

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We invite you to join us in worship

NOTE: If there is a Funeral, weekday Mass is canceled.

	SAINT BRIGID		ASSUMPTION		BLESSED SACRAMENT
MON, July 19	6:45a	Mass OR Scripture & Communion	8:00a	Word & Communion	_____
TUE, July 20 <i>Saint Apollinaris</i>	6:45a 8:30a	Scripture & Communion Mass	8:00a	Mass	8:30a Mass
WED, July 21 <i>Saint Lawrence of Brindisi</i>	6:45a 8:30a 6:30p	Scripture & Communion Mass Evening Prayer	8:00a	Mass	10:00a Mass at Brittany Manor
THU, July 22 <i>Saint Mary Magdalene</i>	6:45 12:05p	Scripture & Communion Mass	8:00a	Mass	8:30a Mass
FRI, July 23 <i>Saint Bridget of Sweden</i>	6:45a 8:30a	Scripture & Communion Mass	8:00a	Mass	_____
SAT, July 24	9:00a 2:00p	Individual Reconciliation Wedding: Zirwes and Mumby	3:30p 4:30p	Individual Reconciliation Mass	8:30a Rosary 2:00p Wedding: Leann O'Boyle and Kevin Schwedler 5:00p Mass
SUN, July 25 <i>17th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:00a 11:30a 5:30p	Mass Mass Mass	9:30a	Mass	8:30a Mass 11:00a Mass

Next Week's Scripture...
Reading I: Genesis 18:20-32
Reading II: Colossians 2:12-14
Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MONDAY 1:30 P.M. Legion of Mary
TUESDAY 1:30 P.M. Bible Study
TUESDAY 7:00 P.M. K of C Council
THURSDAY 7:00 P.M. Boy Scouts

STEWARDSHIP: A Way of Life!

Today's readings speak of hospitality. Abraham, who cheerfully did for his guests all that desert hospitality required, was rewarded with his heart's desire – a son. Martha also busied herself with all the details of hospitality, but grudgingly and with complaint. Am I a cheerful or a grudging giver?

TREASURE

Regular Offertory	\$10,503		
Children's Offertory	\$59.05		
	TARGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
JULY 11, 2010	\$14,288	\$10,562	(\$3,726)
Year to Date	\$28,576	\$22,104	(\$6,472)

The Serra Club of Saginaw, part of a worldwide organization of Catholic men and women dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood and religious life, invite you to pray the Rosary for vocations and the following Serran prayer for vocations. There are currently nine men studying for the priesthood for the Saginaw Diocese and 12 priests have been ordained in the last four years. These men, and all the priests in our diocese, need our prayers to support them in their vocation and for an increase in their numbers.

Serran Prayer For Vocations

O God, who wills not the death of a sinner, but rather that he be converted and live; Grant, we beseech you, through the intercession of the Blessed Mary ever Virgin, St. Joseph her spouse, Blessed Junipero Serra and all the saints, an increase of laborers for your church, fellow laborers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls, through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

Positions available for fall, 2010
Saint Brigid Catholic School

The Saint Brigid School After School Program is licensed by the State of Michigan. We are currently seeking individuals who will carry on the strong tradition of excellence Saint Brigid School has come to be known for.

After School Care Program Director: Applicant should be energetic, organized and enjoy working with children. Must be at least 21 years of age and have a high school diploma or GED with a minimum of 6 semester hours in a child related field with 1 ½ years of experience working with children, first aid and CPR training. Position is 25 hours per week during the school year.

Playground supervisor: Saint Brigid School is in need of a playground supervisor. This person will work with another adult to supervise children in gr. K-8 on a daily basis. Must be willing to be outside during the winter months. The work schedule is 11:00-12:30 Monday-Friday during the school year.

For all of the above positions, candidate must attend VIRTUS, *Protecting God's Children*, and pass a background check.

Interested candidates, please submit a current resume, a letter of intent and professional references to Mrs. Maureen Becker, Saint Brigid Catholic School, 130 W. Larkin, Midland, MI 48640 or send via e-mail to mbecker@stbrigid-midland.org. Application deadline is July 30, 2010.

Traveling this Summer? To find a Catholic parish near your vacation destination, call 1-800-627-7846 or log on to www.MassTimes.org

A Message from Deacon Al...

Sacred Scripture is filled with teaching, advice, and even stories to help us better understand what it means to welcome the Lord into our lives. Today's Gospel account tells of the visit of Jesus to the home of Martha and Mary. The Gospel highlights the difference between Martha, who is worried and anxious about many things... And Mary who is content to sit at the feet of Jesus and listen to Him. It seems that Mary understood that Jesus wasn't as concerned with the outward appearance of the home as He was with the inner condition of her heart. And somehow, she knew that Jesus would feel more welcome if she just sat and listened to Him speak about His Father and the Kingdom of God. But we can't sell Martha short, as she hurried about to make sure their Guest was top priority in their home. The lesson for us from today's Gospel is to make sure that we have prepared a special place for the Lord in our hearts, so that we can receive Him personally and give Him top priority in our lives. To do this, we have to make careful preparation... to rid ourselves of distractions so that we can quiet our hearts in order to have a transforming encounter with Jesus. We welcome Jesus into our hearts and homes like Martha and Mary did, letting Him feed us with His saving Word and with His Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

Next Sunday, July 25th, we will welcome missionary, Father Barnabas Gorski, O.F.M., at Saint Brigid Parish for the annual Mission Appeal collection. Father Gorski is a member of the Franciscan Order of the Assumption BVM Province, with headquarters in Franklin, Wisconsin. Father Gorski, who has recently been serving in the Franciscan mission in Morocco, will speak at all Masses next Sunday about his group's home and foreign mission endeavors. A special collection will be taken up in support of the missionary activities of the Franciscan Order. Saint Brigid Parish has had a long tradition of being welcoming to guest missionaries and very generous in support of their work. We hope to keep up this tradition next weekend.

These are very exciting times for Saint Brigid Parish, as our new parish center building and school addition are taking shape. In a meeting with the contractors on July 8th, we were informed that the construction schedule is very tight and that the project is a few days behind schedule. The original construction plan called for converting the former Cardinal Hickey Parish Hall into classrooms after the new addition is complete. However, with the new construction schedule being so tight, current efforts are being concentrated on converting the former parish hall into classrooms and cafeteria space, in the event that the new addition is not quite ready for the start of school on September 8th. On the financial side of things, so far we have been presented with billings totaling approximately \$750,000, which we have been able to pay for in cash. These payments have used up most of the cash in our capital campaign account, therefore future billings will necessitate drawing on the loan from the Diocese. We are most grateful for your continued support of our "Preserve the Past... Embrace the Future" capital campaign. And we ask that you continue to be as generous as you can in supporting our construction project by using the blue capital campaign envelopes in your monthly packet.

Again today, we welcome Father Jose Cabrera to Saint Brigid to celebrate Liturgy with us. Father Jose has had an awesome experience this past year living in Rome and studying Scriptural Theology there. He will return to Rome at the end of August to begin his second year of studies in the three-year program. It has been great to have Father Jose back for a visit at Saint Brigid and we hope he has a pleasant summer vacation before getting back to his studies in Rome.

Wishing you a safe and pleasant summer..... Deacon Al

SCHOOL

SCRIP NEWS: Continuing through the summer months, SCRIP will be sold following the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Registration continues through the summer at Saint Brigid Catholic School for the school year 2010-2011. If you are interested in more information or registration, please contact Mrs. Becker at 989-835-9481 ext. 49 or mbecker@stbrigid-midland.org or visit our website at www.stbrigid-midland.org.

SAVE THE DATE: Saint Brigid Catholic School annual Auction Gala will take place on Saturday, October 16, 2010. The Gala will take place this year at the Midland Country Club.

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OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Coffee and Doughnuts with a Twist will begin again in the Fall. Don't know what Coffee and Doughnuts with a Twist is all about? Contact Anne Marie amgraham@stbrigid-midland.org

Question of the Week *16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Adults: Do I make time for the 'better part'...spending moments with my Lord?

Children: Do I share all that I can with all my friends?

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If you or someone you know would like to know more about the Catholic Church please contact Anne Marie 835-8831 ext. 53.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

There will be an informational meeting for any adults wishing to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation in the next year and for the parents of all children Grade 2 and above who wish their children to celebrate the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation on Sunday, September 19th at 10:15 a.m.

CATECHIST FORMATION

We have wonderful catechists here at Saint Brigid but we need more! If you feel that you could pass on our Catholic faith to children or adults, please contact Anne Marie 835-8831 ext. 53.

CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP

WHAT I GAVE TO GOD

- Helped Mom do the dishes.
- Picked up sticks.
- Helped Dad clean up the hedge.