

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

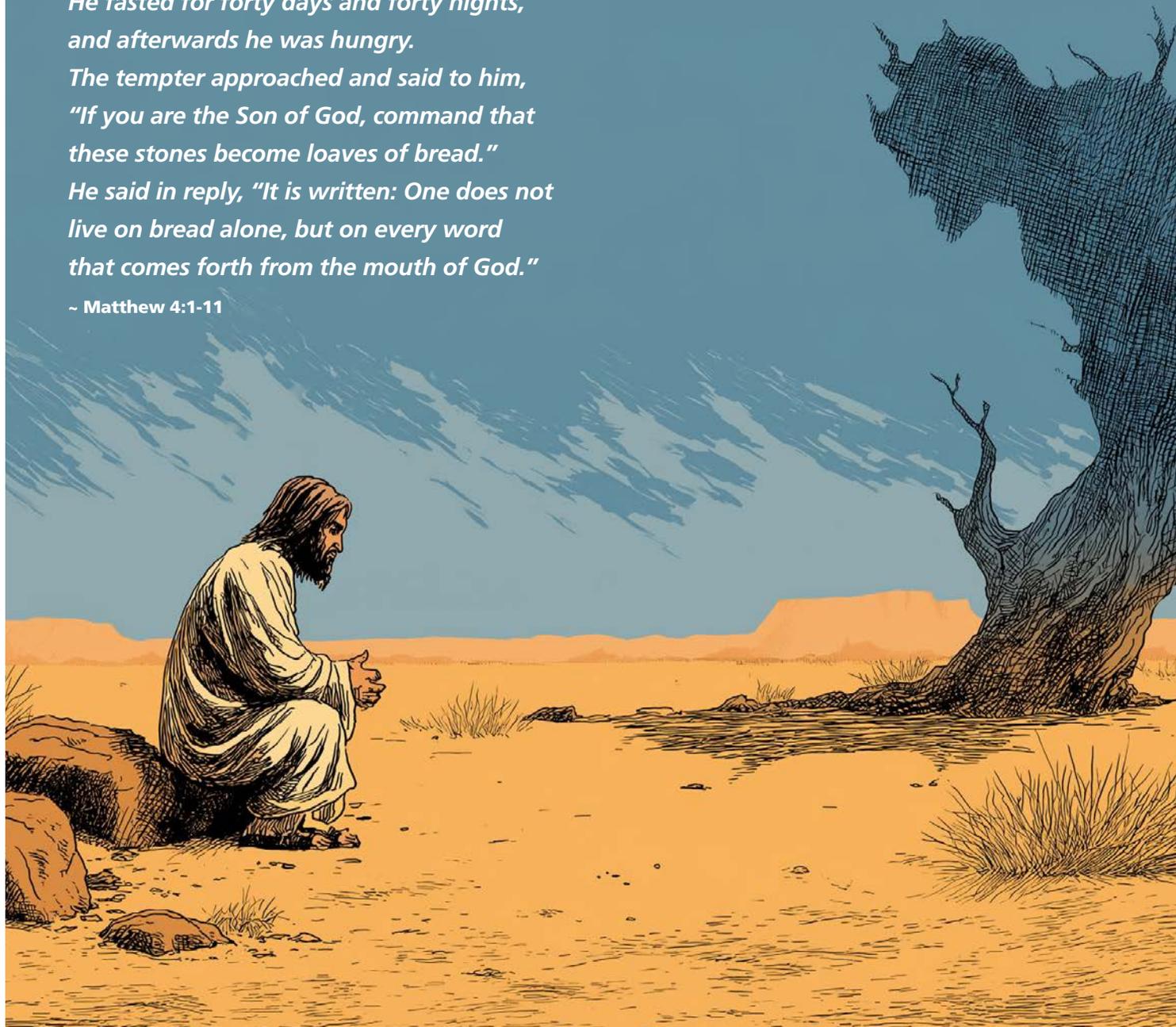
At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil.

He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry.

The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread."

He said in reply, "It is written: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God."

~ Matthew 4:1-11



Holy Mass*

SATURDAY VIGIL 5:30 PM

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

Daily Mass*

MONDAY 6:30 AM, 8 AM, 5:30 PM

TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 6:30 AM, 8 AM

WEDNESDAY 6:30 AM, 5:30 PM

SATURDAY 8 AM

Reconciliation*

WEDNESDAY 6-7 PM (during Adoration)

SATURDAY 9 AM

Or, schedule a Confession with one of our priests, by calling the parish office.

**Regular Mass and Confession times may change. Find this week's calendar in the weekly bulletin or on our website.*



Saint
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Mass Intentions

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23

6:30 AM Intention for Kathleen Kelley
8:00 AM For the needs of parishioners as we begin the week.
5:30 PM Mary Ann VerSteege †

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

6:30 AM Shirley Schmitt †
8:00 AM Intention for Robert Kelley

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

6:30 AM Intention for Mariann Chilton
5:30 PM Margarita Desota †

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26

6:30 AM Linda Evans Paullus †
8:00 AM Robert Bickis, Jr. †

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27

6:30 AM Nester Burgos †
8:00 AM Delores D'Amico †

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28

8:00 AM Intention for Robert Bickis, Sr.
5:30 PM Christina "Tina" Fleming †

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

Second Sunday of Lent

7:15 AM Simplicio Lagunsa †
8:45 AM Carol Levis †
10:45 AM Raymond Miller †
5:30 PM For the People of St. Brendan Parish

† Intention for person who is deceased.

Mass Intention envelopes are found in the Church Gathering Area to fill out and return to the Parish Office. There are open dates on our Mass Intention calendar starting in April.



A Message from Fr. Jake

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you for your warm welcome for Fr. Mike and me. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for the delicious welcome breakfast! Here is a brief biography on my life.

My parents, Ray and Brenda, had 6 children: Tess, Benjamin (went home to God while being formed in the womb), Matthew, me, Sarah and Rachel. Tess is an OBGYN doctor, Matt works for the railroad, and Rachel owns and operates a gym. They are all married and have children (9 nieces and nephews and 4 great-nieces and nephews). I was born in Paulding, Ohio and raised on a farm until the age of 5. My parents divorced when I was 5 and mom had custody of us. We then moved to New Haven, Indiana when I was in 6th grade. Mom worked two jobs and dad worked in the farm drainage contracting business. My dad made sure that my siblings and I attended Sunday Mass and received our Sacraments. He would ask what we got out of the homily after Mass during the drive home or at breakfast.

During my youth I enjoyed baseball, music/drums, break-dancing, skateboarding, wrestling, band and Quiz Bowl. My sister Sarah was diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor when she was 10. She and I prayed a lot and talked about the meaning of life over the next 2 years during her treatments before she went home to God on January 10, 1989. Sarah had a deep spirituality filled with love, kindness, and peace which helped me grow closer to God. During the spring of that year, I received the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Darcy. That's when I began to think about the priesthood of Jesus Christ. The next year, I moved in with my dad and worked in the family farm drainage business with him and my Uncle Denny until I graduated in 1993 from Wayne Trace High School. It was good to pray and work with my dad, who reinforced my love for Mass and the Word. He married Barbara, a prayerful and loving mother, when I was a sophomore.

I enlisted with a high school friend in the Marine Corps, and served four years. The Marine Corps gave me a lot of training in military police work, machine guns, computers, radios, desert and urban warfare training, and NCO leadership course when I was made a Corporal (E-4). It was a blessing to serve with good Marines. Then, I went to the Pontifical College Josephinum from 1997-2001.

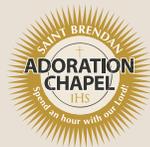
My mother was diagnosed with cancer in 1997 and underwent treatment. She went home to God on August 9, 1999; it was a blessing to see my mom receive strength and peace from the Lord and the Sacraments He gave her through our parish priest, Fr. Cleo Schmenk and Deacon Francis Koenn. I finished theology at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary in Cincinnati, and was ordained a priest by Archbishop Blair on June 3, 2006 (he was Bishop of Toledo at the time and then moved to Archdiocese of Hartford, Connecticut).

I remember weeping tears of joy when I heard the Church sing the Litany of Saints. It has been a blessing to serve in parishes and schools in Toledo, Delphos, Fremont, Lake Erie islands, and Defiance County. God has allowed me to collaborate with our Catholic faithful in various ministries: youth ministry leadership, homeless shelters, catechesis and service for migrant families, and federal prison ministry.

I ask for your prayers for Frs. Mike, Sam, Weldit, and me as we pray and serve you all. May the prayer and work of our parish community flourish in communion with our Lord Jesus Christ; may we know His love for us in the quiet of our hearts. May Our Blessed Mother Mary's intercession guide us to be docile and humble as we seek to love God above all things and our neighbor as ourself. May the prayers of St. Joseph help us to surrender our fears to God so that we may remain courageously steadfast and faithful. May St. Brendan's prayers obtain hope for us to navigate the ebbs and flows of life, so that we may lead others to Jesus.

God bless you all, Fr. Jake

Eucharistic Adoration



Sign up to adore via the url below or sign in at the Chapel Kiosk.

<https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com/>

MON. 6 PM–10 PM

TUES. 8:30 AM–10 PM

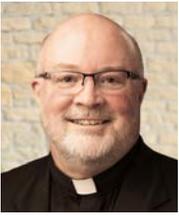
WED. 7 AM–5 PM Holy Hour, 6-7 PM with Confession

THUR. 8:30 AM–10 PM

FRI. 8:30 AM–10 PM 1st Friday: 8:30 AM through Saturday at 1 PM, monthly

SAT. 8:30 AM–1 PM

SUN. 6:30 PM–10 PM



FROM OUR PASTOR

ON THIS FIRST SUNDAY IN THE SEASON OF LENT, we would do well to ask ourselves where we have been during the past 40 days, and where we plan to be and plan to do during the 40 days of the Lenten Season. Looking back at our calendars during the past 40 days, how many hours of the day did each of us spend with Jesus? What activities or events had something to do with deepening our relationship with Jesus through prayer? What activities helped us put into practice the teachings of Jesus Christ by living out our faith as a “doer of

the word and not a hearer only” (James 1:22)? During that same 40-day period, did each of us engage ourselves in activities that were contrary to the way of Christ, contrary to a life in witness to Christ, contrary to our Catholic faith? Let’s be honest with ourselves in this assessment of how we spent our time because it is an indicator – an important one – of where we are in our faith life, where we are in our faith journey, what areas we have for improvement. What steps do we plan on taking to turn away from the ways of the world and instead turn to and embrace the way of Jesus Christ and His Church and grow closer to Him? We also need to ask ourselves: “How many times have I given in to the temptation to sin? Why didn’t I fight these temptations? Why did I give in so freely, so easily? Why didn’t I ask Jesus in prayer for help, strength, perseverance, His grace?”

Continuing our theme of authentic discipleship this Lent, we have 40 days to pause and reflect on where we currently are with our faith, look at where we truly desire to be, and to take those necessary, grace-filled steps forward to make our desire a reality. We get out of Lent what we put into Lent. Let’s dive in!

For most of us, this journey of conversion begins by making a good confession, recognizing that we have sinned. It is key we recognize that some of the choices we made were not only wrong, but sinful in the eyes of God. “Who, me? I did something wrong and sinful?” Yes, a wrong choice was made, or a series of wrong choices. Let us admit our mistakes, confess our sins, and change our ways. After all, our goal is to align our minds and hearts to that of Christ, rather than debating or altering His teachings and those of His Church to align with our personal desires or cultural opinions. Some of us may struggle with certain sins. Don’t give in! Fight hard! Pray hard! God’s grace helps us overcome these struggles! Our success in these struggles may not happen overnight, but if we continue to fight, we surrender ourselves to God – not to sin!

Making a good confession requires some degree of preparation. In this bulletin is an **Examination of Conscience**. Read it, mull it over, pray about it, be honest with yourself, and then bring it with you to Confession. Various examinations of conscience are also available on our Parish web pages. Remember, you do not need to wait for Lent – or Advent, for some – to go to Confession. If you are in a state of serious sin (grave sin, mortal sin,) you really need to get into the confessional as soon as possible. Why? Your eternal soul is in jeopardy. **As Saint Augustine said: “God has promised forgiveness to your repentance, but He has not promised tomorrow to your procrastination.”** Look at it this way. Do you wash your car more often than you wash your soul through Confession? Cleanse your soul by regularly making a good confession! And please, please, please, do not be embarrassed or feel awkward if you have not been to Confession for a while. We Priests at Saint Brendan do not care if it has been 30 days or 30 years. There is nothing to fear; we will work with you in the confessional; we will help you make a good confession. **As Pope Saint John Paul II stated: “Confession is an act of honesty and courage – an act of entrusting ourselves, beyond sin, to the mercy of a loving and forgiving God.”**

Now, the all-important other side of the coin. How are we at being compassionate, merciful, and forgiving to those who have harmed us in one way or another, or who have sinned against us? As we read in Sacred Scripture: “Jesus said to his disciples: ‘Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful... Forgive and you will be forgiven... For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you’” (Luke 6:36-38). And as we pray in the Lord’s Prayer: “Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.” How can we expect God to forgive us of our sins and failings if we, in turn, do not forgive others? We, too, are called to exercise compassion, mercy and forgiveness. We can do it. We must do it! **As Blessed Columba Marmion reminds us: “Your Father will only forgive your offences if you forgive those which are committed against you. Unless you show mercy there shall be reserved for you judgment without mercy. And if you wish God to show kindness towards you, show it yourselves towards men, your brethren.”**

SINCERE THANKS to our Knights of Columbus and all volunteers involved in providing the welcome breakfasts last Sunday for Fr. Jake and me. This was a wonderful opportunity to meet many parishioners and enjoy a fine breakfast – very much appreciated! **ADDITIONAL THANKS** go to all who helped with the **Saint Carlo Acutis** liturgies and the Ash Wednesday Masses. **THANKS** to all involved in the first Friday Fish Fry of Lent – always enjoyable to get together as a Parish family! And let us remember to say **THANK YOU** to so many women and young ladies from our parish who, as Host Parish, were deeply involved in Saturday’s **Catholic Women’s Conference!** God bless!

Fr. Mike

Fr. Michael Lumpe, Pastor

food for thought

~Pope Benedict XVI

"The examination of conscience has an important educational value. It teaches us to look sincerely at our own lives, to compare them with the truth of the Gospel and to evaluate them with parameters that are not only human but drawn from divine Revelation. Comparison with the Commandments, with the Beatitudes, and above all with the Precept to love, represents the first great 'school' of penance."

SEASON OF LENT

Article by Fr. William Saunders, made available courtesy of the Catholic Exchange.

SET ASIDE TIME TO MAKE A GOOD CONFESSION

QUESTION: *I have heard the priests of my parish encouraging us to go to Confession during Lent. I admit I have not been to Confession in years because I am not sure I know how to go to Confession. Would you please review how to go to Confession?*

The Second Vatican Council did decree that “the rite and formulas of penance are to be revised in such a way that they may more clearly express the nature and effects of this sacrament” (*Sacrosanctum Concilium* No. 72). Accordingly, the Sacred Congregation for Divine Worship issued The Rite of Penance in 1973. The new rite added options for prayers, provided for a reading of Sacred Scripture, and introduced “penance services” with private confessions. Nevertheless, the norms stipulated, “It is for priests, and especially parish priests in reconciling individuals or the community, to adapt the rite to the concrete circumstances of the penitents” (No. 40). Therefore, on a Saturday afternoon with a line of penitents waiting for Confession, the parish priest may follow a more “streamlined” version of the rite, which would include by custom the traditional format for Confession.

With that in mind, a person begins with a good examination of conscience. We need to hold up our life to the pattern of life God has revealed for us to live. For instance, we take time to reflect on the 10 Commandments, the Beatitudes, the precepts of the Church, and the virtues of prudence, fortitude, temperance, and justice. (*NOTE: An examination of conscience is included in this bulletin; several examinations of conscience are also available on our parish web page.*)

The examination of our conscience is like stepping back and looking at the picture of our life in comparison to the masterpiece of life revealed by God. Remember when we were children, we used to trace pictures. Tracing helped us learn to draw. We would take a piece of plain paper, hold it over the original picture, and then put it up to the window. The light would enable us to trace the original picture onto our blank sheet of paper. Periodically, we had to stop and step back to see if our paper had slipped and was out of kilter with the original or if we had deviated from the lines.

In a similar way, as we live our lives, we are tracing them in accord with God’s pattern of life. In examining our consciences, we step back and honestly assess how well we fit God’s pattern and have stayed within His boundaries. At this time, we reflect on the progress we have made since our last confession in dealing with weaknesses, faults, temptations, and past sins. Hopefully, we see improvement in our spiritual well-being. However, when we have gone out of kilter or gone out of bounds with God’s masterpiece, we have sinned. We must recognize the venial sins — those lighter sins which weaken our relationship with the Lord — from the mortal sins — those sins which sever our relationship with the Lord and “kill” the presence of sanctifying grace in our souls. Here we remember the words of Jesus, “Everyone who practices evil hates the light; he does not come near it for fear his deeds will be exposed. But he who acts in truth comes into the light, to make clear that his deeds are done in God” (Jn 3:20-21).

Given this examination of conscience, we have contrition for our sins. While we are sorry for sin because we do fear the fires of hell and the loss of Heaven, and the just punishments of God, we are sorry most of all because our sins offend God whom we should love above all things. The love for God moves us to repent of sin and seek reconciliation. All of the great saints regularly examined their consciences and made frequent use of the Sacrament of Penance. (Even Pope St. John Paul II confessed his sins weekly, as did St. [Mother] Teresa of Calcutta.) One must ask, “Why? What sins did these saints possibly commit?” They loved the Lord so much that even the slightest omission or commission moves them to Confession. They do not want even the slightest sin to separate them from the love of God. For love of God, we too are sorry for our sins.

Sorrow for sin moves us to have a firm amendment not to sin again. We probably will sin again, but we try in earnest not to do so. We do not plan on leaving the confessional and committing the same sins again.

We then confess our sins. When we enter the confessional in most churches, we have the option of remaining anonymous or facing the priest. Whichever option a person chooses, always remember that whatever is said during the confession is held in secret by the priest.

Remember also that we confess to the priest for three reasons: First, the priest has the authority of the Apostles by virtue of his ordination. On the night of the Resurrection, Jesus said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive men’s sins, they are forgiven them; if you hold them bound, they are held bound” (Jn 20:22-23). The priest is the minister of the sacrament acting in the person of Christ — “*in persona Christi*.”

Second, he is our spiritual father. Just as we see a doctor for healing when we are physically sick, we see a priest when our soul is sick and in need of healing.

Third, the priest represents the Church and the people we have sinned against. In the early days of the Church, people publicly confessed sin at the beginning of Mass and were absolved. Much to our relief, for centuries now we have had private Confession.

We proceed by making the Sign of the Cross and saying, “Bless me father for I have sinned.” One could also simply begin, “In the name of the Father....” We should then state when we made our last confession: “It has been (so long) since my last confession.”

We then confess our sins, and we must be specific. Sometimes people say, “I broke the sixth commandment,” which covers everything from a lustful thought to rape and adultery.

We do not need to provide the full-blown story, just the basics to enable the priest to help the penitent. We also need to give some quantification — missing Mass once is different from several times which is different from all the time. When we are finished confessing our sins, we state, “I am sorry for these and all of my sins.” With this information, the priest may counsel us. He also assigns a penance for the healing of the hurt caused by sin and the strengthening of our soul against future temptation.

He then asks us to say an **Act of Contrition** (one of these two traditional prayers):

1. *Oh my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee. I detest all of my sins because of Thy just punishments, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, Who are all good and deserving of all of my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace to sin no more and to avoid the near occasions of sin. Amen.*
2. *Oh my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins, because I dread the loss of heaven, and the pains of hell; but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, Who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of Thy grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen.*

Finally, the priest imparts absolution: "God, the Father of mercies, through the death and Resurrection of His Son has reconciled the world to Himself and poured out the Holy Spirit for the forgiveness of sins; through the ministry of the Church may God grant you pardon and peace, and I absolve you from your sins in the name of the Father, (†) and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." This formula emphasizes our merciful Heavenly Father, the saving mystery of our Lord's Passion, death, and Resurrection and the healing ministry of the Holy Spirit through the Church.

The priest then dismisses us, saying, "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good," to which we respond, "His mercy endures forever." (Many priests may simply say, "Go in peace.") We then thank the priest and leave the confessional to do the assigned penance.

The Sacrament of Penance is a beautiful sacrament through which we are reconciled to God, ourselves, and our neighbors. Remember the words of St. Paul, "God is rich in mercy; because of His great love for us, He brought us to life with Christ when we were dead in sin" (Eph 2:4). As we draw closer to Easter, take time to make a good confession.

STEWARDSHIP: TIME ~ TALENT ~ TREASURE

There are many ways to give alms during Lent. The key is to find a cause that helps your neighbor in need through the Corporal Works of Mercy (feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned as well as burying the dead). Here are just two simple ideas to get you started on your Lenten almsgiving mission.

1. **Service:** Seek out a service project with a local charity (our St. Vincent de Paul Chapter, Hilliard Food Pantry Plus, JOIN, Habitat for Humanity, or the Saint Francis Family Center in Vinton County, to name a few). Give of your time. For example: Volunteer to pound some nails with Habitat for Humanity, volunteer with our Saint Vincent de Paul Chapter, bring Communion to the ill and infirm, volunteer at any of the 17 nursing homes and senior living communities in our area, or any number of outreach opportunities available in our Parish (check out our Parish web site for volunteer opportunities).
2. **The piggy bank:** Set up a Lenten almsgiving "piggy bank" in your home. This is especially instructive and fun for children. It will help to teach them that Lent is a season grounded in sacrifice and serving the needs of others.

As a strategy, let's say you typically eat out once a week. During Lent, give up eating out and drop the cost of that meal into your piggy bank. At the end of Lent, you will probably have a hundred dollars or more. Use that money to help support our St. Vincent de Paul Chapter or other outreach organizations in our Parish.

Almsgiving is just one of three pillars of Lenten service, the others being prayer and fasting. The three go hand in hand and should be a regular part of your Catholic life and not just a once-a-year Lenten sacrifice. There will be 960 hours in Lent. How will you spend them?



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NEXT, ON FEBRUARY 27 STATIONS OF THE CROSS
8:30 AM and 7 PM
Fridays during Lent, in the church

MARCH 06 FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION
March 6, 9 AM–March 7, 1 PM
www.stbrendan.weadorehim.com

MARCH 10 PARISH LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE
7–9 PM (Tuesday evening)

MARCH 30 RECONCILIATION MONDAY
6–9 PM



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/credit card by filling out the online form available via the QR code or at <https://tinyurl.com/2026lilies4altar>. Orders received by **March 23** will be published in Easter Sunday's bulletin. For help in filling out the form, call the parish office or accounting@stbrendans.net



Next Fish Fry is Feb. 27

Help fund our 8th grade school trip! Our Lenten Fish Fry is 4:30-7 PM in the school on: February 27, March 13, 20 & 27. Find prices, menu and more details at www.tinyurl.com/events4stb



Congratulations

ON THE BAPTISMS OF:

Benjamin Paul Schwalm
Charlotte Tonti Young

Added Daily Masses:

6:30 AM, Monday & Wednesday
(in the Adoration Chapel)

8 AM, Monday (in the Church)

WEEKLY/MONTHLY MINISTRIES

Grief Support Group

Luncheon: 2nd Thursdays, 1 PM,
at La Chatelaine Restaurant, Dublin.

Workshop, 4th Sundays, 7 PM,
in the Carter Center.

The Melchizedek Project

For young men discerning priesthood.
Join us on 4th Mondays monthly
in the Carter Center by emailing
frseverance@stbrendans.net

Elizabeth Ministry Playgroup

Meets twice monthly, Wednesdays,
9:45-11:15 AM in the Pod Nursery.
Questions? Contact Regina at
thelonggears@gmail.com

St. Brendan Young Adults

Those in their 20s & 30s, meet on
the second Wednesday monthly at
7-9 PM. Women meet off-campus.
Men meet in the Carter Center.
To join, email Jordan Frey at
freydesigns@gmail.com

SPIRITUAL & MENTAL SUPPORT

iTHIRST Spiritual Companions

For spiritual healing, visit www.opendoorwomensrecovery.org/ithirst
or for questions, contact us at
info.ithirstcolumbus@gmail.com

Lumin Counseling

A private practice of therapists with
Catholic/Christian backgrounds –
office is in Westerville with a satellite
office on our campus. For details,
visit <https://lumin-therapy.com/>

Incense Schedule

No incense in February.



Community Calendar

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM	Church Cleaning	Church & Chapel
9:00 AM	Catholic Way Study: Gospel of John	Wellnitz, Room 1
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:00 PM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
6:00 PM	Melchizedek Project	Carter Center

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

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 Assumption Cohort 2025-26	Davidson, Room A
7:00 PM	OCIA Vigil Cohort 2025-26	Davidson, Room B

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Church
7:00 AM-5:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
1:30 PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry Work Session	Carter Center
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:00 PM	Adoration with Confession	Church
7:00 PM	VINE Formation	Chas McCurdy LC
7:00 PM	Young Men's Group	Carter Center
7:00 PM	Young Women's Group	Offsite
7:15 PM	VINE Parent Session	Wellnitz, Room 1

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26

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 Lenten AM Scripture Study	Davidson, Rms. A & B
7:00 PM	Women's Lenten PM Scripture Study	Davidson, Rms. A & B

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
8:30 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
8:30 AM	Stations of the Cross	Church
4:30 PM	St. Brendan Fish Fry	School
6:30 PM	Young Couples Date Night	Davidson, Rms. A & B
7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross	Church

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28 Columbus Catholic Men's Conference / SOS 2nd Collection

8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
8:30 AM-1:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
8:30 AM	Pray the Rosary	Church
9:00 AM	Confession	Church
9:00 AM	SVdP Monthly Conference Meeting	Wellnitz, Room 1
5:30 PM	Vigil Mass	Church

SUNDAY, MARCH 1 Support Our Seminarians (SOS) 2nd Collection

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 & 10:45 AM Mass	Coffee & Donuts	Davidson, Rms. A & B
12:00 PM	Baptisms	Church
12:00 PM	Baptismal Preparation Class	Wellnitz, Rms. 1 & 2
5:00 PM	Teen OCIA	Wellnitz, Room 1
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
6:45 PM	Middle School Small Group	Multiple Locations

Lectio Divina

SCRIPTURE READING + MEDITATION + PRAYER + CONTEMPLATION

“What page, what passage of the inspired books of the Old and New Testaments is not the truest of guides for human life?” +Saint Benedict, from the Rule of Saint Benedict (73:3)

The month of February is dedicated to the Holy Family + Jesus, Mary and Joseph

“If in Christ we have been tempted, in him we overcome the devil. Do you think only of Christ’s temptations and fail to think of his victory? See yourself as tempted in him, and see yourself as victorious in him. He could have kept the devil from himself; but if he were not tempted he could not teach you how to triumph over temptation.”

+SAINT AUGUSTINE

Monday, February 23 ~ First Week in the Season of Lent Optional Memorial: Saint Polycarp of Smyrna, Bishop and Martyr

Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46 Jesus said to his disciples: “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him and say, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?’ And the king will say to them in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.’ Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the Devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.’ Then they will answer and say, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?’ He will answer them, ‘Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.’ And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”

Meditation: Jesus’ parable about goats and sheep must have both amused and surprised his audience. Goats and sheep shared the same grazing ground during the day, but had to be separated at night. Goats were less docile and more restless than sheep. They came to symbolize evil and the expression “scapegoat” has become a common expression for someone bearing blame for others. (See Leviticus 26:20-22 for a description of the ritual expulsion of a sin-bearing goat on the Day of Atonement.) Separation is an inevitable consequence of sin and judgment. The Day of Judgment will reveal who showed true compassion and mercy toward their neighbor.

Prayer: God of all creation, who were pleased to give the Bishop Saint Polycarp a place in the company of the Martyrs, grant, through his intercession, that sharing with him in the chalice of Christ, we may rise through the Holy Spirit to eternal life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: This parable is similar to the parable about Lazarus and the rich man. The rich man, who let Lazarus die on his doorstep, was doomed to crave for drops of cold water he had not thought of giving to the poor man. When Saint Martin of Tours, a young Roman soldier and seeker of the Christian faith, met an unclothed man begging for alms in the freezing cold, he stopped and cut his coat in two and gave half to the stranger. That night he dreamt he saw the heavenly court with Jesus robed in a torn cloak. One of the angels present asked, “Master, why do you wear that battered cloak?” Jesus replied, “My servant Martin gave it to me.” Saint Martin’s disciple and biographer, Sulpicius Severus, states that as a consequence of this vision Martin “flew to be baptized.” God is gracious and merciful; his love compels us

to treat others with mercy and kindness. When we do something for one of Christ's little ones, we do it for Christ himself. Do you treat your neighbor with mercy and love as Christ has treated you?

Tuesday, February 24 ~ First Week in the Season of Lent

Holy Gospel: Matthew 6:7-15 Jesus said to his disciples: "In praying, do not babble like the pagans, who think that they will be heard because of their many words. Do not be like them. Your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

"This is how you are to pray:

Our Father who art in heaven, / hallowed be thy name, / thy Kingdom come, / thy will be done, / on earth as it is in heaven. / Give us this day our daily bread; / and forgive us our trespasses, / as we forgive those who trespass against us; / and lead us not into temptation, / but deliver us from evil.

"If you forgive men their transgressions, your heavenly Father will forgive you. But if you do not forgive men, neither will your Father forgive your transgressions."

Meditation: We can approach God confidently because he is waiting with arms wide open to receive his prodigal sons and daughters. That is why Jesus gave his disciples the perfect prayer that dares to call God, Our Father. This prayer teaches us how to ask God for the things we really need, the things that matter not only for the present but for eternity as well. We can approach God our Father with confidence and boldness because Christ has opened the way to heaven for us through his death and resurrection. When we ask God for help, he fortunately does not give us what we deserve. Instead, he responds with grace and mercy. He is kind and forgiving towards us and he expects us to treat our neighbor the same.

Prayer: Look upon your family, Lord, that, through the chastening effects of bodily discipline, our minds may be radiant in your presence with the strength of our yearning for you. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: Consider what Saint John Cassian wrote about the Lord's Prayer and the necessity of forgiving others from the heart: "The mercy of God is beyond description. While he is offering us a model prayer he is teaching us a way of life whereby we can be pleasing in his sight. But that is not all. In this same prayer he gives us an easy method for attracting an indulgent and merciful judgment on our lives. He gives us the possibility of ourselves mitigating the sentence hanging over us and of compelling him to pardon us. What else could he do in the face of our generosity when we ask him to forgive us as we have forgiven our neighbor? If we are faithful in this prayer, each of us will ask forgiveness for our own failings after we have forgiven the sins of those who have sinned against us, not only those who have sinned against our Master. There is, in fact, in some of us a very bad habit. We treat our sins against God, however appalling, with gentle indulgence: but when by contrast it is a matter of sins against us ourselves, albeit very tiny ones, we exact reparation with ruthless severity. Anyone who has not forgiven from the bottom of the heart the brother or sister who has done him wrong will only obtain from this prayer his own condemnation, rather than any mercy." Thus we need to honestly ask ourselves: do I treat others as the Lord has instructed me – with compassion, mercy, steadfast love, and kindness?

Wednesday, February 25 ~ First Week in the Season of Lent

Holy Gospel: Luke 11:29-32 While still more people gathered in the crowd, Jesus said to them, "This generation is an evil generation; it seeks a sign, but no sign will be given it, except the sign of Jonah. Just as Jonah became a sign to the Ninevites, so will the Son of Man be to this generation. At the judgment the queen of the south will rise with the men of this generation and she will condemn them, because she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, and there is something greater than Solomon here. At the judgment the men of Nineveh will arise with this generation and condemn it, because at the preaching of Jonah they repented, and there is something greater than Jonah here."

Meditation: The Lord Jesus came to set us free from slavery to sin and hurtful desires. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit he pours his love into our hearts that we may understand his will for our lives and walk in his way of holiness. God searches our hearts, not to condemn us, but to show us where we need his saving grace and help. He calls us to seek him with true repentance, humility, and the honesty to see our sins for what they really are – a rejection of his love and will for our lives. God will transform us if we listen to his word and allow his Holy Spirit to work in our lives. Ask the Lord to renew your mind and to increase your thirst for his wisdom. James says that the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, without uncertainty or insincerity (James 3:17). A double-minded person cannot receive this kind of wisdom. The single of mind desire one thing alone – God's pleasure. God wants us to delight in him and to know the freedom of his truth and love. Do you thirst for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord (Hebrews 12:14)?

AN EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

with a reminder on how to go to Confession...

*First, take a little time to pray quietly and read through the examination of conscience below.
Take as much time as necessary.*

Individual Examination of Conscience – The Ten Commandments

FIRST COMMANDMENT

“I am the Lord your God, you shall not have strange gods before Me.”

- Have I denied God?
- Have I been ashamed of or denied my Catholic faith in front of friends, family, others?
- Have I ridiculed the teachings or practices of the Church?
- Have I neglected my prayers?
- Have I used witchcraft, Wicca, or other Occult practices?
- Have I practiced various forms of superstition such as fortune tellers, mediums, Ouija boards, tarot cards?

SECOND COMMANDMENT

“Do not take the name of the Lord in vain.”

- Do I use God’s name carelessly, in anger, or in surprise?
- Have I called down evil upon anyone or anything?

THIRD COMMANDMENT

“Keep holy the Sabbath.”

(For Christians, this is Sunday.)

- Have I, through my own fault, failed to come to Mass each Sunday and every Holy Day of Obligation?
- Do I arrive at Mass late or leave early without a good reason?
- Do I allow myself to be distracted at Mass (e.g. look at my smart phone/smart watch, text messages, etc.)?

FOURTH COMMANDMENT

“Honor your father and mother.”

- Have I disobeyed my parents or grandparents, and/or treated them with disrespect?
- Am I disrespectful, impolite, or discourteous toward members of my family?
- Have I neglected my work or my studies?
- Have I been helpful in my home?
- Have I failed to study seriously and with diligence?
- Have I missed an exam at school because of laziness?
- Am I disrespectful toward the elderly?
- Am I disobedient to the civil law or to those in authority such as the police?

FIFTH COMMANDMENT

“You shall not kill.”

- Did I have an abortion, support the decision to have an abortion, or help another to have an abortion?
- Have I mutilated my body or another’s body?
- Did I attempt suicide or seriously consider thoughts of suicide?
- Do I act violently by fighting or hitting others?
- Have I had thoughts of hatred toward another?
- Have I taken illegal drugs or abused prescription drugs?
- Have I sold or distributed illegal drugs?
- Do I neglect to take proper care of my body?
- Do I eat too much, or sleep too much?
- Do I drink beer or other alcoholic beverages in excess?
- Have I allowed myself to become intoxicated?
- Am I too concerned about my health or appearance?
- Do I deliberately harbor unkind and revengeful thoughts about others?
- Have I taken revenge?
- Have I used harsh or abusive language toward another?
- Do I act rudely, impolitely, or ridicule others?
- Have I been guilty of the sin of racism or antisemitism or similar viewpoints?
- Am I cruel to animals?

SIXTH & NINTH COMMANDMENTS

“Do not commit adultery. Do not covet your neighbor’s wife.”

- Have I desired or done impure things?
- Have I taken pleasure in entertaining impure thoughts or desires?
- Have I viewed pornography, read impure material, listened to music with impure lyrics, or looked at impure images, whether in photos or on television or in movies or on the Internet?
- Have I aroused sexual desire in myself or another by impure kissing, embracing, or touching?
- Have I committed impure actions alone (self-gratification)?
- Have I committed same-sex acts or other unnatural acts?
- Do I use artificial contraception whether surgical, barrier or chemical methods?
- Have I dressed immodestly or been too concerned with the way I look?
- Do I use vulgar language or tell or listen to impure jokes or stories?

SEVENTH & TENTH COMMANDMENTS

"You shall not steal. Do not covet your neighbor's goods."

- Have I taken anything that was not my own?
- Have I damaged private or public property or defaced it by vandalism?
- Have I been guilty of shop-lifting?
- Have I accepted or bought stolen property or helped someone to steal?
- Have I bribed someone?
- Do I gamble excessively?
- Have I borrowed something without the owner's permission?
- Do I waste money or spend it extravagantly?
- Have I harbored a greed for money or worldly possessions?
- Have I made money or any possession a false god?
- Do I waste goods or food?
- Have I cheated on tests or schoolwork, in games or sports?
- Am I lazy at work (do not work fully but expect to be fully paid)?

EIGHTH COMMANDMENT

"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor."

- Have I lied deliberately?
- Have I sworn to do something sinful or illegal?
- Have I slandered others by attributing to them sins they did not commit or of which I had no evidence?
- Do I gossip about others or listen to gossip?
- Have I told a secret I was asked to keep?
- Have I betrayed someone's trust?
- Have I criticized anyone uncharitably?
- Do I make rash judgments and harbor false suspicions about others?
- Have I deliberately misled or deceived anyone?
- Have I refused to forgive someone or held a grudge against him or her?
- Have I failed to apologize or make amends to someone I offended?

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

- Am I self-centered, greedy, or do I indulge in self-pity?
- Do I have an agenda that I want to push onto others?
- Do I think that I am always right?
- Am I proud or vain, or do I show off?
- Am I superficial and worldly?
- Do I desire to be praised by exaggerating my success?
- Am I touchy and hypersensitive?
- Do I magnify the least oversight or thoughtlessness into an insult or deliberate slight?
- Have I been boastful?
- Have I been arrogant with others?
- Am I manipulative?
- Do I plant seeds of division between people in order to divide and conquer?
- Have I obstinately defended actions which are sinful, either my own or other's?
- Am I rebellious?
- Have I spent useless time planted before a screen (TV, smart phone, computer, tablet, etc.) when I could be doing more constructive things?
- Am I envious of someone's possessions and do I inordinately desire them to be my own?
- Do I take delight in the misfortunes of others?



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HOW TO GO TO CONFESSION

Your confession is between you, the priest and Jesus – the priest is under the seal of confession and would never reveal your sins to anyone – even the Pope! Do not withhold confessing any of your sins – confess them and receive absolution. With this in mind, and with a humble and contrite heart, go into the confessional and say to the priest: "In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Forgive me, father, for I have sinned. It has been (how long?) since my last confession and these are my sins..." (confess all your sins, be honest and open, do not be afraid). At the end of confessing your sins, say to the priest: ***"For these and all the sins of my past life, and those I cannot remember, I beg God's mercy and forgiveness, and absolution from you, Father."***

The priest will give you a penance, then ask you to pray the **ACT OF CONTRITION**: ***"O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended You, and I detest all my sins because of Your just punishments, but most of all because they offend You, my God, who are all-good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of Your grace, to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin. Amen."***

The priest will then say the Prayer of Absolution. Thank the priest, leave the confessional, then go and do your penance.

Prayer: Look kindly, Lord, we pray, on the devotion of your people, that those who by self-denial are restrained in body may by the fruit of good works be renewed in mind. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: Do you pay careful attention to warning signs? Do you pay attention to these signs at all? Many fatalities could be avoided if people paid attention to such signs. When the religious leaders demanded a sign from Jesus, he gave them a serious warning to avert spiritual disaster. It was characteristic of the Jews that they demanded "signs" from God's messengers to authenticate their claims. When the religious leaders pressed Jesus to give proof for his claims he says in so many words that he is God's sign and that they need no further evidence from heaven than his own person. The Ninevites recognized God's warning when Jonah spoke to them, and they repented. And the Queen of Sheba recognized God's wisdom in Solomon. Jonah was God's sign and his message was the message of a merciful God for the people of Nineveh. Unfortunately the religious leaders were not content to accept the signs right before their eyes. They had rejected the message of John the Baptist and now they reject Jesus as God's Anointed One (Messiah) and they fail to heed his message. Simeon had prophesied at Jesus' birth that he was "destined for the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that inner thoughts of many will be revealed" (Luke 2:34- 35). Jesus confirmed his message with many miracles in preparation for the greatest sign of all – his resurrection on the third day.

Thursday, February 26 ~ First Week in the Season of Lent

Holy Gospel: Matthew 7:7-12 Jesus said to his disciples: "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. Which one of you would hand his son a stone when he asked for a loaf of bread, or a snake when he asked for a fish? If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give good things to those who ask him.

"Do to others whatever you would have them do to you. This is the law and the prophets."

Meditation: Those who know and trust in God's love, pray with great boldness. Saint John Chrysostom, a Father of the Church, had this to say about the power of prayer: "Prayer is an all-efficient panoply [i.e. 'a full suit of armor' or 'splendid array'], a treasure undiminished, a mine never exhausted, a sky unobstructed by clouds, a haven unruffled by storm. It is the root, the fountain, and the mother of a thousand blessings. It exceeds a monarch's power . . . I speak not of the prayer which is cold and feeble and devoid of zeal. I speak of that which proceeds from a mind outstretched, the child of a contrite spirit, the offspring of a soul converted – this is the prayer which mounts to heaven . . . The power of prayer has subdued the strength of fire, bridled the rage of lions, silenced anarchy, extinguished wars, appeased the elements, expelled demons, burst the chains of death, enlarged the gates of heaven, relieved diseases, averted frauds, rescued cities from destruction, stayed the sun in its course, and arrested the progress of the thunderbolt. In sum prayer has power to destroy whatever is at enmity with the good."

Prayer: Bestow on us, we pray, O Lord, a spirit of always pondering on what is right and of hastening to carry it out, and since without you we cannot exist, may we be enabled to live according to your will. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: Jesus' parable of the father feeding his son illustrates something most would think unthinkable! How could a loving father refuse to give his son what is good; or worse, to give him what is harmful? We sometimes forget that Christ came to teach us, not only what we are to know and believe, but what we are to do, how we are to live our lives. Jesus taught his disciples to pray with confidence because the Heavenly Father in his goodness always answers prayers. That is why we can boldly pray: "Give us this day our daily bread." Prayer flows from the love of God; and the personal love we show to our neighbor is fueled by the love that God has poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:5). Jesus concludes his discourse on prayer with the reminder that we must treat our neighbor in the same way we wish to be treated by God and by others. We must not just avoid doing harm to our neighbor, we must actively seek his or her welfare. In doing so, we fulfill the law and the prophets, namely what God requires of us — loving God with all that we have and are and loving our neighbor as ourselves. The Holy Spirit is every ready to transform our lives in Jesus' way of love. Do you thirst for holiness and for the fire of God's love?

Friday, February 27 ~ First Week in the Season of Lent

Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:20-26 Jesus said to his disciples: "I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter into the Kingdom of heaven.

"You have heard that it was said to your ancestors, *You shall not kill; and whoever kills will be liable to judgment.* But I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment, and whoever says to his brother, *Raqa*, will be answerable to the Sanhedrin, and whoever says, 'You fool,' will be liable to fiery Gehenna. Therefore, if you bring your gift to the altar, and there recall that your brother has anything against you, leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift. Settle with your opponent quickly while on the way to court. Otherwise your opponent will hand you over to the judge, and the judge will hand you over to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Amen, I say to you, you will not be released until you have paid the last penny."

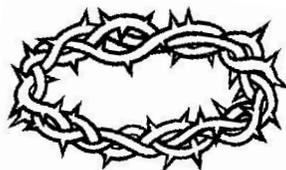
Meditation: Do you allow sin or anger to master your life? Maybe at first glance you say "no, of course not." But take a deep look, an honest look at yourself, at your life, at how you live. The first human to hate his brother was Cain. God warned Cain: 'Why are you angry? ...Sin in couching at the door; it's desire is for you, but you must master it (Genesis 4:6-7). Sin doesn't just happen; it first grows as a seed in one's heart. Unless it is mastered, by God's grace, it grows like a weed and chokes the fruitful vine. Jesus addressed the issue of keeping the commandments with his disciples. The scribes and Pharisees equated righteousness with satisfying the demands of the law. Jesus showed them how short they had come. Jesus points to the heart as the seat of desire and choice. Unless forbidden and evil desires are eradicated, the heart will be corrupted. Jesus points to forbidden anger with one's brother. This is a selfish anger that broods and is long-lived, that nurses a grudge and keeps wrath warm, and that refuses to die. Anger in the heart as well as anger in speech or action are equally forbidden. What is the antidote to anger and rage? Mercy, kindness, and forbearance spring from a heart full of love and forgiveness. God has forgiven us and he calls us to extend mercy and forgiveness towards those who cause us harm and grief. In the cross of Jesus we see the supreme example of love and the power for overcoming evil. Only God's love and grace can set our hearts and minds free from the tyranny of wounded pride and spiteful revenge. Do you harbor any anger towards another person? And are you quick to be reconciled when a rupture has been caused in your relationships? Ask God to set you free and to fill your heart and mind with his love and truth.

Prayer: Grant that your faithful, O Lord, we pray, may be so conformed to the paschal observances, that the bodily discipline now solemnly begun may bear fruit in the souls of all. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: Saint Eusebius, a Father of the Church, offered the following prayer as instruction for his fellow Christians: "May I be no man's enemy, and may I be the friend of that which is eternal and abides. May I never quarrel with those nearest me: and if I do, may I be reconciled quickly. May I love, seek, and attain only that which is good. May I wish for all men's happiness and envy none. May I never rejoice in the ill-fortune of one who has wronged me. When I have done or said what is wrong, may I never wait for the rebuke of others, but always rebuke myself until I make amends. May I win no victory that harms either me or my opponent. May I reconcile friends who are angry with one another. May I never fail a friend who is in danger. When visiting those in grief may I be able by gentle and healing words to soften their pain. May I respect myself. May I always keep tame that which rages within me. May I accustom myself to be gentle, and never be angry with people because of circumstances. May I never discuss who is wicked and what wicked things he has done, but know good men and follow in their footsteps." Do you seek to live peaceably and charitably with all? If not, pray that you will! Lent is about reconciliation, not only with God and Jesus, but with anyone whom we have harmed through our actions. Reconciliation is the first step toward conversion of mind and heart. Step-by-step, we turn away from sin and selfishness, and turn back to Christ. Begin these steps now, during Lent.

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Prayer List

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Please Pray for...

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Richard Jones	Francis Drlik
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MIDDLE SCHOOL SMALL GROUPS: The next Middle School Small Group is Sunday, March 1 from 6:45-8 PM. See your email for details and small group locations.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION: The next First Holy Communion Family Session is Sunday, March 8 from 9:45-11:15 AM.

CONFIRMATION: The next Confirmation Family Session is Sunday, March 8 from 6:45-8 PM.

SEEK & ROOT: The next Seek & Root Family Session is Monday, March 9 from 6-7:30 PM.

CONTINUED GROWTH: The next Continued Growth Family Session is Sunday, April 12 from 9:45-11:15 AM.

Sacrament Preparation

To register for sacrament preparation (Confirmation or First Reconciliation and Holy Communion), please visit www.stbrendans.net/growing-in-faith/family-faith-formation

St. Brendan Spring Sports

Spring CYO sports are closed. Little Spikers and K-3 Soccer closes March 6. Register at www.stbrendans.net/athletics



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St. Brendan School Fundraiser, March 7

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HOUSE CHALLENGE Help a St. Brendan student earn a chance to dunk the principal in a dunk tank by making a donation to their "House" team (bottom of webpage) at <https://stbrendans.net/school/auction/>

VOLUNTEER for: bar setup, auction spotters, runners, bartenders or cleanup at <https://tinyurl.com/help4auction>

BID ON ITEMS REMOTELY DURING THE EVENT!
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FUND-A-NEED to help improve our school playground so it better serves students with special needs via the QR above.

2026 Festival Co-Chairs Needed!

We have two vacant leadership positions to fill for this summer's 2026 Parish Festival, to oversee our Silent Auction and to head up our Sponsorships. If interested, please contact Pat Hamrock at pat.hamrock@att.net or Nick Astalos at astalosnick@gmail.com

Next Date Night is Feb. 27

The next Knights of Columbus sponsored Date Night for Young Couples is **Friday, February 27, 6:30-8 PM** in the Davidson Rooms. We'll watch the kids (6 mos.-5 years old) while you strengthen your relationships and enjoy dinner with other couples. Cost of \$35 includes all date nights through June (make checks to "KofC 11208"). It's not too late to join us – email Chuck at chuck436@att.net

Seniors NOW (NAVIGATING OUR WAY)

MARCH 6, 8 AM – First Friday Mass followed by Breakfast at Scrambler's Marie (3939 Britton Parkway, Hilliard).

MONDAY, MARCH 9, 12 PM – Lunch at BJ's Brewhouse, 5141 Tuttle Crossing in Dublin. RSVP Jerry: 614-805-6792 or pricej62@gmail.com

School Research Reviewers

Middle School Student Research Fair is March 12, 12:30-3 PM. 12-15 students are assigned per room for presentations with 3-4 reviewers (please arrive by 11:45 AM). Lunch provided. To volunteer, email Michele at mhazzard@cdeeducation.org

Vine for High Schoolers

Sundays in the school gym at 6:30 PM.

FEBRUARY 22 "All About Dating"

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Questions? Contact kday@stbrendans.net



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New Member Registration Form

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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

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Email baptism@stbrendans.net

Anointing of the Sick

Contact the Parish Office.

OCIA (Order of Christian

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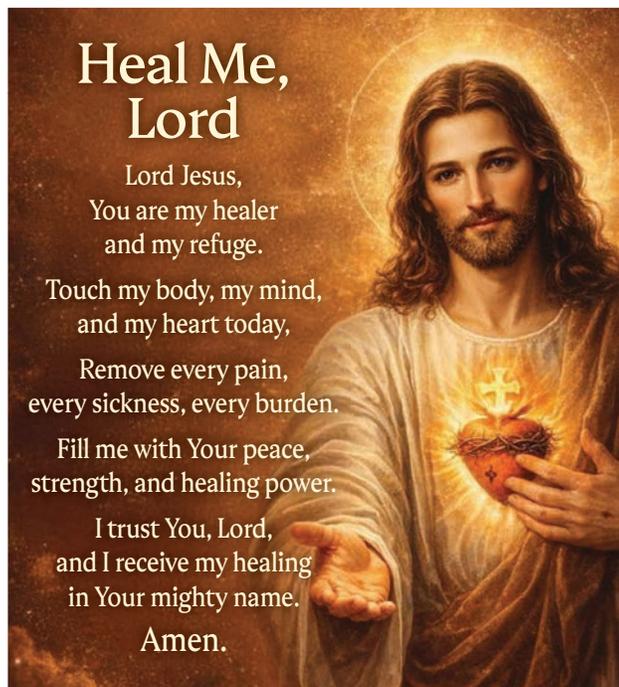
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