

Mask up! Don't forget that it will be Mask-Up Sunday at this week's 10 o'clock service. Please be considerate of those who want to worship with us in person but can't do so without the extra health protection that masking provides, Wear your mask! Thank you.



A donation was given to **The BFF, Brendan's Family & Friends Fund** in tribute to John Appledorn as "an excellent and skillful facilitator" during the Zoom-based study of The Greatest Prayer. This donation was given from Carol H. Estes, the aunt of Jen and Bob Mankowski. Carol participates from Los Alamos, NM.

Game Night At St. Brendan's - Join us on **Friday, May 17 at 6:30** for a night of board games and fun. Bring a snack to share. Board games and drinks will be provided. If you have a favorite board game, bring it along! Games available will be: Ticket to Ride, Camel Up, Sushi Go, Point Salad, Abducktion, and more. Contact Kate Heston at kmheston71@gmail.com for more details.



Volunteer to help with our church garden! The Garden of Hope is St. Brendan's small vegetable garden located behind the church. Each year, we plant and grow fresh produce which is harvested and donated to the North Hills Food Bank to help our neighbors in need. And we need your help this summer! Please sign up to help water, weed, harvest, and/or deliver the produce to the food bank. Watering is easy as we use a timed sprinkler system--so you just need to stop by briefly and check on things to make sure the plants are getting enough water and hoses aren't leaking, etc. Harvesting is done on Wednesdays and the produce gets delivered to the food bank on Thursday morning. To sign up on the document linked below, just enter your name on the week/job you can help with! We can also use your help planting the garden on **Sunday, May 12** after the 10 am service (weather depending). Bring your gloves and trowels. If you have additional questions, please contact Annemarie Malbon, Om. Click on the link below for the Garden of Hope Volunteer Sign Up:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1 8rzth fsyUbCwLsFrEJXTI6ffyz7JknzoU12dmheKo/edit?usp=drive link

St. Brendan's Book Club will meet on Monday, May 6 at 1 pm in the library. We'll discuss My Life in France by Julia Child. All are welcome! Upcoming titles:



- June 3: Did Ye Hear Mammy Died by Seamas O'Reilly
- July 1: An Invisible Thread by Laura Schroff
- August 5: The Wager by David Grann
- Sept. 9: The Heaven and Earth Grocery Story by James McBride (Note postponed due to Labor Day on Sept 2)

Note book club friends suggest getting on the library waiting list right away for August and September titles as both are very popular. Contact Anne Semmler (annegsemmler@gmail.com) with any questions.



St. Brendan's men's breakfast will be on Monday May 13th at 9 am at the Eat'n Park, 2650 Brandt School Rd, Wexford. RSVP Steve Horton at stephenshorton@gmail.com. Let the good times roll.

If any of you know someone in the congregation who might be interested in joining us, please forward and invite them personally.

Did you know? The Roman Empire expanded on the covering of pies. They made a pastry of flour, oil and water to cover up their meat of choice, but it initially was not meant to be consumed with the savory inside — it was strictly added to preserve the juices. "Apicius," a Roman cookbook thought to have been written somewhere before the fifth century AD, has many recipes that include a pie casing.



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Children and Youth



- Sunday, May 12: Blessing and planting of the Garden of Hope following the service. Produce harvested from the garden during the summer and fall months is donated to the North Hills Food Bank. Parishioners are invited to help plant the garden on May 12 and are also invited to help water, weed, and harvest the garden during the summer months. Please look for information and sign-up link elsewhere in the Navigator regarding the garden. This is a great family activity. It not only gets everyone outdoors a bit, but it's also a great opportunity for kids to learn about helping others through community service activities.
- Sunday, May 26: Children's Worship service. There will be no Sunday School classes that day. Children will be involved in various ways in the service. More details will be announced.
- The **Sunday School year** is winding down. Our final class for the 2023-24 year will be on Sunday, May 19. The upcoming Sunday School year will begin on September 8 with a special kick-off. More information will follow during the summer.
- Sunday School teachers are needed: Please contact Saundy Waseleski at swaseleski@comcast.net if you'd like to volunteer as a teacher during the 2024-25 school year. We really need your help! This is an important ministry for our families and our church, and we'll soon begin planning for the next school year. We will assist you with materials, curriculum and in obtaining clearances.



We celebrate the May Wedding Anniversaries:

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We celebrate the May Birthdays:

1 Joyce Donadee

6 Allison Burdette10 Elliott Tweedle

7 Nathaniel Boyd 11 Ralph Tajak 8 Marjorie Marine13 Griffin Ramakrishna

9 Rosie Wood17 Jno Hunt

18 Mary Evanochko

21 Joni Reis

22 Tim Austin

25 Nancy Bancroft

25 Anne Hunt

28 Weston Bailey

30 Mark Jennings



Brendan's Boots. St. Brendan's walking group will try the trails at Preston Park, Butler County, on **Tuesday, May 21**, after meeting at the church at **9 am.** Modeled after an English garden, the historic property features a large pond, meadows, footbridges and woods, all linked by footpaths. Plus, there is always something in bloom. The group will have lunch afterwards at the Harmony Inn in Harmony. Everyone is welcome; feel free to bring a friend. For more info, please contact Tom Waseleski at twaseleski@comcast.net.



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Justice Ministry Events

For those who did not attend our screening last Thursday, you can still watch this important documentary on **gun violence prevention** by clicking here. https://www.deadlybydesign.org/.



Join us for the Pride Parade on June 1!

St. Brendan's is delighted to once again participate in the Gay Pride Parade on Saturday, **June 1.** We will meet in our church parking lot at approximately 10 am (time to be confirmed) and carpool there. The Parade begins at 12:00 noon at Liberty Avenue between 14th and 16th Streets in the strip district.

Please consider attending! If you are planning on going, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. This a great way to show that St. Brendan's is an inclusive faith community supporting our LGBTQIA brothers and sisters.

If you have questions or want to attend but can't sign up in church, please contact Sharon Hlawati (shlawati195@gmail.com) or Donna Aiello at (donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com).

At the request of NRP (Neighborhood Resilience Project), we are collecting new underwear and socks for men, women and children...all sizes. Also new and used belts for Women and Men only. There will be bins marked appropriately located in the narthex. This collection will be during the month of May.



We are working to improve our **current recycling process**, but we need help from all of you. There will be recycling bins specifically labelled for clean paper at the doors of the sanctuary and in the fellowship hall. Bins for glass, tin cans, and plastic bottles will be in the kitchen. All other items should go into the general trash cans. Please be careful when disposing of your trash, and make sure it goes into the correct container. Any larger corrugated cardboard boxes can be left in the kitchen and will be taken to the Franklin Park collection site. Thank you for your help with this project.





Take a stand against gun violence at the State Capitol. Last year, 500 Pennsylvanians descended on Harrisburg, demanding an end to gun violence. Soon after, the first bipartisan policies in years passed the PA House. Please join us on **Tuesday, May 7**, as they continue their life-saving work. **CeaseFirePA** has two busses going to Harrisburg, one leaving from St. Paul's Methodist in the North Hills and the other from Station Square. Both busses will be

leaving at 5:30am sharp that morning and returning to Pittsburgh early evening.

To register, go to https://act.ceasefirepa.org/a/advocacyday24?ms=homepage. If you have questions, please contact, please contact Marilyn Mulvihill (mimi15143@yahoo.com) or Donna Aiello (donna.aiello@forecastdirect.com).



Bishop Ketlen blesses boxes for the homeless. Thank you to everyone who has turned in boxes and additional donations for the homeless served by Outreached Arms. Thirty-two boxes along with some checks and envelopes of money were turned in. We have collected a total of \$1,510.16, which is even more than we collected in 2023. A special thank you to Annie Koch and the residents of Vincentian Terrace Place who collected a total of \$528.94 toward our total!

If you would still like to make a donation or turn in your box, it's not too late. Any additional checks should be made out to Outreached Arms and placed in the basket in front of Katie's office.



SAVE THE DATE for a very special event sponsored by <u>THRIVEPittsburgh.org!</u> On **Sunday, June 2nd from 5 to 7 pm**, THRIVE is sponsoring a **Rwandan Supper Club** at St. Paul's United Methodist Church on Ferguson Road.

THRIVE's mission is to meet the needs of refugees and empower them to succeed in their new life in this country. THRIVE is an ecumenical organization (under the non-profit umbrella of NHCBC) and has established several partnerships with area churches and organizations. True to Jesus' admonition to "welcome the stranger in your midst," THRIVE has developed several initiatives to welcome our newly arrived neighbors in

Pittsburgh. Go to thrivepittsburgh.org for more information.

One of those initiatives is a fundraiser called The Supper Club. On June 2, the cook will be Honorine Uwase, a refugee from Rwanda. All proceeds from ticket sales (minus the cost of food) will benefit Ms. Uwase. Ms. Uwase once owned a BBQ restaurant in her home country. She came from Rwanda about 7 years ago, and settled here in Pittsburgh. It is her dream to one day open her own catering business or restaurant here! dinner, Ms. Uwase will share her story about her home country and coming to the United States.

Tickets may be purchased at through May 26th, or until sold out. You can view the menu, choose your entree, and purchase your digital ticket. If you can't attend but want to donate, you can do that on our ticketing page as well. Thank you for helping to support and empower refugees!

Prayer Requests

We pray for our beloved members of St. Brendan's, especially: Allison, Avery and Eli Kline, Jean Pett-Ridge, Ruth Haider, Matthew, Jim Gray, Nancy Bancroft, Kelli Cerra, Dave Miller, Alice Butterworth, Bill Spoonhoward, Jean Skwarecki, Joan Beatrous, Charlotte Pierce, Rosie Wood, Judy McKarnin, Margie Davies, Linda Schneider, Larry Tarrant, Mark Shoemaker, Nancy Snyder, Joyce Donadee.

For our parents, especially: Ken McCormack, Margaret Nagel. Ray Militzer, Lenora, Diane Davis.

For our family members, especially: Neil Amor, Carol and Guy Estes, Tom Groves, Pat Schulze, Jack Connifey, Bee Ward, Rich, Sierra Reckley, Carol Broskey, David Pingree, Nathan Schlumpf, Joann, Frank Nagy, Pat Shields, Ann & Ben Kirkpatrick, John, Sue Burchill, Jay & A, Margaret and Lawrence Czerpak, Rosalie & Geoff Wood, Carol Schmitz, Bob Kiehl, Robert Donato, Christian, Paula Watson, Marie Hazelton,

For our friends, especially: Mike Colavita, Ellen Kuntz, The Sammaroco family, Terri Hockenberry, The Silveira family, Laurie, Jordon Medlin, Ruth C., Connie Geiger, Vivian, Cindy & Bob Getty, Ron Neurohr, Patty Herrington, Pat Reiner, Nancy Baker, Josh, Phil & Bernice Bollman, Juliana Moses.

We pray for all who have died, especially Justine Sammaroco and Bob Flynn.

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



May Ministry Calendar 2024

Date	Lectors	Sunday School	Nursery	Altar Guild	Greeters	Ushers	Stewards	Vestry	Hospitality
May 5 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Tammy Spoonhoward 1st Marilyn Mulvihill 2nd Linda Limberis P Mary Bertucci	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Allison Kline Door keeper	Liz MacDonald Molly Kirk	Tammy Spoonhoward Phoebe Juel	Susan Shields Barb Fure	Kate Heston Donna Aiello	Tim Austin	Richard Munsch	TBD
May 12 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Sylvia Affleck 1 st Tony Turo 2 nd Cindy Koszarek P Kate Heston	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Kayla Tweedle Door keeper	Liz MacDonald Pat Carl	Ellen Groves Anelisa Tarrant	Wesley Bell Dean Peters	Dan Moore TBD	John Appledorn	Sandy Nagy	TBD
May 19 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous 1 st Mary Bertucci 2 nd Sandy Nagy P John Appledorn	Lambs Saundy Waseleski FISH Door keeper Ellen Groves	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Sylvia Affleck Barb Fure	Donna Aiello Sharon Hlawati	Mary Bertucci Dale Bertucci	Mike or Julia Wick	Melanie Popovich	TBD
May 26 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am Children's Service	8 George Snyder 1 st Children 2 nd Children P Donna Aiello	Children's Worship No Sunday School	Liz MacDonald Susan Shields	Joan Kleinfelter Kathy Miller	Sue Wimmer Derek Wimmer	Children John Appledorn	Tim Austin	Kate Heston	TBD



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 Appeldorn Communication/Technology: Sandy Nagy 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

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: TBD

Book Club: Anne Semmler Brendan's Boots: Tom Waseleski Bulletin Coordinators: Pat Carl & Carol Meese

Dinner Group: Janice Moore
Fiber Crafting Club: Sherri Angeletti
Finance Chair: Lauren Ramakrishna

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 1:00 pm 10:00 am Modern Episcopalian, via zoom

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

4:30 pm Book Club discussion, via zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81484853481

Wednesday: 9:00 am Katie office hours till 1:00 pm

1:00 pm Mother Robin office hours till 5:00 pm

6:00 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 till 12:00 pm

ST. BRENDAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Web Site ~ http://www.stbrendans.org

Online Parish Calendar ~ https://www.stbrendans.org/calendar

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Facebook ~ https://www.facebook.com/StBrendansEpiscopalChurch/

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