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October is Respect Life Month

HOLY MASS

SATURDAY VIGIL

5:30 PM

SUNDAY

7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM
& 5:30 PM

DAILY MASS

MON & WED

6:30 AM & 5:30 PM

TUES, THURS, FRI

6:30 AM, 8 AM

SATURDAY 8 AM

RECONCILIATION

WEDNESDAY 6-7 PM

(during Adoration)

SATURDAY 9 AM

To schedule an appointment for Confession with one of the priests, call the parish office.

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-FRIDAY

9 AM-4 PM

(closed 12-1 PM)

614.876.1272

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LITURGICAL FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

- MON** Memorial of our Guardian Angels
TUES Feria III of the Twenty-sixth Week
WED Memorial of St Francis of Assisi
THUR Optional Memorial of St Faustina
FRI Optional Memorial of St Bruno
SAT Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary
SUN Twenty-seventh Week in Ordinary Time

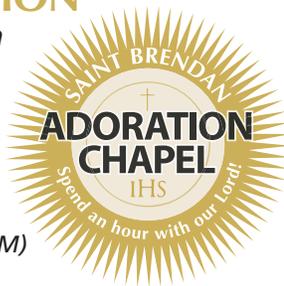
MASS INTENTIONS OCTOBER 2-8

- MON** 6:30 AM Andrew & Anita Stanko
5:30 PM Roger & MaryAnn VerSteeg
TUES 6:30 AM Connie Toland
8:00 AM Joanne Dorian
WED 6:30 AM Joanne & Charles Dorian Wedding
5:30 PM Connie Toland
THUR 6:30 AM Intention of Suzanne & Phil Scherer
8:00 AM Virginia Nolasco
FRI 6:30 AM Charles Dorian
8:00 AM Joanne Dorian
SAT 8:00 AM Connie Toland
5:30 PM Robert Berger
SUN 7:15 AM Margherita Terranova
8:45 AM For the People of St Brendan Parish
10:45 AM Leonard & Francis Kosciński
5:30 PM Jennifer Carr

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

<https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com>

- TUES** 9 AM-10 PM
WED 7 AM-5 PM (Holy Hour
6-7 PM, Confessions available)
THUR 9 AM-10 PM
FRI 9 AM-10 PM (First Fridays
of each month, Fri 9 AM-Sat 1 PM)
SAT 9 AM-1 PM



1ST FRIDAY PERPETUAL ADORATION

Our next Perpetual Adoration is Friday, October 6 at 9 AM through Saturday, October 7 at 1 PM. Adorers are needed, so please sign up at <https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com>



SAINT BRENDAN INFORMATION CENTER

Church Fall Hours

Weekdays, 6 AM-9 PM

Parish Office Hours

Weekdays, 9 AM-12 PM & 1-4 PM (closed 12-1 PM)

New Members – All are Welcome!

Email receptionist@stbrendans.net or call 614.876.1272
Request a packet at stbrendans.net/become-a-member

Marriage

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

Baptisms

Celebrated at 12 PM most Sundays. Two baptismal prep classes are required. Request at stbrendans.net/baptism

Baptism Preparation Classes

First Sunday of most months at 12 PM (2 classes required). See website for details or email baptism@stbrendans.net

Anointing of the Sick

Contact the Parish Office.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Interested in becoming Catholic? Contact Fr Jacob Stinnett at frstinnett@stbrendans.net or 614.876.1272, ext 226

Ministry of Evangelization & Catechesis

614.876.1272, fax 614.876.1482

St Brendan School

614.876.6132, fax 614.529.8929

Marketing & Bulletin Request

Request form and details: stbrendans.net/marketing
Questions? Email marketing@stbrendans.net

Mass Intentions

To schedule an intention, mail in or drop off request to the Parish Office with \$10 (due when the request made).

Flowers for the Altar

In remembrance of a loved one or special intention (cost is \$75). Donor/intentions are published in the bulletin.

Ministry of Care for Our Homebound

To receive the Eucharist at home or in a facility, contact Jamie at 614.876.1272, ext 295 or jyoung@stbrendans.net

Protecting God's Children Class

Register at www.virtus.org

POD Nursery

Open most Sundays during 8:45 & 10:45 AM Masses for children ages 6 months to 4 years.

Navigator News

Visit stbrendan.ccbchurch.com and create your ParishStaq login to begin receiving our parish e-newsletter. For Sunday worship materials, visit tinyurl.com/LiturgyAids

RESPECT LIFE... *IN SOLIDARITY*

In the Gospel of John, shortly before He is to suffer His Passion, Jesus proclaims to His disciples: "I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another"(Jn 13:34). And it is love for one another that Jesus says will be the identifying characteristic of His disciples.

The Church's entire social doctrine is guided by the fundamental principle that every human life has innate dignity and incomparable value: ***"Every human being is the object of God's infinite tenderness, and He Himself is present in their lives."*** For this basic moral principle, we are called to stand in solidarity...

- As disciples of Christ, we are called to make a sacrificial gift of ourselves for the sake of our neighbor, for "to love someone is to desire that person's good and to take effective steps to secure it."
- Fulfilling Christ's command to love one another takes shape in our practice of solidarity. Solidarity is the means by which we put our love for others into action, making the good of others our own. Solidarity "is not a feeling of vague compassion or shallow distress at the misfortunes of so many people... On the contrary, it is a firm and persevering determination to commit oneself to the common good...to the good of all and of each individual, because we are all really responsible for all."
- In reaction to the overturning of *Roe v. Wade*, some areas of the country now protect the child in the womb, while others are doing all they can to increase access to abortion. At this critical moment, we have been entrusted with new opportunities and new responsibilities to build a civilization of authentic love. Our culture claims to offer women so-called "choice," but ultimately abandons mothers to make tragic and painful decisions alone. We must lead the way in showing the alternative: "In firmly rejecting 'pro-choice' it is necessary to become courageously 'pro woman,' promoting a choice that is truly in favor of women... The only honest stance, in these cases, is that of radical solidarity with the woman. It is not right to leave her alone." Experience shows when a mother is supported, "she is even capable of heroism."
- Solidarity compels us to come alongside vulnerable mothers in profound friendship, compassion, and support for both them and their preborn children. It requires us to address the fundamental challenges that lead an expectant mother to believe she is unable to welcome the child God has entrusted to her. We must do all we can to provide mothers, children, and families with the support they need to flourish. This cannot be accomplished by laws or policy alone, but requires the continual transformation of our own hearts, recognizing in every person the face of Christ, and placing their needs before our own. Solidarity "refers to something more than a few sporadic acts of generosity. It presumes the creation of a new mindset."
- A culture of solidarity "gets involved by word and deed in people's daily lives... and it embraces human life, touching the suffering flesh of Christ in others."
- We each have our particular gifts, role, and obligation within the Body of Christ to help build a culture of life. We must honestly ask ourselves, "What out-of-the-ordinary actions have I taken to help a pregnant or parenting mother in need, or to proactively contribute to a culture of life in some other way?" Inspired by Christ's own example of love, may we "enter fully into the fabric of society, sharing the lives of all, listening to their concerns, helping them materially and spiritually in their needs, rejoicing with those who rejoice, weeping with those who weep."

May we all work together to bring about a culture of life through sacrificial, Christ-like love!

RESPECT LIFE MONTH EVENTS

COLUMBUS MARCH FOR LIFE – OCT 6

Show your solidarity on October 6 at the Columbus March for Life rally at 11 AM, the March at 12 PM or the pro-life workshop at 1 PM. For information or to register, visit <https://marchforlife.org/ohio-march-for-life/>

RESPECT LIFE NOVENA – OCT 13-21

Sign up now for the Respect Life Month Novena, Oct 13-21. Pray with thousands of Catholics across the country for the protection of human life, from conception to natural death. Each day of the Novena features a different pro-life prayer intention which is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. To sign up, visit <https://www.respectlife.org/celebrate>

CALL TO ACTION: WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT THE ABORTION AMENDMENT – OCT 29

Join us Sunday, October 29 at 7-8:30 PM in the Davidson Road Meeting Rooms for a conversation with Greater Columbus Right to Life President, Beth Vanderkooi, on the proposed abortion amendment on the ballot this November.

**REGISTER TO VOTE
BY OCTOBER 10!**



November 7, Ohioans will vote on a proposed change to the Ohio Constitution that would enshrine abortion into law. Our Catholic faith tells us that God places no condition on the value of human life from conception until natural death, while this amendment:

- Puts women at risk by endangering medical and safety standards
- Allows painful, late-term abortions by eliminating clear limits on abortion
- Threatens parental rights by challenging notification requirements when minors seek abortions or reproductive interventions

Update your voting information or register to vote by October 10 at www.voteohio.gov

DO YOU NEED A RIDE TO GO VOTE?

The Knights of Columbus are available to drive voters for early voting. To schedule, contact Chuck Heinlen at 224-612-1557 or chuck436@att.net

COMMUNITY CALENDAR



CONGRATULATIONS ON THE BAPTISMS OF

Callum Thomas Gill
 Maria Grace Gill
 Collin Benjamin Pfefferle



MARRIAGE BANNS

October 14, 2023

Joshua Young and
 Nicole McFadden

UPCOMING EVENTS

- BLESSING OF ANIMALS** Oct 8
 - TRUNK OR TREAT** Oct 23
 - CRAFT SHOW** Nov 4
- (Find details in upcoming bulletins)

MONTHLY EVENTS

- ANCHORED IN ADORATION**
 Second Wednesdays, 6 PM
- FIRST FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER**
 First Fridays, 7 PM
- 1ST FRIDAY 24-HOUR ADORATION**
 First Fridays, 9 AM through
 Saturday at 1 PM

PARISHSTAQ URL'S

- Log in to your account:
stbrendan.ccbchurch.com
- Information and FAQ:
stbrendans.net/parishstaq
- Quick-Start Guide: tinyurl.com/parishstaq-quick-guide

OUR VISION STATEMENT

To renew all things in Christ Jesus

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To share the Good News of salvation in Christ and make disciples for Him

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
9:00 AM	Church Cleaning	Church
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:45 PM	Family Faith Formation Monday Small Group	Multiple Locations

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

6:30 AM	Men's Ministry: Faith Sharing	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
7:00 PM	RCIA	Chas McCurdy Learning Cntr
7:00 PM	Men's Club Monthly Meeting	Wellnitz Meeting Rms 1 & 2
7:00 PM	Rescue Project PM Session	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
7:00 AM-5:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
9:45 AM	Elizabeth Ministry Playgroup	Wellnitz Mtg Rm 1 (w/Patio)
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:00 PM-7:00 PM	Adoration, Confessions Available	Church
6:30 PM	VINE Formation	Chas McCurdy Learning Cntr
7:00 PM	Great Adventure Bible Study	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A
7:00 PM	St Brendan Young Adult Group	Wellnitz Meeting Rms 1 & 2

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
9:00 AM	Women's Scripture Studies AM	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B
10:00 AM	SVdP Sandwiching Making for the Poor	Wellnitz Mtg Rm 1 (w/Patio)
7:00 PM	Women's Scripture Studies PM	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
8:00 AM	Seniors NOW: Mass & Breakfast	Church & Bob Evans, Dublin
9:00 AM-12:00 Midnight	First Friday Perpetual Adoration	Adoration Chapel
7:00 PM	First Friday Evening Prayer	Adoration Chapel
7:15 PM	M.A.S.T. Book Club	The Carter Center

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

Midnight (10/6)-1:00 PM	First Friday Perpetual Adoration	Adoration Chapel
6:30 AM	Men's Ministry: Faith Sharing	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
8:45 AM	Praying the Rosary	Church
9:00 AM	Confessions	Confessional
9:00 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	The Carter Center
5:30 PM	Vigil Mass	Church

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

NO COFFEE & DONUTS		
7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM, 5:30 PM	Mass	Church
During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Adoration Chapel
During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass	POD Nursery	Childcare Center
9:45 AM	Family Faith Formation AM	Multiple Locations
12:00 PM	Baptisms	Church
2:00 PM	Blessing of the Animals	Grotto
6:30 PM	VINE Night	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B
6:45 PM	The Roots & 6-8 Small Groups	School Gym
6:45 PM	Family Faith Formation PM Parent	School Cafeteria
7:00 PM	St Brendan Women: Planning Mtg	Wellnitz Hall, Meeting Rm 2



ST BRENDAN PRAYER LIST

If you would like us to pray for friends and family **who are hospitalized or ill at home** or for **active duty military** loved ones, email their names to bulletin@stbrendans.net

You may also use our online Prayer Wall to request most other prayer intentions that are not included here in the bulletin by visiting www.stbrendans.net/prayer-wall

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THOSE HOSPITALIZED OR ILL

Richard Blaha	Frank Kreber
Bill Brake	Jill Markey
Chris Carrino	Joe Martin
Eugene Chervenak	Nate Miller
Linda Clark	Kaden Morris
Patricia Crane	Becky Moyer
Tom Crane	Lorraine Nemchik
Ben Diepenbrock	Kathlyn Rosado
Connie Feliks	Michelle Spencer
Mary Jo Flickinger	Tom Speroni
Mary Frick	Pamela Theado
Lois Hanf	Mitzie Toth
Don Johnson	Marilyn Wiggins
Doris Kopac	

ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Thomas Dye	Jackson Maassel
Aaron Grieshop	Alec Moyer
Sam Imwalle	Rick Shonkwiler
Christopher Keck	Rob Shonkwiler
Cody Longstreth	

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

THOSE AWAY FROM THE CHURCH

If you would like the Inviting Catholics Home Ministry to pray for a loved one who is no longer practicing our faith, please visit www.stbrendans.net/prayer-wall, make your request and they will pray weekly for them.

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OCTOBER 23—SAVE THE DATE!

It's time to register your "trunk"! Visit <https://stbrendan.ccbchurch.com/goto/needs/public>

ST BRENDAN MEN'S EVENTS

SATURDAYS, 6:30 AM – THE CHOSEN

The Chosen series from a Catholic perspective. Saturdays, 6:30 AM in the Davidson Road Meeting Rooms. Breakfast (provided), video and a discussion. No RSVP. Sessions began September 16, but join in anytime!

TUESDAY MORNINGS – THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Review Dr Tim Gray's video presentations of St Peter's account of Christ's life and teaching followed by small group discussion and prayer. Join us anytime, 6:30 AM, in the Davidson Road Meeting Room A

PIZZA, PIES, AND GUYS

Join Men's Faith Sharing, Knights of Columbus, and Men's Club on October 28. Tailgating begins at 6:30 PM and watch the OSU vs Wisconsin game in the Davidson Rd Meeting Rooms!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND RECEPTION

Bring your family and join Men's Faith Sharing, the Knights of Columbus, and the Men's Club for a special Stations of the Cross at 7 PM in the Church with a reception to follow in the Davidson Rd Meeting Rooms Oct 20 & Nov 10.

Questions? Please contact Grant Rice at ricekris8813@att.net or visit the men's web page at www.stbrendans.net/mens-groups

ANCHORED IN ADORATION

Wednesday, October 11, 6 PM in the Church, join us for Anchored in Adoration! Come and experience elevating music, parishioner testimony of faith, and our prayer team will be ready to pray one-on-one with you.

FIRST FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER—OCTOBER 6

Our deacons lead First Friday Evening Prayer in the Adoration Chapel the first Friday of each month. Join us next Friday, October 6 at 7 PM. October's prayer focus is *Respect Life*, so come ready to pray!

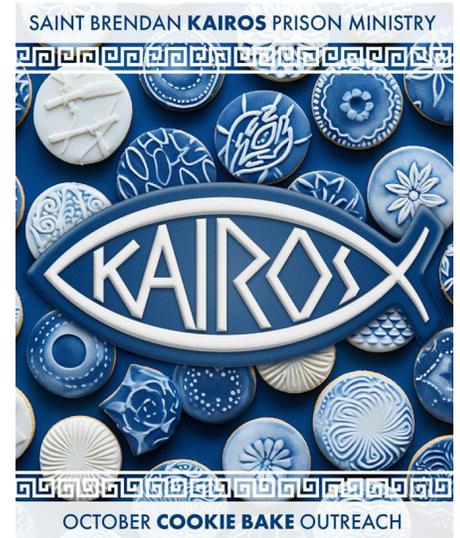
IT'S KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY COOKIE BAKING TIME!

KAIROS is a Christian prison ministry at St Brendan. Baking cookies for this ministry is a way for you to reach out to incarcerated men and women with Christ's love. Thank you for your generosity!

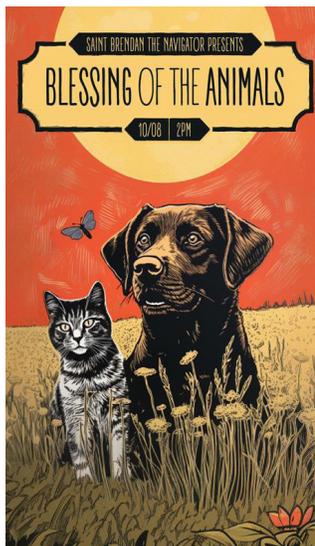
- Baggies with cookie baking instructions will be passed out in the Church Gathering Space after all Masses this weekend, September 30/October 1.

- Cookies will be collected at all Masses on October 7/8 and 14/15 or bring your cookies and leave them in the special KAIROS container in the Church Gathering Space through Tuesday, October 17.

For questions or home pick-up, contact Tim Reno at tireno04@gmail.com



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS—OCTOBER 8



In honor of the Memorial of St Francis of Assisi, there will be a blessing of the animals at 2 PM Sunday, October 8. Please bring your animal friends in for a ceremony conducted by Deacon Jim Morris at the St Francis grotto located on our outdoor campus just south of Wellnitz.

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI PRAYER FOR PETS

Good St Francis, you loved all of God's creatures. To you they were your brothers and sisters. Help us to follow your example of treating every living thing with kindness. St Francis, Patron Saint of animals, watch over our pets and keep our companions safe and healthy. Amen.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP EVENTS

Looking for grief support from fellow parishioners? Join us on Thursday, October 19 at La Chatelaine in Dublin at 1 PM for our next luncheon gathering. Or, our next Grief Support Workshop discussion group takes place Sunday, October 22 at 7 PM in Wellnitz Hall, Room 1. Questions? Contact Dennis at edmuch@me.com

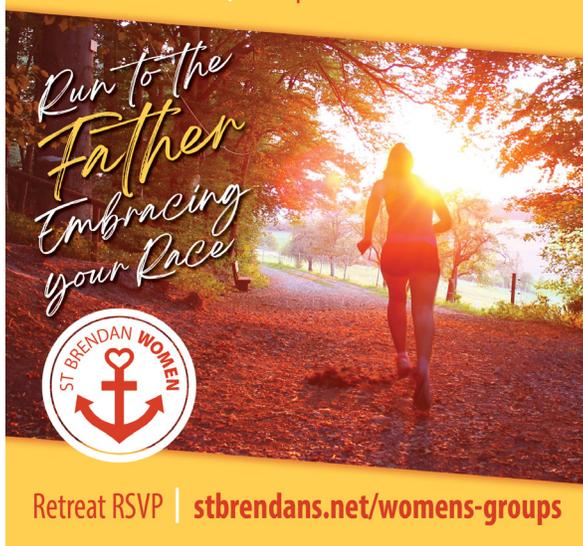
WOMEN'S RETREAT

Run, girl, run!
Do most days feel like a sprint or a leisurely walk? Join other women of faith to run the race St Paul describes in 2 Timothy, and what it means to endure through our struggles and keep our eyes fixed on Jesus.

"Run to the Father; Embracing Your Race" overnight

retreat is November 11-12, at The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein where you can re-energize, reflect, rest, and focus on your relationship with HIM to keep running toward the finish line. Cost is \$125 and includes a private room with bathroom, three meals, snacks and drinks. Early Bird Discount of \$5 if you register and pay by October 18. You may also add Friday night to your stay for an additional \$70 to enjoy the scenic grounds. Visit www.stbrendans.net/womens-groups to register and pay. Questions? Contact Chris Hauck at chrishauck0522@gmail.com

November 11-12 | The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein



Retreat RSVP | stbrendans.net/womens-groups

Seniors NOW NAVIGATING OUR WAY



All seniors 65+ are invited to join us!

OCTOBER 6 AT 8 AM – 1st Friday Mass followed by Breakfast at Bob Evans, 5160 Tuttle Pkwy. No RSVP required.

OCTOBER 9, MONDAY AT 12 PM – Beer Barrel Pizza & Grille, 7482 SR 161, Plain City. RSVP Larry at Larryhanchin@yahoo.com or 614-264-6925



Knights of Columbus Council 11208 invites you to a

VETERAN'S RECEPTION NOVEMBER 11, 6:30-9 PM

Here's to our Heroes!

VETERAN'S RECEPTION

The St Brendan Knights of Columbus Council 11208 invites all military veterans to "Here's to our Heroes!" – a reception held in their honor taking place on Saturday, November 11, at 6:30-9 PM in the St Brendan School Cafeteria.

Food and drinks will be provided by the Knights. Please RSVP by November 4 to Fred Kerner at 614-947-7733 or joc93@yahoo.com

GIVING TREE VOLUNTEERS

St Brendan Giving Tree Ministry is looking for volunteers to join our team. Many hands make light work. There are a variety of ways to help. Our planning team is meeting on October 10 at 7 PM in Wellnitz Hall. For more information, please contact Rhonda Hamrock at hamrockr@gmail.com

THURSDAY MORNING CHILDCARE HELP NEEDED

St Brendan is committed to supporting our women, especially our mothers. Each Thursday, now through Nov 16, from 8:45-10:45 AM, we will be supporting our women by having Childcare during our morning Bible Study. For this session, we are in need of a few more volunteers. Also, we have several little ones who just need to be held while mom is away. If you have one or two Thursday mornings available and would like to get your baby fix, please contact Kathy Harter at 614-738-8672 or rharter@columbus.rr.com

HELP US LIVESTREAM!

The St Brendan Livestream Ministry operates the web cameras for the 10:45 AM Mass each Sunday and select special liturgies (Easter, Christmas, Confirmation, First Communion) during the year to connect with those who are shut-in, ill and unable to attend Mass in person. All training necessary on the livestream software and camera operation will be provided. If you are interested, please contact Pat Hamrock at pat.hamrock@att.net or 614-961-2117

WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATION

Basketball and Basketball Cheerleading registration opens Monday, October 2.

Please note that we will be utilizing a new athletics registration platform beginning with our 2023-24 Winter Sports, which should help to streamline the process. Look for the registration button on our Athletics web page at www.stbrendans.net/athletics



ST BRENDAN MINISTRY OF EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS



SACRAMENT PREPARATION

Sacrament registration for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation is now open and available on our website at <https://www.stbrendans.net/familyfaithformation/>

All parents should have received their at-home family resources for sacrament preparation at the parent-only sacrament meeting that was held on September 24 and 25. If you missed that meeting, please email Jacob Doran at jdoran@stbrendans.net

FALL FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS

THE CONTINUED GROWTH, SEEK & ROOT PATHWAYS for family faith formation meet Sundays at 9:45 AM or 6:45 PM and Mondays, 6:30 PM. Details are available at www.stbrendans.net/familyfaithformation

MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAMS:

- *The Roots* for middle-schoolers meets 6:45-8:30 PM in the Gym every 2nd Sunday of the month
- *Aspen* middle school youth ministry small group launches October 1. Aspen groups are *The Roots*' small group ministry for 7th and 8th graders. Registered middle-schoolers journey through games, meals, sharing, and prayer with their small group.
- Middle School *Small Groups* begin on October 1 and 2. Students in grades 6-8 meet in small groups 10 times throughout the year on Sunday or Monday nights, 6:45-8 PM

For details or questions about middle school programs, contact Avery at acolman@stbrendans.net or visit www.stbrendans.net/the-roots

THE VINE high school group meets every Sunday at 6:30 PM in the Gym (Davidson Rd Meeting Rooms on 2nd Sundays.) For details contact Kara Day at kday@stbrendans.net or visit www.stbrendans.net/the-vine

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (for children ages 4-9) takes place during 8:45 and 10:45 AM Masses in the Adoration Chapel.

POD NURSERY COORDINATOR NEEDED

We are still in search of a new coordinator for our POD Nursery to keep up with scheduling volunteers who watch over and care for parishioners' children during 8:45 and 10:45 AM Masses on Sunday as well as during Family Faith Formation programs. If interested, please contact Jacob Doran at jdoran@stbrendans.net

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FACEBOOK

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School: **St Brendan School**

INSTAGRAM

Parish: **@stbrendanhilliard**
School: **@saintbrendanschool**
Vine HS Youth Group: **@stbvine**
Roots MS Youth Group: **@stb_theroots**
St Brendan Young Adults: **@stbaya**

OCTOBER VINE CALENDAR

SUNDAYS 6:30-8:30PM

OCT 01

THE EUCHARIST
SCHOOL GYM

OCT 08

HEARING GOD'S VOICE
DAVIDSON ROOM

OCT 15

HOW TO READ THE BIBLE
SCHOOL GYM

OCT 22

WHY DO BAD THINGS HAPPEN?
SCHOOL GYM

OCT 27-29

FALL RETREAT
DAMASCUS CATHOLIC MISSION CAMPUS

FOR MORE INFORMATION FOLLOW @STBVINE ON INSTAGRAM OR EMAIL [KDAY@STBRENDANS.NET](mailto:kday@stbrendans.net)

COLUMBUS CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE

PSALM 37:3-5
TRUST IN HIM
10.14.23

OCTOBER 14
CCYAC.ORG TO REGISTER

LIVESTREAM MASS

facebook.com/StBrendanHilliard
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SUN 10:45 AM MON & WED 5:30 PM
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AN EVENING WITH THE SISTERS FOR LIFE

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October 1, 2023

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 18:25-28 | Phil 2:1-11 | Mt 21:28-32

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I used to be something of a sugar fiend. So much so that one birthday, my then boyfriend (now husband) decided to forego flowers and bought me a jumbo-sized bag of Smarties candies instead. While I loved sugar, I eventually decided I didn't love how it made me feel. Now older and wiser, I reach for vegetables more often. It's not that I crave carrots, but I feel better eating healthy foods. It's what God intends for my body. Similarly, God intends for our souls to follow the laws he has ordained. But sometimes life gets tough and we suffer terrible wrongs or are grieving, and we feel like the Israelites in today's first reading, calling out, "The Lord's way is not fair!" Well, thank God for that! How lost would we be, if God treated us "fairly." Instead, he treats us with love and mercy; with justice. "He humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross," for us. If there is any encouragement in Christ, as Paul says, and we know there is, then being of the same mind and heart - attitude - of Christ, gets us through those moments of "unfair!" And we can follow Christ's commands, knowing he loves us more than anyone else could love us, and more than we can ever love him.

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PRAY This week, let us look for ways to live out our faith. Rather than pray only with our words, let us pray with our actions. If you aren't sure where to start, pay special consideration to the verses from the second reading, highlighted above: "Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vain-glory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others."

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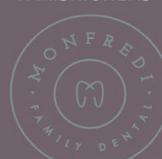


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