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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 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 or 614.876.1272, ext 226

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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 or visit stbrendans.net/become-a-member

Marketing & Bulletin Requests

Our Marketing/Bulletin Request form is available at **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**

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. New program is beginning January 2023. See website for dates and details. For questions, contact baptism@stbrendans.net

Ministry of Care for our Homebound

Contact Jennifer Rice at 614.876.1272, ext 227 or **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

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 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 and fill out the form.





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Jerome Xavier Stadler Gabriel Anthony Valentino



HOLIDAY MASSES

No Adoration from 12 PM on Dec 23 until Dec 28

CHRISTMAS DEC 24

CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL
4 PM in the Church & MPR
6:30 & 10 PM in the Church
No Confessions
No Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM Mass

DEC 25
CHRISTMAS DAY
No Sunday 7:15 AM Mass
8:45 AM in the Church
10:45 AM in the Church
No Sunday 5:30 PM Mass
No Coffee & Donuts or POD Nursery

Parish office is closed Monday & Tuesday, Dec 26 & 27

SOLEMNITY OF MARY

DEC 31

SOLEMNITY OF MARY 5:30 PM VIGIL No Confessions

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SOLEMNITY OF MARY 7:15, 8:45 and 10:45 AM No Sunday 5:30 PM Mass No Coffee & Donuts or POD Nursery

Parish office is closed Monday, January 2

IN JANUARY, WE BEGIN OUR PARISH YEAR OF PRAYER

Friday, Jan 6 – 7 PM
1st Friday Evening Prayer
Every Saturday,
9 AM – 1 PM

New Year, New Prayer

New Adoration Hours!

Wednesday, Jan 11 – 6 PM

Anchored in Adoration

Saturday, Jan 14 – 6:30 AM

Men's Faith Sharing: Pray Like a

Man Bound for Heaven Series

Monday, Jan 23 – 10 AM or 7 PM

Lord, Teach Us Series:



MESSAGE FROM FR BOB

Dear Parish family,

"You have nothing to fear... Today in David's city, a Savior has been born."

These words from St Luke's Gospel reassure us as we listen to the Good News of Christ's birth. The angel's message, spoken down the ages to each one of us, calls us from our anxiety and conflict and draws us into a sense of quiet wonder, as the glory of God's peace breaks into our lives. Perfect love casts out fear, and in Christ, perfect love has taken human flesh, for He is Emmanuel, "God with Us."

We are independently minded men and women. But we were not designed to be so. From an early age, we want our own way, we want the freedom to do what we want to do, when we want to do it. As a result, we often find ourselves caught up in things we regret. God calls to us, just as He did to Adam and Eve in the garden, just as He did some 2,000 years ago when He became man for us. But we choose not to accept that call. We choose not to listen. People run, hide, and create a different world in which God is reduced to an hour on Sundays, or not at all. And so, the world of God's design is shattered because He is no longer the heart and center of all we experience.

An article I read recently talked about a God-shaped hole in our hearts. It's a space for God alone. Until we recognize what it is, we try to fill it up by stuffing earthly things into it – possessions, activities, self-importance. It's like trying to force the wrong piece of a jigsaw puzzle into a space not meant for it. We don't know why we're not satisfied, so we search for novelty in the things we cram into the hole. It doesn't work. Nothing but God will fit the God-shaped hole. And the more we try to fill it, the more the burdens of daily life bear down on us. Sin seems too great or difficult to overcome, so we despair or give up.

We ask ourselves, where can we find hope? Faith in Jesus Christ gives us hope and fills the hole in our lives. Only when we abandon our attempts to create a world of our own making, when we stop trying to stuff our lives with the wrong things, do we discover that Christ's life gives our life meaning. If we really believe in Christ, we will have confidence for the future, no matter how bleak some days may seem.

The prophet Isaiah reminds us that for thousands of years, people tried to create their own meaning and that they walked in darkness. But the darkness did not last. It never does. It never can. Even as the world around us seems to slip into chaos, we are reminded that God the Father breathed forth His Spirit, and sent it to settle on the world, to once again from chaos form and draw together a people chosen to be His own. And this time, God chose to take human flesh so that for all eternity, God's own life might bear a human face. The Spirit was sent to hover this time over a single woman, Mary, our Mother, and through her over each one of us. This was the most that God could give. This was the fullness of gift, the fullness of grace. Never again can humanity completely withdraw from the presence of God. God is Incarnate. God has taken on human flesh, and in Jesus He speaks with a human tongue, touches us with human hands, and loves us with a human heart. Never again need we be trapped in the darkness, without hope, without direction, without focus. We have been promised - God is with us. The Good News has been proclaimed, fear has been cast out, hope is offered to us - the Savior of the world has been born. God's favor rests on us, and there is the promise of peace on earth.

Have a holy and happy Christmas! ~ Fr Bob

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To add a name to the list, please email **jrice@stbrendans.net** or call Jennifer at **614.876.1272**, **ext 227**

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

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26

9:00 AM-4:00 PM Parish Office Closed Parish Office

5:30 PM Daily Mass Church

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27

8:00 AM Daily Mass Church

9:00 AM-4:00 PM Parish Office Closed Parish Office

9:00 AM NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Adoration Chapel

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28

7:00 AM-7:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Adoration Chapel

5:30 PM Daily Mass Church
6:00 PM-7:00 PM Adoration: Confessions Available Church

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29

8:00 AM Daily Mass Church

9:00 AM-9:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Adoration Chapel

10:00 AM-11:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration: Special Time for

Families with Young Children

Adoration Chapel

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30 – FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

8:00 AM Daily Mass Church

9:00 AM-9:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Adoration Chapel

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31

8:00 AM Daily Mass Church
8:45 AM Praying the Rosary Church
9:00 AM NO CONFESSIONS Church
5:30 PM Vigil Mass, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Church

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023

7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM Mass, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Church

8:45 & 10:45 AM NO POD NURSERY OR COFFEE & DONUTS

5:30 PM NO 5:30 PM MASS Church

YEAR-END GIFTS & 2022 GIVING STATEMENTS

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 dates the donations have been made.

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From all of us in the Ministry of Evangelization and Catechesis, we wish you and your loved ones a very Merry Christmas Season and a Blessed New Year!

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

We are on break with no family sessions of middle school small groups until January 9. Our family sessions in January will kick off the Root program for all faith formation families. We are excited to walk together through the first section of the Catechism! You may also want to subscribe to the Catechism in a Year podcast by Ascension. This will increase your understanding of Church teaching and give you more opportunities to share what you are learning with your family.

At this point, all families should have received a link to complete payment for the Faith Formation program. We ask that once you receive the email, you complete payment as soon as possible. If you have additional questions, and/or need to arrange a payment plan, please contact Jamie Young at <code>jyoung@stbrendans.net</code>

SACRAMENT PREPARATION

1ST RECONCILIATION – If you missed the First Reconciliation service on December 10, please reach out to Jacob (**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.

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/

Thank you, Bonnie!

I want to let you know that 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 and sacraments@stbrendans.net

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REGISTRATION ENDS DEC 31

The mission of St Brendan's Dinner Club is to bring people closer to one another as members of the Body of Christ. Bonds are created as we break bread together and swap stories, creating real friendships as we share four meals in six months. To register or to find out more information about the Winter/Spring season of The Dinner Club, visit www.stbrendans.net/the-dinner-club/

BLOOD DRIVE

SCHEDULED FOR JAN 13

The next St Brendan Knights of Columbus sponsored Red Cross Blood Drive is Friday, January 13, 1 PM-7 PM in Davidson Rd Meeting Room B. Give the gift of life by scheduling an appointment online at www. redcrossblood.org, or call 1-800-RED-CROSS. Questions? Contact Jeff Lehr at Audhil1@yahoo.com or 614-315-7466

TIES & TIARAS

FATHER & DAUGHTER DANCE

The 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, \$5 for each additional sibling and are now available at https://ahgdance23.eventbrite.com Questions? Email us at ahgstb@gmail.com

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JAN 6 - MASS & BREAKFAST

8 AM – First Friday Mass followed by Breakfast at IHOP on Sawmill Road Questions? Contact Larry Hanchin at Larry.Hanchin@yahoo.com

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December 25, 2022

The Nativity of the Lord

Written by
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Is 52:7-10 | Heb 1:1-6 | Jn 1:1-18

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The day we have been awaiting has arrived: Christ is born! All of our Christmas preparations - wrapping gifts and preparing holiday meals to be shared among family and friends - are meant to glorify and reflect God's own work for and in us. That is, God's greatest gift of himself, clothed in mortal flesh, who would one day offer himself as the bread of life: "The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us." Jesus came to the world in the form of the most helpless of us all, a newborn infant, so that through him we would be reconciled to the Father, for "to those who did accept him he gave power to become children of God." We celebrate the Incarnation of the Lord, for Christ is our salvation! It is through Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit that we are adopted into God's family and receive the fullness of his grace. The fullness of God's truth is revealed in Jesus Christ. "The Lord has made his salvation known"; "he has spoken to us through the Son." Let us give thanks and rejoice this day!

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

The Good News of Jesus Christ is not meant to be kept to ourselves. Today's Gospel reading reminds us that John the Baptist testified to the light of Christ before Christ had yet publicly appeared. Sharing the Good News is not optional! Even the earth proclaims the Good News in Isaiah, "announcing salvation, and saying to Zion, 'Your God is King!'" Indeed, Christ the King – God in human flesh – has arrived. Just as John was sent before the Lord to proclaim his coming, so are we charged: Sent out to the world to go and announce the Gospel of the Lord, "so that all might believe."

WITNESS How might you go out and proclaim the coming of the Lord? Don't forget: sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ isn't limited just to speaking to others. It includes *living* as Christ did – feeding the hungry, caring for the sick and the poor, defending the helpless – because we are Christ's body in the world.

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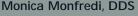
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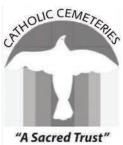
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