

NAVIGATOR'S LOG

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS
& UPCOMING EVENTS

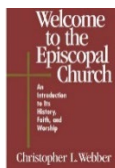


FRANKLIN PARK, PA
**ST. BRENDAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

September 17, 2023



This is a friendly reminder for those who signed up to **make sandwiches**...it's NEXT Saturday, **September 23rd**. Join us as we get together at 8 a.m. to make sandwiches for children at Neighborhood Resilience Project. Should only take us about an hour to an hour and one half.



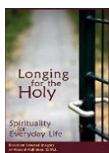
Modern Episcopalians group will meet on **Thursday evenings at 7:00** via zoom. The first meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, September 21**. We will be reading and discussing the book entitled *Welcome to the Episcopal Church: an introduction to its history, faith and worship* by Christopher L. Webber. The zoom link for each session is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81843946044?pwd=UHZkNUhxUEh1RWZyMnliZy91R01nUT09>. To receive a weekly email invitation, contact John Appeldorn at jj47@aol.com.



Adopt-a-Highway. St. Brendan's roadside cleanup crew will pick up litter on **Saturday, Sept. 23**. After meeting at the church at 8:30 a.m. and gathering supplies, volunteers will carpool to the site, the Camp Horne Road interchange of I-279. Anyone age 14 and up may participate. The cleanup will be finished by 10:45. For more info, please contact Tom Waseleski, twaselesk@comcast.net.



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!



Fall small faith-sharing groups are forming now! Explore your faith and deepen your sense of God in everyday life by joining a small faith-sharing community this fall. Using "Longing for the Holy: Spirituality for Everyday Life" by Ronald Rolheiser as the common text, groups will **meet once a week for 6 weeks (October 1- November 10)** to pray, discuss the readings, and share faith and friendship with one another. Each group will have about 6 members and will meet at a mutually convenient time either at a group member's home or at the church. Sessions typically last 2 hours.

The book is designed for small groups, with reflective readings and discussion questions, and contains 12 chapters. We will cover the first 6 chapters this fall, and plan to hold another 6-week session during Lent (February to March next year) to pray through the second 6 chapters. Sign-up sheets for the fall will be available in the back of the church beginning September 10, or you can email Ann or Tony to sign up. We ask that you sign up by September 17th to allow us time to organize groups and order books. If you have any questions, please contact Tony Turo at ajturo61@gmail.com or Ann Vinski at avinski4@gmail.com.



St. Brendan's is 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.

Children and Youth



Upcoming dates for Sunday School:

- **Sunday, September 17:** Sunday School classes for Fish and Lambs at 10 a.m. Children return to their parents and the worship service during announcement time.
- **Sunday, September 24:** Children's Worship Service. There will be no Sunday School classes that day. Children will be involved in various ways in the service. More details will be announced.



“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, 6-8pm, in the St. Brendan’s library.

The next meeting will be this **Wednesday, September 20th, at 6:00 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.”

If you have a **college student** that would enjoy from a care package from St. Brendan’s, please send an email to Katie@stbrendans.org.



Vestry Briefs. At Monday's meeting, St. Brendan's Vestry:

- Discussed the need to do a better job of looking after our homebound members. That includes assessing their needs, determining who would like a home visit with or without Eucharist, and training more lay Eucharistic ministers. Mother Robin said she would take charge.
- Voted to accept the diocesan plan to refinance St. Brendan's building debt, with the diocese paying 25% of the balance and the parish paying 75% at an annual interest rate of 1.5% over 15 years.
- Junior Warden Dan Moore reported that the church parking lot will be repaved sometime within the next few

weeks and at that time be off-limits to all vehicles for five consecutive days.

- Voted to accept the generous donation by a member of three dogwood trees to replace some of the dying red maples along the edge of the parking lot.



The Native American Pow Wow in Dorseyville will be held **Sunday, September 24.** The cost is \$6. All are invited to join the Spirituality Ministry at this event. For anyone who would like to car pool with us, we will leave St. Brendan's shortly after the 10am service, to assure being there for the Grand Entry at 1 p.m.

Once there, we will park at the Dorseyville Middle School, and take a 5-minute school-bus ride to the top of the hill, where the Pow Wow will take place. For those who are driving themselves, we can meet at the entrance on top of the hill.

If you would like to attend, please contact Donna Aiello donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com and let her know whether you will car pool from St. Brendan's or meet us there.

Come and enjoy a glimpse of Native American heritage, cuisine, competitive dancing, and arts and crafts at this family-friendly event. Looking forward to experiencing this with you!



Taize/Evening Prayer: The next Taize/Evening Prayer service will be **Wednesday, September 20 at 6:00 p.m.** in the chapel. Normally, it would be on the 27th, but Mtr. Robin and I will be at the annual clergy conference on that date. Please join us for this quiet, reflective, Spirit-filled, candlelight service in the chapel. It will smooth out the edges for a tough week!



THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

It was an amazing night, filled with beautiful song, delicious food and great conversation -- and was all possible because of the volunteers who pitched in and made this gala event a fantastic evening! Events like this are only possible with the support of our parishioners. From the cooking and prep that was going on for days, the beautiful baskets donated by parishioners, the donated items for the delicious charcuterie table, announcements on stage, assisting in parking, security, decorating, bartending, selling, buying and collecting tickets, clean up etc. etc. I could go on and on. We couldn't have done it without you and all of your hard work! And of course a special thank you to all who attended!

This fundraiser brought \$2,212 into our parish (more than we anticipated), less a few expenses that haven't been accounted for yet. This event was not only a success as a fundraiser but as an event to promote connection and fellowship within our church and community. Donna Aiello

Calling all St. Brendan’s crafters!

Brendan's Boutique, our church's annual sale table at the Cookie Walk 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 sale 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 wvrgl2@consolidated.net.



HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS!

Saturday, November 18, from 9am to 2pm

Approximately two months from now, we will have our biggest fundraiser of the year – Holiday Happenings. But it's not only a fundraiser – it's a fun kick off for holiday events!

Here's a recap:

Cookie Walk – Our Parish Hall will be filled with over 1,000 dozen homemade Christmas cookies, made by our parishioners, families and friends. You can start making them now; we have plenty of room in our freezers.

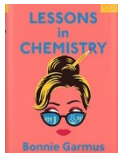
Soup Sales – We will be selling five varieties of homemade soup, made right here in our kitchen!

Vendor and Craft Show – Quality vendors will be stationed in the sanctuary selling their crafts, jewelry, pottery, candles, baskets, salsa, etc.

Raffle – Grand prize is a basket of gift cards worth \$800+.

Live entertainment – From the Avonworth Chamber Choir, Our Lady of Sacred Heart choral group, and some of Keely Singer's vocal students.

To make this event happen, we need plenty of participation from parishioners. We can't do this without you! There are so many ways to participate, from making cookies to procuring gift card donations to helping the week prior and the day of the event. Watch for more announcements to come. In the next several weeks, you'll see our Narthex come alive with various components of this event – posters, sign-up sheets, etc. Please help us wherever you can.



Book Club News: The next meeting of the St. Brendan's Book Club will be **Monday, Oct. 2 at 3 p.m.** in the church library. We will discuss the novel *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus, which was cited as a Best Book of the Year by the New York Times, Washington Post, NPR, Oprah Daily, and more (soon to be a series on AppleTV+ as well). Preview for the Nov. 6 meeting: *Endurance: My Year in Space* by Scott Kelly. Contact Anne Semmler (annegsemmler@gmail.com) with any questions. All are welcome!



BFF = Building Needs. Would you like a way to acknowledge a special occasion like a baptism or a birthday or to remember a departed loved one? A donation to the Brendan's Family and Friend's (BFF) fund is the perfect way to honor that special person or event.

BFF funds are earmarked for unbudgeted building needs which might otherwise derail our budget. Air conditioning units, technology, kitchen and playground equipment, acoustic panels, security window film, exterior painting and much more have been made possible through your generous donations. Please pick up a BFF card in the narthex or donate online via [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly). Thank you for making a difference at St. Brendan's by becoming a BFF donor!



Do you care about preventing gun violence? If so, we have an opportunity to take action. Contacting our legislators makes a difference. One recent study found that nearly 50% of NRA members have contacted a public official to express their opinion on guns, and about 25% of them have done that in the past year. Compare that to the general population – where only 15% of Americans have contacted their legislators and only 5% in the past year. In the words of Dr. King, "Those of us who love peace must learn to organize as effectively as the war hawks."

Join us on October 1 after each service to sign letters to our representatives urging them to pass sensible gun laws. If you are not able to be with us, letters will be available for your signature in the narthex. Contact Marilyn Mulvihill mimi15143@yahoo.com for more information.

Prayer Requests

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

For our parents, especially; Eric Horton, 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 family of Jeanne Johnson, The Silveira family, Phil & Bernice Bollman, Cindy & Bob Getty, Evelyn Butera, Ron Neurohr, Rena Feingold, Vivian, Barb & Wayne Seelhorst & family, Maggie Cervone, Pat Reiner, Nancy Baker, Organ donor and family, Josh.

We pray for all who have died, especially Jeanne Johnson, Kate Fame, Janice Eichorn.

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 st Donna Aiello 2 nd Ann Vinski P Linda Limberis	Summer Break	Liz MacDonald Annemarie Malbon	Joan Klinefelter Phoebe Juel	Toni Passarello 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 st Mary Bertucci 2 nd Cindy Koszarek P Kate Heston	Sunday School Kick off Led by: Saundy Waseleski Allison Kline	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 st AJ McKenna 2 nd Paul Quinn P John Appeldorn	Lambs Kayla Tweedle FISH Katie Costa Door keeper Ellen Groves	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	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 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 st Children 2 nd Children P Children	Children's Worship	Liz MacDonald Pat Carl	Tammy Spoonhoward Kathy Miller	Allyson Baierl Annie Koch	Tim Austin Kate Heston	Sandy Nagy	John Appeldorn	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
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

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

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

Priest-in-Charge, Mother Robin Jarrell ~ Robin@stbrendans.org

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

Nursery Director, Liz MacDonald ~ Liz702988@gmail.com