



Announcements



Mask up this Sunday! Don't forget to wear a mask at Sunday's 10 am service. Please be considerate of those who want to worship with us in person but can't do so without the extra health protection that masking provides. St. Brendan's masks up on the first Sunday of every month, and the support is greatly appreciated by fellow parishioners. Masks are not worn during Sunday School or in the social hall during hospitality. Thank you for extending this life-affirming courtesy!

2025 Pledge

Is your pledge on the way? St. Brendan's stewardship campaign for 2025 is over, but it's not too late to turn in your pledge of support. Pledge cards are available on the narthex table and can be deposited in the collection plate, Katie's mail basket or the church-shaped pledge box. Make it your mission to support a church on a mission!



*A BFF Donation was given
in thanksgiving for John Appledorn and his
wonderful teaching skills of the Modern
Episcopalian class
from Carol and Guy Estes.*

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! Our Holiday Happenings was a phenomenal success! Our final total raised, after expenses, is \$17,508, approximately \$3,000 higher than last year.



The reason for its success is all of you. To everyone who was a part of making this happen, a huge thank you! Whether it was planning, baking, soup-making, advertising on social media, passing out flyers and signs, buying and selling raffle tickets, decorating, helping the day of the event with parking, safety, traying cookies, selling soup and items at Brendan's Boutique, selling tickets and making sure our cookies stayed refreshed and our vendors were happy... we appreciate you! And of course, a big thank you to all of those who prayed for success and were with us in spirit. We couldn't have done it without you!

Just a note on our vendors: we ask our vendors to provide feedback and many of them did. Their comments are in a binder in the Narthex if you'd like to look at them. One of our vendors mentioned that what she liked most about our event was (in her words) "the warmth and hospitality of the church members. You care and it shows."



After all, WE ARE ST. BRENDAN'S! Thanks again, everyone!

Supper Club

2025 Supper Club will be meeting 3 times next year. The sign-up sheet will be in the narthex through December, please sign up. We will start in January.

If interested text 724-713-6470, call 412-203-1252 or email naperville@yahoo.com.

Alice Butterworth made such a significant impact on all of us at the 8 o'clock service over the few years she was with us, as well as the times we had laughing and sharing over breakfast at Eat 'n Park. We have decided to make individual contributions, in any amount, to the BFF Fund in her memory. Contributions will be collected over the next two Sundays (Dec. 1st and Dec. 8th). If you care to make a contribution, in any amount, please feel free to do so. Put the contribution in an envelope marked "Alice Butterworth", put it in the offering plate, leave it in Katie's office or mail it in. Any questions, contact Tammy Spoonhoward, tspoonhoward@yahoo.com.

Vestry Nominating Committee Seeks Nominations. On **January 26**, St. Brendan's will elect four new members to join the Vestry for three-year terms. The Vestry plays a vital role in the life of our church. Its nine members provide administrative and financial oversight, and ensure we are living our mission. If you are interested in joining the Vestry, would like to nominate someone for Vestry consideration, or simply have questions about this process, please contact a member of the Vestry Nominating Committee: Kate Heston (kmheston71@gmail.com), Mary Bertucci (mary.bertucci@hotmail.com), Neil Galone (neil.galone@gmail.com), Annemarie Malbon (amalbon@gmail.com), John Appledorn (JJA47@aol.com) or George Snyder (GDS42@comcast.net).


Children and Youth Ministries (CYM)



- **Looking ahead:**
 - **Saturday, December 21:** 10 am to 12 pm, rehearsal for Christmas pageant
 - **Sunday, December 22:** Annual Children's Christmas pageant
- **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! All Sundays are filled in December except December 29. If interested, please contact Liz MacDonald via text at 412-865-6486 or Liz702988@gmail.com.

St. Brendan's Youth Group

St. Brendan's Youth Group reset and began a new season of learning, praying, and serving. The group consists of young Brendanites from grades 6 through 12 -- who had some great insight and ideas for the group! The facilitators, John Appledorn and Allison Kline, will be utilizing some lessons from the J 2 A program, but the youth will be taking the lead in planning service and social activities. Below is the activity planned by the youth for December.

DATE		THEME	PROJECT/EVENT
December 15		Wise people still follow the Star.	Angel Tree Social Outing – Bowling

Calling all high school students across the Diocese of Pittsburgh!

Join us for a **Winter Youth Retreat January 3-5, 2025 at Laurelville Camp and Retreat Center in Mount Pleasant, PA.** This retreat is an opportunity to take some time out of your busy school (and life) schedules and recharge at Laurelville's beautiful campus. Bring yourself, bring some friends, and get ready to make new friends from all across the region as we play, learn, eat, worship, and grow in community together! Further information can be found on the Diocesan website <http://www.episcopalpgh.org>



Calling all fiber crafters for Sticks and Strings! 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 meeting is **THIS Friday, December 6th**. Please join us - everyone is welcome, regardless of experience level. We hope to see you there!

Contact Sherri at 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.

Attention Greeters, please mark your calendars. There will be a meeting for all present Greeters and anyone interested in possibly becoming a Greeter. We will be reviewing past procedures and discussing any new changes. Donna and I will be planning the agenda. **The meeting is Sunday, December 8th, after the 10:00 service.** If you have any questions, or need to contact me, my email is tonipassarello@hotmail.com. Thank you, Toni



GENTLY USED" COATS NEEDED

St. Brendan's Justice Ministry received an urgent request for winter coats for men and women from the Neighborhood Resilience Project. We are requesting "gently used" coats from you, your family and friends -- ones you no longer wear because they don't fit, you no longer like or whatever the reason. Please don't rush out and buy new coats to contribute.

They are also looking for gloves/mittens, hats, and scarves. Please place any coats, etc. in the bin in the Narthex. As always, thank you for anything you can contribute and for your love to those in need, in Jesus' name. Contact Annie Koch at reshiesmom@gmail.com with questions.



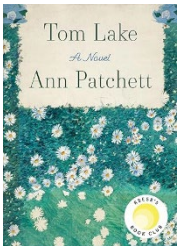
We celebrate the **December Wedding Anniversaries:**

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| 15 | Janice & Dan Moore | 23 | Anne & Michael Semmler |
| 29 | Melinda & Wesley Bell | 29 | Rob & George Latta |



We celebrate the **December Birthdays:**

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| 2 | Melanie Popovich | 6 | Joan Klinefelter | 8 | Janie Cindric | 9 | Tom Tweedle |
| 11 | Matrid Harper | 14 | Jim Evanochko | 14 | Richard Munsch | 15 | Roger Botti |
| 20 | Cameron Grosh | 20 | Julia Waseleski | 22 | Brian Gliptis | 23 | Ellery Fine |
| 23 | Prudence Thompson | 27 | Silvia Bertucci | | | | |



St. Brendan's Book Club meets the **first Monday of every month at 1pm in the library.** On Monday, Dec 2 we will discuss the novel Tom Lake by Ann Patchett. All are welcome (even if you haven't read the book)! Upcoming titles:

- Jan. 6 The Women by Kristen Hannah
- Feb. 3 James by Percival Everett
- March 3 The Great Stewardess Rebellion by Nell McShane Wulfhart
- April 7 The Ride of Her Life by Elizabeth Letts

Contact Anne Semmler (annegsemmler@gmail.com) with any questions.

Prayer Requests

For our beloved members of St. Brendan's especially; Ruth Horton, Libby Juel, Matthew, Jim Gray, Dave Miller, Larry Tarrant, Margie Davies, Joan Beatrous, Rosie Wood, Nancy Snyder, Ruth Haider, Charlotte Pierce, Bill Spoonhoward.

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

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

For our friends, especially; Mark Hubert, Terri Hockenberry, Heidi Sherwin, Susan N., Laurie, Patty Walker, Josh, Will Guilfoile, Cindy & Bob Getty, Debbie and Dale Kline, Nancy Baker, Phil & Bernice Bollman, Diane Brackus, Tom Sklarsky, Jordon Medlin, Bill Pugliese, Mike Colavita, Connie Geiger, Patty Herrington.

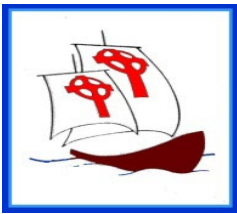
For all who have died especially; Derek Wimmer, Alice Butterworth and Gerry Fisher.

If you know someone who would like a visit from Mtr. Robin, please email her at robin@stbrendans.org.



December Ministry Calendar 2024

Date	Lectors	Sunday School	Nursery	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Stewards	Vestry	Hospitality
December 1 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Johanna Rengers 1 st Linda Limberis 2 nd John Appledorn P Aiden McKenna LEV Tim Austin Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Lambs Saundy Waseleski Fish Allison Kline Doorkeeper TBD	Liz MacDonald Dawn Day-Quinn	Tammy Spoonhoward Phoebe Juel	Donna Aiello Sharon Hlawati	Richard Munsch John Appeldorn	Dan Moore Tim Austin	Dan Moore	Kate Heston
December 8 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 st Marilyn Mulvihill 2 nd Mary Bartucci P Ellen Groves LEV Sylvia Affleck Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Lambs Saundy Waseleski Fish TBD Doorkeeper Susan Shields	Liz MacDonald Lindsay Beel	Ellen Groves Janice Moore	Toni Turo Annie Koch	Allyson Baierl Julia/Mike Wick	Julia/Mike Wick	Tom Waseleski	Megan & Tim
December 15 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 st Tim Austin 2 nd Dean Peters P Donna Aiello LEV Melanie Popovich Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Lambs Saundy Waseleski Fish Janice Moore Doorkeeper Ellen Groves	Liz MacDonald Pat Carl	Sylvia Affleck Anelisa Tarrant	Tom &Saundy Waseleski	Donna Aiello Linda Limberis	Deb/Norm Erb-White	Kate Heston	Sharon & Donna
December 22 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous 1 st Sunday School 2 nd Sunday School P Sunday School LEV Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Children's Pageant No Sunday School Classes	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Tammy Spoonhoward Barb Fure	Donna Aiello Sharon Hlawati	John Appledorn Dan Moore	Tim Austin Dan Moore	Richard Munsch	Kate Heston
December 24 Tuesday 5:00	1 st TBD 2 nd TBD P TBD	Holiday Break No Sunday School classes	N/A	Janice Moore	TBD	Julia Wick John Appeldorn	Mike Wick Tim Austin	Melanie Popovich	n/a
December 24 Tuesday 10:00 pm	1 st Paul Quinn 2 nd TBD P TBD	Holiday Break No Sunday School classes	N/A	Kathy Miller	TBD	Kate Heston Dan Moore	Deb/Norm Erb-White	Frances Harpst	n/a
December 29 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 George Snyder 1 st Tony Turo 2 nd Alan Schneider P Kate Heston LEV N/A Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Holiday Break No Sunday School classes	Liz MacDonald TBD	Ellen Groves Phoebe Juel	Wesley Bell Annemarie Malbone	Allyson Baierl Kate Heston	Paul Quinn Tim Austin	John Appledorn	Janice & Dan



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: TBD
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: Mary Bertucci
Book Club: Anne Semmler
Brendan's Boots: Tom Waseleski
Bulletin Coordinators: Pat Carl~Carol Meese~Barb Fure
Dinner Group: Janice Moore
Facebook: Annemarie Malbon
Fiber Crafting Club: Sherri Angeletti
Finance Chair: TBD
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>
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 4:00 pm
5:00 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 from home till noon then in office after 1:00

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/>

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

Parish Administrator, Katie Cervone ~ Katie@stbrendans.org

Deacon, Rev. Darrell Johnson ~ darrell@stbrendans.org

Music Director, Daniel May ~ bluesub@verizon.net

Nursery Director, Liz MacDonald ~ Liz702988@gmail.com

Vestry ~ Vestry@stbrendans.org