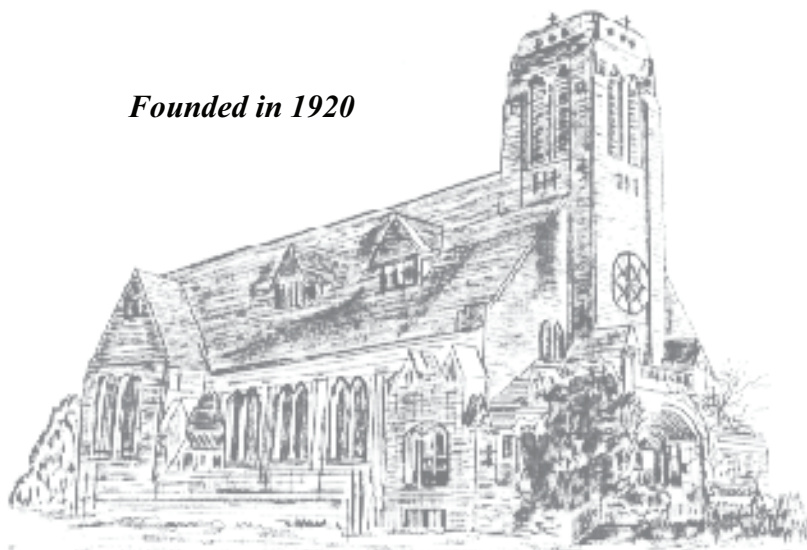


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9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m. (Italian)

11:00 a.m. (Family Mass)

WEEKDAY CHAPEL MASSES

Monday - Friday 12:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m.

*Mass is celebrated at 9:00 a.m.
on weekday statutory holidays.*

DEVOTIONALS

Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Mass & Novena

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.

ROSARY

Monday - Friday 11:00 a.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 9:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Those interested in having their child(ren) baptized must contact the Parish office to obtain a registration package.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples engaged to be married must contact the Parish office one year in advance.

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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

Today's Gospel continues our reading from Mark and describes what some believe was likely to have been a typical day in Jesus' ministry. Jesus and the disciples that chose to follow Him arrive at Capernaum, a small village on the Sea of Galilee. Jesus teaches in the synagogue on the Sabbath. Mark reports that the people respond to Jesus' teaching with astonishment, noting Jesus' authority and contrasting it with the scribes. After Jesus' preaching, an even more astonishing event happened, a man possessed with an unclean spirit calls out to Jesus. Throughout Mark's Gospel, the spirits and demons seem to know Jesus, and are often fearful of Him. They seem to understand Jesus' identity better than His disciples. Jesus orders the spirit to be quiet and drives the unclean spirit out of the man. Jesus' ability to heal those possessed by demons is an indication of His power over evil.

PRAYER & LIFE WORKSHOP

The Prayer and Life Workshop will continue this **Wednesday, January 31st at 7:00 pm** in the Rectory Hall.

It is not too late to register. Please call the Parish office for more information or visit: tovpil.ca/Ontario.

FEAST OF SAINT BRIGID CELEBRATIONS**Holy Mass with H.E. Thomas Cardinal Collins
Saturday, February 3rd at 5:00pm**

Please join us on **Saturday, February 3rd at the 5:00 pm Mass with His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto**, who will be the Celebrant and Homilist for the conclusion of the Feast of St. Brigid Triduum. All are welcome to attend.

**Triduum Masses for St. Brigid
January 31st to February 2nd**

The Triduum Masses for Saint Brigid will take place in our Church at 7:00pm on: Wednesday, January 31st, Thursday, February 1st, and on Friday, February 2nd.

**St. Brigid & St. Catherine of Siena
Annual Dinner-Dance
Saturday, February 3rd**

All are invited to attend the Annual St. Brigid and St. Catherine of Siena Dinner-Dance immediately following the Saturday 5:00 pm Mass, in the Church Hall. We look forward to celebrating together as a community, along with your friends and families. Dinner will be served at 7:00 pm followed by dancing, door prizes and much more!

Tickets are \$55 for Adults and \$30 for Children 12 years old and under.

Tickets may be purchased after each Mass or by visiting the Parish office (Monday to Friday).

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

Friday, February 2nd is *World Day for Consecrated Life*. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their

special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation. May God Bless You!

2018 GOOD FRIDAY PASSION PLAY**REGISTRATION: WEEKEND OF JANUARY 27th & 28th
AFTER ALL MASSES**

Preparations for the 29th Annual Good Friday Passion Play are underway. To register yourself as an actor or if you'd like to help the play in any way, please email us at: stbrigidpassion@gmail.com with your full name and full contact information. This is a great way for students to fulfill their volunteer requirements.

**FIRST REHEARSAL WILL TAKE PLACE ON
Sunday, February 4th: 3:00 - 6:00 pm in the Church.****THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE
MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2018**

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

The month of February is dedicated to the Holy Family. This year the first thirteen days of February fall during the liturgical season known as Ordinary Time which is represented by the liturgical color green. Green, the symbol of hope, is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. The remaining days of February are the beginning of Lent. The liturgical colour changes to purple — a symbol of penance, mortification and the sorrow of a contrite heart.

ST. BRIGID'S CENTENNIAL CHOIR

St. Brigid's Centennial Choir is a community choir made up of parish members of all different types of musical ability. Our main focus is to assist and encourage the congregation in the offering of song as prayer using the core hymns of Catholic tradition. We rehearse twice monthly on the second and third Saturday's of the month and sing at the 11:00 am Mass on the third Sunday of the month. Joining in rehearsal is an important part of choir participation but with people's busy lives, it is understandable that this is not always possible. Resources are provided to choir members so that they can practice at home. As the choir becomes more established, we will begin to sing at major feast day Masses culminating with the St. Brigid's Parish centennial celebrations in 2020.

Please consider joining the St. Brigid's Centennial Choir and helping our Parish raise its singing voices to God in prayer. - **Attila Jagodits, Coordinator of Liturgical Music**

Next Rehearsals: Saturday February 10th and 17th at 10:00 am in the Church.

**CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE EVENT 2018
WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 10th AND 11th**

As part of Marriage Sunday 2018 celebrations, **Cardinal Thomas Collins** will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2018. If you are celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary this year, you are invited to join in this special celebration. The Mass

will take place at **3:00 pm** on **Sunday, February 11th** at **Blessed Trinity Parish** (3220 Bayview Ave.). A reception will follow the Mass. All are welcome to attend. **Couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are asked to register at: www.archtoronto.org/marriage or by calling (416) 934-3400 ext. 523.**

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK: FEBRUARY 11th

The ministry of Jesus to the sick is central to the life of the Church. February 11th (Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes) highlights the healing ministry of the Church. It reminds us that service to the sick and suffering cannot be neglected.

OUT OF THE COLD MEETING: FEBRUARY 14th

Our next Out of the Cold meeting will take place on **Wednesday, February 14th at 5:00 pm** at the former St. Catherine of Siena Church (1099 Danforth Ave.) in the **St. Brigid's Annex Hall**.

POPE FRANCIS' LENTEN MESSAGE

"Once again, the Pasch of the Lord draws near! In our preparation for Easter, God in his providence offers us each year the season of Lent as a "sacramental sign of our conversion". Lent summons us, and enables us, to come back to the Lord wholeheartedly and in every aspect of our life. With this message, I would like to help the entire Church experience this time of grace anew, with joy and in truth. I will take my cue from the words of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew: 'Because of the increase of iniquity, the love of many will grow cold' (24:12)."

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE FEBRUARY 14th

- 12:00 pm** English Chapel Mass
- 1:00 pm** St. Brigid's School Mass
- 7:00 pm** Italian and English Evening Mass

STATIONS OF THE CROSS THROUGHOUT LENT

Please join us every **Friday evening at 7:00 pm**, throughout the Lenten season as we pray the Stations of the Cross in both English and Italian in our Parish. The first service will be held on **Friday, February 16th**.

TAX RECEIPTS & DONATION ENVELOPES

Your **2017 donation tax receipts** are ready and will be mailed out. We ask you to please notify the Parish office if you have changed your contact information. Your **2018 donation envelopes** are located at the front entrance of the Church. Please ask an usher if you require assistance.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for the week ending on January 21st, 2018 was **\$4,078.50**. Please remember **St. Brigid's Church in your last will and testament**. Don't forget to ask us about **Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G.)!**

IV DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO / B

Susciterò un profeta in mezzo a loro. Il profeta non è soltanto colui che predice o svela un evento futuro. Egli è prima di tutto un intermediario con l'Assoluto, portatore

fedele della parola di Dio. Il profetismo s'innesta in questo contesto di bisogno della parola di Dio e si caratterizza come punto di incontro dell'uomo con la verità e la volontà di Dio. Molto spesso il profeta denuncia le mancanze che si commettono contro la Legge anche se c'è un'osservanza legale della lettera; egli lotta contro le vuote abitudini di un passato che viene confuso con le sue morte sopravvivenze. Egli condanna il culto esteriore e i sacrifici che nascondono l'ipocrisia e l'ingiustizia. Il profeta è costituito da Dio «per sradicare e demolire, per distruggere e abbattere, per edificare e piantare». Per questo il suo impatto con il popolo è più sovente uno scontro che un incontro.

COLLETTA SETTIMANALE

La colletta regolare della settimana 21 Gennaio 2018 e' stata **\$4,078.50**. Grazie per la vostra contribuzione per aiutare alle spese della chiesa. Dio vi recompense. **Per favore, ricordate la nostra parrocchia nel vostro testamento. Avete mai pensato che la vostra parrocchia puo' essere "il terzo figlio della carità" nel vostro testamento?**

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Jan. 27th - St. Angela Merici

- 9:00 a.m. Special Blessing for Maria Lehunte
- 5:00 p.m. +Frances Coviello, req. by Francesco Rampino & Family

Sunday, Jan. 28th

- 8:30 a.m. **Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass For All Parishioners**
- 9:30 a.m. In Onore di Sant'Antonio Per Una Grazia Ricevuta per Franco Petrucci, req. by Rosina Petrucci
+Onorino Ruggiero, req. by Rocchina Ruggiero & Family
+Pietro Altomare, req. by Agata Toso & Family
+Giovanni Toso, req. by Agata Toso & Family
+Antonio Camissa, req. by the Family
+Incoronata Cornacchia, req. by Angelo Cornacchia
+Anna Potapenko, req. by Tetyana Ivchenko & Family
+Giuseppe Lorefice, req. by the Parish
+Francesco Iurato, req. by the Parish
- 11:00 a.m. Special Blessing for Brenda Boyd, req. by Patricia Walsh

Monday, Jan. 29th

- 12:00 p.m. For all the deceased members of St. Brigid Church

Tuesday, Jan. 30th

- 12:00 p.m. For all the deceased members of St. Catherine of Siena
- 7:00 p.m. **Memorial Mass:** +Orazio Morale, req. by the Family

Wednesday, Jan. 31st - St. John Bosco

- 12:00 p.m. +Don Marren, req. by the Parish
- 7:00 p.m. **Triduum Mass:** Mass & Prayers in Honour of St. Brigid

Thursday, Feb. 1st - St. Brigid of Kildare

- 12:00 p.m. +Michael & Josephine Del Grande, req. by Lucia Del Grande
+Gerdie Doherty, req. by the St. Vincent Gaelic Football Club
- 7:00 p.m. **Triduum Mass:** Mass & Prayers in Honour of St. Brigid

Friday, Feb. 2nd - The Presentation of the Lord

- 12:00 p.m. For all the deceased members of the Sierra Tobon Families
- 7:00 p.m. **Triduum Mass:** Mass & Prayers in Honour of St. Brigid

Saturday, Feb. 3rd - St. Blaise & St. Ansgar

- 9:00 a.m. +Arti Lakhani, req. by Maria Lehunte
- 5:00 p.m. +Alfrido Moniz Cardoso, req. by Caetano Tavares & Family
+Evelina Sousa Leite, req. by Caetano Tavares & Family
+Luisa Margarida Cardoso, req. by Caetano Tavares & Family

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