



April 4, 2021



St. Bridget of Ireland Parish



Alleluia, Christ is Risen

Mass Intentions This Week

("†" Indicates this person is deceased)

Saturday, April 3, Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil

Please note, no morning Mass

- 10:00 -11:00 AM Confessions
- 12:00 PM Blessing of Easter Food
- 7:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass offered for the Parishioners of St. Bridget's

Sunday, April 4, Easter

- 9:00 AM Parishioners of St. Bridget's
- 11:00 AM Parishioners of St. Bridget's

Monday, April 5, Easter Monday

- 7:00 AM Mrs. Kiev Lee
by Rosemarie & Claude Victor

Tuesday, April 6, Easter Tuesday

- 8:00 AM †Carmella Lucherini
by her family

Wednesday, April 7, Easter Wednesday

- 7:00 AM †Salvatore Guarna
by Catherina Guarna

Thursday, April 8, Easter Thursday

- 7:00 AM †Margo Brown, 1st anniversary
by her family

Friday, April 9, Easter Friday

- 8:00 AM St Bridget Memorial Fund

Saturday, April 10, Vigil of Divine Mercy Sunday

- 8:00 AM †Hugh Shields
by the Blank family
- 4:00 PM †Lorenzo Farris, 1st anniversary
by his family

Sunday, April 11, Divine Mercy Sunday

- 8:30 AM †Antoinetta Mastroianni,
1st anniversary
by her family
- 11:00 AM †Deceased members of the
McAuley and Pepin families
by their family

Please pray for the departed souls of our loved ones, grant them perpetual rest and comfort in the arms of our Lord.

A Prayer for Easter: Lord, the resurrection of Your Son has given us new life and renewed hope. Help us to live as new people in pursuit of the Christian ideal. Grant us wisdom to know what we must do, the will to want to do it, the courage to undertake it, the perseverance to continue to do it, and the strength to complete it. Amen.



Come to Christ: Life is perhaps God's greatest gift to each of us. Without life, we would be unable to experience all the wonder of this world, the love of family and friends, and the joy that comes from using our talents and skills. Life itself is more profound a gift than we can even truly contemplate.

On Easter, we celebrate life. For on this day, Jesus Christ conquered death and gave to us the chance for a life eternal. The wonder, love, and joy of this world does not have to end. Through a life in Jesus Christ, these emotions are heightened, and we find even greater fulfillment in this world.

Maybe this Easter you are finding yourself open to taking a next step in your relationship with Jesus. This could be the moment you decide to follow Him more closely and take seriously all that he has given you. Jesus is alive and waiting to get closer to you. May this Easter season find you and Our Lord getting to know one another in a whole new way. Happy Easter!

St. Bridget's Covid Safe Measures: If you have been reluctant to return to Mass and concerned about our precautions, please be assured we are doing everything possible to provide a safe environment. Everyone is cooperating with the restrictions and working together. We are following all recommended procedures, our masks are on and we sanitize following every Mass. With social distancing we are able to accommodate 80 attendees per Mass so there is plenty of room for you! Reservations are required (follow the link on our website) but we can accept walk-ins when space is available. As more folks receive the vaccines the attendance has increased, so please reserve.

Current family information: Please notify the parish office (call 203 324-2910 or email: parish.office@stbridgetofireland.com) of any changes in your personal information such as change of address, phone number, email address, marital status or a new addition to your family.

We are utilizing our Email system to stay in touch throughout the year and during emergencies, so please send us your email to be included in all parish notifications.

Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation any Saturday between 3:00-3:30 PM. Confessions are heard in the young family room to allow proper distancing and masks are required, but reservations are not necessary, just come and find peace and forgiveness

Need more information? Please visit our website: www.stbridgetofireland.com.

To any and all new people here with us today ... Welcome. We believe that every person



who comes here is sent by God. First and foremost we want to express Christ's love for you and share the Father's joy in having you here today. We are eager to know you and excited to share the marvelous things happening at St. Bridget's. You may be here for the first time today, or perhaps you've been attending Mass here but never registered. We would like to officially welcome you and your family as members of our parish family.

Welcome packets are available in the vestibule after Mass or on our website: www.stbridgetofireland.com.

Catholic School Parish Certification Forms-

Families attending Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Bridgeport receive a discounted tuition rate by verifying that they are registered, participating and supporting members of a parish in the Diocese. We certainly support your choice of Catholic Education for your children, but it is also important to support that education in the Faith by fully practicing that Faith as members of a Parish family.

Each year the parish must verify this information. The main way we are able to verify your support is by your use of weekly donation envelopes or online giving to the parish. Please be aware we will be checking this information and will not be able to sign forms unless we can verify the facts regarding continued, active support of the parish.

Please contact the parish office if you are not receiving envelopes, have any questions or need more information. (203) 324-2910 or Parish.Office@stbridgetofireland.com

The Life of Christ in Art - Wednesday, March 24, 2021 - 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. (ET) with Beth Malley

For centuries, artists have depicted the life of Christ on canvas. In this online program, we'll examine some of those depictions from the collection of the Wadsworth Atheneum and make comparisons between works that depict Jesus as we have not seen Him before. Join us for an art-filled and prayerful evening to gain an appreciation of the art focusing on the life of Christ.

This program will be offered online via the Zoom platform. Information on how to access the program will be provided to participants in their registration confirmation email.

For more information contact: Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, West Hartford, CT 06107 860.521.0440 info@holyfamilyretreat.org



Congratulations to young people of our parish who were Confirmed by Bishop Caggiano March 26. All of the students worked extremely hard to complete the requirements for Confirmation. Please keep them in your prayers while they enter this new chapter in their spiritual journey.

Congratulations to: *Jake Biamonte, Lucas Chambers, Terrence Doyle, Hannah Dudek, Eric Karwowski, Christian Knapp, Alexandra LaGreca, Cassidy Lundgren, Kimberly McGowan, Tyler Narvaez, Brady O'Sullivan, Owen Priscott, Katie Priscott, Jacqueline Rybnick, Marc Zampino.*

We also thank our DRE, Magdalene Jeffers, and their teacher Maureen Leffand for the extra time and dedication to prepare the students in this challenging time of Covid.

Cardinal Kung Academy is a college-preparatory junior and senior high school with students in grades 7-12. The school offers a liberal-arts style program in the classical tradition with a rigorous, integrated curriculum. We are now accepting applications for 2021-2022 for grades 7-12.

We will host an Open House - April 11th, 12:30-2:30. RSVP requested, High School Placement Test - April 17th. Call the school at 203-329-8296 or visit <http://www.cardinalkungacademy.org> to schedule a tour or shadow day.

The 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal We are hopeful that 100% of our registered households will respond to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. While the level of sacrifice will differ from parishioner to parishioner, an Appeal gift this year is within the reach of the majority of our people. Please prayerfully consider supporting the Annual Catholic Appeal with a pledge or one-time gift as your means allow.

Your support is much needed and will be greatly appreciated!

Please respond to the Appeal mailings as soon as possible. Saint Bridget, Stamford raised 45 gifts worth \$8,940 from 41 donors bringing the parish to 18.94% of its \$47,200 goal. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Online Giving Important Information - Many thanks to all continuing to support our parish by utilizing the online giving option. Please check your recurring donations to be sure they are going to the correct and active accounts. All 100% Fund donations must go to the 2021 100% Fund. Some are still giving to the 2019 or 2020 100% funds which are no longer active and those funds do not properly migrate to your donation records. Please call the parish office with any questions or if you need assistance.