



The Priest's Corner

Last week (September 27, 28, 29, Deacon Darrell and I attended the Diocese of Pittsburgh clergy conference held at the Antiochian Village Christian conference center [<https://www.antiochianvillage.org/>] where clergy gathered for worship, workshops, conferences, and lots of social time in a beautiful part of Pennsylvania.

I was invited to attend last year, but I had just arrived at St. Brendan's and needed some time to settle into my new role as Priest-In-Charge. It was a relaxing way to meet new colleagues and spend time getting to know them. The worship (especially the celebration of the Eucharist) made me so grateful to meet so many talented musicians, diocesan staff, and clergy folks. It was a real joy to represent St. Brendan's in the diocese.

On a different note, I will be teaching a Zoom class on Tuesday evenings at 6 pm using various resources from The Bible Project [bibleproject.com]. This class builds on the class from the previous year "How We Got the Bible." If you registered for that class, you will receive an invitation to join this class. Otherwise you can send me an email [robin@stbrendans.org] and let me know if you are interested in attending.

The class is focused on an overview of the Hebrew Bible for 6 weekly sessions, followed by an overview of each of the subsequent books. You will be sent a short animated video (anywhere from 7 to 12 or so minutes) to watch before the class. During class, we will discuss what we learned, ask questions, and share resources for learning more. Here is the proposed syllabus:

October 17	TaNak/Old Testament
October 24	Genesis 1-11
October 31	Genesis 12-50
November 7	Exodus 1-18
November 14	Exodus 19-40
*Thanksgiving week off	
November 28	Leviticus

I'm looking forward to learning more about the Hebrew Bible with you!

Mtr Robin



Blessing of the Animals! Bring your animals, large or small to St. Brendan's Annual Blessing of the Animals event **This Sunday, October 8, 2023**. October is the month of the Feast of St. Francis where we celebrate our beloved family pets and honor them with a special blessing service.

And yes, for first timers to our blessing event, you are permitted to bring your animals inside the sanctuary with you, where your pets can choose to 'people watch', 'meditate' or 'sing along' with St. Brendan's music!

Blessing Service: 10 a.m. Worship Service

The Animal Blessing service will be held for parishioners' and welcomed guests during our regular 10 a.m. worship service. As requested in the past, please have your pets either on a leash or in a carrier for their safety. The Prayers for the Animals (both present and deceased) will be towards the middle of the 10 a.m. worship service. Looking forward to seeing all of you and your furry friends!!! Melanie Popovich, Blessings Coordinator, [mkpopovich@comcast.net], 724 816-4564.



Gentlemen of St Brendan's are invited to breakfast on **Monday, October 9th at 9 a.m.** at Eat'n Park, 2650 Brandt School Rd, Wexford. Bring your hunger, humor, and good will. RSVP Steve Horton at [stephenshorton@gmail.com]. All are welcome.

"Why sit at a table that doesn't have key lime pie on it if you don't have to?" Sloane Crosley

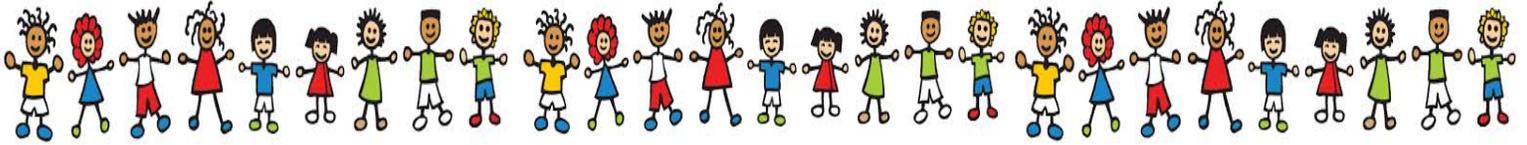


Time change: Beginning **NEXT Wednesday, October 11**, All Wednesday Evening Holy Eucharist services will begin at 5 p.m. That's one hour earlier. Please join us.



Brendan's Boots. The parish walking group will sample the fall foliage — and a waterfall — with a trek through Fall Run Park in Shaler on **Monday, Oct. 30**. Participants will meet at the church at 9 a.m. and carpool to the park. Lunch will follow at Bonefish Grill in McCandless Crossing. Everyone is welcome; feel free to bring a friend! For more information, please contact Tom Waseleski at twaseleski@comcast.net.

Children and Youth



Upcoming dates for Sunday School:

- **Sunday, October 29: Children's Worship Service.** There will be no Sunday School classes that day. Children will be involved in various ways in the service. Children, with the exception of acolytes serving that day, are invited to wear saint or Halloween costumes. Please, no pretend weapons or symbols depicting violence.
- **Please note:** Because there are five Sundays in the month of October, we will have Sunday School classes on October 1, October 8, October 15, October 22.



Holiday Happenings: Sat., November 18 from 9 am - 2pm. Mark your calendar!



Gift Card Basket Raffle:

As part of Holiday Happenings, we will be raffling off three baskets of gift cards. **The first prize consists of \$800+ worth of gift cards; 2nd prize \$500+ and the 3rd prize \$200+.** Last year, this raffle was the most lucrative of all of our Holiday Happenings events because every gift card in the baskets (\$1,200 worth) was donated by **businesses or parishioners**. This year, we are looking for at least \$1,500 worth of gift cards. We are hoping **you could collect gift cards from businesses and would also appreciate any gift cards donated by our parishioners.** Flyers are available in the Narthex for your use to give to businesses as you make your request.

We are now beginning our sale of raffle tickets for the baskets and will be in the back of the church selling them after each service. **It would be great if you would also sell them to your friends and family.** Just ask for a group of 10 tickets for selling. Please see Linda Limberis or Donna Aiello with questions.

Soup for Sale:



Another popular part of Holiday Happenings is our delicious homemade soup. This year we will have five varieties, all made right in our own kitchen and supervised by someone certified in PA food preparation. If you would like to help chopping, packing or a number of other things, please contact Julia Wick at lawford1@msn.com. Also, **if you'd like to make a monetary donation to help offset the cost of ingredients, please put your check or cash in an envelope and mark it HH Soup.** You can drop it in the collection basket or leave it with Katie.



Cookie Walk:

Remember to sign up to make your cookies on the sheet in the Narthex. If you need help with recipes, there are a few on the table in the Narthex you can take; there are also guidelines for cookie baking.

It's not too early to start baking! We have plenty of freezer space so just bring them once you've baked them. Contact Ruth Horton at rvhorton@gmail.com or Donna Aiello at donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com with questions.

Calling all St. Brendan's crafters:

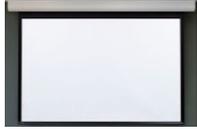
Brendan's Boutique, our church's annual sale table at Holiday Happening is back! We are looking for donations of all kinds of handmade crafts, including:

- Knitting and crochet
- Pottery
- Jams and jellies
- Small quilts and other textiles
- And more!



All proceeds from the sale on November 18 will benefit our church. If you are interested in donating contact Pat Carl 412-367-9246 pkarrcarl@gmail.com or Janet Fesq 724-940-0098 wvgrl2@consolidated.net.

Volunteers to be LEV: St. Brendan's could use a few more volunteers to be Lay Eucharistic Visitors (LEV). LEVs take communion to those who are unable to attend church regularly for whatever reason. Usually this is done on Sundays after the services. If you have some free time on Sundays and wouldn't mind taking communion to those in need, please contact Mtr. Robin robin@stbrendans.org or Deacon Darrell darrell@stbrendas.org. A short instructional session is the normal practice.



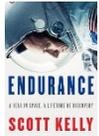
AV Crew. St. Brendan's is seeking a few volunteers to be trained for helping with the audio-visual equipment in the social hall. A crew member is needed only occasionally by a church leader, guest speaker or renter who needs to show a video, use a microphone or have access to the projector for a presentation. Help like this would require very little time yet be very beneficial to St. Brendan's. If you'd like to be part of the crew, please contact Sandra Nagy at Shelbie1982@icloud.com.

Please be aware that from time-to-time churches are victims of scams. Check your e-mails very carefully.

“Calling all fiber crafters! Do you knit, crochet, embroider, or do other hand-held fiber arts? Let's get together for fellowship, fun, and handcrafting! Fiber Crafting Club meetings are held on the first Friday and third Wednesday of each month, 6-8 p.m. in the St. Brendan's library.



The next meeting is **TONIGHT at 6 p.m.** Please join us - everyone is welcome, regardless of experience level! If you would like more information, please contact Sherri at sherri.angeletti@gmail.com or text 412-689-0737.



Book Club News: The next meeting of the St. Brendan's Book Club will be Monday, Nov. 6 at 1PM (note new time!) in the church library. We will discuss *Endurance: My Year in Space* by Scott Kelly. Bring your suggestions for books please so that we can choose titles for the rest of 2024. Contact Anne Semmler at annegsemmler@gmail.com with any questions. All are welcome!

The right to vote is both a sacred right and an obligation. But in Pennsylvania 30% of eligible voters are not registered. Many are shift workers and service occupations who do not have time to get to a place of registration. We can help.

We are asking that we all take the forms available in the narthex. As you go about your everyday activities be on the lookout for who may need to register. Ask folks if they are registered, offer a form that you have stamped. Easy as that!

And we know the St. Brendan's family loves a challenge. So here it is:

Each of us register one new voter before Oct 23rd. Contact Marilyn at mimi15143@yahoo.com with questions.

Prayer Requests

We pray for our beloved members of St. Brendan's, especially; Libby Juel, Charlotte Pierce, Margie Davies, Joyce Donadee, Geoff Wood, Alice Butterworth, Ruth Haider, Judy McKarnin, Matthew, Jim Gray, Nancy Snyder, Larry Tarrant, Mark Shoemaker, Rosie Wood, Kate Heston, Mark Kinley, LuAnn Aldridge,

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

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

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

We pray for all who have died, especially Chris Sensenich, Eric Horton.

October Ministry Calendar 2023

Date	Lectors	Sunday School Leaders	Nursery	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Stewards	Vestry	Hospitality
October 1 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous 1 st Alan Schneider 2 nd Tony Turo P TBD	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Michael Waseleski Door keeper Dawn Quinn	Liz MacDonald Lindsay Beel	Tammy Spoonhoward Anelisa Tarrant	Saundy Waseleski Tom Waseleski	Allyson Baiert John Appeldorn	Tim Austin	Tom Waseleski	Kate Heston
October 8 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 st Paul Quinn 2 nd Ann Vinski P John Appledorn	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Allison Kline Door keeper Katie Costa	Liz MacDonald Annemarie Malbon	Joan Klinefelter Kathy Miller	Susan Shields Annie Koch	Julia Wick Mike Wick	Dave Miller	Kate Heston	Janice & Dan Moore
October 15 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Ellen Groves 1 st Dean Peters 2 nd Marilyn Mulvihill P Mary Bertucci	Lambs TBD FISH TBD Door keeper Ellen Groves	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Sylvia Affleck Janice Moore	Barb Fure Wesley Bell	Allyson Baiert Linda Limberis	Mike Wick	John Appeldorn	Kathy & Dave Miller
October 22 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Children & Youth Sunday	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 st AJ McKenna 2 nd Cindy Koszarek P Marilyn Mulvihill	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Michael Waseleski Door keeper Susan Shields	Liz MacDonald Pat Carl	Ellen Groves Phoebe Juel	Allyson Baiert Kate Heston	Mary Bertucci Dale Bertucci	John Appledorn	Sandy Nagy	The Bertucci family
October 29 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous 1 st Children 2 nd Children P Children	Children's Worship	Liz MacDonald Dawn Quinn	Anelisa Tarrant Sylvia Affleck	Kathy Miller Dave Miller	Donna Aiello	Linda Limberis	Dan Moore	Donna Aiello Sharon Hlawati



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

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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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

Music Director, Daniel May ~ bluesub@verizon.net

Deacon, Rev. Darrell Johnson ~ johnsdj31@verizon.net

Nursery Director, Liz MacDonald ~ Liz702988@gmail.com