



**SATURDAY, July 9, Weekday**  
 8:00 AM for the soul of Margaret Poole

**SATURDAY, July 9, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 4:00 PM for the soul of Mary Abramson

**SUNDAY, July 10, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 8:00 AM for the soul of Michael & Katarine Wasko  
 10:30 AM for the soul of Rosemary Brown  
 12:30 PM for the parishioners of St. Brigid's

**MONDAY, July 11, St Benedict**  
 8:00 AM for the soul of Edward Hart

**TUESDAY, July 12, Weekday**  
 8:00 AM for the souls of Florence & Art Picard

**WEDNESDAY, July 13, Weekday**  
 8:00 AM for the soul of Daynor Prince

**THURSDAY, July 14, B1 Kateri Tekakwitha**  
 8:00 AM for the soul of Kelly Latham

**FRIDAY, July 15, St Bonaventure**  
 8:00 AM souls of Michael & Catherine Barkowski

**SATURDAY, July 16, Weekday**  
 8:00 AM for the soul of Tim Clark

**SATURDAY, July 16, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 4:00 PM the souls of Nicolas & Rozanne Serduck

**SUNDAY, July 17, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 8:00 AM for the soul of Julius Muskus  
 10:30 AM for the soul of Peter Hall  
 12:30 PM for the parishioners of St. Brigid's

**\*PARISH CENTER CLOSED FOR REPAIR**

**SATURDAY, July 9**

**SUNDAY, July 10**  
 11:00 Hispanic Choir Rehearsal

**MONDAY, July 11**

**TUESDAY, July 12**  
 9:00 – 12:00 PM Hispanic Office Hours

**WEDNESDAY, July 13**  
 9:00 – 12:00 PM Hispanic Office Hours

**THURSDAY, July 14**  
 8:00—8:30 AM Mass & Exposition of the B1 Sacrament  
 8:30—5:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
 6:00—7:00 PM Hispanic Choir Rehearsal

**FRIDAY, July 15**

**SATURDAY, July 16**

**SUNDAY, July 17**  
 11:00 Hispanic Choir Rehearsal



**Parish Picnic Tickets are available in the office or through**



- Pauline Lannon
- Shilpa Cunniffe
- Judy Dickson
- Joe Asselin
- Nicole MacDougall
- Ginette Gomez



**WEEKEND OF JULY 9/10, 2011**

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

4:00 PM P. Mercado, N. Mercado  
 8:00 AM V. Suchodolski, T. Suchodolski  
 10:30 AM E. Klaes, M. Ford, A. Casagrande

**LECTORS:**

4:00 PM G. Richason  
 8:00 AM J. Sullivan  
 10:30 AM S. Nagy

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

4:00 PM M. Shea, M. Salvini, M. Burlington  
 8:00 AM G. Como, R. O'Donnell, P. Fitz  
 10:30 AM R. Hunt, M. Hunt, K. Ford

**ALTAR GUILD:**

July 10 D. Pascoe

**HOSPITAL VISIT**

July 10 L. McCabe

**MASS AT AMHERST NURSING HOME**

10:30 AM Thursday, July 21

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

New Parish Center Floor Opening Soon  
 UMASS Basketball Meet & Greet  
 Golf Tournament  
 Parish Picnic  
 Confirmation

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

This is every parents' responsibility to lead their children at home and in church to the grace of God. Each parent instills their children with their values and hopes for their future.

15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Fr. Paul Archambault

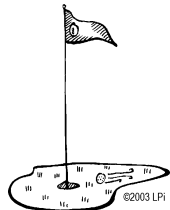
**WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

*Thank you for your generous support!*

**Weekly Parish Budget \$4,800.00**

July 3, 2011.....\$3,288.00

*ST. BRIGID SERVING THE COMMUNITY FOR 140 YEARS!*



**ST. BRIGID'S NINTH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

This year's Annual Golf Tournament will be held on

**Wednesday, August 17, 2011**

at the Amherst Golf Course.

Choose your team and get a four some!

**MAKE THIS YEAR BETTER THAN EVER!**

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

- 12:00 PM Registration (lunch available)
- 1:00 PM Shotgun Start
- 6:00 PM Cocktails (cash bar)
- 6:30 PM Dinner, Raffle and Awards

Entry Fee is \$100 per player Includes: 18 hole scramble, golf cart, hole-in-one contest, dinner and awards/raffle.

**HOLE SPONSORSHIP**

Please sign up your company as a sponsor in our tournament.

Hole sponsorship is \$100.

**Contact: David Casey at 253-4777.**

If you are not golfing, please join us for the dinner and raffle! Don't miss out on this great summer social event! For more information, including sponsorship opportunities, please

**Contact: Jay and Michelle Morgan at (413) 374-7550**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Students (your sons and daughters) learn about Jesus from your example in the home. Attending Mass, teaching them their prayers in the morning and at night - these are just the beginning to showing your son or daughter how Christ can guide the choices you make in life. Sports train the body, faith trains the soul! *Appreciate wisdom and discipline, understand words of intelligence; receive training in wise conduct, in what is right, just and honest; that resourcefulness, knowledge and discretion, may be imparted to the young. Proverbs 1:2-4* We are already preparing for next year and we need your help in teaching your students. Please volunteer to help us educate your family about Jesus Christ.

**THE NEW TRANSLATION OF THE MASS**

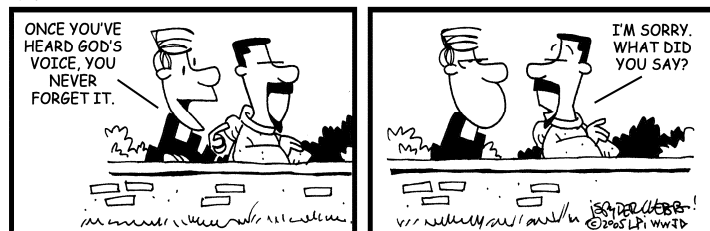
**The Sanctus ("Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts...")**

The opening line of the Sanctus is taken not from a hymn book, but from the angels' worship of God in heaven. In the Old Testament, the prophet Isaiah was given a vision of the angels praising God, crying out, "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts" (see Isaiah 6:3). The word "hosts" here refers to the heavenly army of angels. When we recite "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord" in the Mass, therefore, we are joining the angels in heaven, echoing their very words of worship.

The previous translation of this prayer referred to the Lord as "God of power and might." In the new translation, we address him as "Lord God of hosts." This more clearly echoes the biblical language of the angels in Isaiah and underscores the infinite breadth of God's power. All things in heaven and on earth are under his dominion—including the angels, who adore him unceasingly. Indeed, he is "the Lord God of hosts."

These changes begin the First Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2011

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*Why going to Mass is worth the effort*

Getting to Mass on Sundays feels optional to many families. After all, if we don't show up for work, we may lose our job; if our children miss school, they'll have make-up work; skipping a practice means you don't play in a game. But missing Mass? Will anyone even notice? Is there a consequence? Since the very early years of our church, Christians have gathered on the Lord's day, Sunday (which early on was a workday), to praise God. Attending was never optional; members were expected to be there, but they also wanted to be there, to have the privilege of participating that Baptism gave them. Today the church teaches that attending Mass is so important that we look upon it as an obligation for Catholics, barring a grave cause for absence (illness, for example). But why? Shouldn't we go to church because we want to, not because we have to?

**Our one constant:** Weekly Mass grounds a family. We know that, in any given week, both wonderful and terrible things happen. Kim aces her biology test; Stephen's team loses in the quarter-finals; Mom gets a promotion; Dad gets a questionable report from his doctor. Going to Mass every Sunday, no matter what, reminds us that amid all of the uncertainty and changes, we gather to give our week to God, to praise and thank God for all the gifts we've been given. We return to the Eucharist because this is who we are.

**Discipline:** When we believe something is beneficial to us, we do it often. We eat three meals a day, brush our teeth, exercise (hopefully anyway), and we make sure our kids finish their homework. While it's true we may not always feel like doing any of the above, we discipline ourselves to do things we know are important. Going to Mass each week requires discipline. We may not know exactly the problems we're preventing by spend time listening to God's Word and receiving the Eucharist each week. Studies show, however, that couples who attend church together each week are less likely to divorce. Regular churchgoers have a lower incidence of depression than other people. "The few times that we've skipped church just because we're busy, we seem to have a bumpier week," says John, father of four. "My wife and I seem to bicker more. I think it's because during Mass, you're thinking about becoming a better version of yourself. A week without Mass-means you didn't take anytime to do that". John's comment points to one reason: Mass is not a self-centered consumer event. It's about praising God and taking part in the zeal that reminds us who we are the Body of Christ. That gives us new energy to help transform our world. The Mass nudges us toward "becoming a better version of yourself," which is really about others, not just ourselves.

**Our gift to our community:** The Catechism of the Catholic Church calls Sunday *mid*) "outward, visible, public, and regular," and "a testimony of belonging and being faithful to Christ and his church." Every week we show up at Mass is a week that we say to our community, "We believe." Faith can be contagious. "When I see parents with kids younger than mine at Mass, I think to myself, if they can do it, so can I," says Nancy, mother of two preschoolers. "A family doesn't even know I'm watching them, but I am. And for whatever reason, that inspires me to keep coming."

**A great mission:** Writing in U.S. CATHOLIC MAGAZINE, Greg Pierce offers a reason that he uses with his older children: "I point out that what they are searching for is a guiding principle, what I call a Mission worthy of their lives. I tell them that the church has such a mission to send them on, the very mission on which Jesus of Nazareth sent forth the original disciples. That mission is to make this world a better place, a place more like the way God would have things." Pierce notes that we need a community to accompany us and send us forth, which is exactly what the Mass does each week.

*The Parish Center will be closed until the work is completed. Thank you for your cooperation.*

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