

St. Bridget Church

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Sunday,
Oct 18,
2020

St. Patrick Church

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Pastor—Rev. Corey Close

+Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time+

Scripture Insights Initially, today's First Reading may take us by surprise. Cyrus? The Lord's anointed? Cyrus was the Persian king who conquered Babylon during the exile, thus winning freedom for the Jewish people. Isaiah speaks of him as the Lord's "anointed" (literally, messiah), the agent God used on behalf of his chosen people even though Cyrus did not "know" God (Isaiah 45:4,5)—that is, was not in covenant relationship with him as a member of the chosen people.

The books of Ezra and Nehemiah recount the Jews' return to Jerusalem and rebuilding of the Temple and city, showing how the people appropriately "repaid" both God and the government their respective dues. There was no doubt, however, that God was God and that no other ruler was more supreme.

In today's Gospel reading, the conflict between Jesus and the Jewish leaders continues. Today, the Pharisees are in the spotlight. Enlisting the aid of the Herodians, who were supporters of the ruling dynasty of Herod the Great and thus loyal to Rome, the Pharisees are trying to put allegiance to the government in conflict with covenant ("lawful") fidelity to God. In effect, the Pharisees are playing from both sides in order to entrap Jesus. In response, Jesus affirms the just claims of both, "Repay to Caesar, what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

What belongs to God is, of course, everything and everyone. How fittingly today's Responsorial Psalm acclaims, "Give the Lord glory and honor... The gods of the nations are things of naught... The Lord is king." Let us pray, this day, for a heightened awareness that all belongs to God. Let us render the tribute that is rightly due.

Mass Schedule: Oct 19 - Oct 25, 2020



Mon.	Oct	19	8:30 am	(V) Shirley Noyes+
Tues	Oct	20	5:00 pm	(B) Samantha Kriegel+
Wed.	Oct	21	5:00 pm	(V) Marge McGrory+
Thur.	Oct	22	8:30 am	(B) Bernadette Cline+
Sat.	Oct	24	4:00 pm	(B) Judy Calderwood+
Sat	Oct	24	6:00 pm	(V) The People of the Parish
Sun.	Oct	25	8:00 am	(B) The People of the Parish
Sun.	Oct	25	10:00 am	(V) Jim Scandridge+

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	24	None
10:00 AM	Sun	Oct	25	None

Altar Servers: The Ministers of God's Altar

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Lectors: The Ministers of God's Word

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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 25 Chuck & Kathy Baetsle, Tom & Jean Thys

- **A & R Meeting-** The next A & R meeting will be on Monday, October 26 after the 8:30am Mass.
 - **ADA -** Thank you to all who responded so generously to the 2019-2020 Annual Diocesan Appeal last weekend. Each year the success of the campaign depends on you. Once more this year, you have done a wonderful thing; your pledges and gifts have helped to assure that the ADA will be able to continue building the faith community throughout the Diocese of Davenport. There is a link on our website to give electronically at www.stpatrick-stbridget.org. This is our goal: \$14,950.00 We have received \$7,909.00
 - **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
- Confessions** Will be heard on Oct 24 at St. Bridget in Victor from 5:15-5:45pm

The Son of Man has
come to give his life as
a ransom for many.

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: \$755.00

Offertory: \$129.00

World Mission Sunday: \$10.00

Total: \$894.00

Happy Birthday!

Oct 19- Ruuger Hoey

Oct 20- Chuck Baetsle, Ashlyn Hall

Oct 21- Jane Bazyn, Ruth DeMeulenaere

Oct 23- Kathy Baetsle, Colton Molyneux

Oct 24- Shirlee Lynn

Happy Anniversary!

Oct 19 - Oct 25

St. Patrick Catholic Church

Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine

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- **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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Envelopes: \$437.00	Offertory: \$571.00
Improvement: \$	Total: \$1,008.00

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Oct 19- Steve Alig, Pam Hawkins
 Oct 20- Bishop Busch, Owen Cline, Brenda Hall
 Oct 21- Catherine Bockenstedt,
 Zach Clayton, Susan McCain
 Oct 22- Noah Bockenstedt, Sherry Grier, Terry VanTomme
 Oct 23- Laura Lacina
 Oct 24- Doris Cline, Tammy Kriegel

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Important Information for Both Parishes:

Dear Parishioners:

I hope and pray all is well with you.

First, I'd like to thank all of you who have already pledged and given to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. It helps our parish out tremendously so thank you! Also, don't forget that you can start to give to our parishes online if you wish. Simply go to our website, and in the lower right corner is a button to start online giving. This helps us out, can reduce waste (we don't need to send you envelopes anymore if you don't want them) and can make your giving easier. So please consider this if you are at all interested.

In other news, starting in November, I am peeling back the extra Mass we instituted for Covid. The Saturday evening Mass in Brooklyn has been very lightly attended, and I feel that I have more energy and zeal when I say three Masses rather than four, so I feel that you get a better Mass when I do three. Our schedule starting in November will be St. Bridget's at 4pm on Saturday evening, with confessions before from 3:15-3:45. Because St. Bridget's is so large, and we've moved to closing off every other pew (rather than every third being open), we should have more than enough space to accommodate the Brooklyn Saturday evening Mass goers, and have plenty of room for 'social distancing' if you are concerned. Our Saturday evening Masses in Victor haven't been huge either, so combining the two should not cause any problems. I hope this isn't a big inconvenience. Normally we would change our schedule back to 5 pm in Brooklyn in April, which I hope to do, but if all of this is still an issue, I may keep the Saturday evening Mass in Victor until it makes sense to do otherwise.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

God Bless Fr. Corey

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- 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 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