



Deacon's Corner

The older I get, the more quickly time seems to pass. I know many of you can relate. It seems like just yesterday we celebrated Ash Wednesday. And yet this coming Sunday is *The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday*. Where did Lent go! With Holy Week upon us, I wanted to remind everyone to note the Holy Week service times in the Navigator. Also, there will be no Wednesday evening service next week or the week after. With those two reminders complete, Mother Robin and I would like to encourage everyone to attend the Holy Week services, as many as you can. Historically, the Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil services have been poorly attended, yet these are among the most important services of the liturgical year. On Palm Sunday we enter Jerusalem with Jesus and our journey through the events of His final week begins. On Maundy Thursday we partake of His last meal with the disciples. On Good Friday we walk with him on the way of the cross. How can we fully experience the joy of Easter if we don't walk with him through his final days? It's the darkness of His final days that gives meaning to the light of the Easter Vigil and the joy of Easter Day. Let's all try to be a part of this journey!

Deacon Darrell

Clean up Day, THIS Saturday, March 23, 9:00-12:00 noon. We need your help in cleaning up St. Brendan's, inside and out.



Inside tasks:	Washing baseboards	Washing windows	Washing floors	Dusting
Outside tasks:	Raking leaves	Spreading Mulch	Trimming trees	Weeding

So please bring your cleaning supplies and garden tools to help in our spring cleaning.

Many hands make light work!



Easter Altar Flowers. Every year St. Brendan's accepts monetary donations towards the purchase of our Easter Altar Flowers. If you would like to contribute to the lilies and have the name/s of those you are honoring, celebrating, remembering or thanking, send in your donation of any amount. Contact Katie with your information Katie@stbrendans.org. Submitted information will be printed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.

Children and Youth



• **Sunday, March 31: Easter Egg Hunt.** Bring your own basket or borrow one of ours for St. Brendan's annual Easter Egg Hunt. All children from age one to 11 are invited to join the Easter Egg Hunt after the 10 am service on Easter Sunday.

Throughout history, people have given each other eggs at spring festivals to celebrate the new season. Eggs represent new life and rebirth.

In the medieval period, eating eggs was forbidden during Lent so on Easter Sunday, biting into an egg was a real treat!

The egg hunt became an Easter tradition in 16th-century Germany. Martin Luther held egg hunts at the church for his congregation, where the women and children would look for eggs that the men hid around the property. This practice is symbolic of the women who discovered that the tomb was empty after the resurrection.

• **Thank you** to all of the children and parents who helped make "**Blessing Bags**" to be delivered to homeless women. Over the course of the last four Sundays, we completed 50 bags in the design of an Easter bunny basket that will be filled with sweet treats for the women served at Miryam's Kitchen operated by Bethlehem Haven. (We **will not need to meet at 9:30 for a craft session** this Sunday, March 24, because of everyone's hard work.)

• **Happy Easter** to all of our children and youth and their families. There will be **no Sunday School classes on Easter Sunday**. We will resume classes on Sunday, April 7.



Calling all ministry leaders! St Brendan's is updating its ministries handbook, a helpful guide for members and visitors to wide range of activities in the parish. Please help by emailing a two-paragraph description of your ministry or activity, ending with a contact email for anyone who wants more information, to Sandy Nagy at Shelbie1982@icloud.com. Thank you!



Adopt-a-Highway. St. Brendan's volunteers will hold their first roadside cleanup of the year on Saturday, April 6. (This is a change from the previous date.) After meeting at the church at 8:30 am, participants age 14 and up will carpool to our designated site, the Camp Horne Road interchange of I-279, and finish by 10:45 am. For more info, please contact Tom Waseleski, twaseleski@comcast.net.

Keep watch in the garden. After the Last Supper, Jesus asked his disciples to pray with Him in the Garden of Gethsemane, but the apostles fell asleep. On Maundy Thursday, after the conclusion of St. Brendan's 7 pm service and the Stripping of the Altar, the chapel will be quiet, empty and bathed in candlelight. It has been a longstanding tradition at St. Brendan's to invite parishioners "to keep watch" in the chapel with Jesus through personal prayer, meditation or reflection for a short time before the arrival of Good Friday. Please sign up at the narthex table for a 30-minute slot between 8 pm Thursday and midnight, when you and perhaps a loved one can be part of the vigil in the garden.



Palm Sunday Hospitality. Bring your favorite **Easter dish** to church this Sunday. We will be having a meal after the 10 am service. We would love it if you could share a little bit of your family easter traditions with us.

Email Janice Moore at naperville@yahoo.com and let her know if you can bring something. In the past years we have had a great time with this.

Holy Week Services:



Palm Sunday: Two Services one at 8:00 am. one at 10:00 am.



Holy Thursday: Service at 7:00 pm. The Stripping of the Altar



Good Friday: 12 Noon - Stations of the Cross. 7:00 pm - Good Friday Service



Holy Saturday: 6:00 pm - The Great Easter Vigil



Easter Sunday: Two services, one at 8:00 and one at 10:00 am.

St. Brendan's Scholarships. The parish invites church members who will be enrolled in college, technical school, or other post-secondary education in fall 2024 to apply for a St. Brendan's Scholarship. New and renewal applications are welcome. Grants are awarded on the basis of a person's years of participation and attendance in St. Brendan's services and activities. Guidelines and applications, which must be received by the church no later than Saturday, May 1, are available at the following link: <https://forms.gle/EqFsRVvFZVhXAcK9>. Launched in 1996 by a parishioner, the late Dorsey Doddroe, the scholarship fund has awarded 79 grants to 31 students. The program is sustained by the generosity of St. Brendan's members, and donations may be made to the fund at any time.

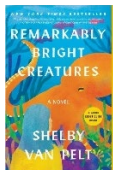


Brendan's Boots. The parish walking group will return to one of its favorite springtime spots, the Wildflower Reserve at Raccoon Creek State Park, on Tuesday, April 9. Carpools will leave the church at 9 a.m. The walk will take place on wooded, dirt trails and involve two short hills. Lunch will follow at Los Mariachis in Moon Twp. For more info, please contact Tom Waseleski, twaseleski@comcast.net.



Daughters of the King. All women at St. Brendan's who desire a closer, spiritual walk in their daily lives are invited to consider participation in the Order of the Daughters of the King. An order of women within the Episcopal Church, its members seek to live out the commitments made in the baptismal covenant. The mission of the order is the extension of Christ's Kingdom through prayer, service and evangelism.

We will hold an informational meeting sometime in April. If you are interested in knowing more, please contact Sandy Nagy shelbie1982@icloud.com or Johanna Rengers jorengers@gmail.com.



St. Brendan's Book Club meeting for April is tentative due to the Solar Eclipse! If the weather does not permit good eclipse viewing, we will meet on **April 8 at 1 pm** in the library. In case of good (!) weather that day, we will postpone the meeting to Monday, April 15 at 1 pm. We will discuss the novel **Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt**. Please contact Anne Semmler (annegsemmler@gmail.com) with any questions as our plans are weather-dependent. Fun news! Due to an excess of enthusiasm and great upcoming reads, the book club will continue to meet during the summer. Everyone welcome! Upcoming titles:

- My Life in France by Julia Child (May 6)
- Did Ye Hear Mammy Died by Seamas O'Reilly (June 3)

Taizé/Evening Prayer: The monthly Taizé/Evening Prayer service for March is cancelled due to the other Holy Week services scheduled. Parishioners could focus on the Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services that week. Also cancelled is the service on April 3. The Taizé/Evening Prayer service will return in April.



We celebrate the **April wedding anniversaries:**

7 Susan & Mark Shoemaker	12 Jennifer Saitz & Daniel May	26 Gladys & Les Carlisle
27 Mary & Jim Evanochko	27 Annemarie Malbon & Daric Thompson	

We celebrate the **April birthdays:**



1 Libby Juel	3 Anthony Bertucci	7 Kevin Boyd	10 John Appeldorn	10 Claire Grotevant
10 Linda Limberis	10 Linda Shadgett	10 Ann Vinski	12 Marcy Little	15 Keith Heston
20 Mark Shoemaker	20 Edith Waseleski	23 Susan Shoemaker	24 August Bailey	26 Les Carlisle
74 Linda Schneider	Send an email to Katie@stbrendans.org if you'd like your birthday/anniversary listed.			

Justice Ministry Events



Next Social Justice Ministry Meeting!

Our next meeting will take place on **Thursday, April 11** at 1:00pm in the Parish Hall. If you have an interest in any social justice topics, we would love to have you attend.

On Monday, **April 8th**, from 10-2, **St Brendan's and The Justice committee** have been invited to NRP (Neighborhood Resilience Project) to explore their facilities and help put up back pack lunches. Please sign up in the narthex if you're interested in going with the group. We could carpool from St. B's or meet there. Thank you.

It's time to face the truth, **gun violence isn't random or inevitable** Our system is **Deadly by Design**.

Join us April 25 at 7PM for a screening of **Deadly by Design**, a story telling film where gun violence survivors explain how policy failures lead to their tragedies. We will learn how we can shift the narrative on gun violence to insure we are safer.

Light refreshments will be served.

For more information contact Marilyn at mimi15143@yahoo.com.



- **Remember to look at your "Help the Homeless" calendars every day!**

For those of you who have your Lenten kits to help the homeless, thank you! Please remember to check your calendar each day.

For those of you who do not have kits, you can still pick up one in the Lobby. It's not too late to get involved and help us help the homeless in Allegheny County – right from your own home!

At the end of Lent, bring your carton of money to church, and the funds will be given to Outreached Arms, a non-profit for the homeless. Thank you!

Prayer Requests

We pray for our beloved members of St. Brendan's, especially: Allison, Avery and Eli Kline, Ruth Haider, Bill Spoonhoward, Jean Skwareki, Tyler Cerra, Kelli Cerra, Janet Fesq, Alice Butterworth, Joan Beatrous, Nancy Bancroft, Dave Miller, Judy McKarnin, Matthew, Jim Gray, Linda Schneider, Charlotte Pierce, Larry Tarrant, Mark Shoemaker, Nancy Snyder, Sherri Angeletti, Margie Davies, Joyce Donadee.

For our parents, especially: Ken McCormack, Margaret Nagel. Ray Militzer, Lenora, Diane Davis.

For our family members, especially: Conor Taylor, Neil Amor, Carol and Guy Estes, Pat Schulze, John, Rich Mankowski, Joann, Bee Ward, Margaret and Lawrence Czerpak, Frank Nagy, Sierra Reckley, Paula Watson, Pat Shields, Ann & Ben Kirkpatrick, Christian, Ray Spoonhoward, Sue Burchill, Jay & A, Robert Donato, Rosalie & Geoff Wood, Carol Schmitz, Rich, Tom Groves, Marie Hazelton, David Pingree, A-C, Nathan Schlumpf, Laurie Brooks, Bob Kiehl.

For our friends, especially: Mike Colavita, Terri Hockenberry, The Silveira family, Ellen Kuntz, Jordon Medlin, Connie Geiger, Vivian, Cindy & Bob Getty, Ron Neurohr, Patty Herrington, Ruth C., Juliana Moses, Pat Reiner, Johan Smith, Maggie Cervone, Jim Noel, Josh, Nancy Baker, Phil & Bernice Bollman.

We pray for all who have died, especially Linda Mesko and The Rev. Nathan Munsch,

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



March Ministry Calendar 2024

Date	Lectors	Sunday School	Nursery	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Steward	Vestry	Hospitality
March 3 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 George Snyder 1 st Derrek Wimmer 2 nd Donna Aiello Prayers Tim Austin	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Allison Kline Door keeper Susan Shields	Liz MacDonald Pat Carl	Dotti Antonucci Phoebe Juel	Toni Passarello Anne Koch	Ruth Horton Kate Heston	Tim Austin	Tom Waseleski	Donna and Sharon
March 10 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 st Mary Bertucci 2 nd Ann Vinski P Donna Aiello LEV Ellen Groves	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Dawn Day-Quinn Door keeper Kayla Tweedle	Liz MacDonald Annemarie Malbon	Sylvia Affleck Barb Fure	Annemarie Malbon Barb Fure	Mary Bertucci Dale Bertucci	John Appeldorn	Sandy Nagy	Sandy Nagy
March 17 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Children's Worship	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 st Children 2 nd Children P Kate Heston LEV TBD	Children's worship No Sunday School	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Ellen Groves Janice Moore	Annie Koch Wesley Bell	Tim Austin John Appledorn	Mike Wick	Dan Moore	Mary and Dale
March 24 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Palm Sunday	8 Johanna Rengers 1 st Paul Quinn 2 nd Tony Turo P Dean Peters LEV Ellen Groves	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Michael Waseleski Door keeper Katie Costa	Liz MacDonald Lindsay Beel	Joan Klinefelter Anelisa Tarrant	Sharon Hlawati Kate Heston	Allyson Baiert Donna Aiello	Linda Limberis	John Appeldorn	Janice Moore
March 28 7 pm Maundy Thursday	Dean Peters	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~
March 29 12 and 7 pm Good Friday	12 Aidan McKenna 7 Paul Quinn	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~
March 30 6pm Holy Saturday Easter Vigil	Ann Vinski	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~
March 31 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Easter Sunday	8 Joan Beatrous 1 st Donna Aiello 2 nd Aidan McKenna P Tony Turo LEV TBD	Easter Sunday No Sunday School	Liz MacDonald Molly Kirk	Tammy Spoonhoward Janice Moore	Susan Shields John Appledorn	Kate Heston Dan Moore	Tim Austin	Kate Heston	Kate Heston



April Ministry Calendar 2024

Date	Lectors	Sunday School	Nursery	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Steward	Vestry	Hospitality
April 7 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous 1 st Tim Austin 2 nd Sandy Nagy P Paul Quinn	Lambs FISH Door keeper	Liz MacDonald Dawn day-Quinn	Ellen Groves Phoebe Juel	Saundy Waseleski Tom Waseleski	Kate Heston Donna Aiello	Linda Limberis	John Appledorn	Sharon Hlawati Donna Aiello
April 14 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 George Snyder 1 st Donna Aiello 2 nd Kate Heston P Tony Turo	Lambs FISH Door keeper	Liz MacDonald Pat Carl	Joan Kleinfelter Barb Fure	Sue Wimmer Derek Wimmer Donna Aiello	Mary Bertucci Dale Bertucci	n/a	Tom Waseleski	Megan & Tim
April 21 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Johanna Rengers 1 st Derek Wimmer 2 nd Ann Vinski P AJ McKenna	Lambs FISH Door keeper	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Sylvia Affleck Janice Moore	Annemarie Malbon Annie Koch	Allyson Baierl Dan Moore	John Appledorn	Dan Moore	Megan & Tim
April 28 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Children's Service	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 st Children 2 nd Children P Mary Bertucci	Lambs FISH Door keeper	Liz MacDonald Molly Kirk	Dottie Antonucci Anelisa Tarrant	Toni Passarello John Appledorn	Linda Limberis Children	Tim Austin	Neil Galone	Kathy & Dave Miller



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/UCkCY2BEJlqMoVc_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 1:00 pm
10:00 am Modern Episcopalian, via zoom
Tuesday: 9:00 am Katie office hours till 1:00 pm
11:00 am Bible Study, via zoom <https://zoom.us/j/4575423762>
4:30 pm Book Club discussion, via zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81484853481>
Wednesday: 9:00 am Katie office hours till 1:00 pm
1:00 pm Mother Robin office hours till 5:00 pm
6:00 pm Midweek Eucharist
Thursday: 9:00 am Katie office hours till 1:00 pm
11:00 am Mother Robin office hours till 4:00 pm

ST. BRENDAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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