

# Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## Welcome Back to Our School Students, Teachers & Staff!

The first day of school for St Brendan School students is this Wednesday, August 20. Our normal church hours will begin this week as well.  
(See page 2 for details on school playground fence replacement, bus lane & car line.)



## Join Us at Coffee & Donuts This Sunday!

Inviting Catholics Home Ministry hosts Coffee & Donuts in the Davidson Rooms after 8:45 & 10:45 AM Masses.



### Holy Mass\*

**SAT VIGIL**  
5:30 PM

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

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### 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.*

## Mass Intentions/Feast Days

### MONDAY, AUGUST 18

5:30 PM Hazel Forquer †

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 19

Memorial of St John Eudes (opt)

6:30 AM Bob McFadden †

8:00 AM Ann Nugent †

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20

Memorial of St Bernard

5:30 PM Bill Nugent †

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 21

Memorial of St Pius X

6:30 AM Delores Nugent †

8:00 AM Dee Matuska †

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 22

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 AM John Nugent †

8:00 AM Frank & Mary Lou Kreber †

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

Memorial of St Rose of Lima (opt)

8:00 AM Quent & Sally Heimerman †

5:30 PM Chester & Florence Scheel †

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:15 AM The People of St Brendan Parish

8:45 AM Nettie Nugent †

10:45 AM Virginia Nugent †

5:30 PM Intention of Karen McLoughlin

† Indicates intention for a person who is deceased.

## 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

### St Brendan School

614-876-6132, fax 614-529-8929

### New Members All are Welcome!

New Member Registration Form

found at [stbrendans.net/welcome](http://stbrendans.net/welcome)

Questions? Call 614-876-1272, or

email [parish@stbrendans.net](mailto:parish@stbrendans.net)

### Marriage

Fill out a Marriage Request Form

at [stbrendans.net/marriage](http://stbrendans.net/marriage) at

least six months prior to your

wedding. Marriage prep is required.

Questions? Contact Valerie Scheel,

[weddingplanner@stbrendans.net](mailto:weddingplanner@stbrendans.net)

### Baptisms

12 PM most Sundays. Two

baptismal prep classes required.

Visit [stbrendans.net/baptism](http://stbrendans.net/baptism)

### Baptism Preparation Classes

1st Sunday most months, 12 PM

(2 classes required). Questions?

Email [baptism@stbrendans.net](mailto:baptism@stbrendans.net)

### Anointing of the Sick

Contact the Parish Office.

### OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Interested in becoming Catholic?

Please contact Wendy Ferkany

at [wferkany@stbrendans.net](mailto:wferkany@stbrendans.net)

or call 614-876-1272, ext 291

### Ministry of Evangelization & Catechesis – 614-876-1272

### Marketing/Bulletin Request

Fill out our marketing request

form: [stbrendans.net/marketing](http://stbrendans.net/marketing)

Email [marketing@stbrendans.net](mailto:marketing@stbrendans.net)

for questions or to send artwork.

### Mass Intentions

Fill out a Mass Intention Envelope

(in the church gathering area) with

\$10 cash/check and drop it in the

baskets at Mass or Parish Office.

### Protecting God's Children

Register at [www.virtus.org](http://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 (true cost for flowers has risen to \$109 each week, so larger donations are 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](mailto: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](http://stbrendan.ccbchurch.com) and

create your ParishStaq account.

### Liturgical Ministry Portal

Ministry Scheduler Pro at:

[www.rotundasoftware.com/ministry/stbrendans](http://www.rotundasoftware.com/ministry/stbrendans)

For scheduling questions, email

[ministryscheduler@stbrendans.net](mailto:ministryscheduler@stbrendans.net)

### Facebook

(Parish) [StBrendanofHilliard](https://www.facebook.com/StBrendanofHilliard)

### Instagram

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(School) [@saintbrendanschool](https://www.instagram.com/saintbrendanschool)

(The Vine) [@stbvine](https://www.instagram.com/stbvine)

(The Roots) [@stb\\_theroots](https://www.instagram.com/stb_theroots)

(Young Adults) [@stbya](https://www.instagram.com/stbya)

### Livestreamed Mass

YouTube –

[SaintBrendantheNavigatorHilliard](https://www.youtube.com/SaintBrendantheNavigatorHilliard)

Facebook – [facebook.com/StBrendanHilliardyoutube.com/c/](https://www.facebook.com/StBrendanHilliardyoutube.com/c/)

Sunday: 10:45 AM

Mon & Wed: 5:30 PM

Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat: 8 AM

## Mass Intentions

There are a few open dates available on our Mass Intention calendar in November/December of 2025 and January of 2026.

## Thursday Children's Holy Hour

Our designated Children's Holy Hour is Thursday mornings at 11 AM. Bring your littles to experience Jesus up close – all ages welcome to pray, grab a book to read or just pop in! (Sign-up URL is below.)

## Eucharistic Adoration

<https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com>

MON 6 PM–10 PM

TUE 8:30 AM–10 PM

WED 7 AM–5 PM Holy Hour: 6-7 PM w/Confession

THU 8:30 AM–10 PM Children's Holy Hour at 11 AM

FRI 8:30 AM–10 PM First Friday each month at 9 AM through Saturday at 1 PM

SAT 8:30 AM–1 PM

SUN 6:30 PM–10 PM







# A Message from Jen Rice

**DIRECTOR OF MISSION & PASTORAL CARE**

**Transitions.** The idea is heavily on my mind as, by the time you read this, we have left the first triplet at college and the other two are heading out in a few days. I know I am not alone in my feelings of fear and anxiety in transition time – kids are going back to school this week, jobs are changing, perhaps a physical move or even a change in health. The anticipation of

the “What is next?” can keep us up at night and restlessly scattered in our days. We are first human, created by God with emotions also created by Him – all expected and normal (even when it does not feel like it). But there is additional hope and expectation of us because we are His children and we have been given His Spirit within us to cope.

The second reading from Hebrews this Sunday is timed so perfectly for us as a reminder of the “extra” we receive as believers in Christ to handle these transitions and fears:

*Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us...*

First, we are surrounded by witnesses who have gone before us and those who stand here ready to support us. Who do we have in Heaven cheering us on, ready to intercede for us as we call out in our need? For me it’s my grandparents, my godfather and my in-laws, with our Blessed Mother, and some go-to Saints on the front lines. Here on earth, it is our friends, our fellow parishioners who may have already gone through these transitions and can witness to us coming out the other side. Through that earthly and heavenly support, we can shake off the burden of fear and feel more confident in running whatever race we have entered. We need only to ask for help. But there is more: *...while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith.*

We have Jesus.

*Consider how He endured such opposition from sinners, in order that you may not grow weary and lose heart.*

He has already done it, my friends. Jesus has endured every fear, hurt, worry, and the ultimate transition so He could go before us and lead us through. If you need a reminder, just look at the cross and spend some time in prayer there (our chapel is ideal for this). There He is with outstretched arms waiting for you to hand those emotional burdens into His arms so He can help you carry them. While the emotions may still be strong and the anxiety of the unknown still present, knowing that Jesus is in the midst of it, one step ahead, allows us to persevere so that we do not grow weary and lose heart.

As we move through our life transitions, let us link arms and run together, following Jesus. We can be certain He will stay with us through the whole race.

## A Prayer for Students...

*We give you praise, O God, for all that is new, all that holds promise & all that brings joy. Bless us as we start this new year at school. May we show love to one another & to all. May the beginning of this school year remind us that You allow us to start over again & again. Help us to forgive others as You forgive us. Help us to learn & to work together. Help us listen when we should, find the best words to speak & know when to be quiet. Help us to be good friends this year. Help us to be patient with ourselves & others. Bless our school & keep us safe. Help us to be aware of Your love, shown to us in the people around us. Bless all who care for us in school & at home. May the Blessed Mother Mary help us live as well as she did, giving all thanks & glory to God. Amen*

## Playground New Fencing

Renovations are already underway to replace and upgrade the fence around our School Playground. For the safety of our young parishioners, we ask parents to keep a watchful eye on children to make sure they do NOT enter the taped-off construction area. The playground is expected to re-open by the beginning of the new school year.



## School Car Line & Bus Lane

As a reminder, the School Pick-up Car Line forms around 3 PM during school days. The graphic above shows where the car line forms as parents pick up their children. Please watch for children and note – our speed limit in the parking lot is just 10 mph. Also, during school days/hours, please avoid utilizing or parking in the School Bus Lane.



## September 9 Cohort

If you or someone you know is discerning becoming Catholic or completing their sacraments, we welcome you! Our next OCIA cohort begins on September 9. Classes are Tuesday evenings, 7-8:30 PM in the Davidson Rooms. Fill out an inquirer form to start the process, which is available at <https://stbrendans.net/sacraments-prayers/order-of-christian-initiation-for-adults/>

Ministering to our candidates and catechumens blesses both them and those who volunteer. Please see below for ways you can help out and scan the QR code to sign up!

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- OCIA Leadership Team
- Hospitality (Snacks & Setup)
- Social Committee
- Card Committee
- Sponsor
- Prayer Team
- Childcare
- Tech Support



# Community Calendar

## MONDAY, AUGUST 18

9:00 AM	Church Cleaning	Church & Chapel
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:00 PM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 19

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
6:30 AM	Esto Vir Men's Ministry	Davidson, Room A
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
8:30 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
7:00 PM	OCIA Summer Cohort	Davidson, Room A

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20 1ST DAY OF SCHOOL

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	KofC Monthly Meeting	Wellnitz, Rms 1 & 2

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 21

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
8:30 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration (11:00 AM Children's Holy Hour)	Adoration Chapel
7:00 PM	SVdP Sandwich Making for Homeless	Wellnitz, Room 1

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 22

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
8:30 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
8:30 AM-1:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
8:30 AM	Praying the Rosary	Church
9:00 AM	Confession	Confessional
9:00 AM	Faith Formation Team Retreat	Davidson, Rms A & B
9:00 AM	SVdP Monthly Conference Meeting	Wellnitz, Room 1
5:30 PM	Vigil Mass	Church

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM, 5:30 PM	Sunday Masses	Church
During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass	POD Nursery	Childcare Center
12:00 PM	Baptisms	Church
2:00 PM	VINE HS Missionary Retreat Day	School Gym
6:30 PM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
6:30 PM	The ROOTS Kickoff	Campus Outdoors
6:30 PM	VINE HS Missionary Parent Dinner	School Cafeteria

## Email/Text Scams...

Please be aware of scammers who try to impersonate our priests or diocesan/parish staff. No one from St Brendan or our diocese will email or text you asking you to purchase gift cards. Official email handles are: [@stbrendans.net](mailto:@stbrendans.net), [@ccbchurch.com](mailto:@ccbchurch.com), [@pushpay.com](mailto:@pushpay.com), [@columbuscatholic.org](mailto:@columbuscatholic.org)

## Regular Church Hours Begin

We are switching back to our Facility Team's regular hours this week (the church will be open 6 AM-10 PM.)

## Incense Schedule

(No incense the rest of August.)



## Prayer List

Fill out our *Bulletin Prayer Request Form* available at [www.bit.ly/Bulletin-Prayer-List](http://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

Pamela Theado	Ira Katz
Karen McLaughlin	Ora Johnson
María Lorena Olguin	Francis Drlik
Emma Van De Water	Shirley Shawcroft
Greg Moore	Kenneth Shook
Sue Salvesen	Beverly Moran
Stella Tolliver	Marsha Brawley
Billy Martin	Gerri Moore
Julie Johnson	John "Jack" Downey
Doris Cobbs	Mary Gartner
Ann Chenault	Eric Holden
Gilberto Valderrama	Dolores Lynch
Richard Jones	Robert Zapp
Regina Travis	Ryan Yoder
Sandy Zackeroff	Joe Alverson
Donna Fox-Moore	Glenna Brickey
Doug Keeney	Jane Ann Tumawu
Francis Tumawu	Bernice Tumawu
John M. Anderson III	Jaxie Clark

#### ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Thomas Dye	Cody Longstreth
Aaron Grieshop	Jackson Maassel
Aaron Huesman	Rick Shonkwiler
Sam Imwalle	Rob Shonkwiler
Christopher Keck	Luke Stumphauzer
Bradly Mead	Thomas Noel
Kate Walde-Mead	Addison A.
Robert Carollo	Connor Olson
Kyle Mullins	Dan Severance

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

#### THOSE AWAY FROM THE CHURCH

The St Brendan Inviting Catholics Home Ministry prays daily for all those no longer practicing our faith. ***St Monica Prayer Boards*** are now available in the church gathering area for you to write the names of your loved ones to be included in our prayers. Find more resources at [www.stbrendans.net/ich](http://www.stbrendans.net/ich)

## Staff Directory

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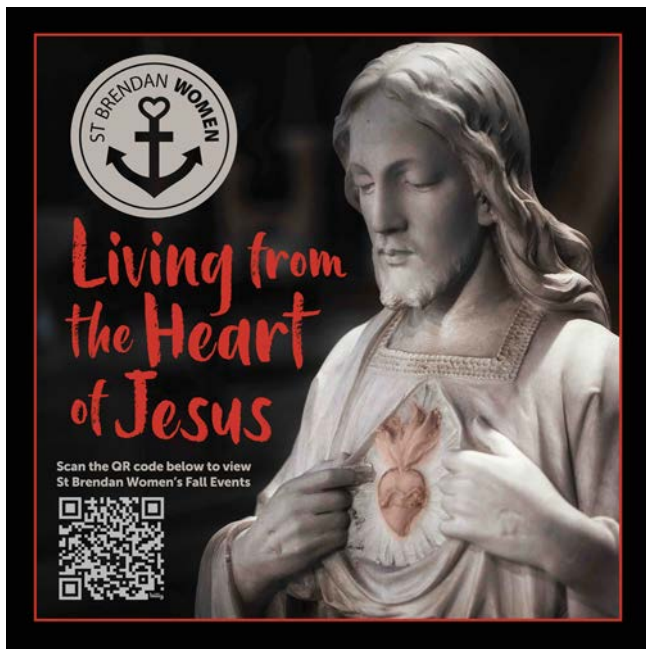
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## Living from the Heart of Jesus

"...that he may grant you in accord with the riches of his glory to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in the inner self, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith" ~ Ephesians 3:16-17

Journey with the women of the parish this season as we discover what it means to truly live with the Lord within us, loving and serving from His Most Sacred Heart.

**Thursday, September 11, 6:30 PM, Davidson Rooms** – Join us for our season kickoff with well-known speaker and author, Emily Jaminet, who will present a talk on our season's theme. Emily is the executive director of the Sacred Heart Enthronement Network and author of *Secrets of the Sacred Heart* and her latest, *Holy Habits from the Sacred Heart*. RSVP for this beautiful event of food, fellowship and prayer.

**Thursday, September 25–Thursday, November 20, Davidson Rooms** AM (9-10:45) and PM (7-8:45 PM) sessions – We resume our walk with Jesus, studying Scripture and deepening our relationship with Him through Season 4 of *The Chosen*, whose theme is discipleship. Watch the episodes together and gather in small groups to reflect on this part of the story. AM childcare will be offered. (Note: We are adding 15 minutes to the time to accommodate the length of this season's videos.)

Register for either women's event via the QR code above or at [www.stbrendans.net/womens-ministries](http://www.stbrendans.net/womens-ministries)

## Volunteers Needed for Our Livestream Ministry

The St Brendan Livestream Ministry operates the web cameras for the 10:45 AM Mass each Sunday and select special liturgies to connect those unable to attend Mass in person. We are in search of some additional volunteers to assist in this ministry. Training is provided. If interested, please contact Pat Hamrock at 614-961-2117 or [pat.hamrock@att.net](mailto:pat.hamrock@att.net)

## Gratitude, from the Eritrean Catholic Ge'ez Rite Community

*"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!"*  
~ Psalm 133:1

On behalf of the Eritrean Catholic Ge'ez Rite Community, we extend our deepest thanks for the generous welcome and the opportunity to be part of this year's St Brendan's Festival. Participating in this beautiful celebration for the first time was a true blessing. While we were grateful for the chance to raise vital funds for our community, what meant even more was the joy of sharing our heritage—our food, our traditions, and above all, our fellowship in Christ—with you.

Preparing for the festival was a journey of growth. It strengthened our bonds, deepened our collaboration, and inspired a renewed sense of purpose. These experiences have enriched our community and will continue to guide us as we walk together in faith within the St Brendan's parish family. The love, unity, and hospitality we encountered during the festival touched our hearts. It was a vivid testament to the power of faith to unite people across cultures and backgrounds. We are truly honored to be part of a parish that embodies the inclusive spirit of the Catholic Church.

A special word of thanks to Fr Dooly and the Festival Committee for your unwavering support and kindness. Your leadership made us feel welcomed, valued, and embraced.

May God abundantly bless St Brendan Parish and all who call it home.  
With heartfelt appreciation ~ The Eritrean Catholic Ge'ez Rite Community



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## Novena Begins August 18

Join us beginning this Monday in praying a Novena for those who are away from their Catholic faith. Copies are available at the Welcome Desk and on the Inviting Catholics Home ministry web page by scanning the QR code or at [www.stbrendans.net/ich](http://www.stbrendans.net/ich). The St Monica Prayer Boards are still available for you to write the name(s) of any loved ones who have been away from the Church. We will pray for them to return back to the Church and be comforted by Saint Monica's statement of faith, "*Nothing Is Far from God*" on August 27. Join us for: St Monica's feast day Mass (5:30 PM), Holy Hour with music, praise & worship (6-7 PM) and a reception with refreshments in the Davidson Rooms (7-8 PM). No RSVP needed.

## MAST Group Annual Summer Party is August 23

St Brendan's MAST (Mature Active Singles Together) is a social and service group for single individuals over 45 years of age. We are having our annual summer party on Saturday, August 23 at 6:30 PM (location: Chris Hauck's patio.) You're invited to join us and bring a single friend if you wish. Please contact Chris Hauck for further details and for the location address by emailing [Chrishauck0522@gmail.com](mailto:Chrishauck0522@gmail.com)

## Catholic Way Bible Study: Gospel of John

John's Gospel offers an "eagle's eye" view of Jesus' life. Not only is He clearly Priest, Prophet and King, He is the Eternal Word, the Son of God. Meet the cast of the wedding at Cana, the Samaritan woman, the Adulteress, and Lazarus as they confront who He really is. In addition, Jewish feasts reveal the pivotal moments of Jesus' life and mission as the Promised Messiah, sent because "God so loved the world." Come ENCOUNTER Jesus with us as we come to know our Redeemer, through the Gospel of John in this 22-week study. We will meet Mondays, 9-11 AM starting September 8, in Wellnitz Hall, breaking for Thanksgiving and Christmas and ending on March 23. Materials are provided. Register on our adult faith formation web page by visiting <https://stbrendans.net/growing-in-faith/adult-faith-formation/>. Questions? Contact Patsy Bunnell at [dpbunnell@yahoo.com](mailto:dpbunnell@yahoo.com)

## Help to "Feed the Hungry" Mac & Cheese!



Over 600 children in our community are living below the poverty line. As we are asked to feed the hungry, we can provide some comfort food for families in need. Knights of Columbus, in partnership with YOU, have a goal of 1,000 ready-to-cook mac & cheese bags for the Hilliard Food Pantry and others in need. This package will come with everything needed. First, financial donations are needed to purchase supplies (cost: \$1/serving). Then, all are invited to assemble packets with ingredients and labels on Sunday, September 14, 12-3 PM in the Davidson Rooms (pizza

and beverages will be provided!) Make a donation via the QR code, at <https://bit.ly/give-mac-cheese> or, mail a check to the parish made out to St Brendan Church with "mac and cheese" written in the memo.



## Altar Server Classes

Students going into 3rd or 4th grade (this year) may take the training class to become a Junior Altar Server (registration URL is below). Junior Servers then shadow and learn from the older, more experienced servers. After they learn the responsibilities necessary by participating regularly at Sunday Masses, they transition over to Acolytes when they graduate the 4th grade. All new Junior Altar Servers and all new/rising Acolytes need to attend (in the church) one of the upcoming training classes below:

### OPTION 1: SATURDAY, SEPT 13

- Junior Server Training @ 11AM
- Acolyte Training @ 12 PM

### OPTION 2: SUNDAY, SEPT 21

- Junior Server Training @ 1 PM
- Acolyte Training @ 2 PM

All new Junior Altar Servers need to fill out the registration form at <https://tinyurl.com/altar-server-class>. Questions? Contact Fr Severance at [frseverance@stbrendans.net](mailto:frseverance@stbrendans.net)

## Esto Vir Fall Events

Join St Brendan's Esto Vir ministry to sharpen your faith and to be formed as disciples, to become the man God calls you to be!

### SATURDAY MORNING ESTO VIR (BE A MAN)

Beginning September 13, gather at 6:30 AM in the Davidson Rooms to break bread, build community, bolster your faith, and to pray. Men will experience: *The Chosen*, (season 4), *Sharing Our Story* sessions, Fr Kapaun's *Virtue* series, a mini-retreat and a pilgrimage in Ohio!

### TUESDAY MORNING STUDY

Join us beginning September 9, 6:30 AM in the Davidson Rooms for a study series on Scripture, early Church Fathers, the lives of the saints and for fellowship.

For more information, please reach out to Grant Rice at [ricekris8813@att.net](mailto:ricekris8813@att.net)



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Family Faith Formation needs you! Our at-church family sessions and middle school small groups run for about an hour and a half on Sunday mornings, Sunday evenings, or Monday evenings. There are many different commitment levels and opportunities. See our current volunteer team needs below. To join the team or to find out more, fill out the volunteer form (below) or contact Jacob Doran at [jdoran@stbrendans.net](mailto:jdoran@stbrendans.net) or 614-876-1272.

### WAYS YOU CAN VOLUNTEER FOR FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

**Children's Catechist:**

- 2 Sunday evenings
- 5 Sunday mornings
- 10 Monday evenings

**Small Group Leader:**

- 11 Sunday evenings
- 7th grade girls
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- 8th grade boys

**Parent Companion:**  
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- 3 Sunday evenings
- 4 Sunday mornings
- 5 Sunday mornings
- 10 Monday evenings

**Hospitality Team:**

- 3 Sunday evenings
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**Intercessory Team:** Gather once a month at Eucharistic Adoration to pray for the needs and intentions of our parish families.

## POD Nursery Needs Your Help

The POD Nursery (for children 6 months–4 years), is in need of volunteers during 8:45 & 10:45 AM Sunday Masses. Parents of children who utilize the nursery, seniors and "mature" children are encouraged to help! If interested in volunteering, email [nursery@stbrendans.net](mailto:nursery@stbrendans.net) (Volunteers ages 18+ must be Safe Environment compliant. See PGC Class info on the next page.)



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Registration opens this Thursday, August 21 and the spaces are expected to fill up quickly. Later this week, a special St Brendan-specific link and \$100-off promo code will be sent to all parish and school families. Please do not share these links outside of St Brendan families, as we want as many of our parishioners as possible to benefit from the reservation and sponsorship. Questions? Contact Jacob Doran at [jdoran@stbrendans.net](mailto:jdoran@stbrendans.net) or 614-876-1272, ext 231.

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## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 | Heb 12:1-4 | Lk 12:49-53

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

Today's readings acknowledge the real challenges of living our faith. Following Christ will sometimes put us at odds with others – an uncomfortable reality that many will face in our broken and divided world. Yet we can find strength knowing that Jesus understands the constant opposition (both inward and outward) that we face. The second reading says, "Consider how he endured such opposition from sinners." Jesus knows what it's like to face opposition, but he endured it "for the sake of the joy that lay before him." That is our calling too. We are made to know the joy that awaits us beyond our crosses. We find the strength to persevere through our trials by "keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus." Keeping Christ as our focus, we will be able to overcome any obstacle we may face and run toward the goal of heaven.

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#### **PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT**

In today's Gospel, Jesus said, "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing." Jesus' desire is that the whole world be set aflame with his love, and yet, he knows that this will not come easily. The good news is that Jesus is with us in the midst of the struggle. He too knows the deep longing and even anguish (the Gospel today uses that word!) that we experience as we work so that others may come to know God's love. We can take comfort in the fact that as much as we want to see others come to faith, God desires it even more than we do, and he is also pouring out his grace continually upon us. In the midst of any discouragement we may feel about those who seem opposed to God and to faith, may we remember the burning love that Christ has and his immense desire to draw all people to himself.

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## **Around Our Diocese:**


### **TOGETHER IN HOLINESS CONFERENCE, OCT 4**

Columbus diocese marriage enrichment conference is October 4, 10:30 AM-6 PM at St Matthew the Apostle Catholic Church in Gahanna. Attend *Together in Holiness* to rediscover the beauty of the Sacrament of Marriage. **Early Bird Couple Discount (\$54 ) expires August 18.** Childcare is \$5/child. Questions? Nancy: [nancy@forlifeandfamily.org](mailto:nancy@forlifeandfamily.org)


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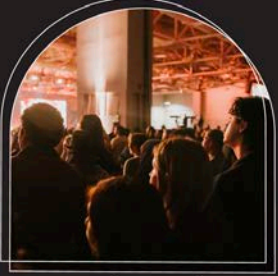
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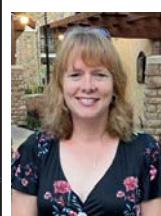
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