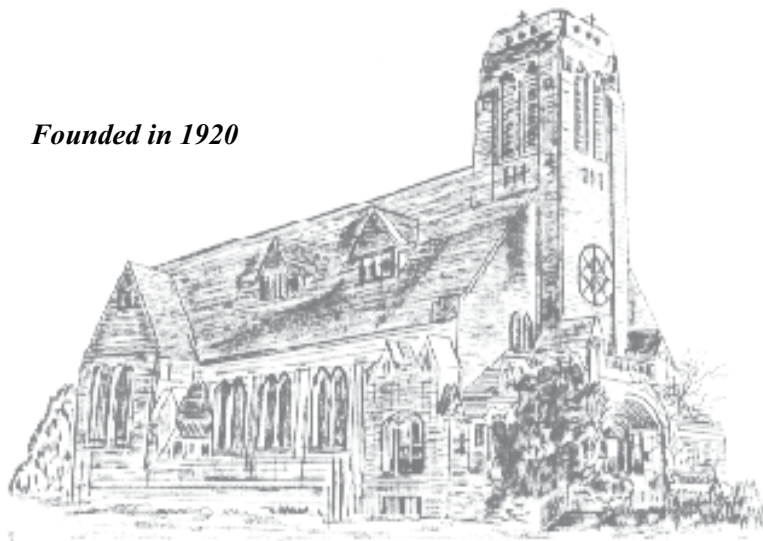


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1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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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

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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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT / A

"As the journey of Advent continues, as we prepare to celebrate the nativity of Christ, John the Baptist's call to conversion sounds out in our communities. It is a pressing invitation to open our hearts and to welcome the Son of God who comes among us to make divine judgement manifest. The Father, writes St. John the Evangelist, does not judge anyone, but has entrusted the power of judgement to the Son, because He is the Son of man.

**OUT OF THE COLD CHRISTMAS COLLECTION
THIS WEEKEND – DECEMBER 7 & 8**

The annual collection for the Christmas Dinner for guests from the Out of the Cold Program is taking place this weekend. The program serves the many needs of the poor and homeless in our community. Your continued generosity during the Christmas season is very much appreciated.

MINISTRY FORMATION – A WORD OF THANKS

Thank you to everyone that attended last Saturday's Ministry Formation. Fr. Carlos and Brian Dwyer lead the group of 25 lay minsters in discussing "Stewardship" – its meaning, the challenges involved and some practical actions one could take as Stewards. Special thanks to our guest speaker, David Baker from Corpus Christi Parish who shared his Parish experiences with Stewardship. If you are interested in joining one or more of our ministries, please contact the Parish office.

**SOLEMN MASS IN HONOUR OF THE
FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
MONDAY, DECEMBER 9**

Please join us this **Monday, December 9th at 7:00 pm** as we celebrate a Solemn Mass in honour of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. The Mass will be celebrated in both English and Italian.

HEALING SERVICE & HOLY MASSES

Thank you to everyone that attended this year's Healing Services and Holy Masses. We will resume next year – Sunday, May 3rd, 2020. Thank you for your participation.

**ST. BRIGID'S CENTENNIAL CHOIR
SATURDAY REHEARSAL DATE: DECEMBER 14**

The next rehearsal date for the Centennial Choir is **Saturday, December 14th** starting at **10:00 am**. We are always looking for new choir members. If you have any singing talent, please consider joining and sharing your gift. Remember, those who sing pray twice!

ST. BRIGID'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The next St. Brigid's Children's Choir practice will be taking place next **Saturday, December 14th at 4:00 pm followed by Mass at 5:00 pm**. Our children's choir is 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 choir. Please contact the Parish office to register your child.

The Children's Choir is a great way for your children to expand their musical talents as well as learn the skill of working together in serving the Lord.

**ARCHDIOCESAN DAY OF CONFESSIONS
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17**

On **Tuesday, December 17th** starting at 7:00 pm in the Church, we will celebrate the Archdiocesan Day of Confessions in preparation for Christmas. All are welcome.

**CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR
MASS SCHEDULE**

CHRISTMAS EVE - TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24

5:00 pm: Christmas Eve Family Mass (English)

11:30 pm: Christmas Carols

12:00 am: Christmas Eve Midnight Mass (Bilingual)

CHRISTMAS DAY - WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25

8:30 am ~ 9:30 am ~ 11:00 am

HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29

8:30 am ~ 9:30 am ~ 11:00 am

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1

8:30 am ~ 9:30 am ~ 11:00 am

**WEDNESDAY EVENING MEDITATION,
ADORATION & NOVENA MASS**

Due to the Christmas and New Year holiday schedule, we will be cancelling the Wednesday evening Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Meditation, Vespers-Liturgy of the Hours and the Novena Mass. The last Mass will be taking place on Wednesday, December 18th and will resume on Wednesday, January 22nd, 2020.

2020 DONATION ENVELOPES

Your **2020 donation envelopes** are now ready for pick up. All envelopes will be placed in alphabetical order. Please contact the Parish office if you have moved or changed your contact information. **In order to reduce waste and costs, we have issued new numbers for those who were previously in the 600 series. If you have any questions, please call the Parish office.**

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

If you are in grade 3 or higher, have already received your First Holy Communion and would like to Altar serve please contact the Parish office. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn the different parts of the Mass, meet new friends and gain the responsibility of a selfless act that can go towards fulfilling your required community hours.

FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

Church Bulletin: Due to the upcoming Christmas season, our Church bulletin will be submitted for printing sooner than our regular schedule. We ask all parishioners wishing to

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT / SECONDA DOMENICA DI AVVENTO: DECEMBER 8, 2019

add a Mass intention in December and early January to please contact the office soon in order to better serve your requests.

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our Church Bulletin. The advertising will begin in February 2020 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service.

PLEASE NOTE: THE PARISH OFFICE WILL CLOSE AT 12:00 NOON ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13TH.

SAVE THE DATES IN 2020

PRAYERS & MASS IN HONOUR OF ST. BRIGID & ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2020

Please join us on Thursday, January 30th at 7:00 pm as we prepare for the Feast of St. Brigid and St. Catherine of Siena. All are welcome for prayers and a Mass in honour of these two great saints.

ST. BRIGID & ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA DINNER DANCE: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

All are welcome to celebrate the Feast of St. Brigid and St. Catherine of Siena, our two patron Saints, at our annual Dinner Dance. The festivities will take place on Saturday, February 1st in the Church Hall. More details will be provided in the next few weeks.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for the week ending on December 1st was **\$2,295.25**. 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.).**

SECONDA DOMENICA DI AVVENTO / A

Dio viene, portatore e operatore di salvezza per tutti. Il messaggio che accompagna la sua venuta parla di pace e di riconciliazione. Simbolica è quella presentata da Isaia (prima lettura) tra nemici «naturali» che lottano per la sopravvivenza; reale e simbolica nello stesso tempo quella presentata dall'apostolo tra nemici «culturali» che si oppongono per diversa religione. La riconciliazione, avvenuta nelle comunità cristiane, tra credenti che provenivano dall'ebraismo e dal paganesimo, è sempre soggetta alla provvisorietà, all'equilibrio instabile: esiste nel presente, ma si affida per il domani alla speranza.

GRUPPO DI PREGHIERA SAN PADRE PIO

Sabato 14 Dicembre, 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**.

COLLETTA SETTIMANALE

La colletta regolare di 1 Dicembre e' stata **\$2,295.25**. 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 / INTENZIONE DELLA MESSA

Saturday, December 7th ~ St. Ambrose

- 9:00 a.m. +Vito & Brigida Tassone, req. by Rosa Viscomi
- 5:00 p.m. Special 50th Wedding Anniversary Blessing for Maria & Leonardo Ambrosini, req. by the Family
- +Lorenza Acasio, req. by the Family
- +Oto Corsano, req. by the Family
- +Purification Bersola, req. by the Family

Sunday, December 8th ~ Second Sunday of Advent

- 8:30 a.m. **Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass For All Parishioners**
- 9:30 a.m. In Onore di Santa Lucia, req. by Antonietta Visconti & Family
- Benedizione Speciale per Tina Morlando il suo Compleanno
- Per tutti i defunti della Famiglia Pagnello & Meola, req. by Maria Pagnello
- +Michelo & Carlo Doto, req. by Doto Family
- +Pietro Liscio, req. by Nicolina Grosso
- +Salvatore Biagini, req. by the Family
- +Luigi Di Marco, req. by the Family
- +Vincenzo Fragale, req. by Pietrina Fragale & Family
- +Concetta & Monserrat Caggianiello, req. by the Family
- +Vito & Mariarosa Viscomi, req. by Rosa Viscomi
- +Jose Adriano Furtado, req. by the Family
- +Giovanni Corvo, req. by the Parish
- +Luigi Francella, req. by the Parish
- 11:00 a.m. +Jerry Luis, req. by Kim Pereira

Monday, December 9th ~ Immaculate Conception

- 12:00 p.m. +Maria De Manche, req. by Patrick & Carmel Galvan
- 7:00 p.m. **Solemn Mass** for the Immaculate Conception
- Messa Solenne** dell'Immacolata Concezione

Tuesday, December 10th

- 12:00 p.m. Special Healing for Rooba & Heidi during their illness and beyond, req. by Annette Paul
- 1:00 p.m. **St. Brigid's School Mass**

Wednesday, December 11th ~ St. Damasus I

- 12:00 p.m. +Felicetta & Paolo Lobo, req. by Lucia Del Grande
- 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, December 12th ~ Our Lady of Guadalupe

- 10:00 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction
- 12:00 p.m. In Honour of Our Lady of Guadalupe, req. by Lucia Del Grande
- +Teresa Ciraco, req. by Rosa Viscomi
- +Joseph Ruggiero, req. by Rocchina Ruggiero
- 7:00 p.m. **Memorial Mass:** +Antonino Scaffidi, req. by the Family

Friday, December 13th ~ St. Lucy

- 12:00 p.m. In Honour of St. Lucy / Santa Lucia, req. by Gilda Cornacchia and Lucia Del Grande

Saturday, December 14th ~ St. John of the Cross

- 9:00 a.m. San Pio Di Pietralcina, req. by Gruppo di Preghiera di S. Brigid
- 5:00 p.m. Special 90th Birthday Blessing for Weldon Frederick Green
- +Purification Bersola, req. by Pat & Sylvia Guera
- +Onorino Ruggiero, req. by Lucy & Rocco Colangelo

Please pray for all our parishioners, friends and family suffering with illnesses, especially, Bishop Robert Kasun, Angela, Nelda Montes, Paul Crawford, Marta Delle Fave, Ethan Shoot, Thomas Richardson, Maria Distasio, Josie Reilly, Gianna Penna-Avveduto, Sheila Ruggiero, Maria Valentini, Maria Avarino, Maria Sgrinuoli, Ray Dwyer, Allan Roxas, Anna Rodbinic, Stewart Gasenzer, Corradina Sorbera, Brian Pimentel, Frances, Norma, Anna, Rooba and Heidi.

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