



## The Deacon's Corner

**Amazing encounters.** I suspect we have all had them. You meet a stranger, engage in conversation, and the experience lingers in your memory. You ponder the experience to understand the deeper meaning. Perhaps you are changed in some little way. Well, I had one of those encounters last Sunday. I arrived at church around 9:30, went to the clergy office to set down my things as usual, and when I came back out to greet folks, a woman came up to me and introduced herself. "Hello, I'm (name withheld), and I want to thank you for all the prayers these past few years." Of course, I recognized her name, but we had never met. She told me about her life in a far distant country seven time zones away. She told me about her circumstances. She told me about her son who lives locally and her daughter who lives in Dubai. She told me so much more. Then she told me how much she enjoyed my reading of the gospels on Sundays. And I wondered how in the world she would have heard that. So, I asked. She told me that, despite the time zone difference of seven hours, she views our streamed service every Sunday. She told me that she considers herself a faithful member of the St. Brendan's family. And I was simply astounded. ('gob-smacked'). And I got to thinking about the amazing chemistry that binds people in relationship at St. Brendan's like compatible elements on the periodic table. Surely, this is the Holy Spirit working in and through us to strengthen the ties that bind us, to inspire joy, and to foster that sense of Christian hope that sustains us in times of need. Amazing encounter, indeed!



**ATTENTION:** On **September 27, 2023**, your kitchen is closed! But don't worry, the kitchen at Stack'd Wexford (12087 Perry Highway) is up and running. When you dine at the restaurant for lunch or dinner on Wednesday, September 27, 20% of your bill will get donated back to St. Brendan's! All you have to do is present a physical flyer (check the Narthex for copies!), show a picture of the flyer on your phone, or simply tell your server you are supporting the St. Brendan's cause that day. Tell your family and friends, too!



**Taize/Evening Prayer:** Our next Taize/Evening Prayer service is Wednesday, August 30 at 6:00 p.m. in the chapel. Please join us for this quiet, peaceful, candle-lit service. This is the perfect antidote for a hectic week. Treat yourself to some quality renewal time with the Lord!

There is an opportunity to hear about **various types of ministry – lay and ordained**, review the process toward ordained ministry, as well as have an overview of the role of the Commission on Ministry in your journey.

The day is hosted by the Commission on Ministry (COM) and various clergy and lay ministers will be present to help answer questions and help clarify the next steps in discerning a call.

**Saturday, September 16 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

**Church of the Redeemer in Squirrel Hill 5700 Forbes Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15217**

[Please register here](#) for meal and materials planning. There is no fee for this gathering.

**If you would like to be put on a waiting list if there are cancellations, please email [events@stbrendans.org](mailto:events@stbrendans.org).**

**Live Oldies Concert** -- Tickets are Going Fast! If you haven't gotten your ticket for the live Oldies Concert on Thursday, September 7, now is the time to get it, as we are very close to the maximum number. Keely Singer, a popular local vocal talent, and will be singing your favorite tunes from the 60's and 70's. Doors open at 6 pm and the show is from 7 - 8:30pm. Tickets are sold out, but we are taking names for a waiting list.



Tickets will be on sale after both services on Sundays and through St. Brendan's website. Price of admission is \$15 and includes light appetizers and a ticket for a basket raffle. Wine, soft drinks and a barbecue chicken platter will be available for sale. Vintage attire is options, so you may want to dust off those leisure suits and go-go boots for what is sure to be an evening of fun and nostalgia. Contact Donna Aiello ([donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com](mailto:donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com)) with questions.



**The first Steelers game** is just around the corner! For a third year, St. Brendan's will be sponsoring a football pool based on the team's 8-game home season. These pools have been great fundraisers as well as the source of some harmless enjoyment on (mostly) Sunday afternoons. We trust that this year's game will be just as successful. The game board and copies of an introduction to the Pool for veteran players and complete rookies alike has been placed in the Narthex.

Please take a look and consider participating--or asking friends, family and co-workers to do so! Contact Tim Austin if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you.

**Volunteers needed for an Audio Video Technology crew.** St Brendan's is seeking volunteers who would like to be trained and available to help with AV. We previously had a crew before the pandemic and it's time to revitalize the crew since we have fully opened the church. The crew will be trained to run the AV system in the parish hall that may be needed by a speaker, a renter or any church group that needs to show a video, use a mic or have access to the projector for a presentation. If interested in this important church mission of being on the AV crew, contact Sandra Nagy at [Shelbie1982@icloud.com](mailto:Shelbie1982@icloud.com).



These are high needs for the **North Hills food bank** this month.

- Cereal
- Dry noodles, pasta – ziti, penne, spaghetti
- Boxed potatoes -scalloped, au gratin, mashed

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


Note: The food banks do not accept anything in glass jars.



**There's nothing like a good conversation!** For more than a decade, St. Brendan's has hosted adult conversation classes for non-native English speakers. We welcome as many as 20 students a week at two fluency levels. We are blessed with a loyal and hard-working cohort of leaders and helpers—but we don't have any reserves in case one of our volunteers falls ill, has a family issue, or takes a vacation. Would you have time on Tuesday or Thursday mornings or on Wednesday evenings to help us out? **No previous experience or expertise is needed.** For more information, please contact Tim Austin at 508-688-9554 or [austover@gmail.com](mailto:austover@gmail.com).

## Children and Youth



- **Blessing of the Children and Backpacks:** All children and teens are invited to bring their backpacks to church on **THIS Sunday, August 27**, for a special blessing for a safe, productive school year. St. Brendan's wants to celebrate our students as they move on to another year of learning. 
- **Sunday School Kickoff:** Circle your calendar for a special event on **Sunday, September 10**. Games, crafts, and Bible-based activities will take place from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon. We hope all Sunday School-aged children (kindergarten through Grade 5) will participate in this fun morning to mark the beginning of the new year. Children will stay in the Sunday School area for the morning and will not join parents for the service on this day. More information will follow.
- **Nursery Volunteers** are still needed for the following weeks: **September 3, 17 and 24. On October 1, we'll need 2 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 10 a.m. worship service, please reach out to me, Liz MacDonald via text/call at 412-865-6486 or email [Liz702988@gmail.com](mailto:Liz702988@gmail.com). If there is anyone interested in becoming a Nursery Volunteer, I would love to hear from you and give you the necessary information in obtaining your clearances! Thank you, Liz.

**Can you help?** Your fellow parishioners need help. Members going through a trying time — like a sudden illness, a difficult recovery, or the arrival of a baby — get a boost when St. Brendan's delivers dinner. You can bring a smile and offer a lift by joining the Merry Meal Makers in occasionally making or purchasing a meal for a Brendanite. Contact Saundy Waseleski at [swaseleski@comcast.net](mailto:swaseleski@comcast.net) for more information.



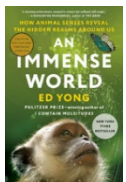
We celebrate the **September Birthdays** of:

1 Tony Turo	3 Luke Cerra	8 Griffin Wick	11 Phoebe Juel
12 Aidan McKenna	13 Sylvia Affleck	15 George Latta	17 Ida LaQuatra
18 Anelisa Tarrant	21 Reid Shoemaker	22 Melinda Bell	23 Michael Donadee



We celebrate the **September Wedding Anniversaries** of:

8 Tamara & Bill Spoonhoward	14 Linda & Tom Limberis
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**Book Club News** The next meeting of the St. Brendan's Book Club will be held on **Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m.** in the church library. We will be discussing "An Immense World" by Pulitzer Prize winning science journalist, Ed Yong. It is described as an ingenious account of the radically different ways that living organisms perceive the world that will fill you with wonder and forever alter your perspective (The New York Times). Please put this most astounding book on your summer reading list and join us in September! For more information, please contact Anne Semmler at [annegsemmler@gmail.com](mailto:annegsemmler@gmail.com). See you then!



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**The Commission on Ministry for the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh** is hosting an information luncheon/discussion for anyone who may be interested in ordained ministry or licensed lay ministry. The session is scheduled for Saturday, September 16 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Church of the Redeemer located at 5700 Forbes Avenue in Squirrel Hill. The link to register is [Please register here](#).

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## Prayer Requests

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**We pray for our beloved members of St. Brendan's**, especially; Margie Davies, Joyce Donadee, Geoff Wood, Bill Spoonhoward, Ruth Haider, Judy McKarnin, Matthew, Jim Gray, Nancy Snyder, Larry Tarrant, Rosie Wood, Kate Heston, Linda & Alan Schneider, Mark Shoemaker, Mark Kinley, LuAnn Aldridge, Alice Butterworth.

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

**For our family members**, especially; Kirk Latta, Pat Schulze, Tom Groves, Joann, Chris Sensenich, Jay & A, Sue Burchill, John, Carol Schmitz, Frank Nagy, Nathan Schlumpf, David Pingree, Bob Kiehl, Marie Hazelton, Eric Darde, Robert Donato, Rebecca Peters, Ann & Ben Kirkpatrick.

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

**We pray for all who have died**, especially Walter Smith, Adele McCormack and Peter Cervantes.

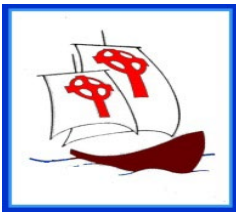
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# August Ministry Calendar 2023

Date	Lectors	Sunday School Leaders	Nursery	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Vestry	Stewards	Hospitality
August 6 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous 1 <sup>st</sup> Tim Austin 2 <sup>nd</sup> Michael Donadee P Marilyn Mulvihill	Summer Break	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Sylvia Affleck Kathy Miller	Kathy Miller Dave Miller	John Appledorn Mike Wick	Kate Heston	Linda Limberis	Neil & Deborah
August 13 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 <sup>st</sup> Kate Heston 2 <sup>nd</sup> Linda Limberis P Mary Bertucci	Summer Break	Liz MacDonald Lindsay Beel	Tammy Spoonhoward Anelisa Tarrant	Susan Shields John Appledorn	Dale Bertucci Anthony Bertucci	Dan Moore	Dave Miller	Janice & Dan Moore
August 20 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Ellen Groves 1 <sup>st</sup> Marilyn Mulvihill 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tony Turo P Tim Austin	Summer Break	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Dottie Antonucci Janice Moore	Saundy Waseleski Tom Waseleski	Donna Aiello Allyson Baierl	Tom Waseleski	Mike Wick	Kathy & Dave Miller
August 27 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Backpack blessing	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 <sup>st</sup> Ann Vinski 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aidan McKenna P Donna Aiello	Summer Break	Liz MacDonald Pat Carl	Ellen Groves Susan Shields	Barb Fure Wesley Bell	Tim Austin Kate Heston	John Appledorn	John Appledorn	Kate Heston

# September Ministry Calendar 2023

Date	Lectors	Sunday School Leaders	Nursery	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Vestry	Stewards	Hospitality
September 3 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous 1 <sup>st</sup> Donna Aiello 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ann Vinski P Linda Limberis	Summer Break	Liz MacDonald Volunteer needed	Joan Klinefelter Phoebe Juel	Barbe Fure Dean Peters	Michael Donadee Mike Wick	Ruth Horton	Dave Miller	The 8 O'clockers
September 10 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Sunday School kick off	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 <sup>st</sup> Mary Bertucci 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cindy Koszarek P Kate Heston	Lambs TBD FISH TBD Door keeper TBD	Liz MacDonald Molly Kirk	Sylvia Affleck Janice Moore	Kate Heston John Appledorn	Dale Bertucci Anthony Bertucci	Neil Galone	Tim Austin	The Bertucci's
September 17 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Ellen Groves 1 <sup>st</sup> AJ McKenna 2 <sup>nd</sup> Paul Quinn P John Appledorn	Lambs TBD FISH TBD Door keeper TBD	Liz MacDonald Volunteer needed	Ellen Groves Susan Shields	Kathy & Dave Miller	Donna Aiello Allyson Baierl	Lauren Ramakrishna	Linda Limberis	The Nagy's
September 24 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Children & Youth Sunday	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 <sup>st</sup> Children 2 <sup>nd</sup> Children P Children	Lambs TBD FISH TBD Door keeper TBD	Liz MacDonald Volunteer needed	Tammy Spoonhoward Kathy Miller	Allyson Baierl Annie Koch	Tim Austin Kate Heston	Sandy Nagy	John Appledorn	Megan & Tim



### 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

### 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

### 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

### WEEKLY AT ST. BRENDAN'S

**Sunday:** 8:00 am Worship, in person  
10:00 am Worship, in person and live streaming  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkCY2BEJXlqMoVc\\_nXXG7ew](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkCY2BEJXlqMoVc_nXXG7ew)

**Monday:** 8:00 am Daily Morning Prayer, via zoom, Monday thru Friday  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83591825912?pwd=a3BGcCswanE1OFFXaVBWbDBYRGM1UT09>  
10:00 am Modern Episcopalian, via zoom  
11:00 am Katie office hours till 3:00 pm

**Tuesday:** 11:00 am Katie office hours till 3:00 pm  
11:00 am Bible Study, via zoom <https://zoom.us/j/4575423762>  
11:00 am Katie office hours till 3:00 pm  
4:30 pm Book Club discussion, via zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81484853481>

**Wednesday:** 1:00 pm Mother Robin office hours till 5:00 pm  
6:00 pm Midweek Eucharist

**Thursday:** 11:00 am Mother Robin office hours till 4:00 pm  
11:00 am Katie office hours till 3:00 pm

**Friday:** 11:00 am Katie office hours till 3:00 pm

### ST. BRENDAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Web Site ~ <http://www.stbrendans.org>

Online Parish Calendar ~ <https://www.stbrendans.org/calendar>

Online Parish Directory ~ <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1By4bzW6dJ2AwwZVlmlqjcQ4WFAynP16D/view?usp=sharing> (authorization required for access--apply online)

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

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

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Parish Administrator, Katie Cervone ~ [Katie@stbrendans.org](mailto:Katie@stbrendans.org)

Music Director, Daniel May ~ [bluesub@verizon.net](mailto:bluesub@verizon.net)

Deacon, Rev. Darrell Johnson ~ [johnsdj31@verizon.net](mailto:johnsdj31@verizon.net)

Nursery Director, Liz MacDonald ~ [Liz702988@gmail.com](mailto:Liz702988@gmail.com)