



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:

- Essential to this effort is understanding what's important to St. Brendan's about supporting our community, families, children and youth. You should have received a survey via email within the next week to collect your input and help shape the CYM program. Please complete the survey within two weeks by August 25th. There are also paper copies available in the narthex. All members are asked to participate, whether or not you have children, or have children who attend St. Brendan's.
- Please plan to attend the CYM Kickoff immediately after the 10am service on September 8th 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



*BFF, Brendans Friends and Family,
donations were given in memory of David Pingree,
brother of Chris and Roger Botti, from both Ellen Groves and Donna Aiello.*



Daughters of the King! St. Brendan's will hold the first meeting for those interested in learning more about the order and beginning the discernment study. The meeting will be on September 11th, 1:00 pm at St. Brendan's. Future meeting will be held the 2nd Wednesday of each month, at 1:00 pm. If you are interested contact Sandy Nagy (Shelbie1982@icloud.com) or Johanna Rengers (jorengers@gmail.com) or just show up at the first meeting.

Spiritual Direction Opportunity. I (Ann Vinski) am training to become a spiritual director through Pneuma Institute (<https://pneumainstitutesdl.org/sdlp/>). As part of the training, I have the opportunity to offer spiritual direction (free of charge!) to individuals who might be interested. The ministry of personal spiritual direction involves conversations between two people in which one person (the "director") accompanies another person who seeks a deeper relationship with God. Meetings are one hour a month and can be either in person or online. If you are interested in more information about this opportunity, please reach out to me directly at avinski4@gmail.com.



Vestry Briefs. At Tuesday night's meeting, St. Brendan's Vestry:

- Formed a three-member committee to explore greater investment opportunities for St. Brendan's funds;
- Raised questions and shared concerns over the diocese's new Safe Church policy to protect children, youth and vulnerable adults;
- Reviewed plans for the Sept. 8 presentation to the parish on new initiatives for St. Brendan's

Children and Youth Ministries CYM



- **Parents, please help us by** taking a few minutes to answer the online survey regarding Children and Youth Ministry (CYM) that was recently emailed to all parishioners and the top of this Navigator. Information collected from the survey is very important for future planning. Surveys should be completed by Sunday, August 25th. The survey is not long and should only take a few minutes to complete. Here is the link: <https://forms.gle/jwtdJQsjhvF5SBDq5>
- **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.
- **The 2024-25 Sunday School year begins on September 8** with the kick-off from 9:30 until 12. Regular Sunday School classes resume on Sunday, September 15 during the 10 am worship service. Children are blessed by Mother Robin at the beginning of the service and then sent on their way to Sunday School. They return to the service and their families during announcement time. Sunday School classes generally take place on the first, second, and third (and, occasionally, fifth) weeks of the month. The fourth Sunday is usually scheduled as the Children's Worship Service.
- **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.
- **Sunday, September 22: First Children's Worship Service of the new school year.** Sunday School classes do not meet on this day. Children will be invited to participate in various ways during the service. More details will be announced.
- **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 Sundays need filled: Sept 29, Oct 6, 13, 20 and 27. If interested, please contact Liz MacDonald via text at 412-865-6486 or Liz702988@gmail.com.

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We celebrate the September Birthday's:

1	Anthony Turo	3	Luke Cerra	11	Phoebe Juel	12	Aidan McKenna
13	Sylvia Affleck	13	Bobby Cera	15	George Latta	17	Ida LaQuatra
18	Anelisa Tarrant	21	Zara Fine	21	Reid Shoemaker	22	Melinda Bell
23	Michael Donadee						



We celebrate the Wedding Anniversaries:

8 Tammy & Bill Spoonhoward

14 Linda & Tom Limberis



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.

Taizé/Evening Prayer: This month's Taizé/Evening Prayer service will be held in the chapel on Wednesday, August 28 at 6 pm. Please come join us for this lovely, quiet, meditative service and enjoy the candlelight atmosphere and Taizé music. We are looking to bolster attendance, while offering a respite from your busy week.



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 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, Deborah Cale cale.deborah@gmail.com or Donna Aiello donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com.

Thank you for any way you can help!

Prayer Requests

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

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 Schmitz, Daniela, Carol and Guy Estes, Bee Ward, Pat Schulze, Marie Hazelton, Ann & Ben Kirkpatrick, Frank Nagy, Rich, Paula Watson, John, Nathan Schlumpf, Margaret and Lawrence Czerpak, Jay & A., Joann, Rosalie & Geoff Wood, Steve Getty, Sue Burchill, Christian, Robert Donato.

For our friends, especially; Patty Herrington, Patty Walker, Terri Hockenberry, Mike Colavita, Jordon Medlin, Connie Geiger, Josh, Frank Monakowski, Heidi Sherwin, Susan N., Laurie, Cindy & Bob Getty, Nancy Baker, Debbie and Dale Kline, The Silveira family, Phil & Bernice Bollman.

We pray for all who have died.

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



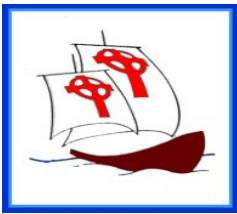
August Ministry Calendar 2024

Date	Lectors	Sunday School	Nursery	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Stewards	Vestry	Hospitality
August 25 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 st Aidan McKenna 2 nd Ann Vinski P Marilyn Mulvihill LEV Ellen Groves Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Summer break	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Dotti Antonucci Barb Fure	Annemarie Malbon John Appeldorn	Kate Heston Julia/Mike Wick	Julia/Mike Wick	Tom Waseleski	TBD



September Ministry Calendar 2024

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September 1 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous 1 st Paul Quinn 2 nd Ann Vinski P Donna Aiello LEV Sylvia Affleck Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Summer break	Liz MacDonald Pat Carl	Dotti Antonucci Kathy Miller	Annie Koch Barb Fure	Allyson Baierl Tim Austin	Paul Quinn	Neil Galone	Janice & Dan Moore
September 8 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Sunday School Kick-off	8 George Snyder 1 st John Appeldorn 2 nd Alan Schneider P Mary Bertucci LEV Melanie Popovich Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Sunday School Kickoff Allison Kline Saundy Waseleski	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Joan Klinefelter Phoebe Juel	Sue & Derek Wimmer	Linda Limberis Richard Munsch	Dan Moore	Richard Munsch	Kate Heston
September 15 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Johanna Rengers 1 st Marilyn Mulvihill 2 nd Alan Schneider P Tony Turo LEV Ellen Groves Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH TBD Door keeper Ellen Groves	Liz MacDonald Evie Mathie	Barb Fure Sylvia Affleck	Kathy & Dave Miller	Allyson Baierl Tim Austin	Deb Erb-White Norman Erb-White	Frances Harpst	Megan Overby Tim Austin
September 22 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 st Tim Austin 2 nd Linda Limberis P Dean Peters LEV Tim Austin Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Children's worship	Lindsay Beel Evie Mathie	Anelisa Tarrant Ellen Groves	Saundy & Tom Waseleski	Kate Heston Dan Moore	Donna Aiello Richard Munsch	John Appeldorn	Kathy & Dave Miller
September 29 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 st Aidan McKenna 2 nd Paul Quinn P Donna Aiello LEV n/a Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Lambs Saundy Waseseski FISH TBD Door keeper TBD	Liz MacDonald TBD	Tammy Spoonhoward Kathy Miller	Sharon Hlawati Donna Aiello	John Appledorn Julia/Mike Wick	Tim Austin	Sandy Nagy	Donna Aiello Sharon Hlawati



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

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

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

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 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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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

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