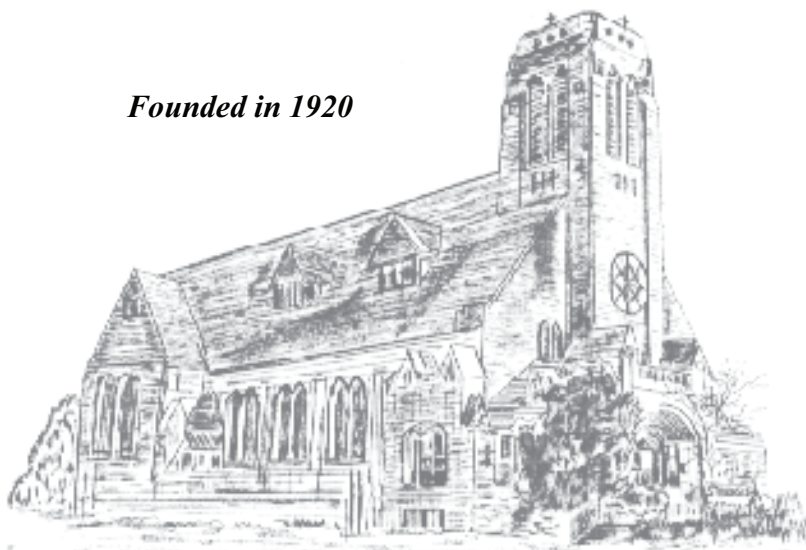


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9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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.

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: C

As Jesus stands in the synagogue, he reads from the scroll handed to him; it contains the words of the prophet Isaiah. At this early moment in his ministry, Jesus announces his mission in continuity with Israel's prophetic tradition. This reading from Isaiah defines Jesus' ministry. We will find more evidence of this as we continue to read from Luke's Gospel throughout the year. Jesus' ministry will include bringing glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, freedom to the oppressed, and proclaiming a year acceptable to the Lord. Through this text from Isaiah, Jesus announces God's salvation. The "year acceptable to the Lord" is a reference to the Jewish tradition of Sabbath years and jubilee. The Sabbath year was observed every seventh year. It was a year of rest when land was left fallow and food stores were to be shared equally with all.

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

To celebrate The Presentation of the Lord on **Saturday, February 2nd**, please bring your own candles at the 9:00 am Chapel Mass. They will be lit at the reading of the Gospel to commemorate this important religious feast.

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

Saturday, February 2nd is World day for Consecrated Life. The purpose of this day is to help the entire Church to esteem ever more greatly the witness of those persons who have chosen to follow Christ by means of the practice of evangelical counsels.

ST. BLAISE: BLESSING OF THE THROAT

On **Sunday, February 3rd** we will be celebrating the Memorial of St. Blaise, the Patron Saint of Throats. A blessing of the throats with the St. Blaise candle will be performed after each Mass.

ST. BRIGID'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Thank you to all the students who attended the Children's Choir practice. **It is not too late to join!** The next practice and first Mass will take place on Saturday, February 2nd starting at 4:00 pm followed by Mass at 5:00 pm. Children ages 7 to 14 are encouraged to be part of this newly formed choir. Please contact the Parish office.

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.

**30TH ANNUAL GOOD FRIDAY
PASSION PLAY**

**REGISTRATION: JANUARY 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 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.

The Good Friday Passion Play and Procession will be taking place on April 19th at 6:00 pm in the Church.

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

The Triduum Masses for Saint Brigid will take place this week in our Church at 7:00pm. Please join us on Wednesday, January 30th, Thursday, January 31st and on Friday, February 1st as we celebrate the life of our Patron Saint. ***"I would like an abundance of peace. I would like full vessels of charity. I would like rich treasures of mercy. I would like cheerfulness to preside over all."***

**ST. BRIGID & ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA
ANNUAL DINNER-DANCE**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2019

Next Saturday, February 2nd, all are invited to attend our 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). **Don't Delay!**

**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 DOCU-SERIES

Starting **Tuesday, February 26th at 7:45 pm in the Church Hall** Fr. Carlos Sierra will be presenting a nine part doc-series on the Truth about Cancer. Each week we will present an episode with a 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. **Participation is free!**

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 starting **Wednesday, February 27th from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.** 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 Saturday, February 9th and on Sunday, February 10th before and after all Masses. All are welcome.

2019 LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY: MARCH 2

Be inspired, encouraged and healed at the largest single day Catholic event in Canada: the 27th annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally! The theme of this year's rally is "Hope In The Midst of Suffering". **Saturday, March 2nd** from 9:00 am to 5:30 pm at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Tickets: \$25 for adults and \$15 for the youth. For more information: www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca or contact: (647) 243-9441.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

World Day of Prayer is an international, ecumenical movement asking you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. It is run under the motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action". The movement aims to bring together people of various races, cultures, and traditions in a yearly common Day of Prayer, as well as in closer fellowship, understanding and action throughout the year.

Please join us at St. Brigid's Church on Saturday, March 23rd at 11:00 am to commemorate this day.

HEALING SERVICE & HOLY MASS EVERY MONTH

Due to the Good Friday Passion Play rehearsals that will be taking place every Sunday from February to April, the monthly **healing service and Holy Mass** will now start on **Sunday, May 5th at 4:00 pm at the Church.**

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for the week ending January 20th, 2019 was **\$1,834.85**. **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.).**

Pre-Authorized Giving will assist you in your support of the work of St. Brigid's Church through your regular Parish offerings (**does not include special collections**). The work of our Parish is made possible through the giving hearts of our parishioners. In response to changing lifestyles and demands on time and energy, St. Brigid's Church seeks, through Pre-Authorized Giving, to assist you in your giving.

III DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO: C

La parola di Dio, però, lungi dall'alienare l'uomo, intende promuovere una fedeltà radicale alla condizione umana. La prima lettura ci manifesta il rapporto fra la parola di Dio qual è contenuta nella Bibbia e la comunità. Il gesto di Neemia ci dice che il popolo di Dio per ricostruirsi dopo lo sfacelo dell'esilio ricerca la sua più profonda identità e unità nella parola di Dio. Anche oggi la Chiesa ritrova la sua identità nella parola di Dio. Senza la parola di Dio la Chiesa è «nulla». La Chiesa è sempre in religioso ascolto della parola di Dio: da questa viene adunata e ne dipende totalmente; da essa deve lasciarsi continuamente «giudicare» e contestare.

PAPA FRANCESCO A S. MARTA:

LE BEATITUDINI, VERO STILE DI VITA DEL CRISTIANO

Si può credere di essere buoni cattolici ma non comportarsi da buoni cristiani. Il vero stile del cristiano è quello indicato dalle Beatitudini. Così il Papa nell'omelia della Messa a Casa Santa Marta commentando l'espressione emblematica del Vangelo odierno di Marco: "Vino nuovo in otri nuovi".

COLLETTA SETTIMANALE

La colletta regolare di 20 Gennaio 2019 e' stata **\$1,834.85**. **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 26th ~ St. Timothy & St. Titus

- 9:00 a.m. San Pio di Pietralcina, req. by Gruppo di Preghiera S. Brigida
+Daniel MacNeil, req. by Brian & Lisa Dwyer
- 5:00 p.m. Special Blessing for Michael O'Neill, req. by Tom & Sheila Johnston
+Antonio Ruggiero, req. by Rocco & Lucy Colangelo
+Terrence Layman, req. by Margaret & Michael McAndrew
+Lawrence Jones, req. by Hannah Jones
+Marta Grande, req. by Maria Calo & Family

Sunday, January 27th

- 8:30 a.m. **Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass For All Parishioners**
- 9:30 a.m. Per Tutti I Defunti Della Famiglia Kolja, req. by Maria Kolja
+Incoronata Cornacchia, req. by Angelo Cornacchia
+Francesco Maraia e Tutti I Defunti, req. by Schaivo Family
+Antonio, Giuseppina & Americo Palma, req. by Pasqualina Villacci
+Carmine Schiavo, req. by Maria Valentini
+Giovanni Toso, req. by Agata Toso
+Antonio Cammisa, req. by the Family
+Gene & Jack Hooten, req. by Franco & Crocetta Paladino
+Francesco Iurato, req. by the Parish
- 11:00 a.m. Special Birthday Blessing for Giuseppe Frassica
+Lilly Fernandes, req. by Paul Fernandes
+Alfredo & Franca Sollecito, req. by Sestito Family
+Pietro, Rosina & Pasquale Macchione, req. by Sestito Family
+Vincenzo, Vitina & Vito Sestito, req. by Sestito Family

Monday, January 28th ~ St. Thomas Aquinas

- 12:00 p.m. +Giuseppe Ciraco, req. by Teresa Ciraco

Tuesday, January 29th

- 12:00 p.m. +Rita Holloway, req. by Catholic Refugee Sponsors Council

Wednesday, January 30th

- 12:00 p.m. +Crystal Papineau, Hang Vo and all the Homeless People in Our City Who Have Died, req. by the Parish
- 6:00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Meditation, Vespers-Liturgy of the Hours

- 7:00 p.m. **Triduum Mass:** Mass & Prayers in Honour of St. Brigid

Thursday, January 31st ~ St. John Bosco

- 10:00 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction
- 12:00 p.m. Special Blessing of Healing for Ethan Shoot
- 7:00 p.m. **Triduum Mass:** Mass & Prayers in Honour of St. Brigid

Friday, February 1st ~ St. Brigid of Kildaire

- 12:00 p.m. +Michele & Giuseppina Del Grande, req. by Lucia De Grande
- 7:00 p.m. **Triduum Mass:** Mass & Prayers in Honour of St. Brigid

Saturday, February 2nd ~ The Presentation of the Lord

- 9:00 a.m. For all the Deceased Parishioners From Our Community
- 5:00 p.m. +Eva Kokus, req. by Michael Duggan & Family

Please pray for those suffering with illnesses, especially, Bishop Robert Kasun, Nelda Montesa, Paul Crawford, Marta Delle Fave & Ethan Shoot.

St. Thomas Aquinas is truly one of the greatest minds in Catholicism. He was a tireless teacher and a prolific writer whose *Summa Theologica* is one of the best books written about our faith! In one of St. Thomas Aquinas prayers after Communion, he expresses his ardent desire for the soul-cleansing power of the Eucharist. He once said that "in this Sacrament, sins are purged away, strength renewed, and the mind fortified with generous, spiritual gifts".

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