Fourth Sunday of Easter

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Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand. ~John 10:27-30



World Day of Prayer for Vocations - Sunday, May 11

Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations – Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead. Encourage young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister. Pray a Rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call. (See bulletin insert 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 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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Mass Intentions/Feast Days

MONDAY, MAY 12

5:30 PM Dolores D'Amico †

TUESDAY, MAY 13

Optional Memorial of Our Lady of Fatima

6:30 AM Intention of Dana Dosen

8:00 AM Joe Martin t

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

Feast of St Matthias

5:30 PM Joe & Jan Martin †

THURSDAY, MAY 15

Optional Memorial of St Isidore the Farmer

6:30 AM Intention of Terrence Byrne

8:00 AM Frank Perrotta †

FRIDAY, MAY 16

Patronal Feast of St Brendan the Navigator

6:30 AM Joe Martin †

SATURDAY, MAY 17

8:00 AM Joe Martin t

5:30 PM Frank Perrotta †

SUNDAY, MAY 18

Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:15 AM The People of St Brendan Parish

8:45 AM Frank & Mary Lou Kreber †

10:45 AM Helen Schoeppner †

5:30 PM Joe Martin †

† Indicates intention for a person who is deceased.



Join us May 21 at 6 PM for the last Anchored (until fall) for elevating music, parishioner testimony of faith and our prayer team ready to pray with you!

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 w/Confession

THU 9 AM -10 PM FRI 9 AM-10 PM

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

ADORATION

SAT 9 AM-1 PM

SUN 6:30 PM - 10 PM

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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

12 PM most Sundays. Two baptismal prep classes required. Visit 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 Jennifer Rice at irice@stbrendans.net or call 614-876-1272, ext 227

Ministry of Evangelization & Catechesis – 614-876-1272

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

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Fill out a Mass Intention Envelope (by the Adoration Chapel) with \$10 cash/check and drop it in the baskets at Mass or Parish Office.

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 ParishStaq account.

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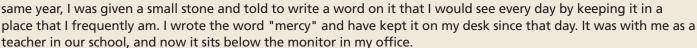
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A Message from Jacob Doran

Prayers and congratulations to everyone who celebrated their first Holy Communion and Confirmation during this PAST week! Family Faith Formation and School families have been busy preparing their children for these sacraments since September, and they are now experiencing the incredible graces that God has for His sons and daughters. Please continue to pray for these children that they would keep encountering Jesus Christ through prayer, Penance, and the Eucharist.

As I write this, we are still in our days of mourning Pope Francis. When I first came to St Brendan ten years ago, Francis had initiated a Year of Mercy. Sometime during that



The word *mercy* reminds me to always consider the work that God is about in each person I interact with. It spurs me to treat others as I would want to be treated. It helps me recall that I, too, am a sinner in need of God's grace. It is the word that helps me most to walk with others and not ahead of them. To match someone's pace instead of setting it. God is the one who directs our lives and pushes us forward. In the classroom or in faith formation, God has asked me to walk alongside those that He puts across my path. He is in control, and I am pleased to simply attempt to communicate His merciful love for you.

Now that we approach the summer, I am excited for my favorite part of my job - meeting with parents and families to talk about what God has been doing over the last year, and to look forward to where the Holy Spirit is directing a family to go next. All parish families are invited to register for the upcoming year of Family Faith Formation (yes, even families that attend the school!). I desire and pray that as a parish community, a family of families, that we can pour out mercy on one another as we walk together towards a fuller life of faith in our homes. Please see page 7 in the bulletin for more details on registering for 2025-26 Family Faith Formation or visit our web page at www.tinyurl.com/stb-fff



The year my youngest daughter was born, I lost control. Perceived control, that is. Up until then, I thought I had things figured out: career, marriage, a couple of kids with another on the way, house with a yard, Catholic school, and parish within walking distance. I was checking the boxes. And then God blessed us with Marjorie.

Marjorie: the surprise in so many ways. A "rainbow baby," as some call the child who comes after a miscarriage. So desired and so loved well before she was born. On a gorgeous September night after an uneventful pregnancy, an unexpected redhead came crashing into our arms and hearts. Shortly thereafter, we were home, ready to nestle into the love and routine of a household with three young children. Except the Lord, in His glorious wisdom and mercy, said to us, "I have plans for you." And, oh man, did He.

During the course of the next two months, we were to learn that our beloved daughter had Down Syndrome and a commonly associated irregularity—a congenital heart defect, serious enough to require open-heart surgery. On top of this, at four months of age, she developed RSV and was sent to the cardiac intensive care unit at our local children's hospital, where she would ultimately stay until the surgery.

Looking back, the Lord, in all His amazing goodness, had been preparing me in a few particular ways, with me barely noticing. While pregnant with Marjorie and at the invitation of a good friend, I'd begun going to Eucharistic Adoration while we swapped watching our toddlers. This regular date with Jesus strengthened my relationship with the Lord and helped me to get to know Him better. I'd started doing *lectio divina*, the practice of doing a reading—in my case, the daily Mass readings—meditating on what jumped out at me—conversing with the Lord about it through journal writing. I found myself often praying before the Blessed Sacrament, "Lord, make me your hands."

I had also begun attending daily Mass after preschool drop-off, usually with one or two toddlers in tow. The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that, like food is for the body, so is the Eucharist for our spiritual life (see #1392). Communion preserves, increases and renews the grace we received at Baptism. We need the nourishment of Eucharistic Communion as "bread for our pilgrimage until the moment of death."

Bread for the pilgrimage of life. Jesus had been fortifying me through the gift of Himself while leading me up to a monumentally transitional point in my life. He had been filling me with grace. But the Holy Spirit draws us to freely cooperate with Him. I had to learn to surrender, to choose to accept that which I did not choose. I had to decide to give up control.





Congratulations on the Baptisms of

Lennon Rae Amon Brooks Nicholas Joseph



Marriage Banns

We are pleased to announce the wedding of **Peyton Huth and Maria Simonton** on Saturday, May 31, 2025 at St Brendan Church. We wish Peyton and Maria God's blessing as they unite as husband and wife! Any known reason why this marriage should not happen should be reported to Father Sean Dooley.

St Brendan Feast Day is May 16

In recognition and in honor of our Patron Saint, please pray with us this prayer attributed to Saint Brendan the Navigator:

Help me to journey beyond the familiar and into the unknown.

Give me the faith to leave old ways and break fresh ground with You.

Christ of the Mysteries, I trust You to be stronger than each storm within me.

I will trust in the darkness and know that my times, even now, are in Your hand.

Tune my spirit to the music of heaven, and somehow, make my obedience count for You.

AMEN

Incense Schedule

If incense will be utilized during Mass, it will be denoted with the thurible icon on the calendar.

No incense the rest of May.

Community Calendar

MONDAY, MAY 12		
9:00 AM	Church Cleaning	Church & Chapel
11:00 AM	Seniors NOW: Mass for Seniors	Church
12:00 PM	Seniors NOW: Reception	Davidson, Rms A & B
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:00-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
TUESDAY, MAY 13		
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	O.C.I.A. Meeting	Chas McCurdy LC
WEDNESDAY, MAY 14		
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 Women's Group	Off-Site
7:00 PM	Young Men's Small Group	Wellnitz, Room 1
7:15 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Church
THURSDAY, MAY 15		
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
1:00 PM	Grief Support Luncheon	La Chatelaine, Dublin
6:30 PM	St B Women's Spring Event	Davidson, Rms A & B
7:00 PM	SVdP Sandwich Making for Homeless	Wellnitz, Room 1
FRIDAY, MAY 16 SCHOOL DISMISSED AT 12:00 PM		
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
SATURDAY, MAY 17	SATURDAY CONFESSION CANCELLED	
6:30 AM	Esto Vir Men's Ministry	Davidson, Rms A & B
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	SVdP: Monthly Conference Meeting	Wellnitz, Rms 1 & 2
5:30 PM	Vigil Mass	Church
SUNDAY, MAY 18		
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
After 8:45 & 10:45 AM Masses	Coffee & Donuts	Davidson, Rms A & B
12:00 PM	Baptisms	Church
6:30 PM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
6:30 PM	The ROOTS	Campus Outdoors
6:30 PM	VINE Night	School Gym
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Note from Fr Dooley – Please view the request below from a friend of mine, Brother Rex Anthony Norris, a diocesan hermit for the Diocese of Portland, Maine: My mom turns 95 years young on May 30 of this year. My siblings and I are soliciting Birthday Cards for a surprise "card shower." I would be most grateful if you, dear reader, would send her a card (no money or gift) postmarked no later than May 20, addressed to: **Maxine C/O Muskingum Church**, **4545 Gorsuch Rd**, **Nashport OH 43830**



To the families of Thomas Crane and Stacey Ruff

Prayer List

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 is 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

Marilyn Wiggins Bill Brake Tom Speroni Ira Katz Ora Johnson Pamela Theado Crystal Billman Karen McLaughlin Wayne Rose Eva Campbell Sasha Smajd Francis Drlik María Lorena Olguin Marianne Kritzer **Sheri Thomas** Emma Van De Water Sue Devore Dolores Lynch Shirley Shawcroft James Hammer Nick Prehm Ron Shook **Sheri Thomas** Kenneth Shook **Beverly Moran Greg Moore** Fran Kienle Marsha Brawley Sue Salvesen Teresa Shaw Stella Tolliver Robert DelOuadri Adolfo Regalado Gerri Moore Vito Checchio Cathy Hershey Pamela Bauer Cynthia Covey Elena Schlenker Billy Martin

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...we pray for all our men and women in service to our country, healthcare workers and first responders.

THOSE AWAY FROM THE CHURCH

Join the St Brendan Inviting Catholics Home Ministry in praying daily for those no longer practicing our faith.

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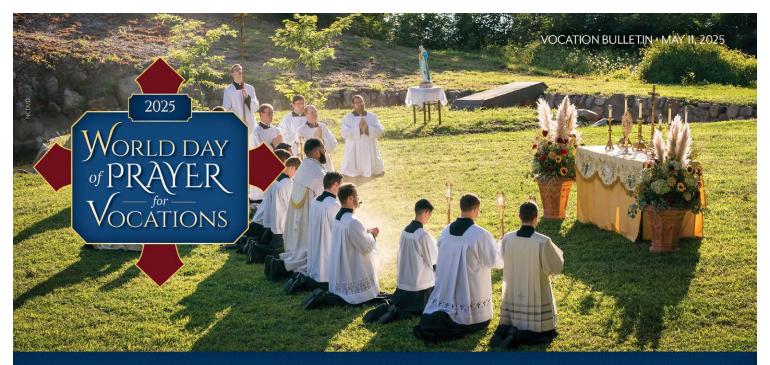
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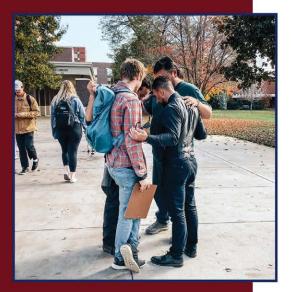
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2025 JUBILEE YEAR 🕇 "THOSE WHO HOPE IN THE LORD WILL RENEW THEIR STRENGTH." ~ISAIAH 40:31



Above: Fr. Nathan Dail prays with students at Boise State University. Across the country, more campus ministries are thriving as bishops prioritize young adult ministry and assign dynamic priests to work with college students.

Masthead photo: At their annual convention, Vocation Directors from across the U.S. held a Eucharistic Holy Hour in an historic outdoor amphitheater in Huntington, NY. Support the work of the National Conference of Diocesan Vocation Directors at NCDVD.org.

NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

THRIVING CAMPUS MINISTRIES SPARK NEW VOCATIONS

It's standing-room only at Sunday evening Mass," says Fr. Tim Holeda, pastor of the campus parish at Florida State University, where 700 students fill the pews and more than 100 spill into the aisles. "I had to add an extra student Mass," he says happily. "Our student ministry is rockin"... we have hundreds in Bible studies, hundreds at retreats. It's been amazing for a long time, but now it's exploding. God is good!"

Fr. Holeda also happens to be the Vocation Director of the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee, and the boom at FSU is leading to a bumper crop of seminarians. The small diocese will ordain four priests this year and expects to accept at least five men for seminary studies.

FSU is just one example of thriving campus ministries that have led to increased vocations. One of the best examples is the Diocese of Austin, whose four major universities each has its own



TOR Sisters accompanied students from FSU to the annual March for Life.

dynamic campus ministry. The diocese accepted 24 men to seminary last fall.

Part of the upward trend is the effectiveness of FOCUS missionaries who follow the principle of "spiritual multiplication" by starting small Bible studies on campus whose participants go on to start their own groups. FOCUS reports that more than 1,000 alumni have entered seminary or religious formation.

One big takeaway: as Catholic parents guide their children in choosing a college, it's wise to place high importance on the health of its campus ministry!





A PRIEST IN TIMES SQUARE

Did you know there's an enormous statue of a Catholic priest in Times Square? Fr. Francis Duffy was a teacher in New York City who was ordained a priest in 1896. He served in the Spanish-American War as chaplain of the legendary Fighting 69th Infantry, and later in World War I. Hundreds of soldiers testified to his incredible compassion and bravery as he accompanied the wounded in the thick of battle. Fr. Duffy remains the most decorated cleric in U.S. Army history.

HEROIC PRIESTS

NEEDED: FAITH AND VALOR



Coldiers and military families Simply don't have enough priests," says Fr. Peter Pomposello, an Army priest chaplain. The Archdiocese of the Military Services is the largest diocese in the U.S., but has only about 200 priests, which includes chaplains stationed at far-flung bases overseas.

Fr. Pete, who is popular on

Instagram as @fr.unclesam, feels that we need to start younger. "We need to get young boys dreaming of a life of heroic service," he said. "Many want to grow up to be soldiers. Some want to be priests. I say to them: 'Why not both?"

His starting place is to tell the stories of real-life heroes. "You don't have

to make this stuff up," he said. "Our history is full of priest-chaplains who gave their lives for God and country. I can't think of anything more inspiring for young men today."



The Brave & Blessed Spiritual Field Kit helps boys ages 5-12 imagine a life of heroic service. Includes a pack of 20 trading cards featuring priest chaplains and rosary prayers. Available at vianneyvocations.com



Listen to enough vocation stories, and several patterns emerge.

There's the convert-to-priest, the devout guy who went straight to college seminary, the men who felt called later in life, and surprisingly common, those who wanted to be priests ever since they were little kids.

When parents openly discuss priesthood and religious life as joyful, fulfilling vocations—not just rare exceptions—it plants seeds that may one day bear fruit. A child who grows up knowing that marriage, priesthood, or religious life are all viable paths is more likely to discern with freedom when the time comes.

So parents take note: our future priests and sisters are already in cry rooms, climbing on pews, and sneaking extra donuts after Mass!



PRAY180

INTENTIONAL PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

"Realistically, what can I actually do to promote vocations?" This was a question Fr. Greg Gerhart heard repeatedly. As any good Vocation Director would do, he asked people to pray. "But I sensed that a lot of people

wanted more direction, something more concrete," he said. In the wake of his very popular Discernment 180 books, Fr. Greg has written Pray180, which helps people supercharge their prayer for vocations, while also improving their own spiritual lives. The new book helps them create a rule of life, commit to various spiritual practices, and read a daily reflection for six months (180 days). "The idea is to be intentional—not just to offer an occasional prayer, but to grow in holiness while interceding daily for vocations."



vianneyvocations.com

St Brendan Young Adults

Young Adult Men's and Women's Groups meet Wednesday, May 14 at 7-9 PM. Women meet at a private residence and men meet in Wellnitz Hall. Questions? Contact Jordan Frey: freydesigns@gmail.com

Grief Support Luncheon

For support from fellow parishioners, attend our next Grief Support Luncheon Thursday, May 15, 1 PM at La Chatelaine in Dublin. Questions? Contact Dennis: edmuch@me.com

In-person Prayer - May 18

Are you seeking one-on-one, in-person prayer? Our Prayer Team is available to pray with you after 8:45 AM Mass on the second Sundays each month. In May, the date has been changed to the third Sunday, May 18. Bring your prayer intentions and look for the Prayer Team banner in the gathering area after Mass.



Men's Steak Fry - June 6

The Men's Club invites men (13 and older) to a Steak Fry on June 6, 6-11 PM. Purchase advance sale tickets for \$20/person (\$25 at the door) after Masses on May 17/18, May 24/25 & May 31/June 1, or purchase tickets online at www.bit.ly/mens-steak-fry or via the QR code. Price includes meat, appetizers, sides and beverages. Questions? Contact Fred Kerner at joc93@yahoo.com

Happening This Week...

Mass for Seniors -Monday, May 12

Join Seniors NOW for our annual Mass for Seniors on Monday, May 12 at 11 AM. The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be offered for those in need. Join us at 12 PM in the Davidson Rooms for a catered lunch. Cost is \$10 at the door. RSVP to Larry (for lunch only) at larryhanchin@yahoo.com



St Brendan Women's Event - May 15

Join us for an inspirational talk by Malinda Bostick, PhD, on living with a heart for service. The Davidson Room doors open at 6:30 PM for a delicious soup supper and social time. Bring in diapers and baby wipes (optional) to benefit Mommies Matter. Plus, honor Mary at our annual May Crowning! RSVP at www.bit.ly/marys-heart Questions? Contact Anna at achalbisen@yahoo.com



2nd Collection for "Measure Up" - May 17/18

The Knights of Columbus *Measure Up* campaign for people with Developmental Disabilities is underway. This fundraiser, conducted annually throughout Ohio, benefits over 322 statewide and local agencies that sponsor training and support programs for developmentally disabled. The St Brendan KofC Council will use the funds raised to support *Special Olympics Ohio*, including *Hilliard Special Olympics*. A second collection will take place after Masses next weekend on May 17 & 18. Or, make checks payable to "St Brendan KofC" with "Measure Up" written on the memo line. Mail it, attn: St Brendan KofC, 4475 Dublin Road, Hilliard, Ohio 43026

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Summer Adult Scripture Study Begins June 10

The Gospel of Luke takes you on a journey that begins with the foretelling of John the Baptist's birth and culminates in Jesus' ascension into heaven. On the road to Emmaus, a story unique to the Gospel of Luke, Jesus



gave us the greatest Bible study of all time, laying out His fulfillment of the Old Testament. Join us June 10-July 29, 7-8:30 PM in Wellnitz Hall for this 8-part study with video and discussion. Jeff Cavins and Dr Jeffrey Morrow will show you the beautiful Biblical roots for Mary, the Rosary, and the Mass that are found in Luke, strengthening your prayer life like never before. Register and order your study materials through our adult faith formation web page at www.bit.ly/StB-AdultFF and contact Phil Petrella at papetrella@gmail.com with any questions.

RSVP for Young Couples Date Night, May 30

St Brendan and Knights of Columbus host Date Night for Young Couples (again!) on Friday, May 30 at 6:30-8 PM! Dinner and childcare (up to 5 years old) is provided in the Davidson Rooms—no cost to you. Share stories with other Catholic couples over dinner and social time. Then, watch KofC's video series, "The Mission of the Family" with small group discussion afterwards. Register by May 28 at www.bit.ly/StB-AdultFF Contact Chuck at chuck436@att.net with questions.

Red Cross Blood Drive, May 23



The next St Brendan Knights of Columbus sponsored

American Red Cross Blood Drive is Friday, May 23, 12-6 PM in the Davidson Rooms. RSVP at www.redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED-CROSS to give the gift of life! Questions? Contact Jeff at Audhil1@yahoo.com

Become an OCIA Team Member!

Catholic dioceses across the US reported significant growth in the number of new Catholics entering the Church this Easter, some welcoming their largest groups in years. We are experiencing a high number of people inquiring about the Catholic faith here, too! To help them discern their call to faith, we need to be ready to receive them in OCIA. Here's how you can help:

Team members – Welcome, facilitate discussion, present topics (if comfortable), and pray! We will have separate groups running sessions on Tuesday nights, one starting in June and another in September.

Sponsors – Many of those seeking the Church have no connection to Catholicism and will need a sponsor who can attend the sessions and walk alongside the person in their discernment. Usually a six-month commitment with follow-up on your own.

Childcare volunteers – Several of our potential OCIA attendees have infants or young children. Having childcare on site allows them to fully participate in the process. Adults (current PGC on file) and teens needed! To find out more or say "YES," reach out to Jen at **jrice@stbrendans.net**



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This year, our Appeal parish goal is to raise \$330,000. The theme, *Together in Mission*, makes it abundantly clear that we have a responsibility to the entire Body of Christ, of which we all are members.

The Appeal serves as the lifeline for vital ministries to the poor, hungry, and incarcerated in Central Ohio. It also funds the religious formation and preparation programs for our seminarians, diaconate, Catholic school students, and even engaged couples! Learn more about the Appeal's impact by visiting www.bit.ly/25appeal

This year's official Appeal prayer was authored by our former pastor, Fr Bob Penhallurick! Together, we join in prayer for a generous response from our fellow parishioners:

Heavenly Father, You have called us to go out and proclaim the Good News of Your Son's death and Resurrection. Empower us with Your Holy Spirit for this work of ministry. Give us hearts and minds that are open to the Gospel, and hands and feet that are willing to live it. Bless the work of this Appeal, and the sacrifices we make in Your service, that, in all we do and say, we may build up Your Church here on earth, and be instruments that bring Christ to others. We ask all this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

St Brendan Ministry of Evangelization & Catechesis

family faith formation

Sacrament Preparation

THE FINAL FIRST COMMUNION MASS is this Sunday, May 11 at 2 PM. Please see your email for details about the date.

Family Faith Formation

2025-26 REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! See the ad below and access all the registration details and links by visiting www.tinyurl.com/st-fff





POD Nursery Volunteers

The POD Nursery is open during 8:45 and 10:45 AM Sunday Masses. To volunteer, email nursery@stbrendans.net to be added to our roster. Volunteers 18+ must be Safe Environment compliant. For Protecting God's Children classes: www.tinyurl.com/StBrendanPGC

Early Childhood VBS

Summer VBS for preschool & kindergarten children is June 23-27 on our campus (same days/times as our Totus Tuus program for older kids!) Space is limited! Register children

at https://tinyurl.com/stb-2025vbs Cost is \$40/child. Volunteers are also needed to help facilitate the program – sign up via the QR code or email jdoran@stbrendans.net



Totus Tuus Youth Program

St Brendan's summer Catholic youth program, Totus Tuus, is for children entering grades 1-6 and runs June 23-27, 9 AM-2:30 PM. Register children at www.bit.ly/2025totus-tuus-child (cost is \$40/child.) We also need volunteers for the program and hosts for missionaries. To help, visit https://bit.ly/help-totus-tuus2025 or contact Maggie at mcook@stbrendans.net

St Brendan Fall Athletics

Registration is now open for St Brendan Fall Athletics including: Football, Cheer, Volleyball, Golf, Soccer and Cross Country. (No CYO soccer for older grades this year.) Register at www.stbrendans.net/athletics



Around Our Diocese

BISHOP HARTLEY 60TH CLASS REUNION

Bishop Hartley High School Class of 1965 will celebrate its 60th class reunion on Sunday, Aug 17, 5-8 PM at the Paddock Pub & Grill (1005 Richardson Road, Groveport) RSVP by July 15. Cost \$45/person. Questions? Contact 614-284-0434, jjloeffler3@gmail.com

FATIMA PROCESSION, MAY 13

Tuesday May 13, at 7 PM, St Patrick and Holy Family churches will host a Fatima Procession from Holy Family to St Patrick. Mass at 5:30 PM followed by the procession at 7 PM. Shuttle buses provided. For more information, contact (614) 221-4323 or office@holyfamilycolumbus.org

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES MEMORIAL DAY

Catholic Cemeteries of Columbus will host Memorial Day Ceremonies on May 26 at three cemetery locations: Resurrection (Lewis Center), St Joseph (Lockbourne) and Holy Cross (Pataskala), each offering a flag ceremony and a Mass honoring all those who have served our country. Questions? Visit catholiccemeteriesofcolumbus.org or call 614-888-1805. Mass and Flag Ceremony (FC) times and locations are listed below: St Joseph Cemetery: 11 AM Mass, 12 PM FC Resurrection Cemetery: 12 PM FC, 1 PM Mass Holy Cross Cemetery: 10:30 AM FC, 11 AM Mass

Thanks & Gratitude

Kairos Prison Ministry Thanks You!

We are blessed to be part of a parish that supports the efforts of our Kairos Prison Ministry and helps us spread the love of Christ inside prison walls. We collected over \$1,100 and 400 dozen cookies! Early in the Kairos prison ministry weekend, a talk was given by one of the volunteers entitled, "You Are Not Alone". The volunteers who support the weekend made a prayer chain using small strips of colored paper and wrote the names of the people who baked cookies and those whom they were praying for during the weekend. They brought out the prayer chain during the talk and passed it around the room. Then, they hung it up on the wall where the men could view it throughout the weekend and read the names. The following is a response from a resident at the London Correctional facility:

"Alone, stuck, and confined in darkness. I can't see or hear, and I can barely breath. My heart and soul was completely overtaken by the darkness. Think about how that feels. Then, imagine the Holy Spirit holding a candle. Mercy, love and compassion came into the darkness and into my heart – Heart and soul springs to life! God forgives all my sins. I come into the Shepherd's flock and I am alone no longer. I can choose the light of Christ. I can't produce darkness, but can accept His light. Now I know that I am never alone! Please thank the St Brendan parish for the cookies and the prayers and the financial help given for the weekend."





SVdP Thrift Store Drive - A Huge Success!

The St Brendan St Vincent de Paul Conference and Knights of Columbus want to thank you, St Brendan parishioners! Our **2025 St Vincent de Paul Thrift Store Drive** was a huge success. We filled two trailers and two box trucks with items that can now be used to help those in need in our community. Imagine the joy on the faces of those who will receive these "pre-loved treasures." A child riding one of the 39 bikes for the first time, a family finding warmth in donated clothes, someone regaining dignity through simple household essentials. Every single item collected represents St Brendan parishioners' generosity, care, and a commitment to uplifting others. God Bless.



St Brendan School Kitchen Help Needed

Help with our school lunch service beginning in the 2025-26 school year.

- Part-time position (8 AM-1:30 PM.) One day a week Wednesdays
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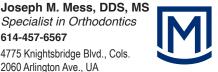
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