

**January 22, 2012**

**St. Bridget of Ireland Parish**

**Mass Intentions This Week**

("†" indicates this person is deceased)

**Saturday, January 21, Vigil of 3<sup>rd</sup> Ordinary Sunday**

8:00 AM †Rev. Vincent Flynn &  
Vincent E. Flynn  
by their family

4:00 PM †Carol Caselli by Judy Bruen

**Sunday, January 22, The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM †Agnes Burns by her family

9:30 AM †Greg Rosa  
by Mary Spadaro & Ernie Whitehead

11:30 AM Mass of Thanksgiving for  
Mr. & Mrs. Daniel McCabe  
by Joan Kenny

**Monday, January 23, Weekday**

7:00 AM †Wilhelmus Van Middelaar  
by his wife

**Tuesday, January 24, Feast of St. Francis de Salle**

7:00 AM †Henry Weasel  
by Rosemarie & Claude Victor

**Wednesday, January 25, The conversion of St. Paul**

7:00 AM †Stella Mobilio  
by Clara Grande

**Thursday, January 26, Feast of St's Timothy & Titus**

7:00 AM †Deceased members of the  
Novosdelik family  
by the Victor family

**Friday, January 27, Weekday**

7:00 AM †Joseph & Helen Malloy  
by their family

**Saturday, January 28, Vigil of 4<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Sunday**

8:00 AM †Andrew Soltes, 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary  
by his family

4:00 PM †Joseph Bacco by his family

**Sunday, January 29, the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM †Grace Macchio  
by her family

9:30 AM †Deceased members of  
St Bridget Ladies Guild  
by Ron & Julia DesRoches

11:30 AM †Angelo & Rosaria Bonvenuto  
by their family

*Please pray for the departed souls of our loved ones especially Robert Connolly and Richard Kucharski, recently departed members of our parish. Grant all of our deceased families and loved ones perpetual rest and comfort in the arms of our Lord.*

**2012 Mass Intentions** - There are still Mass Intentions available for 2012. Please call (203 324-2910), visit or e-mail (Bridgetct@aol.com) the rectory to schedule Masses for your loved ones.

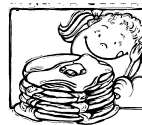
**Come Sing to the Lord**



The music ministry of St. Bridget Church is actively recruiting choir members to sing for Lent, Holy Week and Easter. We are looking for a few good folks with a generous heart, a little extra time, and the willingness to learn music for the liturgy. We will meet on Saturdays from 9AM- 10:30 AM during February and then on Friday evenings following the Stations of the Cross during the month of March. Please call Cheryl at 203 355-1891 with any questions.

**First Communion Class Information** - Please take note that the First Communion Class will have their first retreat on Sunday, March 4, 2012. It will take place from 10:30am - 1:30pm in the parish hall. Please pack a small lunch and snack for your child that day.

Their First Reconciliation will take place on Friday, March 30, 2012 at 6PM. After they receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation they will present the Living Stations of the Cross. Please invite your family and friends to attend.



**Mardi Gras Pancake Supper**

**Tuesday, February 21, 2012**

**Serving from 5:30 - 7:30 PM**

Adults \$10.<sup>00</sup>, Children ages 10 & under are free! Tickets will not be sold ahead, just come and pay at the door. Join us with your family and friends for a special evening.

**Current family information:** Please notify the parish office (call 324-2910 or email: Bridgetct@aol.com) of any changes in your personal information such as change of address, phone number, email address, marital status or a new addition to your family. We are utilizing our Email system to stay in touch throughout the year and during emergencies, so please send us your email to be included in parish notifications.

**~ Financial Support of Our Parish ~**

**January 15, 2012**

Amount received:	2012	same week in 2011
Weekly	\$3,381.00	\$3,587.00
Monthly	\$1,211.00	\$1,327.00
Poor box	\$75.00	\$62.00
Candles	\$79.00	\$37.00

*Thank-you for your generous support. Your gifts help us to reach the weekly budgeted amount necessary to run the Parish of St. Bridget of Ireland.*

## Ash Wednesday Day or Evening Retreat

Wednesday, February 22

Day Retreat 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Evening Retreat 6:00 – 9:00 pm

“Our Lenten Journey: Consumed by God

Presenter: Fr. David Cinquegrani, C.P.

Both the day and the evening will include the presentation, a meal and conclude with Mass and the distribution of ashes. Offering: \$35

Register online at [www.holyfamilyretreat.org](http://www.holyfamilyretreat.org) or send name, address and offering to: Holy Family Retreat Center 303 Tunxis Road West Hartford, Ct 06107 (860) 521-0440



**Free Concert-Lecture** - The Rev. Stephen Schloesser, S.J., will discuss the early years of Olivier Messiaen, one of the most influential composers of the 20th century, when he delivers Fairfield University's Bellarmine Lecture on Wednesday, February 1. This "concert lecture," free and open to the public, will be interspersed with songs for soprano and piano. Works to be performed include Messiaen's "The Smile," and "La Fiancee perdue." The event will take place at Fairfield University, 1073 North Benson Road Fairfield, CT 06824, in the Egan Chapel of St. Ignatius Loyola at 8 p.m.

The Bellarmine Lecture series was set up to bring distinguished Jesuit Scholars in a variety of disciplines to Fairfield. For information on other Center for Catholic Studies events, visit <http://www.fairfield.edu/cs/>.

### New Member of St. Bridget's Memorial Fund

✠ *Deacon Wayne Malloy*  
enrolled by Sue Ann Miller

✠ *Stella Mobilio*  
enrolled by Janina Larson

### Women's Lenten Retreat - March 23-25, 2012

"Becoming Women of Courage, Conviction and Compassion" Embracing the dignity of Womenhood. This retreat directed by Mrs. Fran Karpiej, SFO, of Sharing Christ Ministry. A (semi-silent) Lenten Women's Retreat offering inspiring presentations, personal quiet time and creative prayer services. considering the question: "How can I become a graceful and grace-filled Christian Woman, empowered with courage, conviction and compassion in these often difficult days?" Held at: St. Edmund's Retreat Center, Enders Island, Mystic, CT. Registration & Info: Contact Janet Virmalo, 860-536-0565, ext. 110, Email: [jvirmalo@endersisland.com](mailto:jvirmalo@endersisland.com). Visit their website and register online: [www.endersisland.com](http://www.endersisland.com).

## Calendar of Events

February:

- 4 & 5 Blessing of throats in honor of St. Blaise after each Mass
- 19 No Religious Ed classes, winter break
- 21 Senior Group meeting 11 AM- 2:30 PM (2:15 PM Rosary)
- 21 Fat Tuesday Pancake Dinner
- 22 Ash Wednesday
- 24 Stations of the Cross 7PM
- 26 No Religious Ed classes, winter break
- 28 Confessions 7-9PM

March:

- 2, 9, 16 & 23 Stations of the Cross 7PM
- 4 First Reconciliation Class Retreat 10:30 AM - 1:30 PM
- 6, 13, 20 & 27 Confessions 7-9PM
- 20 Senior Group meeting 11AM- 2:30PM (2:15 PM Rosary)
- 30 First Reconciliation 6PM
- 30 Living Stations of the Cross 7PM

April:

- 6 Stations of the Cross 7PM
- 8 No Religious Ed classes, Easter
- 15 First Communion retreat 10:30 AM - 1:30 PM
- 17 Senior Group meeting 11AM- 2:30PM (12:15 PM Rosary)

May:

- 2 First Communion rehearsal & pictures
- 5 First Communion 10:30 AM
- 15 Senior Group meeting 11AM- 2:30PM (12:15 PM Rosary)

**Religious Education Families** - As classes resume for the new year just a reminder that in the event of cancellation of classes due to inclement weather notices are posted on channels 3 (WSFB) and 12. When possible we will also post on our website.

### **Weekly Reflection:** 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The first reading speaks to God's call and our response to be the kind of person the Lord has designed us to be. This reading introduces Jesus' instructions in the Gospel to "repent and believe in the gospel." This is a constant call to Christians. This week we see the disciples' decision of abandoning their nets and following Jesus. Let us all keep in prayer the unborn and the vulnerable, and the thousands who will be marching for life in Washington, DC on Capitol Hill on Monday.