

1st Sunday of Advent —November 29, 2015

Monday	November 30	3:00-10:00pm	Adoration (Chapel)
Tuesday	December 1		No Communion Service
Wednesday	December 2	8:15 am	Mary Jane Dereszynski, Spec Intention
Thursday	December 3	8:15am	Michael Rothwell, R.I.P.—requested by Julie Scott
Friday	December 4	8:15am	For the Parish
Saturday	December 5	5:00 pm	For the Parish
Sunday	December 6	9:30 am	For the Parish (New Mass Time!)

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.

SUNDAY NURSERY HEAD NEEDED

Parishioner Adult—over 21 yrs. of age to care for children (ages 4 months—4 yrs.) in our parish Nursery Room. Requires attendance every Sunday from 9:15am—10:45am.

(Anyone who works with children are required to attend the Archdiocesan “Call to Protect” certification class, an Archdiocesan of Seattle background check is required.)

Please contact Liz Houlihan, Facilities Manager
206-523-9748.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday

3:00-10:00pm—Adoration

6:30-7:30pm—Advent Adult Faith Sharing Series

7:30-8:30pm—Vigil Candlelight Service

Tuesday

7:00pm—Communal Reconciliation Service

Wednesday

5:30 pm - Rosary

7:00 pm—Choir Practice

Thursday

6:00pm—Jr-High Youth Night

7:00pm—Choir Practice

Saturday

9:00 am—Communion Service

Winter Shelter 2015-2015

For the last 3 years Our Lady of the Lake Parish has joined with other local Churches to host an overnight Winter Shelter for our homeless neighbors. The Shelters provide hot meals and a place to sleep that is warm and dry. Last year St. Bridget's Parish joined with OLL and this winter, Assumption parishioners will have an opportunity to be part of this effort. By the participation of all 3 Parish shelter is able to be open an extra week. The OLL site will be open: **Feb. 1 through March 6, 2016**

St Bridget parishioners will be hosting:

Feb 22 (evening) through March 1, 2016 (morning).

There are several ways you can help:

Hosts: One or two parishioners will be on site from 7-11pm each evening, and two more from 5-7:30am each morning to assist with meals, clean up, and generally making our guests feel welcome.

Note: This year the parish is not required to provide an overnight host. During the nighttime hours, the shelter will be supervised by UGM staff members.

Note: *Anyone who hosts at the shelter is required to have taken the Archdiocesan “Call to Protect” class within the last year or the new class “Protecting God’s Children.” There is a shelter orientation class offered on Jan. 26th and Jan 28th to familiarize prospective hosts with the layout and policies of the shelter. One these evening, the Archdiocesan training will also be offered for those who haven’t had it. Additional classes will be added as needed.*

Provide meals: Dinner and Breakfast for up to 30 people are both needed, as well as take-away snacks for during the day. This is a wonderful Lenten activity for a group or a family.

How to sign up? Coordinators will be available in the Hall after the Masses this weekend to sign up volunteers.

REMINDER!

OUR NEW MASS TIME STARTS THIS SUNDAY

NEW TIME: 9:30 AM!

CHRISTMAS CHILDREN’S CHOIR SIGN-UPS

for Grades K-5

ALL KIDS ARE WELCOME!

Practice begins Sunday 11/29 after the 9:30am Mass.

Contact CJ: cj@stbridgetchurch.org

FAIR TRADE SALE

December 6—(after the 9:30am Mass)

Shop for home décor, accessories, and unique hand crafted items make by marginalized artisans and farmers living in the poorest areas of the world. Hosted in partnership with CRS and SERRV, non profit organizations dedicated to the eradication or poverty.

ALL SOULS—CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

Monday, November 30th—7:30pm

During the month of November we remember our loved ones who have gone before us.

Come on Monday evening, November 30th to light candles, and honor the memory of all of our departed relatives and friends.

**ASB Scrip is next weekend—Dec. 5/6
Start your Christmas shopping early!**

**St. Gerard—Holy Family Guild Meeting
Annual Christmas Luncheon**

The St. Gerard-Hoy Family Guild annual luncheon will be held Wed., Dec. 9th, 2015 at St Bridget Church. Mass will be celebrated in the church at 11:30am followed by a catered luncheon in the Fire Side Room. All guild members, active and inactive are welcome. As a courtesy to have an exact count, please make a reservation by Dec. 3rd. If you have not contacted by phone, call Mary Dunphy @ 522-3760.

IMPORTANT CONFIRMATION NEWS:

Programs for the preparation of the Sacrament of Confirmation will resume in January and run through the end of Lent. Both continuing and new Confirmation Candidates will be accommodated. Confirmation packets for those interested in starting the Confirmation preparation process are available now in the parish office and entryway. All participating Catholic youth who will be at least 16 years by April 2016 are eligible and encouraged to enroll. For session dates, eligibility questions or more program information please contact Youth Ministry director Janice Duffell @ janice.stbridgetym@gmail.com

DECEMBER YOUTH EVENTS:

Thursday—December 3rd: 6-8 pm Junior High Youth Night,

All 6-8th graders and their guests welcome!

Sunday—December 6th: 6 PM Youth Mass and Fellowship Dinner. Join youth, families and fellow parishioners for an upbeat Mass followed by a potluck fellowship dinner.

Thursday—December 10th: 6-8pm High School Service Night.

Thursday—December 17th: 6-8pm Junior High Service Night.

PARISH FAITH FORMATION

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

THE CHURCH PROCLAIMS A YEAR OF MERCY

Let's continue taking a closer look at the Works of Mercy.

-A Spiritual Work of Mercy, Consoling: Work at being optimistic thereby avoiding cynicism.

A Corporal Work of Mercy, Bury the Dead: Support or volunteer at a hospice; participate in bereavement ministry; spend time with widows; take friends and relatives to visit the cemetery; support ministries that offer free Christian burials to those unable to afford one; offer daily prayers for those with terminal illnesses and for those who have died; send Mass cards to families of those who have died; and be faithful about attending rosaries and funerals of those who have died.

ADULT: FAITH FORMATION:

Thinking about coming into the Catholic Church, join the RCIA inquiry group or if already Baptized attend classes to make a Profession of Faith into the Catholic tradition of Christianity.

Next Inquiry session begins: Saturday, Jan. 9, 2016 from 1-2pm. Inquiry classes meet once a week. Advanced registration required. Call Tyra @ 523-9760.

2nd GRADE PARENTS:

Sign Up Genius has posted to sign up readers for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation.

PARENTS: BAPTISMS:

Baptismal dates are as follows, for families who have met all requirements:

December 27, in 2015, and February 6 or 7, and March 27th in 2016. Please finalize your intentions with Tyra at least one week prior to your baptismal date.

Next Parent preparation class dates:

Monday, Jan. 11, 2016- 7 to 9pm and February 6, 2016- 1 to 3pm. **Class registration required.**

DON'T FORGET TO: SAVE THESE DATES

Pope Francis and the Year of Mercy: a 6 week Advent faith sharing program beginning in one week on Monday, November 30th at 6:30pm. Participants are encouraged to read the first 8 chapters of the Gospel of Mark in preparation for the first session. Please indicate intention to attend in order to accommodate Parish room assignment, to Tyra's attention.

ST. BRIDGET WOMEN'S RETREAT:

April 15, 16 & 17 at Dumas Bay Retreat Center in Federal Way, registration material available in January, 2016.