



## The Deacon's Corner

With our Shrove Tuesday dinner and Ash Wednesday services this week, we ushered in the great season of Lent. As we enter into this holy season of the Church year, we should remember that Lent is a liturgical season of conversion that focuses on three spiritual pillars: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. During the 40 days of Lent, we are urged to reflect on our lives, perform acts of charity, and make small sacrifices. Each pillar prepares us for the joyful celebration of Christ's resurrection on Easter Sunday. Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving have a long history in the Church that stretches back to the Middle Ages at least. The extent to which various denominations emphasize these spiritual practices varies greatly from very specific rules that apply to everyone to no rules at all. In our Anglican tradition, we acknowledge these traditional practices and encourage everyone to consider what makes sense, spiritually, for them.

Many people decide to give up something, such as candy, wine, or alcohol, as a special act of devotion (fasting). Last year we suggested an alternative. Instead of food or alcohol, give up 30 minutes of your time each week and devote that to prayer by attending Evening Prayer on Wednesdays in the chapel at 7:00 p.m. Several parishioners chose that option.

This year Mother Robin and I are offering Compline (with communion) at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel each Wednesday during Lent. Compline is a somewhat shorter prayer service that has its roots in the ancient monastic tradition (p.127 of the BCP). As you reflect on what will be most meaningful for you this Lenten season, please consider joining us for this beautiful prayer service each Wednesday (and the simple meal that precedes it starting at 6:00).

**THIS Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>**, after the 10 a.m. service **Rosie Wood will be holding a reception to celebrate The Life of her Husband Rodge Wood**. As most of you know Rodge, was an episcopal priest and a member of our parish for many years. Please attend if you can and help us honor this wonderful man.

**Vestry Notes.** At its meeting Monday evening, St. Brendan's Vestry approved the hiring of two contractors — Kenyon Roofing for the first stage of construction in the multi-part roof replacement project and Tedco for remediation of water and mold damage due to a recent leak inside the building. The vestry also:

- Discussed and decided that it is time to reopen the church building for regular, posted visiting hours, Monday through Friday, now that the pandemic is abating. Further details to come soon.
- Recommended selling down the remaining Giant Eagle and Kuhn's gift cards purchased by the church, then reassessing the program, given flagging sales.

—Tom Waseleski, Senior Warden ([twaseleski@comcast.net](mailto:twaseleski@comcast.net))



Thank you to everyone at last Sunday's 8:00 and 10:00 services for staying in church (or sticking around online) to hear about our **Raise the Roof for St. Brendan's Appeal**. **Everyone** listed in our Parish Directory should by now have received a snail-mail envelope with further details. If you did not, please contact Tim Austin ([austover@gmail.com](mailto:austover@gmail.com)).

Remember: Our target for donations from parishioners is \$30,000. Katie told me on Thursday that she has so far banked \$14,260 in contributions from 13 member households. That's a great start, ... but it leaves a long way still to go. Please visit our Web page to learn more: <http://www.stbrendans.org/roof> and get your contribution in soon.

**This week's message from our mascot, Dublin:**

**“Hey! It's RUFF up there on the WOOF!”**



**End-of-Season Wrap-Up.** Well, NFL football is over for another year. The lucky winners in the Super Bowl Pool were George Snyder, Roger Botti, Sharon Hlawati and Ann Getty. We're delighted to report that the Regular Season Pool netted St. Brendan's some \$2,500, which we then supplemented with net proceeds of \$750 from the Super Bowl Pool, that's a total of \$3,250 in profits. The parish's budget thanks everyone who participated! Whether you won anything or not, we hope that we added a little excitement to your time watching the games. A special thank you to Tim Austin for all his hard work on this.

**Music requests.** Got a favorite hymn or other piece of music you'd like to hear at the 10 a.m. Sunday service? Feel free to complete a Music Request card, which can be found on the narthex table. Then either hand it to Daniel May, our music director, or drop it in the basket outside Katie's office. You can also speak directly to Daniel about your musical favorites.



A BFF Donation was given in memory of Rodge Wood by Chris and Roger Botti and Debbie and Mark Jennings.



**Need a gift for someone who has everything?** Would you like a way to acknowledge a special day like a baptism or a birthday or to remember a departed loved one? A donation to the Brendan's Family and Friend's (BFF) fund is the perfect way to honor that special person or event. BFF funds are earmarked for unbudgeted building needs. HVAC replacements, live-streaming technology, elevator repairs, playground equipment and much more have been funded through BFF. You can make your BFF donation through Tithe.ly, a donation card found in the narthex, on the website, or by contacting Katie. Thank you for making a difference at St. Brendan's by becoming a BFF donor!



Whether you moved tables, baked cookies, sorted books, made soup, cooked hot dogs, directed traffic, packed up leftover books, cleaned it all up or sent forth prayers of support, we all helped in our own ways to make the book sale a resounding success... and we may have even had a little fellowship and fun while we did it! Preliminary figures show that we made about \$4300, which is above our targeted goal of \$4000! So, we did it! We worked together for the benefit of our church and parish family.  
**Of course, we did! After all, "We are... St. Brendan's!"**

**A Great Opportunity to Make a Difference for the Homeless**



There are so many things we take for granted - not only our homes, but fresh water, lights, clean clothes, the list goes on and on. Some folks are not blessed with these luxuries; they live on the streets or in their cars. The Justice Ministry has a new project taking place during Lent, where we can all help the homeless right from our own homes. You will be given a calendar, with a different entry for each day during Lent, and if you have access to that item or if you do that task, you put a small amount of money in a container we will provide. For instance, donate \$0.50 every time

you have a meal today, give \$0.25 if your home has heat today, etc., etc.

At the end of Lent, you will turn the carton of money into us and we will give it to Outreached Arms, which is a non-profit for the homeless. The money will be distributed through First Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh.

All are welcome to participate -- adults as well as children. You can pick up your supplies for this project after service the next two Sundays, February 12 and February 19. Please help us help the homeless in Pittsburgh! Thank you!

**Donna Aiello and Annie Koch from the Justice Ministry**



We celebrate the **March Birthdays** of:

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|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 2 Alivia Byrne      | 3 Allyson Baierl | 6 Ian Aretz     | 6 Pat Carl       |
| 9 Tom Waseleski     | 10 Larry Tarrant | 14 Abigail Boyd | 15 Linda Mesko   |
| 18 Maddie Angeletti | 22 Tyler Cerra   | 22 TJ Tweedle   | 30 Dale Bertucci |
| 30 Megan Overby     |                  |                 |                  |



We celebrate the **March Wedding Anniversaries** of:

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| 15 Anne & Jno Hunt             | 16 Martha & Richard Munsch | 27 Megan Overby & Tim Austin |
| 27 Ida LaQuatra & Ted Dannerth | 30 Lauren & Todd Douds     |                              |



**Did you know that St. Brendan's earns 5% for each grocery card that we sell?** Basically, if you eat, you can raise funds for our church! It's easy! Just visit the vestry member who is selling grocery cards in the narthex each Sunday, buy a grocery card for Kuhns and/or Giant Eagle, then go grocery shopping for those special Lenten foods! Thanks for your support of the easiest fundraiser in town!



**Hats, Scarves and Gloves needed!**

In my hall closet, along with my winter coats, I have what I suspect all of us have: a catch-all basket. In it is a collection of unused gloves, mittens, hats and scarves.

NRP (Neighborhood Resilience Project) has put out a request for these items, gently used or new, as their collection has been depleted because of need. The Justice Ministry would like you to help us collect these to give a hand to our neighbors to keep them warm.

Please place any items you're able to donate in the bin in the lobby. We will be gathering these items until This Sunday. If you have any questions please email Annie at [reshiesmom@gmail.com](mailto:reshiesmom@gmail.com).

Please have all **Navigator/bulletin announcements** to Katie by Wednesday evening. [Katie@stbrendans.org](mailto:Katie@stbrendans.org). Thank you.



**Book Club News:** Join us on **Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup>** as the St. Brendan's Book Club discusses "The Lacuna" by Barbara Kingsolver. Our meetings are a great time to discuss good books while having a laugh or two among church friends. Please feel free to come whether its every time or just once in awhile. Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at 7 pm at the church. Contact Chris Botti at [shadypatch@msn.com](mailto:shadypatch@msn.com) for more information. Thanks!



**Brendan's Boots.** The parish walking group will explore the Panhandle Trail in Collier on **Tuesday, Feb. 28**, after meeting at the church at 9 a.m. It's a level, crushed limestone path that makes for an easy hike. Lunch will follow at Riley's Pour House, an Irish-style pub in Carnegie. Everyone welcome; feel free to bring a friend. For more info, contact Tom Waseleski, [twaseleski@comcast.net](mailto:twaseleski@comcast.net).

## Children and Youth



**February Food Drive:** Jesus told us to "love our neighbors as we love ourselves." As Christians, it is our job to put that love into action. In that spirit, the children and youth of St. Brendan's are holding a food drive during the month of February to help neighbors in our own community. The children will be handing out flyers and making announcements about the food drive during February services. Please bring in your donations of non-perishable food items on February 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> for a special blessing at the February 26<sup>th</sup> children's service. All the food collected will be given to the North Hills Food Pantry. Thanks for your support!

**Volunteers are still needed** in the Sunday School program and nursery. Please contact Allison Kline, Saundy Waseleski, or Annemarie Malbon for more information. We really need your help! These are important ministries for our families and our church.

### TWO JOB OPENINGS AT ST. BRENDAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



#### CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR:

St. Brendan's Episcopal Church in Franklin Park is seeking a coordinator of children and youth programs, pre-K through Grade 12.

The applicant for this position should have a strong commitment to the religious education of all children. He or she should be familiar with curriculum used in Sunday School and with teen programs in Episcopal churches. Applicants should be able to demonstrate strong communication skills with children, youth, and parishioners and should be able to work as part of a team to deliver sound instruction and experiences.

This is a paid, part-time position and requires attendance on Sundays for Sunday School, designated evenings for teen programming, and other meetings and events as they may arise.

Please respond no later than April 15, 2023.

Response information, detailed job descriptions and more information can be found on St. Brendan's Episcopal Church website: <https://www.stbrendans.org/employment>.

#### NURSERY COORDINATOR:

St. Brendan's is seeking a paid part-time nursery coordinator who is present in the nursery during the 10 a.m. Sunday service to supervise and safeguard the children of adult worshipers and who recruits volunteers to ensure two-person coverage during formal nursery hours. The Director displays enthusiasm for the ministry, cheerfulness in dealing with children and skill in working with other adults in the nursery.

Please respond no later than March 1, 2023.

Response information, detailed job descriptions and more information can be found on St. Brendan's Episcopal Church website: <https://www.stbrendans.org/employment>.

## Prayer Requests

**We pray for our beloved members of St. Brendan's**, especially; Bill Spoonhoward, Karl Haider, Margie Davies, Rosie Wood, Elizabeth Murphy, Mark Kinley, Ruth, Larry Tarrant, Nancy Snyder, Matthew, Jim Gray, Mark Shoemaker, Alice Butterworth.

**We pray for our parents**, especially; Carol Crawford, Diane Davis, Ray Militzer, Lenora, Adele & Ken McCormack, Debbie Adrian.

**We pray for our family members**, especially; Pat Schulze, Tom Groves, Jay & A, Sue Burchill, Allene Hazeltine, John, Carol Schmitz, Marilynn Magnotti, Frank Nagy, Chris Sensenich, Nathan Schlumpf, David Pingree, Marie Hazelton, Ann & Ben Kirkpatrick, Bob Kiehl, Robert Donato, John Sanborn.

**And for our friends**, especially; Cliff Mauriello, Julia Sloganaugh, Nancy Baker, Steve Parsons, Barbara Hagen.

**For all who have died,** especially Mary Lynn Magnotti.

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# February Ministry Calendar 2023

Date	Lectors	Sunday School Leaders	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Vestry	Stewards	Nursery	Hospitality
February 12 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Epiphany	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 <sup>st</sup> John Appeldorn 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dean Peters P Michael Donadee	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Kayla Tweedle Door keeper Katie Costa	Tammy Spoonhoward Janice Moore	Toni Passarello John Appeldorn	Allyson Baierl Michael Donadee	John Appeldorn	Mike Wick	Annemarie Malbon Mi Jang	Chris Botti
February 19 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Last Sunday of Epiphany	8 Joan Beatrous 1 <sup>st</sup> Dean Peters 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ann Vinski P John Appeldorn	Lambs Joyce Donadee FISH Allison Kline Door keeper Ellen Groves	Ellen Groves Phoebe Juel	Allyson Baierl Dean Peters	Donna Aiello Tim Austin	Tom Waseleski	John Appeldorn	Mi Jang Dawn Quinn	Volunteer needed
February 22 Ash Wednesday 12:00 & 7:00 pm	12 Ellen Groves 7 TBD	n/a	TBD	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
February 26 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 <sup>st</sup> Michael Donadee 2 <sup>nd</sup> Marilyn Mulvihill P Mary Bertucci	Children's Service	Tammy Spoonhoward Susan Shields	Kate Heston Toni Passarello	Dale Bertucci Anthony Bertucci	Dan Moore	Tim Austin	Linda Mesko Avery Kline	Rosie Wood

# March Ministry Calendar 2023

Date	Lectors	Sunday School Leaders	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Vestry	Stewards	Nursery	Hospitality
March 5 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent	8 Ellen Groves 1 <sup>st</sup> Tim Austin 2 <sup>nd</sup> John Appledorn P Donna Aiello	Lambs Kayla Tweedle FISH Mary Bertucci Door keeper Susan Shields	Ellen Groves Janice Moore	Toni Passarello John Appeldorn	Kate Heston Michael Donadee	Chris Botti	Mike Wick	Pat Carl Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed
March 12 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent	8 Joan Beatrous 1 <sup>st</sup> Michael Donadee 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tony Turo P Kate Heston	Lambs FISH Door keeper	Joan Klinefelter Anelisa Tarrant	Saundy Waseleski Tom Waseleski	Allyson Baierl Donna Aiello	Lauren Ramakrishna	Linda Limberis	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed
March 19 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 <sup>st</sup> Ann Vinski 2 <sup>nd</sup> Linda Limberis P Tim Austin	Lambs FISH Door keeper	Tammy Spoonhoward Phoebe Juel	Annemarie Malbon Dean Peters	Dale Bertucci Anthony Bertucci	Ruth Horton	John Appledorn	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed
March 26 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 <sup>st</sup> Children 2 <sup>nd</sup> Children P Children	Children's Service	Ellen Groves Susan Shields	Sharon Hlawati Donna Aiello	Allyson Baierl Michael Donadee	Kate Heston Sandy Nagy	Tim Austin	Linda Mesko Avery Kline	Volunteer needed



## 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  
Audio-Visual Technology: Sandy Nagy  
Communication: Sandy Nagy  
Children & Youth: Ruth Horton  
Finance: Lauren Ramakrishna  
Fundraising: Chris Botti  
Inreach & Hospitality: Kate Heston  
Membership: Chris Botti  
Outreach: Ruth Horton  
Secretary/Clerk: Lauren Ramakrishna  
Worship: Neil Galone  
Treasurer: Roger Botti  
Assistant Treasurer: Ellen Groves

### WORSHIP MINISTRY LEADERS

Acolyte: Anelisa Tarrant  
Altar Guild: Anelisa Tarrant  
Flower Ministry: Libby Juel & Sylvia Affleck  
Scheduler: Kelli Cerra  
Usher: Tim Austin

### PARISH LIFE MINISTRY LEADERS

Audit: Kevin Boyd  
Book Club: Chris Botti  
Brendan's Boots: Tom Waseleski  
Bulletin Coordinators: Pat Carl  
Carol Meese  
Dinner Group: Janice Moore  
Finance Chair: Mary Bertucci  
Green Thumb Gang: Dan Moore  
Historian: Ellen Groves  
Holiday Arts & Crafts & 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  
Sticks & Strings: Joni Reis  
Debbie Jennings  
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: Annie Koch  
Miryam's: Julia Wick  
North Hills Food Banks: Ruth Horton  
Spirituality: Donna Aiello

### WEEKLY AT ST. BRENDAN'S

Sunday: 8:00 am Worship, in person  
10:00 am Worship, in person and via live streaming  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UcCY2BEJXlqMoVc\\_nXXG7ew](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UcCY2BEJXlqMoVc_nXXG7ew)  
Monday: 8:00 am Daily Morning Prayer, via zoom, Monday thru Friday  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83591825912?pwd=a3BGcCswanE1OFFXaVBWbDBYRGM1UT09>  
10:00 am Modern Episcopalian, via zoom  
Tuesday: 10:00 am Katie office hours till 2:00 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: 11:00 am Mother Robin office hours till 3:00 pm  
Thursday: 6:00 pm Bible Study, via zoom  
Friday: 10:00 am Katie office hours till 2:00 pm

### ST. BRENDAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Online Parish Calendar ~ <https://www.stbrendans.org/calendar>

Online Parish Directory ~ <https://www.stbrpit.com/> (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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Deacon, Rev. Darrell Johnson ~ [johnsdj31@verizon.net](mailto:johnsdj31@verizon.net)

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