

Saint Brigid

Roman Catholic Church

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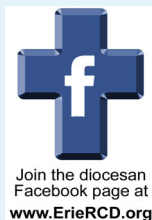
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NURSERY

Infants thru age 4 - 9:00 A.M. Mass

BAPTISMS:

By appointment after Baptismal program.

CONFESSIONS In Chapel:

Wednesdays 7:00 P.M.
First Friday 11:30 A.M.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (Pre-K thru Grade 11):

Sundays 10:10-11:40 A.M.

WEDDINGS:

Arrangements must be made with the pastor 6 - 12 months in advance.

STAFF HOURS:

Monday - Thursday8-Noon & 1-4 P.M.
Friday8-Noon

HOME COMMUNION CALLS

The sick or confined (or their next of kin) should phone the parish office to have their names put on the Communion call schedule.

PASTOR

Rev. Johnathan Schmolt

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The annual Pancake Breakfast will be held today **from 8-Noon in Saint Brigid Social Hall.**

\$5 for Ages 12+
\$3.50 for Ages 6-11

Enjoy pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice, coffee/tea. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #388.

WORSHIP

Monday – January 19

11:00 PM Joe Boyle Funeral Mass
6:00 PM Healing Mass @ St. Agatha Church

Wednesday – January 21

9:30 AM Seton School Mass @ St. Brigid
12:05 PM Joan Boyle (Altar Rosary Society)
12:05 PM Bob Pflieger (Lois Curtin)
1:30 PM Meadville Park Ave Rehab Mass
NO ADORATION NO CONFESSIONS
10:00 PM Confessions at St. Agatha Church

Friday – January 23

12:05 PM Joe & Joyce Newcomb (Mary Ponsetto)
12:05 PM Bernice Eberhardt BD (Estate)

Sunday Masses – January 25

9:00 AM Joyce & Joe Newcomb (Family)
9:00 AM Sara Stanfa BD (John/Theresa Amato)
12:05 PM People of St. Brigid

IN THE HOSPITAL: John Mottillo, Sr. Please remember everyone in your prayers.

SYMPATHY: to the family of **Joe Boyle**, Sacristan, uncle of Rose Ann Provost; to the family of **Janice Gerkey**, mother of Marissa Knupp.



**Happy 100th
Birthday
Nina L. King**

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**Cards may be sent to: 490 Manor Ave.,
Apt. 113, Downingtown, PA 19335-2592.**

READINGS

Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Mk 3:7-12,
Friday: Heb 8:6-13; Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

SUPPORT

335-5551 Catholic Social Services
337-7323 Read Program
333-5403 Hospice Grief Support
724-5174 Prayer Line
333-2851 Visitation (ill, elderly) 333-4315
336-1792 Alzheimer's Support Group/3rd Monday
@ Active Aging 6:30 PM
Breast Cancer Support 2nd Wednesday 7 PM Room 4

OTHER MASSES

Monday & Thursday & Saturday
8:00 AM @ St. Mary Church

Tuesday & Wednesday & Friday
8:00 AM @ St. Agatha Church

Saturday (Vigil Mass for Sunday)
4:30 PM @ St. Agatha Church

Sunday
7:30 AM @ St. Mary Church
9:00 AM @ St. Agatha Church
10:30 AM @ St. Mary Church

PARISH EVENTS

Sunday – January 18

8 AM-Noon Pancake Breakfast/Social Hall
9:30 AM R.C.I.A. / Library

Tuesday – January 20

6 PM Cub Scouts/Classrooms
6:30 Parent Baptism Class @St. Agatha Ctr

Wednesday – January 21

7 PM Choir Practice/Church
7 PM Adult Bible Study/Room 2
10 PM March for Life/Bus Departs St. Agatha

Thursday – January 22

Noon Finance Meeting/Library
12:15-1 PM Brown Bag Theology/Room 2
Est. Midnight—March for Life/Bus Arrives @ St. Agatha



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK BEGINS!



Sunday – January 25

9:30 AM R.C.I.A. / Library
10:10-11:40 AM Religious Ed Classes K-11th Grade/
Confirmation Classes/St. Brigid Center

Monday – January 26

7 PM River of Life Charismatic Prayer Group/Room 4



Sign up now to volunteer at our Lenten Fish Dinners. Poster is located in the gathering area!

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January 18-24, 2015

Followers of Christ unite in Prayer!



In all Dioceses of the U.S., Jan. 22 shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion. Please observe a Day of Prayer & Penance for Life.

Beginning January 18 thru 26, nine days of prayer, penance & pilgrimage will be observed on the 41st Anniversary of Roe v. Wade.

Cash Giveaway & Game Night

....will be held at St. Anthony Parish Center, S. Main St., Cambridge Springs on **Saturday, Jan. 24** from 6:00 -10:00 p.m.

\$1,750 in cash prizes (\$150 in bonus payouts; drawings every 15 minutes); Bingo 3 cards for \$1, \$50 cover-all 9 PM, instant tickets, Games of Chance, food & beverages; Pasta Dinner \$6 served 5-8 PM; Cash Giveaway Tickets \$5—at the door or call 398-4234.

FRENCH DINNER – Saturday, February 7, at Saint Hippolyte Social Hall, Route 27, Frenchtown for \$15 person. Call Kathy at 789-2749 **by January 31** for reservations. Limited seating.

Three seatings at 5:00, 6:00, 7:00 PM. Dinner features French Onion Soup, Salad Greens with vinaigrette dressing, Roasted Pork, Rice w/mushrooms, Green Beans, Dessert Crepe w/custard filling, and French bread & beverage. Reservations only.



Healing Mass

Father David Poulson will celebrate a healing Mass at St. Agatha Church on Monday, **January 19th at 6:00 pm**. God wants to heal us through the powerful sacrament of the Eucharist, this Mass will focus on praying for physical, spiritual or emotional healing both personally and in our families. All members of the Community are invited to attend so please mark your calendar and join us. There will be a light reception in the parish center afterward. Members of the River of Life prayer group will also be available to answer any question you might have about the workings of the Holy Spirit.

ANNUAL APPRECIATION PARTY JANUARY 30TH—6:00 PM

We appreciate you! **Adults:** if you have volunteered here at the church in any way, we appreciate it and wish to thank you at our party.

It will be **held on Friday, January 30th** for all adult parishioners who have done any volunteer work or ministry for our parish this past year. This includes all those who volunteered in our BASICS program, fish dinners, Office of Evangelization & Faith Formation Grs. K-11, money counters, children’s liturgy, in ministries at Masses (Lectors, EM’s, Greeters)...

The party (**no dinner**) will be held in our McCrory Social Hall featuring hors d’oeuvres and beverages with music and dancing. It will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Reservations should be turned in by Jan. 23rd. Fill out the form below and deposit it in the collection basket or you may call the office at 336-4459.

APPRECIATION PARTY RESERVATION
Held Friday, January 30, 2015

NAME(S) _____

Number Attending _____

2nd Sunday of the Year

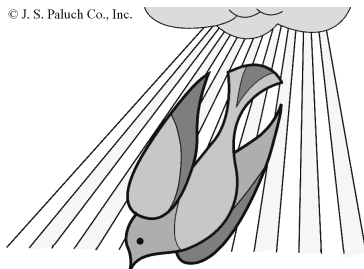
TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Old customs fade slowly, and in 1560 the Council of Trent tried for significant change in pastoral care of the sick. People resisted, thinking that the last breath was the right time for the sacrament. Although physical improvement was often noted after anointing, it was seen as a kind of bonus, rather than an expected outcome of a prayer for good health, strength, patience, and even healing. More than four hundred years later, many people still do not ask for anointing until it is literally too late for the person to have reasonable hope of healing, or at least be aware enough to participate in the ritual. By then, it may even be too late for viaticum, the true “last rite.”

We have a treasure in our tradition that we seem reluctant to use. We visit the sick, we anoint those who are in the first crisis of illness, we give Communion to those who are dying, and we keep vigil and pray for those close to death. When anointing is celebrated early enough, optimally when the sick person is still at Sunday Mass, it can be a source of courage, faith, and hope for a difficult road ahead. When we anoint our sick, we remind them that they belong to Christ and a community of faith. We bring them into the presence of Christ to reconcile, heal, and give strength and hope. We resist forces that isolate and alienate the sick; the symbol of touch is a powerful act of acceptance. Why wait until the crisis of illness is dire before we apply such a rich remedy to body and soul?

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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The Sacrament of Confirmation will be held Thursday, May 7, 2015, 7 PM @ St. Agatha Church.

Confirmation

St. Brigid parishioner is looking for senior, independent female to rent one bedroom in her large home overlooking Meadville and French Creek. Use of main kitchen, two bathrooms and laundry room. Bedroom available on second floor. Option to add tv/cable/internet for bedroom already furnished. Month to Month lease. No smoking/drugs. \$500/month includes electric, gas, water, sewage. Please leave message at: 814-786-6233. Homeowner and family member will be present during appt.



Additional Christmas Flowers

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| ✻ | Mr. Ted Jastromb, Sr. | ✻ |
| ✻ | M/M James Longstreth
(Memory of Norm/Ann Kightlinger & Francis/Marie Phelps) | ✻ |
| ✻ | M/M Richard Noonan
(Memory of Remler/Noonen/Tiernan/ Bartle families) | ✻ |
| ✻ | M/M Douglas Parks | ✻ |
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Scrip-Loaves & Fishes Update

- Thank you to all who purchased scrip the month of Dec. Due to your patronage \$1,828.95 was raised for our school!
- Congratulations for **Mia Reese** this month's top seller pizza party winner. Mia sold \$4,400 in scrip during the month of December!

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory/Holy Days			Fiscal Year to Date		
1-4-15 \$7,881	Last Yr \$7,710	Budget/Wk \$5,927	This YTD \$173,905	Last YTD \$164,900	Budget YTD \$165,956

Catholic Services Appeal

Pledged YTD \$53,665	Paid YTD \$59,343	Assessment \$43,919
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MINISTRIES – JANUARY 25

ALTAR SERVERS 9:00 Hess 12:05 Sommers	READERS Holzer Sommers	GREETERS Buzza Needed
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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	
9:00 Bowden/Dillaman/Melvin/Wheelock	
12:05 Lehman/Bisbee/Jindra	

Office of Evangelization & Faith Formation Kindergarten-11th Grade

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday ~ faith formation classes will not be offered this Sunday, Jan. 18. Classes resume Sunday, January 25 at 10:10 am.

Safe Environment Inservicing ~ Our faith formation program is mandated by the Bishops of the United States to in-service all students annually regarding Safe Environment. Students will receive this in-service on **Sunday, January, 25**. If you do not want your student to participate, please contact Shari Bronson at 333-2274. Thank you.

Super Bowl Collection ~ On Sunday, Feb. 1st students will be collecting before & after masses to support the WiNS Project, Inc (Weekend Nutrition for Students) outreach program. This local organization provides backpacks filled with food to school children. Please help us “feed the hungry.” Thanks!

First Reconciliation Parent Meeting ~ Second grade parents will meet at the St. Brigid Social Hall on **Mon. Feb. 9 at 6:30 pm**. Fr. Matt will be speaking on the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Those who would like to help with the Reconciliation Retreat will gather for a brief meeting afterwards. Refreshments will be provided.

Parishioners: the Diocese of Erie is sending one family to participate in the World Meeting of Families Sept. 21-28, 2015. For details on how to apply for the grand prize, valued at \$5,000, **visit www.ErieRCD.org/win.htm**. Other prizes include: a family getaway to Splash Lagoon Water Park, Erie, valued at \$1,000; and a professional portrait donated by Paul Lorei Studios. Deadline for entry is March 17, 2015.

Office of Evangelization & Faith Formation ~ ADULTS

***No Brown Bag Theology this week due to the March for Life – we will resume Jan. 29th**

Bowling Night

All young adults are welcome to join CYA for a night of bowling at Plaza Lanes next Sunday, January 25th from 6-8 pm. Any questions, contact Colleen Wellington.

Discovering Christ

Registration deadline is **January 26th** and space is limited. Fill out a form in the bulletin, contact the parish office, or register online at oeff-meadville.org

At Home with the Faith – Weekly Tip: January 18-25 is the International Week of Prayer for Christian Unity with the theme, “Jesus said to her: ‘give me a drink.’” Spend some time this week praying for unity among Christian denominations, Catholics, and within our own parishes and families. Take some practical steps towards building unity with those you know.

Join us on Facebook:

Young Adults: “Catholic Young Adults (CYA) – Meadville”

Adults: “Office of Evangelization and Faith Formation – Meadville, PA”

Healing Mass

Fr. Poulson, Presider
Mon. Jan. 19th
6pm
St. Agatha Parish

Why go?

Physical illness, anxiety,
Emotional hurt, depression,
Feeling spiritually dry, anything!
Jesus is waiting to embrace you,
fill you with consolation, peace
and strengthen you with hope
through the Holy Spirit.

What is it?

A Mass highlighting the healing power of the Holy Spirit.

Prayer ministry after Mass

While prayer ministry takes place people may sing praise and worship songs or use the gift of tongues.

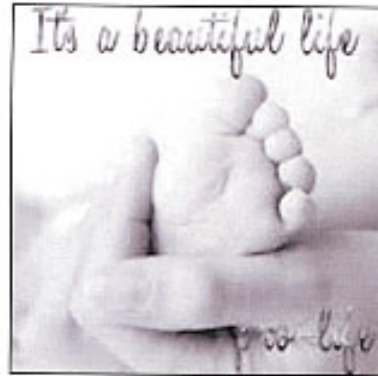
People may rest in the Spirit: (gently falling while fully conscious, resting in God's overwhelming love.)

Hosted by the River of Life Prayer Group.

Members will be available after Mass if you have any questions or want to know more about the powerful working of the Holy Spirit.

Light reception after Mass.

Washington DC March for Life Bus Trip: Jan 21-23, 2015



Itinerary:

- **Depart:** from St. Agatha Wed Jan 21st (meet at **10 pm** for prayer)
- 6 am Jan 22nd - arrive at National Shrine of the Immac Conception
- 7:30 am - Mass at the Basilica
- 10:30 am - depart for Rally & March (starts at noon)
- 4 pm - board bus for return trip (will stop for dinner)
- **Return:** ~12 am Fri Jan 23rd

Cost:

\$28 adults (18 & over) / \$15 children

Donations accepted to defray costs

Note: *Children MUST be accompanied by an adult –
the group will not stay together in DC*

For information/reservations:

Richard Albaugh 724-3148 or Kathy Price 333-9819 or Barb Burkett at 337-7302

*Please make checks payable to Barb Burkett