ST. BRIDE

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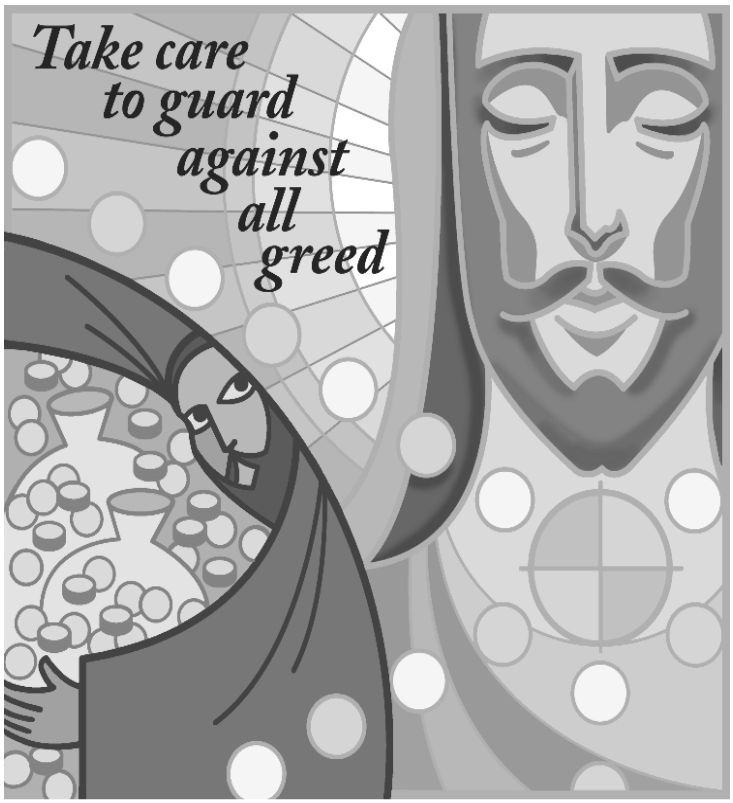

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Our Parish Staff
Reverend Robert J. Roll, Pastor
Mrs. Carole Palmore, Program Director
Mr. Terry Rose, Youth Minister
Mr. Tommy Slay, Facilities Manager
Ms. Lafredta Lusk, Parish Secretary

Liturgy Schedule
Sunday at 10 AM
Monday thru Friday
8 AM in the House Chapel

The Sacrament of Reconciliation
Before Mass and anytime by appointment!

The Sacrament of the Sick
Please make arrangements with the Parish House to have the Sacraments brought to the sick and homebound. The Anointing of the Sick should take place early in any illness and as often as necessary. Please note: Hospitals are not allowed, by law, to contact the parish. Please have someone contact the Parish House for a hospital visit.

New Parishioners
Please consider registering after Mass at the Activity Table in the Church or call the Parish House at your convenience!

Welcome Visitors to St. Bride
We are honored to have you with us! Please be sure to sign our guest book.

The Eighteenth Sunday of the Church Year
August 1, 2010

MASSES THIS WEEK

Mass is celebrated Monday thru Friday
At 8 AM in the Parish House Chapel

The Eighteenth Sunday of the Church Year:

For the Intention of Carolyn Anzalone
For the Intention of John Mikolajczak
For the Intention of Mary Skaro
on the Fourth Anniversary of her death
For the Intention of Sr. Mary DeCook, BVM

Monday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli;
St. Peter Julian Eymard
Tuesday: Weekday
Wednesday: St. John Mary Vianney
Thursday: Dedication of the Basilica of
St. Mary Major in Rome
Friday: Transfiguration of the Lord
Saturday: St. Sixtus II and His Companions;
St. Cajetan

The Nineteenth Sunday of the Church Year:

For the Intention of Dr. Violet Eggert
For the Intention of
Thomas and Alice Flanagan
For the Intention of Sherman Carey, Sr.
For the Intention of Larry Lennix
For the Intention of Henry and Pauline Ciolek

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday:	Jer 30:1-2, 18-22; Mt 14:22-36
Wednesday:	Jer 31:1-7; Mt 15:21-28
Thursday:	Jer 31:31-34; Mt 16:13-23
Friday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36
Saturday:	Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Mt 17:14-20
Sunday:	Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33; Hb 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]

The St. Bride Food Pantry

Even though our Food Pantry will be on hiatus until September we need your donations of *NON-PERISHABLE* food items to stock our shelves and prepare bags for those who will utilize our outreach program. We serve over 150 families a month. We have over 320 families now registered for the program. We need more assistance than ever in these troubled times. We also accept clothing for our clothes pantry and gently used small household goods; dishes, silverware, glasses, etc. Your financial support is greatly appreciated as are your donations of gift cards from local grocery stores.

Archdiocese YouTube Channel

Among the TV videos recently posted to our Archdiocese of Chicago YouTube Channel are: Catholics at the Capitol; Wayne Messmer performing a play about Saint Damien; and a jazz fest organized by a priest to help feed the hungry.

www.youtube.com/catholicchicago

Upcoming Dates and Events

Every Wednesday: Exercise Sessions in the Church Hall – 8:30 AM

Every Thursday: *Thursday Morning Connections* Our outreach program providing job resources, clothing and food to the neighborhood - 10 AM until Noon

September 12th – Annual Parish Picnic
October 17th – Oktoberfest
November 20th – Thanksgiving Outreach Dinner
December 5th – Breakfast with Santa

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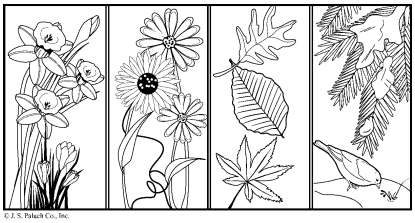
For parish and Church news, bulletins, a guestbook, area information, schedules, *Catholic Links* to the web and parish photos!
Search for us on FACEBOOK and join our Group!



NOTHING BETTER

Nothing . . . is sweeter than love; nothing higher, nothing stronger, nothing larger, nothing fuller, nothing better, in heaven or on earth.

—*Thomas à Kempis*

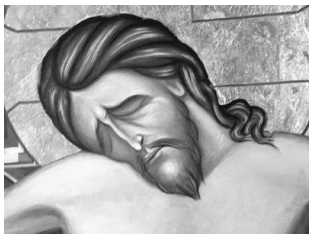
VALUES TO LIVE BY

Today's scriptures contain some catch phrases that are still quite familiar in our world: "All is vanity," and "Eat, drink, and be merry" are both scriptural in origin. In the same way that it is easy to pray last week's Lord's Prayer thoughtlessly, it is easy to let the potent passages of scripture that are built on these common sayings glide right off our slick ears.

Last week's scriptures instructed us to listen attentively to the Lord, so that we might pray carefully. Our listening and our prayer are intimately connected. In the same way, this week we learn that our values and our living are connected as well. It has become quite common to ask, "Do you own your possessions or do they own you?" Like the familiar maxims from today's readings, we might be tempted to quote this saying flippantly, and think that in the quoting of it we have truly considered it, perhaps lived it. Not true, Qoheleth, Paul, and Jesus tell us today. It is not wrong to treasure or cherish things of earth or of our own humanity; it is only wrong when those things we cherish are not of God, are not of the self-giving Christ.

SAINT JOHN MARY VIANNEY (1786-1859) – Feast Day is August 4

A busy pastor jokingly suggests the secret of John Vianney's holiness: "He died seventeen years before telephones!" Call they didn't, but visit they did, keeping Vianney eighteen hours a day in the confessional. Stories abound of reading hearts and exorcisms, but Vianney's first miracle was getting ordained. Difficulty with studies delayed him, prompting the rector's apology to the bishop, "So far to ordain just one, especially *this* one!" The bishop, who could not know he was ordaining the future patron saint of parish priests, replied, "No burden to ordain one good priest!" In Ars, only an elderly handful attended Mass, "praying," one told Vianney, "for a priest with brains." But he stayed forty-two years, fulfilling the promise he made the day he arrived. In a sculpture just outside the village Vianney points skyward: "Show me the way to Ars," he tells a boy, "and I'll show you the way to heaven." To someone who feared there was no heaven beyond the grave, Vianney smiled, "My child, it would have been heaven enough to have lived as Jesus' disciple on earth."



A Prayer to Jesus - Saint John Vianney, the patron saint of parish priests, composed his prayer to Jesus in the 19th century. The prayer reflects Vianney's deep religious feelings, which were praised by Pope John XXIII in his encyclical *Sacerdotii Nostri Primordia* in 1959. The prayer is quoted in the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

I love You, O my God, and my only desire is to love You
until the last breath of my life.
I love You, O my infinitely lovable God,
and I would rather die loving You, than live without loving You.
I love You, Lord and the only grace I ask is to love You eternally
My God, if my tongue cannot say in every moment that I love You,
I want my heart to repeat it to You as often as I draw breath.

St. Bride Parish Picnic

Sunday, September 12th

After Mass in the Parish Yard.

Plan to attend now and bring a dessert or side dish to share!