

The word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword.

~Hebrews 4:12a

October 11, 2015  
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time

**ST. BRIDGET'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**MISSION STATEMENT:** We are the church, the vital catholic family of St. Bridget's, loving, faith-filled members, striving to radiate the goodness, wholeness, and attractiveness of Christian life. We are united to serve one God, one another, and the world.

REV. John Kakkuzhiyil, PASTOR  
OFFICE HOURS: MON-FRI 9:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.  
PH. 762-2009 (OFFICE) 762-1418 (RECTORY)

PH. 487-3617 (HEMINGFORD RECTORY)

MASS Times

SATURDAY 6:00 P.M.  
SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.

Monthly Mass at Hemingford Care Center  
2<sup>nd</sup> Friday at 11:00 A.M.

**GIFTS TO THE LORD**

Oct. 3-4, 2015

Envelopes	\$ 2,978.00
Plate	35.00
Youth	9.75
West NE Register	31.00
Building Fund	200.00
Gift Case	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,278.75</b>
<b>Amount needed per week</b>	<b>\$ 2,300.00</b>
<b>Amount received YTD</b>	<b>\$ 20,773.54</b>
<b>Amount needed year to day</b>	<b>\$ 32,200.00</b>

**Morning Prayer Service with Communion**

Services on Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:00 A.M.

Oct. 12, 14	Sharol Moeller
Oct. 19	Kathy Andersen
Oct. 21	Jeanine Gasselting
Oct. 26	Christy Ningen
Oct. 28	Jeanine Gasselting
Nov. 2, 4	Kathy Andersen
Nov. 9, 11	Christy Ningen
Nov. 16, 18	Sharol Moeller
Nov. 23	Sharol Moeller

**GREETERS/GIFTS**

**LECTORS**

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**EUCCHARIST MINISTERS**

Oct. 17	Randy Vogel Family	Brian Kuhn Taylor Keegan	Natalie Gasselting Lauren Gasselting	B - Ryan Gasselting C - Jennifer Gasselting C - Bruce and Susan Winten C - Jim Elder
Oct. 18	David Roes Family	Ellen Fester Tim Merrill	Alysen Turek Carlye Kresl	B - Pam C - Christy C - Celena C - Pat O - Kathy Andersen
Oct. 24	Jim Yardley Family	Jim Elder Vicky Elder	Emma Gomez Isabell Gomez	B - Greg Moeller C - Sharol Moeller C - Dale and Marilyn Wood C - Kathy Gettert
Oct. 25	Brian Kuhn Family	Pat Moser Taylor Keegan	Luke Cullan Carli Cullan	B - Jack Manning C - Rhonda Manning C - Chris and Joel Cullan C - Pat Behn O - Marie Cervantes

IF YOU ARE NOT AVAILABLE WHEN SCHEDULED, PLEASE ARRANGE FOR A SUBSTITUTE

**Bazaar**

The Annual Fall Church Community Bazaar will be Saturday, Nov 14 10:00am-2:00pm at the Multipurpose Hall. Set-up is Friday Nov. 13, from 1:00-3:00 pm. Sign-up sheets will be at both entrances of the church for workers and food donations. Everyone please bring 2 items to sell. Thank-you for your support.

**Bazaar Raffle**

The Bazaar Raffle includes a Fall "Welcome" Wind Chime and a Black and Decker Protatable Oven. Tickets are \$1 each or a6/\$5.00 and will be sold after mass on Oct. 10 and Oct. 11 or by calling Mary Yardley at 487-5682. Tickets will also be sold at the Bazaar and winners will be announced that day. Mark your calendars for a fun day of fellowship, food, bingo, cake walk, and much, much more.

**Liturgical Ministers**

If you are interested in being a Lector, Minister for Holy Communion, or Greeters/Gift Bearers please let Celena know.

**Ministry Schedules**

Ministry schedules have been mailed. Please look it over to make sure you have not been scheduled for both Saturday and Sunday in the same weekend. Please also check that you are not also scheduled for 2 things on one day. Thank you for your patience during this process.

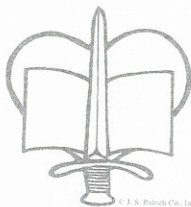
**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday:	Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday:	Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday:	Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9; Lk 11:42-46
Thursday:	Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-6ab; Lk 11:47-54
Friday:	Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday:	Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12
Sunday:	Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]

**THE REMARKABLE SALESMAN**

Christopher Columbus was the world's most remarkable salesman. He started out not knowing where he was going. When he arrived, he didn't know where he was. And when he returned, he didn't know where he had been. And he did it all on a big cash advance and he received a repeat order.

~Anonymous



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**DISCIPLESHIP AND WEALTH**

Sometimes we get the idea that having material wealth is a bad thing. We may convince ourselves that it is the poor who are favored. In today's readings, we discover that material wealth alone does not keep us from discipleship. We will see that there are other gifts more important than material wealth, but even so, it is how we use our gifts that matters most.

Today's scriptures point to the value of the gifts of wisdom, trusting in God, and letting our actions reflect the love of God from within. It is not gold that causes us to fall, but rather the desire for gold above all other things. From the readings in Wisdom and Hebrews, we find the source of God's gifts in our lives. Wisdom is more valuable than worldly possessions. In Hebrews, we are challenged to look at our own values and admit honestly what controls our lives.

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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

How did the church deal with "daily sins" in the first five centuries? As devout and observant as they were, our early fathers and mothers in faith could not have been all that different from us. Maybe they looked the other way when the grocer threw an extra fig in the shopping basket, or had a wandering eye for the widow next door, or had a taste for too much ale, or didn't let the truth get in the way of a good story. First of all, there was the Eucharist. The words are familiar: "This is the cup of my blood, poured out for the forgiveness of sin." Especially by participating in Communion from the cup, forgiveness was achieved. Eucharist was, and remains, the sacrament of reconciliation *par excellence*, the sign and source of unity with Christ.

There were other helps along the way: "fraternal" correction, or the course corrections we offer one another in love, prayer, fasting, works of mercy. St. Augustine listed endurance of suffering, forgiveness of insults, and added the praying of the Lord's Prayer in the liturgy. He felt that the public praying of the Our Father on Sunday and its daily use in private prayer was an essential remedy and the reason why everyone was not a candidate for canonical penance. Inherited from Augustine's practice, the Lord's Prayer in our Communion Rite still has the same purpose, preparing us for receiving and becoming the Body of Christ.

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