Thank you to everyone who made a pledge to support the mission and ministries of St. Brendan's during our recent stewardship campaign. Thank you to those who are considering a pledge but haven't turned it in yet (you still have time). Thank

you also to those who contribute however you can—through your time, your energy and your other gifts. We all share the voyage of St. Brendan's—an active, lively and vibrant parish. A church to believe in, thanks to you!

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2024 Stewardship Campaign

In 2024, I / we pledge to give \$\$\$ annually to St. Brendan's.

Printed name	
Signature	
Date	

There will be one morning service on the fourth Sunday of Advent, December 24, it will begin at 9 am. We will celebrate Christmas Eve on the same day at 7:00 pm.



Mask up! Don't forget that it will be Mask-Up Sunday at this week's 10 o'clock service. Please be considerate of those who want to worship with us in person but can't do so without the extra health protection that masking provides, Wear your mask! Thank you.

Children and Youth



St. Brendan's Christmas Pageant performed by our children and youth

Sunday, December 17 during the 10 am service

Come and enjoy Scripture and music based on the story of Jesus' birth.



• Parents: please check the pink box on the narthex table (same table as where name tags are placed on Sunday). There are many photos and projects belonging to the kids that are ready to be taken home.

Dates to keep in mind:

- Saturday, December 16: 10 am to 12 pm. Christmas pageant practice and costume fittings.
- **Sunday, December 17:** during the 10 am service: Christmas Pageant. We hope that all of our children and teens will be able to participate. More information to follow.

Nursery Volunteers Thank you to all who have signed up to volunteer on various Sunday's. Your help is greatly appreciated! Anyone who already has their necessary clearances and is willing and able to help out with our little ones during the 10am worship service, please reach out to me, Liz MacDonald via text/call at 412-865-6486 or email Liz702988@gmail.com.

Our next **Tai Chi class** will be held on **Tuesday, December 12, at 12 Noon** in St. Brendan's Parish Hall. It will once again be led by Thaddeus Popovich, who is certified to teach a gentle, meditative version of Tai Chi.

This modified style is easy to learn, effective, and safe. It can increase flexibility, balance, muscle strength, and mental activity. It can also help increase heart/lung capacity, aligns posture, improves balance, relieves stress and integrates the mind and body. Plus it's fun and relaxing.

Everyone is welcome; no experience necessary. A donation of \$5 per class is voluntary. Thaddeus will give all donations to St. Brendan's as he is offering this class as a special gift to the St. Brendan's community.

We would love to have you join us! Please put your name on the sign-up sheet in the Lobby if interested. Questions? Contact Donna Aiello at 412-759-1521 or donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com.



These are high needs for the **North Hills Food Bank** this month:

- > Pasta spaghetti, macaroni, ziti, penne
- Canned vegetables corn, beets, carrots, green beans, peas
- Jelly and peanut butter (not in glass jars)

Of course they will always accept other non-perishable food items.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ITEMS THAT ARE PAST THE EXPIRATION DATE - THEY CANNOT BE DONATED.



Adopt-a-Highway. St. Brendan's volunteers will perform their last roadside cleanup on Saturday, Dec. 9, at the Camp Horne Road interchange of I-279 in Ohio Twp. Participants will meet at the church at 8:30 a.m. and carpool to the site. The litter pickup will end by 10:45 a.m. Anyone age 14 and up may take part. For more information, please contact Tom Waseleski at twaseleski@comcast.net.



Every year St. Brendan's accepts monetary donations towards the purchase of our **Christmas Flowers**, **Greens and Poinsettias** in memory of those who have died, those who have made a special impact in our lives, or because we love them. If you would like to contribute to the greening of the church and have your announcement in the bulletin on Christmas Eve, please contact Katie with your information Katie@stbrendans.org and submit your contribution of any amount to the office. On Christmas Eve the names are printed in the bulletin, the tree lights are lit, and our beautiful church glorifies the birth of Christ.



St. Brendan's Book Club will meet **Monday, Dec. 4** at 1 pm in the church library. Join us for a discussion of Open Carry by Marc Cameron, a thriller set in the Alaskan wilderness. (If you have a Kindle and Amazon Prime, this title is apparently available to download for free). Looking ahead, our January 8 meeting at 1 pm will feature Four Seasons in Rome by Anthony Doerr. All are welcome! Contact Anne Semmler annegsemmler@gmail.com with questions.



We celebrate the **December wedding anniversaries** of:

15 Janice & Dan Moore 23 Anne & Michael Semmler 29 Melinda & Wesley Bell 29 Rob & George Latta



We celebrate the **December birthdays** of:

14 Richard Munsch

2 Melanie Popovich 6 Joan Klinefelter

15 Roger Botti

9 Tom Tweedle20 Cameron Grosh

11 Matrid Harper 20 Julia Wick 14 Jim Evanochko22 Brian Gliptis

23 Prudence Thompson 27 Silvia Bertucci

Prayer Requests

We pray for our beloved members of St. Brendan's, especially; Sharon Hlawati, Kelli Cerra, Judy McKarnin, Alice Butterworth, Larry Tarrant, Mark Shoemaker, Nancy Snyder, Mark Kinley, Jim Gray, Matthew, Charlotte Pierce, Sherri Angeletti, Rosie Wood, Bill Spoonhoward, Margie Davies, Nancy Bancroft, Joyce Donadee, Ruth Haider.

For our parents, especially; Ken McCormack, Ray Militzer, Lenora, Diane Davis.

For our family members, especially; Will Cummings, Nelson Ferguson, Pat Schulze, Tom Groves, Jay & A, Rosalie & Geoff Wood, Sue Burchill, Bob Kiehl, Ann & Ben Kirkpatrick, Carol Schmitz, Kirk Latta, Marie Hazelton, David Pingree, Joann, Frank Nagy, Nathan Schlumpf, John, Robert Donato...

And for our friends, especially; Pat Reiner, Nancy Baker, Mike Colavita, The Silveira family, Rena Feingold, Phil & Bernice Bollman, Ellen Kuntz, Josh, Jordon Medlin, Cindy & Bob Getty, Ron Neurohr, Barb & Wayne Seelhorst & family, Maggie Cervone, Vivian.

We pray for all who have died.



December Ministry Calendar 2023

Date	Lectors	Sunday School Leaders	Nursery	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Steward	Vestry	Hospitality
December 3 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am 1st Sunday of Advent	8 Joan Beatrous 1 st Mary Bertucci 2 nd Tony Turo P Kate Heston	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Allison Kline Door keeper Katie Costa	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Joan Kleinfelter Anelisa Tarrant	Annie Koch John Appeldorn	Mary & Dale Bertucci	Linda Limberis	Kate Heston	Janice Moore
December 10 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am 2 nd Sunday of Advent	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 st Derrek Wimmer 2 nd Marilyn Mulvihill P Steve Minegar	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Allison Kline Door keeper Susan Shields	Liz MacDonald Dawn Day-Quinn	Sylvia Affleck Phoebe Juel	Kathy & Dave Miller	Julia & Mike Wick	Tim Austin	Sandy Nagy	Sandy Nagy
December 17 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Christmas Pageant 3 rd Sunday of Advent	8 Ellen Groves 1st Children 2nd Children P John Appledorn	Children's Pageant No Sunday School	Susan Shields Molly Kirk	Janice Moore Ellen Groves	Donna Aiello Sharon Hlawati	Allyson Baierl Donna Aiello	Dave Miller	Neil Galone	Kathy & Dave Miller
December 24 Sunday 9:00 am 4 th Sunday of Advent	9 Joan Beatrous 2 nd Mary Bertucci P Marilyn Mulyihill	No Sunday School	Liz MacDonald Annemarie Malbon	Tammy Spoonhoward	Toni Passarello Wesley Bell	Julia & Mike Wick	Dave Miller	John Appeldorn	No Hospitality
December 24 Christmas Eve Service 7:00 pm	1 st Kate Heston 2 nd Ann Vinski P Paul Quinn	Christmas Eve No Sunday School	No Nursery	Kathy Miller	Kathy & Dave Miller	John Appeldorn	Tim Austin	Dan Moore	No Hospitality
December 31 Sunday 8 &10:00 am	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 st Donna Aiello 2 nd Tim Austin P Tony Turo	New Year's Eve No Sunday School	Liz MacDonald Pat Carl	Sylvia Affleck Anelisa Tarrant	Allyson Baierl Dean Peters	Mary & Dale Bertucci	Linda Limberis	Tom Waseleski	Sharon Hlawati Donna Aiello



ST. BRENDAN'S MISSION

Jesus said, "I have come to give life - life in all its fullness." John 10:10. Our mission is the realization of fullness through: the worship of God; service to the world; active concern for each other; and education to expand mind and spirit.

VESTRY MEMBERS

Sr. Warden: Tom Waseleski Jr. Warden: Dan Moore **Adult Formation: John Appeldorn** Audio-Visual Technology: Sandy Nagy Communication: Sandy Nagy Children & Youth: Ruth Horton

Finance: Lauren Ramakrishna

Fundraising: TBD Inreach & Hospitality: Kate Heston Membership: TBD

Outreach: Ruth Horton

Secretary/Clerk: Lauren Ramakrishna Worship: Neil Galone

Treasurer: Ellen Groves

OUTREACH MINISTRY LEADERS

Adopt-A-Highway: Tom Waseleski CRIES Advocacy: Ellen Groves
ESL: Tim Austin

Joyce Donadee

Garden of Hope: Annemarie Malbon

Justice Ministry: Marilyn Mulvihill & Donna Aiello

Miryam's: Julia Wick North Hills Food Banks: Ruth Horton

Tuesday:

WORSHIP MINISTRY LEADERS

Acolyte: Anelisa Tarrant Altar Guild: Anelisa Tarrant

Flower Ministry: Libby Juel & Sylvia Affleck

Greeter: Donna Aiello Lector: Ann Vinski Scheduler: Kelli Cerra Spirituality: Donna Aiello

PARISH LIFE MINISTRY LEADERS

Audit: Kevin Boyd **Book Club: Anne Semmler** Brendan's Boots: Tom Waseleski **Bulletin Coordinators: Pat Carl & Carol Meese**

Dinner Group: Janice Moore

Fiber Crafting Club: Sherri Angeletti Finance Chair: Lauren Ramakrishna

Green Thumb Gang: Dan Moore Historian: Ellen Groves

Holiday Happenings/Cookie Walk: Donna Aiello Memorial Garden: John Appeldorn

Merry Meal Makers (M&M's): Saundy Waseleski Reiki Ministry: Melanie Popovich Rental: Marilyn Mulvihill

Scholarship: Allison Kline~Ann Vinski~Mike Wick

Web Site: Kelli Cerra

WEEKLY AT ST. BRENDAN'S

8:00 am Worship, in person Sunday:

> 10:00 am Worship, in person and live streaming

> > https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkCY2BEJXIqMoVc_nXXG7ew

Monday: 8:00 am Daily Morning Prayer, via zoom, Monday thru Friday

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83591825912?pwd=a3BGcCswanE10FFXaVBWbDBYRGM1UT09

10:00 am Modern Episcopalian, via zoom 9:00 am Katie office hours till 12:00 pm 9:00 am Katie office hours till 12:00 pm

11:00 am Bible Study, via zoom https://zoom.us/j/4575423762

Book Club discussion, via zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81484853481 4:30 pm

Wednesday: 1:00 pm Mother Robin office hours till 5:00 pm

Midweek Eucharist 5:00 pm

Thursday: 11:00 am Mother Robin office hours till 4:00 pm

9:00 am Katie office hours till 12:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am Katie office hours till 12:00 pm

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Facebook ~ https://www.facebook.com/StBrendansEpiscopalChurch/

Nextdoor ~ https://franklinparkpittsburgh.nextdoor.com/pages/st-brendans-episcopal-church-sewickley-pa/recommend/

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