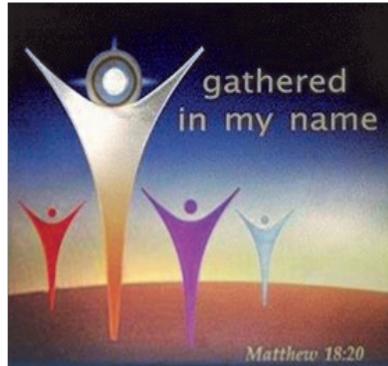


Saint Bridget Parish

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**LUKE AND THE SEASON OF LENT:
GOD OF YESTERDAY,
TODAY SALVATION HAS COME TO THIS HOME**
COLLABORATIVE LENTEN MISSION — APRIL 8, 9 & 10

We all want to be saved. Jesus enters into the world to be its savior, the one who fulfills God's promise of salvation. Luke presents Jesus as the one through whom God offers this renewal. What does salvation mean? The word means well-being, but in the Scripture it means to deliver people from all types of peril, to be healed, & preserved in health and well being, to help in distress and to rescue.

Jesus begins his ministry proclaiming the salvation promised by the prophets, but proclaims it not as coming but as come. In Him and through His word renewal happens. Through the development of our spirituality and the sharing of our time in service we are constantly saved and share that salvation with others. This time of retreat will help us see His love and salvation at work in our lives.

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Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." — Jn 8:6b-7

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If you would like to bring the gifts up at Communion, please let an usher know before Mass.

April 6-7

4:00 - Kevin Sweeney
7:30 - Kevin Sweeney
9:30 - Anthony & Margaret Stigliani

DAILY 9:00 MASS

Thurs. April 11 - Kevin Nelson
Fri. April 12 - Isabelle Manzo

April 13-14

4:00 - Mildred Duggan's Family
7:30 - Genevieve Murphy
9:30 - Santa Maria DeCastro Penn

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

The Sacrament of Penance will be available here on Wednesday April 17th from 6:30-7:15 PM

HOLY THURSDAY - April 18

Morning Prayer - 9AM
Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:30PM
Eucharistic Adoration - Continues until 10PM concluding with Night Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY - April 19

Morning Prayer - 9AM
Living Stations of the Cross - 3:30 - Upper Church
Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 7:30PM

HOLY SATURDAY - April 20

Morning Prayer - 9AM
There will be NO 4:00 Mass
There will be NO Confessions
Easter Vigil Mass - 8:00PM

EASTER SUNDAY - April 21

There is NO 7:30 Mass

Masses are at 9:30 upstairs only & 11:30
Per our tradition, St Bridget's choir will be offering a prelude concert on Easter Sunday starting at 9:00am prior to the 9:30 Mass. All are invited!

EASTER BLESSING OF THE FOOD

The traditional Easter Food Blessing will take place on Holy Saturday, April 20th 11AM in the School Hall

Next week's second collection: Maintenance & Repairs

**Clergy Health and Retirement Trust:
Easter Collection 2019**

Our priests in good standing, especially our senior priests, have always answered our calls. Like us, they are troubled by the current events taking place in the Church, yet they are still there for us. For decades our senior priests have baptized our children, celebrated our marriages and blessed our loved ones as they were called home to God. They have always been available for us. Help us care for the health and well-being of our senior priests in good standing by graciously supporting them in our annual Easter collection. Boston priests answer the call. Thank you in advance for your prayers and support.

2019 CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

Thank you to all who have already pledged their support. St. Bridget Parish has raised \$18,868 toward our 2019 Catholic Appeal goal of \$29,857. We have \$10,989 left to go. We are at 63% of our goal. If you would like to give, but haven't already, pledge forms are available in the back of the church.

Fifth Sunday of Lent

In our first reading from Isaiah the Lord tells us, "see, I am doing something new! Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?" As disciples of Christ, speaking about our faith and the importance of prayer and sacraments is a new experience. While it can be difficult and takes practice, it is worth the effort. Saint Paul's goal and the goal he encourages the Philippians to adopt should be our goal as well: "I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus". How willing are you to pursue the goal of living a life rooted in Christ Jesus?

EASTER FLOWERS

If you would like to make a donation in memory of a loved one, please send their names and your phone number in writing to the Parish Office or put in the collection basket by: **SUNDAY, April 14th**. The names will be listed in the bulletin insert on Easter Sunday. The suggested donation is \$10.00 per plant

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REGISTRATION HAS BEGUN FOR FALL 2019
 Faith Formation begins in First Grade and must be completed in order to receive First Communion in Grade 2

Mon. April 8 - No Classes - Mission Prayer Service - 7pm
 Sun. April 14 & 15 - No Classes - Palm Sunday
 Sunday April 21 & 22 - No Classes - Easter
 Friday April 26 - Confirmation Practice - 7pm
 Sat. April 27 - Confirmation - 10:30am
 Monday April 29 - Last Monday Class

If you have any question, please contact
 Barbara Cole at 978-897-4612
 or at stbridgetmaynard@gmail.com

LENTEN REGULATIONS
ABSTINENCE

Catholics over the age of 14 are bound to the obligation of no meat on all the Fridays of Lent.

FAST

Catholics aged 18-59 are bound to have only one full meal on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Two other meatless meals may be taken according to one's needs, but should not equal another full meal. Liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed between meals.

PASCAL CANDLES

The lower church Pascal Candle is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus & Divine Mercy

If anyone wishes to sponsor a Pascal candle, donations are welcome. Please contact the Parish Secretary

USING ENVELOPES HELPS OUR PARISH

If you would like to be included in our collection envelope system, please complete the following and drop it into the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Office.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE # _____

E-MAIL _____

DAVE and BUSTER YOUTH EVENT

All those in grades 6 and up are invited to join us for our trip to Dave and Buster's arcade in Woburn for fun, games, and food during school vacation week. Wednesday, April 17th. We meet at the Parish Center at 11:00AM and will be returned to the Parish Center around 5:00 PM. The cost of the event is \$45.00 and includes round trip **transportation by bus**, private function room, lunch buffet, unlimited drinks, unlimited video games, \$20 Power Card for ticketed arcade games with prizes, and bonus tickets. **Please return form to class or office by April 9th, as required by the arcade management.**

Our altar servers in all grades are also welcome to this event!

MINISTRIES OF THE MONTH

We will be featuring two or three various ministries each month throughout the year that we encourage our parishioners to join. This month we feature:

Saint Vincent de Paul:

Members of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul meet monthly to assist the needs of the poor in Maynard. Members must exhibit a sincere and strong desire to assist the poor without judgment and with genuine compassion and empathy for the plight of their conditions, regardless of circumstances. Confidentiality of the friends we assist is paramount. Meetings include prayer, spiritual reflection, committee reports, and review of minutes, cases, and upcoming activities. Teams of two are formed monthly for personal home visits to our friends requesting assistance. Associate and contributing members unable to visit or meet monthly are also welcome. Contact the Parish Office and a member will return your call.

Saint Bridget Youth Group:

The goal of our youth programs is to foster the personal and spiritual growth of each young person, through a blend of social, spiritual, and service activities, working closely with our director of Faith Formation. A typical year involves Youth Masses, prayer opportunities, hunger walk, and service projects; and gaming, sports, rollerblade, adventure, and other fun social activities. Open to all in grades 6-10, we seek adult leaders and chaperones who exhibit a strong desire to work with youth and to treat them always with respect, care, dignity, and compassion while ensuring their safety and well-being during all events.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FISH FRY

To benefit St. Bridget Parish
 Saturday April 13, 2019
 5-7pm at the Parish Hall

\$15.00 per person

\$13.00 for seniors and children 12 & under

All are welcome!



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Please join us THIS Sunday, April 7th in the Parish Hall after the 9:30 Mass for coffee and donuts and friendly conversation with old and new friends.