

January 10, 2021

St. Bridget of Ireland Parish

Mass Intentions This Week

("†" Indicates this person is deceased)

Sat., Jan. 9, Vigil of the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

8:00 AM †Sheila Blank
by Ruth Schmidt

4:00PM †Leonard Donnely
by his wife & son

Sunday, Jan. 10, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

8:30 AM †Antonio Mastroianni
by his family

11:00 AM †Deceased members of the
Cognetta & Santora Families
by their family

Monday, January 11, Weekday

7:00 AM †Joe O'Driscoll, 1st Anniversary
by his family

Tuesday, January 12, Weekday

8:00 AM †St. Bridget Memorial Fund

Wednesday, January 13, Weekday

7:00 AM Special Intention

Thursday, January 14, Weekday

7:00 AM †Maria Serpa
by the Malloy family

Friday, January 15, Weekday

8:00 AM †Joanne Young by Fr. Ed

Sat., Jan.16 Vigil of the 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Bernadette Curran, *for support*
by her family

4:00 PM †Joseph Bacco by his family

Sunday, January 17, the 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:30 AM †Deceased members of the
Roemer Family
by their family

11:00 AM †Salvatore Guarna &
Frank Agostino
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.

Just a reminder... 2020 donation statements will be mailed to all parishioners who donated more than \$100 last year by January 31. We are utilizing a new parish data program this year, so the process is a bit more challenging. You need not call to request the statement unless you need it earlier.

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



Prayer on the Feast of the Baptism

of the Lord: *Lord, I believe that You*

are the Son of the Eternal Father and

the Savior of the World. I believe that

You have brought about a new era of

grace and truth and that I am called to follow You

wherever You lead. As we begin this liturgical season

of Ordinary Time, may it be a time of extraordinary

grace in which I daily heed Your voice. Jesus, I trust

in You. Amen

This Sunday marks a transition from the Christmas

season to Ordinary Time. In a way, today's feast is

the high point of the Christmas season. Before Jesus'

birth, angels announced to Mary and to Joseph who

Jesus would be. At his birth, the shepherds and the

Magi recognize Jesus as the Messiah. At his baptism,

Jesus accepts that he is God's son and inaugurates that

mission.

New Members of St. Bridget's

Memorial Fund

†Martin Walsh

enrolled by Sue Ann Miller

†Frank Lucherini

enrolled by the Malloy Family

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enrolled by Anna & Ralph Romano

Saint Bridget Memorial Fund is for those who wish

to "memorialize" their loved ones (living or deceased)

in perpetuity. Mass is offered at least once a month

for all those enrolled. Memorial cards are available to

acknowledge the enrollment. Please contact the parish

office at 203 324-2910 or email Parish.office@

stbridgetofireland.com to enroll your loved ones.

Need more information? Please visit our website:

www.stbridgetofireland.com.

~ Financial Support of Our Parish~

"All things come from you, O Lord, and of your own we have given you." 1 Chronicles 29:14

January 3, 2021

Amount received:	2021	same week in 2020
Weekly	\$1,510.00	\$3,202.00
100% fund	\$ 796.00	\$1,778.25
Online Giving	\$6,048.99	\$ 2,827.85
Poor box	\$ 77.00	\$ 159.00
Candles	\$ 168.00	\$ 163.00

Thank-you for your support. Your gifts help us to reach the weekly budgeted amount necessary to run our Parish.

Also, please remember St. Bridget's when preparing your will. A legacy to the church eases your tax burden and helps continue the good works of our parish.

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. So far there has always been space!

A note to those who have been attending Mass and Faith Formation classes: Please notify the parish office if you have been exposed to or contracted Covid. You must test negative before returning to church. We all must follow quarantine regulations but also notify places and people that may have been exposed. This is a very important part of protecting our each other. Please feel free to call the parish office with any questions or concerns.

Blessing of Throats in honor of St. Blaise, physician and healer, will be the weekend of February 6 & 7 after each Mass. While we invoke St. Blaise for his protection against any physical ailment of the throat, we should also ask his protection against any spiritual ailment - profanity, cursing, unkind remarks, detraction or gossip. St. James reminds us, "If a man who does not control his tongue imagines that he is devout, he is self-deceived; his worship is pointless" (1:26) Therefore, may St. Blaise protect us from all evil, physical and spiritual, which may attack the throat.

Holy Family Retreat Center offering virtual retreats: During these months of isolation and separation, we have felt a longing to gather together as a community. Many of us are struggling with loneliness and mourning a sense of normalcy in our lives. Join us as we come together to process this experience on our journey of reconnection. Together We Rise – as a community of Christ's followers and as interdependent human beings.

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.

Men's Themed Retreat - Saturday, January 16, 2021, 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Women's Themed Retreat - Saturday, January 30, 2021, 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

For more information contact the Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, 860.521.0440 or visit info@holyfamilyretreat.org

Veritas Radio - The Truth. On the air. In the community. We aim to serve God by proclaiming the joy of the Gospel and the fullness of the Catholic faith. We are answering the call of St. John Paul II for a "New Evangelization" and the call of Bishop Frank Caggiano to choose discipleship as a mission... not a spectator sport. We broadcast faithful Catholic programming, 24 hours a day on the radio at 1350AM and on your mobile phone.

Bishop Caggiano's weekly show is also on Veritas. Let Me Be Frank has been on the air for about ten months now, airing live at 12:00 noon on Wednesdays, and available as a podcast. Over the course of this year, Bishop Frank has provided comfort, teaching, and plenty of funny stories from his childhood. One listener told me that she's learned so much from his show, and that she is happy to be getting to know him on a personal level.

In addition to Let Me Be Frank, we also produce a local shows called Restless, and we have a few others ready to launch in the new year. And... Veritas is an affiliate of EWTN Radio, so we already broadcast around the clock. Here's just part of our schedule:

Monday - Friday

8:00am: Daily Mass - live from the EWTN Chapel

9:00am: Catholic Connection - Teresa Tomeo discusses current events

10:00am: More 2 Life - Dr Greg & Lisa Popcak offer family counseling to callers

11:00am: Women of Grace - Johnnette Williams discusses the spiritual life with callers

12:00pm: Let Me Be Frank - Wednesdays with Bishop Frank Caggiano

12:00pm: Take 2 - Jerry Usher & Debbie Georgianni speak with callers

1:00pm: The Doctor Is In - Dr Ray Guarendi counsels callers with advice and humor

2:00pm: Called to Communion - Dr David Anders answers calls from non-Catholics

3:00pm: EWTN Open Line - a rotating cast of Catholic experts take on all calls

4:00pm: Kresta in the Afternoon - Al Kresta talks about current events & important issues

6:00pm: Catholic Answers Live - Cy Kellett & team answer callers' apologetics questions

...and, of course, there's Mother Angelica, Fr Benedict Groeschel, Bishop Robert Barron, and many more excellent EWTN shows.

Tune in now to Veritas radio an EWTN Radio affiliate station (1350 AM) on your radio at or listen from anywhere on your mobile phone. Check out our website: www.veritascatholic.com or download our app in the Apple or Google play stores.