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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday
9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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

Wednesday 6:00 p.m. to 6:50 p.m.
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.

PARISH SCHOOLS

ST. BRIGID CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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BAPTISM OF THE LORD: YEAR C

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In today's Gospel, as in the other Gospel accounts of Jesus' baptism, we hear John the Baptist address the confusion of the people who thought that John might be the Messiah. In response, John contrasts the baptism that he performs with the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that someone will come and baptize with the Holy Spirit. The type of baptism that John performed was not yet a Christian Baptism; it was a preparation for Christian Baptism through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received.

ST. BRIGID'S CENTENNIAL CHOIR

The next rehearsal for the St. Brigid's Centennial Choir: **Saturday, January 19th at 10:00 am in the Church.**

OUT OF THE COLD MEETING: JANUARY 16

Anyone interested in helping us with the **Out of the Cold Program** is welcome to attend the next meeting on **Wednesday, January 16th at 5:00 pm** at the former St. Catherine of Siena Church located at 1099 Danforth Avenue at the **St. Brigid's Annex Room.**

DONATIONS & VOLUNTEERS: If you are interested in donating food, containers of apple juice, and/or warm clothing, please drop off your donations on Mondays at 1099 Danforth Avenue. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Parish office by calling: (416) 696-8660 or emailing: stbrigid@rogers.com.

ST. BRIGID'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Starting January 2019 we will start a Children's Choir which will be led by **Daniel Colla**, a retired TCDSB Music Teacher and professional choral conductor. Children from ages 7 to 14 are encouraged to be part of this newly formed choir.

The children's choir will be singing every Saturday at the 5:00 pm Mass starting February 2nd. Practices will be held every Saturday at 4:00 pm starting January 19th. Please contact the Parish office to register your child.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2019

January 18th to the 25th, 2019 is the annual observance of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The theme for 2019 finds its origins in Deuteronomy, "Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue" (cf. Deuteronomy 16:20). It was chosen for its powerful message of promoting truth, equality and unity. For more information visit: www.geii.org.

WORLD YOUTH DAY: JANUARY 22 to 27, 2019

World Youth Day will be celebrated in Panama starting January 22nd to January 27th, 2019. World Youth Day (WYD) is a worldwide encounter with the Pope which is typically celebrated every three years in a different country. WYD is open to all young people who want to take part in a festive encounter with their contemporaries centered on Jesus Christ. worldyouthday.com

FEAST OF SAINT BRIGID CELEBRATIONS

TRIDUUM MASSES FOR ST. BRIGID JANUARY 30, 31 & FEBRUARY 1, 2019

The Triduum Masses for Saint Brigid will take place in our Church at 7:00pm on: Wednesday, January 30th, Thursday, January 31st and on Friday, February 1st.

ST. BRIGID & ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA ANNUAL DINNER-DANCE SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2019

On Saturday, February 2nd, all are invited to attend the Annual St. Brigid and St. Catherine of Siena Dinner-Dance immediately following the 5:00 pm Mass. 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).

30TH ANNUAL GOOD FRIDAY PASSION PLAY

**REGISTRATION: JANUARY 19, 20, 26 & 27
FIRST REHEARSAL: FEBRUARY 3rd at 3:00 pm**

Preparations for the 30th 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. **Registration will take place in the Church after all Masses on Saturday, January 19th and Sunday, January 20th and again on Saturday, January 26th and Sunday, January 27th.** The first rehearsal will take place on Sunday, February 3rd from 3:00 to 6:00 pm in the Church. A light snack will be provided.

MARRIAGE SUNDAY AT ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH FEBRUARY 17 AT THE 11:00 AM MASS

On **Sunday, February 17th** we invite all couples who have received the Sacrament of Marriage in the Catholic Church to receive a special blessing at our 11:00 am Mass. If possible, please contact the Parish office to let us know of your attendance so that we can plan accordingly.

THE TRUTH ABOUT CANCER A GLOBAL QUEST DOCU-SERIES

Starting **Tuesday, February 26th at 7:45 pm in the Church Hall** we will be presenting a nine-part video series on the **Truth About Cancer**. Each week we will present an episode with brand new international panel of doctors, scientists, researchers and cancer survivors who will reveal revolutionary cancer preventatives, therapies, and life-saving treatments that can protect you and your loved ones from cancer. All are welcome.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD / BATTESIMO DEL SIGNORE: JANUARY 13, 2019

HEALING SERVICE & HOLY MASS EVERY MONTH

Starting in March, we will have a monthly Healing Service followed by a Holy Mass. The first Healing Service and Holy Mass will be celebrated on **Sunday, March 4th at 4:00 pm.**

PRAYER & LIFE WORKSHOP: FEBRUARY 27, 2019

The *Prayer & Life Workshop* is a weekly program that helps you to learn and deepen the art of prayer. Sessions include methods such as prayerful reading, integral reconciliation, and contemplative prayer.

The workshop will be held in the Rectory Hall and will start on **Wednesday, February 27th.** Each session is two hours long. The instruction is free; however, materials are \$15. Please contact the Parish office to register for this workshop. Official registration will be taking place on

TAX RECEIPTS & DONATION ENVELOPES

Your **2018 donation tax receipts** will be ready soon and will be mailed out. We ask you to please notify the Parish office if you have changed your contact information. Your **2019 donation envelopes** are still located at the front entrance of the Church. Please ask an usher if you require assistance or call the parish office if you would like to pick them up during the week.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

“Ask, and it will be given you” Mt 7:7

Loving God, I come to you in thanksgiving, knowing that all I am and all that I have is a gift from you. In faith and love, help me to do your will. I am listening, Lord God. Speak your words into the depth of my soul, that I may hear you clearly. I offer to you this day all the facets of my life, Whether it be at home, at work, or at school—to be patient, to be merciful, to be generous, to be holy. Give me the wisdom and insight to understand your will for me and the fervour to fulfill my good intentions. I offer my gifts of time, talent and possessions to you as a true act of faith, to reflect my love for you and my neighbour. Help me to reach out to others as you, my God, have reached out to me.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for the week ending January 6th, 2019 was **\$2,730.50.** **Please remember St. Brigid's Parish in your last will and testament. Don't forget to ask us about Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G.)!**

BATTESIMO DEL SIGNORE: ANNO C

La redazione degli evangelisti tende a presentare il battesimo di Gesù come il battesimo del «nuovo popolo di Dio», il battesimo della Chiesa. Nel libro dell'Esodo, Israele è il figlio primogenito che viene liberato dall'Egitto per servire a Dio e offrirgli il sacrificio; è il popolo che passa tra la muraglia d'acqua del Mar Rosso e nel sentiero asciutto attraverso il fiume Giordano. Cristo è il «figlio diletto» che offre l'unico sacrificio accetto al Padre; Cristo che «esce dall'acqua» è il nuovo popolo che viene definitivamente liberato: lo Spirito non solo scende su Cristo, ma rimane su di lui «perché gli uomini riconoscessero in lui il Messia, inviato a portare ai poveri il lieto annunzio».

GRUPPO DI PREGHIERA SAN PADRE PIO

Sabato 19 Gennaio, dopo la messa delle 9:00 am, ci sarà La Coroncina di San Pio di Pietralcina. Per informazione chiamate a Chiara a: **(416) 466-0445.**

L'INTENZIONE DI PREGHIERA

“I giovani alla scuola di Maria” è il tema dell'intenzione di preghiera del Papa Francesco per il mese di gennaio, con lo sguardo rivolto alla GMG in Panama. Nel videomessaggio Francesco chiede di pregare perché i giovani comunichino al mondo la gioia del Vangelo.

COLLETTA SETTIMANALE

La colletta regolare di 6 Gennaio 2019 e' stata **\$2,730.50.** **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, January 12th ~ St. Marguerite Bourgeois

- 9:00 a.m. Special Blessing for Franklyn Brazil, req. by John MacDonald
- 5:00 p.m. +Antonio Ruggiero, req. by Nunzia Ruggiero
+Norine, Hilaire & John Comartin, req. by the Family
+Sebastiana Sessa-Selvaggio, req. by the Family

Sunday, January 13th ~ Baptism of the Lord

- 8:30 a.m. **Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass For All Parishioners**
- 9:30 a.m. Per Tutti i Defunti Delle Famiglie Campanelli & Loizzo, req. by Lucia Loizzo
+Carlo & Michelo Doto, req. by the Doto Family
+Anna Potapenko, req. by Tetyana Ivchenko
+Giuseppe Raso, req. by his son Francesco Raso
+Joseph Ruggiero, req. by Rocchina Ruggiero
+Pasquale & Carmine Schiavo, req. by the Family
+Giuseppe Moncada, Corrado Malia & Maria Campisi, req. by Anna Moncada
+Rab Concepcion, req. by Joseph Rampino
+Donato Taggio, req. by the Parish
+Luigi Francella, req. by the Parish
+Carmela De Stefano, req. by the Parish
- 11:00 a.m. Special Blessing of Healing for Nelda Montesa & Paul Crawford

Monday, January 14th

- 12:00 p.m. +Angelo & Antonio Cornacchia, req. by Gilda Cornacchia

Tuesday, January 15th

- 12:00 p.m. +Michele & Giuseppina Del Grande, req. by Lucia Del Grande

Wednesday, January 16th

- 12:00 p.m. +Giuseppe Del Grande, req. by Lucia Del Grande
+Maria Lamanna, req. by the Family
- 6:00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Meditation, Vespers-Liturgy of the Hours
- 7:00 p.m. **Novena Mass:** Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Thursday, January 17th ~ St. Anthony, Abbot

- 10:00 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction
- 12:00 p.m. +Felicetta & Paolo Lobo, req. by Lucia Del Grande

Friday, January 18th

- 12:00 p.m. +Pasquale Lamanna, req. by the Family

Saturday, January 19th

- 9:00 a.m. San Pio di Pietralcina, req. by Gruppo di Preghiera S. Brigida
- 5:00 p.m. +Onorino Ruggiero, req. by Rocco & Lucy Colangelo
+Oto Corsano, req. by the Family

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