

St. Bridget Church

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Sunday,
July 31,
2022

St. Patrick Church

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Pastor—Rev. Scott Lemaster

+Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time+

Scripture Insights Today's second reading is more understandable with a little background information. A group of preachers had arrived in Colossae teaching a message different from the apostolic Gospel. While it is still unclear exactly what this group preached, apparently they combined aspects of Christianity with astrology, Greco-Roman mythology, and Jewish dietary customs. The result was that Christ was demoted to just one among many heavenly entities. In addition, the keeping of dietary rules became equal to baptism and living a moral life for salvation. Paul writes to remind the Colossians that Christ is essential to their salvation.

Paul's call for the community to seek what is above directly confronts the new preachers' message. Christ is raised and seated at the right hand of God, a decidedly prominent position over all of creation. Recall that a few weeks ago Paul reminded the same community that Christ was firstborn of all creation, the one through whom all things came into being.

The call to seek what is above also challenges the emphasis on food laws. Jewish dietary customs are not wrong—Paul, as a Jew, still kept the law of Moses. But Paul teaches that Gentiles who take on the Gospel and faith in Christ do not need to take on the law also. They can be saved by faith and by living the Spirit. Whatever they were before—slave, free, Jew, Gentile—they have now put on a new self, renewed in the image of the Creator. To focus on dietary rules and mythology is to return to the old earthly ways. How could they be given value over Christ, who "is all and in all" (Col 3:11)?

Mass Schedule: Aug 1 - Aug 7, 2022



Tues. Aug 2	8:00 am (V) NO MASS
Wed. Aug 3	8:00 am (B) Helen & Edward Ermak+ 6:00 pm (V) Right to Life Discussion
Thurs. Aug 4	8:00 am (V) Violet VanWaus+
Fri. Aug 5	8:00 am (B) Jane Kriegel+ 5:00 pm (V) Vocations
Sat. Aug 6	8:00 am (V) People of the Parish
Sat. Aug 6	4:00 pm (B) Leonard Cline+
Sun. Aug 7	8:00 am (B) Blessed Fr. McGivney+ founder of K of C
Sun. Aug 7	10:00 am (V) People of the Parish

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS.....

Lex Ann Alig
Bob Murtha
Diane Davidson
Vivian Kalambaheti
Rose Refer
Alice VanQuekelberghe

Gale & Bev Wood
Marvin Lynn
Kyle McWilliams
Dawson Klein
Jim McGrory
Ed Doran

Joanna Green
John Doud
Collette Seda
Julian Boudonck
Chris Jahlas
Dorothea Hicks

Rev. Philip Ryan
Ruth DeMeulenaere
Mary Bernhart
Morgan Blomme
Verabeth Bricker
Joan Doran

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Altar Servers: The Ministers of God's Altar

8:00 AM	Sat	Aug	6	Volunteers
10:00 AM	Sun	Aug	7	Cooper Hoey, Laney Blomme

Lectors: The Ministers of God's Word

8:00 AM	Sat	Aug	6	Volunteer
10:00 AM	Sun	Aug	7	Jeannine Scandridge

Eucharistic Ministers: Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

8:00 AM	Sat	Aug	6	None
10:00 AM	Sun	Aug	7	None

<u>Funeral Committee:</u>	Aug	Joan Schafbuch (319-558-6306), Kathy Baetsle (525-2120)
<u>Money Counters:</u>	Aug 7	Chuck & Kathy Baetsle, Jeannine Scandridge

- **Ice Cream Buckets**– Please bring in any clean empty buckets for use at the annual supper.
- **Pray for Vocations**– Encourage everyone in their life's vocation. Pray that God bless His church with more men and women committed to a religious vocation.
- **"Why Pro-Life?" Discussion**– August 3rd at 6:30pm at St. Bridget Parish Hall. All ages are encouraged to attend. Meal provided. Sheryl Schwager from Johnson County Right to Life will join us to share some educational hands-on exhibits. Why do Christians oppose abortion? Learn why a miscarriage isn't an abortion and other debunk myths. Hear about Rachel's Vineyard a healing retreat for those affected by abortion.

Cookbook Fundraiser– St. Patrick's is putting together a cookbook, if you would like a recipe to be included in it, there are forms in the back of the church. Proceeds to go to St. Pat's hall.

Church Supper Volunteer Needed– We want to put on the annual Chicken and Ham supper, it has been two years. The date will be Sunday, Sept. 18. Sarah Kaplan is the head committee person, but she needs someone to help her plan and organize. If anyone has some time to help put this fundraiser together, please contact Sarah @ 319-721-0160 or call the church office and leave a message 319-647-2294. Thank You!!! Let's have a great come back year!

Confessions– Confessions can be heard one hour before all Masses.

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:\$855.00	Offertory:\$2,719.00	Weekly Online Giving:\$70.00
Missionary:\$500.00	Diocesan Collections:\$61.00	

Happy Birthday!

Aug 1– Connie Blomme, Jamie Claeys, Barb Murtha
Aug 2– Diane DeGeeter, Colleen DeMeulenaere
Aug 2-Keelan Hoey, Jill Stevens, Mindy Waterbeck

Happy Anniversary!

Aug 3– Kurt & Roxanne Pierce– 31 years

You have given us, O
Lord, bread from
heaven, endowed
with all delights and
sweetness in every
taste.

St. Patrick Catholic Church

I am the bread of life, says the Lord; whoever comes to me will not hunger and whoever believes in me will not thirst.

Altar Servers: The Ministers of God's Altar

4:00 PM	Sat.	Aug	6	Sara Bos, Alyssa Bos
8:00 AM	Sun.	Aug	7	Kylie Arment, Cara Arment

Lectors: The Ministers of God's Word

4:00 PM	Sat.	Aug	6	Volunteer
8:00 AM	Sun.	Aug	7	Linda DeGeeter

Eucharistic Ministers: Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

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Money Counters Aug 7 Ron & Javerne Vercande, Jim & Elsie Foels

- **Pray for Vocations**- Encourage everyone in their life's vocation. Pray that God bless His church with more men and women committed to a religious vocation.
- **Breakfast after Mass**- Donuts, muffins and drinks will be served on Sunday, July 31 after the 8am Mass. All are welcome!!
- **Cookbook Fundraiser**- We would like to create a cookbook with the funds raised to go towards an update to the Parish hall at St. Patrick's. There are recipe submission forms in the back of the church. Take as many as you like. If you want to just take a picture of the recipe and text or email to one us, that is good too, please just make sure it is legible. The deadline to submit is Oct. 1, with the hope of it being completed by Thanksgiving. Any questions call Jenny Bos @ 641-660-2777
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Envelopes: **\$926.00** Offertory: **\$174.00** Weekly Online Giving : **\$308.50**
 Improvement: **\$** Works of Charity: **\$100.00**

Happy Birthday!

Aug 1- Mary Jo Thompson
 Aug 2- Ken Cline, Rachel Corbett
 Aug 4- Steven Franklin
 Aug 5- Karley Calkins, Julie Kelley, Allan Willett
 Aug 6- Mike Beumer, Madelynn Doty, Joe Kasal
 Aug 7- Imogene Steele

Happy Anniversary!

Aug 4- Justin & Shannon Arment- 15 years

Important Information for Both Parishes:

- **Jesus urges us to be rich in what matters to God. The psalmist warns us against hardening our hearts. Are our hearts open to what really matters?**
- **You are Invited to meet the Davenport Diocese Seminarians**– The Saint Serra Club will host two picnics to encourage more people throughout the diocese to participate. One will be Aug 7 in Davenport and the other on Aug 14 in Iowa City. The picnics are held indoors from 4-6pm, they are asking for \$15 per person donation. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board for more information.

The Catholic Messenger– If you have not paid your \$29 subscription fee for the Messenger, please do so as soon as possible. The Diocese automatically bills the parish for 50% of their total members. Both parishes are way behind in collecting this money. The parishes have to pay this bill whether the money is collected or not. Please, help us get this taken care of, it's a bargain at \$29 per year for 50 issues - print and/or e-edition!

St. Patrick owes:\$1,957.50 have only collected: \$901.00 we owe: \$ 1,056.50

St. Bridget owes:\$2,160.00 have only collected: \$981.00 we owe: \$1,179.00

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- Does gardening give you a sense of wonder and fulfillment? On your wedding day, you lovingly planted the seeds of a lifelong relationship. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will give you the “gardening tools” you need to help your marriage grow and blossom. For information or to register contact Greg or Denise at (563)920-9419 or email to: drubner9419@gmail.com. Upcoming dates are Sept 9-11 in Dubuque and Nov 18-20 in Holstein.

Child Sexual Abuse- Please contact Iowa Dept. of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline at 800-362-2178. If the case involves clergy or church personnel, also notify Alicia Owens, Victim Assistance Coordinator at 563-349-5002, PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004 or vac@diodav.org

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

Office Hours: The office will be open Monday through Thursday 2:30pm- 4:30pm. 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 an hour before all Masses at the parish where Mass is held.

Marriages: Please arrange with Fr. Lemaster 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 Lemaster for more information.

Newcomers: You may register in the parish by picking up a registration form from Fr. Lemaster 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: stbridgt@netins.net

Online giving allows you to make donations, payments and pledges via your mobile phone, smart device or computer to our church. Please visit our website and get started at: www.stpatrick-stbridget.org Thank-You!