



## The Priest Corner

St. Brendanites will celebrate the Day of Pentecost this coming Sunday. Traditionally called “the birthday of the church,” it commemorates the coming of the Holy Spirit to the followers of Christ.

Why do we wear Red? Red is the color of the Holy Order of Bishops, so it's used for all Episcopal (a bishop is an “episcopos” in Greek) visitations, consecrations, ordinations, and confirmations. The color red also symbolizes the “tongues of flame” that rested on Jesus' followers as they heard the rush of Holy wind.

The Book of Common prayer tells us that the Day of Pentecost is one of the feasts that is “especially appropriate for Baptism.”

So please join us Sunday, at the 10 am service as we welcome the newest member into the Body of Christ and into St. Brendan's faith community. Please wear red.

Faithfully,  
Mtr Robin+



A donation was given to **The BFF, Brendan's Family & Friends Fund**, in thanksgiving for the dedication from **Tom and Saundy Waseleski** and their boundless time given and efforts for the benefit of St. Brendan's.

**Game Night At St. Brendan's** - Join us **TONIGHT Friday, May 17 at 6:30** for a night of board games and fun. Bring a snack to share. Board games and drinks will be provided. If you have a favorite board game, bring it along! Games available will be: Ticket to Ride, Camel Up, Sushi Go, Point Salad, Abduktion, and more. Contact Kate Heston at [kmheston71@gmail.com](mailto:kmheston71@gmail.com) for more details.

## Children and Youth



### • Sunday, May 19: Two events:

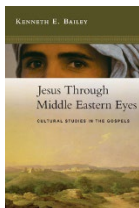
- **Pentecost:** Children will process into the sanctuary with Mother Robin at the beginning of the service. Please have your child come to the social hall by 9:50 so that we can get ready with headbands and shakers for the procession.
- **Julia Beel's baptism:** Our Sunday School class will be shortened this week so that children may be present for the ceremony. Children will join their families in the church immediately before the baptism and should sit in the pews with their families during the ceremony.
- **Thank you** to all who were able to help with the **Garden of Hope planting** on Sunday. St. Brendan's is able to provide the North Hills Food Bank with fresh vegetables from the garden's harvest. Parishioners are needed to tend the garden during the summer. This is a great family activity and a way to introduce your child to community service projects. Please contact Annemarie Malbon at [amalbon@gmail.com](mailto:amalbon@gmail.com) with questions. Here is the link to the garden schedule: [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1\\_8rzth\\_fsyUbCwLsFrEJXTI6ffyz7JknzoU12dmheKo/edit?usp=drive\\_link](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1_8rzth_fsyUbCwLsFrEJXTI6ffyz7JknzoU12dmheKo/edit?usp=drive_link)
- **Sunday, May 26: Children's Worship service.** There will be no Sunday School classes that day. Children will be involved in various ways in the service. More details will be announced.
- The **Sunday School year** is winding down. Our final class for the 2023-24 year will be on **Sunday, May 19**. The upcoming Sunday School year will begin on **Sunday, September 8** with a special kick-off. More information will follow during the summer.
- **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.



**SAVE THE DATE SUNDAY, MAY 26.** Please join us in celebrating the end of the Sunday School year as we recognize St. Brendan's Teachers, Door Keepers, and Sunday School children!!! Please stay for cake and refreshments following the 10 am service.



**Brendan's Boots.** St. Brendan's walking group will try the trails at Preston Park, Butler County, on **Tuesday, May 21**, after meeting at the church at **9 am**. Modeled after an English garden, the historic property features a large pond, meadows, footbridges and woods, all linked by footpaths. Plus, there is always something in bloom. The group will have lunch afterwards at the Harmony Inn in Harmony. Everyone is welcome; feel free to bring a friend. For more info, please contact Tom Waseleski at [twaseleski@comcast.net](mailto:twaseleski@comcast.net).



When we read or hear a passage from the gospels, we often misunderstand its true meaning because we don't know the milieu of the passage. Beginning **Thursday evening, June 6, the Modern Episcopalian group** will begin a study and discussion about Jesus' life in the context of his own time and culture. We will be using the book **Jesus Through Middle Eastern Eyes** by Kenneth E. Bailey. Our focus will be on the life and ministry of Jesus with attention to the Lord's Prayer, the Beatitudes, Jesus' relationship to women, and the parables.

The book is available on Amazon and a limited number of copies are available in the narthex. The meetings will be on zoom on Thursday evenings at 7:00. The zoom link is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86700271196?pwd=T0N2N0ZxYzBaYkRSYlIcwYjITam9kUT09>

Passcode is 816533. If you would like a weekly email invitation to the group, email John Appeldorn at [ija47@aol.com](mailto:ija47@aol.com).

**St. Brendan's Group Outings Survey.** We want to hear from you! The vestry would like to plan some St. Brendan's Group Outings and we would like to hear from you about what you would like to do. Please complete this brief survey <https://forms.gle/XfYCiHJrwnWgmMnJ9> so we can gauge what would be the best activities to plan. Let Kate Heston ([kmheston71@gmail.com](mailto:kmheston71@gmail.com)) know if you have any questions.



**North Hills Food Bank- For the month of May**, we are focusing on collecting toiletries; shampoo, conditioner, body wash, deodorant, hand soap, as well as toothbrushes and toothpaste. All other non-perishable donations are gladly accepted. Please be sure there is no glass, and the expiration dates are not past. Thank you.



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

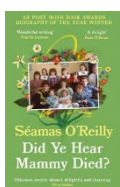
- Discussed security procedures and needs for the church with Chief Security Steward Tim Austin;
- Reviewed a new flow chart designed to organize, maintain and deliver more effective and consistent pastoral care to parishioners;
- Learned that the parish will have three lay deputies instead of four for the 2024 diocesan convention due to a drop in total communicants between 2021 and 2022, as recorded in the annual Parochial Report.



**Daughters of the King.** There will be an informational meeting about the *Order of the Daughters of the King* on Wednesday, **May 22, at 1:30** at St. Brendan's. If you are interested and want to know more, you are invited to attend the meeting. If you are unable to attend, but are interested, contact Sandy Nagy or Johanna Rengers.



**SAVE THE DATE - Church Picnic, Sunday, July 28** at the Maple Grove Pavilion at Blueberry Hill Park, Blaine's Way, Sewickley. Service at 10:00 AM followed by the picnic. Chicken and drinks will be provided. Directions and facilities information can be found at: <https://www.franklinparkborough.us/Facilities/Facility/Details/-8>



**St. Brendan's Book Club** will meet on **Monday, June 3 at 1 pm** in the library. We'll discuss Did Ye Hear Mammy Died by Seamas O'Reilly, a deeply touching (and hilarious) memoir of growing up as one of eleven siblings raised by a single dad in Northern Ireland in the 1990s. All are welcome! Upcoming titles:

July 1: An Invisible Thread by Laura Schroff

August 5: The Wager by David Grann

Sept. 9: The Heaven and Earth Grocery Story by James McBride (*Note postponed due to Labor Day on Sept 2*)

Library patrons may wish to get on the waiting list right away for August and September titles as both are very popular. Contact Anne Semmler ([annegsemmler@gmail.com](mailto:annegsemmler@gmail.com)) with any questions.

## Justice Ministry Events

At the request of NRP (**Neighborhood Resilience Project**), we are collecting new underwear and socks for men, women and children...all sizes. Also new and used belts for Women and Men only. There will be bins marked appropriately located in the narthex. This collection will be during the month of May.

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Two individuals new to our community are in **need of clothes**. He is the brother of Orilia, the young Haitian woman who is learning to drive. They have been separated for years and have finally been reunited along with his wife. We appreciate your kind support and thank you for your help. Contact Dawn Day-Quinn, if you have any questions.

There is a box in the narthex for donations.

Camile – man	Shoes - 8
Shirt - medium or small	T-shirt - small or medium
Jeans - 32/32 or 34-32	Pants - 32/32 or 34/32
Anita -woman	Shoes - 8
Dress - small or medium	Skirt - small or medium
Blouse - small or medium	Pants - small or medium



### Join us for the Pride Parade on June 1!

St. Brendan's is delighted to once again participate in the Gay Pride Parade on Saturday, **June 1**. We will meet in our church parking lot at approximately 10 am (time to be confirmed) and carpool there. The Parade begins at 12:00 noon at Liberty Avenue between 14th and 16th Streets in the strip district.

Please consider attending! If you are planning on going, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. This is a great way to show that St. Brendan's is an inclusive faith community supporting our LGBTQIA brothers and sisters.

If you have questions or want to attend but can't sign up in church, please contact Sharon Hlawati ([shlawati195@gmail.com](mailto:shlawati195@gmail.com)) or Donna Aiello at ([donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com](mailto:donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com)).



**SAVE THE DATE** for a very special event sponsored by [THRIVEPittsburgh.org](http://THRIVEPittsburgh.org)! On **Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5 to 7 pm**, THRIVE is sponsoring a **Rwandan Supper Club** at St. Paul's United Methodist Church on Ferguson Road.

THRIVE's mission is to meet the needs of refugees and empower them to succeed in their new life in this country. THRIVE is an ecumenical organization (under the non-profit umbrella of NHCBC) and has established several partnerships with area churches and organizations. True to Jesus' admonition to "welcome the stranger in your midst," THRIVE has developed several initiatives to welcome our newly arrived neighbors in Pittsburgh. Go to [thrivepittsburgh.org](http://thrivepittsburgh.org) for more information.

One of those initiatives is a fundraiser called The Supper Club. On June 2, the cook will be Honorine Uwase, a refugee from Rwanda. All proceeds from ticket sales (minus the cost of food) will benefit Ms. Uwase. Ms. Uwase once owned a BBQ restaurant in her home country. She came from Rwanda about 7 years ago, and settled here in Pittsburgh. It is her dream to one day open her own catering business or restaurant here! Ms. Uwase will share her story about her home country and coming to the United States.

Tickets may be purchased at [thrivepittsburgh.org/events](http://thrivepittsburgh.org/events) through **May 26th, or until sold out**. You can view the menu, choose your entree, and purchase your digital ticket. If you can't attend but want to donate, you can do that on our ticketing page as well. Thank you for helping to support and empower refugees!

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## Prayer Requests

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**For our beloved members of St. Brendan's, especially;** Bill Spoonhoward, Nancy Snyder, Matthew, Jim Gray, Nikki Kurash, Jean Skwarecki, Kelli Cerra, Dave Miller, Jean Pett-Ridge, Ruth Haider, Nancy Bancroft, Rosie Wood, Larry Tarrant, Joan Beatrous, Charlotte Pierce, Judy McKarnin, Margie Davies, Linda Schneider, Alice Butterworth, Joyce Donadee.

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

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

**For our friends, especially;** Frank Yesko, Mike Colavita, Terri Hockenberry, The Silveira family, Laurie, Susan N., Connie Geiger, Cindy & Bob Getty, Ron Neurohr, Juliana Moses, Pat Reiner, Patty Herrington, Josh, Nancy Baker, Vivian, Phil & Bernice Bollman, Jordon Medlin.

**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](mailto:robin@stbrendans.org).

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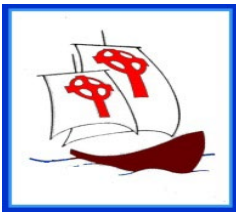
## May Ministry Calendar 2024

Date	Lectors	Sunday School	Nursery	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Stewards	Vestry	Hospitality
May 19 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous 1 <sup>st</sup> Mary Bertucci 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sandy Nagy P John Appledorn	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Allyson Kline Door keeper Ellen Groves	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Sylvia Affleck Barb Fure	Donna Aiello Sharon Hlawati	Mary Bertucci Dale Bertucci	Mike or Julia Wick	Melanie Popovich	Kate Heston
May 26 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Children's Service	8 George Snyder 1 <sup>st</sup> Children 2 <sup>nd</sup> Children P Donna Aiello	Children's Worship No Sunday School	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Joan Kleinfelter Kathy Miller	Sue Wimmer Derek Wimmer	Children John Appledorn	Tim Austin	Kate Heston	Janice & Dan Moore



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June 2 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Johanna Rengers 1 <sup>st</sup> Donna Aiello 2 <sup>nd</sup> John Appledorn P Kate Heston	Summer break	Liz MacDonald Molly Kirk	Dottie Antonucci Phoebe Juel	Kathy & Dave	Dan Moore Allyson Baierl	Linda Limberis	Ruth Horton	Kathy & Dave
June 9 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 <sup>st</sup> Paul Quinn 2 <sup>nd</sup> AJ McKenna P Linda Limberis	Summer break	Liz MacDonald Pat Carl	Sylvia Affleck Anelisa Tarrant	John Appledorn	Mike or Julia Kate Heston	Mike or Julia Wick	John Appledorn	Mary & Dale
June 16 Sunday 9:00 am only	1 <sup>st</sup> Tim Austin 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ann Vinski P Marily Mulvihill	Summer break	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Ellen Groves Barb Fure	Annemarie Malbon Dean Peters	Allyson Baierl Donna Aiello	John Appledorn	Tom Waseleski	Kate Heston
June 23 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Children's Service	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 <sup>st</sup> Children 2 <sup>nd</sup> Children P Tony Turo	Summer break	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Joan Kleinfelter Janice Moore	Saundy & Tom	Mark Dale Bertucci	Linda Limberis	Dan Moore	Megan & Tim
June 30 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous 1 <sup>st</sup> Derek Wimmer 2 <sup>nd</sup> Kate Heston P Marilyn Mulvihill	Summer break		Tammy Spoonhoward Kathy Miller	Annie Koch Kate Heston	John Appledorn Tim Austin	Mike or Julia 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/UCkCY2BEJlqMoVc\\_nXXG7ew](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  
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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Online Parish Calendar ~ <https://www.stbrendans.org/calendar>

Online Parish Directory ~ <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1By4bzW6dJ2AwwZVlmlgjcQ4WFAynP16D/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/>

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

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