

Saint Brigid

Roman Catholic Church

**967 Chancery Lane
Meadville, PA 16335**

Whatever you bind on earth
shall be bound in heaven



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WMIH 89.5 FM IN NW PA &
WQHE 88.3 FM OIL CITY**

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Facebook page at
www.ErieRCD.org

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (Pre-K thru Grade 11):

Sundays @ Sept. 21, 2014..... 10:10-11:40 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

DEACON

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SETON PRINCIPAL

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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 8

12:05 PM Garnet Eberhardt Anniv. (Estate)
 Jim Hatheway (Ruth/Bob Dimerling)
 Dianne Dowler (M/M Tom Restanio)
 Dan Morfenski (Dan/Laura Mesley)
 Gloria Brunot (Carol/Patrick McHenry)

2:00 PM Funeral Mass for Joan Boyle (viewing 1:30 PM)

Wednesday – September 10

12:05 PM Jim O’Hern Anniversary (Newcomb family)
 2:30 PM Crawford Cty Care Ctr Mass—People
 6:00 PM Adoration & Benediction/Church
 7:00 PM Confession in Chapel

Friday – September 12

12:05 PM Paul Davern (Phil/Debbie Davern)
 Wayne Lauderman (Frannie Best)

Sunday Masses – September 14

9:00 AM John & Angela Marie DeLorenzo (James J. Duratz)
 Lee & Don Heald (Gary/Chris McGinnity)
 Harold F. Knowles (Family)
 Joe Newcomb (Tony/Mary Catherine Ponsetto)
 12:05 PM *Blessing of Catechists @ St. Brigid*
 People of St. Brigid

IN THE HOSPITAL: Joan Boyle & Daniel Jannazzo. Please remember them in your prayers.

SYMPATHY TO: the family of **Patrick Lynch**, brother of Jean (John) Mottillo.

MEMORIALS... in memory of **Mary Betz** from Millie Truppi for the Pastor’s Fund; from Eleanor & Maryanne Niewiedomski for Seton Catholic School

COMMUNION BREAKFAST

St. Brigid Altar Rosary Society will hold its annual Communion Breakfast in St. Brigid Social Hall on Sunday, October 12 following the St. Brigid 9 AM Mass.

Cost of \$8 includes Fruit Cup, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Home Fries, English Muffin, Coffee/Tea. Contact Theresa (724-3149) or Judy (333-3665 after 5 PM) for reservations.

READINGS

Monday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30;
 Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Lk 6:12-19
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26
 Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38
 Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Lk 6:39-42
 Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49
 Sunday: Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17



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Sunday – September 7

9 AM Children’s Liturgy during Mass from Church/ Chapel
 10 AM-2 PM Grade 9 Class/Room 4
 1 PM K of C Members & Sons Steak Fry/St. Mary Ctr
 (Browns vs Steelers Football)

Monday – September 8

7:00 PM River of Life Charismatic Prayer Group/ Room 4
 8:00 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting/St. Mary Center

Tuesday – September 9

6:00 PM Catechist Meeting/ Social Hall
 6:00 PM Cub Scout Leader Orientation/Room 4

Wednesday – September 10

6:30 PM Catholic Daughters Meeting/ St. Agatha Center
NO Choir Practice
 7:00 PM Adult Bible Study/ Room 2

Thursday – September 11

12:15-1 PM Brown Bag Theology/ Room 2
 7:00 PM Theology of the Body/ St. Mary Center
 7:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting/ Room 2

Sunday – September 14

12:05 PM Catechist Blessing at Mass/ Church

OTHER MEADVILLE MASSES

Monday & Thursday & Saturday

8:00 AM @ St. Mary Church

Tuesday & Wednesday & Friday

8:00 AM @ St. Agatha Church
 9:30 AM @ St. Agatha Church Seton School Mass

Saturday – September 20

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

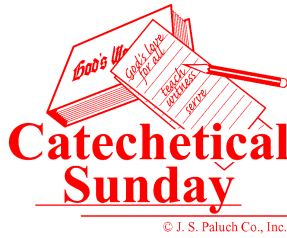
Sunday Masses

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

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

Next **Sunday, Sep. 14th** at our **12:05 P.M.** Mass, all catechists (those involved in handing on the faith to children, youth, and adults in our parish) will be blessed.



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.

Other Blessings next Sunday

9:00 AM @ St. Agatha
10:30 @ St. Mary of Grace

Save the Date!
October 4, 2014
Women's Conference ~ Diocese of Erie
At the Erie Warner Theatre

Sonja Corbitt, Author
The Sisters for Life in New York City
Father Larry Richards

More than 1,200 women are expected to gather in Erie on **Saturday, October 4**, for the inaugural **1:38 Women: Catholic Women's Conference** at the Warner Theatre in Erie.

Enjoy fellowship and inspiring national speakers—along with lunch, adoration and the opportunity for reconciliation. The event will conclude with Mass offered by Bishop Lawrence Persico.

Search 1:38 Women on Facebook. The website www.138Women.com will soon have registration details. Registrations will be taken at 814-455-7364 or on the website.

EMBRACE THE BOLD CHALLENGE OF POPE FRANCIS:

Have life & have it to the fullest! John 10:10

Join noted lecturer **Fr. Chris Singer**, Chancellor of Diocese of Erie

Wednesdays (alternate weeks)

- Sept. 24th "What is the Meaning of Life?"
- Oct. 8th "What is the Source of Life?"
- Oct. 22nd "How is Life to be Lived?"
- Nov. 5th "The Life to Come"

Time: **7:30-9 PM** Lecture, Q & A, Refreshments)
St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 E. Grandview Blvd., Erie
Questions: Contact kdietz@erieRCD.org

Diocesan Child Abuse In-Service offered on Monday, September 15 at 10 am & at 5 pm at Seton Catholic School, Meadville. Please call Donna at (814) 336-2320, to let her know which session you will be attending.

*Catholic Daughters
of the Americas
Court Columbia #2
Meeting
Wednesday, Sept. 10
6:30 PM*



Members will gather on **Sept. 10th** at 6:30 PM for the Rosary. We invite Catholic women 18 years & older to membership in CD of A. Court Columbia #2 Meadville has the honor of being the oldest active court in the world! A business meeting to follow held at **St. Agatha Social Hall**. For more info call Phyllis at 382-4667.

R.C.I.A.
**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION
FOR ADULTS
AND FULL INITIATION AS A CATHOLIC**

Instructions in the Catholic Faith.

The unbaptized, those baptized in other Christian Churches, those baptized Catholic who have not received First Communion and/or Confirmation.

Classes Begin Soon
St. Brigid Parish Center, Library
Contact Fr. Johnathan for more information or to register.
Why? Because the Lord is calling YOU!

23rd Sunday of the Year

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

We know for certain that the sacrament of penance was a fairly rare event in the life of a Christian in the early centuries, but that everyone had a duty to admit their sins and ask forgiveness before giving thanks in the Sunday Eucharist and receiving Christ's Body and Blood at the table. Everyone today is familiar with this same ancient pattern. We also know about Lent and its journey of renewal, and even those who are returning from summer vacations may speak of a fresh perspective on life and a resolve to do better. Saint Augustine spoke of a third kind of penance, beyond the turning of the catechumens to a different life, beyond the normal everyday fresh starts, to a form that is severe and serious. Certain sins broke faith with the community: the sinners were obliged to give their names to the bishop and were barred from participation in the Eucharist. Augustine mentioned sacrilege, adultery, and murder as the culprits, great wounds for the perpetrator, wounds that were serious, deadly, mortal. Penance was such a frightening prospect that many people delayed their baptism for fear that they would sin, a practice with which Augustine was well acquainted. Pastoral need would eventually call the church to reconsider its practice.

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EVENTS ELSEWHERE

St. Jude the Apostle Pilgrimage October 10 thru 12, 2014

The Knights of Columbus invite you to a Pilgrimage of the National Shrines of Our Lady of Lourdes (Emmetsburg, Maryland) St. Jude Shrine (Baltimore) and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception of the BVM (Washington, D.C.). It begins at **5:30 AM Oct. 10** at St. Jude Church, Erie on a 48 personal Coach USA bus. See the poster on the bulletin board for details of the trip. Price per person \$275 (includes hotel, breakfast at the hotel & \$40 dinner allowance on Sat. (Rooms based on double occ.)). \$150 deposit due before Sept. 15. Balance due Sept. 30. Call (814) 833-0927.

11th Annual Slavic Food Festival at Saints Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church, 3415 Wallace St., Erie on **Sunday, September 14th Noon to 7 PM.** Church tours, Carpatho-Rusyn Society exhibit, Baba's gift shop, ethnic foods including jellied pigs feet, pagach, pirohi, haluski, halupki. Music by Mar-vels and by Polka Relations, dance performances by Living Traditions & by Wiwaty Folk Dncers, gift basket raffles, \$500 cash giveaway, trip for two to Fairway Suites at Peak'n Peak giveaway. Baked goods, nut, poppy seed, and other flavored rolls. Free admission & parking. Rain or shine.

For more info go to www.eriecountybyzantines.org

Pregnancy Center of Meadville Open House celebrating 25 years, 657 Pine St., Meadville on Sunday, **September 14th from 2-5 PM.** Plenty of parking across from center and refreshments provided by the Board of Directors. You are the reason we are thankful. Your support has been a blessing to the outreach the Lord called us to here.

2nd annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children will be observed in Erie on Saturday, **Sept. 13, at 1 p.m.** at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, 5711 West Lake Road, Erie. The event will be held rain or shine. Participants are asked to gather at the Knights of Columbus memorial stone at the west end of the cemetery. For more information on the national event, go to www.abortionmemorials.com.

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory/Holy Days

8-24-14 \$3,788	Last Yr \$5,645	Budget/Wk \$5,927
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Fiscal Year to Date

This YTD \$48,186	Last YTD \$44,252	Budget YTD \$47,416
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Catholic Services Appeal

Pledged YTD \$53,665	Paid YTD \$45,292	Assessment \$43,919
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MINISTRIES – SEPTEMBER 14

ALTAR SERVERS

9:00 Hess
12:05 **Needed**

READERS

Toner
Needed

GREETERS

Glunt
Needed

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

9:00 Harry/Higbys/Jastromb
12:05 **Needed**

Catholic Education Collection will be held September 21st. The Catholic Faith, which we believe and practice, has been handed on through 20 centuries and counting and now reaches our present generation in fullness, richly faithful to Jesus and the Gospel message. Please give generously.

Office of Evangelization & Faith Formation Kindergarten-11th grade

Faith Formation registration forms ~ due Sunday, September 7th Classes start on **Sunday, September 21st from 10:10 a.m.-11:40 a.m.** at St. Brigid Church.

Catechists still needed in grades 5/6 ~ Would you be willing to volunteer just one or two times a month to teach? We do have several people who are willing to *share* responsibilities. Please call Shari at 333-2274 for more information.

Catechist Meeting ~ Tuesday, September 9th at 6:00 pm in St. Brigid Social Hall. Pizza and beverages will be provided. If you would like to bring a salad or dessert to share, please do. We will highlight the upcoming class calendar, distribute catechists guides and tour the classrooms!

Catechist Blessing ~ Catechists will be called forward for a blessing on Sunday, September 14th at the following Masses: St. Agatha 9:00 am, St. Mary 10:30 am and St. Brigid at 12:05 pm. “Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim You, who walk in the light of Your presence, . . .” Psalm 89:15

Weekly Events

Brown Bag Theology (Pope Francis Discussion) –
Thursdays 12:15-1 pm, St. Brigid Center, Room 2
Wednesday Bible Study – 7 pm, St. Brigid Library

At Home with the Faith

This week’s tip: We all know that the family that prays together stays together, but how do you get started? Check out this dynamic, fun, free, and practical guide to leading family prayer developed by Greg Schlueter: <http://massimpactohio.blogspot.com>

Theology of the Body – Join us this Thursday!

Come join us this **Thurs., September 11th at 7 pm at St. Mary of Grace Parish Center** for the first of 8 monthly sessions on the Theology of the Body. We will view a powerful 30-min DVD by Christopher West, followed by small group discussion. Bring your favorite snack, wine/beer to share, or just yourself – 21 and older, please!

Attention Parents of College Students:

Do you have a student in college who you would like to receive a “**care package**” from the Meadville Catholic Community? If so, please provide their name and address to the Parish Office or Colleen Wellington, Adult Director (333-2274 or colleen.wellington@stbrigidchurch.org).

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

As Christians we are called to “go and make disciples of all nations (Mt 28:19).” One way to respond to that call is to invite someone you know who might be interested in becoming Catholic to check out RCIA. This is also a great opportunity for committed Catholics to grow in knowledge of the faith they profess. Classes will be held Sunday mornings after the 9 am Masses starting this fall. For more information or to register, please contact Deacon Harvey McQueen at 333-4452 (St. Agatha & St. Mary of Grace) or the St. Brigid Parish Office (336-4459).

Library at St. Brigid – New Look & Resources

The library at St. Brigid Parish Center has recently received several donations of excellent books & audio/visual resources. It has also been organized for easier locating of materials. Check it out! Donations of books faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church are welcome.