



## A MESSAGE FROM THE VESTRY

### Announcing the Children and Youth Ministry (CYM) at St. Brendan's

Early in 2024, the Vestry discerned that St. Brendan's needs to focus more attention and resources to support and develop programs to support families, children and youth. Three Vestry members prioritized working on the Children and Youth Ministry (CYM) over the past 8 months. The inaugural CYM Team includes John Appeldorn, Frances Harpst and Melanie Popovich. **We have two requests:**

1. Essential to this effort is understanding what's important to St. Brendan's about supporting our community, families, children and youth. **You will receive a survey via email next week to collect your input and help shape the CYM program. Please complete the survey within two weeks by August 25th.** There will also be paper copies available for the next three Sundays - August 11, 18, and 25. All members are asked to participate, whether or not you have children, or have children who attend St. Brendan's.

2. **Please plan to attend the CYM Kickoff immediately after the 10am service on September 8<sup>th</sup>** in the social hall which coincides with Sunday School kickoff downstairs which ends at noon. The CYM Team will share the findings of the survey and the plans to support and develop programs for our children and youth.

**See you at the CYM Kickoff on Sept 8 at 11am!**

## Announcements



*A BFF, Brendans Friends and Family, donation was given in thanksgiving for all of the prayers and cards from our St. Brendan's family, from Tammy and Bill Spoonhoward.*



It's that time again! **St. Brendan's Men's Breakfast** will be on Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:am, at the Eat'n Park, 2650 Brandt School Rd, in Wexford. **RSVP** to [stephenshorton@gmail.com](mailto:stephenshorton@gmail.com), Steve Horton. See y'all there! Come for breakfast; stay for pie! 😊



Do you knit, crochet, embroider, or do other hand-held fiber arts? Let's get together for fellowship, fun, and handcrafting! **Sticks and Strings** meetings are on the first Friday and third Wednesday of each month, 6-8 pm, in St. Brendan's library.

The next gathering is Wednesday, August 21<sup>nd</sup>. Please join us, everyone is welcome, regardless of experience level. We hope to see you there!

Please contact Sherri at [sherri.angeletti@gmail.com](mailto:sherri.angeletti@gmail.com) or text 412-689-0737 to be added to the email list for the most up-to-date information, or if you have questions.



**Vestry meeting change.** St. Brendan's Vestry has shifted the date of this month's meeting to Tuesday, Aug. 20, 6:30 p.m., due to conflicts with personal schedules. All vestry meetings are open to parishioners.



**Lay Eucharistic Visitors (LEV's)** are licensed ministers who take Holy Eucharist to those who are unable to come to church. St. Brendan's has an active LEV ministry, and currently has four parishioners who are receiving visits and four LEV's. If you or anyone you know cannot attend our service and would like to receive communion, or If you are interested in becoming an LEV, please contact Mtr. Robin [Robin@stbrendans.org](mailto:Robin@stbrendans.org) or Katie [Katie@stbrendans.org](mailto:Katie@stbrendans.org) for more information.



**Conversation Friends ESL Classes.** For well over a decade, St Brendan's has offered English language learners the opportunity to practice their language skills with guidance from a group of dedicated volunteers. We schedule 90-minute classes on Tuesday and Thursday mornings and on Wednesday evenings. Any of our volunteers will tell you that the experience is rewarding (and quite frankly) fun. We are in need of a couple more volunteers for the start of the new class year and we promise that no experience is necessary: if you can speak English, you're already qualified! For details, please contact Tim Austin ([austover@gmail.com](mailto:austover@gmail.com) or 508-688-9554).



**Help us reach the goal of \$1,500+ in gift cards for our Holiday Happenings raffle!**

We will raffle three baskets of gift cards with a total of \$1,500 or even more. You will notice that there is a "thermometer" poster hanging on the wall in the Narthex which shows how much has been accumulated so far and where we have go. Please pitch in and help us meet our goal of \$1,500+.

Gift cards in any amount are appreciated. Flyers are available in the Narthex to give to your businesses, your favorite restaurant, hair salon, grocery store, etc. You can also pick up a sheet that you can use as a guideline when making your request. Also, if you would like to donate a gift card yourself, we would welcome that as well.

Just a reminder: Holiday Happenings takes place the Saturday before Thanksgiving, November 23. It traditionally is St. Brendan's most profitable fundraiser of the year, with our famous cookie walk, soup sales, craft show and, of course, our raffle.

With questions or to turn in gift cards contact: Kathy Miller [komiller747781@yahoo.com](mailto:komiller747781@yahoo.com), Deborah Cale [cale.deborah@gmail.com](mailto:cale.deborah@gmail.com) or Donna Aiello [donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com](mailto:donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com).

**Thank you for any way you can help!**



**The Food Pantry** for the month of August, is focusing on collecting canned goods, such as vegetables - specifically corn, carrots, and green beans, also sauerkraut, chili, beef stew, tomato sauce and spaghetti sauce. All other non-perishable donations are gladly accepted. Thank you.

Please be sure there is no glass, and the expiration dates are not past.

## Justice Ministry



**All Backpacks** must be returned to church by this **Sunday August 11.**

We appreciate your help assisting kids in need prepare for the school year! If you have any questions and cannot get your backpack to church by Sunday, please contact Annie at 484-941-2458 or [reshiesmom@gmail.com](mailto:reshiesmom@gmail.com).



**Voter Registration Drive**

The November election may be the most important of our lives. St. Brendan's will once again be doing our part to be sure it is a free, fair election, open to all eligible voters. The Justice Ministry will be conducting voter registration drives at various locations. Our partner church, Destiny of Faith, has agreed to work on the registrations with us this year.

If you are interested in becoming involved, please come to a short informational meeting on Sunday, August 25 at 11:30am at St. Brendan's (room to be determined). You can let us know if you are planning to attend by signing the sheet in the Lobby

We will also be addressing any other Justice Ministry concerns at that meeting. Please call Marilyn 412.427.2715 with any questions.

# Children and Youth Ministries CYM

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- **Sunday, August 25: Blessing of the backpacks and tie-dyeing t-shirts.** Mother Robin will bless backpacks to mark the beginning of the new school year. Please have your child bring her/his backpack to church that day for this annual blessing. After the service, all children and teens are invited to tie-dye a t-shirt to be worn at our Sunday School kick-off on September 8. T-shirts should be made of 100% cotton and pre-washed (please use detergent only and no fabric softener or softener sheets). Please write your child's name on the inside. We will do the tie-dyeing after the service. Parent assistance is welcome.
- **Sunday, September 8: Sunday School kick-off from 9:30 until 12 noon.** Please drop off your child to the classroom area between 9:20 and 9:30 that day. We're planning a fun morning around the theme of peace. A snack will be served mid-morning. We hope all Sunday Schoolers will attend. More information will follow.
- **Volunteers needed for the nursery!** If you enjoy interacting with the youngest members of St. Brendan's, please consider obtaining your clearances required for working with children and volunteering in the nursery. Thanks so much as always to my current volunteers and teen helpers! The following Sunday's need filled September 8, 15 and 22. If interested, please contact Liz MacDonald via text at 412-865-6486 or [Liz702988@gmail.com](mailto:Liz702988@gmail.com).
- **Sunday School and the Children's Worship service** are on summer break beginning in June. Both will resume in September. The upcoming school year will begin on Sunday, September 8 with a special kick-off. Please check this space throughout the summer for more information and announcements.
- **Sunday School teachers are needed:** Please contact Saundy Waseleski at [swaseleski@comcast.net](mailto:swaseleski@comcast.net) if you'd like to volunteer as a teacher during the 2024-25 school year. We really need your help! This is an important ministry for our families and our church, and we'll soon begin planning for the next school year. We will assist you with materials, curriculum and in obtaining clearances.
- **Happy Summer from Allison, Annemarie and Saundy!**

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## Prayer Requests

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**For our beloved members of St. Brendan's, especially;** Joan Beatrous, Charlotte Pierce, Alice Butterworth, Bill Spoonhoward, Rosie Wood, Sandy Nagy, Matthew, Jim Gray, Derek Wimmer, Dave Miller, Margie Davies, Larry Tarrant, Spencer, Nancy Snyder, Ruth Haider, Judy McKarnin.

**For our parents, especially;** Diane Davis, Margaret Nagel, Lenora, Ken McCormack, Debbie Adrian.

**For our family members, especially;** Seldon Little, Tom Payne, Neil Amor, Carol and Guy Estes, Bee Ward, Pat Schulze, John, Marie Hazelton, Ann & Ben Kirkpatrick, Frank Nagy, Rich, Paula Watson, Jay & A, Carol Schmitz, Margaret and Lawrence Czerpak, Joann, Rosalie & Geoff Wood, Nathan Schlumpf, Steve Getty, Sue Burchill, Christian, Robert Donato.

**For our friends, especially;** Patty Herrington, Terri Hockenberry, Mike Colavita, Jordon Medlin, Connie Geiger, Josh, Frank Mankowski, The Rev. Dr. Brenda Gregg, Heidi Sherwin, Susan N., Laurie, Cindy & Bob Getty, Nancy Baker, The Silveira family, Phil & Bernice Bollman.

**We pray for all who have died, especially;** David Pingree and Ray Spoonhoward.

**If you know someone who would like a visit from Mtr. Robin,** please email her at [robin@stbrendans.org](mailto:robin@stbrendans.org).

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# August Ministry Calendar 2024

Date	Lectors	Sunday School	Nursery	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Stewards	Vestry	Hospitality
August 4 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous 1 <sup>st</sup> Donna Aiello 2 <sup>nd</sup> Paul Quinn P Dean Peters LEV Tim Austin Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Summer break	Liz MacDonald Pat Carl	Dotti Antonucci Anelisa Tarrant	Kate Heston Susan Shields	Kate Heston John Appledorn	Dan Moore	Melanie Popovich	TBD
August 11 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 George Snyder 1 <sup>st</sup> Aidan McKenna 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tony Turo P Ann Vinski LEV Sylvia Affleck Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Summer break	Liz MacDonald Molly Kirk	Kathy Miller Ellen Groves	Dean Peters	Donna Aiello Richard Munsch	Deb Erb-White Norman Erb-White	Kate Heston	TBD
August 18 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Johanna Rengers 1 <sup>st</sup> Paul Quinn 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mary Bertucci P Linda Limberis LEV Melanie Popovich Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Summer break	Liz MacDonald Annemarie Malbon	Janice Moore Sylvia Affleck	Saundy Waseleski Tom Waseleski	Linda Limberis	John Appledorn	Dan Moore	TBD
August 25 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 <sup>st</sup> Aidan McKenna 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ann Vinski P Marilyn Mulvihill LEV Ellen Groves Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Summer break	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Dotti Antonucci Barb Fure	Annemarie Malbon John Appledorn	Kate Heston Julia/Mike Wick	Julia/Mike Wick	Tom Waseleski	TBD



## 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  
Communication/Technology: Sandy Nagy  
Children & Youth: John Appeldorn  
Finance: Frances Harpst  
Fundraising: Frances Harpst  
Inreach & Hospitality: Kate Heston  
Membership: Melanie Popovich  
Pastoral Care: Melanie Popovich  
Outreach: Richard Munsch  
Secretary/Clerk: Kate Heston  
Worship: Neil Galone  
Treasurer: Kevin Boyd

### 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: TBD  
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  
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>  
9:00 am Katie office hours till 12:30 pm  
10:00 am Modern Episcopalian, via zoom

**Tuesday:** 9:00 am Katie office hours till 12:30 pm  
11:00 am Bible Study, via zoom <https://zoom.us/j/4575423762>

**Wednesday:** 9:00 am Katie office hours till 12:30 pm  
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  
Katie's office hours from home

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

## ST. BRENDAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

2365 McAleer Road, Sewickley, PA 15143  
Phone ~ 412-364-5974

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/>

Priest-in-Charge, Mother Robin Jarrell ~ [Robin@stbrendans.org](mailto:Robin@stbrendans.org)

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

Deacon, Rev. Darrell Johnson ~ [darrell@stbrendans.org](mailto:darrell@stbrendans.org)

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

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

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