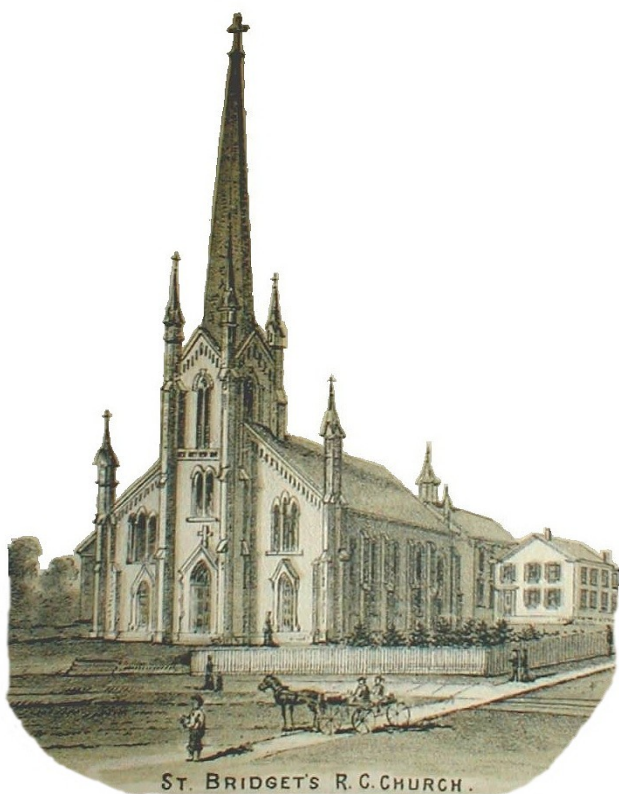


Saint Brigid

Roman Catholic Church

967 Chancery Lane
Meadville, PA 16335



Renamed St. Brigid R.C. Church

WEBSITE: <http://www.StBrigidChurch.org>

VATICAN: <http://w2.vatican.va/content/vatican/it.html>

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Seton School.....336-2320
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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 9:00 A.M. and 12:05 P.M.

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.

WEDDINGS:

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

SISTER PARISH: St. Peter Church, Casa Cural, Sotuta,
Yucatan MEXICO

STAFF HOURS:

Monday - Thursday.....8-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

DEACONS

*Ken Reisenweber
Todd Sommers*

SETON PRINCIPAL

Julia Strzalka

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Cindy Fiorillo

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Christine McGinnity

SETON CATHOLIC DIRECTOR OF ADVANCEMENT

Jamie Longo

OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION & FAITH FORMATION

YOUTH DIRECTOR

Shari Bronson

ADULT DIRECTOR

Colleen Wellington

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Give them your ideas, thoughts and concerns. The council members meet four times annually. Their roles are to provide feedback and representation from parishioners of Saint Brigid Church.

*Todd Sommers
Jamie Sopher
Bill Leffingwell*

*Martin Dillaman
Annette Lynch
Angela Bisbee*

*Lois Curtin
Jean Mottillo*

WORSHIP

Monday – July 27

12:05 PM Kathleen Heckman (Walter Chisholm family & Linda Bogda)

Wednesday – July 29

12:05 PM Marguerite Thigh & Margaret (Mary Michaels)
6:00 PM Adoration & Benediction/Church
7:00 PM Confessions in Chapel

Thursday – July 30

7:00 PM Tri-Parish Novena for Synod on the Family

Friday – July 31

12:05 PM Mary Bannon BD (Estate)
Paul Bannon BD (Estate)
Theresa Perrotto (Catholic Daughters)

Sunday Masses – August 2

9:00 AM Joe & Joyce Newcomb (Family & Friends)
Joe Mullen (Charles & Marie Signorino)
Dan Piccuta (Colleen & Dave Major)
Bob Watras (Wife, Lou)

12:05 PM Living & Deceased People of St. Brigid

Monday – August 3

8:30 AM Tri-Parish Prayer & Benediction for Vocations
@ St. Mary Church to 7 PM

12:05 PM Mary Dronko (Tim & Fran Maziarz)
Angie Limber BD (Joyce Mizner)

1:00 PM Juniper Village Communion Service

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| READINGS | Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Mt 13:31-35 |
| | Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9,28; Mt 13:36-43 |
| | Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42 |
| | Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53 |
| | Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Mt 13:54-58 |
| | Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12 |
| | Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35 |

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| SUPPORT | 800-315-5721 Crisis Line |
| | 335-5551 Catholic Social Services |
| | 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 Suicide Supt 2nd Tues 7-8PM @ Active Aging |

PARISH EVENTS

Sunday – August 2

Noon-6:00 Chicken/Ham Dinner & Festival
@ St. Hippolyte, Route 27 Frenchtown

Monday – July 27

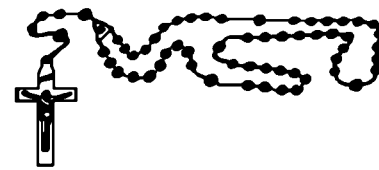
7 PM River of Life Charismatic Prayer Group/Room 4

Sunday – August 2

Olivewood Religious Wooden Item Sale/Gathering Area
11:30-6:00 Roast Beef Dinner
@ OL Queen of Americas, CL

**AUGUST 2, 2015
SALE OF RELIGIOUS ITEMS**

Next Sunday, August 2nd, for sale here at St. Brigid will be wooden artifacts beautifully hand-crafted **made from olive wood** grown in Bethlehem. The Musleh family are Palestinian Christians from Bethlehem. They have come to the U.S. because of all of the trouble in the Holy Land and are trying to make a living offering assistance to the Christian community in Bethlehem by selling religious articles made by Christians in Bethlehem. Come, see, and purchase these items.



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SETON ENROLLMENT 2015-16

Parishioners with children interested in enrolling in Seton Catholic School and who need financial assistance, please see Fr. Johnathan.



Sister Parish Day celebrated in Diocese

All are welcome to attend the Sister Parish Day at Our Lady of the Lake Parish, 128 Sunset Drive, Edinboro, on Saturday, August 15. Parishes with existing sister-parish relationships and parishes considering a sister parish are encouraged to attend. Our sister parish is Saint Peter Parish in Sotuta, Yucatan, Mexico. Plan to come!



**119th Annual Frenchtown
HAM or 1/2 BBQ CHICKEN
Family-style Dinner**

Sunday, July 26 ~ Noon until 6 PM

(or until food is sold out)

St. Hippolyte Church on Route 27
7 miles east of Meadville

Adults \$9; Sr. Citizens \$8; Children \$6

Includes mashed potatoes & gravy,
coleslaw, green beans, applesauce, rolls,
beverage, homemade pie.

Bingo, Gift Auction, Quilt/Afghan Raffle,
50/50 Raffle, Dime Pitch, Kids Coolworld,
Money Raffle, Games for All Ages

Anniversary celebrations for couples celebrating 25, 50 or 60+ years of marriage in 2015, will be held in two locations you can choose: Sunday, Aug. 9 at St. Tobias, Brockway or Sunday, Aug. 23 at Blessed Sacrament, Erie. Our Bishop will preside at both liturgies at 2 PM; a light reception follows. If you can attend call 336-4459.

ROAST BEEF or BAKED CHICKEN

**Dinner at OL Queen of Americas
Conneaut Lake**

Sunday, August 2 ~ 11:30 until 6 PM

Air-conditioned hall
Celebrate Mass at 10:30 AM

Adults \$10; Children \$5 (under 12)

Family style with mashed potatoes & gravy,
coleslaw, vegetables, bread, beverage,
homemade fruit pie.

Many raffles: 50/50, instant bingo
Gas grill, \$150 gas card, Coleman Sleeping bags,
Beach tent/LED camp light, Kindle Fire HD7 tablet,
PA Lottery Ticket Basket

17th Sunday of the Year ~ Deacons' Corner

CHANGE. If you're like me, this word sends chills up your spine and ties a knot in your gut. Most of us get comfortable in our routine, in the normal way we do things. We don't want things to change so we become resistant to it. But, change isn't always a bad thing; in fact, it's probably more often a good thing than a bad thing.

Think back on your life, no matter how long or short it's been. Think of the changes that occur in our lives – going from wearing diapers to wearing underwear, from crawling to walking, proceeding through the sacraments, going through puberty, dating, getting a job, getting married, having children, seeing your children grow up and move out of the house, having grandchildren, retiring, and sometimes coming full circle and going from wearing underwear to wearing diapers. Along the way there are changes that aren't so good – the loss of a spouse or a child, experiencing illness or injury, financial problems, relationship problems, your children going through puberty, etc.

Change is something that happens and quite often we can't control it. What matters is how we respond to it. If we let change get us depressed or anxious or mad, it will eat us up. If we decide to accept it and adapt to it, we can come thru it stronger than before. This takes courage and faith.

The Church has gone through many changes throughout its life as well, good and bad. The early Church especially went through periods of persecution followed by favored status with a new emperor in power, followed by persecution again in a seemingly endless cycle. They also had to deal with heresies and debating the proper teachings of the Church. Over the last 2000 years the Church has experienced growth, decline, persecution, schisms, and many other changes, big and small. But it's still here, and still strong, probably stronger than it has ever been. There are undoubtedly changes coming in our Diocese as the Pastoral Planning process progresses. If we can embrace these changes, whatever they are, we will come through them stronger than before, which is the whole point of the Pastoral Planning Process. We also need to trust that Bishop Persico will do what's best for all the Catholics in the Diocese. He doesn't like change any more than we do, but he knows, as we do, that sometimes it's inevitable.

One thing we can be sure of as Christians and as Catholics is that there is one thing that will never change and will never end - God's love! God, the Great Three-in-One, will always be with us and will always guide us. No matter what the world says or does, and no matter what changes are coming in our Diocese, if we keep our faith, keep what we know to be true, we will overcome and be stronger for it. As Jesus said, "I am with you always, until the end of the age." (Matthew 28:20) We just need to believe and rely on Him.

Peace, Deacon Todd

CHOOSING LIFE ~ God made us for a reason. His love is our life mission. This mission enables us to find our true identity. If we choose to embrace this mission, we will have a new perspective on many issues, not just the family. To live the mission of the domestic church means that Catholic families will sometimes live as minorities, with different values than their surrounding culture. Our mission of love will require courage and fortitude. Jesus is calling, and we can respond, choosing lives of faith, hope, charity, joy, service, and mission.

STEWARDSHIP

| Offertory/Holy Days | | | Fiscal Year to Date | | |
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| 7-12-15 \$6,074 | Last Yr \$5,221 | Budget/Wk \$5,944 | This YTD \$12,236 | Last YTD \$11,717 | Budget YTD \$11,888 |

Catholic Services Appeal

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| Pledged YTD \$59,224 | Paid YTD \$42,234 | Assessment \$48,311 |
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MINISTRIES – AUGUST 2

ALTAR SERVERS

9:00 Jones
12:05 Sommers

READERS

Mizner
Farlik

GREETERS

Amato &
Williams

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

9:00 Wheelock/Melvin/Chisholms
12:05 Bisbee/Jindra

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ All articles to be inserted into the parish bulletin should be sent to Sarah Blood @ St. Mary Church, 1085 Water St., Meadville, PA 16335 about 10 days in advance of the bulletin date. Or you may e-mail articles to: stmaryofgrace@windstream.net or... drop them off at the parish office Monday thru Thursday 8-4.

Office of Evangelization & Faith Formation Kindergarten-11th Grade

Thank You to the VBS Crew!

• Thanks once again to all who helped with, attended, and donated to this year's Vacation Bible School. Our students raised \$64.52 and collected 2 laundry baskets of clothing for St. Mary's clothing outreach program *The Clothes Line*.

Catechists needed - Come join the Faith Formation Program as we witness to God's children about His kingdom. Several grades are in need of adult volunteer teachers. Training is available and the curriculum is already set.

The Faith Formation Program begins on **September 20th from 10:10 – 11:40 am at St. Brigid Center.**

Our Mission Statement is – “The Office of Evangelization and Faith Formation of the Meadville Catholic Community is committed to spreading the truth of the Gospel in love with a focus on forming lifelong intentional disciples of Jesus Christ.”

Please give Shari Bronson, Youth Director, a call for more information 333-2274.

Office of Evangelization & Faith Formation ~ ADULTS

Training/Formation for New & Returning Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

If you are presently serving as a lector and/or Extraordinary Minister, or if you have been thinking about becoming one, please plan to attend an evening of training/formation for all three parishes on **Wednesday, August 5th from 6-8 pm at St. Brigid**. The evening will begin in the Church at 6 pm with a Holy Hour.

At Home with the Faith – Weekly Tip: Do you seek to follow the Will of God, but struggle to know if you are succeeding? Consider studying the rules of discernment found in the “Spiritual Exercises,” by St. Ignatius of Loyola, whose feast we celebrate Friday.

Join us on Facebook:

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

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