# St. Brigid's Roman Catholic Church

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#### **EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS**

#### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m. English Sunday 8:30 a.m. English 10:00 a.m. Italian

11:30 a.m. English (Children's Liturgy)

3:00 pm Ethiopian Ge'ez Mass (Fr. Binyam Yacob)

**WEEKDAY MASSES** 

Monday to Friday 12:00 Noon

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. or by appointment

**DEVOTIONS** 

Wednesday 11:30 a.m. Adoration

12:30 p.m. Novena: O.L. of Perpetual Help

Thursday 11:00 a.m. Adoration First Friday 11:30 a.m. Adoration

Notes:

- \* Mass is celebrated at 9:00 am on weekday statutory holidays
- \* All regular Masses are livestreamed via website

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are scheduled on Sundays following the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Please contact the Parish office to obtain a registration package.

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples engaged to be married are kindly asked to contact the Pastor at least one year in advance.

#### SACRAMENTS FOR THE SICK AND ELDERLY

Please call the parish office to request a visit for the infirm or elderly for Holy Communion & Sacrament of the Sick.

#### CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Adults interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith and considering the possibility of becoming Catholic are asked to contact the Pastor or Parish office.

#### **NEW PARISHIONERS**

Please call the office to register with our Parish.

#### **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**

St. Brigid's Elementary School: (416) 393-5235 Principal: Kevin Kerr St. Patrick's Secondary School: (416) 393-5546 Principal: Michael Connolly

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#### **GOSPEL REFLECTION**

The Lord's exhortation that "you cannot serve God and wealth" can be difficult to swallow. In order to foster a healthy attitude towards our wealth, it is important to view it, and our very lives themselves, as a gift from God. When we view our wealth as a gift we can then begin to move from gratitude to generosity, graciously sharing our gifts with others for the glory of God and the church.

#### **VENERATION OF RELICS**

We are blessed to have relics of St. Carlo Acutis and St. Pier Giorgio Frassati here at St. Brigid's. Their sacred relics will be present for veneration on **Saturday, September 20**, **from 4:00 pm – 6:15 pm** and **Sunday, September 21 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm**, offering all the faithful a special opportunity for prayer and devotion. All are welcome!

#### **WELCOME SUNDAY**



The St. Brigid's Knights of Columbus are pleased to host "Welcome Sunday" in the Parish Hall after the 11:30 am Mass next **Sunday, September 21**. Light refreshments will be served. Take this opportunity to meet your fellow parishioners. We hope to see you all

there! Thank you to the Knights for hosting Welcome Sunday.

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY



We are happy to announce that our Children's Liturgy will begin on Sunday, September 28 at our 11:30 am Family Mass. Each Sunday,

before the Scripture readings begin the children attending Mass are called forward and sent with a blessing to a separate room for a Gospel lesson. The children will return to their family in church after the Creed. We encourage all children to participate in learning the word of God.

This very important ministry is in need of adult leaders / volunteers to assist. If you are interested, please contact the parish office or speak to Fr. Ernie.

#### **ETHIOPIAN MESKEL MASS**

Father Binyam & the Ethiopian community of our parish would like to invite all parishioners to join in their liturgical celebration and fellowship.

**Sunday, September 28, 2025:** Marks the celebration of Meskel, the Ethiopian Catholic Church's holiday, commemorating the discovery of the True Cross by the Roman Empress Saint Helena of Constantinople in the fourth century.

#### THANK YOU / GRAZIE

A special thanks to Lisa Romano-Dwyer, our fellow parishioner for her presentation on the topic of "Mental Health & Wellness from a Christian Perspective". Thanks to all those who attended.

#### YOUTH MINISTRY

Our seminarian intern, Raphael Carolino will be leading the youth ministry in our parish this year. For those interested in joining, meeting dates are as follows:

#### Grades 6 - 8

- 1st gathering Friday, October 3, 2025
- 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- Will meet every 1st & 3rd Friday of the month

#### **Grades 9 - 12**

- 1st gathering October 10, 2025
- 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- Will meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month

Please contact the Parish Office for registration.

#### SPREAD THE WORD!

#### **NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA**



The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will take place next weekend, **September 27 and 28**. This annual initiative is an important opportunity for the faithful to actively support and assist the Bishops in their ministry of

accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying, and caring for the Church in Canada. Please support the collection. We thank you in advance for your generosity and continued commitment.

#### **COR MEN'S GROUP**

The COR men's group is set to resume *Thursday, October* 9. Once again men are invited to join us in working together to become better Catholic men and to share friendship. We will read together through the book, Be a Man, by Fr Larry Richards. Meetings are every other Thursday at 7:30 pm in the Chapel Meeting Room. Please call the parish office with any questions.

#### 2025 SACRAMENT REGISTRATION

#### FIRST RECONCILIATION / FIRST COMMUNION



Parents / guardians who have children in Grade 2 or higher, and who wish for them to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation & First Communion in our Parish in 2026, are asked to attend the

information and registration night on Tuesday, September  $30^{th}$  at 7:00 pm in the church.

#### **CONFIRMATION**



Parents / guardians who have children in Grade 7 or higher, and who wish for them to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in our Parish in 2026, are asked to attend the information and registration night on

Wednesday, October 1st at 7:00 pm in the church.

#### RIFLESSIONE DEL VANGELO

L'esortazione del Signore secondo cui "non potete servire Dio e la ricchezza" può essere difficile da accettare. Per coltivare un atteggiamento sano nei confronti della nostra ricchezza, è importante considerarla, e la nostra stessa vita, un dono di Dio. Quando consideriamo la nostra ricchezza come un dono, possiamo iniziare a passare dalla gratitudine alla generosità, condividendo con grazia i nostri doni con gli altri per la gloria di Dio e della Chiesa.

#### **VENERAZIONE DELLE RELIQUIE**





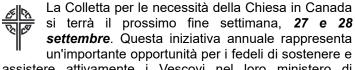
La nostra parrocchia accoglierà le reliquie del Santo Carlo Acutis e Santo Pier Giorgio Frassati Sabato 20 Settembre, dalle ore 4:00 pm - 6:15 pm e Domenica 21 Settembre, dalle ore 9:00

am - 1:00 pm. Le reliquie rimangono esposte per la venerazione dei fedeli nella nosta chiesa. Veneti per onorare questi nuovi Santi, canonizzati da Papa Leone XIV.

#### **DOMENICA DI BENVENUTO**

I Cavalieri di Colombo di Santa Brigida sono lieti di ospitare la "Domenica di Benvenuto" nella Sala Parrocchiale dopo la Messa delle 11:30, domenica prossima, 21 settembre. Verrà servito un rinfresco leggero. Cogliete l'occasione per incontrare i vostri parrocchiani. Speriamo di vedervi tutti lì! Grazie ai Cavalieri per aver ospitato la Domenica di Benvenuto.

#### COLLETTA PER I BISOGNI DELLA CHIESA IN **CANADA**



si terrà il prossimo fine settimana, 27 e 28 settembre. Questa iniziativa annuale rappresenta un'importante opportunità per i fedeli di sostenere e assistere attivamente i Vescovi nel loro ministero di accompagnamento, insegnamento, guida, santificazione e cura della Chiesa in Canada. Vi preghiamo di sostenere la colletta. Vi ringraziamo in anticipo per la vostra generosità e il vostro costante impegno.

#### **RCIA PROGRAM 2026**



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process offered to adults who would like to become fully initiated into the life of the Roman Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are in need of Altar servers to help celebrate weekend Masses. We are also looking for adults who are available during the day to help serve at our Funeral Masses. If you are interested, please see Fr. Ernie or contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

## MASS INTENTIONS INTENZIONE DELLE MESSE

#### Saturday, September 20

St. Andrew Kim Tae-Gŏn

†Sheila Colla 5:00 pm

#### Sunday, September 21

8:30 am Mass Pro Populo – Mass for All Parishioners

10:00 am In onore di Santa Liberata

In onore di Santi Cosma e Damiano

<sup>†</sup>Sebastiano Modica †Guglielmo DeFusco †Carmelo Grosso †Raffaele Romagnuolo †Gina e Natalino Schiavo

11:30 am †Vincent & Mary Kutty Kuriakose

3:00 pm Ethiopian Ge'ez Mass

#### Monday, September 22

12:00 pm †Emmett McKenna

7:00 pm MEMORIAL MASS: Anthony Leonardo

DiNova

#### Tuesday, September 23

St. Pius of Pietrelcina

Thanksgiving Blessings for the Winter, 12:00 pm

Strapp, Pagulayan Families

#### Wednesday, September 24

11:30 am Eucharistic Adoration & mid-day Prayer

12:00 pm **†Sean Patrick Cleary** 

†Rosanna Zafra †Pusparani Chelliah †Almira Gomes

12:30 pm Novena: Our Lady of Perpetual Help

#### Thursday, September 25

11:00 am **Eucharistic Adoration** 

12:00 pm †Paolo & Felicetta Lobozzo

Friday, September 26

St. Jean De Brébeuf &

St. Isaac Joques

12:00 pm †Luigi Melino



We congratulate and Pray for

Luke Nicholas Meli Felix Kenneth Chapman O'Shaughnessy Luciano Valentino Bigioni

> Who will be receiving the Sacrament of Baptism.

May God bless them and their families!

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