

# ST. BRIDE

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

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## Our Parish Staff

Reverend Robert J. Roll, Pastor

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## Liturgy Schedule

**Sunday at 10 AM**

**Monday thru Friday as scheduled**

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.

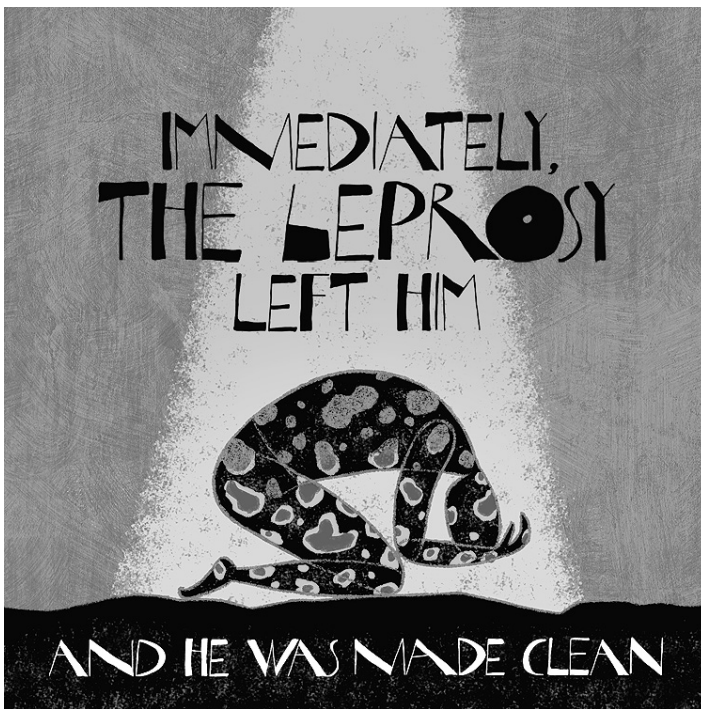
## New Parishioners

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.



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**The Sixth Sunday of the Church Year**

**February 15, 2015**



## MASSES THIS WEEK

Daily Mass is celebrated at 8 AM

In the Parish House Chapel as scheduled

### Sixth Sunday of the Church Year:

*For the Intention of Gloria Tepavchevich*

*For the Intention of Irene Jopek*

*For the Intention of Margaret Cmarik*

Monday: Weekday

*Presidents' Day*

Tuesday: The Seven Holy Founders of the  
Servite Order

**St. Bride Revival Night**

**Dinner at 5:30 PM**

**Mass and Revival Talk at 7 PM**

Wednesday: **Ash Wednesday**

**Mass at 8 AM and Noon in the Church**

*Masses for the Intention of the People of St. Bride*

Fast and Abstinence - Almsgiving

Thursday: Lenten Weekday

Friday: Lenten Weekday

Abstinence

Saturday: St. Peter Damian

**The First Sunday of Lent 2015:**

*For the Intention of Dr. Violet Eggert*

*For the Intention of Michael G. Mongello*

*For the Intention of Kathy Morgan*

*For the Intention of Richard La Vigne*

*For the Intention of Sue King*

*For the Intention of*

*Mickey and Christopher Schreiber*

+ Stations of the Cross after Mass +

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17,  
20-21; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2,  
3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;  
2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6;  
Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19;  
Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22;  
Mk 1:12-15



Let your heart feel for the afflictions and distress of everyone, and let your hand give in proportion to your purse. — *George Washington*

YEAR OF SACRAMENTS • ONE WORD AT A TIME

## Free Up



"The priest absolves your sins," the catechist tells her class of seven-year-olds. They accept it but, of course, don't understand it. Maybe some of us older folks don't quite get it either. The meaning behind this uncommon word is actually pretty simple. To absolve is to **free up**. We could use other words as well, such as to forgive, to unknot, to undo, or to release.

The great grace and result of the Sacrament of Penance is that sin no longer has a hold on us. What has trapped us and tied us up is dissipated. We find ourselves freed up. And the freedom we experience is genuine freedom, not just the freedom to do whatever we want but the real freedom to be who we truly are—God's beloved sons and daughters.

### POPE FRANCIS'S VISION OF HEALING AND COMMUNION

The ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO in partnership with LOYOLAPRESS.

More on Pope Francis's Vision at [www.loyolapress.com/popefrancis](http://www.loyolapress.com/popefrancis)

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### Mass Intentions Available

If you have a special anniversary or celebration that you want to remember at Mass, now is the time to arrange to reserve that date. Please be sure to include your intention as well as your phone number when submitting the request. The traditional stipend per Mass is ten dollars.



### Support Our Food Pantry

The St. Bride Food Pantry continues its work and our shelves are literally BARE! We will welcome your donations of *NON-PERISHABLE* food items to stock our shelves and prepare bags for those who utilize our outreach program each week, September to June! We serve over 150 families a month. We have more than 400 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, linens, etc.

### Upcoming Dates and Events 2015

February 17<sup>th</sup> – St. Bride Revival Night:

Dinner at 5:30 PM

Mass and Revival Talk at 7 PM

February 18<sup>th</sup> – Ash Wednesday

Mass at 8 AM and Noon

March 15<sup>th</sup> – St. Patrick and St. Joseph

May 17<sup>th</sup> – Annual Spring Luncheon

## FOR THE GLORY OF GOD

The entire history of the Jewish people is directed toward one goal: that God might be glorified through the chosen people. Christians, too, are called to “do everything for the glory of God.” In today’s scriptures Paul reminds us that the best way for us to glorify God is to seek to benefit “the many,” as Christ did when he shed his blood for all of humankind.

The reading from Leviticus explains one way the Jews sought to benefit the many, by keeping lepers and leprosy away from the chosen people. Jesus finds a better way. He cures the leper, who immediately re-enters the community to spread the good news about Jesus to everyone who will listen. In this way both Jesus and the leper fulfill their calling to glorify the God who fills us “with the joy of salvation.”

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Lent, the Church’s annual pre-baptismal retreat, prepares us to gather around the Easter font, renew our baptismal vows, and receive new life from the water as the elect are plunged into Christ’s death and resurrection. This core meaning is more or less available, depending on whether we journey with catechumens in the parish and on the vigor of our liturgical celebration of the Triduum. Some persist in seeing Lent as a lonely journey in the wilderness; yet this week we enter the Lenten fast in solidarity with one another. The smudged foreheads you will spy throughout Ash Wednesday on buses, street corners, and supermarket aisles remind you that you are hardly alone in your desire to enact a spring cleaning regime for your spiritual life.

Long ago, this kind of repentance was available to Christians only once. Ashes and sackcloth were not raiment for a day, but permanent habits for public sinners. Fasting became a way of life, and if they sinned severely again, there was no hope of restored communion. Happily, this system did not endure. It produced reluctant Christians who even held back from baptism, like St. Augustine did, out of fear. Today we have recovered an ancient tradition that conversion and repentance are constant themes on life’s journey, and that Lent is an annual opportunity to revive our baptismal identity, both as individuals and communities.

## St. Bride Parish Presents

### A Faith Filled and Fun February 2015

**February 17, 2015 – Our Annual Revival Night Dinner and Mass.** Dinner at 5:30 PM followed by Mass at 7 PM. Ashes will be distributed! Free will offering for the dinner!

**Our Preacher for the revival will be Fr. Antoine Leason, S.V.D.  
Pastor of St. Elizabeth Church - Chicago**

**February 18, 2015 – Ash Wednesday.** Masses in the Church at 8 AM and Noon!

**February 22, 2015 – The First Sunday of Lent 2015.** Mass at 10 AM followed by Stations of the Cross

**February 27-28, 2015 – Festival of Forgiveness.** Throughout the Archdiocese there will be special times to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation over two days. Included are some churches that will be open 24 hours. Check our web site at [www.st-bride.org](http://www.st-bride.org) Special Confession times at St. Bride: Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup> – Mass of Reconciliation at 8 AM in the Church; Confessions 8:30 AM until 10 AM. Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup> – Mass of Reconciliation at 9 AM in the Church; Confessions from 9:30 until 11 AM

**Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup> – Eucharistic Adoration after Mass**

**Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> – Sacrament of Reconciliation - Before and After Mass**

**Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> - St. Joseph and St. Patrick Celebration**  
Luncheon following Mass

**Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> - Clean Up Sunday**

### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

March 29<sup>th</sup> - Palm Sunday Mass at 10 AM

April 2<sup>nd</sup> - Holy Thursday Mass at 5 PM

April 3<sup>rd</sup> - Good Friday Service at 3 PM

April 4<sup>th</sup> - Easter Vigil and Mass of the Resurrection at 7 PM

April 5<sup>th</sup> - Easter Sunday Mass at 10 AM

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