**Saint Brigid St. John the Baptist**

**Catholic Church Catholic Church**

2nd Sunday of Advent

December 9, 2018



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314 E. Main St. 657 St. John Church Rd.

Vine Grove, KY 40175 Elizabethtown, KY 42701

Clustered Parish Office: Clustered Parish Office:

**ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:**

Notify the parish office when a family member is hospitalized.

**BAPTISM:**

Contact the parish office for information about the required preparation class.

**BULLETIN:**

Information must be submitted in writing by note or email to the parish office **no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday** for the following weekend. When sending an email, please put “BULLETIN,” and the name of the parish the announcement is for, in the subject line.

**MARRIAGE:**

Contact Father at least 6 months prior to the wedding date to complete required marriage preparations and to schedule the date.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):**

Contact the Worship Chairperson for information.

**DEW MEMORIAL LIBRARY:**

(in St. Brigid Church basement):

Open: Sunday after 9:30 a.m. Mass& 45 minutes before all other Masses.

(270) 877-2461 (270) 877-2461

Email: [brigidvg@bbtel.com](mailto:brigidvg@bbtel.com) **Dir. of Religious Education:**

Website: [www.stbrigidvg.org](http://www.stbrigidvg.org)Lisa Thomas: (270) 735-6930

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**Youth Minister:** Ericka Finlay: (502) 612-2644

Lori Law: (270) 723-0157

**MASS SCHEDULE:**

*Saturday (Vigil):*  6:30 p.m.

*Sunday:* 11:30 a.m.

*Wednesday:* 6:30 p.m.

*Friday:* 9:00 a.m.

**RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday before Mass

5:30-6:00 p.m. or by appt.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

*President:* Lauran Thomas

*Secretary:* Theresa Smith

**CHAIRPERSONS:**

*Administration:*  Nick Thomas

*Formation:* Ericka Finlay

*Parish Life:* Bradley Wickersham

*Worship:* Greg Thompson



**MASS SCHEDULE:**

*Sunday:* 9:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

*Monday:* 9:00 a.m.

*Thursday:* 9:00 a.m.

**RECONCILIATION:**

Sunday before Mass

5:30-6:00 p.m. or by appt.

**ROSARY:**

After weekday Masses

**PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

*President:* Sue Weisshaupt

*Vice-President:* Mike Bramlett

*Secretary:* Judy Cochran

*At-Large Members:* Blake Ryan

& Vincent Thompson

**CHAIRPERSONS:**

*Administration:* Dale Winchester

*Formation:* Tina Yates

*Parish Life:* Tom Billings

*Worship:* Keith Baughman



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| **Saturday** | **December 8** | **6:30 p.m.** | **St. John** | **For All Parishioners**  **Lining & Deceased Members of Emil & Anna Brangers Family** | **The Immaculate Conception**  **of the B.V.M.** |
| **Sunday** | **December 9** | **9:30 a.m.** | **St. Brigid** | **Inge Luther, Cameron Ponder**  **& Luise Weisshaupt** | **2nd Sunday of Advent** |
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| **“** | **“** | **6:30 p.m.** | **St. Brigid** | **Our Parish Family**  **Bill Brown** | **“** |
| **Monday** | **December 10** | **9:00 a.m.** | **St. Brigid** | **Dickie Cecil** | **Advent Weekday** |
| **Wednesday** | **December 12** | **6:30 p.m.** | **St. John** | **In Thanksgiving** | **Our Lady of Guadalupe** |
| **Thursday** | **December 13** | **9:00 a.m.** | **St. Brigid** | **Richard Hughes** | **St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr** |
| **Friday** | **December 14** | **9:00 a.m.** | **St. John** | **Bill French** | **St. John of the Cross,**  **Priest & Doctor of the Church** |
| **Saturday** | **December 15** | **9:00 a.m.** | **St. John** | **For All Parishioners** | **Vigil: 3rd Sunday of Advent** |
| **Sunday** | **December 16** | **9:30 a.m.** | **St. Brigid** | **Mack, Leanna & Billy Cecil** | **3rd Sunday of Advent** |
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| **“** | “ | **6:30 p.m.** | **St. Brigid** | **Our Parish Family**  **Helen C. Adams** | **“** |

**For Both Parishes**

**VOCATIONS** – Do you know a young man or woman who might make a great priest, brother or sister? Help the Archdiocese of Louisville Vocations Office connect with them! By submitting names through our Called by Name initiative, you'll help us send potential discerners good information and invitations to discernment events. To participate visit: [www.louisvillevocations.com/called-by-name/](http://www.louisvillevocations.com/called-by-name/)

**ABORTION AND ADOPTION –** The number of would-be adoptive parents (of newborn babies) far outstrips the supply in America. Each year in the United States, about 135,000 American children are placed for adoption. Experts estimate somewhere between one and two million couples seek to adopt yearly. Every year, there are about 1.3 million abortions. Sadly, only 4% of women with unwanted pregnancies give their children up for adoption. Every child is wanted and wanted desperately! By Pro-Life Articles Author [www.pro-lifearticles.org](http://www.pro-lifearticles.org)

**PROJECT RACHEL** **–** Healing…Forgiveness…Hope…After the experience of an abortion. If you or someone you know is struggling with the pain from an abortion, please consider Project Rachel – a post abortion ministry. To speak to someone confidentially, call (502) 471-2155 or email [ProjectRachel@archlou.org](mailto:ProjectRachel@archlou.org).

**CONFIDENTIAL PREGNANCY AND ADOPTION COUNSELING** – is available at Catholic Charities for women of all ages experiencing untimely pregnancies. A full range of services are provided, including adoptive placement, legal assistance and counseling for individuals, groups and families. Post-abortion counseling is also available. Services are provided regardless of income or marital status. For more information, call Catholic Charities at (502) 637-9786.

**K OF C CHRISTMAS BASKETS** – Beginning Sunday, December 1, a box will be in the vestibule of the church for the collection of canned goods for the Knights of Columbus Christmas Basket Drive. A couple of our Confirmation students are taking on the responsibility of collecting and delivering all items collected to the Knights of Columbus. **Please drop off non-perishable food items beginning December 1 through December 16.**

**ST. MARTIN OF TOURS IN FLAHERTY** – invites you to a Countdown to 2019, New Year’s Eve Dance, in the St. Martin Gym on **Monday, December 31, from 8:00 p.m.- 12:30 a.m.** Tickets are $20 single, $35 couple, table for 8 $140. Contact Lisa Hobbs at (270) 668-5826; Elaine Medley at (270) 668-4100; Elaine McKinney at (270) 547-8111; or Roselle Muse at (270) 272-4898. Please join in the fun!

**LOOK, THINK, ACT!!**  Look - at your relatives, friends, and acquaintances.  Think - who on this list should become Catholic?  Act - ask each of them if they would like for you to sponsor them and accompany them on their journey toward becoming a Catholic.  Invite them to join the RCIA team as they present the program.  The RCIA [Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults] will begin on **Tuesday, January 8, 2019** and end on Holy Saturday, April 20.  Interested persons should contact Keith Baughman at (270) 877-5283 or Saint Brigid Parish at (270) 877-2461.  If you get an answering machine, please leave your name and phone number.  Your call will be answered!!

**St. John and St. Brigid Prayer List**

To add someone to the prayer list, please call the parish office at (270) 877-2461. **Remember to call to remove someone from the list if they are no longer sick, etc.** *Please note that the prayer list has been revised. It is primarily for parishioners and their immediate family members*.

Sam **Adams**, April **Allen**, Dennis **Arnold**, Barbara **Ashley**, Donnie Alan **Atcher**, Shannon **Barnes,** Denise **Barnett**, Timothy **Birch**, Teresa **Blaycock**, Charlie **Bowers**, Pauline **Brangers**, Ellen **Bryan**, Richard **Bryson**, Carol **Buchanan**, Linda **Buchanan**, Jeremy & Margie **Buyer**, Deacon Bob **Caspar**, Sue **Caswell**, Ed **Cecil**, J. Mack **Cecil**, Steve **Cecil**, Judy **Cleaver**, John **Connor**, Betty Jo **Cooper**, Heidi **Correa**, Jeff **Craig**, Glynn **Clutches**, Roan **Dowell**, Karen **Dworshak**, Leroy **Embry**, Marion **French**, Dwayne **Garcia**, Joe **Greenwell**, Carrie **Gribben**, Mary **Hager**, Mrs. Charles **Hair**, Stephanie **Hall**, Donnie **Hart**, Jimmy **Harper**, Bobby **Harris**, Eileen **Heinen**, Debbie **Hodge**, Betty Lou **Jones**, Charlene **Langley**, Olivia **Leasor**, Jenny **Leonhardt**, Jackie **Long**, Louise **Lucous**, Alma **Mahanna**, Shelly **Martin**, Shirley **Martin**, Martina **Masoni**, Don **Mattingly**, Gerard **Mattingly**, Paul Michael **Mattingly**, Mary **Medley,** Cindy **Miller**, Starla **Miller**, Doug **Osborne**, Duane **Osborne**, Mickey **Padgett**, Frank **Inanely**, Jerry **Phillips**, Annie **Pierce**, Adrianna **Porter**, Jeremy **Porter**, Adrian **Ray**, Mary Agnes **Ray**, Mary Ellen **Ray**, Tonya **Reisinger**, Joel **Rivera**, Suzanne **Russell**, Caroline **Seabee**, Leon **Skeeters**, Jim **Smith**, Ralph **Staples**, Keith **Tassin**, Kenny **Thompson**, Raffaella **Tucker**, Debi **Turner**, Stacey **Vance**, Bill **Waldrop**, Lois **Weaver**, De Neil **Whelan**, Paul A. **Whelan**, Jennifer **Williams**, Sandy **Wiseman**, Zach **Wiseman**, Gail **Wilson**, Don **Wooldridge**, Connor **Wright**, and all the sick, both mentally and physically.

**OUR MILITARY List**

To add someone to the military list, please call the parish office at (270) 877-2461. **Remember to call to remove someone from the list if they are no longer in the service**.

Lt. Matt **Bednar**, PFC Richard H. **Chapman**, A1C Aaron **Chandler**, A1C Brandon **Davila**, SrA Felicia **Esquivel**, PFC Tyler **Hall**, A1C Ryan **Henley**, A1C Joseph **Manco**, SPC Jacob L. **Nall**, SFC Peter **Novak**, Tony **Rickerl**, James **Rogers**, Tony **Rogers**, Jonathon **Sifford**, Jeffrey **Slade**, Derek **Smith**, CSM Vance **Snider**, Brian **Tomassi**, A1C Daniel **Trombone**, SGT Evan **Vaughan**, PV2 William **Vaughan**, SFC Lisa **Flynn-Veri**, CPT Michael **Veri**, LTC Steve **Wickersham**, SGT Clay **Wilson**, TSGT Jeremy **Yates**, Austin **Zulka** and for all who serve and have served our country.

**St. John The Baptist catholic church**

**Monthly Budget Amount Needed:** $ 12,500.00

**Monthly Collection for November:** $ 11,735.74

**Monthly Collection for December:** $ 3,401.00

**WELCOME PACKETS** – If you would like to become a member, or learn more about St. John Parish, please take a *Welcome Packet* in the church lobby. You may return the census card and the stewardship form to Father Dan or place in the collection basket.

**RETIRED RELIGIOUS** – This annual door collection will be taken this weekend **December 8-9.**

**CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2018 UPDATE** – We have donated $17,500 (80%) of our financial goal with 66 families (69%) participating.

**ONE CALL SYSTEM** – St. John now has the One Call System. For now, we will be using this to contact specific groups to keep them informed of meetings and events. If you get a phone call from (270) 877-2461, that is the church office number.  If you get a text, it will say from St. John Church.  Please bear with us as we get this set up.  If you wish to make any changes to how you are contacted, please contact Lisa Thomas at (270) 735-6930 or Clarissa Yates at (270) 766-7821. If you get a call and miss the message, you can go to the new website (Thank you Hannah Thomas) and in the bottom left hand corner of the home page, click on the *One Call* logo.  The website is awesome, check it out at bit.ly/stjohnchurch.

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY** – Thanks again to the St. John Friends of Habitat for their donations to the Ambler family whose house was dedicated in Vine Grove on Sunday. The family was so appreciative of the cookware, silverware, dishtowels/cloths, baking dishes and pans, George Forman Grill, pitcher and glasses, towels/wash cloths, etc. Your generosity to the Habitat families continues to bless so many. May God bless you for your continued support of Habitat.

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE** **– Monday, December 24, at 8:00 p.m. and Midnight.**

**ROOM IN THE INN** – St. John the Baptist will sponsor the Friday nights of **December 28, January 25, and February 22** for this program to help the homeless in our area. Contact Elaine Geer at (270) 763-2202 or (270) 737-4172 to volunteer or for more information.

**MARY, MOTHER OF GOD HOLY DAY MASS** – will be on **Tuesday, January 1, at 9:00 a.m.** The Wednesday, January 2, 6:30 p.m. Mass is cancelled.

**St. John liturgical ministers**

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| **Vigil; 3rd Sunday of Advent, December 15, 2018** | **6:30 p.m.** |
| Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist | Rhonda Newton Becky Thomas Leann Davidson |
| Lector | Dennis Thomas |
| Servers | Drew Thomas Audrey Hunt |
| Greeter(s) | Ericka Finlay |
| Gift Bearers | Jackie & Mary Hall |
| Ushers | Charlie French Jonathan French |
| **3rd Sunday of Advent, December 16, 2018** | **11:30 a.m.** |
| Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist | Rick & Danette Powers Martha Thomas |
| Lector | Amanda Quiggins |
| Servers | Melia Reddick Mya Reddick |
| Greeter(s) | Ovensen Family |
| Gift Bearers | Gary & Libby Brangers |
| Ushers | David Pike Greg Thomas |
| **Hospital Ministry – Sunday, December 23, 2018** | Anna Mattingly |

**St. Brigid catholic church**

**Monthly Budget Amount Needed:** $ 25,280.00

**Monthly Collection for November:** $ 24,106.68

**Monthly Collection for December:** $ 7,828.00

**WELCOME VISITORS** – If you are interested in joining our parish, please pick up a Welcome Packet at the church doors. Complete the registration form and either drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the office. If you just need to update your registration, there are also forms available.

**RETIRED RELIGIOUS** – This annual second collection will be taken after Communion today **Sunday, December 9.**

**CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2018 UPDATE** – We have donated $31,500 (89%) of our financial goal with 93 families (72%) participating.

**CHRISTMAS BASKETS** – The Knights of Columbus in Vine Grove, KY is preparing for their biggest charity event of the year.  On **Saturday, December 22, 2018**, the Council will deliver over 150 food baskets to needy families in the Vine Grove, Rineyville, Flaherty & Radcliff communities. Please help our event by donating can goods.  Boxes have been placed in the front of the church for your donations.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY** – Because of tax law changes all donations to SVDP should be made out to St. Vincent de Paul **NOT** to St. Brigid Church. Your donation is still tax deductible. Thank you for your continued support of SVDP to help the local poor and needy.

**GIVING TREE UPDATE** – Thank you for your generosity! We have many gifts for the nursing home and have collected $2,900.00 so far for Hardin County Schools Family Resource Centers for families who receive no assistance from other sources. We are $900.00 short of our goal of $3,000.00 in gift cards. But we still have plenty of time (two weeks). We have about 12 candy canes left on the tree. When the tree is bare, we will have given our all and that is what Jesus did for us. He gave his all.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**! Your Discernment Committee continues to check the progress on our actions as a result of your feedback.  We are excited about the positive feedback from our new monthly calendar and updated Facebook page.  This will keep all of us “in the know” for upcoming events.  We are already seeing an increase in participation at our monthly service project with Feeding America.

**WHAT’S NEXT?**  You will see families bringing the gifts to the Altar at Offertory.  If you have not been asked, but would like to be part of this experience, please connect Keith Baughman on Sunday mornings or Sunday evenings.

**ADVENT CONFESSIONS** – The Sacrament will be celebrated at **6:30 p.m. on Monday, December 10.**

**BLOOD DRIVE** – The next drive will be held on **Friday, December 14,** from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in the CCC building. Give the gift of life!! This is more rewarding than what else you have to do today!!

**YOU WON’T WANT TO MISS THE FOLLOWING EVENTS**:

**December 16** – Michelangelo film

Beginning January 2019, we will have a monthly family game night, a monthly family movie night and special holiday events for Valentine’s and Easter.

Post your monthly calendar on the refrigerator and join us for fun and fellowship.  Point of contact for events and areas of interest can be found on the back of the monthly calendar.

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE** – **Monday, December 24, at 6:00 p.m. and Tuesday, December 25, at 10:00 a.m.**

**MARY, MOTHER OF GOD HOLY DAY MASS** – will be on **Monday, December 31, at 6:30 p.m.** The Monday, December 31, 9:00 a.m. Mass is cancelled.

**St. Brigid FAITH FORMATION**

Bishop Robert Barron's "CATHOLICISM: The Pivotal Players" is a multi-part film series that illuminates a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of civilization.

Give yourself a special Advent treat! We will meet for 3 Sunday mornings after Mass in the CMR for coffee/donuts and to journey along with Bishop Barron as he explores the lasting influence of "The Pivotal Players."

**December 16** – Michelangelo

**St. Brigid monthly meet and greet**



St. Brigid Parish hosts a “Meet and Greet” in the **School Cafeteria** the 2nd Sunday of each month immediately following the 9:30 a.m. Mass with coffee and donuts. This is a great opportunity for existing parishioners to extend a warm welcome to visitors and anyone interested in joining St. Brigid Parish. Be sure to also visit the Dew Memorial Library.

**The next Meet and Greet will be Sunday, December 9, 2018**

**St. Brigid youth ministry**

**Wednesday, December 12** – Open gym in the CCC for all youth in the 8th-12th grade. We gather from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for free time to play ball, play games and socialize. **There will be no open gym on Wednesday, December 5.**

**Sunday, December 16** – Religious Education service project, cookie baking and lunch during normal class time. You won't want to miss this class!

**Friday, December 21** – Youth Christmas Party at Lori's for all youth in the 8th-12th grade. The party will run from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Join us for games, good food and our White Elephant game. This is a great opportunity to join our group if you haven't come before! All you need to do is RSVP by the December 18. Bring a wrapped unisex gift that is under $10, and ugly Christmas sweaters are highly recommended!

If you have any questions, please contact Lori at (270) 723-0157 or email at [stbrigidyouth@hotmail.com](mailto:stbrigidyouth@hotmail.com).

**St. Brigid liturgical ministers**

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| **3rd Sunday of Advent, December 16, 2018** | **9:30 a.m.** |
| Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist P. | David Stoddard Gary Morris |
| C. | Tina Yates Angie Bragg E. Jane Vessels |
| Lector | Eric Fraley |
| Servers | Maggie Board Tylar Craig |
| Greeters | Tina & Tony Yates |
| Gift Bearers | Aiken Family |
| **3rd Sunday of Advent, December 16, 2018** | **6:30 p.m.** |
| Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist P. | Donna Osterhage |
| C. | Richard Osterhage |
| Lector | Richard Osterhage |
| Servers | Volunteers |
| Greeters | Volunteers |
| Gift Bearers | Michael Hall Family |
| **Hospital Ministry – Sunday, December 9, 2018** | Ralph & Sherleen Barren |

**2nd Sunday of Advent**

*“And this is my prayer, that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value….”* Philippians 1:8-10

When we take seriously the role of steward, our vision becomes outward directed with a longing to share from our blessings an \d abundance with those in need.

**MARRIAGE MOMENTS**

Marital arguments sometimes go around in circles with each spouse trying to prove they were right. Sometimes you are right, but that’s not the point. If you can recognize part of the argument that you were wrong in, simply saying, “I was wrong” can help. Resist following it with, “But…”

**PARENTING POINTERS**

December 13 is the Feast of St. Lucia (Lucy), a virgin who brought gifts to the poor around the winter solstice. Her name means light. You may already be lighting Advent candles as you approach Christmas. As you light two candles today, tell your children the story of St. Lucia.

