

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time—February 7, 2016

Monday	February 8	3:00-10:00pm	Adoration—Chapel
Tuesday	February 9		No Communion Service
Wednesday	February 10	9:00am & 7:00pm	Ash Wednesday
Thursday	February 11	8:15 am	Charles Bugge, R.I.P.
Friday	February 12	8:15 am	Jody Copeland, R.I.P.
Saturday	February 13	5:00 pm	For the Parish—1st Sunday of Lent
Sunday	February 14	9:30 am	For the Parish—1st Sunday of Lent



PLEASE REMEMBER in your prayers:

Oghenemarho Mamoh, Joseph Watunu, Kay Dowd, Helen Naughton, Bridget Howard, Barbara Sauntry, Ijeoma Opara, Dom Finocchio, Jamie Gibson, Collette & David Swan, June Butler, and the children at Seattle Children's Hospital.



THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday
3:00-10:00pm—Adoration
6:30-8:00pm—Year of Mercy Series

Tuesday
6:30pm—Religious Ed
6:30pm—Faith Formation Sac. Prep

Wednesday
5:30pm—Rosary
9:00am & 7:00pm— Ash Wednesday

Friday
8:50am—Stations of the Cross
(after morning Mass)

Saturday
9:00am—Communion Service



Support the Persecuted Christians in the Middle East

The Knights of Columbus of St. Bridget as a symbol of Suffering, Unity and Hope, our Council will offer you the opportunity to express your solidarity with the purchase of Wood Crosses crafted by Christians in the Holy Land following each Mass the weekend of Feb 13/14 (suggested donation \$10)
 For more information, call Bertrand de Boutray (769-0886)

PROCLAIM JUSTICE AND LIFE FOR ALL!

Catholic Advocacy Day 2016
 February 8 - 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Join Deacon Denny and other parishioners to advocate on issues affecting the poor, vulnerable, and mentally ill by meeting with Legislative Representatives from the District 46: Senator David Frockt, Representative Gerry Pollet and Representative Jessyn Farrell in Olympia at the state capital You may register by email catholicadvocacy16@ipic.org
 If you have questions contact Denny Duffell @ duffelldennis@gmail.com or Pete Wickstrand at 206-568-0202.

LENT...Ash Wednesday in 3 days! (It sure came fast!)

Mass times: Wed (Feb. 10)- 9:00am and 7:00pm

For this penitential season, the Church draws on the wisdom of the Scriptures and tradition in suggesting a time for **Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.**

Fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday: Fasting means having one full meal to maintain one's strength. Two smaller, meatless and penitential meals are permitted according to one's needs. (Liquids are necessary including water, coffee, milk and juices. Catholics from age 18 through age 59 are bound to fast.

Abstinence on all the Fridays of Lent and on Ash Wednesday (Feb.10) and Good Friday (March 25). No meat may be eaten on days of abstinence. Catholics 14 yrs. and older are bound to abstain from meat.

All Lenten opportunities and activity schedules—will be posted on our website, and in this weekend's Lenten Bulletin insert.



Save the date~
St. Bridget Gala Auction
April 29, 2016



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

We have Eucharistic Adoration from **3pm-10pm on Mondays**. Please feel welcome to come into the chapel for a Holy Hour or few minutes of prayer.
 Questions call Judy Curran, - 206-999-5399

BEREAVED PARENTS SUPPORT GROUP
Meets Monday, February 15, @ 7:00pm in the Youth Room.

Questions—call Liz Houlihan @ 523-9748.



CONFIRMATION PREPARATION:

Classes for candidates preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on **APRIL 11, 2016** are underway. This program is now closed to new participants.

Confirmation candidates do not have class on **FEBRUARY 7th and the 14th !**

Session Dates for Confirmation Preparation Classes:

Session 4) 2/21/16—10:30-12:15

Session 5) 2/28/16—10:30-12:15

Session 6) 3/6/16—10:30-12:15

RETREAT: 3/20/16—10:30 am—4:30pm

Please Contact Youth Program Director:
Janice Duffell with any questions
janice.stbridgetym@gmail.com

PARISH FAITH FORMATION

Contact Tyra Elliott to REGISTER for all classes at 523-9760 or by Email tyra@stbridgetchurch.org.

THE 56th day in the Church's Year of Mercy: Holy, Triune God, bless our lives and the work of this day. Open our eyes to see the presence of Jesus in each person we encounter. Make us instruments of your love and mercy, conduits of your healing and forgiveness. Use us to bring about greater justice and peace for all peoples and nations. We join these requests to the prayer of the Spirit rising beyond words within us. Amen. (Prayer from the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas)

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: Please keep our RCIA Candidate Peggy Carrillo in your prayers having received the Rite of Welcome and Acceptance at our Sunday worship service.

RCIA, and a Profession of Faith and Adult Confirmation are ways to become fully initiated into the Christian faith through the Catholic tradition.

- **RCIA Inquiry group:** next Inquiry session Saturday, March 5th from 1:30-2:30pm to receive information on the process. **Attending does not obligate anyone to join the Inquiry group.** Inquiry classes meet once a week, day and time is set by the group
- **Profession of Faith,** already Baptized and catechized attend classes to make a Profession of Faith and be fully initiated into the Catholic Church.
- **Baptized Catholic but not yet Confirmed?** Consider joining our Adult Confirmation group. **Advanced registration required for all groups.**
Call Tyra at 206-523-9760 to register

BAPTISMS:

Next Baptism dates are as follows: Easter Sunday, March 27, 2016.

Please finalize your intentions (all paper work, interviews and classes completed) by Tyra at **least one week** prior to your baptismal date, which would be March 18th for an Easter Baptism. **Baptismal Parent preparation class dates:** Monday, March 7th and Tuesday, May 10th, both from 7 to 9pm. **Advance registration for Classes required.**

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

- **RCIA/Public and Private schooled 2nd graders** will meet for classroom instruction on **February 16th and March 8th.** **No classes on February 23rd and March 1st.**
- **All 2nd graders** preparing for the Sacrament of First Eucharist will turn in their text books for review the week of March 13, 2016.

IT'S NOT TO LATE FOR:

Pope Francis' Year of Mercy: continues through April 4, 2016.

- **Advent series** will conclude on February 8th with session #6.
- **Lenten series** will begin on **February 22nd as a movie series continuing the theme of Mercy.** More information to follow in a bulletin insert.

ST. BRIDGET WOMEN'S RETREAT: April 15, 16 and 17th at Dumas Bay Retreat Center in Federal Way, registration materials always available in the parish office. Register early to receive a registration fee discount. Parish assistance is always available.

WEDDINGS: Marrying this spring or summer? **Begin marriage prep 4 to 6 months** in advance of your wedding date. For weddings at the Villa Chapel: contact CJ Fesalbon (523-8730) prior to reserving the Chapel. Next see Fr. Okumu and then Tyra Elliott (523-9760) to begin your wedding preparation.



FEBRUARY YOUTH EVENTS:

February 11: No Youth Group

February 18: 6-8pm Youth Night

February 25: 6-8pm All Youth Service Night

Questions? Feedback? Contact Janice Duffell at
janice.stbridgetym@gmail.com

+++SAVE THE DATE+++

Make a big splash this summer with

St. Bridget's Vacation Bible Camp!

Join us **JULY 11-15** for Faith Fun and Friends.

All campers K-5th grade welcome!

Volunteers of all ages and skills needed!

Early registration starts in March—

Mark your calendars now!

Questions? Duffell—janice.stbridgetym@gmail.com

***Fantastic Music*crazy skits*cool crafts*and more!**

Parishioner Parking Reminder:

The shared road between St. Bridget Church and Laurel Park Condos is an easement driveway for entrance/exit vehicular traffic and **No Parking on the road or the grass is allowed.** Please be respectful of our neighbors to the north as we assemble together as a community for our Sunday 9:30 am Mass, funerals, parish events, and so forth. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Liz Houlihan, Facilities Mgr.