Announcements



You're invited to **St. Brendan's Christmas Pageant**

Blessed Are You Who Trust in the Lord

THIS Sunday, December 22, 2024 during the 10 am service

Please join the children and youth of the parish for their presentation.

Tuesday, December 24 Christmas Eve, we have 2 services, one at 5 pm and one at 10 pm.

Wednesday Evening Services: We will not hold services on the next 2 Wednesdays. We will resume Wednesday evening services on January 8, 2025.

2025 Pledge **Thank you, thank you, thank you!** St. Brendan's, a church on a mission, was truly on a mission to promise support for the new year. Brendanites surpassed the campaign's pledge goal of 85 by one, with 86 pledges of support for 2025. Your time, talent and treasure will make for a church with vitality, humanity and a deep desire to do God's work. Thank you, St. Brendan's!



VOLUNTEERS Needed! If anyone is interested in volunteering to join the Altar Guild, please contact Kathy Miller, komiller@comcast.net. It is a valuable & actually "fun" ministry.



New life, new birth! This community has done so much to help our friends from Haiti. This year we assisted Orilia, Camile, and Anita get an apartment in Brighton Heights on multiple bus lines; provided them with clothes and household goods to get started; connected them with our friends at Destiny Of Faith Church to establish a community close to home; and helped Camile and Orilia get better jobs in town. They are launched!

December 1st Camile and Anita welcomed their beautiful daughter Calista. As our final community gift to this family we would like to provide Clothes to Grow for this little girl. We will collect lightly used clothes size 6 months to five years until the final Sunday, December 28th.Our assistance helps them conserve funds for their legal challenges. Paul and Dawn Quinn will continue to work with them in the future and can be contacted for any additional assistance. Thank you St. Brendan's!



Every year St. Brendan's accepts monetary donations towards the purchase of our **Christmas Flowers**, **Greens & Poinsettias**. They can be in memory of those who have died, those who have made a special impact on our lives, or because we love them. If you would like to contribute to the greening of the church and have your announcement in the bulletin on Christmas Eve, please contact Katie with your information <a href="Matter-Batter-Katie-Witherstein-Katie-Wi

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Several BFF, Brendan's Friends & Family donations, have been given this week.

In memory of Larry Tarrant, from Donna Aiello and Sharon Hlawati

In thanksgiving for everyone who makes Miryam's happen, from Julia Wick.

In memory of Derek Wimmer, from Saundy and Tom Waseleski

In memory of Alice Butterworth, from the Eight O'clockers.

Children and Youth Ministries (CYM)



Pageant news:

- Saturday, December 21: 10 am to 12 pm, rehearsal for Christmas pageant
- Sunday, December 22: Annual Children's Christmas Pageant at 10 am.
 - Children should arrive no later than 9:30 am on Sunday for a quick rehearsal.
 - Please check your email and texts for any changes or updates regarding the pageant and your child's role.
- A cookie decorating activity for kids will be part of hospitality time after the pageant. Thank you to Kate Heston for setting this up for the children.
- **Joy:** Parents, please share a little of your "joy" and help your child do the same by writing a sentence or phrase on the narthex bulletin board about what brings you joy. (See announcement elsewhere in this edition of the Navigator.)

Looking ahead:

- Please note the date change for the January's Children's Worship Service. The service will be held on January 19th which is the third Sunday of January (not the usual fourth Sunday) due to the parish meeting on January 26th. More information will follow.
- The annual parish meeting will be held on Sunday, January 26th following the 9 am service. The 9 am service will be the only service that day. There will be Sunday School classes on January 26th at 9 am. We encourage families to stay after the service that day for the meeting. We'll have coloring sheets available on the table in back of the sanctuary to help keep kids occupied, but you may also want to bring another quiet activity for your child.
- There will be **no Sunday School classes on December 29.** The children and teens, teachers, leaders, and doorkeepers wish everyone a holiday filled with joy and God's blessings.
- **Sunday**, **January 5**: Stay tuned for information about an Epiphany party for children and youth following the 10 am service (during hospitality hour) in the handprint room.



- 2 Gail Gagnon
- 12 Donna Aiello
- 21 Rob Latta
- 5 Mary Bertucci
- 12 Won Lee
- 22 Marilyn Mulvihill
- 6 Matthew Wunsche
- 16 Janice Moore
- 29 Sherri Angeletti
- 19 Zoe Boyd
- 31 Judy McKarnin

Kelli Cerra



Mark your calendar! St. Brendan's Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Sunday, Jan. 26, after a joint 9 a.m. service. We will review the past year and preview the 2025 budget. Candidates will also be elected for vestry. So come to worship, stay for a brief meeting and enjoy hospitality with fellow Brendanites afterward!



Vestry Nominating Committee Seeks Nominations. On **January 26**, St. Brendan's will elect four new members to join the Vestry for three-year terms. The Vestry plays a vital role in the life of our church. Its nine members provide administrative and financial oversight, and ensure we are living our mission. If you are interested in joining the Vestry, would like to nominate someone for Vestry consideration, or simply have questions about this process, please contact a member of the Vestry

Nominating Committee: Kate Heston kmheston71@gmail.com, Mary Bertucci mary.bertucci@hotmail.com, Neil Galone meil.galone@gmail.com, John Appledorn JJA47@aol.com or George Snyder GDS42@comcast.net.



Calling all fiber crafters for Sticks and Strings! Do you knit, crochet, embroider, or do other hand-held fiber arts? Let's get together for fellowship, fun, and handcrafting! Sticks & Strings meetings are on the first Friday and third Wednesday of each month, 6-8 pm, in St. Brendan's library.



The next meeting is **Friday**, **January 3**rd. Please join us - everyone is welcome, regardless of experience level. We hope to see you there!

Contact Sherri at sherri.angeletti@gmail.com, or text 412-689-0737 to be added to the email list for the most up-to-date information, or if you have questions.



St. Brendan's Book Club meets the **first Monday of every month at 1pm** in the library. On **Monday, Jan. 6** we will discuss <u>The Women</u> by Kristen Hannah, an epic best-selling novel of nurses during and after the Vietnam War. All are welcome (even if you haven't read the book)! Upcoming titles:

Feb. 3 James by Percival Everett

March 3 The Great Stewardess Rebellion by Nell McShane Wulfhart

April 7 The Ride of Her Life by Elizabeth Letts

May 5 The Beauty of Dusk by Frank Bruni

Contact Anne Semmler <u>annegsemmler@gmail.com</u> with any questions.

Prayer Requests

For our beloved members of St. Brendan's especially; Ruth Horton, Regis Smolko, Libby Juel, Joan Beatrous, Matthew, Jim Gray, Carol Meese, Dave Miller, Joan Beatrous, Rosie Wood, Nancy Snyder, Ruth Haider, Charlotte Pierce, Bill Spoonhoward, Margie Davies.

For our parents, especially; Debbie Adrian, Ken McCormack, Lenora, Margaret Nagel.

For our family members, especially; Robert Donato, Rich, Tom Payne, Neil Amor, Carol Schmitz, Paula Watson, Kayleigh Waters, Parker Shebs, Frannie, Pat and Chuck Schulze, Janet, Frank Nagy, John, Nathan Schlumpf, Christian, Margaret and Lawrence Czerpak, Steve Getty, Jay & A., Joann, Rosalie & Geoff Wood, Daniela, Sue Burchill, Cindy, Carol and Guy Estes, Bee Ward, Marie Hazelton, Ann & Ben Kirkpatrick.

For our friends, especially; Mark Hubert, Terri Hockenberry, Heidi Sherwin, Susan N., Laurie, Patty Walker, Josh, Will Guilfoile, Cindy & Bob Getty, Debbie and Dale Kline, Nancy Baker, Phil & Bernice Bollman, Diane Brackus, Frank Monakowski, Tom Sklarsky, Kathleen Suskauer, Jordon Medlin, Bill Pugliese, Mike Colavita, Connie Geiger, Patty Herrington.

For all who have died especially; Larry Tarrant and The Rev. David Ratcliff.

If you know someone who would like a visit from Mtr. Robin, please email her at robin@stbrendans.org.



December Ministry Calendar 2024

| Date | Lectors | Sunday School | Nursery | Altar Guild | Greeters | Ushers | Stewards | Vestry | Hospitality |
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| December 1 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am | 8 Johanna Rengers 1 st Linda Limberis 2 nd John Appledorn P Aiden McKenna LEV Tim Austin Lay Eucharistic Visitor | Lambs Saundy Waseleski Fish Allison Kline Doorkeeper TBD | Liz MacDonald Dawn Day-Quinn | Tammy Spoonhoward Phoebe Juel | Donna Aiello Sharon Hlawati | Richard Munsch John Appeldorn | Dan Moore Tim Austin | Dan Moore | Kate Heston |
| December 8 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am | 8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1 st Marilyn Mulvihill 2 nd Mary Bartucci P Paul Quinn LEV Sylvia Affleck Lay Eucharistic Visitor | Lambs Saundy Waseleski Fish TBD Doorkeeper Susan Shields | Liz MacDonald Lindsay Beel | Ellen Groves Janice Moore | Toni Turo Annie Koch | Allyson Baierl Julia/Mike Wick | Donna Aiello Julia/Mike Wick | Tom Waseleski | Megan & Tim |
| December 15 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am | 8 Ellen Groves 1st Tim Austin 2nd Dean Peters P Donna Aiello LEV Melanie Popovich Lay Eucharistic Visitor | Lambs Saundy Waseleski Fish Janice Moore Doorkeeper Ellen Groves | Liz MacDonald Pat Carl | Barb Fure Tammy Spoonhoward | Tom &Saundy Waseleski | Donna Aiello Linda Limberis | Deb/Norm Erb-White | Kate Heston | Sharon & Donna |
| December 22 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am | 8 Joan Beatrous 1st Christmas Pageant 2nd Christmas Pageant P Christmas Pageant LEV Ellen Groves Lay Eucharistic Visitor | Children's Pageant No Sunday School | Liz MacDonald Susan Shields | Tammy Spoonhoward Barb Fure | Donna Aiello Sharon Hlawati | John Appledorn Dan Moore | Tim Austin Paul Quinn | Richard Munsch | Kate Heston |
| December 24 Tuesday 5:00 | 1 st Norman Erb-White 2 nd Cherish Erb-White P John Appeldorn | Holiday Break No Sunday School | N/A | Janice Moore | Annemarie Malbon John Appledorn | Julia Wick John Appeldorn | Mike Wick Tim Austin | John Appeldorn | n/a |
| December 24 Tuesday 10:00 pm | 1 st Paul Quinn 2 nd Kate Heston P Alan Schneider | Holiday Break No Sunday School | N/A | Kathy Miller | Kathy & Dave Miller | Kate Heston Dan Moore | Deb/Norm Erb-White | Kate Heston | n/a |
| December 29 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am | 8 George Snyder 1 st Tony Turo 2 nd Alan Schneider P Kate Heston LEV N/A Lay Eucharistic Visitor | Holiday Break No Sunday School | Liz MacDonald Susan Shields | Ellen Groves Phoebe Juel | Wesley Bell Annemarie Malbon | Allyson Baierl Kate Heston | Deb & Norm Erb-White | John Appeldorn | Janice & Dan |



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: Dan Moore Adult Formation: John Appeldom

Communication/Technology: TBD

Children & Youth: John Appeldorn
Finance: Frances Harpst
Fundraising: Frances Harpst
Inreach & Hospitality: Kate Heston
Membership: Melanie Popovich
Pastoral Care: Melanie Popovich

Outreach: Richard Munsch Secretary/Clerk: Kate Heston Worship: Neil Galone Treasurer: Kevin Boyd

OUTREACH MINISTRY LEADERS

Adopt-A-Highway: Tom Waseleski CRIES Advocacy: Ellen Groves ESL: Tim Austin

SL: Tim Austin Joyce Donadee

Garden of Hope: Annemarie Malbon

Justice Ministry: Marilyn Mulvihill & Donna Aiello

Miryam's: Julia Wick

North Hills Food Banks: Ruth Horton

Tuesday:

WORSHIP MINISTRY LEADERS

Acolyte: Anelisa Tarrant Altar Guild: Anelisa Tarrant

Flower Ministry: Libby Juel & Sylvia Affleck

Greeter: Donna Aiello Lector: Ann Vinski Scheduler: Kelli Cerra Spirituality: Donna Aiello

PARISH LIFE MINISTRY LEADERS

Audit: Mary Bertucci Book Club: Anne Semmler Brendan's Boots: Tom Waseleski

Bulletin Coordinators: Pat Carl~Carol Meese~Barb Fure

Dinner Group: Janice Moore

Facebook: Jen and Bob Mankowski Fiber Crafting Club: Sherri Angeletti

Finance Chair: Frances Harpst
Historian: Ellen Groves

Holiday Happenings/Cookie Walk: Donna Aiello
Memorial Garden: John Appeldorn

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

Reiki Ministry: Melanie Popovich Rental: Marilyn Mulvihill

Scholarship: Allison Kline~Ann Vinski~Mike Wick

Web Site: Kelli Cerra

WEEKLY AT ST. BRENDAN'S

Sunday: 8:00 am Worship, in person

10:00 am Worship, in person and live streaming

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkCY2BEJXIqMoVc_nXXG7ew

Monday: 8:00 am Daily Morning Prayer, via zoom, Monday thru Friday

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83591825912?pwd=a3BGcCswanE1OFFXaVBWbDBYRGM1UT09

9:00 am Katie office hours till 12:30 pm 10:00 am Modern Episcopalian, via zoom 9:00 am Katie office hours till 12:30 pm

11:00 am Bible Study, via zoom https://zoom.us/i/4575423762

Wednesday: 9:00 am Katie office hours till 12:30 pm

1:00 pm Mother Robin office hours till 4:00 pm 5:00 pm Midweek Eucharist

Thursday: 11:00 am Mother Robin office hours till 4:00 pm

Katie's office hours from home

Friday: 9:00 am Katie office hours from home till noon then in office at 1:00

ST. BRENDAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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