



St. Brendan Church Bulletin

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Sunday, February 27, 2022

Wednesday March 2, 2022 ASH WEDNESDAY

Distribution of ashes at 8:15 am & 6pm Mass

Pastor: Fr. Michael Quinn– frmike@stbrendanparish.org, saintbrendanchurchsf@gmail.com

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Administrator: Lorraine Scullion– ext. 202 Lorraine@stbrendanparish.org

Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 27

7:30 am Martin Dwan (D) Madeleine & Albert Brandi (D)

9:30 am Mai Pham Bui (D) Barbara Dollard (D)

11:30 am Brendan Quinlan (D) Bill Jovick (D)

Monday, February 28

8:15 am Jesus Gomez (D) Isabel Miu de Wong (D)

Erlinda Echanis (75th b day)

March 1

8:15 am Kathleen Neary (D) Theresa Martin (H)

March 2

8:15 am Eva Reedy (D)

6 pm – People of St. Brendan

March 3

8:15 am Kathleen Neary (D) Theresa Martin (H)

March 4

8:15 am Jack & Jacquelyn Riodan (D)

Frank Schwab and deceased members of the Schwab family

Maria de la Paz Avila (D)

March 5

8:15 am Mary Nolan (D) Donna Feddersonn (D)

5:00 pm Edward D. McBride (D) Carmela De Bono (L)

Mass Times:

Monday–Saturday 8:15 am

First Friday during school year 8:15 am

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

All masses are livestreamed on our website except for Sunday 7:30 am and 11:30 am. You may attend any of the masses in person we just ask that you wear your mask at all times and sanitize your hands before and after mass.

Holy Days of Obligation

8:15 am (School Mass), 6:00 pm

Confessions

Saturday 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm or by appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration Chapel: Monday–Thursday 9:00 am–4:00 pm

Baptisms – Contact Sr. Angela

Weddings—Contact Fr. Mike at least six months before the desired wedding date

Anointing of the sick

Please contact the office 415-681-4225.

Pastor's Column

Around the Parish...

At the recommendation of Sr. Brendan Parish leadership, I wanted to present a preliminary outline of significant Parish projects, most notably St. Brendan School Seismic Retrofit. In 2014, the City and County of San Francisco upgraded standards for private schools with the intent to be the survivability of students and faculty and staff. By the time specific instructions were issued by The City and thence the Archdiocese, a year had passed. The originating legislation essentially called for a mandatory analysis of all schools needing repair/strengthening to evaluate the scope of repairs. This was called "Phase One" and was done for every private school in the City of San Francisco. St. Brendan's School was found to need structural strengthening to comply with the improved safety guidelines.

Luckily, Parish Leadership under Fr. Roger Gustafson, my predecessor, completed "Phase Two", and hired engineers vetted by the Real Property Support Corporation, ("RPSC"), and completed this next phase which estimated the cost of repairs in 2015 dollars at nearly \$3.5 million. Parish leadership and Fr. Roger elected to reduce this estimate by learning from other parish seismic upgrade projects. This was the situation as I arrived on 7/2/20. Luckily, with the help of the "RPSC", this project, which contained significant incentives if completed within 10 years from the enabling legislation, was begun last academic year. The more extensive testing of the building and the experience of the "RPSC", resulted in some vendor changes without sacrificing quality and we anticipate completion of the project by the conclusion of this summer of 2022! The estimated cost went down and is now closer to \$2.3million!

We have been working with both the Archdiocese and St. Brendan's School and our school community may have noticed that we are ending school at an adjusted schedule, (already communicated to parents), to keep scheduled overtime down.



When we reopen in Fall of 2022, we will have a safe facility for present and future generations of St. Brendan School children and faculty and staff.

We need volunteers/donors to help us replenish reserves that are being spent on this project. I am counting on the St. Brendan spirit to help us in this endeavor which will be announced in coming weeks.

Fr. Mike

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

WE ARE KNOWN BY OUR FRUIT

This week, Jesus tells us that we must examine our own inner selves, our attitudes and dispositions, virtues and faults, rather than judging others. What is in our hearts comes out in what and how we speak. If our hearts are filled with kindness and compassion, those qualities will be evident in our speaking, just as beautiful, wholesome fruit comes only from healthy trees. And vice-versa. The Wisdom writer Sirach in the first reading agrees with this concept—that we will be judged by our words. Paul reminds us that the reward of discipleship is eternal life. Today's psalm of thanksgiving and praise reminds us of God's kindness and faithfulness, which we are to emulate in our thoughts, words, and deeds. We are known, each of us, by our own fruit.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — One's speech shows the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he or she speaks (Sirach 27:4-7).

Psalm — Lord, it is good to give thanks to you (Psalm 92).

Second Reading — We are given victory over death through Jesus. In the Lord our labor is not in vain (1 Corinthians 15:54-59).

Gospel — A good person produces good, an evil person produces evil. The mouth speaks from the goodness of the heart (Luke 6:39-45).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from the Lectionary for Mass © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9; Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9, 10c; Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1-4; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15;

Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

World Day of Prayer

Saturday: First Saturday

FEBRUARY 27, 2022

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



JESUS SAID:

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit."

— Luke 6:43 - 44

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: Mardi Gras; Shrove Tuesday

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday; Fast and Abstinence; Almsgiving

Thursday: St. Katharine Drexel

Friday: St. Casimir; First Friday; Abstinence;

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Grant us, O Lord, we pray,

that the course of our world

may be directed by your peaceful rule

and that your Church may rejoice,
untroubled in her devotion.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

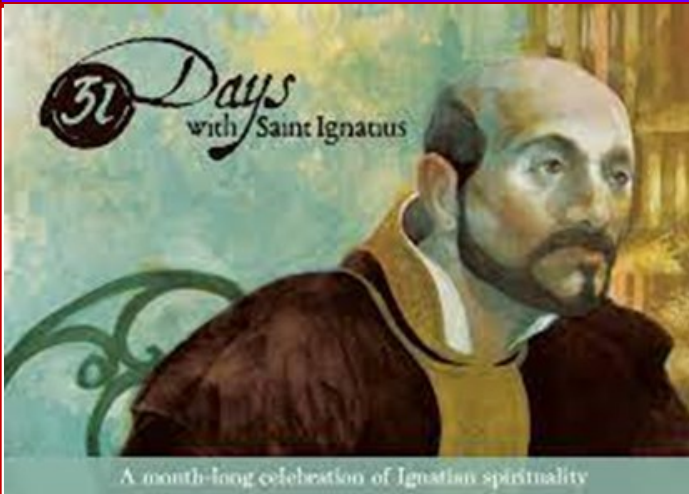
God, for ever and ever.

THE DIFFERENCE

The difference between perseverance and obstinacy is that one often comes from a strong will, and the other from a strong won't.

—Henry Ward Beecher

Opportunities



Lenten Opportunity: Weekly Spiritual Exercises with the Ignatian Spirituality Small Group

You are invited to join the Ignatian Spirituality Small Group for a weekly, Lenten encounter with the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises.

Details: Wednesdays from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. March 9 through April 6, 2022

Location: In-Person at St. Brendan Parish (meeting room TBD)

Additional Information: Parishioner Beth Powers will facilitate the group using a companion workbook, discussion, and offering opportunities for individual work between meetings. Beth notes, “Each time I do the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises, I am touched in a new and different way. These exercises have a way of meeting you where you need to be met.

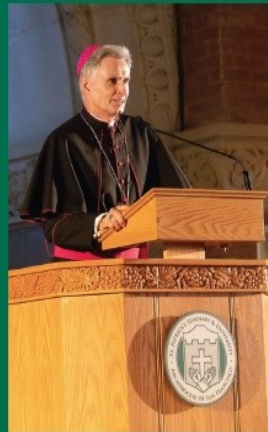
Sign-up sheet at the back of the church and/or feel free to call the Parish Office 415-681-4225



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Preparing for Lent

What *Lent* Means to Me...

For much of my life, I didn't look forward to Lent, and only focused on giving something up. Well, that's a start, and I still do, but that's not the only thing I think about.

Lent is a time of sacrifice, but it's also a much needed one for reflection, preparation, and anticipation. It's a quiet time, not one of deprivation or joyless obligation, but rather simplicity and hope.

It's a time to strip away the layers of worry, busyness, and distraction, down to a core of what matters, to prepare for the great joy we all share with our risen Lord Jesus on Easter.

It's a time when we can grow closer to God through prayer, and by showing mercy and compassion through more good works. We lift our prayers up like incense before God, who comes to us when we call out to Him (Psalm 141:1-2). The final verses of a beloved epistle (James 5:13-20) guide us how to proceed during Lent, and always.

Lent is not some kind of spiritual drag; like Advent, it's a time to be patient and look forward to something wonderful! And so I welcome this special season, and long for the great joy I will feel on Easter.

Jim Wollak, Parishioner



The 3 Pillars of Lent for Families

The three pillars of Lent are prayer, fasting and almsgiving (acts of charity). Lent is not pie in the sky time. It's realistic down to earth time. It's about ashes and the cross. It's about money, food, and how I spend my time. It's about sin and sorrow. It's about life and death.

One of the Prefaces in the 1974 Sacramentary used for Lenten Masses thanked God because "each year you give us this joyful season when we prepare to celebrate the Paschal Mystery with mind and heart renewed."

Joyful? That seems strange for Lent. But it's like an exercise. At the beginning you're sore all over, yet you also feel invigorated, energized, enlivened...and you feel good about yourself. Your body is made for this.

So it is with Lent. Our penitential practices may be hard at times, but they lift our inner spirit. We're made for more than TV reruns or computer games.

We're made for the unimaginable greatness to God.

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“...TO SERVE THE POOR
IS TO GO TO GOD...”
St. Vincent de Paul



O Glorious Saint Vincent, heavenly patron of all charitable associations and father of all who are in misery, while you were on earth you never cast out any who came to you. Consider by what evils we are oppressed and come to our assistance! Obtain from our Lord help for the poor, relief for the infirm, consolation for the afflicted, protection for the abandoned, a spirit of generosity for the rich, the grace of conversion for sinners, zeal for priests, peace for the Church, tranquility and order for all nations, and salvation for all. Let all men prove the effects of your merciful intercession, so that, being helped by you in the miseries of this life, we may be united to you in the life to come, where there shall be no more grief, nor weeping, nor sorrow, but joy and gladness and everlasting happiness. Amen.

Life's Journey



Grieving a loss?

*A time of spirituality, reflection on Grieving.
A time of transformation.*

Please join Marlene Enderlein, MA, long time parishioner and Kaiser professional as she guides us through our life's journey. We will explore grief and loss as well as how the Bible addresses suffering and spiritual growth. The topic and discussion will be led by Marlene a specialist in Grief and Bereavement and is currently a bereavement counselor with Hospice

Saturday, March 5, 2022

Place: St. Brendan Parish Hall

Time: 3-4:45 pm followed by 5pm Mass

Sponsored by: Experienced Navigators

Happenings at St. Brendan



*Thursday, February 24 – 6pm Men's Club Cioppino Dinner
7:00 – 8:30 p.m. "Spanish Speaking Small Group" - Canossa Room*

7:00 – 8:00 p.m. "Men's Bible Study" - Zoom

Friday, February 25 - 9:00 a.m. "Walking & Prayers" Contact Group Leader for Details

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. "Divine Mercy" - Zoom

Sunday, February 27 - 9:30 a.m. Mass Installation of Parish & School Advisory Boards

Wednesday, March 2 - 8:15 & 6:00 p.m. - Ash Wednesday Mass

Thursday, March 3 - 7pm RCIA - In the Church