Captain Sean K. Dowd, US Army serving in Japan
 Ltjg. Anthony P. Suarez, US Navy (Stationed in Spain)
 Ens. Andrew P. Suarez, US Navy (Stationed in Hawaii)

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



WEDDING BANNS

*For the FIRST Time Between
Guiliana DeStefanis - St. Aloysius, Great Neck
Frank Anthony Morrone - St. Aloysius*
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*Samantha Rae Schick - St. Brigid  
Benjamin E. Krapels*

*For the SECOND Time Between  
Meagan Keller - St. Frances de Sales,  
Rockaway Pk  
Aloysius P. Grogan - St. Brances de Sales,  
Rockaway Park*  
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*Jasmine Theresa Joseph - St. Mary, Manhasset
Sanson Jose Varikattu - Our Lady of Snows,
Glen Oaks, NY*
~~~

*Beatriz Milagro Melgares  
Alex Flores Granados*



## BAPTISMS

*Vivienne Avila Arevalo  
Isabella Daniela Hernandez  
Josue Victoriano Hernandez Contreras  
Andrea Yelitza Lopez Saquicaray  
Arleth Mendez De Leon  
Mia Gabriela Ruiz Cruz  
Celeste Rosalia Valencia*



## WE REMEMBER

*For the week beginning  
November 22nd  
Bread and Wine is in remembrance of  
David Joseph Lauinger*

# PRAYER & WORSHIP

## FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING NOVEMBER 17

### MONDAY/LUNES NOVEMBER 17

7:00am - Regina E. Micca  
12:10pm - John Preiss

### TUESDAY/MARTES NOVEMBER 18

7:00am - Adelcia Vilson & Solinette Louis  
12:10pm - John Bente

### WEDNESDAY/MIERCOLES NOVEMBER 19

7:00am - The DaCosta Family (In Thanksgiving)  
12:10pm - Teri Macchio  
7:30pm - (Spanish) Eleazar Pichardo

### THURSDAY DAY NOVEMBER 20

7:00am - Andrew Clavin (Anniversary)  
12:10pm - Msgr. Rocco Abbatiello (Birthday)

### FRIDAY/VIERNES NOVEMBER 21

7:00am - Reverend Msgr. Francis Schneider  
12:10pm - Souls of Purgatory (In Thanksgiving)

### SATURDAY/SABADO NOVEMBER 22

8:00am - Novena Mass -  
5:00pm - Borghild Ichart (Anniversary)  
7:00pm - (Spanish) Pedro Andres Garcia (18th Anniversary)

### SUNDAY/DOMINGO NOVEMBER 23

7:30am - (Chapel/Spanish) - Elba De Leon  
8:00am - (Church/English/Italian) - Vincenzo Iadevaia, Pasquale Iannotta  
9:15am - (Chapel/English) - Health of Caitlin Treaton (Health)  
10:00am - (Church/English) - James & Mary Cunningham (Anniversary), Peter Frank Rumore, Charles A. Smith & Peggy Ann Smith (In Thanksgiving), Vincenzo DeLucia (For 100th Birthday), Antonio Angelino, Maria Abbatiello  
11:45am - (Church/English) - Marina Mourino Pere  
12:45pm - (Chapel/Spanish)\* - Eleazar Pichardo  
2:30pm - (Church/Kreyol) - Mr. & Mrs. Denis & Family (In Thanksgiving), Euphanie "Mommy" LaRoche, Emilienne & Maurice Garraud, Joseph Francois & Anne Marie Delia, Mr. & Mrs. Desire Paraisy & Cheryl Oscar  
6:00pm - (Church/English) - Dorothy Carson

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

## Looking Ahead.. *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

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

### First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3

Because David was so loved as a leader, the elders of all the tribes anointed him king of Israel at Hebron. King David shepherded the people from then on.

- How did the attitudes of the people of Israel towards David change?
- What led to these changes?
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### Second Reading: Colossians 1:12-20

God's Son brought the people into the reign of forgiveness and love. He heads the body, the church, and has primacy in all things, making peace through the blood of his cross.

- How can we actively "give thanks to the Father" in our daily lives?
- How can gratitude to God influence our interactions with others?

### Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

The soldiers made fun of Jesus on the cross, offered him bitter wine, told him to save himself if he was the Christ, and told him to put an inscription over his head: "This is the King of the Jews."

- Was it possible for Jesus to save others and Himself also?
- What did the thief do that no other person was willing to do?



# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Here is some basic information about our parish community. Visit [www.saintbrigid.net](http://www.saintbrigid.net) for more detailed information or call the Parish Office at 516.334.0021 extension 300 - e-mail [frontdesk@saintbrigid.net](mailto:frontdesk@saintbrigid.net)

## PARISH LEADERSHIP

**Fr. Nesly Jean Jacques, SMM**

*Associate Pastor*

**Fr. Rolando Ticllasuca**

*Associate Pastor*

**Fr. Jacob Onyumba**

*In Residence*

**Rev. Msgr. James Vlaun**

*In Residence*

**Deacon Jim Morris**

**Deacon Frank Pesce**

**Deacon Manuel Ramos**

**Ximena Aravena**

*St. Brigid's Food Pantry*

**Vince Buzzeo**

*Director of Confirmation*

*Preparation*

**Marcel Catafago**

*Business Manager*

**Yanira Chacon-Lopez**

*Director of Outreach*

*Casa Mary Joanna*

**Paul Clagnaz**

*Catholic School Principal*

**Jacqueline DeLeon**

*Director of Family Faith*

*Formation*

**Rosemary Moreno**

*Coordinator of Family Faith*

*Formation*

**Barbara Powell**

*St. Brigid's Well*

**Fr. John Sureau,**

**Pastor**

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

## We Celebrate the Eucharist (Mass)

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

**Sunday (Church- Post Avenue)** 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](mailto:frontdesk@saintbrigid.net) to set a baptism intake appointment.

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

Para obtener m s informaci n sobre c mo celebrar el bautismo de su hijo, comun quese a la Oficina Parroquial al 516.334.0021 o env e un correo electr nico a [frontdesk@saintbrigid.net](mailto: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](mailto:Faithformation@saintbrigid.net).