

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time August 26 & 27, 2017

Mass Intentions

Saturday

5:00 PM For the Parishioners of St. Brigid's

Sunday

9:00 AM For Evelyn Borelli by her Family

Next Saturday

5:00 PM For the Parishioners of St. Brigid's

Next Sunday

9:00 AM For Steve Gardella, Sr. and Steve Gardella, Jr. by Michael Placella

Scheduling Masses

The *2018 Mass Scheduler is in*. Anyone wishing to schedule memorial masses on a particular date is asked to call the rectory to assure that you are able to schedule on the dates that you prefer. There are also many open dates to schedule masses for the rest of 2017 on weekends and weekdays. Please call the rectory if you wish to schedule a mass in someone's memory.

Weekend Mass Schedule

On the weekend of *September 10/11* our weekend Mass schedule returns to its regular hours. Masses will be celebrated on Saturdays at 5:00 PM and Sundays at 8:00 & 10:00 AM. Weekday masses will also resume to 7:30 AM, Mondays through Thursdays.

Parish Stewardship

Weekend of August 19 & 20, 2017

Budget Collection	\$1,368.00
August Monthly to Date	\$907.00
# of Budget Envelopes Used	81

Thank you to those of you who make up your weekly offertory donations when you are not able to attend Mass on a previous weekend.

Mission Co-op Appeal

This weekend we will welcome Sr. Maureen McElroy, RSM, who will share with us the work of the Sisters of Mercy in their Central American Missions. We will also have a special second collection to help the Sisters of Mercy in this special ministry. The collection is our participation in the annual diocesan Mission Co-op collections.

Religious Education News

Mrs. Cedor is completing the Religious Education classes and outlines for next year. If you have not yet returned your 2017 - 2018 registrations forms, please do so as soon as possible. If you did not receive one in the mail, please see Fr. Bob, who will make sure your family receives one. In order to register your child the child's family *MUST be registered* with St. Brigid's Parish.

Religious Education classes begin on Tuesday, September 12th. Grades 1 through 5 will meet from 3:30-5:15 PM and Grades 6 through 9 will meet from 6:30-7:30 PM.

Help Wanted 2018 20-Week Club

The 20-Week Club committee is beginning to plan next year's club. However, the committee needs new members. The more committee members the less work for each person. It does *not* entail many meetings, but a willingness to collect dues after masses on weekends. If interested, please let Fr. Bob (944-2232) or Richard Boehm (641-3048) know.

2017 Italian Festival

SAVE THE DATE: Our Annual Italian Festival will be held on *Sunday, September 24th at 12:00 noon* in the church hall. We are now planning the Festival in the fall to coincide with our Parish Anniversary. Tickets go on sale the weekend of August 26/27 in the foyer of the church. Tickets are \$25.00 per person, children 6-10 are \$10.00, and children 5 and under are free. For more information, please call Millie @ 401-949-0617.



Father Bob's Ramblings

As I sit and write these *Ramblings*, I'm listening to the waves gently break on the beachfront as the high tide begins to recede. It is the day after the "Great Eclipse Day," when a large part of our country was staring up into the sky. Here in Myrtle Beach, the total eclipse was about 80 miles south in Georgetown, SC, so I was expecting a rather good view of it. As the beach began to get more and more crowded, around 1:30 PM, the lifeguards were blaring horns and blowing whistles to get everyone out of the water. More and more people with all sorts of glasses and outfits kept arriving to view this once in a lifetime event.

As it would happen, the bright blue sky of the morning was giving way to large, puffy clouds. As the magical 2:47 PM minute was approaching, so, too, were more and more clouds. To my disappointment and to that of hundreds of others, all we got to experience was a little bit of darkness. Then, life at the beach returned to normal.

The weather here has been a little beyond a normal South Carolina August. Temperatures most days were in the 90's with the 'real feel' temps between 100-110 degrees. But, with the gentle ocean breeze and air-conditioning, it was bearable. What does one expect being in South Carolina in the middle of August?

Now, it's back to reality. With the hazy, lazy days of summer beginning to wane, the reality is that school is beginning this week for some and next week for others. Our Religious Education program begins on September 12th for grades 1 through 9, and most of our other parish activities are soon to follow.

Mass of Anointing

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry will sponsor our quarterly Mass of Anointing of the Sick on Saturday, September 9th at 11:00 AM. Anyone who is ill in Body, Mind, or Spirit may receive this sacrament. Prayer Shawls will be available for anyone who may need one or for a family member or friend. All are welcome to participate.

Annual Parish Bazaar

Save the date - our Annual Parish Bazaar will take place this year on **November 18th** from 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM & **19th** from 8:30 - 11:30 AM.

Prayer Line Ministry

Just a reminder that our Parish Prayer Line Ministry is a group of parishioners who each day prays for the intentions of our parishioners. If you wish to join the ministry or if you have intentions to be prayed for, please call Sandy Cerrito at 944-0437.

Choir News

The choir is looking for some new members. If anyone is interested in singing at our weekend Masses, or just for our Christmas and/or Easter celebrations, you are welcome to join the choir on Thursday evenings at 6:00 PM in the church for our weekly rehearsals. Stop by after Mass, talk with Rouzan, our Music Minister, or one of the cantors, and get more information.

Wedding Anniversary Celebration

The Office of Marriage Preparation & Enrichment is sponsoring the 11th annual Wedding Anniversary Celebration honoring couples of the Providence Diocese who will be observing their 25th, 40th, 50th, and over 50 years anniversaries. It will be held on Sunday, **October 15, 2017 @ 1:00 pm** at the Cathedral of SS. Peter & Paul, Providence, including mass, renewal of vows, personalized certificate & family reception; Bishop Tobin will be the main celebrant. Please see Father Bob for a registration form, fill it out, and return to Father Bob. They must be mailed from Father Bob to the Diocese by **September 8, 2017**.

Flu Clinic

Once again, Saint Brigid Church is sponsoring a flu clinic on Sunday, 10/1/2017 at 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Ages invited are age 3 and up. Please be sure to have your insurance information with you. For more information, please contact Delores DiOrio at 401-943-0132.