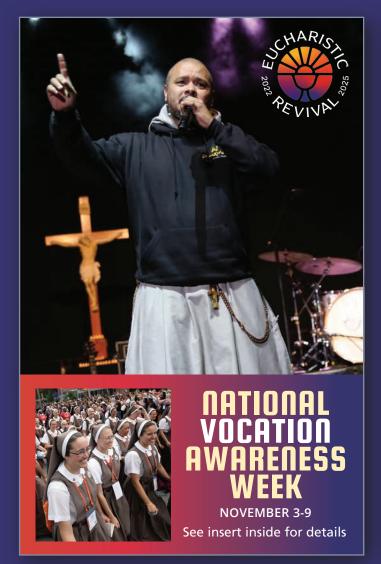
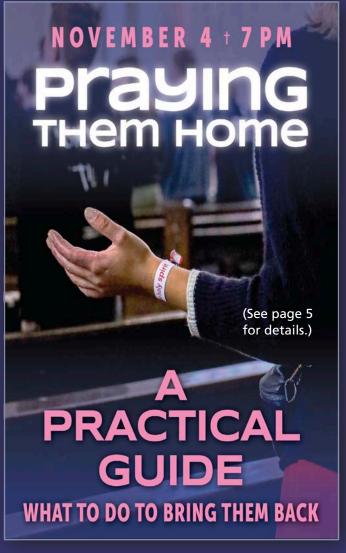
## HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT ST BRENDANS...





#### **IT'S COFFEE & DONUTS SUNDAY!**

Coffee & Donuts is this Sunday after the 8:45 and 10:45 AM Masses in the Davidson Rooms. (Donations can be made via the QR code.)



#### **VETERANS RECEPTION, NOV 9**

Veterans, join us next Saturday, 6:30-9 PM, for a reception held in your honor. Please RSVP by this Monday, November 4. (See page 5 for 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, November 4

Memorial of St Charles Borromeo

6:30 AM Amy Depp † 5:30 PM Mary Lou Kreber †

#### **Tuesday, November 5**

Feria III of the Thirty-first Week 6:30 AM Frank Kreber †

8:00 AM Richard Warren †

#### Wednesday, November 6

Feria IV of the Thirty-first Week

6:30 AM Alba Arellano †

5:30 PM David Friermood †

#### **Thursday, November 7**

Feria V of the Thirty-first Week 6:30 AM William T. Whalen, Jr. † 8:00 AM Intention of Max Miller

Friday, November 8

Feria VI of the Thirty-first Week

6:30 AM Robert Bickis, Jr †

8:00 AM Sally Blue t

#### Saturday, November 9

Feast of the Dedication of St John Lateran

8:00 AM Giovanna Giuliani †

5:30 PM Louis Gary Petrozzi †

#### **Sunday, November 10**

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:15 AM People of St Brendan Parish

8:45 AM Bob Bridges †

10:45 AM James & Joanne Kesting †

5:30 PM Jack Sliemers †

† indicates intention for a person who is deceased.

### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com

MON 6 PM – 10 PM TUES 9 AM – 10 PM

WED 7 AM – 5 PM

Holy 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

## FIRST FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER

Due to the 7 PM All Saints Day Mass last Friday, November 1, First Friday Evening Prayer this month has been moved to the second Friday, November 8, 7 PM, and is led by our Deacons in the Adoration Chapel. Please join us!

## **INFORMATION CENTER**

#### **Church Hours**

Weekdays, 6 AM-10 PM

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Weekdays, 9 AM-12 PM & 1-4 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

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#### **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 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 and 10:45 AM Mass for children ages 6 months to 4 years.

#### **Navigator News / ParishStag**

To automatically begin receiving our parish e-newsletter, visit **stbrendan.ccbchurch.com** and create your ParishStag account.

#### Marketing/Bulletin Request

Fill out our marketing request form @ stbrendans.net/
marketing Email marketing@ stbrendans.net

for questions or to send artwork.

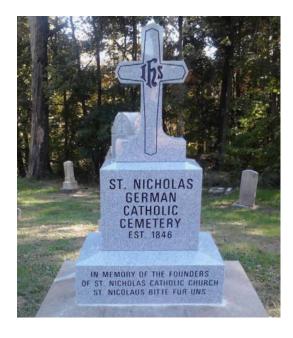
#### **Liturgical Ministry Portal**

Ministry Scheduler Pro at: www.rotundasoftware.com/ministry/stbrendans



Anchored in Adoration returns **November 13, 6 PM.** Join us in the church for elevating music, parishioner testimony of faith and our prayer team ready to pray with you! Confession is available.

Above is a photo of my great-great aunt, Sister Antonine Hildebrand. The little statue of Mary on the table in this picture is in my office. She received her Final Vows in Zanesville.



## MESSAGE FROM FR DOOLEY

Hello friends,

In the month of November, we pray for all the faithful departed. This is a beautiful practice to pray for our loved ones. It is especially good for us to visit and pray at the graves of our deceased family and friends. This tradition stretches way back to the early Church, especially in the days of persecution. In St Augustine's autobiography *Confessions*, he writes about being with his mother, St Monica, in her final moments. As she was dying, she overheard her children discussing funeral and burial preparations. Since they were away from their home country and were in Italy, Monica calmly told Augustine and her other children: "Bury my body wherever you will; let not care of it cause you any concern. One thing only I ask you, that you remember me at the altar of the Lord wherever you may be." A beautiful reminder to pray for our loved ones at the Mass.

Growing up, my family would always attend "Cemetery Sunday" during the month of November. We would visit two cemeteries: Mt Olive Cemetery and the St Nicholas German Catholic Cemetery in Zanesville.

In the old German Cemetery, my great-great grandparents are buried along with a few other family relatives. One of my relatives is my great-great aunt, Sister Antonine Hildebrand, who passed away on November 14, 1898. She was a member of the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity in Manitowoc, Wisconsin. Sadly, she passed away at the age of 26 from Tuberculosis. The local Zanesville newspaper stated she received her Final Vows on her death bed.

In 1916, St Nicholas Parish purchased land off the Old National Road and was dedicated as Mt Olive Cemetery. Many families moved the remains of their loved ones from the German cemetery to this new cemetery. Unfortunately, my family did not have the financial means to move their loved ones to the new cemetery. In fact, our family could only afford to have wooden crosses. Sadly, over time the old German cemetery was neglected. For most of my childhood, it was overgrown, and one could not even see any of the grave markers. It was not until my high school years that the parish cleaned up the old German cemetery. On November 14, 2004, my brothers and I were honored to serve at the rededication of the St Nicholas

There are truly no coincidences with God. Let us take this time to pray for our loved ones who have gone before us in this life. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

German Cemetery. That date was my great-great-aunt, Sister Antonine Hildebrand's 106th death anniversary!

Amen!

Fr. Dooley

#### A NOTE FROM FR DOOLEY REGARDING PARISH BOUNDARIES

I wanted to share with you an update on our parish boundaries. The Presbyteral Council recently reviewed the parish boundaries of St Brendan and St Andrew (in Upper Arlington) – in particular, the land across the Scioto River that is part of St Brendan. It has been determined that this part of our parish boundary will now be part of St Andrew Parish. The Decree Notably Altering the Parish Boundaries, recently published in The Catholic Times, is available for you to read by visiting https://bit.ly/3BWwNla What does this mean? Very little! The people of Franklin County

may go where they are being spiritually fed and can be a member at any parish they choose. There are only 2 changes:

- 1) Home-bound ministry This will affect those in nursing home facilities across the Scioto River. Our director of Missionary Discipleship, Jen Rice, is working with St Andrew to develop a transition plan.
- 2) Baptisms For those families outside of our parish boundaries and not registered here, they will need to register here or ask permission from their pastor.

  If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.

### THIS WEEKEND: **DIOCESAN 2ND COLLECTION** FOR RELIGIOUS **VOCATIONS**

Please join us in welcoming Seminarian, Hagan Stovall to our parish this weekend as he explains more about the initiatives of the National **Vocatons Awareness Week** and how you can play an intregal part of the formation and education of our seminarians through your financial gifts and prayers.

Please consider contributing

during the 2nd collection this weekend, via the QR code or at https://



#### ppay.co/VMFsS2m1dmY

More information about the 2024 National Vocations Awareness Week is available on the insert in this bulletin. For those who are currently discerning a religious vocation, please visit https:// www.vocationscolumbus. org/project for the next steps to answer your calling.



#### FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

In memory of Anne I. Rielly from "Her Boys"

#### **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)

**November 3** 5:30 PM November 10 10:45 AM November 17 5:30 PM November 24 10:45 AM

## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

#### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4**

Adoration Chapel 6:30 AM Daily Mass Catholic Way Study: Gospel of Matthew Wellnitz Hall, Room 1 9:00 AM Church Cleaning 9:00 AM Church/Adoration Chapel 5:30 PM Daily Mass Church 6:00 PM-10:00 PM **Eucharistic Adoration** Adoration Chapel Inviting Catholics Home – Praying 7:00 PM Davidson, Rooms A & B Them Home: A Practical Guide

#### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5**

Adoration Chapel 6:30 AM **Daily Mass** 6:30 AM Esto Vir Men's Ministry Davidson, Room A 8:00 AM **Daily Mass** Church 9:00 AM-10:00 PM **Eucharistic Adoration Adoration Chapel** 7:00 PM Men's Club Monthly Meeting Wellnitz Hall, Rooms 1 & 2 7:00 PM **OCIA Session** Chase McCurdy Learning Cntr

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

6:30 AM **Daily Mass** Adoration Chapel Adoration Chapel 7:00 AM-5:00 PM **Eucharistic Adoration** Elizabeth Ministry Playgroup Childcare Center 9:45 AM **Daily Mass** Church 5:30 PM Adoration with Confession Church 6:00 PM 7:00 PM **VINE Formation** Chas McCurdy Learning Cntr

Wellnitz Hall, Rooms 1 & 2 7:00 PM Young Adult Community Night 7:15 PM Wisdom Books with Fr Stinnett Davidson, Room A

Church

7:15 PM Choir Rehearsal

#### **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7**

6:30 AM **Daily Mass** Adoration Chapel Church 8:00 AM **Daily Mass** 9:00 AM-10:00 PM **Eucharistic Adoration** Adoration Chapel 9:00 AM Women's Fall AM Scripture Study Davidson Room A **SVdP Sandwich Making for Homeless** Wellnitz Hall Room 1 10:00 AM Women's Fall PM Scripture Study Davidson Rooms A & B 7:00 PM

#### **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8** SCHOOL 12:00 PM DISMISSAL

**Adoration Chapel** 6:30 AM **Daily Mass** Church 8:00 AM **Daily Mass** 9:00 AM-10:00 PM **Eucharistic Adoration** Adoration Chapel 7:00 PM 1st Friday Prayer Adoration Chapel 7:15 PM M.A.S.T. Book Club The Carter Center

#### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9**

11/9/2024-11/10/2024 Women's Annual Overnight Retreat Spiritual Cntr of Maria Stein 6:30 AM Esto Vir Men's Ministry Davidson, Room A 8:00 AM **Daily Mass** Church 8:45 AM Praying the Rosary Church 9:00 AM-1:00 PM **Eucharistic Adoration** Adoration Chapel 9:00 AM Confession Confessional 5:30 PM Vigil Mass Church 6:30 PM Veteran's Appreciation Dinner School Cafeteria 10:45 AM

#### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10**

6:30 PM

7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM, 5:30 PM **Sunday Masses** Church Children's Liturgy of the Word Adoration Chapel During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass **POD Nursery** Childcare Center 9:45 AM 1st Reconciliation Family Session **Multiple Locations** 12:00 PM Church **Baptisms** 6:30 PM The ROOTS School Gym

> Davidson Rooms A & B The VINE



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 below 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 is still ill, please fill out a new prayer request.

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	Marilyn Wiggins
Dick Crumley	lra Katz
Dan DiCesare	Anthony Griglik
Mary Eskay	Chris Carrino
Allie Ganger	Monica Meyer
Joe Martin	Ora Johnson
Tom Speroni	Kenny Shook
Pamela Theado	Beverly Moran
Ray Bailey	Crystal Billman
Karen McLaughlin	Doris Kopac
Mary Morrison	Don Azelvandre
John Scheel	Butch Giffin
Bertha Torok	Glenna Brickey
Rick Bond	Chet Porembski
Bob Geiger	Tiffanie Geiger

#### **ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY**

Thomas Dye

Aaron Grieshop

Aaron Huesman

Sam Imwalle

Christopher Keck

Bradly Mead

Cody Longstreth

Jackson Maassel

Rick Shonkwiler

Rob Shonkwiler

Luke Stumphauzer

Thomas Noel

Kate Walde-Mead

... 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

The St Brendan Inviting Catholics Home Ministry continues to pray daily for all those no longer practicing our faith. For information about ICH, visit www.stbrendans.net/ich

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## **THIS WEEK!**

#### **VOCATION AWARENESS**

National Vocation Awareness Week, Nov 3-9. is an annual, week-long celebration of the Catholic Church to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our support for those considering one of these particular vocations. We pray: God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

#### PRAYING THEM HOME

## FIRST 25 TO REGISTER WILL RECEIVE BRANDON VOGT'S BOOK, RETURN!

Monday, November 4 at 7 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM for light refreshments), join the Inviting Catholics Home Ministry for a practical and prayerful workshop in the Davidson Rooms. Through video instruction, small group discussion, testimony, resources and giveaways, learn new insight on what to do and what not to do, to bring your loved ones, who have left the faith, back. End the evening with an opportunity for "Praying Them Home." RSVP at https://bit.ly/PrayThemHomeWorkshop Questions? Contact Janet at jlwalsh1@gmail.com

#### **HONORING VETERANS!**

All veterans and their families are invited to a reception in the school cafeteria on November 9, 6:30-9 PM, held in their honor and hosted by the Knights of Columbus Council #11208. Food and drinks provided. RSVP to Fred Kerner at 614-946-7733 or joc93@yahoo.com by this Monday, Nov 4.

#### **KAIROS THANKS YOU!**

Kairos Prison Ministry would like to thank our parishioners for a successful cookie collection. You prayed and baked almost 500 dozen cookies (our goal was just 360 dozen!) Please pray for us as we deliver these cookies on November 7-10.

#### ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT WOMEN'S EVENT

SAVE THE DATE! FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 6:30 PM, IN THE SCHOOL GYM

We invite all women of the parish to attend a beautiful night of prayer and reflection to fill our hearts with hope for the coming of Jesus at Christmas. We welcome our pastor, Father Sean Dooley as our speaker! A catered dinner will be served. Sign up to be a table hostess to provide linens, decorations, and place settings for your table as you invite women to join you and leave a few spots open for guests. Come as a guest and be welcomed at one of



the many decorated tables. Cost is \$15 per person. Visit our women's ministry page for all of the details of the night and to register and pay. Registration must be completed and paid by November 25 (due to catering needs and the Thanksgiving holiday there can be no late registrations). RSVP and pay at www.stbrendans.net/womens-ministries If you are hosting a table, please have your guests register as well. Questions? Contact Jennifer at jrice@stbrendans.net.

#### STILL TIME TO RSVP FOR WOMEN'S RETREAT!

"God Who Sees Us All" women's overnight retreat at the Spiritual Center of Maria Stein is Nov 9-10. Cost of \$130 includes: private room with bathroom, 3 meals, snacks and drinks. Add Friday night for an additional \$75. RSVP/pay at www.stbrendans.net/womens-ministries

#### **MISSION OF PRAYER WORKSHOP, NOV 18**

MORE on the *Mission of Prayer* on Monday, November 18, at 7 PM, in the Davidson Rooms! We continue our commitment to pray with and for others in this Year of Mission by offering a follow-up workshop for those who attended our October 2 event and anyone interested in further training in prayer. Our goal is to serve our parish through offering both in-person prayer teams and teams that intentionally pray for others or parish needs each week. Specific training for serving on either prayer team will be provided. For more information or to RSVP, please email Jen at **jrice@stbrendans.net** 

#### **COUNSELING & SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE**

Ricky Shoop, CT, of *Lumin Therapy* (Catholic counseling group) is on-site Fridays, 12-5 PM or available off-campus other days/times. Ricky has 15 years experience in pastoral ministry with teens, adults and families working through anxiety, depression, trauma, difficulties at work, or family conflicts. For a free 30-minute consultation, contact Ricky at 614-212-4593, ricky@lumin-therapy.com or visit https://lumin-therapy.com/

We will continue to provide guidance and support for spiritual and emotional needs. Our St Brendan **Grief Support Group** meets on the fourth Sunday of each month at 7 PM in the Carter Center and individual sessions are also available by contacting Jen Rice in the parish office.



## NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK BULLETIN FOR NOVEMBER 3-9, 2024

#### **FATHER RYAN STAWAISZ**

#### **HEROIC SERVICE IN HIS FINAL DAYS**

Chortly before his ordination, Ryan Stawaisz received a devastating Cancer diagnosis—his second one after successfully beating cancer as a junior in college.

Despite his diagnosis, Fr. Ryan began his priestly ministry at Prince of Peace in Houston in 2019. Just two years later, on June 21, 2021, the young priest passed away, leaving a lasting impact on his parishioners, many of whom attested to his tremendous witness.



The new film "Love God's Will" tells the heroic story of Fr. Ryan Stawaisz's selfless ministry through the eyes of his family, friends, and fellow priests.

Palomita Films, palomitafilms.com

Those who knew Fr. Ryan were deeply touched by his selfless ministry, even in his final days as a priest-so much so that he has inspired a film about his life.

His brother Ross Stawaisz says he hopes Fr. Ryan's story will show the "need to stand up for some things. You need to live your life in a way that emulates Christ."

Fr. Ryan's mother, Susan Stawaisz, said she has heard from several cancer patients on how the movie has touched them: "I feel like anybody who's gone through any kind of suffering can relate to offering up your suffering and suffering heroically."

Read the feature story about Fr. Ryan and his family at catholicnewsagency.com



#### **SERRA SPONSORS 50 ORDERS**

Above, an army of young sisters from the Servants of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary process into the National Eucharistic Congress. They are members of one of the fastest-growing religious communities in the U.S., with a large presence in Miami.

In the months leading up to the National Eucharistic Congress, Serra International raised more than \$150,000 to sponsor the presence of more than 50 religious communities.

"It was amazing to walk through the convention hall and see hundreds of young sisters," said one attendee. "Just seeing their joy and vibrant smiles gave me a lot of hope for the future of the Church!"

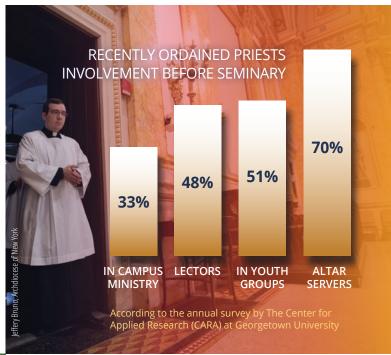
#### RECENTLY ORDAINED PRIESTS

## **ORIGINS** of **PRIESTHOOD**

Pope Francis has emphasized that seminarians must be "men of communion" who arise organically from the communities they serve, then return after seminary to minister even more profoundly.

That vision is slowly becoming a reality in the U.S., with most of the priests ordained in 2024 reporting active involvement in their parishes and schools.

According to CARA's recent study of men ordained in 2024, the average age at which they first considered the priesthood was 16. Between 32% and 42% went to a Catholic elementary school, high school, or college. About 60% obtained college degrees before seminary, and 70% had full-time work experience. A full 75% reported regularly participating in Eucharistic Adoration before entering priestly formation.

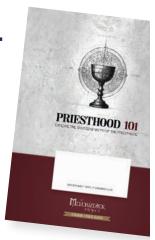




#### **SMALL GROUPS**

#### **DEEP DISCERNMENT**

The Melchizedek Project, a longstanding program that starts priesthood discernment groups for young men, was re-launched this summer with a new format. It's now easier to start and run the group, with robust leader training and excellent videos that spark discussion. Want to help your parish priest start a group? Sign up for training at melchizedekproject.com



### **FATHER-SON SEMINARY TRIP**

"I dream of a day when young men enter seminary, not *looking* for a father, but having been *brought* by their fathers," said Deacon James Keating of Omaha, who is renowned for his work in priestly formation.

About 45% of seminarians say they were discouraged by a friend or family member from considering the priesthood. And while some parents are tentatively open to the idea, many aren't thrilled about it.

But a real revival of a "vocations culture" requires that parents actively encourage their sons and daughters to seriously consider priesthood and religious life. Think about it this way: just as you would take your teen son to visit prospective colleges, why not try to arrange a visit to a seminary?





#### MUSIC MINISTRY IS SEEKING CHOIR MEMBERS

We are looking for both men and women, no experience necessary, and no long-term commitment! We rehearse Wednesdays, 7:15-8:30 PM in the church. Questions? Contact Ross at rwilliams@stbrendans.net



**NOVEMBER 11, MONDAY, 12 PM** – Lunch at Der Dutchman, SR-42, Plain City. RSVP to Larry Hanchin, VP at 614-264-6925 or **larryhanchin@yahoo.com** 

**DECEMBER 6, 8 AM – First Friday Mass & Breakfast, First Watch (3800 Fishinger)** 

**DECEMBER 9, MONDAY, 12 PM** – Christmas Potluck in the Davidson Rooms. Entrée provided. A-O bring a side dish, P-Z bring a dessert. RSVP to Larry at 614-264-6925 or larryhanchin@yahoo.com

#### I.O.I.N. ITEMS CURRENTLY NEEDED

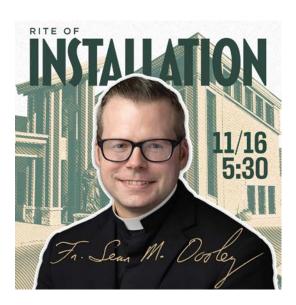
In the Gospel today, Jesus tells us: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength... and you shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Through your generous donations to J.O.I.N. (Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs), St Brendan parishioners have supplied the Columbus inner city community with household and personal items. From cleaning supplies, and personal care items to paper towels, and body wash you have answered the call Our Lord asks of us to love our neighbor who is hungry, hopeless, alone and frightened. This month, the most needed items include baby diapers (sizes 4 & 5) and baby wipes. A complete list is attached to the green bin, where you can drop off your donations.

Our parish SVDP conference helps transport these items. To learn more about St Vincent de Paul ministry, contact Heather at heathercsvdp@gmail.com

## American Red Cross

NOVEMBER 15 BLOOD DRIVE The next St Brendan Knights of Columbus sponsored Red Cross Blood Drive is Friday, Nov 15 at 12-6 PM in Davidson, Rooms A & B Give the gift of life by making an appointment at 1-800-RED-CROSS or www.redcrossblood.org – Questions? Contact Jeff at Jeff.lehr@insurance.ohio.gov or 614-315-7466



### FR DOOLEY'S INSTALLATION MASS IS ON NOVEMBER 16!

Fr Dooley will be formally installed as Pastor to our parish and campus on Saturday, November 16 at the 5:30 PM Vigil Mass with Bishop Earl K. Fernandes presiding. Show your support, mark your calendars and plan to attend!



## INTRODUCING... "SPIRITUAL SPOTLIGHT"

Inviting Catholics Home Ministry added a new faith resource center called "Spiritual Spotlight" to our church gathering area! We will feature a new Catholic/religious book centered around the liturgical message/focus in our church during that time, which will be available for you to take, read and enjoy. Look for the new bookshelf over by the Adoration Chapel. The aim is to provide book reviews and highlight passages to help us all be ready to answer any questions our loved ones, who are away from the faith, may have when the Holy Spirit gives them that nudge to return!

The first book featured is Beautiful Eucharist, By Matthew Kelly. The book is "A stunning collection of life changing (personal) reflections about Jesus in our lives and an invitation to encounter Him so you can be a life-giving presence to the World." By reading and reflecting on this collection of 12 short personal reflections, we can see meaning and understanding where there is sometimes confusion and struggle in explaining the Eucharist. Everyone has their own story to tell. We can be better Catholics when we better understand these gifts and the Sacraments that God has given us and by listening and sharing our story with others. Read the full review and pick up a copy of the book in the church gathering area (while supplies last). Continue the journey – in the words of Matthew Kelly, "Let us spend the rest of our lives, pondering, learning and savoring the Mass and be in complete awe and gratitude that we get to participate in this covenant of Love and invite Him to participate in our lives."



### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF**

THE WORD We are looking for leaders and aides, once a month at 8:45 or 10:45 AM Masses. (over age 18 must be Safe Environment compliant.) High schoolers and mature middle schoolers are welcome as aides. To volunteer, contact Jackie at childrensliturgy@stbrendans.net, Maggie at magra@stbrendans.net or Jacob at jdoran@stbrendans.net

#### POD NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

To sign up to help out in our POD nursery, scan the QR code or email nursery@stbrendans.net (Adults must be Protecting God's Children compliant.)



#### POD NURSERY COORDINATOR NEEDED...

We are seeking a coordinator for our POD Nursery to schedule volunteers who will watch over/care for children during 8:45 AM & 10:45 AM Masses, and during Family Faith Formation sessions. If interested, contact Jacob Doran at jdoran@stbrendans.net

#### PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Our collaborative preschool at St Margaret of Cortona has opened enrollment for next year. Full-day and part-day offerings – families with children ages 3-5 next fall are encouraged to learn more. Classes are filling up, so don't delay. Register now at bit.ly/preschoolreg2025 Questions? Contact Andrea at aboyd@cdeducation.org

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To register for First Reconciliation, Communion or Confirmation, whether you are a part of family faith formation or St Brendan school, visit www.stbrendans.net/familyfaithformation

### **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION**

MIDDLE SCHOOL SMALL GROUPS – The next middle school small group is Sunday, November 3, 6:45 PM.

**CONTINUED GROWTH** – Your family is invited to attend the Advent Family Retreat on December 1 at 1 PM!

**SEEK & ROOT** – The next family session is Monday, November 11, 6:30 PM.

**SACRAMENT PREPARATION** – Our next First Reconciliation Family Session is Sunday, November 10 from 9:45-11:15 AM. Our next Confirmation Family Session is Sunday, January 12 from 6:45-8 PM.

#### 2025 CATHOLIC SUMMER YOUTH CAMP

CYSC registration is now open for 5th-12th graders. Again this year for Catholic Youth Summer Camp, St Brendan parish is providing \$100 to each of our first 100 students to register (cost per session is \$620). Choose any session that works for your child's schedule. To register, visit https://www.damascus.net/cysc-2/main-campus and use the code BRENHILL25 to receive the discount.

#### **USCCB PRAYER BEFORE AN ELECTION**

Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our city/state/country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community.

We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty.

We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, Men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender.

We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom.

We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word, live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his Apostles and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace.

We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

# Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 6:2-6 | Heb 7:23-28 | Mk 12:28b-34

#### GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

It is not surprising that we hear both Moses and Jesus speak the same words in today's Scripture. After all, Truth and Good News bear repeating! The Lord our God is Lord alone! "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength." In these words, Moses is instructing the people to fear the Lord and keep all his commandments and in turn God would give them "a land flowing with milk and honey" (Canaan). He is telling them the way to live. When Jesus repeats these words around 1,400 years later, the reason and message are the same, but he also adds to them: "love your neighbor as yourself." The two commandments are inseparable. He tells us the way to live, and how to live. It's not enough to know what God asks of us, we must do what God asks of us: love him and one another. When God is the source and reason for all our thoughts and actions, we too will not be "far from the kingdom of God."

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How do we put God first in our lives, ensuring he is that source and reason? When he is everything? Not a short order, right? He is everything when our heart, soul, mind, and strength are united with his - when Jesus is the lens through which we see the world. The psalm today reveals that it is the Lord, himself, who is our strength. When we surrender to Jesus, he gives us the strength to love him with everything within us. And when we truly love him, we cannot help acting on that love in how we care for and love our neighbor. How will we know he is first in our lives? Jesus' words in today's Scripture tell us how: by accepting God's love for us, by loving him back, his love will overflow to those around us. Think of those whom your life touches daily: your colleagues at work, the barista at the café, those who hit the gym the same time as you and yes, those who live right next door your neighbors. In your prayers, ask Jesus, "how can I love and serve them better?"

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#### ST ANDREW'S PARISH CRAFT SHOW

St Andrew's Parish in Upper Arlington is hosting its "Holiday Bazaar," Saturday, November 9. Baked goods and Buckeyes are also for sale. The craft show is in our parish hall, 9 AM-2:30 PM.

#### **BISHOP WATTERSON OPEN HOUSE- NOV 24**

Save the date for Bishop Watterson's Open House, November 24 from 1-3 PM to meet faculty, staff and coaches, and take a guided tour of the facilities with a student. Bishop Watterson is located at 99 East Cooke Road, Columbus. Seating is limited for information sessions with Deacon Chris Campbell, BWHS Principal, so sign up at bishopwatterson.com

#### **SACRED HEART CONGRESS – NOV 9**

Encounter love, healing and renewal through the sacred heart with Bishop Earl K. Fernandes. Nov 9, 8 AM-12 PM at St Paul the Apostle Church (313 North State St, Westerville) for teachings, talks, testimonies, prayer, Reconciliation, food and fellowship. Special Youth Program (K and up) after Mass. \$20 for individuals and \$30 for families. Register: www.welcomehisheart.com

#### **BISHOP READY OPEN HOUSE - NOV 10**

Join us on Sunday, November 10, 1-3 PM at Bishop Ready High School (707 Salisbury Rd, Columbus) to find out what it takes to be a Silver Knight. All students and their families from grade 6 up are welcome to attend. Questions? Contact Jennifer Gramlich '94 at jgramlic@cdeducation.org

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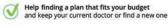
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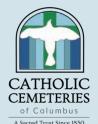
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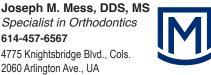
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