

**October 11, 2020**

**St. Bridget of Ireland Parish**

**Mass Intentions This Week**

("†" Indicates this person is deceased)

**Sat., Oct. 10, Vigil of 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM †Shirley Robertson  
by her daughter  
4:00 PM †Mike DeBartolomeo  
& Neal Connors  
by their families

**Sunday, Oct. 11, the 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

8:30 AM †Deceased members of the  
Yakovonis Family  
by Janet & John Roemer  
11:00 AM †Judy McAuley, 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
by her family

**Monday, October 12, Weekday and Columbus Day**

9:00 AM †Maria Serpa  
by Elsa Maldonado & family

\*\* Please note later time due to holiday\*\*

**Tuesday, October 13, Weekday**

8:00 AM A Special Intention

**Wednesday, October 14, Weekday**

7:00 AM †St. Bridget Memorial Fund

**Thurs., October 15, Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus**

7:00 AM †Salvatore Guarna & Family  
by Catherine Guarna

**Friday, October 16, Weekday**

8:00 AM Margaret Lhotan, *for improved health*  
by Elsa Maldonado

**Sat., Oct. 17, Vigil of 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM †David N. Rivenburg  
by his family  
4:00 PM †Daniel Carlucci by his family

**Sun., October 18, the 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

8:30 AM †Larry Farris  
by Maria Farris & family  
11:00 AM †Dagny Lindland  
by St. Bridget Choir

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

**New Members of St. Bridget's  
Memorial Fund**

†John L. "Jack" Pikikero

enrolled by Lou, Rita & Michael Molgano

**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.



**Book of Remembrance 2020:**

Throughout November, the month dedicated to remembering the Poor Souls in Purgatory, your loved ones whose names you have written in our "Book of Remembrance" will be prayed for at all Masses celebrated here at Saint Bridget's.

Due to Covid restrictions we will not be able to put out a new the book this year, instead we will use the book from last year with all of your intentions and add any new names. If you have new names to add to the book please email or call the parish office with the names and we will add them to the book.

We will be praying for all of those intentions at all Masses throughout the month of November.

**The Stamford Catholic Youth Group** is back and better than ever this Fall! All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to join us for games, food, fellowship, prayer, and honest conversation about our Catholic Faith. High School Youth Group begins Oct. 9, Middle School on Oct. 16 (both at 7pm at St. Gabriel's). For more information, contact Fr. Joseph Gill at frgill@diobpt.org. No cost, no sign-ups, just show up!

**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

**~ Financial Support of Our Parish ~**

**October 4, 2020**

	Amount received: 2020	same week in 2019
Weekly	\$2,205.00	\$2,920.00
100% Fund	\$ 879.00	\$1,680.00
Online Giving	\$1,879.83	\$ 1,602.05
Poor box	\$ 53.00	\$ 41.00
Candles	\$ 129.00	\$ 157.00

Many thanks to those who mailed donations to the parish, deposited envelopes in the designated box in the church or donated online. Our parish relies on the generous donations of our parishioners to serve our community. Parishioners are invited and encouraged to take part in our Offertory Envelope program by becoming registered members of the parish or to sign up for our Online Giving program for automated donations to be withdrawn from your account. More information is available on our website or by calling the parish office. However you desire to contribute to our parish, we are grateful for each contribution.

## St. Bridget's Safe Environment 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! Please feel free to call the parish office with any questions or concerns.



**Sunday Family Rosary** - When the pandemic began, The Leadership Institute started hosting virtual prayers as a diocesan family. "Several hundred families continued to gather throughout the summer and were disappointed when we wrapped up our Summer Rosary series," says Patrick Donovan, director of The Leadership Institute. "This served as a nice compliment to the many wonderful prayer opportunities our parishes were offering." Based on the feedback, The Leadership Institute is set to launch the Sunday Family Rosary beginning in October 2020 and continuing every Sunday at 7:30 pm.

Families who wish to sign up to lead are invited to visit [www.formationreimagined.org](http://www.formationreimagined.org) and click the praying hands image at the top of the screen. Once they sign up, families will receive a confirmation email with complete details. No registration is necessary for families who simply wish to join in prayer each week at 7:30 pm.

For any questions please email [Rosary@diobpt.org](mailto:Rosary@diobpt.org)

**New Parish Office Hours:** The Parish office is open Monday-Thursday 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM.

The office will be closed on Fridays. Phone and Email will be monitored.

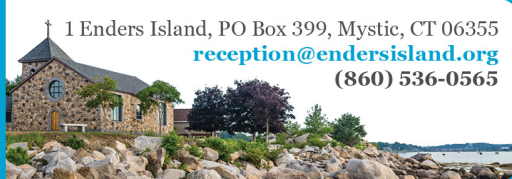
## WATERCOLOR WHIMSY

with Kathy Irr

**Sunday, October 18th, 2020**

Painting can be meditative when we lose ourselves in the creativity, shapes, and colors of a project rather than worrying about perfection. During this day we'll pray and play together. You will discover simple techniques for creating a personal reflection journal filled with positive reminders and affirmations to nourish the soul.

Learn more [www.enders.is/watercolorwhimsy](http://www.enders.is/watercolorwhimsy)



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## Spiritual Opportunity for the Men of St. Bridget's:

The men of the St. Cecilia – St. Gabriel Men's Ministry would

like to extend an invitation to attend one of our weekly bible reflections sessions. The meetings are held every Saturday morning at 7:00 am-8:15 am. Our meetings are held via a Zoom video conference or in person on the grounds of St. Gabriel when weather permits.

The Sunday readings with biblical context and reflection questions are sent out on the prior Wednesday. Men are encouraged to read the scripture and the reflection questions, but preparation is not required.

Our roundtable is an excellent way for us men to prepare for hearing God's Word and making Sundays Mass more fruitful. Please contact Greg Bartolo for any questions or to join our mailing list: 631-258-3531 or [gdbart@optonline.net](mailto:gdbart@optonline.net).

## World Mission Sunday is Next Week!

Next week is World Mission Sunday. We are called through our Baptism to be part of the Church's missionary efforts, through prayer, self-sacrifice, and support of the Mission Church through material aid. This year, Pope Francis asks us to respond to that call, saying, "Here I Am, Send Me!" To "send" ourselves, we can: PRAY for the Church's worldwide missionary work, OFFER financial HELP and CHARITY through the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for vulnerable communities throughout Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific Islands.

**Our Deepest Longing** day retreats at Holy Family Retreat Center, West Hartford, CT. Join us in exploring that deep longing planted in our hearts by God for peace, wholeness, and relationships that give us joy and lift us up.

These retreats are offered on site (40 participants max) as well as on the Zoom platform.

October Online Offerings:

Tuesday, Oct. 13, Minor Characters in the Bible with Sr. Mary Ann Cantlon

Wednesday, Oct. 14, Still Home? An Evening of Reflection for College Students with Liza Peters and Colin Petramale.

Wednesday, Oct. 21, Mental & Spiritual Wellbeing during a Pandemic, with Dr. Mike Norko.

Visit our website for dates and additional details: [holyfamilyretreat.org/themed-retreats](http://holyfamilyretreat.org/themed-retreats) or call 860.760.9705.

**Need more information?** Please visit our website: [www.stbridgetofireland.com](http://www.stbridgetofireland.com).