

## St. Bridget Church

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Sunday,  
Oct 11,  
2020

## St. Patrick Church

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### Pastor—Rev. Corey Close

#### +Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time+

**Scripture Insights** As told by Jesus, the parables were stories that left his listeners “hanging,” having to ponder the meaning for themselves. As retold in the Gospels, the parables often include the interpretations given them by the early church. The parable in today’s Gospel both interprets and leaves us hanging.

The predominant image in today’s parable is the wedding feast. The Greek noun gamos (marriage) occurs eight times, although unfortunately, this is not evident in the English translation. In the Old Testament, God’s covenant with Israel is often described as a marriage relationship (Isaiah 54:6, 62:5; Hosea 2:16-22). The New Testament continues this image, often speaking of Jesus as the bridegroom.

Today’s parable points to the new reality that has come about through the presence, teaching, and ministry of Jesus. The promises of old are fulfilled: “The kingdom of heaven is at hand” (Matthew 4:17). The bridegroom is among us. Emmanuel, God, is with us. “The feast is ready.”

This Good News was first announced to the Jewish people, but not all believed. The reference to the armed attack and burning of the city in today’s Gospel reading has been understood in reference to the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in AD 70- an event Matthew’s community saw as divine punishment for the Jewish leaders’ rejection of Jesus. At the end of Matthew’s account of the Gospel the disciples are sent to “invite” all nations (Matthew 28:19)- that is, the Gentiles--to the wedding feast. Many of them believed, and some were members of Matthew’s community.

#### Mass Schedule: Oct 12 - Oct 18, 2020



<b>Mon.</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11:30 am</b>	<b>(V) Funeral Shirley Bazyn Noyes</b>
<b>Tues</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>(B) Bernadette Cline+</b>
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>(V) Wanda Baetsle+</b>
<b>Thur.</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>(B) Living Members of A &amp; R</b>
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>(B) Mollie Tibbetts+</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>(V) The People of the Parish</b>
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>(B) The People of the Parish</b>
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>(V) Russ DeNeve+</b>

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS.....

Lex Ann Alig  
Bob Murtha  
Diane Davidson  
Vivian Kalamaheti  
Rose Refer  
Leonard Seda

Bev Wood  
Marvin Lynn  
Kyle McWilliams  
Wilfred Suchy  
Dawson Klein

Joanna Green  
Sharon Petersen  
Marjorie VanHamme  
Ray Gensley  
John Doud

Janice Bringmann  
Rev. Philip Ryan  
Ruth DeMeulenaere  
Mary Bernhart

# St. Bridget Catholic Church

## Ushers & Greeters: The Ministers of Hospitality

6:00 PM	Sat	Oct	17	None
10:00 AM	Sun	Oct	18	None

## Altar Servers: The Ministers of God's Altar

6:00 PM	Sat	Oct	17	None
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## Lectors: The Ministers of God's Word

6:00 PM	Sat	Oct	17	None
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## Eucharistic Ministers: Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

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## Funeral Committee:

Oct                      Jean Thys (647-3638) Alicia Brandt (647-3782)

## Money Counters:

Oct    18                Jeannine Scandridge, volunteer

- **Prayers-** Please remember in your prayers Shirley Bazyn Noyes. Shirley passed away Tues Oct 6, She will have visitation from 3-6pm on Sunday, and her funeral will be Monday at 11:30am. Shirley is the mother of Richard Bazyn and the sister of Ray Gensley. May God grant Shirley eternal peace and rest. Amen.+

**ADA -** Please prayerfully consider your pledge to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. If you did not make a commitment this weekend, please return your pledge form to the parish this week. Your support and prayers are greatly appreciated. There is a link on our website to give electronically at [www.stpatrick-stbridget.org](http://www.stpatrick-stbridget.org). This is our goal: \$14,950.00 We have received \$5,983.00

**KC Meeting-** the next meeting will be on Tues, Oct 13 at 7pm at the KC Hall.

**Praying the Rosary-** Anniversary of our Blessed Mary's Appearance in Fatima of Portugal and the Miracle of the Sun. We will be praying the rosary in public at St Patrick Parish in Brooklyn on Saturday Oct 10 at 11am. All are welcome to join in praying for peace.

**ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE-** Online Giving allows you to make donations, payments and pledges via your mobile phone, smart device or computer to your church. Please visit our website and get started at [www.stpatrick-stbridget.org](http://www.stpatrick-stbridget.org)

**Confessions** Will be heard on Oct 17 at St. Bridget in Victor from 5:15-5:45pm

**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: \$1,878.00                      Offertory:\$74.00

World Mission Sunday:\$25.00

Total:\$1,997.00

## **Happy Birthday!**

Oct 12- tiffany Lynn, Joyce Refer

Oct 15- Riiker Hoey, Steve Seye

Oct 16- Susie DeSmet

Oct 17- Laney Blomme

Oct 18- Ann Gray, Margie McWilliams

## **Happy Anniversary!**

Oct 14- Dan & Julie Cavin- 31 years

Oct 18- Justin & Erin Riffel- 12 years

When the Lord  
appears, we shall be  
like him, for we shall  
see him as he is.

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The rich suffer want  
and go hungry, but  
those who seek the  
Lord lack no  
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- **Praying the Rosary**- Anniversary of our Blessed Mary's Appearance in Fatima of Portugal and the Miracle of the Sun. We will be praying the rosary in public at St Patrick Parish in Brooklyn on Saturday Oct 10 at 11am. All are welcome to join in praying for peace.
- **Bible Study**- There will be bible study every Tuesday night in the church hall after the 5pm Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend. We are currently discussing "Mark". Thanks
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- **Sacred Pilgrimages for 2021**: Europe, Poland and Ireland. See our website for more details.

**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: \$891.00	Offertory: \$207.00	Works of Charity: \$30.00
Improvement: \$85.00		<b>Total: \$1,213.00</b>

**Happy Birthday!**

Oct 14- Sheri Atkinson  
Oct 15- Brenda Strong  
Oct 16- Bruce Briggs  
Oct 18- Jim Foels

**Happy Anniversary!**

Oct 14- Phil & Mary Ann Heishman- 59 years  
Oct 14- Dave & Mary Jo Seaton- 26 years  
Oct 15- Joe & Sharon Schott-14 years

## Important Information for Both Parishes:

Dear Parishioners:

I hope and pray all is well with you!

This past week we had the memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7th. In the year 1571, the Ottoman Turks were seeking to invade the Italian Peninsula and conquer Rome. For hundreds of years, the Turks had been the bane of Christendom, as they first conquered the Byzantine Empire in the East in modern day Turkey, and then worked their way up the Balkans until they were turned away from the gates of Vienna twice in their attempt to conquer Central Europe. This was their latest attempt to enter the heart of Europe, but this time by sea. The Pope called upon a Catholic coalition, mainly made up of Spanish and Venetian forces, but also called upon all of Europe to pray the Rosary for deliverance. On October 7th, the two forces met in battle, under the banner of Our Lord on the Crucifix, and won a decisive victory, ending the threat of Ottoman invasion by sea. The Pope attributed the victory to the praying of the Rosary on the part of the faithful, and instituted this feast (also known as Our Lady of Victory) to commemorate the victory. We live in trying times, and the forces of evil have grown bold and brazen in recent years, just as the Ottomans had done in the 16th century. Some of these enemies have infiltrated the Church herself. We must pick up the most powerful weapon available to us: the Rosary. More powerful than atomic weapons, the Rosary is our best weapon against the forces of evil. After all, as Paul teaches: "For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms." (Ephesians 6:12) Our real enemies are not human beings, but the demons that trick and enslave mankind. Mary told St. Dominic, whom she gave the Rosary, that it was the Battering Ram of Heaven. Our Lady also told the children at Fatima the need to pray the Rosary daily. Our times are dire, so I ask each of you to please pray the Rosary daily for the cleansing of God's Church of her enemies, and the protection of our world against the forces of evil. .

God Bless, Fr. Corey

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**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](http://www.dvpiowa.org)

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend-** is a catholic faith based marriage enrichment program and has been providing couples with better communication skills and tools for over 50 years. Start a new chapter in your marriage by attending one of these upcoming weekends Nov 6-8 @ Coralville. For information, dates and to register

**Website:** [stpatrick-stbridget.org](http://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 every Saturday at the parish where Mass is held.  
They will be 45 minutes prior to the Mass at both parishes.

**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: [stbridgt@netins.net](mailto:stbridgt@netins.net)