

ST. BRIGID CHURCH

1854 – 2016 ~ 162 YEARS

Mission Statement
To Be Open, Caring,
& Hospitable



WELCOME

You enter this Church ... not as a stranger, but as a guest of God. He is your heavenly Father. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips into His presence, offering Him your love and service.

Be grateful to the strong and loyal ones who, in the name of Jesus Christ, built this place of worship, and to all who have beautified it and hallowed it with their prayers and praise. Ask His blessing on those who love His house of faith as the inspiration of their labor, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, and may that blessing rest on you, both on your going out and your coming in.

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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Weddings, Baptisms, Anointing of the Sick and Funerals are the special pleasure of our ministry. Since individual needs differ, it's best to contact the Parish Office for appropriate consideration. Please do not hesitate to call, since these celebrations are our service to you & a joy for us.

Saturdays - 4PM Sundays - 10:30AM
Weekdays – 8:00AM Holidays - As Announced
Family Mass - As Scheduled
Office hours Mon~Thurs 8:30-4:00pm Fri Closed



SEPTEMBER

- 17 ~ 8:00AM **Boleslaus W. Majka** Majka Family
- 4:00PM **Raymond Lubinski** (Brian & Cathy)
- Paul J, Eva & Laurine Sloboda**
- (Julia Scott)
- 18~10:30AM **David Sheridan Sr. Birthday**
- (Antoinette Sheridan)
- Helen Getzel** (Raymond Getzel)
- Sarnecki & Kotkowski Families**
- (Michael Sarnecki)
- 19 ~ 8:00AM **Tillie Pawlak** (Lois Pawlak)
- Sally Mach** (Joyce Mach)
- 20 ~ 8:00AM **Henry J. Schroeder Sr.** (Henry & MC)
- 21 ~ 8:00AM **Anita Joerdens** (Renae Smith)
- 22 ~ 8:00AM **Madeline Schneider** (Smith Family)
- 23 ~ 8:00AM **Boleslaus Majka** (Majka Family)
- 10:00AM **St. Brigid Parishioners**
- 24 ~ 8:00AM **Jeffry Goldman** (Teresa Lembach)
- 4:00PM **Walter G. Toporzycki**
- (Helen Toporzycki)
- Veronica Stasiak** (Margaret Kaniecki)
- 25~10:30AM **Evelyn Wenger**
- (Joanne & Carroll Hock)
- Stanley Brzozowski**
- (Cheryl & Fred Schattall)



September 18, 2016
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
"The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great ones; and the person who is dishonest in very small matters is also dishonest in great ones."
Luke 16:10

POPE FRANCIS ~ MEETING JESUS

Our whole life is an encounter with Jesus: in prayer, when we go to Mass, and when we do good works, when we visit the sick, when we help the poor, when we think of others, when we are not selfish, when we are loving...in these things we always meet Jesus. And the journey of life is precisely this: journeying in order to meet Jesus.

Reflection: There are so many times in life when we can encounter God's mercy and give his mercy as well. Where have you encountered Jesus this week? What opportunities did you miss? Take time to think about him throughout your day.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Susan Jacobs, Pat Brandt-Barothy and Dot Loco's Great-Grandbaby

We warmly welcome all visitors to our parish community. We hope you leave with great comfort. God's Blessing for you and your family. Join us anytime.

PASTOR'S CORNER This Weekend the church celebrates **CATECHETICAL SUNDAY**. The theme this year is **"PRAYER: THE FAITH PRAYED"**. As part of the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis will celebrate this special time to thank all catechists, teachers, those Lay Ministers in our parish, who devote their lives to handing on the gift of faith. Such learning begins in the home with parents, grandparents and caregivers. They are the first teachers through word and example by action. They are the first to pass values that can be permanently implanted in the hearts of children.

Here at St. Brigid Church, our mission is to stress the importance of TOTAL PARISH religious education not only for our children but for ourselves. I emphasize this by saying we never outgrow our need for Love – from the cradle to the grave. Here at St. Brigid we have been gratefully blessed to have a staff and volunteers who are dedicated and committed to fostering Catholic faith through example.

In all our energy and talents, **PRAYER IS AND HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE BEST WAY WE CAN SUCCESSFULLY ACHIEVE OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS**. This catechetical year offers us a challenge to devote ourselves to a deeper study of our faith through prayer.

St. Francis de Sales assured us that "every one of us needs half an hour of prayer each day, except when we are busy and then we need an hour. In our Gospel story for today, the dishonest steward used his wits to get what he wanted. We get to use prayer.

ASAP (Always Say A Prayer)

God loves you and so do I
Fr. Joe

MASS INTENTIONS 2017: Mass intention requests for 2017 are being accepted. Please print names & dates and an alternate date. Print your name, address and phone #. Donation per mass is \$5. Return in an envelope via the collection basket, Church/Office Mail slot or mail directly.

Masses are not scheduled for the morning of Holy Thursday, Good Friday or Holy Saturday.

Masses will be assigned later in the Fall and you will be notified. Mass intentions are assigned as close as possible to the donor's request.

Please remember the Poor Box as you leave church. Thank You.

Collections from Last Week		
	2015	2016
Offertory Envelopes	1150.00	1014.00
Offertory Loose	154.24	193.25
Total	1304.24	1207.25
Poor Box	34.50	33.05
Attendance-Adults	102	100
Children	7	2
Next week's collection Utilities		

**THE CATHOLIC CHURCH – WHO ARE WE?
COME FIND OUT THROUGH THE RCIA**

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

AN INVITATION – The Catholic Church recognizes that there are many good people outside its membership. But we as Catholics have indeed found something very special that we would like to share with you: our Church, our Faith, our Way of Life.

WELCOME BACK – There is a new surge of involvement & commitment going on within our Catholic Community. We need and want you back with us. We think you will be pleasantly surprised.

Call Bette Brocato for information: 410-563-1717.

Lectors and Ministers – September 17 & 18

Saturday: 4:00PM B – Barb Kegan
C – Ron DeBrosse
C – Carroll Hock
L – Helen Toporzycki

Sunday: 10:30AM B – Antoinette Sheridan
C – Carmelia Endres
C – Steve Endres
L – Patrick Massey

Lectors and Ministers – September 24 & 25

Saturday: 4:00PM B – Fran Groves
C – Antoinette Sheridan
L – Tim O'Toole

Sunday: 10:30AM B – Gerry Swann
C – John Swann
C – Valeria Brown
L – Vicky Walmsley

CALENDER OF UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

20th – Cluster Mtg. at 12Noon – St. Brigid

27th– Beans & Bread

Hatton 1 – Pastor James Hamilton

OCTOBER

02nd - Blessing of Animals



BONANZA BINGO

OUR FIRST BINGO WILL BE ON SUNDAY, OCT. 9th, Sacred Heart of Jesus Hall on the corner of Conkling St. & Foster Ave. Cost is

\$20 per person. Doors open at 11:30, dinner starts at 12:15pm and Bingo will begin at 1pm. For reservations call St. Brigid Parish Office @ 410-563-1717. Please call for reservations by October 5th so that we can prepare sufficient food.

TRI PIC WINNERS

09/04 M-111 A. Burger	E- 566 not sold
09/05 M-005 Fr. Kingsberry	E- 319 C. Curtis
09/06 M-299 not sold	E- 955 not sold
09/07 M-373 L. Arthur	E- 029 C. Frank
09/08 M-067 C. Mueller	E- 608 not sold
09/09 M-142 D.Caricofe	E-546 L. Pokrywka
09/10 M- 932 not sold	E- 731 R. Pazourek

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THESE MAKE A GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFT AND ITS EASY SHOPPING. YOU GOT TO PLAY TO WIN!!!!

SEEN ON A CHURCH SIGN:

Honk if you love Jesus... Text while driving if you want to meet him.

WHOLE COMMUNITY FAITH FORMATION

2016 CATECHIST OF THE YEAR

We would like to Congratulate Charlene McConnell for being named St. Brigid's 2016 Catechist of the Year. Thank you Char for your 28 years of service to St. Brigid.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

SEPT 18 Catechetical Sunday -10:30 am Mass
25 WELCOME & Registration

OCT 2 Session 1 - *Feast St. Francis*
Blessing of Animals – 1 pm
9 Session 2
Reconciliation Mtg, 9:15 am

WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?

SPIRITUALITY RETREAT



Retreat will be held in St. Brigid Church and has been rescheduled to Friday, Oct. 23rd 6-9 pm & Saturday, Oct. 24th,

10:30am – 4 pm. There is no cost and lunch will be provided on Saturday. Please contact the parish office to register. Come and join your fellow parishioners & parish ministers explore prayer in the Scriptures and approaches to prayer in your daily life.

NOTE: This retreat is one of two courses required for the new Preliminary Certification in EQUIP for Ministry for those seeking certification.

HATTON CENTER FALL SCHEDULE

FALL DATES:

Sept.27th Pastor James Hamilton
Oct. 4th Fr. Dennis Grumsey
Oct. 11th Pastor Mark Parker
Oct. 18th Pastor Cathy Oatman
Oct. 25th Fr. Joe Bochenek/Bette Brocato

UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Family-Fun Bingo, Friday, September 23. Doors open at 5 pm, bingo begins at 6 pm. Plenty of food available for purchase. Bring a donation to the Canton Food Bank to enter a special drawing.



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