



This Week at St. Brendan's

Sunday (4-28) 8:00 a.m. Worship 9:00 a.m. Sr. Choir rehearsal

10:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Pot Luck

Monday (4-29) 11:00 a.m. Be a Modern Episcopalian

6:00 p.m. RITE 13 meeting 6:30 p.m. Under One Roof

Tuesday (4-30) 7:00 a.m. AA meeting

10:00 a.m. Conversation Friends

10:30 a.m. Bible Study 12:30 p.m. Tai Chi

Wednesday (5-1) 7:00 p.m. Worship

7:00 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous 7:00 p.m. Conversation Friends

7:30 p.m. Sr. Choir rehearsal

Thursday (5-2) 10:00 a.m. Conversation Friends

7:00 p.m. Book Club

Saturday (5-4) 9:00 a.m. Sacristans

Serving Sunday, April 28, 2019

Celebrant: The Rev. Regis Smolko

Lay Reader: 8:00 a.m. Sylvia Affleck

10:00 a.m. Children

Acolyte: Acolyte team
Prayers: Children
Chalice Bearers: Janice Moore

Darrell Johnson

Altar Guild: Sylvia Affleck

Brigid Christenson

FISH: Children's Liturgy
Godly Play: Children's Liturgy
Door: Children's Liturgy

Nursery: Stacy Connifey

Libby Juel

Ushers: Bob Smith

Eric Helmsen

Vestry: Janice Moore
Hospitality: Pot Luck
LEM: Stacey Coyle

The Priest's Corner

Now That Easter's Over, What's Next?

I don't know about you, but our recent celebrations of Holy Week and Easter were perhaps the most inspiring of my life. Both our 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. liturgies were full of energy, love and true celebration of the Risen Lord. The singing at the 10 o'clock was on fire. You could tell people were happy and grateful. The faith was palpable. The children playing those percussion instruments and processing in as well as Brad displaying that highly-lifted-up banner and swaying with the music evidenced the joy of a Resurrection. At the 8 o'clock the renewal of Baptismal promises was robust and the 10-minute greeting of peace just announced that "We really feel it today!" Joy was present in a tangible way.

Thank you to everyone for the love and dedication that you showed during this most Holy Week of our year. We had record attendance at every one of our services. Someone said to me that "Something deeply spiritual is happening at St. Brendan's." This is the way church is supposed to be.

Now often after such a robust experience people feel a let-down afterwards. No time for that at St. Brendan's. We move directly into our celebrations of Baptism. This Sunday we will baptize little Jonathan, then Stephanie, Joe and Justin, followed by Josephine, then Theo and Wesley and, right before Vacation Bible School, little Lexi, our dear brother Paul Dickerson's granddaughter, will be baptized. Paul passed away suddenly last year.

We have the bishop's visit on May 12. So far we are baptizing and confirming three adults at that ceremony. Five people will be received next month, two of them when the bishop is here. We will have an experience of liturgical dance at this celebration at the request of Holy Cross Episcopal Church in Homewood. They have a dance troupe, and we are the first parish outside their home parish to whom they will minister. The bishop is very excited that we are having this.

This is about 20% of what you have to look forward to in just the next month and a half. So much to be grateful for at St. Brendan's. Christ is risen! Alleluia! He is risen indeed! Alleluia.

Regis +

Announcements

Potluck Brunch. (THIS Sunday, April 28)

Join us for fun and fellowship after the 10 a.m. service THIS Sunday. Bring your favorite dish to share. No need for a sign-up sheet.



Do you have a special prayer request? You can write one and leave it on the prayer plate by Regis' office. On Sunday those prayers are offered up to God during the 8:00 a.m. worship service. Each week they are collected by the Community of Hope, and added to their daily prayers. You can also email prayer requests to stbrendans.coh@gmail.com Community of Hope members will include those persons in daily prayers, or send out a prayer via text or email to someone if requested. All prayers and requests are kept confidential.



Used ink cartridges.

St. Brendan's will benefit from donations of used ink cartridges. Please bring them to church and place the cartridge in the box near Katie's office. Thank you.



Book Club. (Thursday, May 2, 7 p.m.)

Join the Book Club as we read "The Two-Family House" by Lynda Cohen Loigman, a debut novel that is an engrossing family saga set in post-war Brooklyn. The book focuses on two families that are inextricably linked by blood, marriage, and a long-held secret born in a snowstorm. We'll meet in the church library for some fun and a discussion of the book. Copies are available at the local library in both print and audio formats.

St. Brendan's Scholarships. The parish invites young church members who will be enrolled in post-secondary education (college, technical school, etc.) in the fall of 2019 to apply for a St. Brendan's Scholarship. Grants are awarded on the basis of a young person's years of participation and attendance in parish services and activities. Guidelines and applications, which must be submitted no later than Sunday, May 12, are available by contacting the church office. Launched in 1996 by late parishioner Dorsey Dodroe, the scholarship fund has awarded 75 grants to 28 students. The program is sustained by the generosity of St. Brendan's members. Donations may be made to the fund at any time.



Bishop Dorsey McConnell Visits St. Brendan's. (Sunday, May 12)

Would anyone like to receive the sacrament of Confirmation when Bishop Dorsey McConnell visits St. Brendan's? The parish is considering a one-day retreat to prepare for the sacrament, which persons age 14 and up may receive. Parents are invited to consider along with their children the young person's readiness for this spiritual step into Christian maturity and leadership. Adults who have not been confirmed are invited to take this important spiritual step as well.

The bishop will also receive into the Episcopal Church any person who wants to take that formal step. Episcopalians who would like to reaffirm a commitment to this church community (for instance, those who were previously members of other Episcopal churches) are also eligible to receive a special blessing from the bishop. If you are interested in participating in any of these special rites, please contact Regis.



Brendan's Boots. (Thursday, May 16, 10 a.m.)

The parish hiking group will explore the wooded trails of the Wildflower Reserve at Raccoon Creek State Park during its next outing. Lunch will follow at Janoski's Country Restaurant. Meet in the church parking lot at 10 a.m. Everyone invited; bring a friend!

We celebrate the May Wedding Anniversaries:

17 Amy & Kevin Boyd 23 LuAnn & James Aldridge

We celebrate the May Birthdays:

Joyce Donadee 1 1 Bob Salvatora 3 Robert Karn 6 Allison Burdette 7 Nate Boyd 8 Marge Marine 9 Susan O'Toole 9 Rosie Wood 10 Braydon Bumbaco 10 Bill Pugliese Bev Sanker 11 Reece Basehore 16 Kathy Hancock 17 Jno Hunt 18 Mary Evanochko 10 25 Nancy Bancroft 30 Mark Jennings 21 Joni Reis 22 Tim Austin 25 Anne Hunt



Hear ye, hear ye! (Sunday, May 19)

Please save the date for a celebration of St. Brendan's 32nd birthday following the 10 a.m. service. It's sure to be a day filled with fun and fellowship! Would you like to help mark this birthday with a special gift? Then consider a donation to the Brendan's Family and Friends fund towards the purchase of acoustic tiles. Our social hall needs these desperately for better sound quality during Christian formation, outreach and fellowship activities.

For more information, see the poster in the narthex. Acoustic tiles! A "sound" investment in St. Brendan's! Thank you for your support of this effort.

CRIES Advocacy. (Christian Response In Emergency Situations) meets monthly on the third Sunday in the library after the 10 a.m. service to determine distribution of the parish's outreach tithe each month. Each person present has an equal voice and vote. The next meeting will be **Sunday, May 19.** All are welcome.



Speaker Series. (Tuesday, May 28, 6 p.m.)

St. Brendan's Speaker Series is back. The event will begin with wine, appetizers and a silent auction. Rob Rogers, a 2019 Pulitzer Prize finalist, will be the featured speaker. Rob is the award-winning, nationally syndicated editorial cartoonist formerly with the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. He will show a selection of his cartoons, be interviewed by Tom Waseleski and take questions from the audience. Afterwards, stay to enjoy a glass of Prosecco with dessert, which will give you time to meet Rob and discuss his new cartoon collection "Enemy of the People." Copies will be available for sale and signing by Rob. Space is limited, so reserve your seat early by calling 412-364-5974, signing up in the narthex or sending an e-mail to stbrendans@comcast.net. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door.



North Hills Food Pantry. Our focus this month is on collecting breakfast foods; items such as cereal, breakfast bars, oatmeal, etc. As always, all non-perishable food items or paper products are welcome. Please remember, no glass jars. If you have any questions, contact Larry Toler, ldtoler@aol.com. Thank you for your support.

Help Wanted. Looking for a way to pitch in at St. Brendan's, but not sure how? Here's an area where your help is needed.

• Fundraising Ideas. Do you have an idea for a fun and effective fundraiser that would support the mission of St. Brendan's? Maybe you have participated in a great fundraiser at a previous church or at your child's school? If so, please see Chris Botti, the vestry's fundraising liaison, or contact her via email at shadypatch@msn.com. Thanks!



We all find ourselves back at the grocery store every week, right? Do you know that you can help raise funds for St. Brendan's when you grocery shop?! Purchase your groceries using Giant Eagle or Kuhn's gift cards bought at church. Because St. Brendan's buys the cards in bulk, the church makes 5 percent on every sale.

Cards are sold after both services on Sundays. You can also purchase them during business hours in the church office. It's the no-sweat fundraiser!



Are you available Tuesday mornings this summer to help our **ESL** parents and children? We have a small number of immigrant children and their parents who would like to attend our preschool ESL class. You do not need to know any foreign languages and don't have to get down on the floor with the children. The classes are to teach simple words in English. We have several helpers who have volunteered but need one person to help planning with Joyce Donadee and other members of the ESL leadership team.

For more information, contact Joyce at 412 635 2312.

Trinity Cathedral Walk-In Ministry. Every five weeks Brendanites help to staff the Walk-In Ministry at Trinity Cathedral downtown, feeding and clothing 70 to 90 desperately needy people. You can help by donating children's diapers; new, white athletic socks and underwear for women and men; toothpaste, razors and travel-size cans of shaving cream. Please leave donations in the wicker basket outside Regis's office. If you might be interested in volunteering at the cathedral in person, please see Linda Schneider, Meg Overby or Tim Austin.

The Muslim community in the North Hills has invited the community to a Ramadan dinner at their mosque on May 22. The mosque is located in Pine Richland Township very near the Pines Restaurant. It will be a fun and informative evening and an event that you will remember. Contact Larry Toler or Joyce Donadee if you would like to join a group from St. Brendan's who will be going. Children are welcome at this event. Please see the bulletin board for more information.

Please scroll to the next few pages for the Hospitality Hour schedule and the April & May ministry calendars.



April 2019

Ministry of	calend	lar
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Date	Lectors	Altar Guild	Sunday School	Nursery	Usher	Vestry	Hospitality
April 3 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Tammy Spoonhoward	Tammy Spoonhoward	~	~	~	~	~
April 7 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Ruth Horton L Susan Shoemaker P Dean Peters C Stacey Coyle C Theresa Bryant LEV Joyce Donadee	Joan Klinefelter Shari Tarrant Terry Dezort	Fish Mary Bertucci Godly Play TBD Door TBD	Stacy Connifey Sarika Sethia	Joyce & Michael Donadee	Annemarie Malbon	Karen & Dean Peters
April 10 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Alan Schneider	Linda Schneider	~	~	~	~	~
April 14 Palm Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Charlotte Pierce L Nate Boyd P Michael Donadee C Joyce Donadee C Michael Donadee LEV Ruth Horton	Terry Dezort Anelisa Tarrant	Fish Allison Kline Godly Play TBD Door TBD	Stacy Connifey Pat Carl	Chris Fleissner Mike Wick	Chris Botti	Sharon Hlawati Donna Aiello
April 17 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Sylvia Affleck	Sylvia Affleck	~	~	~	~	~
April 18 Maundy Thursday 7:00 pm	Gladys Carlysle	Janice Moore	~	~	~	~	~
April 19 Good Friday 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm	12 Ellen Groves 7 Tim Austin	~	~	~	~	~	~
April 20 Easter Vigil 8:00 pm	TBD	Anelisa Tarrant	~	~	~	~	~
April 21 Easter Sunday 8 &10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous L Dean Peters P Tim Austin C Dean Peters C Tim Austin LEV Darrell Johnson	Tammy Spoonhoward Janet Fesq	Easter Sunday	Stacy Connifey Julia Wick	Brad Thompson Larry Toler	Larry Toler	Megan Overby Tim Austin
April 24 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Sylvia Affleck	Sylvia Affleck	~	~	~	~	~
April 28 Sunday 8 &10:00 am Children's Sunday	8 Sylvia Affleck L Children P Children C Darrell Johnson C Janice Moore LEV Stacey Coyle	Sylvia Affleck Brigid Christenson	Children's Liturgy	Stacy Connifey Libby Juel	Bob Smith Eric Helmsen	Janice Moore	Pot Luck



May 2019 Ministry calendar

Date	Lectors	Altar Guild	Sunday School	Nursery	Usher	Vestry	Hospitality
May 1 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Sylvia Affleck	Sylvia Affleck	~	~	~	~	~
May 5 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Charlotte Pierce L Theresa Bryant P Nate Boyd C Stacey Coyle C Theresa Bryant LEV Joyce Donadee	Tammy Spoonhoward Janice Moore	Fish Allison Kline Godly Play TBD Door TBD	Stacy Connifey Mary Haider	Joyce & Michael Donadee	Kevin Boyd	Kelli Cerra Ellen Groves
May 8 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Alan Schneider	Linda Schneider	~	~	~	~	~
May 12 Sunday 8 & 0:00 am	8 Ruth Horton L Michael Donadee P Darrell Johnson C Joyce Donadee C Michael Donadee LEV Ruth Horton	Chris Botti Anelisa Tarrant	Fish TBD Godly Play Joyce Donadee Door TBD	Stacy Connifey Sarika Sethia	Chris Fleissner Mike Wick	Tom Waseleski	Parish men
May 15 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Ellen Groves	Ellen Groves	~	~	~	~	~
May 19 Sunday 8 &10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous L Tim Austin P Alan Schneider C Tim Austin C Dean Peters LEV Darrell Johnson	Ellen Groves Shari Tarrant	Fish Mary Bertucci Godly Play TBD Door TBD	Stacy Connifey Annemarie Malbon	Brad Thompson Larry Toler	Tim Austin	Sharon & Ron Ladick
May 22 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Ellen Groves	Ellen Groves	~	~	~	~	~
May 26 Sunday 8 &10:00 am Children's Sunday	8 Ellen Groves L Children P Children C Darrell Johnson C Janice Moore LEV Stacey Coyle	Terry Dezort Betsy Smith	Children's Liturgy	Stacy Connifey Libby Juel	Bob Smith Eric Helmsen	Ruth Horton	Tammy & Bill Spoonhoward
May 29 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Tammy Spoonhoward	Tammy Spoonhoward	~	~	~	~	~

Hospitality Hour Hosts/Hostesses

October 2018 September

October 2018

- 7 Nancy & George Snyder
- 14 Pat Carl & Joan Beatrous
- 21 Animal Blessing
- 28 Gail Gagnon & Karen Dennis

November 2018

- 4 Joyce & Michael Donadee
- 11 Darrell Johnson & Ruth Horton
- 18 Eric Helmsen & Joni Reis
- 25 Nancy & Wilder Bancroft

December 2018

- 2 Saundy & Tom Waseleski
- 9 Chris & Roger Botti
- 16 Anelisa Tarrant & Janet Fesq
- 23 Julia Wick & Ken Parsons
- 30 Rob & George Latta

January 2019

- 6 Kate & Keith Heston
- 13 Anne & Jno Hunt
- 20 Julia & Mike Wick
- 27 Mary & Jim Evanochko

February 2019

- 3 The Fleissner family
- 10 Janice & Dan Moore
- 17 Ken Parsons & Regis Smolko
- 24 Amy & Kevin Boyd

March 2019

- 3 Mary & Dale Bertucci
- 10 Brad Thompson & Larry Toler
- 17 Allison Kline & Linda Mesko
- 24 Michael Newton & Peter Sweet
- 31 Lauren Chappo & Becca Sands

April 2019

- 7 Karen & Dean Peters
- 14 Sharon Hlawati & Donna Aiello
- 21 Megan Overby & Tim Austin
- 28 Pot Luck

May 2019

- 5 Kelli Cerra & Ellen Groves
- 12 Mother's Day/Bishop's visit
- 19 Sharon & Ron Ladick
- 26 Tammy & Bill Spoonhoward

June 2019

- 2 Linda & Alan Schneider
- 9 Susan Shoemaker & Margie Davies
- 16 Annemarie Malbon & Janet Fesq
- 23 Parish Picnic
- 30 Jillian Mooman & Cameron Grosh

July 2019

- 7 Stacy Connifey & Mary Haider
- 14 Judy Flick & Marcy Little
- 21 Debbie Wunsche & Jim Gray
- 28 Betsy & Bob Smith

August 2019

- 4 Joan & Paul Klinefelter
- 11 Angela & Michael Schlumpf
- 18 Allison & Phil Burdette
- 26 Theresa Bryant

September 2019

- 1 Darrell Johnson & Isaac Mondelus
- 8 Laureen & Todd Douds
- 15 The Aretz & Kinley family
- 22 Melanie & Thaddeus Popovich
- 29 Jean Pett-Ridge & Marge Marine



ST. BRENDAN'S MISSION

Jesus said, "I have come to give life – life in all its fullness." John 10:10. Our mission is the realization of fullness through: the worship of God: service to the world: active concern for each other: and education to expand mind and spirit.

VESTRY MEMBERS

Sr. Warden: Tom Waseleski Jr. Warden & Education: Ruth Horton Worship & Safety/Security: Tim Austin Fundraising & Clerk: Chris Botti Finance & Technology: Kevin Boyd Communication: Annemarie Malbon

Inreach/Hospitality/Secretary: Janice Moore

Newcomers: Dean Peters Invite/Welcome/Connect & Outreach: Larry Toler

Treasurer: Ellen Groves

WORSHIP MINISTRY LEADERS

Acolytes: Anelisa Tarrant Altar Guild: Tammy Spoonhoward

Flower Ministry: Sylvia Affleck

Libby Juel

Community of Hope: Ruth Horton Scheduler: Kelli Cerra Ushers: Eric Helmsen

PARISH LIFE MINISTRY LEADERS

Audit: Kevin Boyd Book Club: Pat Carl Brendan's Boots: Tom Waseleski

Dinner Group: Janice Moore Finance Chair: Eric Helmsen Green Thumb Gang: Roger Botti

Historian: Ellen Groves

Holiday Arts & Crafts Sale: Anelisa Tarrant Invite Welcome Connect: Brad Thompson Memorial Garden: Dan Moore

Merry Meal Makers (M&M's): Saundy Waseleski

Nursery: Stacy Connifey Parish Profile: Kelli Cerra

Reiki Ministry: Melanie Popovich Rental: Mark Shoemaker

Scholarship: Tom Waseleski

Sticks & Strings: Joni Reis

Debbie Jennings

Web Site: Kelli Cerra

OUTREACH MINISTRY LEADERS

Adopt-A-Highway: Tom Waseleski CRIES Advocacy: Ellen Groves English as a Second Language: Joyce Donadee

Elizabeth Murphy Linda Schneider

Invite Welcome Connect: Bradford Thompson

North Hills Food Bank Ministry: Ruth Horton

Garden of Hope: Open Mirvam's: Julia Wick

> Rob & George Latta Janice & Dan Moore

Stacy Connifey

Under One Roof: Joyce Donadee

Jim Evanochko

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