Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Ten were cleansed, were they not?
Where are the other nine?
Has none but this foreigner
returned to give thanks to God?"
Then (Jesus) said to him,
"Stand up and go;
your faith has saved you."
~Luke 17:11-19





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.

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Mass Intentions/Feast Days

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13

5:30 PM Ann Thissen †

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

Memorial of St Callistus I (opt)

6:30 AM Intention of Jimmy & Kathy Arthur 8:00 AM Intention of Jimmy & Kathy Arthur

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

Memorial of St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor 5:30 PM John Olszewski †

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

Memorial of St Hedwig (opt)

6:30 AM Intention of Jimmy & Kathy Arthur 8:00 AM Pietro Giuliani †

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch,

Bishop & Martyr

6:30 AM Intention of Jimmy & Kathy Arthur 8:00 AM Intention of Jimmy & Kathy Arthur

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

Feast of St Luke, Evangelist

8:00 AM Intention of Jimmy & Kathy Arthur 5:30 PM Guy, Mary Jane & Jim Susi †

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:15 AM Raymond Albert † 8:45 AM Linda Abraham † 10:45 AM Judith Lynn Dick †

5:30 PM The People of St Brendan Parish

† Indicates intention for a person who is deceased.

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

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

Mass Intention Envelopes

Remember a loved one or make your special prayer intentions known at Mass by filling out a Mass Intention Envelope. There are open dates on our Mass Intention calendar beginning in February, 2026.

Children's Books

Help us add to our children's bookshelf outside the Adoration Chapel! Donate gently used or new Catholic or Christian children's books (ages 0-8 preferred) to the bin next to the shelf. Thank you.

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 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 Wendy Ferkany at wferkany@stbrendans.net or call 614-876-1272, ext 291

Ministry of Evangelization

& Catechesis – Contact Jacob Doran at 614-876-1272, ext 231

Marketing/Bulletin Request

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

Mass Intentions

Fill out a Mass Intention Envelope with \$10 cash/check & drop 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 (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**

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.

Liturgical Ministry Portal

Ministry Scheduler Pro at: www.rotundasoftware.com/ ministry/stbrendans For scheduling questions, email ministryscheduler@stbrendans.net

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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



"An old Irish proverb says, 'It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.' Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to 'shelter' them." For some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them, visit www.usccb.org/end-of-life-care

Consider participating in these October Respect Life offerings...

~ USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

OCT 22-30, RESPECT LIFE NOVENA

Each day of the Novena features a new prayer intention, a short reflection, and ideas for building a culture of life. Join thousands of Catholics as we pray together for the protection of human life by signing up at www.respectlife.org

OCT 24, THE 40 DAYS FOR LIFE VIGIL

at the Planned Parenthood Surgical Clinic (3255 E Main St) is sponsored by Greater Columbus Right to Life. St Brendan Parish adopted 8 AM-2 PM on October 24 to pray at the vigil. Please sign up at www.tinyurl.com/stb2025vigil to let us know you can join us! Questions? Contact Tim at tireno04@gmail.com

A Message from Jennifer Rice

At a week-long silent retreat last year, my spiritual director would give me Scripture passages with which to pray. One such was **Deuteronomy 30**. I was perplexed at this choice until I read it and now find myself returning to it over and over again in prayer. It is a passage of repentance and restoration where the Lord gives His people their choice:

"I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. Choose life, then, that you and your descendants may live, by loving the LORD, your God, obeying his voice, and holding fast to him. For that will mean life for you..." (30:19-20) ... Choose life!

In this Respect Life Month, we do gravitate to the well-known causes of holding up that dignity of life from conception to natural death, as we should. Today I offer you another, more personal perspective where our daily choices of how we live our own lives affirms this dignity.

In the chapter, God reminds us that He is not offering us anything too lofty to attain. Simply love God, listen to Him, follow His commands and statutes, and life will be yours. Are we tuned into this? Start with the choices we make in our personal lives: Am I taking care of my body, the temple of the Holy Spirit? Am I spending time in prayer every day, going to Mass each Sunday? Am I mostly spending my time on activities that are fruitful?

Listening to God for life instructions also means listening to Him and acting on ways to build up His Kingdom here in our community. How can I be light to others to bring them life? I continue to be struck by a homily for the Gospel of Lazarus and the rich man. The priest said "the rich man's greatest sin was not seeing Lazarus," not seeing the life before him, precious in God's eyes even when he may not be seen as precious in the world. Do we see others' lives as dignified to us because God does? Are we kind and patient, extending love to those who may have a different life than ours? Do we meet the needs of our brothers and sisters in need to help them improve their quality of life?

Choosing life, respecting life, means daily action. My challenge to you and to myself is to listen to where the Lord is directing us to choose life in our own personal worlds and to extend life-affirming care to others. Who needs our help today to see that they are precious and loved in the eyes of God?

Can we commit to spreading that Gospel of love to the stranger? Can we get out there and serve in the places that need someone to bring the light? What will we personally commit to the rest of this month?

May the Lord circumcise our hearts (verse 6) to choose Him, His words, and choose life.

We would love to hear about your life-affirming actions this month! Email me at jrice@stbrendans.net





Make a Difference - Support the Hilliard Food Pantry!

Are you aware of our "Green Bin" located in the church gathering area? The left side is for donations to JOIN (Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs), and the right supports the Hilliard Food Pantry. Every week, our St Brendan's St Vincent de Paul team collects your donations of nonperishable food items and delivers them to the Hilliard Food Pantry – this past year, our parishioners have generously

donated 5,362 lbs of food and given \$4,700 to the Hilliard Food Pantry! These donations truly touch the lives of our Hilliard neighbors. To continue with these life-affirming efforts, consider adding just one extra item to your grocery cart each week. It's a simple habit, but the impact is incredible – because of you, someone in need will have food on their table! Or, choose to provide financial support via the QR code instead. Whether in food or funds, you can make a difference. As we focus on compassion for others during Respect Life month, let's fill the Green Bin to the brim!



OCIA Sponsors Are Needed!

What does an OCIA sponsor do?

They serve as a friend, witness, and spiritual companion to a person seeking to join the Catholic Church! Several candidates in our OCIA program are in need of a sponsor to:

- Attend sessions alongside them
- Pray with them and for them
- Serve as a witness to our faith
- Provide guidance and support!

The weekly OCIA sessions are held on Tuesdays at 7-8:30 PM in the Davidson Rooms. Sponsors attend the OCIA sessions and Rites with their candidates, a commitment of approximately 6 months. To sign up, please complete a Sponsor Form available on the Welcome Desk or at https://tinyurl.com/sponsor4ocia Questions? Contact Wendy Ferkany at wferkany@stbrendans.net

Livestream Ministry

The St Brendan Livestream Ministry is still in need of a couple additional volunteers to assist in this ministry. Training is provided. If interested, please contact Pat at 614-961-2117 or pat.hamrock@att.net

Easy Fundraising

Please link your Kroger Loyalty card to our parish at www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards (search for "St Brendan Church" and click on "save"). Then, simply scan your Loyalty Card at checkout and our parish is rewarded!

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THE SANCTUARY AT TUTTLE CROSSING

Incense Schedule No incense at Masses in October

6:45 PM

Community Calendar

Commi	diffey Calcilda	
MONDAY, OCTOBER 13		
9:00 AM	Catholic Way Study: Gospel of John	Wellnitz, Room 1
9:00 AM	Church Cleaning	Church & Chapel
12:00 PM	Seniors NOW: Octoberfest	Davidson, Rms A & B
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:00 PM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
6:00 PM	Seek & Root Family Session	Davidson, Rms A & B
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14		
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: Immaculate Conception Cohort	Davidson, Room A
7:00 PM	OCIA: Vigil Cohort	Davidson, Room B
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15		
7:00 AM-5:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
9:45 AM	Elizabeth Ministry Play Group	Childcare Center
1:30 PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry, Work Session	Carter Center
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:00 PM	Adoration with Confession	Church
6:45 PM	KofC Monthly Membership Meeting	Wellnitz, Rms 1 & 2
7:00 PM	VINE Formation	Chas McCurdy LC
7:15 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Church
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16	2.7.4	
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
8:30 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
9:00 AM	Women's AM: The Chosen, Season 4	Davidson, Rms A & B
7:00 PM	Women's PM: <i>The Chosen,</i> Season 4	Davidson, Rms A & B
7:00 PM	SVdP Sandwich Making for Homeless	Wellnitz, Room 1
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17 6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Changl
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel Church
8:30 AM-10:00 PM	Daily Mass Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
9:30 AM-11:00 AM	Holy Hour for Moms with Littles	Childcare Center
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18	DIOCESAN COLLECTION: WORLD N	
6:30 AM	Esto Vir Men's Ministry	Davidson, Room A
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
5:30 PM	Vigil Mass	Church
7:00 PM	VINE Women's Night	Carter Center
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19	DIOCESAN COLLECTION: WORLD IN	
7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM, 5:30 PM	Sunday Masses	Church
During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass	POD Nursery	Childcare Center
During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Adoration Chapel
After 8:45 and 10:45 AM Mass	Coffee & Donuts	Davidson, Rms A & B
12:00 PM	Baptisms	Church
6:30 PM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
6:30 PM	VINE Night	School Gym
6:45 PM	ASPEN Small Group	Chas McCurdy LC
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Middle School Small Group

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 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

Ira Katz Pamela Theado Ora Johnson Karen McLaughlin Stella Tolliver Francis Drlik Billy Martin Gerri Moore John "Jack"Downey Julie Johnson **Dolores Lynch Doris Cobbs** Richard Jones Robert Zapp Regina Travis Ryan Yoder Donna Fox-Moore Glenna Brickey Doug Keeney Jane Ann Tumawu Francis Tumawu Bernice Tumawu Dickson Tumawu Cindy Tumawu John M. Anderson III Jaxie Clark Marilyn Wiggins Chris Carrino Connie Carrino Yvonne Schlenker Lisa Lynch David Thornton Bertha Torok Zac B.

ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Thomas Dve Cody Longstreth Jackson Maassel Aaron Huesman Sam Imwalle **Rick Shonkwiler** Christopher Keck **Rob Shonkwiler Bradly Mead** Luke Stumphauzer Kate Walde-Mead **Thomas Noel** Robert Carollo Addison A. Kvle Mullins Connor Olson Joe Alverson 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. Find more resources at www.stbrendans.net/ich

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Register for Basketball & Cheer

Registration is open for CYO Basketball (til Oct 15) and K-3 Basketball Clinic or Cheer (til Oct 22.) Find details and register at www.stbrendans.net/ministries/athletics and look for the buttons at the top of the web page.



Our 80-booth St Brendan Fall Craft Show sponsored by Knights of Columbus is November 1 from 9 AM-3 PM throughout the school – Free admission/parking, hot foods and sweets. Get all your Christmas shopping done early! Visit www.stbrendans.net/events for details, or for questions, email Fred at stbcraftshow@gmail.com



Men's Events

TUESDAY MORNING – Gather on Tuesdays at 6:30 AM in the Davidson Rooms for a study series on Scripture, the early Church Fathers and the lives of the saints. Join us at any time!

at 6:30 AM on Saturdays in the Davidson Rooms to break bread, build community, and bolster your faith through these offerings: *The Chosen*, (season 4), *Sharing Our Story* and Fr Kapaun's *Virtue*. Join at any time! No RSVP needed.

NO PIZZA, PIES & GUYS – Please note! Since the October 18 OSU football game is too early in the day for our planned Pizza, Pies and Guys evening event, it has been cancelled.

MEN'S PILGRIMAGE, OCTOBER 25 – Our first ever Esto Vir pilgrimage will be to the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey, Ohio on October 25! Participate in Mass, take a tour, walk the Stations of the Cross and take some time to pray. For more details and to let us know you plan to join us, please contact Grant Rice at ricekris8813@att.net

MINI-RETREAT – For busy guys who can't get away for an entire weekend, join us at St Brendan in January (exact date and time TBD) for prayer, Mass, fellowship and formation.

Women's Retreat

Discover the depth of God's Light at this year's St Brendan Women's retreat, Walk in the Light, at the Spiritual Center of Maria Stein. Join your sisters, grab your walking shoes, and get ready to move in the spiritual light of Our Lord. Added bonus this year: Fr Dooley



will be serving as chaplain during the retreat! Cost of \$130 includes a private room with bathroom, 3 meals, snacks and drinks, Saturday and Sunday. Add Friday night for an extra \$75. Don't delay – space is limited! Register/pay online by October 31 with a debit/credit card on our women's ministry web page at www.stbrendans.net/womens-ministries or, to pay by check: complete the paper form found on the Welcome Desk with check payable to St Brendan Church ("Women's Retreat" in the memo). Questions? Email Chris at chrishauck0522@gmail.com

Seniors **NOW NAVIGATING** OUR WAY

OCTOBER 13, MONDAY, 12 PM – Join seniors for Octoberfest at St Brendan in the Davidson Rooms for food, fun & fellowship! Questions? Contact Larry at larryhanchin@yahoo.com

NOVEMBER 7, 8 AM – First Friday Mass followed by breakfast at Cafe Elena (2054 Crown Plaza Dr, Columbus)

Date Night, October 24

St Brendan and the **Knights of Columbus** will host date nights for young couples and young parents each month, October to June. We'll take care of the kids (6 months to 5 years old) while you enjoy dinner and friendship with other couples of the parish beginning on



Friday, October 24, 6:30-8 PM. Share stories and learn from other Catholic couples about the joys and challenges of marriage and raising children. A strong, loving marital relationship in Christ is the cornerstone of a lifelong, joyful family life.

This year, we will explore how couples can best love each other to grow and strengthen a joyful marital relationship through: videos, books (The 5 Love Languages and Marriage Insurance: 12 Rules to Live By) and a talk by Deacon Yglesias. The cost of \$35 (with scholarships available), includes all monthly date nights, October, 2025 through June, 2026. Please make checks out to "KofC 11208" Register by contacting Chuck Heinlen at chuck436@att.net or 224-612-1557 by October 21.

Inviting Catholics Home Sessions

Do you know anyone who has been away from the Catholic Church but are asking questions or have expressed an interest in coming back? Invitations to share with them are available on the Welcome Desk to let them know about the "Come



Home for Christmas" faith refresher sessions sponsored by the Inviting Catholics Home ministry. These informative classes held on Mondays in November are tailored to benefit those who have not attended Mass for some time and so, may feel apprehensive about returning. Please take some invitations with you to pass out and help us to spread the word! For questions or for those interested in attending, email Deacon Jim Morris at deaconmorris@stbrendans.net or Janet at jlwalsh1@gmail.com More information can be found at www.bit.ly/back2mass

Are You Being Called to Be a Priest?

All young Catholic men should ask themselves whether Jesus is calling them to the priesthood. The Melchizedek Project can help discern the answer. Sessions are 6-7:30 PM (with dinner provided) at St Brendan on the last Monday of each month. Learn more about *The Melchizedek Project* via the QR code, or to attend, please email

Fr Severance at frseverance@stbrendans.net





Cookie Drive Next 2 Weekends!

St Brendan Kairos Prison Ministry will spend four days at London correctional facility from November 6-9. At that time, each resident of the prison will receive one dozen cookies as a message of love from our parish. We are also raising money to pay for all the volunteer and residence meals during that weekend. Cookie bags will be passed out next weekend at all Masses on October 18/19 and cookies will be collected the weekend of October 25/26 (last day to turn in cookies is October 30). To make a monetary donation for the meals, visit https://tinyurl.com/kairos-donation or drop off a check at the Parish Office made out to "Kairos of Ohio." Questions? Contact Tim Reno at 614-312-7388 or tireno04@gmail.com



Visit www.tinyurl.com/stb-needs and sign up your "trunk" to pass out candy or to donate some "treats" (2 bags of individually wrapped candy) for the event. Trunks should arrive by 5:30 PM to set up. Please leave candy in the marked box in the church gathering area.

St Brendan **Ministry of** Evangelization & Catechesis



Sacrament Preparation

To register for sacrament preparation, please visit www.stbrendans.net/growing-in-faith/family-faith-formation (and use the buttons/links at the top of the webpage.)

Family Faith Formation

Upcoming Family Faith Formation sessions are:

MIDDLE SCHOOL SMALL GROUPS: The next middle school small group is Sunday, October 19 from 6:45-8 PM. See your email for further details and small group locations.

SEEK & ROOT FAMILY SESSION: Our next session will be on Monday, October 13 from 6-7:30 PM.

FIRST RECONCILIATION: Our next First Reconciliation session will be on Sunday. October 12 from 9:45-11:15 AM.

CONFIRMATION: Our next Confirmation session will be on Sunday, October 12 from 6:45-8 PM.

CONTINUED GROWTH FAMILY SESSION: Our next session will be on Sunday, October 12 from 9:45-11:15 AM.

Catholic Youth Summer Camp

St Brendan has reserved (until Oct 31) 160 camper spots for 2026 Catholic Youth Summer Camp for Week 1 (June 7-12) To preorder/register for CYSC with St Brendan:

- 1. Create an account at https://bit.ly/cysc2025-register
- 2. Go to "My Reservations" & select "New Reservation."
- 3. Click "Add Person," & fill in your child's info.
- 4. Click "I belong to a group that has reserved spaces," and enter code BRENHILL26
- 5. Select camp session: High School or Middle School.
- 6. Add another camper or proceed to payment.

Questions? Contact Jacob at idoran@stbrendans.net

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Aides are needed during 8:45 &10:45 AM Sunday Masses to help with our Children's Liturgy in the Chapel. (Over age 18 must be Safe Environment compliant.) Contact Jackie at childrensliturgy@stbrendans.net to help out!

St Brendan Young Adult Group

Young adult (in your 20's & 30's) small groups meet monthly on the 2nd Wednesday, 7-9 PM. Women meet off-campus and men meet in the Carter Center. Haven't joined us yet? Please do! Contact Jorden Frey at freydesigns@gmail.com

Elizabeth Ministry Playgroup

The Elizabeth Ministry will have their next playgroup on Wednesday, October 15 from 9:45-11:15 AM in the POD Nursery. Come catch up with old friends and make some new! Toys and a snack are provided for the kids! Questions? Contact Regina at thelonggrears@gmail.com

POD Nursery Volunteers Needed

The POD Nursery needs volunteers during: 8:45 & 10:45 AM Sunday Mass, Family Faith Formation and Date Nights for Young Couples (Fridays monthly, 6-8:15 PM, starts Oct 24.) Parents who utilize the nursery are encouraged to sign up. (Volunteers ages 18+ must be Safe Environment compliant.) To be added to our roster, email nursery@stbrendans.net

Vine October Schedule

6:30-8:30 PM IN THE SCHOOL GYM*

All highschoolers are welcome! Follow @stbvine on Instagram for details or email kday@stbrendans.net

October 12: Men's & Women's Night

October 19: Trivia Night

October 26: Why are we Catholic? (*Davidson Rooms) October 31-November 2: Fall Retreat (*at Damascus)

The Roots for Middleschoolers

ROOTS LARGE GROUP IS 6:30-8:30 PM: Held last Sundays monthly in the school gym. **ASPEN SMALL GROUP NIGHTS:** Held weekly on Sundays, 6:45-8:30 PM in the school library. Questions? Email Anna at amarino@stbrendans.net





St Brendan Home & School will host the Casino Royale Auction Fundraiser on March 7, 2026 when the school will be transformed into a casino setting, offering classic games, live music, great food, refreshments and friends. Ways you can help our auction to succeed include: Donate an item, service, or package, become a sponsor, volunteer on a committee or at the event, participate in the live or silent auctions, or help promote the event. To offer your support, contact Dionne at deebest1@gmail.com or our auction team at sbauction@cdeducation.org

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 5:14-17 | 2 Tim 2:8-13 | Lk 17:11-19

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

After his healing in the Jordan river, Naaman returns to Elisha. It's clear from their ensuing conversation that his miraculous healing had led to him recognizing the God of Israel as the one who had healed him. In thanksgiving, he desires to offer sacrifice, and pledges that he "will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any other god except the Lord." In the Gospel, we see the Samaritan returning to Jesus after his healing, falling at the Lord's feet and "glorifying God in a loud voice." It's clear from both Scriptures that when we recognize what God has done for us, our first response is to worship. That's why our central act of worship as a Christian community is called Eucharist - from the Greek word for thanksgiving. When we come to worship God, what is it that we're grateful for? If gratitude is the heart of worship, it's a fruitful practice to intentionally spend some time considering God's providence in our lives over the past week so we come to the liturgy prepared to offer thanks.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Something that has always struck me about today's Gospel is that Jesus heals all ten of the lepers, not only the one who returned to offer thanks. While we, as humans, can be tempted to withhold love when we know it will not be acknowledged or appreciated, Jesus heals all ten. God is good to us, even when we're ungrateful. As Paul says, "If we are unfaithful he remains faithful, for he cannot deny himself." God can do only one thing: love. How powerful would it be if we worked to imitate the kind of gratuitous love we see in today's Gospel? Think about opportunities to practice this kind of love. What a witness this would be to the world if we were to imitate God's way of loving. As the Persian poet Hafiz wrote: "Even after all this time, the sun never says to the earth, 'You owe me.' Look what happens with a love like that. It lights the whole sky."

REFLECT

Take some time before Mass each Sunday to do an examine-style prayer, reflecting on where you've seen God's action in your life during the week. How has God provided for your needs? How has God accompanied you through challenges? How has the Spirit of God brought consolation and strength? Make a list of all the places you've experienced God's presence and grace and prepare to offer thanks to God for these gifts at Mass.

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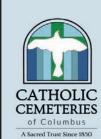
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