

St. Bridget Church

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Sunday,
Jan 6,
2019

St. Patrick Church

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+Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord +

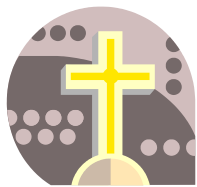
First Reading Isaiah poetically describes the light that has shone on Jerusalem. The exiles have returned, and they must not be downcast, but walk with eyes raised. There has been a total transformation. The heart of the text is a reminder of the glory of God in Israel's—and our—midst.

Responsorial Psalm 72 This psalm was composed for the coronation of the King and was sung for all those who reigned during the Davidic dynasty. Notice that the people pray that God will endow the king with right judgment, allowing him to be just and care for those who are afflicted.

Second Reading The author of Ephesians reminds the community that God has made mystery known to him by revelation. He was not a companion of Jesus; the Spirit has brought him the grace to speak of Christ to the community and to proclaim that Jesus is not just the Savior of the Jewish people but of all—gentiles included.

Gospel the story of the visit by the Magi appears only in the Gospel according to Matthew. Here we see wise figures, most likely astronomers, seeking out the newly born king to pay him homage. The number three is a late interpretation, as are names for these mysterious figures. The gifts acknowledge the infants regal stature, and hint at the anointing that will await him in death. This story underscores the universality of the Messiah, who has come to redeem all.

Mass Schedule: Jan 7- Jan 13, 2019



Mon. Jan 7	8:30 am	(V) Special Intention of Eleanor Eckert
Tues Jan 8	5:00 pm	(B) Harry Healey Sr+
Wed. Jan 9	5:00 pm	(V) Jeremy DeGeeter+
Thurs. Jan 10	8:30 am	(B) Living Members of A & R
Sat. Jan 12	4:00 pm	(V) Helen Wauters+
Sun. Jan 13	8:00 am	(B) People of the Parish
Sun. Jan 13	10:00 am	(V) Charles Gearhart+

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS.....

Lex Ann Alig
Bob Murtha
Margaret Goodrich
Diane Davidson
Katie Kriegel
Shirley Bair

Bev Wood
Marvin Lynn
Kyle McWilliams
Wilfred Suchy
Dawson Klein

Carol Blomme
Joanna Green
Don VanNevel
Stuart Petersen
Sharon Petersen
Marge McGrory

Janice Bringmann
Rev. Philip Ryan
Shirley Noyes
Ruth DeMeulenaere
Grace DeRycke

St. Bridget Catholic Church

Ushers & Greeters: The Ministers of Hospitality

4:00 PM	Sat	Jan	12	Jeff & Cathy Verdeck
10:00 AM	Sun	Jan	13	Marvin Wauters

Altar Servers: The Ministers of God's Altar

4:00 PM	Sat	Jan	12	Lizzy Grier, Jenna Rajtora
10:00 AM	Sun	Jan	13	Josie Hall, Charlotte Pirkl

Lectors: The Ministers of God's Word

4:00 PM	Sat	Jan	12	Daryl Fiser
10:00 AM	Sun	Jan	13	Tiffany Lynn

Eucharistic Ministers: Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

4:00 PM	Sat	Jan	12	Tiffany Schafbuch, Kelli Hoey, Ruth Beran
10:00 AM	Sun	Jan	13	Angie Thys, Deanna Roe, Volunteer

<u>Funeral Committee:</u>	Jan	Dixie Wentland (525-3075) Diane DeGeeter (647-3250)
<u>Money Counters:</u>	Jan 13	Jerry Sughroue, Wilfred Suchy

- End of the Year- Please note any donations you would like to be in 2018 please turn in before Jan 1, 2019. Just because you use a 2018 envelope does not mean it will be included in 2018. Must be in collection by Jan 1, 2019.
- KC Meeting- The next KC Meeting will be Jan 8 at 7pm at the KC Hall. Thanks.
- Parish / Finance Council Meeting- the next meeting will be on Tuesday, Jan 22. Finance at 5:30pm and Parish Council at 6:30pm
- Altar & Rosary Dues- Just a reminder that your A & R dues will be collected in January.
- Confessions will be heard every Saturday from Jan 5 to Mar 30 at St. Bridget from 3:15-3:45.

**Behold, the Lord,
the Mighty One,
has come; and
kingship is in his
grasp, and power
and dominion.**

Financial Overview : Our tithing and stewardship for God and Church. If you wish to receive envelopes, please contact 647-2294. Thank you to all who support our parish.

Envelopes: \$1,950.00	Offertory: \$236.50	Christmas: \$2,157.00
Renovation: \$540.00	Initial Offering: \$5.00	Total: \$4,888.50

Happy Birthday!

Jan 7- Robert Hall
 Jan 9- Lori Asberry
 Jan 10- Erin Blomme, Janelle Brothersen
 Jan 11- Julie Cavin
 Jan 12- Don VanNevel
 Jan 13- Carson Cheney

Happy Anniversary!

Jan 12- John & Darla Doud- 62 years

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8:00 AM	Sun.	Jan	13	Phil & Mary Ann Heishman

Altar Servers: The Ministers of God's Altar

4:00 PM	Sat.	Jan	12	Mass at St. Bridget
8:00 AM	Sun.	Jan	13	Clair, Payton Manatt, Kaylee Lint

Lectors: The Ministers of God's Word

4:00 PM	Sat.	Jan	12	Mass at St. Bridget
8:00 AM	Sun.	Jan	13	volunteer

Eucharistic Ministers: Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

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8:00 AM	Sun.	Jan	13	Bob Howe, Dale Howe, Volunteer

Money Counters	Jan	13	Judy VanTomme, Steve Alig
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\$0.00 loan

RENOVATION

Pledged to Pay

\$39,995.00

Improvement Acct

\$17,000.00

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- **Parish / Finance Council Meeting-** the next meeting will be on Tuesday, Jan 15. Finance at 5:30pm and Parish Council at 6:30pm
- **Steubenville Conference-** Our youth grades 8-12 will be attending this conference July 26-28 in St Paul MN. Please let Angie know if someone is interested by Jan 1st. Thanks.
- **Confessions** will be heard every Saturday from Jan 5 to Mar 30 at St. Bridget from 3:15-3:45.

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Envelopes: \$856.00	Offertory: \$56.30	
Renovation: \$475.00	Immaculate Conception: \$25.00	Total: \$1,412.30

Happy Birthday!

Jan 7- Mitchell Bockenstedt
Jan 8- Marcena Kline
Jan 9- Anne McCulley
Jan 10- Jeff Hall

Happy Anniversary!

Jan 7 - Jan 13

Important Information for Both Parishes:

Dear Parishioners:

I hope you all had a good New Year's celebration and are getting back into the regular groove now that the holiday season is over.

A few news items. First, a reminder that the classes for those who want to learn more about their Catholic faith or who wish to become Catholic will begin on Monday, January 14th at 6:30 pm in St. Bridget's basement. Please invite and pray for those who you think should attend. Remember, it is open to all, so anyone who wishes to learn more about the faith is welcome. No commitment is necessary.

Also, as we begin the new year, the next stage of our renovation project begins in earnest, especially for Brooklyn, as Bovard Studios will be coming on January 13th to remove the glass from the building to be moved to their shop for repairs. Victor's renovation will begin later, more towards the summer. By the end of summer, both parishes should have fully renovated their windows, so thank you! Many of you fulfilled this year's pledge before Christmas, so thank you! Otherwise, each year's pledge comes 'due' at the beginning of Lent, so thank you for your continued support to keep these buildings beautiful and healthy!

God Bless,
Fr. Corey

Contribution Statements from the Diocese of Davenport will be mailed to those who donated to the ADA in 2018. A separate contribution statement will also be mailed to those who donated to the Catholic Fdtn in 2018. If you donated to both the Diocese and the Fdtn you will receive two statements. They will be mailed Jan 25, 2019 and marked as important. If you have questions call 563-324-1911. Thanks

- **Loss of Loved One**- Iowa City Hospice is hosting a luncheon for anyone who has experienced the death of someone close to them the third Thursday of each month beginning Sept 20, 2018 at Gus' Food and Spirits, Coralville. The luncheon will begin at 11:30 and you will be greeted by Iowa City Hospice staff or volunteers.
- **Sharing the Hope Cancer support group**- will meet the second Wednesday of every month at 6:30pm at the Compass Memorial Healthcare Lobby, 300 West May St. Marengo. The group is open to all who have or are experiencing a cancer journey. This includes those going through cancer, caring for someone with cancer or having lost someone to cancer. Join us for conversation and cookies. For more information, contact Margaret Staman, Director of Hospital Fdtn and Volunteer Coordination at 319-642-8054.
- **Domestic Violence**- Silence does not help the ones we love find hope or safety. If someone you care about is being abused, call 319-351-1043 or 800-373-1043 www.dvpiowa.org
- **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**- The holidays are coming! Give your spouse the perfect gift, the gift of quality time with you for an entire weekend. Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends allow couples private time to focus on their relationship and rediscover the one they fell in love with. Sign up for upcoming weekends to ensure your spot. Gift

Website: stpatrick-stbridget.org please look at it, get up to date information and your bulletins!

Office Hours: The office will be open daily from 2:00pm- 4:00pm. Any questions please, call Linda Gensley @ 319-647-2294 or call Father at the rectory @ 319-647-2220. Thank You.

Confessions: There will be confessions heard every Saturday at the parish where Mass is held. So, from Dec 29 through March 30 confessions are now heard at St. Bridget Parish in Victor from 3:15-3:45.

Marriages: Please arrange with Fr. Close at least six months in advance. Engaged Encounter or Pre-Cana is required.

Baptisms: There is a preparation class required in order to have your child baptized. Please contact Father Close for more information.

Newcomers: You may register in the parish by picking up a registration form from Fr. Close or the parish secretary, Linda Gensley. Church line is 319-647-2294 or Rectory is 319-647-2220.

Hall Rental: Anyone interested in renting out the hall please leave a message at 647-2294. The fee is \$100.00 must fill out our parish policy and check on the availability of dates.

Bulletin: Any news for the bulletin needs to be in by Wednesday, or you may call it in or email to us at: stbridget@netins.net