



St. Brigid's R.C. Church

4th Sunday of Advent + IV Domingo de Adviento

21 December 2025

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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

COMMEMORATIVE JOURNAL

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

Maybe a great way to mark a significant moment in your family's life, a word of gratitude for the gift of the parish, or maybe just a word of support.

GREAT IDEA FOR FAMILIES AND PARISHIONERS!!!

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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no later than January 18, 2026.

For any questions about the journal, please email to:
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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



THE PRESEPIO

Open until Friday, January 9, 2025

Take a journey of Faith and Commitment at the 35th year of St Brigid's Presepio located in the north transept of St Brigid Church. Travel with Mary and Joseph during Advent along the road in our "moving piece of art" from modern Westbury to 17th century Naples to Bethlehem passing a market, the Inn where the Holy Family was rejected, the Town Hall, a restaurant and local sights. See our beautiful Angel Tree with 26 angels and 30 cherubs inspired by the tree at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City. There is no display exactly like it anywhere in the world with over 3000 pieces! Come each week until January 9th and take a beautiful faith journey! You will not be disappointed!



SIMBANG

(Night Mass
in English)

Gabi



The Filipino Community of
St. Brigid Parish joyfully invites
everyone to attend our
3rd Annual Simbang Gabi !

A Filipino tradition of 9 - day
celebration of mass in preparation
for the birth of Jesus
continues this week
Sunday, December 21 - 7:30 p.m.
Monday, December 22
7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, December 23
7:30 p.m.
All Masses in Our Lady's Chapel

CONFESSIONS/LAS CONFESIONES

Sinners wanted and welcome at St. Brigid's especially during these days of Advent!

Confessions are celebrated at the following dates and times in St. Brigid's Church (Post Avenue):

Monday through Friday

after the 12:10 p.m. Mass

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

Saturdays - 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

Saturdays - 6:15 - 6:45 p.m.

ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSION

Monday, December 22, 2025

7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m./1:00 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Schedule (subject to change)

7:30 - 8:30 a.m. - Fr. Nesly

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. - Fr. John

1:00 - 2:30: Fr. John/Fr. Jacob/Fr. Rolando

2:30 - 4: Fr. Rolando/Fr. Nesly

4:00 - 5:30: Msgr. Vlaun/Fr. John

5:30 - 7: Fr. Jacob/Fr. Rolando

7 - 9: Fr. Jacob/Fr. John/Fr. Nesly

LAS POSADAS

The Journey to Christmas

CONTINUES THROUGH December 24, 2025



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

Here at St. Brigid's, we symbolically journey from places in Westbury, New Cassel, Hicksville, and more. All are welcome - no matter what language you speak - through December 24, 2025.

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

What a beautiful way for our parish to come together!

EL POST DEL PARROCO

¡DÉJALO REPOSAR!

Estimada familia parroquial:

Este año, rezamos con el Evangelio de Mateo, ya que utilizamos las lecturas del ciclo A del leccionario (el libro de lecturas que utilizamos en la misa). Es en este Evangelio donde encontramos a San José de forma más profunda. Hoy, miércoles antes de este domingo, leemos la genealogía de San José y cómo él vincula la vida de Jesús con el Antiguo Testamento.

¡Soy una gran admiradora de San José! Por favor, perdónenme si ya he compartido parte de esta historia anteriormente, pero si es así, ¡vale la pena repetirla! Las Hermanas de San José me han enseñado de una forma u otra durante la mayor parte de mi vida (¡todavía me siguen enseñando!) y he llegado a admirar la profunda humildad de San José y su respuesta al llamado de Dios. Rezo para poder crecer en ambas áreas.

Hace unos años, me pidieron que ayudara a un joven con grandes necesidades vinculado al hogar colectivo en el que soy voluntario. Me llevó mucho tiempo y energía, muchas batallas con las autoridades legales, juicios y cosas por el estilo. Entre otras cosas, lo puse en contacto con una universidad local, lo ayudé a resolver algunos problemas con sus padres biológicos y adoptivos, lo apoyé mientras resolvía asuntos legales que no eran culpa suya y lo ayudé a lidiar con un sacerdote y un trabajador social. Fue emocionalmente difícil, ya que intentaba desempeñar varias funciones mientras trataba de apoyar a esta persona en un momento difícil de su vida, ¡y en ese momento intentaba acostumbrarme a una nueva parroquia en Westbury!

Recuerdo haber hablado con una buena amiga espiritual, nada menos que una hermana dominica, y haberle contado lo que estaba pasando y el peso que sentía. Era por estas fechas, porque el Evangelio era el de hoy (17 de diciembre). Ella me escuchó con mucha atención y finalmente me dijo: «Tienes que hablar con San José». Cuando lo dijo, sentí una gran paz. Él conoce algunos de tus sentimientos, me aseguró. Fue un momento de consuelo, de gracia, sin duda. Empecé a encender una vela junto a San José todos los días en la iglesia y sigo haciéndolo hasta hoy.

Me reí de mí mismo porque siempre he tenido

un lugar para San José en mi vida de oración. Durante varios años, siempre he utilizado al Santo José Durmiente. (Adjunto una foto de esta mañana). La tradición se basa en el Evangelio que rezamos hoy y en Nochebuena. José está dispuesto a marcharse, a rendirse. Se va a dormir y, en un sueño, se le aparece un mensajero. Es capaz de levantarse y responder a la llamada de Dios. La historia de nuestra salvación continúa.

La tradición de San José durmiente nos invita a reflexionar sobre aquellos momentos en los que nos sentimos como San José. Puede tratarse de algo relacionado con nuestras familias, con alguien que nos importa o incluso con algo que llevamos en nuestro corazón. A continuación, coloque el papel debajo de la estatua de San José y diga en voz baja: «¡San José, duerme sobre esto!». Allí puede ver algunos de mis papeles y tengo una canasta llena de muchos otros. Cada mañana, suelo escribir algunos nombres o palabras que tengo en mi corazón, o por alguien que me preocupa, o por alguien por quien me piden que rece. Me da un momento para hablar con San José y pedirle su ayuda.

No puedo decir que todas mis intenciones u oraciones hayan sido respondidas como yo creía mejor, pero nunca ha habido un momento en el que no haya mirado atrás y haya visto una serie de consuelos de Dios. Esto me ayuda, al igual que a San José, a levantarme de nuevo con la confianza de que no hay motivo para temer. Al igual que Dios estuvo tan presente para San José, también está presente para ti y para mí.

Quedan cuatro días para Navidad. ¿Quizás estés estresado? ¿Quizás no? ¿Quizás estés deseando que llegue la Navidad? ¿Quizás estés deseando que termine la Navidad? Dondequiera que te encuentres estos días, recurre a San José. ¿Qué te parece esto? Reza con los dos primeros capítulos del Evangelio de Mateo y reflexiona sobre las formas en que José tuvo que responder una y otra vez a la llamada de Dios. Ve lo que Dios le pidió a José y cómo él respondió... y recemos para que nosotros también podamos responder.

Por favor, recen por mí. Yo prometo hacer lo mismo..



Featherman



THE PASTOR'S POST

SLEEP ON IT!

Dear Parish Family:

This year, we pray with the Gospel of Matthew as we use the Cycle A readings in the lectionary (the book of readings we use at Mass). It is in this Gospel that we encounter St. Joseph most profoundly. Today, the Wednesday before this Sunday, we read the genealogy of St. Joseph and how he links the life of Jesus to the Old Testament.

I am a huge St. Joseph fan! Please forgive me if I have shared part of this story before but if I have, it's worth repeating!) I was taught by the Sisters of St. Joseph in some way or another for most of my life (they're still teaching me!) and I have come to admire St. Joseph's deep humility and response to God's call. I pray that I can grow in both of those areas.

A few years ago, I was asked to assist a young person in considerable need linked to the group home where I volunteer. It took a lot of time and energy, a lot of battles with legal authorities, court cases and the like. Linking him to a local university, helping him to resolve some issues with his birth and adoptive parents, supporting him as he worked through legal issues that were not his fault and assisting him in navigating how to deal with a priest and a social worker to name a few. It was emotionally difficult as I tried to navigate a number of roles while attempting to support this person through a difficult moment in his life - and at that point trying to get used to a new parish in Westbury!

I remember talking to a good spiritual friend - a Dominican sister, no less - telling her about what I was going through and the weight I was feeling. It was around this time of the year because the Gospel was the gospel of today (December 17). She listened so well and finally said, "You need to talk to St. Joseph." As she said it, a great peace came over me. He knows some of your feelings, she assured me. A moment of consolation, of grace, for sure. I started to light a candle by St. Joseph each day in the Church and still do to this day.

I laughed at myself because I have always had a place for St. Joseph in my prayer life. For a number of years, I have always made use of the Sleeping Saint Joseph. (I enclosed a picture from this morning.) The tradition is based on the Gospel we pray with today and on Christmas Eve. Joseph is ready to walk away, to give up. He goes to sleep and in a dream a messenger comes. He is able to get up and to respond to God's call. The story of our salvation continues.

The tradition of the Sleeping St. Joseph invites us to consider those moments when we feel like St. Joseph. It might involve something in our families or

someone we care about or even something in our own hearts. Then, place the paper under the statue of St. Joseph and say quietly, "Saint Joseph, sleep on this!" You can see some of my papers there and I have a basket full of many others. Each morning, usually, I write a few names or words down that are on my heart or for someone I'm concerned about or for someone I'm asked to pray. It



gives me a moment to talk to St. Joseph and to ask his help.

I cannot say that every intention or prayer was answered as I thought best, but there has never been a time where I have not looked back to see a string of God's consolation. It helps me, like St. Joseph, to get up again confident there is no reason to fear. Like God was so present to St. Joseph, he is present to you and to me.

So, there are four days left until Christmas. Maybe you are stressed? Maybe you are not? Maybe you can't wait for Christmas? Maybe you can't wait for Christmas to be over? Wherever you may be these days, turn to St. Joseph. How about this? Pray with the first two chapters of the Gospel of Matthew this and consider the ways Joseph had to respond again and again to God's call. See what God asked of Joseph and he responded...and let's pray that we can respond too.

Please pray for me. I promise the same.

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Lighting Your Advent Wreath During the Week

On Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of the Fourth Week of Advent, all four candles are lighted. The following prayers accompany the lighting of the candles.

All make the sign of the cross: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. **Someone at table reads the Scripture assigned to the liturgy of the day (one or both of the readings may be used. Visit usccb.org for the readings).** Then the Leader continues:

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

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

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

O Antiphons

As discussed last week, these days of Advent are a more direct way to prepare for the Nativity of the Lord. — Throughout the world, Christians invoke Jesus' coming by praying the "O Antiphons." These short but powerful petitions use the ancient Messianic titles to describe who Jesus truly is and what He will do for His people.

December 22 pray: "O King of all the nations, the only joy of every human heart; O Keystone of the mighty arch of man, come and save the creature you fashioned from the dust."

December 23 pray: "O Emmanuel, king and lawgiver, desire of the nations, Savior of all people, come and set us free, Lord our God."

December 24 pray: "Today you will know the Lord is coming, and in the morning you will see his glory."

Reflections

"Confession also means confessing to an assignment. "Who are you?" The austere figure of John the Baptist stands there and says: "I am the one crying in the wilderness." Confession means proclaiming, praising and really spreading the word."

— Alfred Delp, Advent of the Heart: Seasonal Sermons and Prison Writings - 1941-1944

"To hope is to participate: this is a gift that God gives us. No one saves the world alone. Not even God wants to save it alone: He could, but He does not want to, because together is better."

-Pope Leo XIV

Mary looks back to the beginning of her song, where she said: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord. Only that soul for whom the Lord in his love does great things can proclaim his greatness with fitting praise and encourage those who share her desire and purpose, saying: Join with me in proclaiming the greatness of the Lord; let us extol his name together.

-Venerable Bede

CHRISTMAS

Schedule

CHRISTMAS EVE

Support the
Christmas
Appeal



WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 24TH

4 P.M. - CHURCH - ENGLISH - MSGR. JIM

5 P.M. - CHAPEL - ENGLISH - FR. JOHN (DEACON NICK TO PREACH)

6 P.M. - CHURCH - ENGLISH - FR. JACOB

7:30 P.M. - CHAPEL - SPANISH - FR. JOHN

8:30 P.M. - CHURCH - SPANISH - FR. ROLANDO

12 MIDNIGHT - CHURCH - ENGLISH - FR. JACOB

12 MIDNIGHT - CHAPEL - KREYOL - FR. NESLY



CHRISTMAS DAY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

8:00 A.M. - CHURCH - ITALIAN/ENGLISH - FR., JOHN (DEACON NICK TO PREACH)

10:00 A.M. - CHURCH - ENGLISH - MSGR. JIM

11:00 A.M. - CHAPEL - SPANISH - FR. JOHN

11:45 A.M. - CHURCH - ENGLISH - FR. JACOB

12:45 P.M. - CHAPEL - SPANISH - FR. ROLANDO

1:30 P.M. - CHURCH - KREYOL - FR. NESLY

**THE 7:30 A.M., 9:15 A.M. AND 6 P.M. MASSES WILL NOT
BE CELEBRATED ON CHRISTMAS DAY.**

Come Celebrate Jesus

JOIN THE ITALIAN COMMUNITY AND
THE PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

Sunday, January 4, 2026
10:30 AM

St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope School
Msgr. Code Auditorium

Feast of the Epiphany

Living Nativity - Cultural Celebration - Presepe Expo

Light brunch will be served.

Enter Your Nativity In The Presepe Expo

Why is your nativity special to you? Is it a family heirloom? Does it reflect your culture or heritage? Was it given to you by someone special? Did you make yourself? Is it large, small, quilted, carved, tin-punched, sculpted, painted, upcycled, edible?

Share why it's special by entering it the Italian Community
Annual Presepe Expo.



To Enter your Nativity in the Expo or for more information
Call 516-334-0021 or email to italiano@saintbrigid.net



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!*

January 4, 2026
FIRE PROGRAM and Grades 7&8
AND ALL THOSE PREPARING TO RECEIVE
THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

*Students in our Family Faith Formation **FIRE PROGRAM**.*

Students in grades 7 and 8 who attend St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope School.

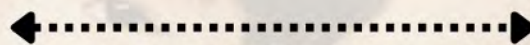
All who are preparing to receive Confirmation.

WHEN: 9:15am Mass on January 4, 2026

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
CANNED SOUP,
RAMEN SOUP,
or CUP OF SOUP!

COFFEE HOUR

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



**ST. BRIGID
OUR LADY OF HOPE
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

JOIN OUR FAMILY COME FOR A VISIT



OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25TH

**BETWEEN 10:30 AM AND 1:00 PM.
SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER.**



**AT ST. BRIGID/OUR LADY OF HOPE SCHOOL,
OUR STUDENTS:**



- **Excel academically** in a high-performing school in reading and math. We are high performing when compared to the Diocese, State, and Nation.
- **Know they are valued and loved** because they are created by God.
- **Find safety, security, and success** in smaller class sizes that foster an attentive, personalized approach to learning.

OUR PROGRAMS

- **EARLY CHILDHOOD**
(Toddlers, Nursery, Pre-K, and Kindergarten)
- **PRIMARY (GRADES 1-4)**
- **MIDDLE SCHOOL (GRADES 5-8)**

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**



An Evening of Fun and Friendship: **HARVEST DANCE**



The kids had lots of fun at the annual Harvest Dance last month! The fifth graders were very excited- it was their first school dance. Members of the Class of 2025 came back to pick up their yearbooks and hang out at their alma mater. Teachers chaperoned, and Class Parents took care of the snacks and drinks. Everyone's looking forward to the next dance, around St. Valentine's Day.



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

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PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

We are here to serve and care for you!

If you're struggling with something and not sure where to turn, please turn to St. Brigid's. We may not be able to address all concerns but will do our best to help and/or refer you for additional support. Our Parish provides confidential support and assistance 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. 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.

- Oatmeal
- Canned Peas & Carrots
- Rice-A-Roni
- White Rice (1 or 2lb bags)
- Fruit Cups
- Jello
- Juice
- Toilet Paper
- Detergent

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





OFF 5TH AVENUE THRIFT SHOP MINISTRY



IN OUTREACH CENTER + 75 POST AVENUE, OFF 5TH AVENUE

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

CLOSED

December 25 & 27
January 1 & 3



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



All Clothing
must be in bags
when put in the green bin behind the
Outreach building
Houseware items
can be dropped off at the Thrift Shoppe
on Saturdays 10-11am

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FROM THE BEGINNING: GENESIS THROUGH THE YEAR



The Book of Genesis is the first book and foundation of Scripture. All the major themes of the Bible (Creation, Sin, Judgment, Covenant, Faith, Family, Promise, New Life) cannot be fruitfully interpreted apart from a basic understanding of the Book of Genesis. Join us for this yearlong course as we delve into the stories of Creation, Fall, Flood, and the Patriarchs and ponder the mysteries of the God who calls us from darkness into a life of wonder. Just come with your Bible, your questions, and your passion for our faith, and you will meet other passionate Christians with whom you can discuss about "The Beginning."

**We meet every Tuesday, from 9:00 to 10:00 am
OR Thursday, from 7:00 to 8:30 PM.
St. Anthony Hall**

It's never too late to join!!!

Our instructor is Father Jacob Onyumba, Professor of Hebrew and Scripture at the Université Notre-Dame de Tshumbe in D.R. Congo and priest in residence at Saint Brigid's.



PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

FOR THE SICK -

POR LOS QUE ESTAN ENFERMOS

Gene Heaney	Buttkosky
Lizbeth Maria Santiago	Raymond Henning
Jim Winship	Bernadeth Manetta
Sean Doherty	Frank Lofaro, Jr.
Bernice Campbell	Gordon Shaw
Rosemary Fischer	Diane Healy
Baby Maia Duryea	Carley Barten
Christine Clancy	Richard Hyppolite
Paul Homer	Nohora Barbini
Zoraida Garcia	Jeanette Murphy
Eileen Heaney	Stephanie M.
Susan Santilli	Joan Sommese
Manuel Giron	Noah Langan
Larine Esposito	Marta Gonzalez
Brian McGrath	Lliam Collins
Rose Richard	Chris Bagnasco
Angel Hernandez	Michael V.A.
Sally McCardell	George Kazandjian
Elaine & Michael Pereira	Maria Mannelta
Micharel & Andrew	Vinny Mannelta

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED -

POR LOS QUE EN MUERTO

Rosalia Cangialosi, James Davis, Gerard Cain, Ralph White, Vincent Oddo, Catherine DeRicco

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 THIRD Time Between
Kerri L. Broer - St. Brigid
Sean E. Campbell, Jr. - St Brigid*

*Jenna F. Marinis - St. Matthews, Dix Hills
Matthew Testani - St. Aidan's, Williston Park*

*Maria Ann Nagel - St. William the Abbot
Tiago Martinis Pereira - St. Brigid*

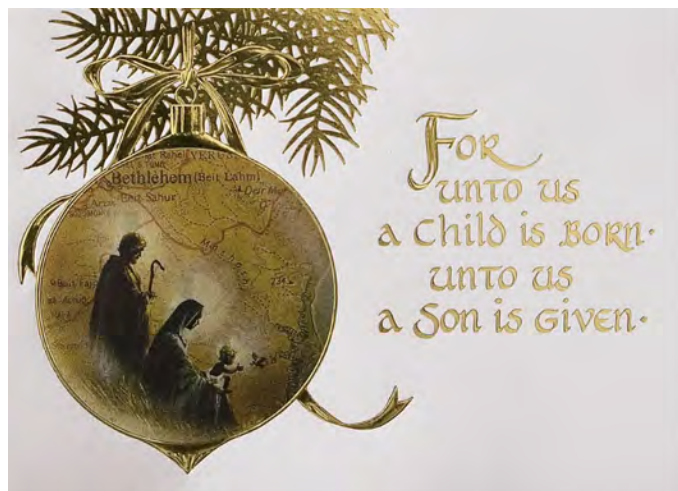
WE WELCOME

*Stephanie Sandoval
Karla & Edwin Sorto
Mr. Thomas Rooney*



BAPTISMS

*Aaliyah Marie Acevedo
Billy Bonilla
Madison Vanessa Hernandez Alberto
Kayra Paulino Corporan
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Matthew Sayoc Ortiz*



PRAYER & WORSHIP

FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING DECEMBER 22

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION DECEMBER 22

7:00am - Thanksgiving for Blessings Received
(In Thanksgiving)
12:10pm - Mary Anne Malitzis

TUESDAY/MARTES DECEMBER 23

7:00am - Josefina M. Laya
12:10pm - Anne & Patrick Branigam

CHRISTMAS EVE DECEMBER 24

7:00am - For all Cancer Patients & their
Caregivers (Health)
7:30pm - En agradecimiento al Nino Jesus

CHRISTMAS DAY DECEMBER 25

10:00am (Church/English)- Mario Casale
12:10pm Church/English)- Anne Clavin
(Birthday)

FRIDAY/VIERNES DECEMBER 26

7:00am - Richard & Andrea Berry
12:10pm - Ellen Palmer

SATURDAY/SABADO DECEMBER 27

8:00am - Novena Mass - Deceased Members of the Valdivieso Family
5:00pm - Antonio Posillico
7:00pm - (Spanish) Angel Ocasio

SUNDAY/DOMINGO DECEMBER 28

7:30am - (Chapel/Spanish) Jose Benavides
8:00am - (Church/English/Italian) - Giuseppe & Pasqualina
Abbatiello
9:15am - (Chapel/English) - Fabiola Boutin
10:00am -(Church/English)- Ignacia Valdivieso, Diane Franzem,
Aldo Capogna, Desdemona Yolanda Silva, Patrick Hickey, Sr., &
Patrick Hickey, Jr. (Merry Christmas in Heaven), Caterina
Ingarozza
11:00am - (Chapel/Spanish) - Maricela Mejia (3rd Anniversary
of Passing), Maria Nicanor Guerra
11:45am -(Church/English)- Thomas J. Callan
12:45pm - (Chapel/Spanish)* - Eleazar Pichardo
2:30pm - (Church/Kreyol) - Mr. & Mrs. Denis & Family (In
Thanksgiving)
6:00pm - (Church/English)- Rose Marie Santilli

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

Looking Ahead.. *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*

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: Sirach 3:2-7, 12-14

People who revere their father will live a long life; they who obey their father bring comfort to their mother. Kindness to a parent will take lasting root.

- How does the concept of "honor your parents" change as you go from childhood, to adulthood?

Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21

The church at Colossae heard, "Put on... heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." Bear with one another. Forgive as the Lord has forgiven you. The author wrote, be thankful and "let the word of Christ dwell in you

richly."

- How does forgiving others work when you've been deeply hurt?

Gospel: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Joseph was told in a dream to take the child and his mother to Egypt. In that way the prophecy would be fulfilled: "Out of Egypt I have called my son." When they returned, they settled in Nazareth to fulfill another prophecy: "He shall be called a Nazorean."

- How long did Joseph & his family stay in Egypt?
- How does God protect Jesus' family through angelic dreams?



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

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

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Director of Outreach

Casa Mary Joanna

Paul Clagnaz

Catholic School Principal

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Formation

Rosemary Moreno

Coordinator of Family Faith

Formation

Barbara Powell

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Fr. John Sureau,

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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.