



From the Senior Warden

I'm bored. These are words seldom heard around St. Brendan's — and for good reason. There's a lot going on and a lot worth being a part of. Our young and not-so-big parish has more than 30 ministries offering activities to deepen spiritual growth, care for our fellow parishioners, work for social justice, support the Sunday services and enjoy fun and recreation. Surely there's a place among them for you.

Some of us are content to come for worship once a week and be nourished by the liturgy, the music, the sermon and the atmosphere provided by a friendly congregation. If that's you, we're glad you're here and part of the beating heart of St. Brendan's. But other parishioners want more, and our ministries offer dozens of ways to participate. Many of those activities will be on full display Sunday, Sept. 28, after the 10 am service at Celebrate St. Brendan's!, our ministry fair in the parish hall.

Ever wonder how many people it takes to put on a Sunday service? You could have a supporting role by being an usher, a choir member, a lector, a sacristan, a greeter or a security steward. Think you'd like to support the growth and care of your fellow parishioners? You could teach Sunday School, be a Youth Group leader, help in the nursery, volunteer as a pastoral care visitor or make a meal for someone who's ill. Want to deepen your faith and enrich your soul? There's weekly Bible Study, the Modern Episcopalians study group and Daughters of the King. Do you care about the homeless, the immigrant, the disenfranchised and the environment? You could help with a meal for Miryam's Kitchen, teach English with ESL Conversation Friends, get active with the Justice Ministry or join the Adopt-a-Highway crew. Or do you just want a break sometimes from a maddening world? Brendanites find relief at the Book Club, Brendan's Boots, Sticks & Strings and the Men's and Ladies' Breakfasts.

All sorts of opportunities await, many of them fit your schedule and ministry leaders will be eager to tell you about them while you enjoy coffee hour. Come celebrate St. Brendan's on the 28th and you may never be bored again!

**Yours in faith,
Tom Waseleski**

Announcements

Once again, please welcome **The Rev. Catherine "Cat" Munz** who will be our Celebrant this Sunday as Mtr. Nancy continues on her vacation.

In addition to celebrating with Cat this Sunday, she will **celebrate Eucharist** with our faithful worshipers on **Wednesday, September 24th at 5 pm**. Please join them, all are welcome.



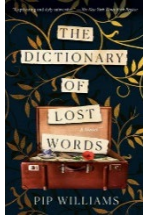
The Discernment Committee appreciates the interest that everyone is taking in our progress. Please understand that we have two substantial documents and one smaller (but important) one to prepare. One of the longer pieces is now in final draft form and we have embarked on the second, meeting weekly to review new material. Our goal is to have all three items ready for Vestry review and approval in mid-October. Once approved, they will be posted to the parish website. Thanks for your patience.



We are accepting gently used warm coats and warm winter clothing for NPR, **Neighborhood Resilience Project**. There are bins under the table in the narthex for collection.

Please hold off on any spring or summer items for now as they have no place to store them.

St. Brendan's Book Club will meet next on **Monday, Oct. 3 at 1 pm** in the library to discuss *On Call: A Doctor's Journey in Public Service* by Anthony Fauci, MD, the best-selling memoir of his six-decade career. Our next titles:



Nov. 3: *The Dictionary of Lost Words* by Pip Williams
Dec 1: *Born a Crime* by Trevor Noah
Jan 5: *Be Ready When the Luck Happens* by Ina Garten
Feb 2: *All About Me* by Mel Brooks

All are welcome to attend, even if you haven't read the book! For more information please contact Anne Semmler (annegsemmler@gmail.com).

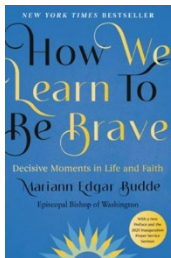
Children and Youth Ministries (CYM)



- **Sunday, September 28: Children's Worship Service.** There are no Sunday School classes that day. Children will be involved in the service in various ways. More information will follow.
- **Sunday School is in need of teachers and doorkeepers. Please** contact Sandy for more information. We'll help you acquire necessary clearances and work with you on getting started. You can choose the Sundays that you serve.

New date for Social Justice Meeting – Monday, September 29 at 6:30 pm

If you have an interest in social justice, please attend our next meeting to see what we are all about. Come with any ideas you might have, or jump in to anything we are already working on: immigration, gun violence prevention, LGBTQ+, environmental issues, just to name a few. The meeting will be held in person. For anyone that cannot come to St. Brendan's, we will also have virtual available. Everyone is welcome! Questions: Contact Marilyn Mulvihill (mimi15143@gmail.com) or Donna Aiello (donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com). Thank you!



Modern Episcopalian group will resume on **Thursday, October 2 at 7 pm**. We will be reading and discussing the book *How We Learn to Be Brave* by Mariann Edgar Budde, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington and the Washington National Cathedral. The group meets via zoom and the link is:

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Anti-racism workshop. Everyone is invited to attend "Seeing the Face of God in Each Other," the diocese's anti-racism workshop. It will take place online via Zoom **Friday and Saturday, Oct. 10-11**. The event will focus on the beauty and scope of humanity in the world, helping everyone to go beyond the biases that push people away —sometimes unwittingly— based only on their appearance. With a vote at diocesan convention, the diocese committed all clergy, vestry members and ministry leaders to take the workshop as part of their responsibilities. For more details and registration: <https://tinyurl.com/4y4yix4m>.



Thank you to everyone who participated in our **Pittsburgh Steelers Football Pool** last week. We had two lucky winners. There are plenty of squares left, so contact Tim Austin to increase your viewing pleasure. HOWEVER, please note that, because the next "home" game is being played in Ireland (I know; go figure!), the deadline for buying additional squares will be Saturday, September 27, at noon. To put it bluntly, this coming Sunday may be your only (or at least your very best) chance to make a purchase.

Thanks to all who helped with the assembling of sandwiches for backpack lunches for NRP, **Neighborhood Resilience Project**. Things went extremely well and NPR is always so thankful for our help. Next dates are October 11 and November 15. A signup tablet is located on the table in Narthex.



Food Bank: The Food Pantry for the month of September is focusing on collecting **paper goods/cleaning supplies – napkins, tissue, toilet paper, paper towels, foil, plastic wrap, storage bags, pine sol, Windex and Clorox wipes**. All other non-perishable donations are gladly accepted. Please be sure that there is no glass, and that the expiration dates are not past. Thank you.

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HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 9AM TO 2PM

Approximately two months from now, we will have our biggest fundraiser of the year – Holiday Happenings. It's not only a fundraiser – it's a fun kick off for holiday events! Here's what you can look forward to on November 22:

Cookie Walk – Our Parish Hall will be filled with trays and trays of homemade cookies, hopefully at least 1,200 dozen, all made by parishioners and friends. We ask them to make 10 dozen of a single kind (that's about 2-3 batches). You can start making them now; we have plenty of room in our freezers. Join in the enthusiasm and add your name to the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

Soup Sales – We will have six varieties of delicious homemade soup for sale, made right here in our kitchen!

Vendor and Craft Show – Quality vendors will fill the sanctuary selling their crafts – jewelry, pottery, candles, baskets, salsa, etc. One of the tables, Brendan's Boutique, will feature crafts made by our own parishioners.

Raffle – Because of the generosity of local businesses and many of our parishioners, we have collected approximately \$2,400 in gift cards so far. We will fill at least four baskets with them for our raffle.

Live entertainment – With the Avonworth High School Chamber Choir, Our Lady of Sacred Heart choral group, and some of Keely Singer's vocal students, our rooms will be filled with holiday songs.

To make this event successful, we need plenty of participation from parishioners. We can't do this without you! Many of you are already participating by collecting or donating gift cards. There are so many ways other ways to help, from making cookies to selling/buying raffle tickets and volunteering 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. Our gift card thermometer, showing the number of gift cards collected, has been posted in the lobby for several weeks. Today, our cookie jar which will show the kind and quantity of cookies being made by parishioners, is displayed. Please help us wherever you can!

Prayer Requests

For our beloved members of St. Brendan's especially; Charlotte Pierce, Heike Hartmann, Frannie, Joan Beatrous, Sherri Angeletti, Tom Cindric, Gladys & Les Carlisle, Bill Spoonhoward, Nancy Snyder, Dave Miller, Matthew, Nancy H., Thaddeus Popovich, Rich Nagy, Margie Davies, Rosie Wood, Deborah Cale, Libby & Richard Juel.

For our parents, especially; Tony Carta, Rose Mankowski, Margaret Nagel, Ken McCormack, Ken W., Lenora.

For our family members, especially; Logan Fortuna, Michelle, Nathan Schlumpf, Bee Ward, Margaret & Lawrence Czerpak, Neil Armor, Sara Zeek, Carver Tripp, Joe Smolko, Sue Burchill, Robert Donato, John Murphy, John, Geoff Wood, Diane Brackus, Tom Payne, Parker Shebs, Christian, Pat Schulze, John Pease, Jennifer Cale, Denise Nagel, Gary Gladowski, Steve Getty, Ann & Ben Kirkpatrick, Marie Hazelton, Carol Schmitz.

For our friends, especially; Patty Herrington, Jordon Medlin, Josh, Susan N., Charlotte S., Connie Geiger, Hannah & Horst Hartmann, Cindy Clifton, Nancy Baker, Frank Monakowski, Patty Walker, Mike Colavita, Andy, Laurie, Bill Pugliese, Heidi Sherwin, The Hancock family, Terri Hockenberry, Phil & Bernice Bollman.

We pray for all who have died especially; Sarah May and Sandy Martin.
Give to the departed eternal rest.



September Ministry Calendar

Date	Lectors	Sunday School	Nursery	Altar Guild	Greeters	Stewards	Ushers	Vestry	Hospitality
September 7 Sunday 8 & 10 am	8 Joan Beatrous 1 st Donna Aiello 2 nd Tim Austin P Alan Schneider LEV Ellen Groves Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Kickoff:9:15-12:00 Allison Kline Saundy Waseleski	Dawn Day-Quinn Pat Carl	Sylvia Affleck Anelisa Tarrant	Kathy Miller Dave Miller	Deb Erb-White	Linda Limbiris LuAnn Aldridge	Ken Parsons	Ken Parsons
September 14 Sunday 8 & 10 am	8 George Snyder 1 st John App1eldorn 2 nd Kate Heston P John Appeldorn LEV Melanie Popovich Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Lamb: Kayla Tweedle Fish: Allison Kline Doorkeeper: Kathy Miller	Elizabeth MacDonald Lindsay Beel	Tammy Spoonhoward Kathy Miller	Wesley Bell Dean Peters	Tim Austin	John Appledorn Richard Munsch	Tom Waseleski	Lauren Burling
September 21 Sunday 8 & 10 am	8 Johanna Rengers 1 st Donna Aiello 2 nd Aidan McKenna P Tony Turo LEV Marilyn Mulvihill Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Lamb: Kayla Tweedle Fish: Janice Moore Doorkeeper: Ellen Groves	Elizabeth MacDonald Kate Heston	Joan Kleinfelter Jan Dorman	Toni Passarello Annmarie Malbon	Dan Moore	Kate Heston Allyson Baierl	Richard Munsch	TBD
September 28 Sunday 8 & 10 am	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 st Paul Quinn 2 nd Marilyn Mulvihill P Dean Peters LEV Tim Austin Lay Eucharistic Visitor	No Sunday School Children's Worship	Elizabeth MacDonald Evie Mathie	Ellen Groves Janice Moore	Saundy Waseleski Tom Waseleski	Donna Aiello Richard Munsch	Tim Austin Sangyeop Lee	Dan Moore	Lauren Burling



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

Senior Warden: Tom Waseleski
Junior Warden: Dan Moore
Adult Formation/Technology: Jen & Bob Mankowski
Hospitality: Ken Parsons
Inreach/Children & Youth: Mike Wick
Finance: Frances Harpst
Outreach: Richard Munsch
Pastoral Care/Clerk/New Members: Melanie Popovich
Worship: Donna Aiello

Treasurer: Kevin Boyd
Assistant Treasurer: Ellen Groves

OUTREACH MINISTRY LEADERS

Adopt-A-Highway: Tom Waseleski
CRIES Advocacy: Ellen Groves
ESL: Tim Austin & Joyce Donadee
Garden of Hope: Ken Parsons
Justice Ministry: Marilyn Mulvihill & Donna Aiello
Miryam's: Julia Wick
North Hills Food Bank: Richard Munsch

PARISH LIFE MINISTRY LEADERS

Audit: Mary Bertucci
Book Club: Anne Semmler
Brendan's Boots: Tom Waseleski
Caring Cards: Megan Overby
Dinner Group: Janice Moore
Facebook: Jen & Bob Mankowski
Fiber Crafting Club: Sherri Angeletti
Historian: Ellen Groves
Holiday Happenings: Donna Aiello
Memorial Garden: John Appeldorn
Merry Meal Makers (M&M's): Saundy Waseleski
Rental: Marilyn Mulvihill
Scholarship: Allison Kline, Ann Vinski, Mike Wick
Web Site: Kelli Cerra, Jen & Bob Mankowski

WORSHIP MINISTRY LEADERS

Acolyte: Anelisa Tarrant
Altar Guild: Anelisa Tarrant
Flower Ministry: Libby Juel & Marilyn Mulvihill
Greeter: Toni Passarello
Lector: Ann Vinski
Scheduler: Debra Erb-White
Spirituality: Donna Aiello
Usher: Tim Austin

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: 10:00 am Katie in church office hours till 2 pm, then from home till 4 pm
Tuesday: 9:00 am Katie in church office hours till 2 pm, then from home till 4 pm
10:00 am Mtr. Nancy Suellau office hours till 2 pm
11:00 am Bible Study, via zoom <https://zoom.us/j/4575423762>
Wednesday: 8:00 am Morning Prayer, via zoom,
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83591825912?pwd=a3BGcCswanE1OFFXaVBWbDBYRGm1UT09>
10:00 am Katie in church office hours till 2 pm, then from home till 4 pm
2:00 pm Mtr. Nancy Suellau office hours till 5 pm
5:00 pm Midweek Eucharist
Thursday: 9:00 am Katie in church office hours till 2, then from home till 4 pm
10:00 am Mtr. Nancy Suellau office hours till 2 pm
7:00 pm Modern Episcopalian, via zoom
Friday: 9:00 am Katie in church office hours till noon, then from home till 2 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/1By4bzW6dJ2AwwZVlmlqicQ4WFAynP16D/view?usp=sharing>
(authorization required for access--apply now)

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

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

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Deacon, Darrell Johnson ~ darrell@stbrendans.org

Music Director, Daniel May ~ bluesub@verizon.net

Nursery Director, Liz MacDonald ~ Liz702988@gmail.com

Vestry ~ Vestry@stbrendans.org