St. Brigid Catholic Community

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Parish Office/Admin Hours
Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am-12 noon; 1:00-5:00 pm & Friday: 9:00 am-12:00 noon
Closed: Friday Afternoons, Saturdays & Sundays

Faith Formation Office Hours
Sunday: 9:00 am-3:00 pm, Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am-12 noon & 1:00-4:00 pm
Closed: Fridays & Saturdays

Society of St. Vincent de Paul/Assistance Hours
Monday-Friday: 9:00 am-12 noon Closed: Weekday Afternoons & Weekends

And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, “Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon.”
Evangelus is coming soon!

We are excited to announce that St. Brigid is adopting a new way to better connect you to the life of our parish. Look to September 1, or soon after, to receive a welcome message from our new parish program, Evangelus. This will not be spam. We encourage you to open up the message, follow the link to create a profile, and select your preferred form of contact. There will also be groups for you to select. Take a moment or two to see if there are any groups you are a part of and then select as many groups that are available and applicable to your participation at St. Brigid. You can select as many as you are involved in.

If you are not a registered parishioner at St. Brigid, or your phone number or email address is outdated in our database, you will not receive a message because we don’t have your current information on file. Please see the bulletin for how you can register your information or please visit our website at www.stbrigidcc.org and click on Parish Registration above our phone number in the upper right corner.

Look to October 1—or soon after—for Evangelus—in your email or as a text!

Come back Home

Our parish will celebrate 48 years this year. Meet us after all Masses on Saturday, October 3, 2020, and Sunday, October 4, 2020.

With Covid-19 changing gatherings, we are limited but we can still celebrate and have a little something to share with all of our parishioners. We appreciate everyone in our community!

St. Brigid Pray for Us.
20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Weekend Masses for August 15/16
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◊ If you are sick, please stay home.
◊ Please wear your mask.
◊ Wash your hands thoroughly before leaving for Church and sanitize your hands before entering the church and receiving communion (you may provide your own sanitizer).
◊ Maintain 6-feet social distance from others.
Here are some things to be aware of as you enter for Mass:
♦ Doors will open 45 minutes before Mass.
♦ Entry will be at the Chapel entrance and side doors of the Narthex.
♦ For your safety, seating has been pre-arranged.
♦ Usher will help to seat you—please follow their direction.
♦ For your safety, there will be no music books or missalettes available. Please feel free to bring your own to use.

Weekend Masses will continue to be broadcast on Saturdays for those who are unable to return to Mass. Archbishop Gustavo strongly encourages the elderly and at-risk to stay home and participate in Mass by means of online live streaming.

Weekly Events continue to be cancelled until further notice. Meetings with a maximum allowance of 10 person, and following the Stay Safe social distancing guidelines, can meet if appropriate space is available. Thank you for your patience as we work to keep you safe.

The parish office is in the process of having ZOOM available to the Pastoral Team, so that Team Leads can be able to attend ministry meetings virtually. Please bear with us as we learn this new—to our staff—communication tool for our parish ministries to stay in better touch during these Covid times. Your support and prayers are very much appreciated.


Livestream Mass Available
on YouTube

The best way to view our weekly weekend Livestream Mass is on YouTube. Visit our page at: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuaKidkczrW6aJWRY_38fA, then subscribe to it by clicking the button. You will then be notified just as soon as the Livestream Mass is available. Try it this coming weekend and see how it works out. If you have any questions, please call Virg at the Parish Office during business hours, Monday-Friday, 9:00 am-12Noon; Monday-Thursday, 1:00 pm-5:00 pm.

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This week’s PRESENCE LAMP is in memory of Deacon Pat Benigno. GONE TO THE FATHER Leonardo Muli, husband of Lauren; James Gaultney; Jaime Silva; and, Bellarina Jones.

The PRESENCE LAMP is located in the window of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel where the Eucharist is reserved for Communion for the sick, the homebound and for Perpetual Adoration. This candle burns for one week beginning on Friday. To dedicate this candle, contact Cathy at ext. 207.

CONFESSIONS will be Tuesdays through Thursdays, 5:00 to 5:30 pm in the front of the Church. HOLY HOUR takes place at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. This will continue on Thursdays until further notice.

ANointing of the sick or Communion When calling the parish office for yourself or someone you know, please provide complete contact information and location. This makes it easier to find you when privacy is so important.

Altar flowers are available for sign-up during Ordinary Times through Nov 14/15. Call the parish office during business hours to see if your weekend is available.

mass intentions are available by calling the parish office during business hours. Donations of $5.00 each are appropriate.

Weekly prayer list To be sure we have room for everyone with current needs, our prayer list is updated every 30 days. To add your loved one or yourself to the prayer list, please call the parish office during business hours.

Do you speak “computer”? If so, perhaps you could help with that aspect of the livestream Masses. We are seeking to spread the work so that a different “crew” livestreams each weekend at the 5 p.m. Mass. Each crew needs a camera person, a sound operator, and someone to work the computer. Eventually, when the equipment is installed, the crew will work in a room set up as a studio. For the time being, however, the crew will be working in the sanctuary in the raised center area, affectionately known as the “placita.” We really need personnel to make this work and not be a big burden on any one person or group of people. Please contact Dorothy at DorothyMY@aol.com or (210)391-1193 (text is fine!).

Even as we work through this pandemic, we are still looking ahead and planning future events. Yes, we will have to do things differently, but they still can be done. So it is with our traditional parish Christmas musical, slated for December 4th through 6th. Right now, we cannot know if “in-person” performances will be allowed or feasible, but we are planning to present the musical for sure on video. So, if you would like to be “on stage” or “behind the scenes” in one of many ways, please let us know! We are taking names and contact information of people, children and adults, who would like to help us present the parish musical. Please contact Dorothy for further information at DorothyMY@aol.com or by phone at (210)391-1193 (text is okay!). Let us prepare to celebrate the greatest gift the world has ever known—the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

Office hours: Mon-Thurs: 9am-4pm

Faith formation (pre-K—12th grade) Sr. Gemma Abonge—Director of Faith Formation—210-696-0896, ext. 206, GemmaAbonge@stbrigidcc.org

Faith formation registration Dear Parents/Guardians/Students, Greetings to you and your families. I hope this email finds you well in this unique time in history. I have spoken and emailed so many of you. I want to assure you of my prayers daily. Please call at any time at 210-696-0896 for any concerns or email me at gemmaabonge@stbrigidcc.org. I am writing to let you know that I am giving the opportunity for parent to decide if they want their children to continue Faith Formation virtually or in person or family formation at home. I am open and ready to assist you all in the faith formation of your children. Registration forms are available online at the parish website: http://www.stbrigidcc.org/faith-formation/registration-forms-schedules/. Please share the information with your friends and relatives. You can also register in the office. I hope to see you all in class either virtually, or in person. Remember the class sizes will be very small to allow us practice social distancing. I look forward hearing from you. God bless and protect you all from all danger and harm.

With lots of prayers,
Sr. Gemma Abonge

catechists & volunteers needed Is God calling you to assist with the Faith Formation of our children in these unprecedented times? I need lots of volunteers than ever before since they will have in-person and virtual classes. I need volunteers who can help prepare lessons for the virtual classes and do follow up with the students and more teachers since we will have fewer students in each classroom to observe social distancing. Please kindly consider to be God’s hands, and voice to the students. You can call at 210-696-0896, ext. 206, or email me at gemmaabonge@stbrigidcc.org for any questions and clarifications. Thank you so very much.
HELPING OUR CHURCH FAMILY THROUGH THE ARCHBISHOP’S APPEAL

Thanks to all who have generously donated or pledged your support to this year’s Archbishop’s Appeal. We currently have $65,823 pledged toward our $97,503 goal. And that money is being put to good use! The Archdiocese reports that Appeal-funded ministries – such as daily Mass on Catholic Television of San Antonio; social services through Catholic Charities and other agencies; Catholic school scholarships through Hope for the Future – are in even greater demand during the COVID-19 pandemic, while priestly and deaconate formation, support of faith formation, and so many other vital ministries continue.

If you have not yet had the chance to give but are able to do so now – or if you’ve already given but are blessed with reliable income and might be able to make an extra gift in place of a fellow parishioner who is struggling financially due to the pandemic – we invite you to do so. Gifts and prayer requests may be submitted online at www.archsa.org/archbishops-appeal; by phone at 210-734-1604; and by mail at PO Box 34150, San Antonio, TX 78265. You also can now text to give using 210-750-6712, keyword APPEAL. Be sure to indicate that you are with St. Brigid!

TWITTER We have a NEW account. If you are familiar with Twitter and like to use this form of communication, please subscribe with us at @BrigidCatholic. Tweet!

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BULLETIN DEADLINE is no later than 9AM on the Monday two weeks before the weekend you need your information to appear. Please submit to your Team Lead in Publisher or Word only. Please no PDF or JPG files. Content must fit space available and these files do not allow for resizing. We appreciate your help. Thank you.

INFANT BAPTISM GUIDELINES To baptize your child (birth thru age 6), please visit our website at www.stbrigidcc.org (click on the ‘Sacraments’ tab, then ‘Infant Baptism’). Read through the requirements and documentation needed. Then, contact our pastor, Father Gilberto, for an appointment at 210-696-0896.

ONLINE GIVING is easy. Just go online to www.OLGapp.com; click on the app store for your device...or visit www.stbrigidcc.org then click on the Online Giving link—it’s that easy! If you are already giving online and still receiving envelopes, please call Pam at ext. 212.

REGISTERING WITH OUR PARISH is easy. If you ever need proof that you worship regularly, it’s best to be a known and registered member of your church family. If no envelopes are needed, simply write “no envelopes.” You can register through our website at www.stbrigidcc.org or our office during business hours.

SOCIAL MEDIA Now that we are Live streaming Mass, please check your online browsers for updates. Microsoft is not supporting Internet Explorer after October. For best results, please update to Microsoft Edge or use Chrome or Firefox (Mozilla).

WEB NEWS Please visit our website for weekly news and information including link to weekend Mass at www.stbrigidcc.org. The front page of our website has been restructured to provide you with the most current information, and is updated regularly. By knowing what you are searching for, we can provide news and information more efficiently. So, if what you’re looking for isn’t there, please call the parish office, so we can assist you and, if possible, get it added making our website more informative for the next visitor.

Social Services Ministry
Mary Ann Skilling-Social Serv. Coordinator
210-696-0896, ext. 205; MaryAnnSkilling@stbrigidcc.org

Habitat for Humanity of San Antonio
Build Hope
Build Community
#BuildForBetter
Help needed select Fri. & Sat,
Sept 11- Oct 31, 2020

Volunteers Needed for Habitat for Humanity

If you have helped before, or if you are looking to help for the first time, Habitat for Humanity has volunteer spots to fill for their upcoming Build. Look to our website post for all the information you need in coming out to help in a healthy and safe environment. Sign-ups close on August 22, so please do not put off reserving your spot to help Build Hope, Build Community, and #BuildForBetter at Habitat for Humanity. If you are viewing page online, just click on the picture, or go to our website and click on the link under the Current News blog section. #BuildForBetter!

SVDP is here for our community, Monday-Friday, 9AM-12Noon. If you need anything, or know someone who needs assistance, please let us know. You can reach them at 210-696-0896, ext. 214, during business hours.

View this bulletin online at www.DiscoverMass.com
**Kids’ Day Out**
Rosie Chavez, KDO Director—rosie.chavez405@yahoo.com

KDO is currently on hiatus for the summer. In this difficult time, we have made the decision to postpone fall semester classes indefinitely. Most schools are distance learning for the first few weeks or more. With the Covid situation continuing to escalate daily, the safety of our kiddos and teachers is our first priority. We appreciate your patience during this time.

We will continue to update our families on our status through our Facebook page and the parish bulletin. Families may also contact Mrs. Rosie @ 210 262-9399 with any questions or for KDO information. May your families stay safe and stay well.

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