

Brief History of St. Bridget Catholic Church

Long before the turn of the 18th Century, when the town of Whistler was still young, the Jesuit priests came from Spring Hill College to say mass in the homes of the parishioners in the area. On August 25, 1864, Jacob & Mary Magee deeded a parcel of land on Engine Street (now Main Street) to Bishop John Quinlan, to be used as a place of worship by the Catholics of the area. The church of St. Bridget of Ireland was dedicated three years later.

The original church and rectory at were built by Rev. Edward Kirwin, St. Bridget's first pastor, and was dedicated in 1867 but was destroyed by a storm. It was then rebuilt in 1874. The last big renovation to St. Bridget's buildings occurred about 20 years ago.

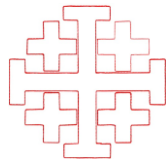
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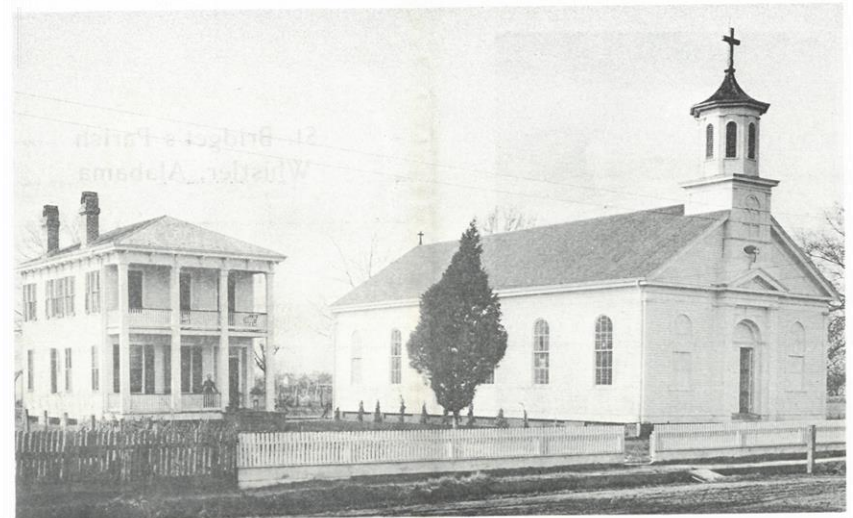
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WHISTLER, ALABAMA

Est. 1867

May 1, 2022

Announcements:

- We're looking to start a Gregorian Chant Study Group in May; the group will be centered around learning about chant and its history, considering the possibility of incorporating chant into the mass, and should it be possible, starting to practice chant with the goal of performing it during mass. If you are interested in learning about chant and joining the Study Group, please contact LeRon Harrison at leronjh@gmail.com.
- We are in the process of ordering church envelops. For those that give a cash donation each Sunday, please contact the church office if you would like envelops to help keep track for the next tax season.
- If you would like to know how you can order a copy of the Illustrated Liturgical Calendar by Sophia Institute Press, like the one in the church vestibule, please contact our church office at 251-452-9837 or office@stthomastheapostlecatholicchurch.com



O Ioseph, virgo Pater Iesu,
purissime Sponse Virginis
Mariae, quotidie deprecare pro
nobis ipsum Iesum Filium Dei,
ut, armis suae gratiae muniti
legitime certantes in vita, ab
eodem coronemur in morte.

Amen.

Eagle Scout Project: As in the past years, our parish family of St. Bridget and St. Thomas the Apostle have been invited to participate in an Eagle Scout Project. The project will seek to replace the worn carpet in the sacristy, altar area, and work room in St. Bridget's church. Coupled with this project, we will also look to repair and repaint these areas. Included are pictures to assist you in visualizing where our proposed vision will lead us.

Mockup of St. Bridget Catholic Church planned improvements.

