"Two are better than one; ... If one falls, another will lift up the fallen...."

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10



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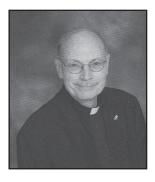
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Dear Parishioners,

Good communication is important for any parish, so I am pleased to introduce this first edition Guidebook and Directory for St. Brigid & St. John. As with any church directory I hope it provides you with much more than just information. This book also offers a look at how stewardship keeps our parishes active and alive; there are many activities going on and people need to be available to serve where needed. I also hope this booklet can become a source of prayer. All the information about people and activities cry out for prayer in support of one another in our parish family as we work together.

Thanks to Maggie Olson, Clarissa Yates and to all who helped publish this directory. May it become another source of knowledge to help us become more Christ-centered and dedicated to building up the Kingdom of God in our midst through our parish activity.

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Peace,

Fr. Dan Lincoln Pastor

St. Brigid & St. John Mission Statement

Saint Brigid & Saint John Parishes are Roman Catholic communities that were clustered in 2007. We are committed to living our faith through prayer an worship of God. We believe that we have been called, through Baptism, to share the responsibility of advancing Christ's mission on earth. We accept this calling willingly and foster God's word in sacrament and teaching.

We embrace the mission of proclaiming that Good News by welcoming all people. We receive new members and visitors as Christ. We remember that what we have done for the "least of our brothers and sisters" we have also done for Christ.

Saint Brigid & Saint John are family-oriented parishes with family life and family values at the forefront of our ministry. We are actively fostering formation and education of children and adults.

Saint Brigid & Saint John are communities that value God's gifts of a bountiful earth and willing workers. We are called to be a generous, loving people sharing the fruits of our labors with all of God's people. With the gifts given to us by the Holy Spirit, we vow to make Christ more visible in our community and to make Saint Brigid & Saint John parishes places that all who love God can call home.

St. Brigid Mass Schedule



No Mass Saturday Mass

Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Weekday Masses Monday 9:00 a.m. Thursday 9:00 a.m.

Ash Wednesday & Holy Week

Easter Vigil 8:30 p.m. Easter 9:30 a.m. Christmas Vigil 6:00 p.m. Christmas 10:00 a.m.

Other Holy Days To Be Announced

St. John Mass Schedule

5:00 p.m.



Saturday Mass 6:30 p.m. Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m.

Ash Wednesday & Holy Week

7:00 p.m. Easter Vigil No Mass

Easter 7:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

Christmas Vigil 8:00 p.m. Christmas 12:00 midnight

Other Holy Days TBA

Sacraments

Sacraments of Initiation

Baptisms: Generally, the Sacrament of Baptism, for infants or young children under the age of 7, is celebrated at a time that is convenient for the family. Parishioners are asked to contact the Director of Religious Education for information about the Baptismal Preparation classes.

Confirmation: Confirmation is celebrated every other year when students are around the age of 15. Contact the Director of Religious Education for more information.

First Eucharist: Preparation for the Sacrament of First Eucharist Is coordinated through the parish for our young parishioners at the 2nd grade age. Older children and adults should contact the Director of Religious Education for more information.

Sacraments of Healing

Anointing of the Sick: Administered upon request. Please call the parish office when a family member is hospitalized or seriously ill while home bound.

Reconciliation: Sunday afternoons before the 6:30 p.m. Mass between 5:30-6:00 p.m. or by appointment.

Sacraments of Service

Holy Orders: If you are interested in the priesthood, please contact the pastor for more information.

Marriage: Couples wishing to be married in St. Brigid or St. John Church are required to contact the parish at least six months in advance of the wedding date to learn what is required and to begin the preparation process.





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Become a Member of the Parish? Welcome packets are in the church lobby at St. John and at all the doors at St. Brigid Church. The necessary forms are included in the packets.

Enroll my child in the Parish Religious Education Program?Contact the Director of Religious Education for your parish to register your child in the program.

Have my child participate in Youth Ministry? The parishes offer programs for youth grades 8-12. The youth program includes spiritual community and service activities. Youth Fun Night at St. Brigid is usually on Wednesday evening from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Contact the Youth Minister for your parish for details.

Make funerals arrangements? Arrangements for the Vigil Service, the Funeral Mass, funeral luncheon, etc. are initially made through the funeral home who contacts the pastor.

Obtain a copy of a Baptismal Certificates: Anyone seeking a copy of his/her baptismal or other sacrament certificates should contact the parish office on any business day, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Put information in the bulletin? Information should be submitted to the parish office in writing, or by email to brigidvg@bbtel.com, no later than 12:00 noon on Wednesday before that next Sunday's bulletin. Be sure to type "Bulletin" in the subject line along with the name of the parish it concerns.

Receive Catholic instruction? See RCIA under Sacraments. **Rent the Catholic Community Center (CCC) (St. Brigid)?** For rentals, rates and scheduling, contact the Parish Office at 270-877-2461. Forms and payment must be made 3 weeks prior to the event. Scheduling of an event should be made as soon as possible in order to reserve the desired date.

Request financial assistance? Our parishes make donations to the St. Vincent de Paul Society which are disbursed to those in need. The contact number is 270-351-7409. The St. Vincent de Paul Store is located at 512 N. Mulberry St. Elizabethtown, KY 42701.

Schedule Mass Intentions? Specific dates for Mass intentions should be requested well in advance of the anniversary or other occasion so as to ensure availability. Masses for recently deceased loved ones will be scheduled as the calendar permits. Mass intentions for the coming week are printed in the Sunday bulletin. The suggested offering for a Mass is ten dollars. If several Masses are requested, please do not request only Sunday Masses. Weekday Masses are just as important and other parishioners might like a Sunday Mass as well. **Be sure to specify at which church Mass intentions are to be offered.**

History Of St. Brigid

St. Brigid Parish was established in 1907 as a mission of St. Patrick in Stithton, because a church was needed in the small rural town of Vine Grove. A building was purchased in 1908 from the Northern Methodist congregation. It served the little Catholic parish two Sundays of each month. The parish grew rapidly when the federal government acquired the community of Stithton and displaced both the parishioners of St. Patrick Church and its pastor, Father Rudolph C. Ruff. In 1918, St. Brigid was raised from a mission to a parish, and Father Ruff became the first resident pastor.

Under the pastorate of Father Guido L. Mensa, the parish continued to grow. In 1929, Father Mensa built the present St. Brigid Church. St. Brigid operated a school from 1938 to 2004. For many of those years, teaching support came from the Ursuline Sisters of Mount St. Joseph.

St. Brigid Parish is a close-knit community that reaches out to all in need. The parish always exceeds its goal for the annual appeal for the Archdiocese, donates Christmas baskets for the needy and for elderly neighbors and shutins on the Christmas Giving Tree, makes contributions of money and items needed for the Crossway Pregnancy Center, and gives generously to natural disaster relief and numerous other civic needs in the area.

The church has been expanded and modernized twice to continue to inspire its more than 900 parishioners in their worship at Mass. Parishioners participate regularly in Bible study groups, in novenas and other devotions, and in the Growing in Faith Together (GIFT) program. In addition to events for the soul, church activities include the parish raffle, spaghetti supper, cake auction, and other community-building events. The parish raffle replaced the annual church picnic which had been held from 1929 through 2004. St. Brigid is a good place to grow in every way.

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Vacation Bible School Deacon Mike Ryan	
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Worship	
Adult Choir	
Email: gina.ryan@hardin.kyschools.us Sings typically at the 9:30 Mass on Sunday and for Christmas, Easter and special feast days.	
Altar Society	
Email: janice1@bbtel.com Altar Servers	
Email: mryan@bbtel.com Anyone can be an altar server but they must be baptized and made their 1st Communion. Training will be provided.	
Art & Environment Janice Jenkins 270-832-7130	
Email: janice1@bbtel.com These persons are in charge of the flowers and the decoration of the church for Christmas and Easter and other special occasions.	
Cantors	
Email: gina.ryan@hardin.kyschools.us This person leads the sung prayer of the liturgical assembly. It is necessary for the cantor to sing the psalms and to practice the psalm of the day and any other liturgical songs prior to the liturgy.	
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist	
EMEs are adult lay ministers whose role is to assist the priest and deacon in the distribution of Communion during liturgy. Training is required and is offered on an as-needed basis.	
Lectors	
Resurrection Choir Janice Jenkins 270-832-7130 270-877-0753	
Email: janice1@bbtel.com Sings at funerals to give comfort to the family and to rejoice at the eternal life promised by our Savior.	





Sacristans Pat Billings 270-877-5447 Persons charged with the care of the sacristy, the church, and their contents, primarily caring for the vestments, altar linens, etc.		
Parish Life		
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Hospitality Events/Meet & Greet SundayPat Billings270-877-5447		
Shut-In/Hospital Visitation Committee		
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St. Vincent de Paul Society Nan Filburn270-877-0698		
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Summer Event Raffle		
This annual event raises funds for large parish projects. The raffle is usually held in early September. There are four capitol prizes: \$5,000, \$3,000, & two \$1,000. There are only 300 tickets sold at \$100 each. The raffle can provide \$20,000 for needed repairs and renovations in the parish. Each purchaser of a raffle ticket receives two dinner tickets.		
Trunk or Treat Selina Chandler		
Email: rhchandler@windstream.net This Halloween tradition provides a safe place for children to celebrate this holiday. Candy contributions are made by parishioners and area businesses. These are then distributed by volunteers to over 800 children annually.		
Young at HeartPat Billings270-877-5447		
This group provides some social interaction for senior citizens 50 years young and older the first Wednesday of every month beginning at 11:00 a.m. The parish provides the chicken and attendees bring a dish to share.		

Other Ministeries Christmas Giving Tree Deacon Mike Ryan......270-877-0546270-272-6789 Email: mryan@bbtel.com The tree is set up in church around mid-November until about the first week of December. Gifts suggestions are hung on the tree to benefit Family Resources, the Youth Service Center and the area Nursing Home. Red Cross Blood Drive......Valerie Greenwell.......270-766-7918 Rosary Makers...... Bernice McCombs.......270-877-2382 **Knights of Columbus** Father Diemert Council #3379, 312 E. Main St., Vine Grove, KY 40175 Email: vgreenwell@bbtel.com The Knights of Columbus are a separate entity from the parish though both work together on many projects.

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History Of St. John The Baptist

Settlers from Maryland formed the Rhudes Creek Catholic Community of St. John the Baptist in the early 1800s. The parish was established in 1829, but the first church was a log structure built by Father Charles Nerinckx in 1812. Father Charles J. Cissell was the first pastor of St. John.

The oldest grave in its cemetery is dated 1811, and many of the early families who were buried there have a large number of descendents in the parish to this day.

The Sisters of Loretto relocated Bethlehem Academy, a one-room frame building near St. John Church, in 1830, and twenty-six pastors of St. John served as chaplains to the Academy until it closed in 1959. For many years, the pastors of St. John resided at the Academy.

The present church is the third in the parish's history. It was started in 1898 and finished in 1899. It was renovated and brick-veneered in 1967 and has been renovated several times since. In 1972, an all-purpose building was constructed.

Primarily a farming community, St. John is growing and changing as subdivisions are added. Today, the parish consists of nearly 650 parishioners worshipping and serving one another. St. John's is a small country church where everyone knows everyone and where all visitors are welcomed.

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Members are responsible for ensuring that both the needs and ministries of the parish are always being met to the best of their abilities. They provide counsel to the pastor in areas of decision making as well as leadership involvement for various activities and functions. The main work of the council is pastoral planning. Pastoral means that the council helps the pastor do his job by investigating, considering, and offering him their conclusions. There are usually 4 unpaid members who are selected by the adult members of the congregation.

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