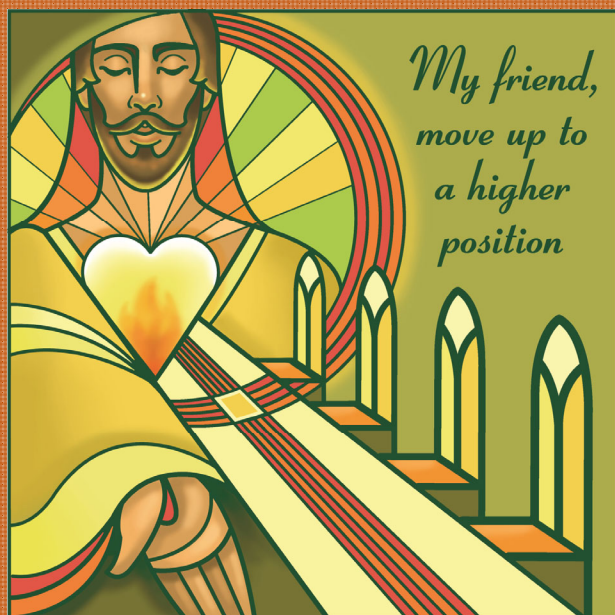


Saint Brigid Parish

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening 5:30 P.M.; Sunday 7:00 and 9:00 A.M.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Thru Age 12 - 9:00 Mass

NURSERY

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

BAPTISMS:

By appointment after Baptismal program.

CONFESSIONS In Chapel:

Saturday..... 4:00 - 5:00 P.M.
First Friday..... 11:00 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.
Friday..... 8-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

DEACON

Ken Reisenweber

SETON PRINCIPAL

Julia Strzalka

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Christine McGinnity

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

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Lynda Morgan

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR

Shari Bronson

MEADVILLE AREA CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY

Sandy Clancy

SETON CATHOLIC DIRECTOR OF ADVANCEMENT

Jamie Longo

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
Ryan Landefeld

Connie Brady
Jean Mottillo

WORSHIP

Monday – September 2 ~ LABOR DAY (In Church)
9:00 AM Jim Williams Anniversary (Wife, Connie)

Tuesday – September 3 ~ No Mass

Wednesday – September 4
9:30 AM Seton Mass
11:30 AM Jim Williams Anniversary (Wife, Connie)
6:00 PM Adoration & Benediction/Church

Thursday – September 5
11:30 AM Helen Smith (Estate)

First Friday – September 6 ~ No Mass Today
11:00 AM Funeral Mass for Edward L. Walk

Saturday – September 7 ~ No Mass

Saturday Eve/Sunday Masses
4:00 PM Confession in Chapel
5:30 PM People of St. Brigid
7:00 AM John & Angela DeLorenzo (James J. Duratz)
9:00 AM Bob Wattras (Wife, Lou)

IN THE HOSPITAL: Helen Beers, Walter Kokoszka, & Valeria Blasinski. Please remember them in your prayers.

SYMPATHY: to the family of **Edward Walk**, husband of Vinnie; father of Father Ed Walk & Thomas (Connie) Walk; to the family of **Bettie Seaman**.



WEDDING BANNS: Marissa Kristen Gerkey, Saint Brigid and Joseph Robert Knapp.

Marriage Banns

READINGS	Monday:	1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30
	Tuesday:	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37
	Wednesday:	Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44
	Thursday:	Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11
	Friday:	Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39
	Saturday:	Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5
	Sunday:	Wis 9:13-18b; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

SUPPORT	337-5551	Catholic Social Services 800-673-2535
	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

PARISH EVENTS

Monday – September 2 ~ Labor Day

Tuesday – September 3
7 PM Altar Rosary Meeting/ Social Hall

Sunday – September 8 ~ “National Grandparents Day”



Monday – September 9
6:30-8 Usher Training/Room 4
7:00 PM River of Life/Room 1

Tuesday – September 10
Noon 55+ Card Club/Room 5

Wednesday – September 11
6:30 PM Catholic Daughters Meeting/St. Agatha Center

Labor Day Mass
Monday, September 2nd @ 9 AM in Church.
Come and celebrate with us!

HOSS'S FUNDRAISER

The Knights of Columbus Meadville Council #388 will be conducting a fundraiser at Hoss's Seafood & Steak House **on Monday, September 16th**. Members will be receiving coupons at the meeting on September 9th for you to present when placing your order at Hoss's on Sept 16th. A portion of your pre-taxed bill will go to the Meadville K of C as a Fundraiser. Members will be distributing these coupons the Sept. 10th-14th & at Masses Sept. 15th so if you would like to help out the Knights watch for a member that will be handing out these coupons.

Meadville Council #388 thanks you in advance!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS !

- Catechetical Commissioning ~ September 15 @ 9 AM
- Holy Name Men's Breakfast ~ September 15 @ 10 AM
- Religious Education (P-K thru 6) ~ September 15 @ 10AM
- MACYM Kickoff (Gr. 7 thru Confirmation) ~ September 15
- St. Brigid Parish Picnic ~ September 22 @ 1 PM
- Tri-Parish Mission ~ September 22-23-24
- Altar Rosary Communion Breakfast ~ October 6
- Tri-Parish 40 Hours Adoration ~ October 13-14-15
- Seton Catholic School "Nite at the Races" ~ October 19
- Election Day—VOTE ~ November 5
- Pancake Breakfast by Knights of Columbus ~ January 19


Complimentary Breakfast

Our Holy Name Men's Society is hosting a Breakfast to be held on **Sunday, Sept. 15th** following the **9 AM** Mass at St. Brigid Church.

Breakfast to follow in our social hall with Dr. David Roncolato, who will present **The Church in the World: Connecting the work we do in the community with the mission and ministry of the Church.**

All are welcome, compliments of St. Brigid Holy Name Society; catered by Downtown Mall Bistro. (Donations appreciated.)

GOSPEL OF MATTHEW!
 Weekly Wednesday night Bible Study resumes **September 4th** at 7 PM at St. Brigid Center.
 All are welcome. We even have some extra Bibles.



2232 Men

“But I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.” Luke 22:32

1st Annual Erie Men's Conference, 2013
STRENGTHEN YOUR BROTHERS!

This half-day conference will ignite and strengthen your faith, through powerful speakers. You will build a foundation that will change your life forever.
 Join Us!

Bay Front Convention Center Erie, PA
Saturday, November 23, 2013 9:00 am—3:30 pm

Speakers: Dr. Ray Guarendi, Fr. Larry Richards, & Danny Abramowicz

Contact our Music Director, Chris McGinnity for more information on practices. We would love you to join our choir!

Choir Practice



Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation Schedule

Pre-Cana is offered through a series of interesting presentations and activities facilitated by a team of married couples and a priest, you will be shown the importance of communication and will be introduced to skills you may use in sharing your thoughts and feelings with your future spouse. Some topics you will discuss inc. Sacramental Commitment, Finances, Spirituality, Sexuality, Family Planning & Obstacles in married life.

Sunday, Sept. 15 (Includes Mass) 8:00 AM—4:30 PM
 St. Joseph, 79 Case St., Sharon Res. (724) 981-3232

Saturday, Sept. 28 (Includes Mass) 9 AM—6 PM
OL Queen of Americas, 115 S. 9th St., Conneaut Lake.
 Reservations (814) 382-7252

Sunday, Oct. 13 (Includes Mass) 8:00 AM—5:30 PM
 Notre Dame Church, 2335 Highland Rd., Hermitage
 Reservations (724) 981-5566

Sunday, Nov. 3 (Includes Mass) 8:00 AM—5:30 PM
 St. George, 5145 Peach St., Erie Res. (814) 864-0622

Ministry Training/Retraining Dates

A minister in the specific ministry only has to come to one of the two dates offered. All times are from **6:30 to 8:00 PM.**

We will do a commissioning ceremony at all Masses once everyone has gone thru the training.

All names of *Extraordinary Ministers* (EM) of Holy Communion will be sent to the diocese for approval for a 3-year term.

- Monday, 9/9 - **Usher**
- Monday 9/16 - **EM of Holy Communion**
- Thursday 9/26 - **Usher**
- Thursday 10/3 - **EM of Holy Communion**
- Monday 10/7 - **Lector**
- Thursday 10/10 - **Lector**

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Altar & Rosary Society

Our **Altar Rosary Society** will meet on Tuesday, September 4 at 7 PM in the Social Hall. Light refreshments will be served. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

22nd Sunday of the Year

YEAR OF FAITH: SEPTEMBER 2013

Virtues to Practice and Obstacles to Beware on the Journey of Faith

Meditation

Faith and charity each require the other. Many Christians lovingly dedicate their lives to the lonely, marginalized, or excluded, as those who most deserve our attention and support, for in them the reflection of Christ's own face is seen (see Benedict XVI, Door of Faith, 14).

The parish's "Year of Programs" revs up just as the Church's "Year of Faith" winds down. But faith, as Pope Benedict has reminded us, is a journey that lasts a lifetime. September's first two Sunday Gospels bid us embrace humility, the non-negotiable prerequisite for communion with God in prayer and with our neighbor in self-sacrificing service (*Catechism*, 2559, 2631), and to let nothing deter us from following Jesus. Mid-September's "Lost and Found Sunday" asks: Is Jesus' picture of God mine—that is, a shepherd risking all to save one lost sheep, a woman scouring the house to find one lost coin, a father forgetting past wrongs to welcome home a lost son? If so, has this Year of Faith made me "look" any more like that God? On September's final Sundays, Amos, Israel's "Prophet of Justice," joins Jesus in warning us about the dangers of wealth. Are we "children of light" as eager to serve others as "children of the world" are to serve themselves? Nor is it sufficient simply to "do no harm." In Jesus' parable, the wealthy man did nothing hurtful to Lazarus; his sin was doing nothing at all!

Mission

Change whatever in my life contradicts the humility that Jesus expects of his disciples; seek the lost; forgive unconditionally; open my eyes that I may see and serve Christ in my neighbor.

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St Agatha RC Church in Meadville will hold its 7th annual Oktoberfest dinner on Sunday September 29th 2013. It will be held in the Seton School gym on Pine Street from 1:00 to 6:00 PM. Dinner will be served from 1:00 to 5:30PM. The dinner will include ethnic foods, beer, and wine. The "Mad Bavarian:" will perform from 2 to 6 PM and German dancers will perform twice at 2 and 4 PM. Price for the dinner is \$12 for an individual and \$30 for a family if purchased before September 16th. After September 15th tickets will be \$16 and \$35. There will also be 50/50's and a Chinese raffle. In addition there will be two additional raffles. The first is a drawing for a chance to win one of three prizes. The three prizes are; ¼ of beef, a Kindle HD and \$50 cash. The tickets are \$5.00. The second raffle is for 2 tickets and transportation by Anderson Bus to the Steelers/Browns game on Sunday November 24th. These tickets are \$5.00 each. Raffle tickets and dinner tickets are available from committee members, the St Agatha office or by calling 814-853-1801.

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory/Holy Days			Fiscal Year to Date		
8-25-13 \$5,521	8-24-12 \$6,834	Budget/Wk \$6,039	This YTD \$36,826	Last YTD \$45,517	Budget YTD \$48,312

MEMORIALS...in memory of *Jack Hyland* from Ken/Holly Unice; Diane DeGrange; Mark/Joy Sherry; in memory of *Jim Hatheway* from Stan/Sophie Franczak; Cynthia Feigirt; Ann Bucci; Marsha St. Pierre, Pat/Anna Constantinovich; Carolyn Keltner; Mary Hyland; James Getsinger; Dale/Sharon Searls.

MINISTRIES – SEPTEMBER 7/8

ALTAR SERVERS	READERS	GREETERS
5:30 Sommers	McClimans	Needed
7:00 Corsi	Haines	Anderson
9:00 Leech/Yoder	Reisenweber	Gilmore

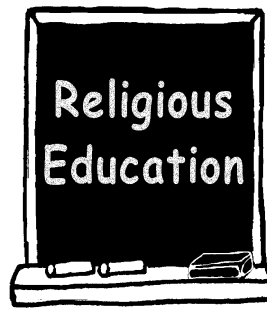
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
 5:30 Sommers/Pitetti/Henderson/Williams
 7:00 Holzer/Chisholm
 9:00 Blystone/Buzzas/Amato

ALL MINISTERS: Those who cannot serve any-time in October, November, December, 2013 and January, 2014, please call the office at 336-4459 to inform us in preparation of the new schedules being prepared.

Ministers are also needed for holydays: All Saints Day (Nov. 1), Immaculate Conception (Dec. 9), Christmas (Dec. 24/25), Mary, Mother of God (Jan. 1, 2014). Please call the parish office at 336-4459 with Masses in which you can serve. Thank you.

Caregiver Support Group is help monthly on the First Thursday of each month from 7-8 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, 649 Park Ave, Meadville (enter in the back of the church on Baldwin St.). This ministry is an ecumenical effort of local community churches and Community Health Services to give much needed support to those who care for others. Please join us! We will have refreshments and a door prize.

The next meeting will be **September 5th**. For questions, Julia 333-5996 or Susan jpbsft@yahoo.com



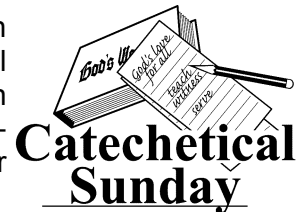
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Our first day of Religious Education class is **Sunday, September 15th, 10:00–11:30 a.m.** This is also Catechetical Sunday. Our yearly theme from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is: **OPEN THE DOOR OF FAITH!** As a community of faith, by virtue of our Baptism, we are called to

hand on the faith and be a witness to the Gospel! All volunteer catechists will be called forth for a special blessing and gift from the parish at our 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Classes start in two weeks and we still do not have a second grade catechist. If you have been thinking about this, now is the time to say YES! Come and be a part of FAITH FORMATION with our religious education program. Contact Shari at 336-4459 for more information

On Sunday, September 15th at our 9:00 A.M. Mass, all catechists (those involved in handing on the faith to children, youth, and adults in our parish) will be blessed.



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All those involved in Children's Liturgy of the Word, Religious Education, Youth Group, Adult Baptism Team, Pre-Cana Team, Bible Study, RCIA & Seton Teachers will be asked to come forward for a special blessing as we begin our year together.

Catechetical Sunday reminds each of us that in Baptism we are charged with the responsibility of handing on and witnessing to the faith in all we do.

Thank you to our catechists as they help others to know and love Jesus Christ, and to live as his disciples.

18th Annual Golf Outing September 8th held @ Venango Valley Golf Course, Venango 7 AM; Registration 8 AM, Shot Gun Start; \$60 per person, 4 person scramble, refreshments on the course, food at the turn, dinner after 18 holes; 1st Place \$500 gift certificate to George's Jewelry; Skins (money not hit will be carried over to next year with no new teams eligible); Line Prizes; Door Prizes, 50/50. Benefits Meadville Wrestling program. Call Ed 336-2776 or Dave 333-8223 for more info.



ATTENTION M.A.C.Y.M FAMILIES SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2013

REGISTRATION PACKETS

All M.A.C.Y.M. STUDENT Registration Packets ARE AVAILABLE IN YOUR HOME PARISH THIS WEEKEND. Packets not picked up will be mailed out on Monday, Sept. 2nd. If you have a student attending M.A.C.Y.M. and do not receive a packet, call the office at 333-2274. There are important forms that need to be filled out and turned in. It is important to view the entire packet thoroughly.

M.A.C.Y.M. KICK~OFF

The opening Kick-Off is Sunday, September 15th at St. Agatha Church, beginning with Liturgy at 3 PM. ALL M.A.C.Y.M. STUDENTS 7TH THRU 11TH ARE TO ATTEND. Make your own Sundae will follow in the center. We will need volunteers to help, Please contact Sandy Clancy if you are an adult who would like to volunteer for this event. The e-mail address for M.A.C.Y.M. is sandy.clancy@macym.org

CONFIRMATION NOW A THREE-YEAR PROGRAM

9TH GRADE ~1ST YR CONFIRMATION

10TH GRADE ~2ND YR CONFIRMATION

11TH GRADE ~3RD YR CONFIRMATION

After officiating at Confirmations through out the Diocese of Erie, Bishop Persico has decided to modify the preparation requirements to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. To receive the Sacrament, a Candidate must **participate in three years** of high school religious instruction. This change means that our **Confirmation Program now begins in 9th Grade.** Any student wishing to be Confirmed in April, 2016 must attend our M.A.C.Y.M. Program starting in 9th Grade this year. Students who are presently going into their sophomore and junior years will have their situation explained to them at the Confirmation Parent Meetings: Sunday, Sept. 15th or Sun. Sept. 22nd. (Check paragraph top of next column).

1ST, 2ND & 3RD YEAR

CONFIRMATION

PARENT~CANDIDATE MEETINGS

Mandatory meeting for all 1st, 2nd and 3rd year Confirmation candidates and at least one parent will be held on:

- Sunday, September 15th after Kick-Off Liturgy and Make Your Own Sundae~about 4:30 PM @ Saint Agatha Center
- Sunday, September 22nd @ Saint Brigid Center at 10 AM

ALL CANDIDATES AND AT LEAST ONE PARENT ARE TO ATTEND ONE OF THE ABOVE MEETINGS!

TWO NINTH GRADE SESSIONS TO BE OFFERED

With the changes in the requirements for Confirmation M.A.C.Y.M., we will be offering two options for 9th grade students. There will now be two times/locations for 9th grade regular sessions. They are:

- Saint Mary Center~Sunday~9:00—10:15 AM
 - Seton Catholic School~Sunday~10:00—11:15 AM
- A student may choose which location he/she wishes to attend. It does not matter what parish a student belongs to, both locations are open to any students from St. Agatha, St. Brigid or St. Mary.

7TH AND 8TH GRADES FIRST REGULAR SESSIONS

The first Regular Session for all 7th and 8th M.A.C.Y.M. students will be held in their home parishes on Sunday, September 22nd. Saint Mary students will meet in their center from 9—10:15 AM. St. Agatha students will meet in Seton School from 10:00—11:15 AM. St. Brigid students will meet in McCrory Hall in a room downstairs from 10—11:15 AM.

