



Senior Warden's Corner

Sometimes the blessings of St. Brendan's seem too numerous to count. Some are public and out in the open, and thrill many of us all at the same time — like the choir's applause-drawing rendition of "The Rainbow Connection" (from The Muppet Movie) last Sunday. Some are private and person-to-person, like the care and concern shown by one member to another who's facing a personal crisis. Each is a moment of grace, large or small, and Brendanites often encounter them when they least expect it.

A different kind of blessing, one that supports the church's physical needs, is the Brendan's Friends and Family fund, or BFF. As you've read many times in the Navigator's Log, BFF offers anyone the opportunity in our newsletter to mark a special occasion like a birth, anniversary or birthday or to honor someone living or dead by making a contribution to the church of any amount. The size of the gift is not publicized, but the brief tribute by the donor is.

Created by the vestry in 2018 after it was proposed by member Chris Botti, BFF has been used to cover unbudgeted church expenses. Since its creation in 2018, BFF has been used by the vestry to cover unbudgeted church expenses. To give current vestry members a sense of all that the fund has provided, I asked the parish treasurer for the total list of BFF purchases and sent it to the vestry prior to Monday's meeting. One reaction was that the complete list should be shared with the congregation, perhaps in the parish's next annual report. But that report won't appear until next January, so I decided to share the list now, which you'll see below.

You'll find a formidable assortment of goods that have improved St. Brendan's and even given it new capabilities. For instance, live-streaming the 10 am Sunday service was made possible by equipment bought through your gifts to the BFF fund. The social hall's mounted projector, retractable screen and sound-proofing tiles came courtesy of BFF. More mundane, yet necessary, items were purchased, too — a furnace, air-conditioning units, fresh paint for the exterior stucco walls. Then there was new tableware for the kitchen, a children's swing set, a heart-starting defibrillator — items that may not have found their way into a tight operating budget, but were funded by BFF, courtesy of your generosity. In six years, BFF has generated \$58,105 of benefits to the church, plus a BFF balance today of \$19,358 to cover future needs.

At St. Brendan's the blessings come in many forms — in poignant moments on Sunday morning, in personal support and friendship, in chances to learn and grow, in opportunities to do good and, yes, in gracious tributes through BFF that make ours a more welcoming, better functioning church.

Yours in faith,

Tom Waseleski, twaseleski@comcast.net

BFF Fund Purchases

1/22/18	\$2,475	Social hall audio	8/26/19	\$5,043	AC units
1/22/18	\$630	Social hall electrical	7/24/19	\$129	Lock for projector closet
6/20/18	\$125	Kitchen utility/trash cans	10/15/19	\$2,744	Social hall acoustic tiles
6/20/18	\$76	Garden pots/soil	11/20/19	\$8,232	Social hall acoustic tiles
7/27/18	\$125	Microwave	8/24/20	\$1,130	Laptop for livestreaming
8/9/18	\$500	Carpet cleaning	9/29/20	\$485	Audio cables & installation
9/1/18	\$524	Tableware	11/23/20	\$1,250	Lawn care
9/5/18	\$728	Camera mount	11/23/20	\$706	Projector for livestreaming
9/27/18	\$484	Camcorder	2/5/21	\$2,796	Music & choir infrastructure
10/18/18	\$486	Camera-mount balance	3/4/21	\$812	Modem for sanctuary
11/28/18	\$294	Tripod/bag	4/28/22	\$1,743	Laptop for priest
11/28/18	\$272	Sound cart	7/30/22	\$2,247	Outdoor swing set
5/1/19	\$575	Railings for sanctuary steps	7/30/22	\$4,880	Elevator repairs
6/25/19	\$36	Plaque for railings	6/1/23	\$1,750	Stucco painting
5/7/19	\$1,286	Window tint for social hall	11/30/23	\$2,115	Defibrillator (AED)
5/23/19	\$2,780	Protective film for door glass	11/23	\$5,468	Furnace
5/15/19	\$243	Scissors lift rental			
7/11/19	\$4,937	AC for office			
				\$58,105	Total



A donation was given to the **BFF, Brendan's Family & Friends fund**, in memory of Mark Shoemaker, from Donna Aiello.

Announcements



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 the St. Brendan's library.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 19th at 6 pm. Please join us - everyone is welcome, regardless of experience level. We hope to see you there!



Please 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.



Take Me Out to the Ballgame! - Join your St. Brendan's family for an evening at PNC Park to watch our Pirates vs. the San Diego Padres - Wednesday, August 7 at 6:40 PM. We have a block of tickets in section 130 in the shade. Tickets are \$29 each (each ticket comes with \$10 loaded value that can be used at the food vendors or Pirate's Shop). Accessible seating is available. It's Dollar Dog night so that \$10 can buy a lot of snacks!

Please complete the reservation form found here: <https://forms.gle/T1gRUzjp56S8Bfux8>. You can pay for your tickets by cash or check (made out to St. Brendan's Episcopal Church) or Venmo Kate Heston at @Katherine-Heston. Checks or cash be collected at church on Sundays between now and August 4 or by mailing your check to St. Brendan's no later than August 5. Contact Kate Heston at kmheston71@gmail.com with questions or for more information.



Emergency Contacts: We are hoping to have an emergency contact for each parishioner. If you would like our church office to have someone on file whom we can reach out to in case of an emergency, please pick up a form in the Narthex, complete and put in the basket outside of Katie's office. The information will be placed in your family folder maintained by the office. Thank you! Katie



We are working on updating the **service bulletin** that we use at the Sunday service, with the hopes of making it easier for everyone to navigate. We could use a couple more people to help prepare this document going forward. If you are looking for a ministry that would help improve the service experience for all Brendanites and for more details, please contact Neil at neil.galone@gmail.com.



Brendan's Boots. The parish walking group will enjoy a view of Lake Arthur during its trek in Moraine State Park on Thursday, June 20. The group will meet at the church at an earlier time, 8 a.m., to beat the heat. Lunch at the Log Cabin Inn near Zelienople will follow the walk. Everyone is welcome; feel free to bring a friend. For more info, please contact Tom Waseleski, twaseleski@comcast.net.



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

- Discussed plans for strengthening the Sunday School and relaunching a teen program;
- Received an update from a member of the Outdoor Spaces Committee on possibilities for the space near the former outdoor chapel;
- Certified Anne Semmler, Phoebe Juel and Dean Peters as St. Brendan's lay deputies, plus Pat Carl as alternate, to

this year's diocesan convention;

- Decided to forgo, as it has in the past, meeting in July. The vestry's next meeting will be Tuesday, Aug.



North Hills Food Bank-For the month of June, we are focusing on collecting pantry items such as 2lb bags of flour and sugar, small bottles of oil (vegetable or corn), cans of cherry or apple filling, boxes of Jello or pudding, and smaller jars of mayonnaise. All other non-perishable donations are gladly accepted. Thank you. Please be sure there is no glass, and the expiration dates are not past.



Adopt-a-Highway. St. Brendan's crew will perform their second roadside cleanup of the year on Saturday, June 22. Volunteers will meet at the church at 8:30 a.m. and carpool to the Camp Horne Road interchange of I-279. Anyone age 14 and up may participate. The cleanup will finish by 11 a.m. For more info, please contact Tom Waseleski, twaseleski@comcast.net.

Justice Ministry



Attention parents, grands, great grands, friends and neighbors. **St Brendan's Justice Ministry** is requesting gently used kids clothing (Baby to Jr. High) for Neighborhood Resilience Project (NRP) on the Hill. This will run month of July with bins under the table in the narthex. Please hold off with adult clothing for now. Thanks as always for all your help.

Children and Youth



- **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 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

For our beloved members of St. Brendan's, especially; Nancy Bancroft, Joan Beatrous, Charlotte Pierce, Bill Spoonhoward, Derek Wimmer, Nancy Snyder, Matthew, Jim Gray, Jean Skwarecki, Alice Butterworth, Dave Miller, Jean Pett-Ridge, Ruth Haider, Judy McKarnin, Margie Davies, Larry Tarrant.

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

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

For our friends, especially; Jordon Medlin, Laurie, Cindy & Bob Getty, Betty Jean Lendrim, Richard Clark, Mike Colavita, Josh, The Silveira family, Susan N., Connie Geiger, Patty Herrington, Nancy Baker, Phil & Bernice Bollman.

We pray for all who have died, especially; Mark Shoemaker.

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



June Ministry Calendar 2024

Date	Lectors	Sunday School	Nursery	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Stewards	Vestry	Hospitality
June 2 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Johanna Rengers 1 st Donna Aiello 2 nd John Appledorn P Kate Heston LEV Melanie Popovich	Summer break	Liz MacDonald Molly Kirk	Dottie Antonucci Phoebe Juel	Kathy & Dave	Dan Moore Allyson Baierl	Linda Limberis	Kate Hesston	Kathy & Dave
June 9 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 st Paul Quinn 2 nd AJ McKenna P Linda Limberis LEV Ellen Groves	Summer break	Liz MacDonald Molly Kirk	Sylvia Affleck Anelisa Tarrant	John Appledorn TBD	Julia/Mike Wick Kate Heston	Julia/Mike Wick	John Appledorn	Mary & Dale
June 16 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 George Snyder 1 st Tim Austin 2 nd Ann Vinski P Marilyn Mulvihill LEV Tim Austin	Summer break	Liz MacDonald Dawn Day Quinn	Joan Klinefelter Barb Fure	Annemarie Malbon TBD	Allyson Baierl Donna Aiello	John Appledorn	Dan Moore	Sharon & Donna
June 23 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 st Volunteer needed 2 nd Volunteer needed P Tony Turo LEV Sylvia Affleck	Summer break	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Ellen Groves Janice Moore	Saundy & Tom	Mary & Dale	Linda Limberis	Tom Waseleski	Megan & Tim
June 30 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous 1 st Ann Vinski 2 nd Kate Heston P Marilyn Mulvihill LEV Ellen Groves	Summer break	Liz Mac Donald Pat Carl	Tammy Spoonhoward Kathy Miller	Annie Koch Kate Heston	John Appledorn Tim Austin	Julia/Mike Wick	Neil Galone	Donna & Sharon



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
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
1:00 pm Book Club discussion, via zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81484853481>
Tuesday: 9:00 am Katie office hours till 1:00 pm
11:00 am Bible Study, via zoom <https://zoom.us/j/4575423762>
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: 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

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(authorization required for access--apply online)

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

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