

SEPT 22 DIOCESAN COLLECTION: SOLIDARITY FUND FOR THE CHURCH IN AFRICA See page 7 for more details.

HOLY MASS*

SAT 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 TUE, THUR, FRI 6:30 AM, 8 AM SAT 8 AM

RECONCILIATION*

WED 6-7 PM (during Adoration) SAT 9 AM

To schedule a Confession with one of our priests, please call the parish office.

*Regular Mass or Confession times may change due to events, funerals, Feast/Holy Days. Find this week's calendar in the bulletin or on our website.



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MASS INTENTIONS/FEAST DAYS

Monday, September 23

Optional Memorial of St Pius of Pietrelcina

6:30 AM Frank Kreber † 5:30 PM Anna Ha Thi Qua †

Tuesday, September 24

Feria III of the Twenty-fifth Week 6:30 AM Linda Ridgway †

8:00 AM Robert Berger †

Wednesday, September 25

Feria IV of the Twenty-fifth Week 6:3 AM Anna Ha Thi Qua † 5:30 PM Kyle Kesselring †

Thursday, September 26

Optional Memorial of Ss Cosmas & Damian

6:30 AM William B. Hamm † 8:00 AM Geri McKenzie †

Friday, September 27

Memorial of St Vincent de Paul

6:30 AM Teklai Desta † 8:00 AM Gerard Smith †

Saturday, September 28

Optional Memorial of St Lawrence Ruiz

8:00 AM Samuel & Joel Beyene † 5:30 PM Cynthia Baumeister †

Sunday, September 29

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:15 AM Alba Arellano †

8:45 AM People of St Brendan Parish

10:45 AM James Matthews † 5:30 PM John & Linda Ridgway †

† indicates intention for a person who is deceased.

MASS INTENTIONS NEEDED

There are many open spots on our Mass Intentions calendar for the next couple weeks. Remember a loved one or make your special prayer intention known at Mass by submitting your request to the Parish Office. Simply call to reserve a spot and then send in or drop off \$10 to confirm it.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com

MON 6 PM-10 PM

TUES 9 AM – 10 PM

WED 7 AM – 5 PM Holv Hour: 6-7 PM.

with Confessions

THU 9 AM – 10 PM

FRI 9 AM – 10 PM

1st Friday each month, 9 AM through Sat, 1PM

SAT 9 AM –1 PM

INFORMATION CENTER

Church Hours Weekdays, 6 AM-10 PM

Parish Office Hours

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

New Members – All are Welcome! Fill out a New Member Request Form at stbrendans.net/welcome Questions? Call 614.876.1272, or email parish@stbrendans.net

Marriage

Fill out a Marriage Request Form at **stbrendans.net/marriage** at least six months prior to your wedding. Marriage prep is required. Questions? Contact Valerie Scheel, weddingplanner@stbrendans.net

Baptisms

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

Baptism Preparation Classes

1st Sunday most months, 12 PM (2 classes required). Questions? Email baptism@stbrendans.net

Anointing of the Sick

Contact the Parish Office.

OCIA (ORDER 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

St Brendan School 614.876.6132, fax 614.529.8929

Marketing/Bulletin Request Request form and details at stbrendans.net/marketing or email marketing@stbrendans.net

Mass Intentions

Mail in or drop off requests to the Parish Office with \$10 (due when the requests made). **Protecting God's Children**Register at www.virtus.org

Flowers for the Altar

In remembrance of a loved one or special intention. Donor/intentions are published in the bulletin. Cost is \$75, but our true cost for the flowers has risen to \$109 each. A larger donation is welcome!

Candle Donations

Suggested donations are \$2 for larger candles and 25 cents for the smaller votives.

Ministry of Care for Our Homebound

To receive the Eucharist at home or in a facility, contact Jen Rice at 614.876.1272, ext 227 or jrice@stbrendans.net

POD Nursery

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

Navigator News / ParishStaq
To automatically begin receiving
our parish e-newsletter, visit
stbrendan.ccbchurch.com and

create your ParishStag account.

Liturgical Ministry Portal
Ministry Scheduler Pro at:
www.rotundasoftware.com/
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For scheduling questions, email
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Livestreamed Mass

YouTube -

SaintBrendantheNavigatorHilliard Facebook – facebook.com/ StBrendanHilliardyoutube.com/c/ Sunday:10:45 AM Mon & Wed: 5:30 PM Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat: 8 AM

A MESSAGE FROM FR WELDIT

Last Sunday, our Catholic Ge'ez Rite celebrated our New Year and the Feast of St John the Baptist. The Ge'ez calander marks a new Eritrean and Ethiopian year on September 1, which is the Feast of John the Baptist in the Ge'ez Rite. This date relates with biblical and natural creation and ushers in the beginning of a new year! This year, our celebration was named after Saint Matthew. The naming of each year in the Ge'ez calendar is represented by one of the four Evangelists: Saint Matthew, Saint Mark, Saint Luke and Saint John; in remembrance and honor of each of their roles in preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ through their writings and sermons. John was the last of the prophets and a viaduct between the Old and New Testament. His message in his Gospel highlights the transition from the Old Testament to the New Testament, ushering in salvation and new life in Our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Ge'ez New Year also marks the transition from the heavy rainy season to the luminous one. It is symbolic of the passage from an awe-inspiring night into a beautiful morning. Our New Year celebration is also an occasion of exchanging gifts and good wishes amongst people. A typical New Year's greeting reads: "May He take you safely from the year of John to the year of Matthew!" (Depending on the Evangelists after whom the outgoing and incoming years are named). The entire month of September is a time of blissful happiness! In our country, this holiday is celebrated with family, friends and neighbors, filled with sacrificial lambs, fresh coffee and delicious food. It is common to see markets and shops crowded, especially early in the holiday.

Our Ethiopian calendar was fixed to the Julian calendar in 25 BC by Roman Emperor Augustus and the date for our new year marks the approximate end of the rainy season, adding to the symbolism of it being the beginning of something new. It is a time for blooming flowers, sunny days and pleasant weather, allowing people to leave the rainy, foggy and thunderous months behind and move on to better days. Similarly, in the Eritrean context, especially in the rural areas, September is also the beginning of sunny weather in which crops are gathered and harvested, after toiling all summer. It's also during this month that flowers blossom after heavy rains and why this new beginning is cause for jovial celebration. During this time, most of the pastoralists who had left with their livestock return home.

The Ethiopian Calendar, also known as the Ge'ez or Ethiopic Calendar, which is used in the African country, is currently 7-8 years behind the Gregorian calendar that's used by the rest of the world. This calendar has 13 months instead of 12, with the last one being known as Pagume (which translates to "forgotten" in Greek.) Ethiopia is currently in its calendar year 2017. The Ge'ez Rite's feast of St John the Baptist is the first day of the first month of the new year, September 1, but in the Gregorian calendar it is celebrated on September 11 or 12.

Saint John is considered an end-times prophet – the closer of the Old Testament and opener of the New Testament. He conducted his ministry with an eschatological authority and taught that judgment is at hand. In the Gospel, John prepares the way for Jesus and proclaims His coming in fulfillment of the prophecy. He introduced the Lamb of God to the world and led the way for Jesus by his preaching, baptism of repentance, and a new life in Christ.

Our new year celebration and prayers are symbolically represented to embody John's Gospel message. Before the new year begins, in the 13th month of Pagume (which lasts only 5 or 6 days), people go down to the river to wash and to renew their Baptism, "cleansing" away old sinful behaviors and entering into a new life to begin the new year. Every year, in the month of Pagume, all Christians gather, attend church and pray that God may bless the year ahead and forgive sins of the past. We pray, in the name of God, to save us from illnesses, make us holy, and make our future life blessed, as we share in the life of Christ, who is the righteousness and light of our lives. We light a torch and spread the lit flame around our homes, neighborhoods, villages, and make the sign of the cross with it as a symbol of the light of Christ. We come out of the darkness which has clung to our lives and character in the past year and enter into the new year ahead with our lives fully centered in Christ!



Continuing with our *Walk with One* series, remember that the most important initiative of this third Eucharistic Year is to walk alongside those who are seeking, away from the faith, or on the edges – in our families, with friends, coworkers, or others in the community. We will support you with resources along the way, but it begins with prayer and relationship.

The first two steps were to identify someone in a spirit of humility and intercede for them in communion with the Holy Spirit. The next step is to connect in Eucharistic friendship. Look for ways to accompany the person you have prayed for, to build a deeper relationship, and to practice the art of empathetic listening. Eucharistic friendship builds upon the dynamic that Jesus revealed in His relationships with the disciples and, above all, at the Last Supper -He takes bread, blesses it, breaks it, and gives it. It is important to take or receive what the other person has to share, to bless and lift it up in prayer, to let the Holy Spirit help break open an area for potential growth, then to give of yourself in response. It is also important to recognize that this may not be a one and done conversation but is more likely to be a series of conversations and invitations, developing a real friendship with that person. Find an appropriate time to begin growing in your friendship, perhaps over coffee or lunch. Listen deeply for promptings from the Holy Spirit as you get to know your friend's joys and struggles. Share with them some of your own.

Listen respectfully when the conversation turns to spiritual matters, including their relationship with God and questions or concerns about the Church, and reserve judgment about their opinions. Some people might be ready to discuss the spiritual life after only a conversation or two, while for others it might take more time.



CONGRATULATIONS ON THE BAPTISM OF

Margaret Elizabeth Zimmer

REMAINING CAMPUS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS...

PROJECT DATE % COMPLETE

Aug 26-Sept 30 Church Restrooms

75%

Aug 28-Oct 30*
Church Lighting

50%

CHURCH LIGHTING AND RESTROOMS

*Masses are back in the church! Lighting upgrade work will now take place around our schedule. The church restrooms remain closed for renovations until the end of September. (Please use the restrooms by parish office.)

UPCOMING EVENTS

BLESSING OF ANIMALS – Oct 6 FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL – Oct 12 TRUNK OR TREAT – Oct 28 CRAFT SHOW – Nov 2

Details in upcoming bulletins!

INCENSE SCHEDULE

Incense will be utilized at Masses denoted with the thurible icon on the calendar and listed below. (Dates are on Sundays unless noted):

September 22 10:45 AM September 29 5:30 PM October 6 5:30 PM October 13 10:45am October 20 5:30 pm



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23		
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
9:00 AM	Catholic Way Bible Study:	Wellnitz Meeting Room 1
	Gospel of Matthew	

9:00 AM Church Cleaning Church/Adoration Chapel
5:30 PM Daily Mass Church

6:00 PM-10:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Adoration Chapel
6:30 PM Seek & Root Family Session Multiple Locations

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

6:30 AM Daily Mass Adoration Chapel

6:30 AM Esto Vir Men's Ministry Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A

8:00 AM Daily Mass Church

9:00 AM-10:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Adoration Chapel

7:00 PM OCIA Session Chas McCurdy Learning Cntr

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

6:30 AM Daily Mass Adoration Chapel
7:00 AM-5:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Adoration Chapel

5:30 PM Daily Mass Church 6:00 PM Adoration with Confession Church

7:00 PM Young Adult Men's Small Grp The Carter Center

7:15 PM Wisdom Books with Fr Stinnett Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

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 Fall AM Scripture Study Davidson Rd Mteeting Rm A
7:00 PM Women's Fall PM Scripture Study Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 NO SCHOOL

6:30 AM Daily Mass Adoration Chapel

8:00 AM Daily Mass Church

9:00 AM-10:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Adoration Chapel

6:00 PM Esto Vir Men: Hangin' Out Wellnitz Meeting Rms 1 & 2

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

6:30 AM Esto Vir Men's Ministry Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A 8:00 AM Daily Mass Church

8:45 AM Praying the Rosary Church
9:00 AM Confession Confessional
9:00 AM-1:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Adoration Chapel

9:00 AM SVdP Monthly Conference Mtg Wellnitz Meeting Room 1

5:30 PM

5:30 PM Vigil Mass Church

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM, 5:30 PM Sunday Masses 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

12:00 PM Baptisms Church

6:30 PM VINE Night School Gym



If you would like our parish to pray for friends or family who are hospitalized, ill at home or for active duty military loved ones, please fill out our *Bulletin Prayer Request Form* available via the QR code or at www.bit.ly/Bulletin-Prayer-List or call the parish office. The list is updated every 3-6 months, so if someone you added was deleted, but are still ill, fill out a new request. For all other prayer intentions, visit our Prayer Wall at stbrendans.net/prayer-wall



If you or a loved one is hospitalized or ill at home and would like a pastoral visit, call 614-876-1272

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THOSE HOSPITALIZED OR ILL

Bill Brake	Kate Walde-Mead
Dick Crumley	Kathy Urbano
Dan DiCesare	Marilyn Wiggins
Mary Eskay	Ira Katz
Connie Feliks	Anthony Griglik
Mary Jo Flickinger	Chris Carrino
Allie Ganger	Kathy Endrizzi
Milena Hendrix	Monica Meyer
Joe Martin	Ora Johnson
Tom Speroni	Kenny Shook
Pamela Theado	Beverly Moran
Ray Bailey	Ann Birko
Karen McLaughlin	Crystal Billman
Mary Morrison	Doris Kopac
Bradly Mead	Don Azelvandre
John Scheel	Chuck Heinlen
Bertha Torok	Butch Giffin
Rick Bond	

ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Thomas Dye
Aaron Grieshop
Aaron Huesman
Sam Imwalle
Christopher Keck
Cody Longstreth
Jackson Maassel
Rick Shonkwiler
Rob Shonkwiler
Luke Stumphauzer

... we 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, fill out an online prayer request on our Prayer Wall and we will pray for their return.

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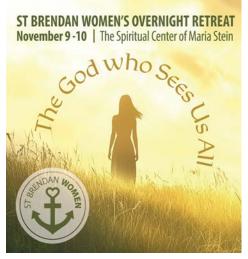
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Andrea Boyd, Director/Lead Teacher aboyd@cdeducation.org

1ST FRIDAY PRAYER & ADORATION

FIRST FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER, led by our Deacons, is October 4 at 7 PM in the Adoration Chapel.

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION is Friday, October 4, 9 AM through Saturday, October 5, 1 PM in the Adoration Chapel. Adorers are needed, so please sign up! https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com



WOMEN'S RETREAT RSVP BY OCT 22

Do you get so busy that it leaves you feeling invisible in your surroundings? Join other women to explore how Hagar bravely faces her circumstance in the book of

Genesis after she encounters El Roi, the God who sees us all. Reflect on how God is present and truly sees each one of us. Let's discover together how this being seen and loved calls us to support our family and neighbor.

Retreat cost of \$130 includes a private room with bathroom, 3 meals, snacks and drinks. Early Bird discount of \$5 if you register and pay by October 22. Add Friday night to your stay for an additional \$75. We do not want to turn any woman away, so, if cost is a factor, there are scholarships available. Questions? Contact Chris Hauck at chrishauck0522@gmail.com. To register and pay, visit www.stbrendans.net/womens-ministries

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Looking for grief support from fellow parishioners? Join us at our workshop on September 22 at 7 PM in the Carter Center. Questions? Contact Dennis at edmuch@me.com

DIOCESAN COLLECTION, SEPT 22

SOLIDARITY FUND FOR THE CHURCH IN AFRICA

Please support spiritually vibrant ministries in some of the world's most impoverished regions through the US bishops' collection for the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. This annual collection helps African bishops' conferences



expand pastoral ministry and evangelization, improve church administration, prepare more people for church leadership and help end conflicts. Please give via the QR code or at Mass. Learn more at www.usccb.org/africa

ESTO VIR FALL EVENTS

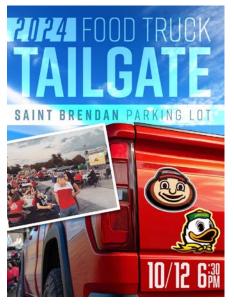
HANGIN' OUT! Enjoy a cookout & share a meal in Wellnitz, Friday, September 27, 6 PM

MEN'S MINI RETREAT – For busy guys who can't get away for an entire weekend, join us at St Brendan October 19 from 6:30-10 AM for prayer, Mass and formation.

PIZZA, PIES & GUYS – Tailgate on November 2 at 6:30 PM and take in the OSU game on the big screens in the Davidson Rooms! (Kickoff time TBD)

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION – Experience quiet time with our Lord in Adoration the first Friday of each month – a great opportunity to share this experience with your entire family!

Questions? Contact Grant Rice at ricekris8813@att.net



FOOD TRUCK TAILGATE

Join us at 6:30 PM, Oct 12 in St Brendan's parking lot to enjoy the OSU vs Ducks football game (kickoff is 7:30 PM). Food trucks and beverages will be on hand! This year's food trucks are: Granddad's Pizza, Fancy Feeding You, Tortilla, A Cut Above, German Street Food, Donna's Delicious Dozen and Kona Ice.

FOOTBALL FRENZY TICKETS – Our Knights of Columbus will be selling their Football Frenzy tickets (\$20 each) at the event.

SPORTS GEAR COLLECTION DRIVE – St Brendan is partnering with *Leveling the Playing Field* this year to do a sports gear collection drive during the Tailgate! Consider donating your lightly used equipment to support kids in Ohio so they can practice and play the sports they love. Bring your sports items to the Tailgate. To view a list of accepted equipment, visit www.levelingtheplayingfield.org/ways-to-help/view-all

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED! – Please sign up to help out at the this year's event by visiting **https://bit.ly/help4tailgate**

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN CLASS

The next PGC class held in the Davidson Rooms is:

SAT, OCT 12, 9 AM-12 PM PGC Class (No fingerprinting)

REGISTER FOR PGC CLASSES AT VIRTUS.ORG

Questions? Email Teresa Boyne at **tboyne@stbrendans.net** or view our volunteer policies at **www.stbrendans.net/policies**



ST VINCENT DE PAUL **COLLECTION, SEPT 28/29**

The St Brendan conference of St Vincent de Paul has been helping the less fortunate in Hilliard for decades. Your generous contributions help us to share financial and spiritual support with local families in distress. Below are a couple glimpses of real-life stories that we were

able to positively impact because of your generous support:

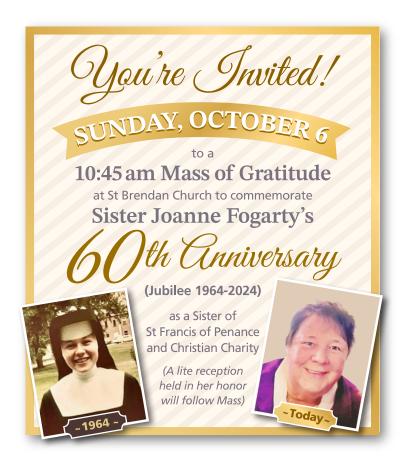
"My wife just had a baby and hasn't been able to work and then I had a car accident in July. I've been working two jobs, but the extra costs from the accident have me short on money for rent and due to repair costs and my wife being unable to work right now, we can't manage. Will you help?"

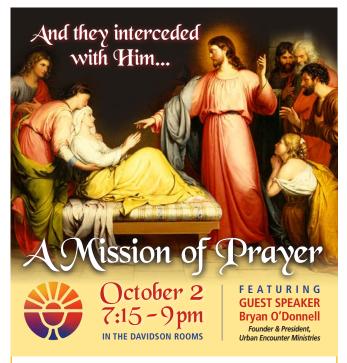
"I hate that I need to ask for assistance, but am retired and living in a senior apartment complex. I moved here 5 years ago to be closer to my medical treatments at Ohio State. I had an unexpected increase in expenses due to medical issues and am not able to pay my full rent next month. Will you help?"

The gratitude from these families is real and it's times like these where you really see the spirit of God at work in their lives and in the lives of the volunteers.

As we head into the busiest time of the year for assistance requests, we would greatly appreciate your donations after Masses next weekend on Sept 28/29 OR scan the QR code OR mail your gift to the church office, attn. to St Vincent de Paul, 4475 Dublin Rd, Hilliard, OH 43026







In this Eucharistic Year of Mission, we are called to go out to companion others in their time of physical, emotional or spiritual need. To be effective in our ministry with family, friends, community and even strangers, we first must be equipped to pray, to ask the Lord for His intercession – just as Simon Peter and his family asked for the healing of his mother-in-law.

Join us for our special guest, Bryan O'Donnell, founder and president of Urban Encounter Ministries, as he leads us through the why and how of intercessory prayer: why we should be praying with and for those closest to us and those at a distance, how to offer prayer to others, and how to ask for intercession. All are welcome to attend Adoration in the church prior to the event at 6 PM, then enjoy a light dinner, gamechanging talk, and prayer ministry at 7:15 PM in the Davidson Rooms. Register by September 29 at www.stbrendans.net/eucharistic-revival





ANCHORED For adults 65+ (married, divorced, single or widowed)

OCTOBER 4, 8 AM - First Friday Mass and Breakfast at the Olympic Diner (5454 Roberts Road)

OCTOBER 14, MONDAY, 12 PM - Lunch at Beer Barrel, 7482 OH-161, Plain City. RSVP to Larry at 614-264-6925 or larryhanchin@yahoo.com

OCTOBER 17, 8:45 AM - Meet in the church parking lot to carpool to the Honda Heritage Museum in Marysville for a tour followed by lunch at Leon's Garage(in Marysville.) RSVP to Larry at 614-264-6925 or larryhanchin@yahoo.com

FROM OUR PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear St Brendan Community,

There is a positive energy at St Brendan that I am blessed to be a part of every day. After four weeks of school, our students, faculty and staff, parents, and the greater St Brendan community have proven each and every day that this energy is contagious. I see people paying it forward on a consistent basis and it makes a difference.

What is "energy"? The dictionary explains energy as a dynamic quality, vigorous exertion of power, and/or a positive spiritual force. Of course, these are some great definitions. I truly believe the reason for our positive energy at St Brendan is due to the Holy Spirit's interaction with everyone. The energy that the Holy Spirit provides is unmatched and contagious. When I see an 8th grader helping a 1st grader, it's because of the Holy Spirit. When I see a teacher instilling confidence in a student who is doubting herself, it's because of the Holy Spirit. When I hear about a member of the Parish team spending purposeful time with a student who needs it, it's because of the Holy Spirit. When I see parents willing to help advance the mission of the school by giving their time, talents, and treasure, it's because of the Holy Spirit.

The apostle Paul stated, "We have different gifts according to the grace given us...if it is serving, serve; if it is teaching, teach; if it is encouraging, encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, give generously; if it is leadership, lead diligently..."

It is amazing that our St Brendan community is following these powerful points of advice. I see it

every day, am thankful for it, and expect to see this energy continue to grow within students, faculty and staff, parents, and the greater community.

In Christ,

Mike DeMassimo St Brendan School Principal



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SACRAMENT PREPARATION

FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION

If you were unable to attend the sacrament preparation parent night, contact Jacob Doran at **jdoran@stbrendans.net** or call 614-876-1272. To register for sacrament preparation, whether you are a part of Family Faith Formation or St Brendan school, visit **www.stbrendans.net/familyfaithformation**

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

If you have not yet registered for Family Faith Formation, (for families with children in grades K-8 not in Catholic school), contact Maggie Agra at magra@stbrendans.net or call 614-876-1272.

CONTINUED GROWTH – This Sunday, September 22, *Continued Growth* families will meet in the SCHOOL GYM from 9:45-11:15 AM. Please enter the school through the school main doors or the Joan Roberts hallway doors. We will be learning about works of mercy and making no-sew blankets to benefit *Sleep in Heavenly Peace*.

SEEK & ROOT – The next family session is on Monday, September 23 at 6:30 PM.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SMALL GROUPS – The next small group is on Sunday, October 6 at 6:45 PM.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word ministry is in need of leaders and aides, once a month, at 8:45 or 10:45 AM Mass. Leaders or aides over the age of 18 must be Safe Environment certified. High schoolers or mature middle schoolers are welcome as aides. If interested, please contact either Jackie Bensman at childrensliturgy@stbrendans.net, Jacob Doran at jdoran@stbrendans.net or Maggie Agra at magra@stbrendans.net

POD NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

The POD is open during 8:45 & 10:45 AM Masses and for Faith Formation. To sign up, email Andrea at nursery@stbrendans.net or scan the QR code. (Adults must be Protecting God's Children compliant.)



VINE SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE

Sundays at 6:30-8:30 PM. The VINE is for all high-schoolers!

September 22 Hearing God's Voice (in the School Gym)

September 29 Worship (in the School Gym)

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Faithful Citizenship: Solidarity

In Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, the Catholic bishops of the U.S. identify the four main principles of the Church's social teaching—Dignity of the Human Person, the Common Good, Solidarity, and Subsidiarity—and apply them to concrete issues. This entry focuses on Solidarity.



Solidarity is "a firm and persevering determination to commit oneself to . . . the good of all and of each individual, because we are all really responsible for all." We are one human family, whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. Human beings are social in nature; we develop and flourish within a community. As baptized members of the community of the Church, we are part of one body in Christ and one global human family.²

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Solidarity requires that in our prayer and in our political engagement, those who are weak, vulnerable, and most in need receive preferential concern. We are called to practice "radical solidarity" by:

- Accompanying women to choose life and supporting new mothers and their children.³
- Advocating for families and individuals affected by poverty, unemployment, sickness, mental illness, addiction, the elderly, and those with disabilities.
- Aiding victims of war and supporting peace initiatives, particularly in Ukraine, West Africa, and the Middle East.⁴
- Seeking policies that "welcome, protect, promote, and integrate" migrants and refugees who arrive at our borders and which aid development in countries of origin.⁵
- Confronting racism as an obstacle to solidarity, examining our hearts, policies, and institutions.⁶
- Critiquing a culture that prioritizes accumulation of wealth over human dignity and integral development.⁷

As we seek to foster solidarity in hearts and policies, let us pray with Pope Francis:

Lord, Father of our human family... Move us to create healthier societies and a more dignified world, a world without hunger, poverty, violence and war. Amen.⁸



Learn more about Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship at: www.faithfulcitizenship.org

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SACRED MUSIC WORKSHOP

Saturday, October 26, all are invited to the Sacred Music Workshop at St Andrew Church, led by Adam Barlett of Source and Summit, in conjunction with Dr Richard Fitzgerald, the Director of Sacred Music for the Diocese of Columbus. There is no cost to attend, but please reserve your spot before Monday, October 21 by emailing rfitzgerald@sjchcc.org

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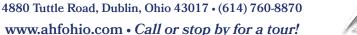




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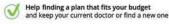
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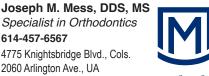
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