

ST. BRIDE

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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.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2015



MASSES THIS WEEK

Daily Mass is celebrated at 8 AM

In the Parish House Chapel as scheduled

The Fourth Sunday of Easter:

For the Intention of Dr. Violet Eggert

For the Family of Naveed Kham

For the Intention of Margaret Cmarik

For the Intention of Frank and Marie Gill

For the Intention of Joe Golab

For the Intention of Michael G. Mongello

For the Intention of Sister Elaine Marie, CSFN

For the Intention of Virginia Cannelle

For the Good Health of Baby Olivia

For the Good Health of Marilyn Dolton

Monday: Easter Weekday

Tuesday: St. Peter Chanel;

St. Louis Grignion de Montfort

Wednesday: St. Catherine of Siena

Thursday: St. Pius V

Friday: St. Joseph the Worker

Saturday: St. Athanasius

The Fifth Sunday of Easter:

For the Intention of Carolyn Anzalone

For the Intention of the Family of Nicholas Alfich

For the Intention of Isabelle Rice

For the Intention of Joseph and Ann Ziomek

For the Intention of

Mickey and Christopher Schreiber

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4;
Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22

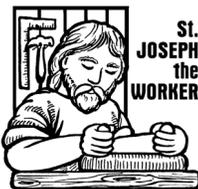
Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5,
6, 8; Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22,
25, 27; Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab;
Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4;
Jn 14:7-14

Sunday: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-28, 30-32;
1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8



The Feast of St. Joseph the Worker
Is celebrated on May 1st
St. Joseph, pray for us!

YEAR OF SACRAMENTS • ONE WORD AT A TIME

Seal



The Rite of Confirmation contains these essential words for the conferral of the sacrament: "Be **sealed** with the Gift of the Holy Spirit." The exact meaning of these words may elude us. What does it mean to be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit? To seal something can often mean to enclose it, but clearly that is not the meaning of Confirmation. Another meaning is to certify or to guarantee. When something is sealed or has a seal affixed to it, we know that it is real and genuine.

As we try to follow Jesus and live his way of discipleship, we may be uncertain. And we should be, especially if we are relying on ourselves and our own efforts. In fact, when we are his confirmed disciples on whom the seal of the Holy Spirit has been set, we can be absolutely certain. We live and walk, not on our own, but by the grace and power of the Holy Spirit.

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Since we have started Give Central, more than \$5000.00 has been contributed through this electronic means of giving! No problems at all! It is an excellent way of scheduling your offerings to St. Bride, as well as a way of marking special events. Click on the "Donate Now" button on our web site.

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 also accept clothing for our clothes pantry, household goods; dishes, silverware, glasses, linens, etc.

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. You can schedule Masses by email or on Give Central; see left column of our web page at www.st-bride.org.

Pray For Peace these Easter Days

THE GOOD SHEPHERD

This Fourth Sunday of Easter is traditionally referred to as “Good Shepherd Sunday.” Today we listen to the words of the Lord as he refers to himself as the “good shepherd who lays down his life for the sheep.” It is sometimes so difficult for us to grasp the reality that anyone would lay down his or her own life for the sake of someone else. This is especially true in a society that places high value on power and personal advancement, often at the cost of “trampling” on other people in order to climb the ladder. Today’s scriptures point to the one we are called to emulate—the one who lays down his life for his sheep. Today’s scriptures challenge us to discover ways to bring life to those around us—to build up rather than to tear down.



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Many of our customs surrounding critical illness come from antiquity, and yet attitudes have certainly changed. Death was an all-too-familiar presence then, and people tended to see it as a natural and unavoidable part of life, not a personal catastrophe. People tried to review their lives, settle their affairs, say farewell to their dear ones, and welcome the deathbed vigils and prayers that assured them of God’s love and forgiveness. What people most feared was sudden death. It was dreaded and never discussed.

The faithful filled the catacombs with consoling images of the good shepherd carrying the sheep to safe pasture, or the faithful in glory seated at banquet tables. The prayer texts from the time are consoling and positive, and many inspired our modern prayers. The care of the dying flowed directly from Roman pagan practice; it was home-based and family-centered. Pagans didn’t especially fear death, but they were terrified by the dead. Christians, on the other hand, consoled their sick with psalms of joy and faith in the Resurrection. The goal was to assure the sick person of God’s love, and that the ties that bind the dead and the living would endure.



Honor Flight Chicago - Wednesday, May 6

Honor Flight Chicago's mission is to thank and pay tribute to World War II veterans, by bringing them to Washington, D.C. for a day of honor and remembrance at no cost to them. The next flight will be on Wednesday, May 6. Do you know someone who is a World War II Veteran? Visit www.honorflightchicago.org to learn more about how you can refer them for an upcoming flight, volunteer your time or donate to the cause.

Prayer to the Good Shepherd

Lord of the 23rd Psalm,

I have known death, and you have refreshed my soul. I have known fear, and you have comforted me.

I have known hunger, and you have set a feast before me.

In the darkest valley no calamity of humankind or nature has separated us.

Teach me to walk as you walk beside those in mourning, So that they will know joy, beside those in fear, that they will know comfort, beside those in hunger, that they will feast until their cup overflows.

As your goodness and love follow me, may mine follow my neighbor

That the threat of the worst terrors, may turn to the knowledge of the comforts of the house of the Lord, Where you have invited us to dwell forever. And so let me strive to help build on earth what you have promised us in heaven. In the face of all calamity, present and yet to come, let me lead my neighbor beside quiet waters, the quiet waters of the Good Shepherd.

St. Bride Parish Upcoming Events

Sunday, May 17th – Our Annual Spring Luncheon

Reception 12 pm Luncheon 1 pm

Dynasty Banquets - 4125 Calumet Avenue - Hammond, Indiana

Donation: Adult \$45.00 / Child \$20.00

May 24th – Pentecost Sunday – Mass at 10 AM

June 7th – The Celebration of Corpus Christi – Benediction after 10 AM Mass