

ST. BRIGID OF KILDARE 2018 PARISH LENTEN BOOKLET

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 14

Mass Schedule:

6:30 am Mass and Distribution of Ashes

9:00 am All School Mass and Distribution of Ashes

12:00 Noon Mass and Distribution of Ashes

7:00 pm Mass and Distribution of Ashes

Ash Wednesday Offertory Collection is given to J.O.I.N.

(Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs)

Ash Wednesday Food Collection – as we prepare for the Lenten Season, let us remember our neighbors in need. The Social Action Committee will hold a food drive to benefit the Dublin Food Pantry. Our EPIC Middle School Youth Group will deliver the collection – please be generous so they can learn about volunteering as well. Please bring your non-perishable food items to the Immke Room in Hendricks Hall before or after all Masses on Ash Wednesday. We will also be collecting personal hygiene items to benefit Gladden house.

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE: *ABSTINENCE* from meat is to be observed by all Catholics **14 years of age and older** on Ash Wednesday and on **all** Fridays of Lent. *FASTING* is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday **by all Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59**. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are allowed as needed, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted; exceptions being those persons who are ill or have other medical conditions.

LENTEN ACTIVITIES

OPERATION RICE BOWL: The official Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services, Operation Rice Bowl calls Catholics in the United States to promote human dignity and foster solidarity with the poor around the world through prayer, fasting, learning and giving. **Collection of all donations made during Lent will take place on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday in the Gathering Area of the Church.**

SOUP SUPPERS: As a parish community, we gather to share a simple meal of soup and bread on the **Tuesdays of Lent February 20, 27, March 6, 13 and 20** at 6:00 pm in the Immke Room of Hendricks Hall. This is an opportunity to remember those who go without on a regular basis, as well as to unite us as one group with a common purpose. Free will donations will go to Operation Rice Bowl.

Parishioners are invited to come with family and friends to share this simple meal. Each week, a different group of volunteers prepares the soups. One week, it might be the Family First Ministry and another week, the choirs and Music Ministry. Families are asked to bring bread to share. Everyone is invited!



ENTER INTO THE
SEASON OF LENT

STATIONS OF THE CROSS are offered immediately after the Soup Suppers. They begin at 7:00 pm in the Church. From the earliest days of Christianity, pilgrims journeyed to Jerusalem walking in the footsteps of Christ on the road to Calvary. More than 2,000 years later Christians are still trying to grasp the saving grace of Christ. The devotion has had 14 stations since the 17 century. You are invited to attend the Soup Supper, Stations of the Cross or both.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

For St. Brigid of Kildare Religious Education Program:

Monday, March 19	4:30 pm and 6:00 pm in the Church
Tuesday, March 20	5:00 pm in the Church

For St. Brigid of Kildare Elementary School:

Monday, February 26	2:00 pm in the Church
Friday, March 9	2:00 pm in the Church
Tuesday, March 20	2:00 pm in the Church
Wednesday, March 28	2:00 pm in the Church

EASTER BASKET PROJECT: Sponsored by the Social Action Committee for the Holy Family Food Pantry and the Dublin Food Pantry. We will be collecting individual Easter candy, cookies, crackers and dried fruits during the weekends of **March 10/11 and March 17/18**. Donations can be placed in the marked boxes in the Immke Room of Hendricks Hall before or after all Masses. Assembly of Easter baskets will take place on Saturday, **March 24** at 10:00 am in the school cafeteria. All families are welcome to participate.

CONFESSIONS scheduled every Saturday during Lent (except Holy Saturday, March 31) from 4:00 pm to 4:30 pm in the Church.

Family Reconciliation Retreat will be held on Saturday, **March 10** from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Church. Parish Lenten Penance Service will take place on Sunday, **March 25**, starting with Vespers at 5:00 pm in the Church. Visiting Diocesan priests will serve as confessors.

Individual Confessions will be heard on Monday, **March 26**, from 7:00-8:00 pm in the Church.

TUESDAY MORNING GROUP: If we read the four Gospel narratives that tell about the death and crucifixion of Jesus, we find that Jesus spoke seven times. We will use the gospel passages and the book *Seven Last Words* by Father James Martin to pray and reflect upon what these words from Jesus mean for us today. We begin the week before Lent starts in order to have seven weeks. **TUESDAY MORNINGS:** February 6, 13, 20, 27 and March 6 and 13. We gather after the 9:00 AM Mass (about 9:30) in the Berry Room of Hendricks Hall. You can order the book through Amazon. No registration is necessary.

TAIZÉ PRAYER SERVICE: Begin Lent by taking time to rest in the Holy Stillness of God by attending the Taizé Prayer Service. There is no preaching, no teaching, no talk of sin or repentance. It is just a simple prayer consisting of repetitive chants, a scripture reading and an invitation to bring your burdens to God. Sunday, **February 25** at 6:30 pm in the Church. This will take the place of Vespers on February 25.

VESPERS (EVENING PRAYER): Sundays: **February 18, March 4, 11, 18 and 25** at 5:00 pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

LENTEN SERIES: Catholic Social Teaching has always been present in our faith tradition, deeply rooted in scripture and called for by Jesus. High School Youth Ministry, Young Adult Ministry, and Adult Ministry are offering a **Lenten Series** that will touch upon some of the issues facing our world today. Take time to mark your calendars for the following time, dates and issues. **7:00- 8:30 PM in Hendricks Hall.** To register, visit the St. Brigid Home page (www.stbrigidofkildare.org) or call the Parish Office at 614-761-3734.

February 22: Modern Day Slavery

March 1: Poverty and Homelessness (Enke Hall)

March 8: Care of the Elderly

March 15: Hunger (spiritual & physical)

March 22: Catholic Social Teaching

Each workshop will include a presentation and an activity that will offer an experiential piece. Each workshop of the Lenten Series is independent. If you can't attend all of them, come to the ones that you want to learn more about.

LENTEN SERIES: MODERN DAY SLAVERY (February 22, 7:00 PM, Hendricks Hall)

Our first session is **Human Trafficking: What is it? Is it in Ohio? What can I do about it?** Presented by Sr. Nadine Buchanan, OP. Sr. Nadine began her mission to the victims of human trafficking in Columbus, OH, in 2009. It was a way to, as she says, "put flesh" to one of her Congregation's commitments: to promote justice for the marginalized, especially women and children. Over eight years, her ministry has moved from cooking meals with and for survivors, to the courtroom to help those in recovery, to the streets. Today, she works with women who are still in the grip of a life of sexual slavery.

LENTEN SERIES: POVERTY AND HOMELESSNESS (March 1, 7:00 PM, Enke Hall)

Poverty and Homelessness are almost always intertwined. They also have many faces. In this second of our Lenten Series we will look at homelessness as it is seen in the faces of those who are in prison. Today, there is a great indifference to the plight of the incarcerated (and their families), and because of that indifference, Catholic prison ministry is needed more than ever! In 2000, the American bishops released *Responsibility, Rehabilitation and Restoration: A Catholic Perspective on Criminal Justice*. This highly recommend and thoughtful pastoral letter can be found online. The bishops note that restorative justice must attend to the voices of victims and to those responsible for the crime. Our presenters for this evening will be Rich Northup from St. Brigid of Kildare who is involved in prison ministry and Sister Ana Gonzalez, OP. Both will share their experience of doing prison ministry and how it transformed their hearts.

LENTEN SERIES: CARE OF THE ELDERLY (March 8, 7:00 PM, Hendricks Hall)

We are facing an unprecedented situation in the United States. At the beginning of the twentieth century, one in every twenty-five people in the United States was 65 or older. Today one in eight—a total of 33.2 million Americans—is at least 65. A person who reaches 65 can expect to live for seventeen more years; many live well beyond that. Society is just beginning to grapple with the social, economic, and spiritual implications of this rapidly growing age group. The United Nations designated 1999 as the International Year of Older Persons with the theme, "Towards a Society for All Ages." The Vatican urged Catholics to make a new commitment not only to care for older persons but to learn from them. The United States Bishops wrote a pastoral letter (available online entitled *Blessings of Age*). The third in our Lenten Series addresses this issue. Debbie Cassel, Administrator and Julie Ann Nill, Community Outreach Director from Glenwood Alzheimer Special Care Center will be our speakers and will address elderly in our society and share some issues particular to the Glenwood Center.

LENTEN SERIES: HUNGER (March 15, 7:00 PM, Hendricks Hall)

One of the great issues across the world is hunger. It is in every country and in every village and, town and city. Sometimes it affects entire countries and sometimes it is a hidden reality. There are two kinds of hunger, spiritual and physical. Both are experienced by every human being but for some the lack of adequate food and drink is at critical proportions world-wide. Hunger is often brought on by war, greed, excessiveness of some that cause inadequacies for others. Often those who are well-fed are not even aware of those who are under-fed in their own local communities. In our Hunger installment of our Lenten Series, we want to heighten our awareness of the needs of both hungerers. **We do need an RSVP for this session of our Lenten Series.** Please, call the Parish Office (614-761-3734) and register by March 12. You can also email lginikos@stbrigidofkildare.org or ttuite@stbrigidofkildare.org. It is very important that we have an accurate number. Our speaker will be Erin Cordle who serves the Office for Social Concerns of the Catholic Diocese of Columbus, Ohio, as Catholic Campaign for Human Development and Catholic Relief Services director. In this capacity, she serves as an educator and advocate to further the understanding of the Church's social justice teachings.

LENTEN SERIES: CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING (March 22, 7:00 PM, Hendricks Hall)

In our final installment of our Lenten Series, Msgr. Joseph Hendricks will bring everything together and share with us the Church's understanding, challenge and responsibility of Catholic Social Teaching. Catholic social teaching is a central and essential element of our faith. Its roots are in the Hebrew prophets who announced God's special love for the poor and called God's people to a covenant of love and justice. It is a teaching founded on the life and words of Jesus Christ, who came "to bring glad tidings to the poor . . . liberty to captives . . . recovery of sight to the blind"(Lk 4:18-19), and who identified himself with "the least of these," the hungry and the stranger (Mt 25:45). Catholic social teaching is built on a commitment to the poor.

FIRST WEEK OF LENT

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

February 18

RCIA RITE OF SENDING and ELECTION

Sunday, February 18, 10:45 am Mass & Dismissal

Rite of Election at 7:30 pm

St. Paul's Parish in Westerville

VESPERS

Sunday, February 18, 5:00 pm

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

TUESDAY MORNING GROUP

Tuesday, February 20, 9:45 am (Berry Room)

Seven Last Words of Jesus (continued)

SOUP SUPPER

(Hosted by Family First)

Tuesday, February 20, 6:00 pm in the Immke Room followed by

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 pm in the Church

LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES

Modern Day Slavery

Thursday, February 22, 7:00 pm

Immke Room

SECOND WEEK OF LENT

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

February 25

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

Sunday, February 25, 10:45 pm in the Church

TAIZÉ PRAYER SERVICE

Sunday, February 25, 6:30 pm in the Church

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS

Monday, February 26, 2:00 pm in the Church

TUESDAY MORNING GROUP

Tuesday, February 27, 9:45 am (Berry Room-Hendricks Hall)

Seven Last Words of Jesus (continued)

SOUP SUPPER

(Hosted by Music Ministry)

Tuesday, February 27, 6:00 pm in the Immke Room followed by

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 pm in the Church

LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES

Poverty and Homelessness

Thursday, March 1, 7:00 pm

Enke Hall

THIRD WEEK OF LENT

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 4

RCIA, FIRST SCRUTINY

Saturday, March 3, 5:00 pm Mass & Dismissal

VESPERS

Sunday, March 4, 5:00 pm

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

TUESDAY MORNING GROUP

Tuesday, March 6, 9:45 am (Berry Room-Hendricks Hall)

Seven Last Words of Jesus (continued)

SOUP SUPPER

(Hosted by R.C.I.A. and St. Brigid School)

Tuesday, March 6, 6:00 pm in the Immke Room followed by

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 pm in the Church

LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES

Care of the Elderly

Thursday, March 8, 7:00 pm

Immke Room

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS

Friday, March 9, 2:00 pm in the Church

FAMILY RECONCILIATION RETREAT

Saturday, March 10, 10:00 am

St. Brigid School & Church

FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 11

EASTER BASKET PROJECT COLLECTION

Sponsored by the Social Action Committee for the Holy Family Soup Kitchen. We will be collecting individual Easter candy, cookies, crackers and dried fruits during the weekend of March 10/11 and March 17/18. Donations can be placed in the marked boxes in Immke Room of Hendricks Hall before or after all Masses.

RCIA, SECOND SCRUTINY

Saturday, March 11, 12:15 pm Mass & Dismissal

VESPERS

Sunday, March 11, 5:00 pm

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

TUESDAY MORNING GROUP

Tuesday, March 13, 9:45 am Berry Room-Hendricks Hall)

Seven Last Words of Jesus (continued)

SOUP SUPPER

(Hosted by 55+ Club and St. Brigid School)

Tuesday, March 13, 6:00 pm in the Immke Room followed by

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 pm in the Church

LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES

Hunger (Spiritual & Physical)

Thursday, March 15, 7:00 pm

Immke Room

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 18

EASTER BASKET PROJECT COLLECTION

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RCIA, THIRD SCRUTINY

Sunday, March 18, 10:45 am Mass & Final Dismissal

VESPERS

Sunday, March 18, 5:00 pm
Blessed Sacrament Chapel

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS

Monday, March 19, 4:30 pm and 6:00 pm in the Church
Tuesday, March 20, 5:00 pm in the Church

TUESDAY MORNING GROUP

Tuesday, March 20, 9:45 am Berry Room-Hendricks Hall)
Seven Last Words of Jesus (continued)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS

Tuesday, March 20, 2:00 pm in the Church

SOUP SUPPER

(Hosted by the Knight of Columbus & St. Brigid School)
Tuesday, March 20, 6:00 pm in the Immke Room followed by

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 pm in the Church

LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES

Catholic Social Teaching
Thursday, March 22, 7:00 pm
Immke Room

EASTER BASKET PROJECT ASSEMBLY

Saturday, March 24, 10:00 am
Assembly of Easter baskets will take place in the school cafeteria.
All families are welcome to participate.

HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY

March 25

*Please return all **Operation Rice Bowl** donations to the containers
In the Gathering Area of the Church.*

VESPERS AND PARISH PENANCE SERVICE

Sunday, March 25, 5:00 pm in the Church

Visiting Diocesan priests will serve as confessors

HOLY WEEK MASSES

Monday, March 26, 9:00 am

Tuesday, March 27, 9:00 am and 12 Noon

Wednesday, March 28, 9:00 am

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS

Monday, March 26 10, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm in the Church

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS

Wednesday, March 28, 2:00 pm in the Church

EASTER TRIDUUM

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Thursday, March 29, 7:30 pm
Adoration in the Church following Mass
concluding with Night Prayer at 9:30 pm

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Friday, March 30, 3:00 pm, in the Church

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, March 30, 7:30 pm, in the Church

BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD

Saturday, March 31, 2:00 pm, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 31, 2:30 pm
Brigid's Green

EASTER VIGIL MASS

Saturday, March 31, 7:30 pm in the Church

RCIA RECEPTION

Saturday, March 31, 9:00 pm in Hendricks Hall



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EASTER SUNDAY

April 1

Mass Schedule

7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:45 am, 12:15 pm

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