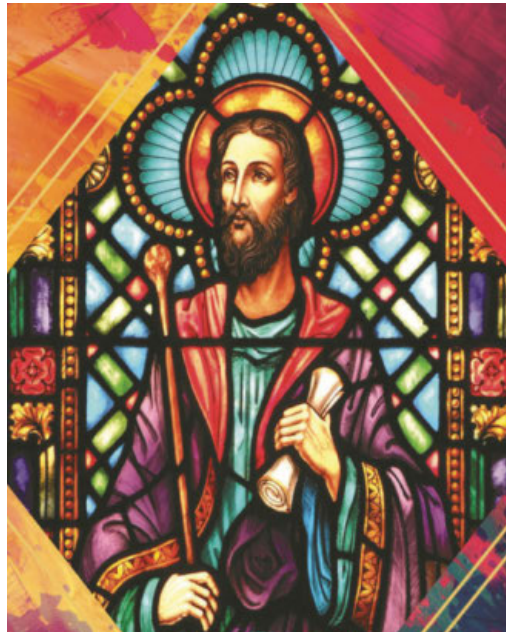


THIRD SUNDAY  
IN  
ORDINARY TIME

*“The Spirit of the Lord  
is upon me.”*

-Luke 4:18

January 26, 2025



TERCER DOMINGO  
DEL  
TIEMPO ORDINARIO

*“El Espíritu del Señor  
está sobre mí.”*

-Lucas 4, 18

26 de enero de 2025



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Monday-Friday 9:00 am–2:00 pm

**MASS TIMES**

**WEEKDAYS:** Monday-Thursday 8:00 am  
Friday 5:30 pm at the Newman Center

**WEEKENDS:** Saturday 4:30 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am  
12:30 pm (Español)

**AFRICAN NIGHTS:** 1st Sunday of the Month 4:30 pm

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 3:30 pm to 4:00 pm  
or by appointment

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Thursday 8:30 am-5:00 pm

Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3:00 pm

Spanish Holy Hour (Hora Santa Español) 5:00-6:00 pm  
Benediction 6:00 pm

Church is opened Monday-Friday 7:30 am-5:00 pm

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Friday 8:00 am to 6:30 pm  
Saturday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

**During Academic Breaks**

Sunday-Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

**MASS TIMES**

**WEEKDAYS:** Monday-Wednesday 12:15 pm\*  
Thursday 8:00 am at St. Brigid Parish

Friday 5:30 pm

Saturday 9:00 am

**WEEKENDS:**

Sunday 10:30 am and 7:00 pm\*

**CONFESSIONS:** By Appointment

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION\***

1st Friday of the Month—6:00 pm  
(\*during academic year only)



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**THIS WEEK @ ST. BRIGID PARISH (SB)  
AND THE NEWMAN CATHOLIC CENTER (NC)**

**THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Monday, January 27**

07:30 am – Rosary recited (SB)  
08:00 am – Mass (SB)

**Tuesday, January 28**

07:30 am – Rosary recited (SB)  
08:00 am – Mass (SB)  
05:30 pm – Centenary Committee Meeting (SB)

**Wednesday, January 29**

07:30 am – Rosary recited (SB)  
08:00 am – Mass (SB)

**Thursday, January 30**

07:30 am – Rosary recited (SB)  
08:00 am – Mass (SB)  
08:30 am – 05:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration (SB)  
05:00 am – 06:00 pm Holy Hour (Hora Santa-Español) (SB)

**Friday, January 31**

05:30 pm – Mass (NC)

**Saturday, February 1**

09:00 am – Mass (NC)  
03:00 pm – 03:30 pm – Confessions (SB)  
04:30 pm – Mass (SB) - 4th Sunday in OT (Vigil)

**Sunday, February 2—Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

08:00 am – Mass (SB)  
10:30 am – Mass (NC)  
12:30 pm – Mass (SB) Español  
04:30 pm – Mass (SB) African  
07:00 pm – Mass (NC)



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Body, Blood,  
Soul and Divinity.

*Come and Worship Him!*  
*Thursdays 8:30 am—6:00pm*  
*St. Brigid Parish*

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y presente aquí:  
Cuerpo, Sangre,  
Alma y Divinidad.

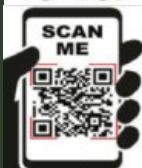
*¡Ven y Adórale!*  
*Jueves 8:30 am—6:00 pm*  
*Hora Santa Español 5—6pm*

♪♪ **Music for 1/26/25** ♪♪  
**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Pro: "All Creatures of Our God and King"  
Off: "Holy, Holy, Holy"  
Comm: "Your Words Are Spirit and Life"  
Rec: "Sing a New Song"

(see book index for song page location)

**Readings  
To-Go!**



**ST. BRIGID PARISH**

**M a s s I n t e n t i o n s**

**SATURDAY, January 25—3rd Sunday in OT (Vigil)**  
04:30 pm +María Mujica

**SUNDAY, January 26—3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
08:00 am +Eugene & Angelina Battistoni  
12:30 pm +Pablo Ortiz

**MONDAY, January 27**  
08:00 am +Fr. John Stanley Lis

**TUESDAY, January 28**  
08:00 am +Fr. John Stanley Lis

**WEDNESDAY, January 29**  
08:00 am +Fr. John Stanley Lis

**THURSDAY, January 30**  
08:00 am

**FRIDAY, January 31**  
**NO 8AM —MASS AT 5:30 PM at Newman Center**

**SATURDAY, February 1—4th Sunday in OT (Vigil)**  
04:30 pm +María Semedo

**SUNDAY, February 2—4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
08:00 am +Ronald Lashway, Sr.  
12:30 pm For the souls in Purgatory  
04:30 pm For the Amherst Catholic Community (SB/NC)

**NEWMAN CATHOLIC CENTER**

**M a s s I n t e n t i o n s**

**SATURDAY, January 25**  
09:00 am +Casimiro Le Thai

**SUNDAY, January 26—3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
10:30 am +Casimiro Nguyen Quoc  
**NO 7:00 PM MASS**

**MONDAY, January 27**  
**NO 12:15 MASS—MASS AT 8:00 AM at St. Brigid**

**TUESDAY, January 28**  
**NO 12:15 MASS—MASS AT 8:00 AM at St. Brigid**

**WEDNESDAY, January 29**  
**NO 12:15 MASS—MASS AT 8:00 AM at St. Brigid**

**THURSDAY, January 30**  
**NO 12:15 MASS—MASS AT 8:00 AM at St. Brigid**

**FRIDAY, January 31**  
05:30 pm +Desmond Amofah

**SATURDAY, February 1**  
09:00 am +Ralph Giusti III

**SUNDAY, February 2—4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
10:30 am +Erica Phillips  
07:00 pm +Nemer & Nadia Eid and Eva Samaha

St. Brigid's Staff (continued)

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SAINT BRIGID'S WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Parish Budget..... \$4,800.00

January 19, 2025—Please see next week bulletin

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Dinner & Dance

with Fr. Valentine

Friday, February 14, 2025

6:00 pm — Holy Mass

St. Brigid Parish  
122 N Pleasant St., Amherst, MA 01002

7:00—11:00 pm Dinner & Dance

St. Brigid's Monsignor Lane Pastoral Center  
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THE AMHERST KNIGHTS COUNCIL 1619 will host a

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These are the categories:

Ages 9, 10, 11 (Boys & Girls Competitions)

Ages 12, 13, 14 (Girls Competitions)

Ages 12, 13, 14 (Boys Competitions)

For information please contact: Tony Ferrari \* (646) 567-3232

ST. BRIGID PRAYER TREE

Please send in names of those intentions you would like to pray for, particularly those who are ill to:

Emily Belt, [emilybelt@comcast.net](mailto:emilybelt@comcast.net), 413-256-8203

Laura MacLeod, [lauramacleod27@gmail.com](mailto:lauramacleod27@gmail.com), 413-253-7849 (¡Laura también habla español!)



ST. BRIGID'S  
CHURCH  
100 YEARS  
ANNIVERSARY



St. Brigid's Church will be 100 years old this year. The dedication ceremony took place on September 27<sup>th</sup>, 1925. To plan the centenary celebration, Fr. Val would like to set up a committee. The committee will have its first meeting on Tuesday, January 28th, 2025, at 5:30 pm at St. Brigid's Rectory. If you'd like to be a member of this committee, please email Fr. Val, [v.nworah@diospringfield.org](mailto:v.nworah@diospringfield.org), or plan to attend the meeting.



SANCTUARY BANNER CAMPAIGN

I invite you to join St. Brigid Parish in this opportunity to beautify our sanctuary area with these beautiful liturgical banners in the name of a loved one. The banners come in different liturgical colors for different seasons. They will hang one on either side of the sanctuary columns behind the altar.

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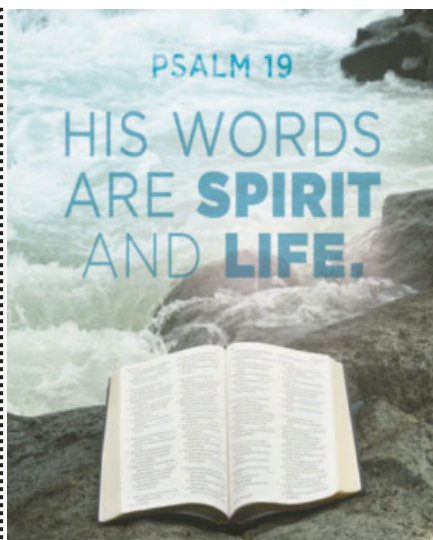
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**NEWMAN'S WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

January 19, 2025—\$1,877.00

*Thank you for your generous and continuous support!*

The Newman Catholic Center will have your **2024 Contribution Letter** by mid January. Please send an e-mail or give a call to [v.webb@diospringfield.org](mailto:v.webb@diospringfield.org) or call **413-549-0300 x 105**. Please do not request that letter from any of our priests but instead contact the Development Office directly to ensure proper verification and address. Thank you.



Celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2025

JANUARY 26 - FEBRUARY 1  
#CSW2025

The Our Lady Seat of Wisdom Chapel the Newman Catholic Center has been designated by our Bishop as a **sacred place** during this **Jubilee Year**. On **Sunday, February 9th, 2025**, during the **10:30 am Mass** by Bishop **William D. Byrne**, Newman's Chapel doors will be blessed and opened to all for prayer and reflection.



We invite you into the doors of Newman's Chapel as you seek inspiration and a quiet place to reflect especially this year as we together continue our journey of faith.

We invite you to learn more about the Jubilee year by visiting the Diocesan website at: [www.diospringfield.org](http://www.diospringfield.org).

**Singing Priests' Summer Concert**

Thursday, May 22, 2025 @ 7:00 pm.

Our Lady of Peace Parish  
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save the date

**Faith on Fire**

**SAVE THE DATE: August 21 & 22, 2025**

Sacred Heart Church

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3RD SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
JANUARY 26, 2025

3ER DOMINGO  
TIEMPO ORDINARIO  
26 DE ENERO DE 2025

OUR CHILDREN'S  
ACTIVITIES SECTION

SECCIÓN DE  
ACTIVIDADES  
PARA  
NUESTROS NIÑOS

**FAITH FACTS**

The reading from the Book of Nehemiah

In about 450 BC, many Jews were in exile in Persia, far from their own land.



One of them, Nehemiah, was a trusted servant of the Persian king, Artaxerxes. Nehemiah heard that Jerusalem, the main city of the Jews, had fallen into disrepair. He obtained permission to return to Jerusalem. He organized the rebuilding of the defensive walls. Another Jew called Ezra returned from Persia to Jerusalem. He set about restoring the religious life of the people, by instructing them in God's law.



Dear friends...it has come to our attention that the lovely daughter of Tom and Lynn Goodrow is having serious medical issues. Their Alyssa is waiting patiently for a heart and kidney transplant. Tom and Lynn are long time Newmanites serving our religious education children and permanent community members for years.

We continue to pray for them and for their daughter Alyssa as she walks this journey in Boston and respectfully ask that if you are so "called" to assist in her expenses that you do it thru this GoFundMe link:

<https://gofund.me/08f87837>

**ANUNCIOS SEMANALES DE SANTA BRÍGIDA**

**REZO DEL ROSARIO:** El Rosario se reza a las 7:30 de la mañana antes de la Misa de lunes a jueves. Una meditación de la vida de Jesús vista a través de los ojos de su madre María. Únase a nosotros con la frecuencia que desee. ¡Qué mejor manera de empezar el día!

**INTENCIONES DE MISA:** Por favor llame a la Oficina Parroquial, para ofrecer una intención de Misa por sus seres queridos. Por ejemplo, las intenciones de la Misa pueden ser por una persona fallecida, cumpleaños, aniversario de bodas, acción de gracias, una gracia, bendiciones, salud o cirugía próxima, viaje, o graduación. Si desea que se publique en el boletín semanal, llame con dos semanas de antelación. El estipendio sugerido es de \$15 por cada Misa (en la semana y fin de semana). Su generosa ofrenda será muy apreciada.

**FELIGRESES CONFINADOS EN CASA:** Continuamos en el proceso de reconstruir nuestra "Lista de feligreses confinados en casa". Si usted o alguien que usted conoce le gustaría estar en nuestra lista para una visita mensual, por favor llame a la oficina de la Parroquia.

**ADORACION EUCARÍSTICA:** Venga y pase una hora con Nuestro Señor en adoración. Haz tuya una hora el jueves entre las 8:30 am y las 5:00 pm. Hora Santa en español de 5:00 a 6:00 pm.

**SACRAMENTOS:** Por favor, llame en horas de oficina para coordinar la recepción de todos los Sacramentos (**Bautismo, Primera Comunión, Confirmación, Matrimonio, Unción de los Enfermos, RICA** (Rito de Iniciación Católica- Adultos). También para la **Misa de Quinceañera. Hablamos español.**



**ENLACE PARA LAS LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

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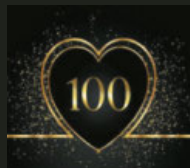
La Capilla de Nuestra Señora Sede de la Sabiduría, Centro Católico Newman ha sido designada por nuestro Obispo como un lugar sagrado para la peregrinación local y la oración durante este Año Jubilar 2025, Peregrinos de Esperanza. El domingo, 9 de febrero de 2025, durante la Misa de las 10:30 am por nuestro Obispo, William D. Byrne, las puertas de la Capilla serán bendecidas y abiertas a todos. Les invitamos a entrar por las puertas de la Capilla de Newman en busca de inspiración y de un lugar tranquilo para reflexionar, especialmente este año, mientras continuamos juntos nuestro camino de fe.



Para aprender más sobre el año jubilar visite el sitio web diocesano: [www.diospringfield.org](http://www.diospringfield.org)



**ANIVERSARIO  
100 AÑOS  
IGLESIA  
SANTA BRÍGIDA**



La iglesia Santa Brígida cumplirá 100 años este año. La ceremonia de dedicación del templo tuvo lugar el 27 de septiembre de 1925. Para planificar la celebración del centenario, el P. Val desea crear un comité. El comité tendrá su primera reunión el **martes, 28 de enero de 2025, a las 5:30 pm en la Rectoría de Santa Brígida.** Si desea formar parte de este comité, envíe un correo electrónico al **P. Val, [v.nworah@diospringfield.org](mailto:v.nworah@diospringfield.org)**, o planee asistir a la reunión.

**Día de San Valentine**  
**Cena y Baile**  
**con Padre Valentín**

**Viernes, 14 de febrero de 2025**

**6:00 pm — Santa Misa**  
Parroquia Santa Brígida  
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**7:00—11:00 pm Cena y Baile**  
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Les invitamos a unirse a la Parroquia Santa Brígida en esta oportunidad de embellecer nuestro santuario con estos hermosos estandartes litúrgicos en nombre de un ser querido. Los estandartes vienen en diferentes colores litúrgicos para diferentes estaciones. Ellos colgarán uno a cada lado de las columnas del santuario detrás del altar.

Regalo de.....

En memoria de.....

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Gracias por su amor y generosidad.



**Desde la fe**

**SANTO TOMÁS DE AQUINO**

- Nació cerca de Nápoles, Italia, en el año 1225.
- Ingresó a la Orden de Predicadores a los 19 años.
- Fue pupilo del más sabio dominico de ese tiempo: **Alberto Magno.**
- Era un hombre de ciencia y de piedad; pasaba horas rezando y en Misa.
- Su obra más famosa es "La Suma Teológica"; la escribió en 4 años.
- Murió el 7 de marzo de 1274 a la edad de 49 años. Es Doctor de la Iglesia.

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