

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

(ANY CHANGES, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE.)

Lori Hill, Millie Laxdal, John Christianson, Pauline Dusek, Patricia Rodvold, Jane Zidon, Marla Zidon, Rex Grill, Heidi Gustafson, Adriane Wellman, Isabelle Copeland, Tracy Letzring, Kelly Morrison, Jody Deibert, Allison Bleick, Dale Hultin, Bob McCartney, Lonnie Guderjahn, Susie Dimsha, Sherry McDonald, Shelbie Goodoien, Oliver Goodoien, Brent Collins, Merle Larson, Robert O'Toole, Ruth Rieger, Melanie Fischer, Ruth Ivesdahl, Mae Jackson, Carol Smith, Mary Louise, Bernard & Aletha Schommer, Brianna Fernandez, Brett & Rick Letzring, Jane Grazadzieleski, Rick Kilichowski, Donald Denault, Gary Olson, Fr. Finnestad, Joan Kerian

*(Please call the office (701-265-8877) or Deacon Keith (701-460-1051) if someone needs a visit and/or Holy Communion)

ST PATRICK ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pray the Rosary: Sun at 8:00 AM. **Adoration with Confessions:** Sat at 8:00 AM. **More Confessions:** Sun 8:00 AM. **April Church Cleaners:** Ryan & Shelbie Goodoien, Tanya Wieler Family, Scott & Mary Salwei. **Collection:** Sherry & Kari (Apr 18); Al & Scott (Apr 25). **Reader:** Scott (Apr). **Sanctuary Lamp:** Frances Houska (Apr 18); Tom & Ester Mullen (Apr 25). **Sacristan:** Mary T (Apr 18); Duane (Apr 25)). **Rosary:** Melissa (Apr 18); Mary T (Apr 25). **April Spring Cleaning:** all Parish members, a list will be in the kitchen. Please check off when a task has been completed. Thank you!

ST BRIGID ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pray the Rosary: Sun at 10:00 AM. **Adoration with Confessions:** Wed & Fri at 11:00 AM; **More Confessions:** SAT. 4-5:00 PM, MON 5-5:15 PM. **April Church cleaners:** G-K. **Collection:** Scott & M Kirking (Apr 18); Lynette & Cathy (Apr 25). **Readers (Apr):** Sat-Mike; Sun.-Trevor. **Sanctuary Lamp:** Tom Winkler (Apr 18); Vacant (Apr 25).

Lent is Over, Can We Now Eat Meat on Fridays?: No! Unless you substitute it with another penance. Every Friday in the year is a day of penance. It's just that, here is the US, outside of Lent, you can choose your penance.

Calling All Men: The Knights of Columbus is inviting you to join the largest Catholic men's group in the world! You can join on April 25th at St. Brigid, right after the 10:30 am Mass. It will only take a half-hour, and all your family is invited to come. The installation will be held in the basement. Iron sharpens iron. Catholic men need to join together against the forces of this world that are trying to tear apart the faith and family.

Annual Diocesan **God's Gift Appeal:** Letters from the diocese should have been mailed to you. Extra envelopes are available at the church.

Spring Salad Luncheon! It's back! *Friday April 30, 2021 from 11:00 am– 1:00 pm* in the St. Brigid Church Basement. Sign-up sheet in the back of the Church! See Danielle Olason or Cathy Helgoe for details.

Bishop Folda Easter Message: *“Dear friends, I promise to remember each one of you and your loved ones as I celebrate the Mass of our Lord's Resurrection at Easter. May the Risen Christ bless you and your households with renewed hope and the promise of eternal life in his Kingdom. Happy Easter! Alleluia! Jesus Christ is risen! This is the good news that is heard around the world today and that lifts the heart of every follower of Christ. In this joyful Easter Season, I extend my greetings to you and your families as we rejoice in the risen life of Jesus.”*

Mon		Apr 19	5:15 pm	St Brigid	+Duane Indridson
Tues		Apr 20	8:00 am	St Patrick	Miranda Alex
Wed	St Anselm	Apr 21	Noon	St Brigid	Elijah J Arens
Thur		Apr 22	8:00 am	St Patrick	Noah Arens
Fri	St George; St Adalbert	Apr 23	Noon	St Brigid	Mary Frelich
Sat	St Fidelis of Sigmaringen	Apr 24	9:00 am	St Patrick	St Brigid & St Patrick Parish Members
			5:00 pm	St Brigid	+Joan Robbins
Sun		Apr 25	8:30 am	St Patrick	Skylar Alex
			10:30 am	St Brigid	St Brigid & St Patrick Parish Members

Stewardship (as of 3-28-21)	St Brigid	St Patrick		St Brigid	St Patrick
Adult Envelope	3275.00	437.00	St Patrick's Care Collection March		255.00
Plate	70.00	139.00	Cemetery		340.00
Weekly Total	3345.00	576.00	St Anthony Cemetery \$200.00		
Yearly Actual Total	28,309.50	11,001.00	St Brigid Gods Gift Goal: \$23,485.48	1,825.00	
Monthly Envelope Building Fund	935.00	1,950.00	St Patrick Gods Gift Goal: \$9,103.15		740.00

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Third Sunday of Easter

St Brigid & St Patrick

April 18, 2021

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Easter: The Antidote to Relativism
(Yes, There Is Truth)

A silent, **destructive** enemy has already infiltrated our culture and society, and it is far worse than any virus (a virus can affect the body but cannot harm the soul). This nemesis has a name. It is relativism. Relativism is the belief that there is no absolute truth. Moral relativism holds that there is no unchangeable principles of human behavior, that there are no inherently evil actions. According to relativism, everyone is to *make up* their own morality and live their own philosophy of life.

Pope Benedict warned us about this deadly force when he gave a homily about it, shortly before becoming Pope. He mentioned that, **instead** of bringing freedom to a culture, relativism actually brings about a tyranny. *“How many winds of doctrine have we known in recent decades, how many ideological currents, how many ways of thinking. The small boat of many Christians has often been tossed about by these waves - flung from one extreme to another: from Marxism to liberalism, even to libertinism; from collectivism to radical individualism; from atheism to a vague religious mysticism; from agnosticism to syncretism and so forth. Every day new sects spring up, and what St Paul says about human deception and the trickery that strives to entice people into error.”*

He adds, *“We are building a dictatorship of relativism that does not recognize anything as definitive and whose ultimate goal consists solely of one's own ego and desires.”* Relativism, allowed to reach its conclusion, always results in the strong oppressing the weak. As we have seen throughout history, when man plays God, it always ends in **death** and destruction.

But, when Jesus Christ physically **rose from the dead** on *Easter Sunday*, He showed the world that He is the *way and the Truth and the life*. He proved that He is indeed God, and has demolished the **false** foundations of relativism. Jesus not only proved who He is, but also proved who we are. We are *sons and daughters* of the Father, *brothers and sisters* of the Son, and *temples* of the Holy Spirit.

The Resurrection of Jesus **confirmed** what we already *instinctively* knew in our souls: there is a God, He made us, we belong to Him. We are made in His *image and likeness*. And thus, His will, His way is the truth. And, in the end, truth is a Person, the One who rose from the dead. **Easter**, our antidote to relativism!

Sunday Dispensation to be lifted beginning May 1-2, 2021

Bishop Folda has decreed that: *“Beginning May 1, 2021, the general obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation is reinstated in the Diocese of Fargo. This obligation **does not apply** to those who are ill; those who have reason to believe they were recently exposed to Covid-19 or another serious or contagious illness; those who are confined to their home, a hospital or a nursing facility; those who care for the sick, the infirm, and the homebound; those who are unable to attend Mass through no fault of their own; those with underlying conditions or in a high-risk category; and those who have significant fear or anxiety of becoming ill by attending Mass.”*

“With and assurance of prayers for the holiness and good health of all, I extend my apostolic blessing to the faithful of the Diocese of Fargo.” **+John T. Folda**; Bishop of Fargo

Knights of Columbus Installation Ceremony at St. Brigid April 25th!

Calling all men (single or married) of the parishes of St. Brigid and St. Patrick: the times are getting darker. As Catholic men, we need to fight against the culture that wants wreak havoc on the faith and on families. We have to stand together, or we shall surely fall. One way to stand in the gap is to join the Knights of Columbus, the truly Catholic, world-wide group of men who want to boldly live the Catholic faith and pass this faith to the next generation.

Please consider becoming a Knight. The group is pro-faith, pro-family, pro-life. It is extremely easy for you to join. *After the Mass* at St. Brigid on Sunday, **April 25th**, we will have an installation ceremony for all those men who wish to become Knights. It will only require about a half-hour of your time, and your family is invited to attend.

There are many benefits on becoming a Knight. Come and hear about them. May our founder, *Blessed Fr. Michael J. McGivney*, who was recently beatified, pray for you and your family. See you on the **25th**.