

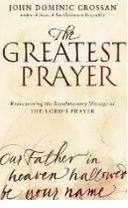
NAVIGATOR'S LOG

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS
& UPCOMING EVENTS



FRANKLIN PARK, PA
**ST. BRENDAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

January 21, 2024



Modern Episcopalians will resume meeting via zoom on Thursday evening on February 8 at 7. We will be studying the Lord's Prayer (Our Father) by reviewing the biblical background and meaning of this most often recited but least understood prayer. We will be using the book *The Greatest Prayer: rediscovering the revolutionary message of the Lord's Prayer* by John Dominic Crossan. Copies are available in the narthex and on Amazon. If you would like an email invitation to the meeting, contact John Appeldorn at jj47@aol.com or 412-480-0052. The zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86472150575?pwd=L0MyeU1mdHdpMIJpTzgydVd1NGEydz09>
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St. Brendan's Annual Parish Meeting will take place on **Sunday, Jan. 28, after a joint 9 a.m. service.** Mother Robin and the vestry will review the past year and preview the 2024 budget. Candidates will also be elected for vestry. So come to worship, stay for a brief meeting, and enjoy hospitality with fellow Brendanites afterward!



Vestry Nominating Committee Seeks Nominations. On **January 28**, St. Brendan's will elect three new members to join the Vestry for three-year terms. The Vestry plays a vital role in the life of our church. Its nine members provide administrative and financial oversight, and ensure we are living our mission. If you are interested in joining the Vestry, would like to nominate someone for Vestry consideration, or simply have questions about this process, please contact a member of the Vestry Nominating Committee: Ruth Horton (rvhorton@gmail.com), Lauren Ramakrishna (lauren.ramakrishna@gmail.com), Annemarie Malbon (amalbon@gmail.com), and Donna Aiello (donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com).

Children and Youth



Friday, January 26: Community Service Get-Together and Parents' Night Out from 5:30 to 8:00 pm. We'll have pizza, make valentines for some special people and play a few games. We hope to see lots of our children and youth that evening. Teens, we need your help! Parents, please email Saundy at swaseleski@comcast.net to let us know if your child will be attending or for more information.

Sunday, January 28: Children's Worship Service at 9 am. There will be no Sunday School classes that day as children will be involved in the service. Annemarie will be in touch with parents regarding the various roles children will have. **Please note the time change.** The 9 am. service will be the only service that day. It will be followed by the annual Parish Meeting, which we encourage all families to attend. We'll have a supply of drawing paper and crayons on hand to keep our little ones busy, but you may want to bring along a quiet activity like a coloring book or something that your child enjoys to keep busy with during the meeting.

Nursery Volunteers: Thank you to all who have signed up to volunteer on various Sundays. Your help is greatly appreciated! Anyone who already has their necessary clearances and is willing and able to help out with our little ones during the 10 am. worship service, please reach out to me, Liz MacDonald, via text/call at 412-865-6486 or email Liz702988@gmail.com.



A donation was made to the **Brendan's Family and Friends Fund (BFF)** in memory of Bette Moore from Chris and Roger Botti.

A donation to the BFF fund is the perfect way to honor that special person or event. BFF funds are earmarked for unbudgeted building needs. Thank you for making a difference at St. Brendan's by becoming a BFF donor!



Despite the fact that our Steelers were knocked out of the playoffs last weekend, you can still have a small stake in the remaining weeks of the season. Buy a square or five in our **Super Bowl Football Pool!**

Squares are an amazing bargain at just \$10 each (net proceeds to the church of course). Details are in the Narthex or by email from Tim Austin austover@gmail.com.

Vestry Candidates for 2024



Melanie Popovich

Melanie Popovich has been a member of St. Brendan's since 2005. After moving to Franklin Park and visiting various churches in the North Hills, she finally ended her search and found a parish to call home. What attracted her to St. Brendan's was the sense of inclusion, community and the genuine feeling of welcome to all those who walked through the doors.

Melanie served as Sr. Warden from 2007-2009, served on the Diocesan Board of Trustees, and currently coordinates the annual Blessing of Animals event held each October. As part of her personal ministry, she offers Reiki, upon request, to parishioners, both in the hospital or at home rehabbing from surgery.

Melanie spent most of her career at Columbia Gas in Pittsburgh as Vice President of Customer Service and Marketing. In 2002, she launched her own consulting business providing Project Management services to gas utilities across the state, and more recently joined IDI Consultants as a Sr. Consultant.

In her spare time, Melanie serves on the Bylaws committee of her HOA, enjoys volunteer work working with animal rescue groups, and traveling. She looks forward to her retirement in April to pursue her long held interest in developing other service ministries.

Melanie lives in Franklin Park with her animal family, dog Lexi and cat Teddi.



Frances Harpst

Frances and her family joined St. Brendan's in the late 1990's and has been a Rite13 Youth Group Leader, member of the Audit Committee, volunteer for the Classiest Yard Sale, Holiday Happening, and ESL Conversation Friends. Frances participated in Diocesan meetings to address the implications of the split with conservative churches. Both of her children were members of Rite 13 and Journey to Adulthood; Lauren was chief acolyte and Sean volunteered for fundraising activities.

Frances spent most of her career in consulting with technology companies helping customers manage change in their organizations, retiring in 2023. Frances lives in Aleppo, enjoys being active, especially with Brendan's Boots, baking for Lasagna Love, and spending time with friends and family, especially her 2 year old granddaughter Riley.

As a vestry member, Frances looks forward to being on a team to support St. Brendan's to remain lively, welcoming, and relevant for our members and community.



Richard J. Munsch

I am a lifelong resident of the Pittsburgh area, born and raised in Shaler Township. I graduated from North Catholic High School in 1964 and from the University of Notre Dame (BA History) in 1968. I was drafted in 1968 and served two years in the U.S. Army, including service in Vietnam. Following my military service, I attended the University of Michigan Law School, graduating (JD) in 1973. From 1974 to 1976, I was employed by the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania as a law clerk for the Honorable Harry A. Kramer. From 1976 to 2009, I was employed in the U. S. Steel Law Department, retiring from the position of Associate General Counsel.

My wife Martha and I were married in 1974 in her hometown of Meyersdale, PA. We have two children and five grandchildren, all residing in the Pittsburgh area. We have been members of St. Brendan's Parish for approximately one year. I believe that my education and skills will enable me to serve the Parish as a member of its Vestry.



Caring Card Ministry: The 10:00 Caring Card Ministry currently consists of two people who take turns every two months getting Caring Cards to members. Because the ministry is growing, we are looking for a third person to join us. You do not need to feel you are familiar with members of the congregation as information comes from many sources. If you are at all interested or have questions, please contact Meg Overby overaust@gmail.com.

The Justice Ministry is looking for quilters-folks who quilt. We hope to take the tee shirts from the Memorial to the Lost and make them into a quilt that can be displayed to once again raise awareness of the toll of gun violence.

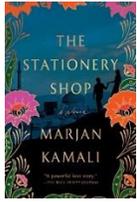
If you have a little or a lot of quilt making experience, please contact Marilyn Mulvihill at mimi15143@yahoo.com or 412-427-2715. Thanks in advance!



Used Ipad or computer needed

Isaac and his family are very appreciative of everything that St. Brendan's has done for them. They do have one more request. They are all working very hard on their English skills. Some are attending our ESL groups and others different ESL classes. The issue is they only have one Ipad to use for these classes. A second has already been donated by a parishioner. Two additional ones would be so helpful. If you have a used Ipad or computer that still works and you are no longer using, please consider donating to help them learn language skills. It would be greatly appreciated!

Please contact Donna Aiello at donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com for more information or if you have an Ipad or computer to donate. Thank you!



St. Brendan's Book Club, all are welcome! On Monday, **February 5** at 1 pm we will discuss *The Stationery Shop* by Marjan Kamali, a 2019 novel set in 1953 Teheran. This one (like many of our upcoming titles!) has super reviews. Please join us!

Upcoming titles:

March 4: *Forty Autumns: A Family's Story of Courage and Survival on Both Sides of the Berlin Wall* by Nina Willner

April 8: *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby van Pelt

May 6: *My Life in France* by Julia Child

Any questions? Contact Anne Semmler, annegsemmler@gmail.com.

2023 year end Contribution Statements are located in the narthex.

Prayer Requests

We pray for our beloved members of St. Brendan's, especially: Joan Beatrous, Nancy Bancroft, Dave Miller, Matthew, Jim Gray, Kelli Cerra, Charlotte Pierce, Rosie Wood, Bill Spoonhoward, Sherri Angeletti, Mark Shoemaker, Alice Butterworth, Ruth Haider, Judy McKarnin, Margie Davies, Larry Tarrant, Nancy Snyder, Joyce Donadee.

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

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

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

And for all who have died, especially Nelson Ferguson, Dr. Frank Troncale, and Scott Boyd.

January Ministry Calendar 2024

Date	Lectors	Sunday School	Nursery	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Steward	Vestry	Hospitality
January 7 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am 1 st Sunday of Advent	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 st Paul Quinn 2 nd Cindy Koszarek P Tim Austin	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Allison Kline Door keeper Katie Costa	Liz MacDonald	Ellen Groves Barb Fure	Saundy Waseleski Tom Waseleski	Kate Heston Linda Limberis	John Appeldorn	Lauren Ramakrishna	Janice Moore
January 14 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Johanna Rengers 1 st John Appeldorn 2 nd Derrek Wimmer P Kate Heston	Lambs Dawn Day-Quinn FISH Katie Costa Door keeper Saundy Waseleski	Liz MacDonald Molly Kirk	Joan Klinefelter Phoebe Juel	Susan Shields Kate Heston	Julia & Mike Wick	Tim Austin	Ruth Horton	Megan Overby Tim Austin
January 21 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 st Linda Limberis 2 nd Ann Vinski P Marilyn Mulvihill	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Kayla Tweedle Door keeper Katie Costa	Liz MacDonald Dawn Day-Quinn	Dottie Antonucci Anelisa Tarrant	Barb Fure John Appeldorn	Allyson Baierl Linda Limberis	Julia/Mike Wick	Kate Heston	Mary & Dale Bertucci
January 28 Sunday 9:00 am Children's Service	1 st Children 2 nd Children P Tim Austin	Children's Service	Liz MacDonald Pat Carl	Tammy Spoonhoward Janice Moore	Toni Passarello Wesley Bell	Mary Bertucci Dale Bertucci	Linda Limberis	Tom Waseleski	Sandy Nagy



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: TBD
Inreach & Hospitality: Kate Heston
Membership: TBD
Outreach: Ruth Horton
Secretary/Clerk: Lauren Ramakrishna
Worship: Neil Galone
Treasurer: Ellen Groves

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: Kevin Boyd
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
Green Thumb Gang: Dan Moore
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=a3BGcCswanE1OFFXaVBWbDBBYRGM1UT09>
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
5:00 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

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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/>

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Music Director, Daniel May ~ bluesub@verizon.net

Deacon, Rev. Darrell Johnson ~ darrell@stbrendans.org

Nursery Director, Liz MacDonald ~ Liz702988@gmail.com

Vestry ~ Vestry@stbrendans.org