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### HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 8 AM, 5:30 PM  
SUNDAY 7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM & 5:30 PM  
DAILY 5:30 PM – MON & WED  
8 AM – TUES, THURS, FRI

### RECONCILIATION TIMES

WEDNESDAY 6-7 PM (During Adoration)  
SATURDAY 9 AM  
Parishioners can also schedule a confession appointment with Fr Bob or Fr Brown by calling the parish office.

OFFICE HOURS: MON-FRI 9 AM-4 PM



### MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to marriage. Marriage preparation is required.

### BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated at 12 PM on most Sundays. Two baptismal preparation classes are required. Visit [stbrendans.net/baptism](http://stbrendans.net/baptism) to schedule a Baptism.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the Parish Office.

### RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

Interested in becoming Catholic? Contact Fr Brown at [frbrown@stbrendans.net](mailto:frbrown@stbrendans.net) or 614.876.1272, ext 226

### PARISH OFFICE AND MINISTRY OF EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS

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### ST BRENDAN SCHOOL

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# SAINT BRENDAN INFORMATION CENTER

## Church Hours

The church is open weekdays, 6 AM-9 PM.  
The Parish Office is open weekdays, 9 AM-4 PM.

## New Members

All are welcome to join our parish! To request a new member packet, please call 614.876.1272, email [receptionist@stbrendans.net](mailto:receptionist@stbrendans.net) or visit [stbrendans.net/become-a-member](http://stbrendans.net/become-a-member)

## Marketing & Bulletin Requests

Our Marketing/Bulletin Request form is available at [stbrendans.net/marketing](http://stbrendans.net/marketing). Please read all the information to find deadlines for each media platform being requested. For questions, or to send artwork, email [marketing@stbrendans.net](mailto:marketing@stbrendans.net)

## Mass Intentions

To schedule an intention, please mail in requests or contact the Parish Office. The amount set by the diocese is \$10, due when the request is made.

## Flowers for the Altar

If you wish to purchase flowers in remembrance of a loved one or special intention, the cost is \$75. Requests are published in the bulletin.

## Baptism Preparation Class

First Sunday of most months at 12 PM. Our new program requires 2 class sessions. See website for dates and details. For questions, contact [baptism@stbrendans.net](mailto:baptism@stbrendans.net)

## Ministry of Care for our Homebound

Contact Jennifer Rice at 614.876.1272, ext 227 or [jrice@stbrendans.net](mailto:jrice@stbrendans.net) if you would like to receive the Eucharist at home or in a facility.

## Protecting God's Children Class

Register online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org)

## POD Nursery

The nursery is open during 8:45 AM & 10:45 AM Masses for children ages 6 months to 4 years.

## Receive Navigator News or Liturgy Aids

Keep updated on parish events by subscribing to Navigator News available through ParishStaq. Visit [stbrendan.ccbchurch.com](http://stbrendan.ccbchurch.com) to create an account and you will automatically receive our parish e-newsletter. To have Sunday worship materials and bulletin emailed to you weekly visit [tinyurl.com/LiturgyAids](http://tinyurl.com/LiturgyAids) and fill out the form.

# EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

<https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com/>

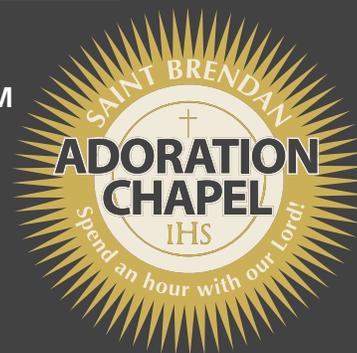
TUESDAY 9 AM-9 PM

WEDNESDAY 7 AM-7 PM  
HOLY HOUR 6-7 PM  
Confessions available

THURSDAY 9 AM-9 PM

FRIDAY 9 AM-9 PM

SATURDAY 9 AM-1 PM



## MASS INTENTIONS, JANUARY 16-22

MONDAY	5:30 PM	Roger & Mary Ann Versteeg
TUESDAY	8:00 AM	Barbara Hamm
WEDNESDAY	5:30 PM	John & Dolores D'Amico
THURSDAY	8:00 AM	Intention for Fr Joseph Klee
FRIDAY	8:00 AM	Polly Hemmer
SATURDAY	8:00 AM	Luetta Ruppert
	5:30 PM	For the People of St Brendan Parish
SUNDAY	7:15 AM	Richard Seipel
	8:45 AM	Liz Kramer
	10:45 AM	Courtney MacDonald
	5:30 PM	Scott Hunsberger



Look for our Year of Prayer graphic throughout the bulletin for prayer focused events & inspiration in 2023. For details scan the QR code or visit [www.stbrendans.net/year-of-prayer](http://www.stbrendans.net/year-of-prayer)



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# A MESSAGE FROM MADISON STEWART



*“Remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not. See, I am doing something new! Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? In the wilderness I make a way, in the wasteland, rivers.”*

– Isaiah 43:18-19

I want to take a moment to remind you that you can enter a relationship with Jesus at any moment in time. You can start a prayer life or revamp it or try again at any time. Even today! Reading this verse (above) from Isaiah reminds us that our God makes all things new. He turns wastelands into bountiful fields. Our God can bring forth springs from dry land. Our God can do these same things in our hearts.

Prayer is a conversation with Jesus Christ. It can be awkward at first or we can be lost not really knowing the “right” things to do. But we have to start somewhere. When we sit and invite God into that conversation, that’s when things start to change. There are so many different ways to pray, just like there are lots of ways to have a relationship with someone. The difference with Christ is when we ask for his help, he answers. He answers us at any time and for anything we need. The more we pray, the deeper our relationship with Christ becomes.

My encouragement for you as we focus on prayer as a community here at Saint Brendan’s is to seek refuge and comfort that God makes all things new. He will make a way for you, if only you ask.

*Jesus, we trust in you. Bring us into a deeper relationship with you no matter where we are at in our journey. Teach us how to pray, teach us how to live, teach us how to love. Amen.*

## HOW WE MANAGE SNOW ON CAMPUS...

### LEVEL 1 - ACTIVITIES REMAIN OPEN, LEVEL 2 - CAMPUS CLOSES

Our snow contractor only plows the lot when we reach TWO INCHES of snowfall. The parking lot is only pre-treated if it is not raining (the rain would simply wash it away). The parish facilities team will be responsible for keeping the walkways cleared. When weather is cold, please be careful when walking around the campus as it may be slippery in places.

Parish activities remain open if we are at a Level 1 Snow Emergency, but people should carefully consider whether they can safely reach the campus and attend. If a Level 2 Snow Emergency is declared, the entire campus closes, including Mass. We will alert you by ParishStaq email and social media if this happens. School parents will be alerted by school communications of any school closures or delays. Faith Formation parents will be notified via ParishStaq email of any cancellations. The Parish Office remains open during business hours, 9 AM to 4 PM. If we reach a Level 2 Snow Emergency, the office will close.

## AUCTION & DINNER



### DONATE OR BECOME A SCHOOL AUCTION SPONSOR!

The St Brendan School Auction and Dinner, **Nashville Nights**, will be Saturday, March 4. We are currently accepting personal and corporate donations and sponsorships. Our giving tree will remain up in the gathering space until January 22 with individual items you can donate for the event.

Questions? Contact Joy Bair at [jbair1@cducation.org](mailto:jbair1@cducation.org) or one of our auction committee members at [sbauction@cducation.org](mailto:sbauction@cducation.org).



### ROCKABILLY RAFFLE TICKETS

Our annual School Auction raffle is a 50/50. We will sell 500 tickets at \$20 each with the winner getting \$5000 the night of the auction. You do not need to be present to win! We will also be selling tickets after Masses at the welcome desk on Feb 4/5 and 11/12 or visit our school auction web page at [www.stbrendans.net/school/st-brendan-school-auction/](http://www.stbrendans.net/school/st-brendan-school-auction/).

Also, consider asking your friends and relatives to participate as well by purchasing a raffle ticket.



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# ST BRENDAN PRAYER LIST



For the beginning of the new year, we will be renewing our published St Brendan Prayer List. If you would like us to pray for **someone who is hospitalized or ill at home** or for **active duty military loved ones**, please send those prayer requests to [bulletin@stbrendans.net](mailto:bulletin@stbrendans.net). The bulletin prayer list will be updated with all new requests received starting in January 2023.

If you would like our parish community to pray for you or a loved one for a reason other than illness or active duty military, consider utilizing our Prayer Wall at [www.stbrendans.net/year-of-prayer/](http://www.stbrendans.net/year-of-prayer/). There you will also find an adoration portal, prayer focused events and more.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

### THOSE HOSPITALIZED OR ILL

Mary Frick

Bob Kienle

Jane Lumen

Becky Moyer

Mitzie Toth

Steve Toth

### ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Christopher Keck

Cody Longstreth

Jackson Maassel

Alec Moyer

Rob Shonkwiler

Rick Shonkwiler

Please continue to pray for all our men and women in service to our country, as well as all healthcare workers and first responders.

If you or a loved one is hospitalized or ill at home and would like a pastoral visit, please call **614.876.1272**

## GIVING STATEMENTS 2022 YEAR END GIFT DEADLINE IS THIS WEEKEND!

Please help us prepare your 2022 Giving Statements for your tax records. The deadline for donations to be recognized as 2022 gifts is January 15, 2023. Checks dated for 2022 received in the parish office after January 15 will be recorded as 2023 donations. Any gifts made through PUSHPAY will be recorded as of the date the donations have been made.

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## MONDAY, JANUARY 16

8:30 AM	No School – Martin Luther King Jr Day	
9:00 AM	Church Cleaning	Church
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:30 PM	Family Faith Formation Grades 6-8 Small Group	Multiple Locations

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## TUESDAY, JANUARY 17

6:30 AM	Men's Ministry: Faith Sharing	Davidson Rd Meeting Room A
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-9:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
7:00 PM	RCIA	Chas McCurdy Center

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## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

7:00 AM-7:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
10:00 AM	Elizabeth Ministry Playgroup	Wellnitz Hall, Room 1 (with patio)
1:30 PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry: Work Session	The Carter Center
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:00 PM-7:00 PM	Adoration, Confessions Available	Church
7:00 PM	Knights of Columbus #11208: Monthly Meeting	Wellnitz Hall, Meeting Rooms 1 & 2
7:15 PM	Youth Ministry: High School Missionary Formation	Chas McCurdy Learning Center

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## THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM	Walking with Purpose	Davidson Rd Meeting Rooms A & B
9:00 AM-9:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
7:00 PM	St Vincent de Paul: Sandwich Making	Wellnitz Hall, Room 1 (with patio)
7:00 PM	Walking with Purpose	Davidson Rd Meeting Rooms A & B

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## FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-9:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel

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## SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

6:30 AM	Men's Ministry: Faith Sharing	Wellnitz Hall, Room 1 (with patio)
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
8:45 AM	The Rosary	Church
9:00 AM	Confessions	Church
9:00 AM-1:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
5:30 PM	Vigil Mass	Church

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## SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM, 5:30 PM	Mass	Church
During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Masses	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Adoration Chapel
During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Masses	POD Nursery	Childcare Center
After 8:45 & 10:45 AM Masses	Coffee & Donuts	Davidson Rd Meeting Rooms A & B
12:00 PM	Baptisms	Church
6:30 PM	Faith Formation Volunteer Formation	The Carter Center
6:30 PM	Sunday VINE	Multipurpose Room
7:00 PM	Care & Consolation: Grief Support Workshop	Davidson Rd Meeting Room A

## BEGINS JANUARY 16



The Respect Life Ministry and St Brendan Knights of Columbus would like your help to support the Women's Care Center. Last year WCC helped **2,141** pregnant women: **1 in 8** births in Franklin County. Collection of items will begin Monday, January 16 and end Sunday, January 29, in the church gathering space. There will also be a second monetary collection on the weekend of January 21/22.

The items they need are below with the most immediate needs starred.

Thank you for your support!

- 0-3 months winter clothing\*
- 2T-3T winter clothing\*
- 0-3 months all season clothing
- Baby soaps
- Lotions
- Diapers sizes 4,5,6
- Pull Ups sizes 4T/5T
- Bottles



Please scan the QR code to make a monetary gift or visit [tinyurl.com/StB-Baby-Shower](https://tinyurl.com/StB-Baby-Shower)

## SIGN UP TO COMPETE!



St Brendan Men's Club is sponsoring a Chili Cook-off competition Saturday, February 11, 7-9 PM in the Davidson Rd Meeting Rooms. The competition is open to all parishioners 21 and older. Due to space limitations, only 20 entries accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Best chili wins \$50! Sign up by contacting Fred at [joc93@yahoo.com](mailto:joc93@yahoo.com) or call 614-946-7733

## JANUARY 28 - TIES & TIARAS DANCE

St Brendan American Heritage Girls Troop 0516 presents the 2nd annual Ties & Tiaras Dance Jan 28, 6:30-8 PM in the School MPR. Girls bring their Dad or Dear One for a Country Western Night of line dancing and fun! Tickets are \$25 per couple and \$5 for each additional sibling. Visit <https://ahgdance23.eventbrite.com> to purchase them soon! Questions? Email [ahgstb@gmail.com](mailto:ahgstb@gmail.com)



## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Looking for grief support from fellow parishioners? Join us for a monthly workshop on Sunday, January 22 at 7 PM in Davidson Rd Meeting Room A for the topic "A New Year?" We will share lunch, listen, laugh, cry and help one another through this grief journey. We will also be meeting at 1 PM at La Chatelaine in Downtown Dublin on January 26. Contact Dennis for more information at [edmuch@me.com](mailto:edmuch@me.com) or 614-946-8009.

## BECOME A WELCOMER IN THE NEW YEAR!

The Welcome Ministry needs you and we have openings to fit any schedule! Commit to once a week, once a month, even once a year. Make a real resolution to our parish community this year! Contact Sheri Raitz at [welcoming@stbrendans.net](mailto:welcoming@stbrendans.net) or scan the QR code. Ushers could also use more volunteers!



## 2023/24 SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS OPEN

### TRINITY PRESCHOOL

Trinity Preschool is also accepting registrations at this time. If you have a child 3-5 years old (age 3 by Sept 30) and are looking for a preschool that shares your Catholic values, look no further than Trinity Preschool. As an affiliate of our St Brendan School, Trinity is a highly recommended choice and located nearby at St Margaret of Cortona (1600 N Hague Ave). For questions or to schedule a tour, please contact Andrea Boyd at [aboyd@cdeducation.org](mailto:aboyd@cdeducation.org) or visit their webpage for more information at [stmargaretcolumbus.org/trinity-preschool](http://stmargaretcolumbus.org/trinity-preschool)



## REGISTRATION

for the **2023/24** school year  
(GRADES K-8)

**IS NOW OPEN!**

To register, request more information or schedule a tour of our school, please visit

[www.stbrendans.net/school](http://www.stbrendans.net/school)



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## MEN'S & WOMEN'S CATHOLIC CONFERENCES

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JOHN 1:9

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## ST CHARLES HS

St Charles Preparatory School recently announced its Second Quarter Honor and Merit Rolls for the 2022/23 school year. Students listed on the Honor Roll have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 grading scale. Students listed on the Merit Roll have achieved a grade point average between 3.00 and 3.49. Those who received a grade point of 4.0 and above are noted (4.0+ GPA).

The following young men are members of your parish who are listed on the Honor and Merit Rolls. St Charles congratulates them for their outstanding academic achievement (Please see below).

STUDENT NAME	GRADE	HONOR/MERIT
Nathaniel DeLuca	9	Honor 4.0+
Malcolm D'Souza	11	Honor 4.0+
Warren D'Souza	12	Honor 4.0+
Mauricio Lahera-Castillo	10	Honor 4.0+
Dillon Miller	11	Honor 4.0+
Maximiliano Paxton	9	Honor 4.0+
Konrad Gozon	10	Honor
Bradley King	9	Honor
Connor Morgan	12	Honor
Thomas Rice	10	Honor
Donovan Timm	10	Honor
Ivan Canas-Heredia	10	Merit
Jack Jacobsen	12	Merit
James McInnis	9	Merit
Grant Rice	10	Merit
John Rice	10	Merit

## MAKE ADORATION YOUR RESOLUTION!

Help us grow our hours of Adoration of our Lord by signing up for a commitment to adore. Worried about making it every week? Once you establish a routine, your schedule moves around that hour and you are better equipped for your week! Still not sure? Sign up as a sub to fill in when needed. We need 2 adorers per hour. Please sign in on the kiosk as a guest. Check our needs sheet outside of the chapel each week and visit [stbrendan.weadorehim.com/](http://stbrendan.weadorehim.com/) to sign up! Questions? Contact Jan at [jansampson@me.com](mailto:jansampson@me.com)



## MEN'S FAITH SHARING MINISTRY

### PRAY LIKE A MAN BOUND FOR HEAVEN - SATURDAYS

It's not too late to join other men in the parish for our faith sharing group which starts January 14 at 6:30 AM. Meet in Wellnitz Hall Room 1 to explore our theme, *Pray Like a Man Bound for Heaven* through small group discussion, videos, and Adoration. Questions, contact Grant Rice at [ricekris8813@att.net](mailto:ricekris8813@att.net)



### FROM WILD MAN TO WISE MAN - TUESDAY MORNINGS

Join us on Tuesdays (currently in progress) at 6:30 AM in the Davidson Road Meeting Room A as we discuss Fr Richard Rohr's *From Wild Man to Wise Man*. Just 2 chapters a week, explore how God is working in our lives. Contact Steve Dungan for more information at [sldungan@gmail.com](mailto:sldungan@gmail.com)

## GOOD PRAYER HABITS

Choosing just one new prayer habit to try can bear great fruit in our lives. Here is one suggestion...



### TIP #1: WEEKLY HOLY HOUR

"I have a weekly holy hour written into my calendar. My husband knows about it; my kids know about it; my babysitter knows about it; my co-workers know about it. It is not a questionable date on my calendar, it is a certain one, where I get help to be able to make it there...The one weekly holy hour is my saving grace from which all else flows."

— Jenna Guizar,  
founder of a Catholic women's ministry

## LORD TEACH US: NEW YEAR NEW PRAYER

Monday, January 23 at 10 AM or 7 PM in Wellnitz Hall – Learn how to start or improve your prayer routine during this "Lord Teach Us" series – begin to find time with our Lord throughout the day and in different ways. Bring your favorite prayer to share!



To find out more about our 2023 St Brendan Year of Prayer, visit [www.stbrendans.net/year-of-prayer](http://www.stbrendans.net/year-of-prayer)

# SAINT BRENDAN MINISTRY OF EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS



## FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

All families should have received the Root box and parent series book at the faith formation sessions last weekend. If you haven't, please reach out to [faithformation@stbrendans.net](mailto:faithformation@stbrendans.net) As well, middle school small groups resume this Sunday and Monday. Students will meet in their same small groups and locations.

All families should have received a link to complete payment for the Faith Formation program. If you have additional questions, and/or need to arrange a payment plan, contact Jamie Young at [jyoung@stbrendans.net](mailto:jyoung@stbrendans.net)

In December, Bonnie Creeger decided to move on from her position in the parish office. She has been so amazing and joyful in her ten years here at St Brendan! Feel free to reach out to her to offer your love and gratitude for all her work. Thank you, Bonnie! Please send future emails regarding faith formation and sacrament prep to [faithformation@stbrendans.net](mailto:faithformation@stbrendans.net) and [sacraments@stbrendans.net](mailto:sacraments@stbrendans.net)

## SACRAMENT PREPARATION

**1ST RECONCILIATION** – If you missed the first reconciliation service, please reach out to Jacob ([jdoran@stbrendans.net](mailto:jdoran@stbrendans.net)) for help scheduling a confession with one of our priests. All faith formation families should have picked up a *Nourish* box to begin preparation for first Eucharist.



### **Nourish First Eucharist Optional Family Session:**

There will be an optional family session for first Eucharist families on Saturday, February 4, 9-10 AM in Wellnitz Hall. This session is for the whole family and will include breakfast. Please RSVP by emailing [sacraments@stbrendans.net](mailto:sacraments@stbrendans.net) or scan the QR code.

**CONFIRMATION** – In order for your teen(s) to receive this Sacrament in the Spring, they must have been Baptized as well as received the Sacraments of First Reconciliation/Eucharist. They must also be registered in our St Brendan Faith Formation program or School. If you haven't already, please complete the Sacrament registration form ASAP – once you complete it, you will receive the link to make your payment. For more info, visit [stbrendans.net/confirmation/confirmation-preparation-for-teens/](http://stbrendans.net/confirmation/confirmation-preparation-for-teens/)



### **Zeal Confirmation Optional Family Session:**

We will have an optional session for Confirmation on Sunday, Jan 29 from 12-1 PM in Wellnitz Hall. This is for Confirmation candidates and parents. We will serve lunch as well! Please RSVP by emailing [sacraments@stbrendans.net](mailto:sacraments@stbrendans.net) or scan the QR code.

## ROOTS YOUTH GROUP

### FOOD SPONSORS NEEDED

If you are a parent of a middle school child who attends Roots, please consider donating money or food for our spring youth groups, especially during March, April and May. To volunteer to supply food, please sign up at [tinyurl.com/Roots-Food](http://tinyurl.com/Roots-Food) or make a cash donation at [ppay.co/qi3TI05RLuc](http://ppay.co/qi3TI05RLuc) (or scan the QR code here)



## COFFEE & DONUTS

### GREAT MINISTRY FOR FAMILIES!

Spend some family time before and after the 8:45 and 10:45 Masses helping with Coffee & Donuts ministry! You choose how often: once a month, once a season or even just once a year. Help teach children how they can bring joy to others by being an active part of a parish ministry! Contact Deacon Doug Yglesias at [deaconyglesias@stbrendans.net](mailto:deaconyglesias@stbrendans.net)

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TO DO  
YOUR  
WILL.”

(PS 40: 8-9)

January 15, 2023

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 49:3, 5-6 | 1 Cor 1:1-3 | Jn 1:29-34

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I'm not sure I've ever seen a dove close up. The dove is a powerful symbol for Jews and Christians alike, representing love and a deep sense of peace. The dove has special significance for Christians, as a sign of the Holy Spirit. In today's Gospel, John the Baptist testifies, "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him ... He is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit." The Baptist further testifies that Jesus is the Son of God. The *catechism* (701) reminds us that John the Baptist not only paved the way for Jesus, but for all of us who followed: "The Spirit comes down and remains in the purified hearts of the baptized." Through our baptism, we can follow in the footsteps of John the Baptist by telling others about Jesus. The Holy Spirit will give us what we need in order to become messengers of love and peace to those we encounter.

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During his 1988 campaign, President George H.W. Bush used the phrase "a thousand points of light" to describe volunteers "spread like stars throughout the nation, doing good." This phrase came to mind as I listened to the reading from Isaiah, in which the Lord vows to make Israel "a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth." John the Baptist baptizes with water to prepare the people for Jesus' coming. As we settle into the dark days of winter, today's readings challenge us to become points of light to others, leading them to Christ. How we do that will differ for each of us - praying for others, visiting an elderly relative, writing that letter we've been putting off. We may not be prophets like Isaiah and John the Baptist, but we have the gift of the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, to inspire us.

**PRAY** Today's psalm reminds me of the popular hymn, "Here I am, Lord." While I love the melody, the psalmist offers a simple spoken version that we can pray to point ourselves in the direction of Jesus each day: "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

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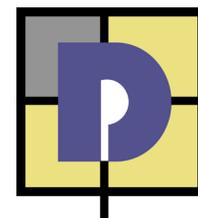
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