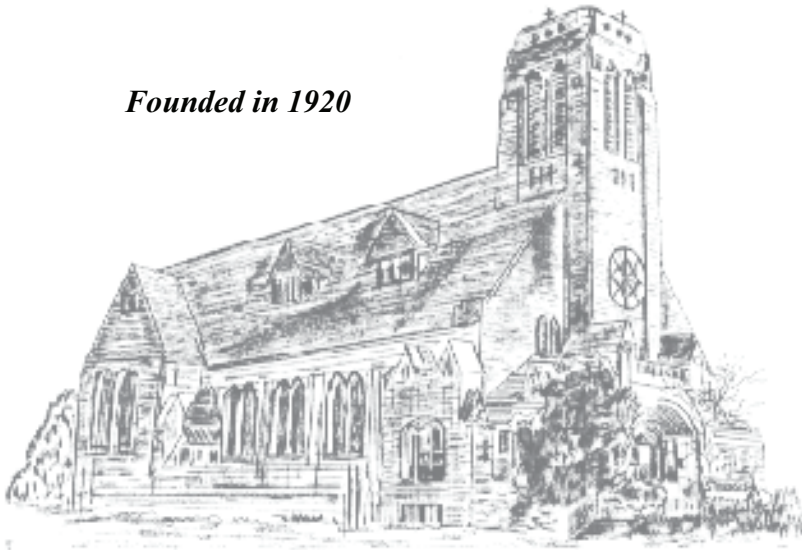


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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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.

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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: C

In today's Gospel, we learn that the people of Nazareth are impressed by Jesus' words, and yet they seem surprised. They still think of Jesus as merely Joseph's son. They do not expect such words from someone they believe that they know. This Gospel is about who Jesus is and who people believe him to be. In Luke's Gospel, this incident is told in a way that foretells Jesus' passion and death and helps explain the inclusion of the Gentiles in the promise of salvation. The people are surprised but not immediately offended by Jesus' words in the synagogue. It is the words that follow his reading from the prophet Isaiah that seem to offend them. Jesus challenges and provokes the people of Nazareth by referring to examples in which Israel rejected the prophets. He also challenges them to respond to his message, the message of a prophet, in a way that is different from their ancestors. This call for a new response leads to his rejection.

**ST. BRIGID & ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA
PATRON SAINTS CELEBRATION**

----- SPECIAL THANKS -----

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who participated in last week's St. Brigid Triduum Masses. We gathered together to celebrate and reflect on the remarkable life of our Patron Saint. Special thanks to Fr. Carlos Sierra, our spiritual leader, who works tirelessly every year to ensure that each Mass is meaningful and memorable. In the words of St. Brigid, *"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."*

Many thanks to all those who attended the St. Brigid and St. Catherine of Siena Mass celebration and the dinner dance on Saturday. We thank all of our volunteers who took the time to help us organize for this event. We would also like to thank all those that donated door prizes and to those who contributed financially. Generosity in every form goes a long way in the success of our events. Let us continue to move closer towards our centennial with strength, positivity, and with the grace of God by our side.

**ST. BRIGID'S CENTENNIAL CHOIR
REHEARSAL DATES: FEBRUARY 9 & 16**

The next two rehearsals for the St. Brigid's Centennial Choir will take place on **Saturday, February 9th & 16th at 10:00 am in the Church**. Please consider joining our Choir and helping our Parish raise its singing voices to God in prayer.
- Attila Jagodits, Coordinator of Liturgical Music.

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 Mass will take place on **Saturday, February 9th** 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.

GOOD FRIDAY PASSION PLAY & PROCESSION

This year marks our **30th year** of gathering together as a community and celebrating the production of **The Good Friday Passion Play & Procession**. This year, the play and procession will take place on **Friday, April 19th at 6:00 pm**. To register yourself as an actor or if you would 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 also a great way for students to fulfill their volunteer requirements. **Practices will be held every Sunday from 3:00 to 6:00 pm in the Church. Pizza will be served after each practice.**

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK: FEBRUARY 11

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 13

Our next Out of the Cold meeting will take place on **Wednesday, February 13th at 5:00 pm** at the former St. Catherine of Siena Church (1099 Danforth Ave.) in the **St. Brigid's Annex Hall**. For this meeting we are asking that all current volunteers and those interested in volunteering to attend.

DONATIONS: We are still in need of apple juice, socks and warm clothing. In addition, we are asking for donations of your old cell phones. Simply remove the SIM card and ensure that no personal information is stored.

**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. 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 next 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: ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH

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.**

ARCHDIOCESE COLLECTIONS 2018

Thank you to all our parishioners who contributed to our Archdiocesan Special Collections. Thank you for your generosity and ongoing support.

Humanitarian Relief:	\$2,548.60
Scarboro Mission:	\$1,309.20
Holy Land:	\$2,128.45
Marygrove:	\$1,696.80
Mission Co-op:	\$3,357.65
Canadian Church:	\$1,309.20
Papal Charities:	\$1,588.85
ShareLife:	\$25,684.75
Shepherd's Trust:	\$2,649.15
Mission Sunday:	\$1,857.95
Total Amount:	\$44,130.60

WEEKLY & MONTHLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for the week ending January 27th was **\$2,585.00**. The P.A.G. collection for the month of January was **\$4,910.82**. **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.

IV DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO: C

Il profeta è la coscienza critica del popolo, una coscienza critica non tanto in nome della ragione, quanto in nome della parola di Dio. Il profeta perciò è un «essere-contro» (prima lettura); egli smaschera, ovunque si trovino, le subdole complicità del male: denuncia i vizi del popolo, la falsità del culto, gli abusi di potere, ogni forma di idolatria, di

ingiustizia, di «catturazione» di Dio. La denuncia profetica è «giudizio di Dio» sulle vicende umane e insieme comunicazione del suo santo volere. E' sempre perciò un invito alla conversione del cuore, personale e collettiva. E opera di un amore appassionato per gli uomini e per Dio.

COLLETTA SETTIMANALE E MENSILE

La colletta regolare di 27 Gennaio e' stata **\$2,585.00**. La raccolta di P.A.G. per il mese di Gennaio è stata **\$4,910.82**. **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, February 2nd - The Presentation of the Lord

- 9:00 a.m. +Pasquale Palumbo, req. by the Family
- 5:00 p.m. +Eva Kokus, req. by Michael Duggan & Family
+Domenico Grande, req. by Maria Calo & Family
+Jerry & Isabella Angela Calo, req. by Maria Calo & Family

Sunday, February 3rd

- 8:30 a.m. **Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass For All Parishioners**
- 9:30 a.m. +Rosaria & Giuseppe Lopez, req. by Ita Spada
+Antonietta & Mattia Doto, req. by Doto Family
+Santo Visconti, req. by Antonietta Visconti & Family
+Nicola & Pasqualina Grosso, req. by Nicolina Grosso
+Salvatore Biagini, req. by the Family
+Antonia & Tindaro Gumina, req. by the Family
+Angela Piteri, req. by the son Francesco Raso
+Luigi Di Marco, req. by the Family
+Maria Schembri, req. by Lucia Loizzo
+Angelina Lembo, req. by Lila Mangano
+Rab Concepcion, req. by Joseph Rampino
- 11:00 a.m. In Honour of St. Brigid & St. Catherine of Siena, req. by Maria Calo and Family

Monday, February 4th

- 12:00 p.m. Special Blessing for Carmela Zito & Children

Tuesday, February 5th - St. Agatha

- 12:00 p.m. +Raffaella Valentini, req. by Maria Valentini
+Marisa Romano, req. by the Family
- 7:00 p.m. **Memorial Mass:** +Donato Taggio, req. by the Family

Wednesday, February 6th - St. Paul Miki & Companions

- 12:00 p.m. +Angelo & Antonietta Cornacchia, req. by Gilda Cornacchia
- 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
+John Doyle (Dundalk, Ireland), req. by John Molloy & Family

Thursday, February 7th

- 10:00 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction
- 12:00 p.m. +Vito Barbuto, req. by Teresa Barbuto

Friday, February 8th - Sts. Jerome Emiliani & Josephine Bakhita

- 12:00 p.m. Special Blessing of Healing for Mary Moloney, req. by Tom & Sheila Johnston
Special Birthday Blessing for Francesco Rampino

Saturday, February 9th

- 9:00 a.m. Special Blessing for Caterina, Antonio & Michelangelo Nocera
- 5:00 p.m. Special Blessing for Mary Devlan, req. by Tom & Sheila Johnston

Please pray for all our parishioners, friends and family suffering with illnesses, especially, Bishop Robert Kasun, Rosa Rampulla, Nelda Montesa, Paul Crawford, Marta Delle Fave, Ethan Shoot & Carmela Zito.

The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of February 2019: Human Trafficking; for a generous welcome to the victims of human trafficking, enforced prostitution and violence.

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