

Saints Teresa and Bridget Church



Parish Office:

3636 North Market St., St. Louis, MO 63113

Office: 314-371-1190 Fax: 314-531-1047

Mass Schedule:

Sunday Mass: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Mass: Monday - 8:15 a.m.

Holy Days: See schedule in bulletin

Sacrament Preparation:

For classes to prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism, Marriage, Reconciliation, or other Sacraments or for instruction in the Catholic Church, please call the parish office, 314-371-1190.

Visitation of the Sick:

Please advise the parish office if you or anyone in the parish has been hospitalized or homebound.

Parish Staff:

Pastor

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Bulletin Deadline:

Monday at 5:00 p.m.

STS. TERESA & BRIDGET CHURCH

Fifth Sunday in Ordinal Time

February 5, 2012

[The Lord] tells the number of the stars and calls them by name. - Psalm 147:4

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- Today, February 5th - Feast Day of St. Bridget will be celebrated after the 10:30 mass
- Sunday, February 12th - Ramp It Up - Two Month Anniversary Celebration of the Parish Ramp after the 8:30 & 10:30 masses
- Saturday, February 25th - STSTB's day to serve in the Soup Kitchen from 9:00 - 11:00 am. All are welcome!

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Angel Baked Cookies	65-ANGEL
Cardinal Ritter Prep	446-5500
CHIPS, Judy Bentley	652-9231
Central Catholic Academy	231-6254
M.A.T Social Outreach, John Hancock	531-1040
Missionary of Charities	533-2777
North Grand Neighborhood Services	535-NGNS
St. Charles Lwanga Center	367-7929
St. Louis Crisis Nursery Outreach Ctr	533-6900
St. Vincent De Paul	531-1169
VCR, Richard Patton	534-6015

WELCOME!

We welcome all our visitors and guests to Sts. Teresa & Bridget Parish. If you would like to register or find out more information about us, please call the parish office at 314-371-1190 or visit our website at www.ststb.org.

Sts. Teresa & Bridget Parish Mission Statement

Sts. Teresa & Bridget Parish holds firm to our mission of faith development, parish and community outreach and living the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. May God continue to bless our church, our parish and our parish family, as we grow stronger in faith and serve Him and each other.

Weekly Offering

Last weeks stewardship offering	\$1,215.39
Weekly stewardship goal	\$2,500.00

Thank you for your support of our parish!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	8:15 am	Cathy Schulte
Thursday	7:00 am	Special Intention
Sunday	8:30 pm	Parishioners of STSTB
Sunday	10:30 am	Craig Underwood

Today

10:30 am Mass

Ministers of the Word: Joyce Williams-Mason; Ronald McRoberts;

Ministers of Communion: Donna Torrillo; Pam White; Blasé Boettcher; Shayla Barber; Kenneth Clouch

Servers: Stafford Green

8:30 am Mass

Ministers of the Word: Tom Nolan

Ministers of Communion: Linda Nash

Sunday, February 5, 2012

10:30 am Mass

Ministers of the Word: Stella Cooper-Blount; Valerie Dowdy

Ministers of Communion: Sharon Barber; Mac Ford; Mark Dowdy; Dee White; Pam White;

Servers: Charles Barber & John Prowell

8:30 am Mass

Ministers of the Word: Maureen Nolan

Ministers of Communion: Cheryl Jones

PRAY FOR THE SICK

for Those in Nursing Homes

Oralynn Allen; Minnie Rogers; Marcus Ingram; Herman Mason; Marian Underwood; Mildred Reed

for our Homebound

Daniel & Linda Bennett, Carol Blount, Robert Brown, Curtis Cheeks, Barbara Cross, Jean Hunter, Thenita Howard, Norma Levy, Erma Olmstead, Annette Strickland, Arnice Straughter, Charles Tillman, Martha Webb, Linda Wise, Cynthia Worlow

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday:	1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday:	1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30
Friday:	1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday:	1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday:	Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32; 1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

Youth Activities

Confirmation: Classes on February 19th & 26th at 9:15. A weekend retreat with Confirmandi from other parishes will be held February 3rd - 5th.

Youth Group Meeting: Our next youth group meeting will be held Sunday, February 19th after the 10:30 mass in the youth room.

Soup Kitchen: Our next day to serve is February 25th from 9:00 am - 11:00 am. All are welcome.

Kids Across America Camp: We are hoping to send youth ages 9-18 to Camp this year on August 5th - 11th, if we can partner with another group for a bus. A \$50.00 deposit was due by January 31st with an additional \$150.00 due by April 30th. Please talk to Sr. Pat if you are interested.

Sierra Club Outing: Youth ages 9-18 are invited to go "Eagle Watching" on Saturday, February 18th from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. Sign up in the back of Church and take a permission form.

Summer Enrichment Program: At this time, we are accepting applications for a Director for the summer Program, which will be held June 11th - 29th. There are applications on the table in the back of church.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN UPDATE

Anyone who works with or volunteers with children must be compliant with the Safe Environment Program per the USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops).

Compliance in the Archdiocese of St. Louis includes having the Protecting God's Children workshop, a signed Code of Ethical Conduct and a current background check which is run every even year in our Archdiocese.

2012 is a background check year and we will begin requesting current background checks for those who are active with children in our parish. If you are no longer serving children in any capacity, please let Sister Pat know that you are no longer serving in a ministry with children. We will delete your information from the background check request. If you are still serving children in our parish, we will be requesting a current background check for you. You will also receive a copy by mail from the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. If your address has changed in the past two years, please advise Sister Pat to have your copy sent to your new address. We will be receiving our own copy so you will not need to submit your copy to the parish.

ST. BRIDGET 'S FEAST DAY

The Feast Day of St. Bridget is Wednesday, February 1st. Our Parish will celebrate the Feast Day TODAY after the 10:30 mass in the parish hall. Back by popular demand "Name That Saint Trivia Game" will be played during refreshments. All your friends and family are welcome.

ST. LOUIS REVIEW

The St. Louis Review is the official newspaper of the Archdiocese of St. Louis. The cost is \$23.00 a year. If you do not wish to receive the newspaper, please contact the rectory at 314-371-1190 ext. 10.

RAMP IT UP! ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sts. Teresa & Bridget Parish will celebrate our two month anniversary of the Parish Hall Ramp on Sunday, February 12, 2012 after the 8:30 & 10:30 masses in the Parish Hall. Please join us for **FOOD, FELLOWSHIP AND FUN!!!**

ST. CHARLES LWANGA CENTER

The 28th Annual Testimonial Awards Dinner will be held on Sunday, March 25, 2012 at the St. Louis Airport Marriott Hotel. Hazel & Louis Purty are our adult honorees and Stafford Green is our youth honoree. The Silent Auction opens at 2:30 pm and the program begins at 4:00 pm in the main ballroom. Tickets for this event are \$50.00. Please contact the parish office at 314-371-1190 to purchase tickets.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

"Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, 'Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.'"

- MARK 1:35, 38

Through today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to doing all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. Yet Jesus also makes time to be alone in prayer. It is only through prayer, through spending time with God, that any of us can find the strength to do all that God wishes us to do. Be sure to find time this week to be with God.



STS. TERESA & BRIDGET
St. Vincent de Paul Society
314-531-1169 or svdp@ststb.org

- SVDP food pantry is open every Thursday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.
- SVDP meeting is the fourth Thursday of each month at 12:30 pm

CAR DONATION PROGRAM

Donate Today! Obtain a tax deduction tomorrow! Help us help others by donating your car, boat or RV to our car donation program. All proceeds benefit programs and services supported by The Society of St Vincent de Paul. For more information please call 314-531-2183 Ext. 121.

SENIOR PROGRAM

Sts. Teresa & Bridget Senior program meets every Thursday from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm in the church basement. If you have some time and would like to join others for fun and games, please join us. This is a great way to get to know and spend time with fellow parishioners.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The story of Job seems at first hearing to be an extension of February's gloom into the liturgy. The monumental suffering of a good man is so horrific that the laments of the front page of modern newspapers barely measure up. The whole story is not long to tell, but its resolution is of great comfort. We can trace in its plot the stirrings of a belief in an afterlife, and in God's great power to right every wrong and raise human beings from suffering.

In the Gospel, we see the fulfillment of these longings in the hand of Jesus, grasping an ill woman by the hand and raising her up to vibrant life. Peter's mother-in-law becomes her best self, attentive to her guests, providing hospitality, the warmth of her laughter, the delights of her kitchen. Last week, at Candlemas, candles were blessed, including baptismal candles for some not yet born. Today is a day to check the fragile flame of your own baptismal candle. Against February's customary lethargy, its background whines and ailments, the liturgy summons us to life, grasps us by the hand, and sends us to serve in Christ's name.

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