

# 2nd Collection for JOIN is this Wednesday

Please help support the Joint Organization for Inner-city Needs (JOIN) this week (March 5) during the Ash Wednesday second collection after Masses or consider making a gift by scanning the QR code.



## **Holy Mass\***

**SAT VIGIL** 5:30 PM

**SUNDAY** 

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

## **Daily Mass\***

**MON & WED** 5:30 PM

**TUE, THU, 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, call the parish office.

\*Regular Mass or Confession times may change due to events, funerals or Holy Days. This week's calendar is in the bulletin or on our website.

## Saint Brendan THE NAVIGATOR

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# Join us for Coffee and Donuts this Sunday!

Coffee and Donuts will take place after the 8:45 & 10:45 AM Sunday Masses in the Davidson Rooms. St Brendan Boy Scout Troop #859 will be hosting Coffee and Donuts this weekend!

# **Mass Intentions/Feast Days**

#### **MONDAY, MARCH 3**

Optional Memorial of St Katharine Drexel 5:30 PM Intention of the Flynn & Renouf Families

#### **TUESDAY, MARCH 4**

**Optional Memorial of St Casimir** 

6:30 AM The Holy Souls in Purgatory 8:00 AM Intention of Bob Del Quardi

#### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5**

#### **Ash Wednesday**

7:00 AM The Holy Souls in Purgatory

12:00 PM Bill Cain †

5:30 PM Michel Kermizis †

#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 6**

**Thursday after Ash Wednesday** 

6:30 AM Priest's Intention 8:00 AM Bill Sauer †

#### **FIRST FRIDAY, MARCH 7**

**Optional Memorial of Saints Perpetua & Felicity** 

6:30 AM Honor O'Reilly † 8:00 AM Bill Sauer †

#### **SATURDAY, MARCH 8**

8:00 AM Vanessa Rebello † 5:30 PM Mary Lou Kreber †

#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 9**

#### First Sunday of Lent

7:15 AM The People of St Brendan Parish

8:45 AM Monica Meyer † 10:45 AM Edward Lynch † 5:30 PM Joann Paesano †

† Indicates intention for a person who is deceased.

# **Eucharistic Adoration**

https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com

MON 6 PM – 10 PM TUE 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 **SUN** 6:30 PM –10 PM

# First Friday Adoration, March 7

**ADORATION** 

Please Note: First Friday Evening Prayer has been cancelled going forward due to a lack of attendance.

First Friday Adoration this month is March 7 at 9 AM through March 8 at 1 PM. More adorers are needed. Please sign up at https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com

# **Information Center**

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Weekdays, 9 AM-12 PM & 1-4 PM

#### **Church Hours**

M-F & Sunday, 6 AM-10 PM Saturday, 6 AM-6:40 PM

New Members All are Welcome! New Member Registration Form found 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? Please contact Jen Rice at jrice@stbrendans.net or call 614.876.1272, ext 227

# Ministry of Evangelization

**& Catechesis** – 614.876.1272

### St Brendan School

614.876.6132, fax 614.529.8929

#### **Marketing/Bulletin Request**

Fill out our marketing request form: stbrendans.net/marketing Email marketing@stbrendans.net for questions or to send artwork.

#### **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 Sundays during 8:45 and 10:45 AM Mass 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/ ministry/stbrendans For scheduling questions, email ministryscheduler@stbrendans.net

#### **Facebook**

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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

# **Message from Fr Dooley**

Hello friends.

As I am writing this column, Pope Francis remains in critical condition at the Gemelli Hospital in Rome. We pray for his health and continued ministry as the shepherd of the Church.

**Ash Wednesday is this week**. Please join us for Mass at 7 AM, 12 PM (Noon) and 5:30 PM. The Distribution of Ashes will take place at all the Masses. Please note that non-Catholics and anyone, regardless of age, can receive ashes. We hear the same readings every year for Ash Wednesday. The Gospel from Matthew provides us with a "blueprint" of what to do during this Season of Lent. As Jesus tells His disciples: pray, fast, and give alms. Here are some practical suggestions for each of these this Lenten Season:

- 1) Pray- Lent is the perfect time for us to rededicate our prayer time with the Lord. I find the morning to be the best time to collect oneself and prepare for the day. The Sunday Mass readings are a great springboard for your prayer life and they can help you to engage with Mass even more. I'm taken aback by how much is offered here in our parish. Please take advantage of our Masses, Eucharistic Adoration, Stations of the Cross, and the many opportunities for Confession this Lenten Season.
- 2) Fast- This is a tough one. Our Lord Himself fasted for 40 days and 40 nights. We can fast from our favorite foods and give up meat on Fridays. Whatever we fast from this Lent, we are called to focus on our dependence on God and not our own resources. As a gentle reminder, the Church states the following: "For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards."
- 3) Giving Alms- We are called to provide for the poor and help those in most need. I invite you to contribute or join our active St Vincent de Paul Society. The needs are great in our wider community. Another good way to give alms is your time. This Lent is the perfect time to call or a visit a family member, friend, or someone that you have lost contact with over the years.

I look forward to spending my first Lent with you as your pastor.

I pray that we will seize every opportunity to recognize the sacrificial love of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

In Christ,



# SAINT BRENDAN 2025 LENT, HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE 3/5 **ASH WEDNESDAY MASS** 7 AM, 12 PM, 5:30 PM\* (\*livestreamed) A day of fasting & abstinence. No Adoration or Confession 3/7 **FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION** Friday, 9 AM through Saturday, 1 PM 3/7-**PARISH LENTEN FISH FRY** Fridays, 5-7 PM (School Gym) 4/4 Jen Parish 3/7 - STATIONS OF THE CROSS 4/11 Fridays, 7 PM (Church) 4/2 **PARISH PENANCE SERVICE** Wednesday, 6-9 PM 4/4 FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION Friday, 9 AM through Saturday, 1 PM 4/9 **DIOCESAN 40 DAYS OF ADORATION** Wednesday, 7 AM-7 PM (@ St Brendan) 4/13 PALM SUNDAY Regular Mass Schedule 4/14 RECONCILIATION MONDAY 6-8 PM **HOLY THURSDAY** 7 PM Mass, then Adoration until midnight 4/18 GOOD FRIDAY 3 PM (Liturgy only) HOLY SATURDAY 9 AM Blessing of the Food 9 PM Easter Vigil Mass 4/20 EASTER SUNDAY MASS 7:15 AM (Church) 8:45 AM (Church & Gym) 10:45 AM\* (Church & Gym,\*livestreamed) WWW.STBRENDANS.NET



# Congratulations on the Baptism of

John Anthony Goubeaux



# Marriage Banns We are pleased to announce

the wedding of Mitchell Davis and Dalisha Beinker on March 22, 2025 at St Brendan the Navigator. Any known reason why this marriage should not happen should be reported to Fr Sean Dooley. We wish Mitchell and Dalisha God's blessing as they unite as husband and wife!

## St Brendan OCIA

OCIA (the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a gradual process where adults have the opportunity to explore faith questions and learn the basic traditions, beliefs and practices of the Catholic Church. If interested, contact Jen Rice at 614-876-1272, ext 227.

# **Los Angeles** Wildfire Relief

To make a donation to Catholic Charities to help families recover from the Los Angeles & surrounding area fires, visit https://bit.ly/LAwildfireRelief 100% of your gift will be sent where it's needed most!

# **Incense Schedule**

Incense will be utilized at Masses denoted with the thurible icon on the calendar and listed below.

9:45 AM

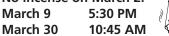
12:00 PM

6:30 PM

6:45 PM

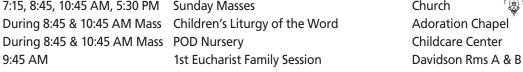
6:30 PM-10:00 PM

No incense on March 2. March 9 5:30 PM



# **Community Calendar**

Communic	y Calcilaai	
MONDAY, MARCH 3	-	
9:00 AM	Catholic Way Bible Study: Gospel of Matthew	Wellnitz, Room 1
9:00 AM	Church Cleaning	Church & Chapel
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:00 PM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
TUESDAY, MARCH 4		,
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
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, Rms 1 & 2
7:00 PM	Young Adult Community Night	The Carter Center
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5	ASH WEDNESDAY (No Adoration or Co	=
7:00 AM-5:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
7:00 AM	Mass, Ash Wednesday	Church
9:45 AM	Elizabeth Ministry Playgroup	Childcare Center
12:00 PM	Mass, Ash Wednesday	Church
5:30 PM	Mass, Ash Wednesday	Church
THURSDAY, MARCH 6		
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	St B Women: Wilderness Within Lenten Study	
10:00 AM	SVdP Sandwich Making for the Homeless	Wellnitz, Room 1
7:00 PM	St B Women: Wilderness Within Lenten Study	Davidson Rms A & B
FRIDAY, MARCH 7		
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
8:00 AM	Seniors NOW: Mass & Breakfast	Church & Olympic Diner, Hilliard
9:00 AM-12:00 AM	1st Friday Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
5:00 PM-7:00 PM	Lenten Fish Fry	School Gym
7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross	Church
7:15 PM	MAST Book Club	The Carter Center
SATURDAY, MARCH 8	Diocesan Collection: Black & Indian Mis	ssions
12:00 AM-1:00 PM	1st Friday Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
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	Confession	Confessional
1:00 PM-5:00 PM	Diocese of Columbus: Mentor Couple Training	Davidson Rms A & B
5:30 PM	Vigil Mass	Church
6:30 PM	Esto Vir Men's Ministry: Cookout	Wellnitz, Rms 1 & 2
SUNDAY, MARCH 9	Diocesan Collection: Black & Indian Mis	
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 9:45 & 10:45 AM Mass		Children Contor



**Baptisms** Church

**Eucharistic Adoration Adoration Chapel VINE Night** School Gym

**Confirmation Family Sessions Multiple Locations** 



Fill out our *Bulletin Prayer Request Form* available at www.bit.ly/Bulletin-Prayer-List (see QR code below) or call the parish office 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. The list is updated every 3-6 months, so if someone you added was deleted, but are still ill, 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 Joe Martin Ira Katz Tom Speroni Ora Johnson Pamela Theado Crystal Billman Karen McLaughlin Wayne Rose Eva Campbell Ron Stanko Ruthann Stafford Francis Drlik Sasha Smajd Marianne Kritzer María Lorena Olquin **Sheri Thomas** Emma Van De Water Sue Devore Dolores Lynch Lela Lalli James Hammer **Shirley Shawcroft** Nick Prehm

#### **ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY**

Thomas Dye
Aaron Grieshop
Jackson Maassel
Aaron Huesman
Sam Imwalle
Christopher Keck
Bradly Mead
Kate Walde-Mead
Robert Carollo

Cody Longstreth
Jackson Maassel
Rick Shonkwiler
Rob Shonkwiler
Luke Stumphauzer
Thomas Noel
Addison A.

... 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

**Inviting Catholics Home Ministry** continues to pray daily for all those who are no longer practicing our faith. For information, visit **www.stbrendans.net/ich** 

# **Mass Intentions Are Needed**

There are open spots on our Mass Intentions calendar in March. Remember a loved one or make your special prayer intention known at Mass by submitting your request to the Parish Office. Simply call 614-876-1272 to reserve a spot and then send in or drop off \$10 to confirm it!

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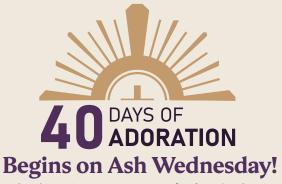
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March 7, 14, 21, 28 + April 4 | 5-7 PM



Find menu, prices & volunteer opportunities @ stbrendans.net/about/parish-events



Columbus Diocese's 40 Days of Adoration begins this Wednesday, March 5. See the full schedule of days, times and parish Adoration locations by visiting www.columbuscatholic.org/40days St Brendan parish will host the Adoration on Wednesday, April 9, 7 AM–7 PM. Please sign up to adore at www.stbrendan.weadorehim.com

# **Beware of Scammers!**

Please be aware of scammers who are impersonating Fr Dooley or other office staff. No one from St Brendan will email or text you asking you to purchase gift cards. Contact the Parish Office if you are not sure of the legitimacy of correspondence you receive. Official email handles are: @stbrendans.net, @ccbchurch.com, @pushpay.com or @columbuscatholic.org

# Happening This Week...

# Young Adult Mardi Gras Party - March 4

Join St Brendan Young Adults on March 4 (Fat Tuesday) at 7-9 PM, in the Carter Center. King cake and fried food will be provided! Questions? Contact Kristen at kristenmanifold20@gmail.com

# Ash Wednesday/Lent Begins - March 5

Ashes will be distributed to everyone during Masses at: **7 AM, 12 PM, and 5:30 PM\***. Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence. No scheduled Confession or Adoration. (\*livestreamed)

# **Ash Wednesday Collection for JOIN**

#### **SUPPORT THE JOINT ORGANIZATION FOR INNER-CITY NEEDS**

JOIN, in downtown Columbus (578 E Main St), is an agency of the Diocese's Catholic Charities Office. Sharing God's love is our daily aspiration. Because of the generosity throughout our Diocese, JOIN is able to help our neighbors with their essential needs such as food, personal care, household items and diapers and with their more intricate hardships such as prescriptions, utilities, birth certificates and transportation.

The Ash Wednesday 2nd Collection at St Brendan, is instrumental in our mission to serve our neighbors. All donations go directly to improve the quality of life for those we serve and is a significant way to begin Lent. On behalf of all of us at JOIN, as well as the sisters and brothers we serve, thank you! You are welcome to visit JOIN anytime or contact Lisa Keita, director of JOIN, at **lkeita@columbuscatholic.org** or 614-241-2530.





# Our Lenten Gift to You...

The parish will again provide the Lenten issue of *The Word Among Us* to help us read and reflect on the daily Scriptures. Pick up your copy in the gathering space this weekend and next week.



FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 8 AM Mass & breakfast at Olympic Diner in Hilliard MONDAY, MARCH 10, 12 PM Lunch at BJ's Brewhouse (at 5141 Tuttle Crossing, Dublin.) RSVP to Larry at larryhanchin@yahoo.com

# Notes about Masses this Month...

- We would like to extend a special thanks to Msgr John Johnson and Fr Paul Noble for their help with Masses this month!
- Bishop Fernandes will be on our campus for two diocesan Masses (Saturday, March 8 and Friday, March 28.)



# **In-person Prayer Available March 9**

Are you seeking one-on-one, in-person prayer? Our Prayer Teams are available to pray with you after the 8:45 AM Mass the second Sunday of each month! Join us with your prayer intentions March 9!

# **Protecting God's Children Class - March 12**

The next PGC class at St Brendan is March 12, 6 PM in the Davidson Rooms. Fingerprinting bregins at 5 PM. To register for the PGC class, please visit www.tinyurl.com/StBrendanPGC and to view our volunteer policies, visit www.stbrendans.net/policies. Questions? Email tboyne@stbrendans.net

## Red Cross Blood Drive - March 14

The next St Brendan Knights of Columbus sponsored American Red Cross Blood Drive is Friday, March 14, 12-6 PM in the Davidson Rooms. Give the gift of life! Schedule an appointment at 1-800-RED-CROSS or www.redcrossblood.org. Questions? Contact Jeff at Audhil1@yahoo.com



# Esto Vir (Be a Man) Events

**TUESDAY MORNINGS – 6:30 AM** in Davidson Room A. Currently journeying through St Francis de Sales' *Introduction to the Devout Life*. Join us anytime!

**SATURDAY MORNINGS ESTO VIR – 6:30 AM** in the Davidson Rooms, join us to break bread, bolster your faith, enjoy fellowship and pray. **FAMILY POTLUCK** – Bring your family and a dish to share for our potluck in the Davidson Room on Saturday, March 29, 6:30 PM!

# Diocesan Mental Health Summit - March 28

Join in a conversation on the topic of mental health and together create a local response. Perhaps you are an Educator, Parish Ministry Staff, Volunteer, Practitioner, or concerned Caregiver. This Mental Health Summit is for all the helpers out there who bring hope and care to our neighbors facing crisis. The summit is on March 28, 9 AM-1:30 PM held at St Brendan in the Davidson Rooms. Mass is available at 8 AM followed by a light breakfast. Lunch is also included. Register at https://bit.ly/4jsf4n0



# **Easter Lilies for the Altar**

Easter lilies have been ordered for the altar. Contributions of \$10 per lily can be made in memory of a loved one, or for a special intention. Make your request(s) and pay with debit or credit card by filling out the online form available by scanning the QR code or at https://bit.ly/lilies4altar2025
Orders received by April 7 will be published in the Easter Sunday bulletin. If you have any difficulty filling out or paying using the online form, contact the parish office for assistance or email accounting@stbrendans.net



# March "Spiritual Spotlight"

Stations of the Cross – The Lenten Story!

The Stations of the Cross tell the story of Jesus' path to Calvary and the distress He endured as He walked to His crucifixion on our behalf.

As we reflect on each Station, we bring our intentions to Jesus. Through His intercession, we receive hope and strength as we live our path to eternal life with Christ. We hope you will join us each Friday during Lent for the Stations of the Cross offered here at St Brendan in the Church at 7 PM.

The book this month in the Spiritual Spotlight bookshelf are available to take and share with others. They were specifically selected to help us journey through the life and Passion of Jesus during Lent – to join our lives with His as we await the glory of His Resurrection. Prepare your heart for that glorious day on Easter Sunday as we grow closer to our Savior – following Him more closely and more intimately than ever before.

"The Stations of the Cross is one of the most simple, yet powerful, ways to prayerfully walk alongside Jesus and encounter Him like never before. For over 1,000 years, Catholics have been devoted to praying the Stations of the Cross. And for over 1,000 years, this deep spiritual exercise has been transforming lives. Dive into this ancient and powerful meditation on the sacrifice of Jesus and it will change your life too."

~Matthew Kelly

For more Catholic resources, visit the Inviting Catholics Home web page at www.stbrendans.net/ich

# **Preschool Registration**

Our collaborative preschool at St Margaret of Cortona has openings for full-day and part-day preschool for children ages 3-5 this fall. Register at bit.ly/preschoolreg2025 or for questions, contact Andrea at aboyd@cdeducation.org

# **Kindergarten Registration**

Register for Kindergarten for the 2025-2026 St Brendan School year! Find info, schedule a tour and register via the QR code or at www.stbrendans.net/school



# **Spring Sports Registration**

Registration is open for: Grades 4-8 Baseball, 4-8 Softball, 2-3 Coach Pitch Baseball, 2-3 Coach Pitch Softball, Track and Field, K-3 Spring Soccer and Little Spikers Volleyball. To register, visit www.stbrendans.net/athletics



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# St Brendan Ministry of Evangelization & Catechesis

# family faith formation

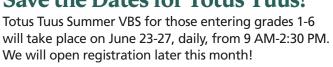
# **Family Faith Formation Schedule**

MIDDLE SCHOOL SMALL GROUPS – Sunday, March 2, 6:45 PM SEEK & ROOT – Monday, March 10, 6:30 PM CONTINUED GROWTH – Sunday, April 27, 9:45-11:15 AM in the Gym

Sacrament Preparation Schedule

FIRST EUCHARIST – Family Session: Sunday, March 9, 9:45-11:15 AM CONFIRMATION – Family Session: Sunday, March 9, 6:45-8 PM

# Save the Dates for Totus Tuus!





# 2025 Catholic Youth Summer Camp

CYSC registration is open for 5th-12th graders. St Brendan Parish is providing \$100 to each of our first 100 students to register (cost per session is \$620). Visit www.damascus.net/cysc-2/main-campus to register. To receive the discount, use code BRENHILL25

# Children's Liturgy of the Word

Aides are needed at 8:45 or 10:45 AM Masses. (Over age 18 must be Safe Environment compliant.) To volunteer, contact Jackie at childrensliturgy@stbrendans.net, Maggie at magra@stbrendans.net or Jacob at jdoran@stbrendans.net

# The POD Nursery Needs Your Help!

The POD Nursery is open during 8:45 & 10:45 AM Sunday Masses. Email nursery@stbrendans.net to let us know you can volunteer. Volunteers 18+ must be Safe Environment compliant. Sign up for a Protecting God's Children class at www.tinyurl.com/StBrendanPGC

# How We Manage Snow on Campus

Parish activities remain open if we are at a Level 1 Snow Emergency, but please consider whether you can safely reach the campus and attend events. If a Level 2 Snow Emergency is declared, the entire campus closes, including Mass and all events. We will alert you via social media and ParishStaq Communications if this occurs. School parents will be alerted of school closures or delays by FACTS communications. The Parish Office will also close if we reach a Level 2 Snow Emergency.

March 2, 2025

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

# Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 27:4-7 | 1 Cor 15:54-58 | Lk 6:39-45

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

It can be uncomfortable to admit, but our speech habits can truly reveal our interior life. Too often, I've fallen prey to the temptation of gossip or other alluring but unbecoming forms of conversation. Perhaps we all have to some degree, which is why today's words from Sirach capture our attention: "When a sieve is shaken, the husks appear; so do one's faults when one speaks." This theme of speech being connected to our hearts is woven throughout Scripture, and it both challenges and encourages us. Before God came to us in the flesh, he came to us as the *Word*. Our words carry eternal weight; they have the power to bless or to curse. For this reason, the Scriptures today challenge us to seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit, our Advocate, in order to grow in virtue so that our speech may reflect his glory and our words echo his truth.

#### GO EVANGELIZE

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In today's parable from Luke's Gospel, Jesus asks, "Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?" Ouch. Am I the only one who shifts uncomfortably when reading this? How often and how easily do we fixate on the way others have caused us frustration, discomfort, or hurt? While those things may (or may not) be true, it feels so easy to dismiss personal responsibility. In this passage, Jesus lovingly teaches us that when we live this way, we remain stuck in our patterns of sin. But he also gives us another option: "Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly." It is through this honest examination of conscience and cleansing of our own sin that we come to know God more fully, and as our vision is cleared, become more aware of how his beauty and mercy surround us.

# **Diocesan Mentor Couple Day of Reflection**

This new annual event is for all mentor couples in the Diocese who assist in preparing engaged couples for marriage. Event is held in the Davidson Rooms at St Brendan on Saturday, March 8, 8-11:30 AM, and begins with Mass, prayer, a short presentation, and time to discuss and learn from each other as mentor couples. Event is FREE. Register in advance at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/mentor-couples-day">https://tinyurl.com/mentor-couples-day</a> Light refreshments will be available. Questions? Contact Jason Spoolstra at <a href="mailto:jspoolstra@columbuscatholic.org">jspoolstra@columbuscatholic.org</a>

# **Around Our Diocese**

#### **HEALTH CARE ETHICS CONFERENCE**

The 2025 Converging Roads one-day health care ethics conference is April 5, 8:45 AM-7 PM at the Pontifical College Josephinum (presented by: Diocese of Columbus, St John Paul II Foundation, Catholic Medical Association of Central Ohio and Ohio Dominican University.) The conference offers continuing education for health care professionals rooted in the Hippocratic and Catholic ethical tradition. Cost is \$75-\$159 based on CME/CNE inclusion, and is available at convergingroads.com/columbus or email ellen@forlifeandfamily.org

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#### **BISHOP WATTERSON UPCOMING EVENTS**

BWHS Men's Night – March 27, 6:30 PM in Dominican Hall at Bishop Watterson – celebrates excellence and honors champions with remarks by Brian Kennedy, head coach of the BWHS 2024 football state champions, Scott Dempsey, head coach of the Eagles' 2024 girls soccer state champion team, as well as other state champion coach speakers. Tickets: \$100/person. Proceeds benefiting the Msgr. Grimes Scholarship Fund for tuition assistance. Find tickets & sponsorship opportunities at bishopwatterson.com

Evening of Reflection – Join Bishop Watterson's Mothers' Club for an Evening of Reflection on March 3 at 7 PM in Dominican Hall. All are welcome to hear about *Run the Race* from the perspective of someone who has been in the program. No RSVP is required. Bishop Watterson is located at 99 East Cooke Road in Columbus.

#### **EMMET CAHILL PERFORMANCE, MARCH 8**

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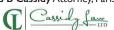




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