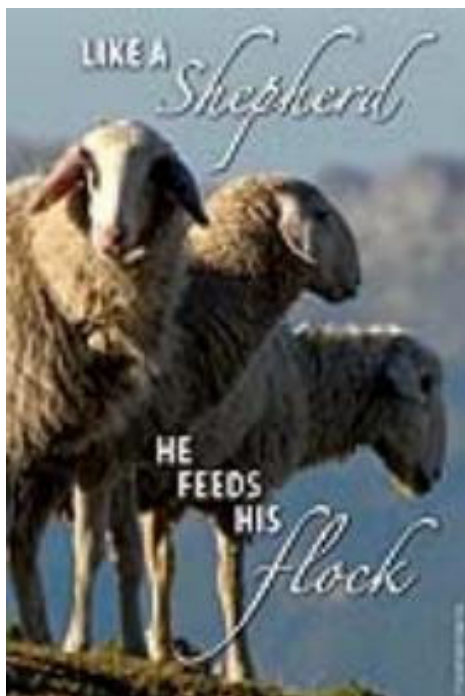


# ST. BRENDAN CHURCH

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December 6, 2020  
2nd Sunday of Advent



## Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4 pm

## Staff

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**Priest in Residence:** Fr. Paul Warren—ext. 208

## Mass Times During COVID-19

Daily Monday-Saturday: 8:15 am

Saturday Vigil Mass Live Streamed: 5:00 pm

Sunday Mass: 7:30am , 9:30am, 11:30am in the Church

## Regular Mass Times:

Monday-Saturday 8:15 am

First Friday during school year 8:15 am

Saturday Vigil 5 pm

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

## Holy Days of Obligation

8:15 am (School Mass), 6 pm

## Confessions

Saturday 3:45 pm - 4:30 pm

By appointment.

## Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 7-8 pm

Saturday 4-4:45 pm

Adoration Chapel open Monday-Friday 9am-4pm

## Baptisms

Contact Sr. Angela: [srangela@stbrendanparish.org](mailto:srangela@stbrendanparish.org)

## Weddings

Call Fr. Mike at least six months before the desired wedding date at [frmike@stbrendanparish.org](mailto:frmike@stbrendanparish.org)

## Anointing of the sick

Please contact the office 415-681-4225.

## Mass intentions for the week:

**Monday, December 7**—St. Ambrose

8:15 am Adrian Kelly (D)

**Tuesday, December 8**—Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15 am Eileen McKeown (D)

6:00 pm People of St. Brendan

**Wednesday, December 9**—St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

8:15 am Sheila O'Driscoll (D)

**Thursday, December 10**—

8:15 am Bridie O'Connor (D)

**Friday, December 11**—St. Damasus I

8:15 am Con Hogan (D)

Tina Jordan (L)

Elisa Cuan (D)

**Saturday, December 12**— Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:15 am Maria Elias & Jeremy Hoggart (Blessing)

5:00 pm Paul Herlihy (D)

**Sunday, December 13**—3rd Sunday of Advent

7:30 am People of St. Brendan

9:30 am Jana Klanjac (D)

11:30 am Jack Zellner (D)

## MINISTRY INFORMATION

### Parish Leadership

Advisory Board  
Finance Committee

### Liturgical Ministries

Liturgy Committee  
Lectors  
Eucharistic Ministers  
Ushers  
Music Ministry  
Church Environmental Committee

### Parish Life

Welcome Committee  
Hospitality Committee  
Under 5's  
Mothers' Club  
Men's Club  
Respect Life  
Knitting Ministry  
Experienced Navigators  
Detention Ministry (San Dimas)  
St. Vincent de Paul Society  
Small Groups

## FAITH FORMATION

### Schedule

Welcome back! Final classes for this calendar year are 12/6/20 & 12/13/20.

### Voyagers (ages 3-Kinder)

Sign up to receive a weekly email with fun, age-appropriate and faith-filled activities centered around the Gospel. **Email Mrs. Stanko to add your family's name to the list:**  
[stephanie@stbrendanparish.org](mailto:stephanie@stbrendanparish.org)

### For All Families

The Catholic Bishops of California are offering a 15-minute interactive take on the weekly readings called, "Family, Fun and Faith". <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJliKc57jfoYgdTE3ZlcYtA> Great for "kids" of all ages.



## PRAYER CORNER

We would like to ask prayers for members of our community here at St. Brendan. Please let us know of anyone you want to add to our lists.



### Sick:

Corona Virus Victims,  
Homebound Parishioners

### Other Prayers:

Wildfire victims, Hurricane victims

We continue to pray for our parishioners who have lost loved ones this year.

*We will be collecting Christmas Flower envelopes during this month. If you need a Christmas Flower envelope look for it in the mail soon. If you want one early please contact us at the rectory.*

### Prayer of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, Come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.  
Amen.

Interested in being a New Parishioner at St. Brendan?

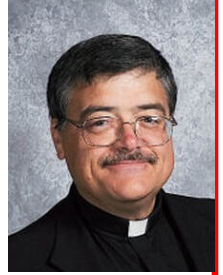
Please email us at [saintbrendanchurchsf@gmail.com](mailto:saintbrendanchurchsf@gmail.com) or call the rectory at 415-681-4225

We can't wait to see you at St. Brendan!



## PASTOR'S CORNER

The recent decision in our City to close houses of worship, (Churches), but for video liturgies should not deter us from practicing our faith. Indeed, I believe we are being tested to see if we develop habits that can eventually include or exclude God through this order. We have had to close the indoors Masses which had shown limited yet growing participation as I believe the fellow parishioners who attended spoke of the safety and cleaning protocols that are in place at St. Brendan's. Those protocols will indeed remain in place to insure the safety of our parishioners.



But there are casualties...

I think of the couples wanting to marry in the Church and so start their lives off with God as their covenantal partner in marriage, the children and their parents wanting a traditional baptism, and our second and third graders who have yet to receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion for which they have so prepared... That does not include the grieving members of our parish who wanted a timely Funeral or Memorial Mass for their loved ones! There are numerous others that have missed the Eucharist and the Mass and the joy of spending worship time with our family of faith here at St. Brendan's. We are being tested to be sure.

I have "overlooked" the instructions from the Archbishop on multiple occasions by going to confer the sacrament of anointing to those who were/are sick, or dying. (his was to be entrusted to all priests who are younger than 65 years of age). The problem is not all priest who are in this latter category realize the tremendous additional responsibility and so they give increased activity, but to only a point.

I also wanted you all to know that I was being tested every two weeks for coronavirus but have increased my testing to weekly so that I might serve you and we all could feel safe.

The positives:

We hope to hold First Communion for those families/children electing to receive First Communion in an outdoor setting, (the schoolyard); We will offer indoor First communion in the Spring for the other families

We will still have the 12/17, 12/24 and 12/25 live Christmas gospels enactment by our children.

For Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, we are preparing for taped music from live parishioners for your enjoyment, preceding the Masses.

The Adoration chapel will remain available for one person at a time as allowed by current orders as "individual prayer" is still allowed.

Keep the faith! Have a blessed Advent and please join our video liturgies!

*Fr. Mike*

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

### Sunday Collection for week of: November 16-22, 2020

Sunday Collection Goal:	<b>\$9,500</b>
Sunday Collection Received:	<b>\$6,607</b>
Under by:	<b>\$2,892</b>

### Archbishops Annual Appeal (AAA) 2020

AAA Goal	<b>\$126,320</b>
AAA amount received/pledged	<b>\$80,946</b>
AAA still needed	<b>\$45,374</b>

Second Collection next week: **Retirement for Religious**

Give online to St. Brendan Church on our website  
or via the direct link of:

<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1668>

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# NEWS AND UPDATES

## School News

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### St. Brendan School Update:

Dear St. Brendan Parish Families,

It is such a delight to have all our classes, from kindergarten through eighth back with us finally!

We are still practicing safe social-distancing both inside the building and on the playground, and grades one through eight are split into "cohorts" or groups. The students in Cohort A attend in person two days a week, alternating with Cohort B, and all students have on-line classes on Fridays. This reduces the number of children in each classroom, as the Department of Public Health has mandated. It is complicated for both teachers and parents to have the children home one day and in school the next, but everyone is pitching in to make it work. We have the best parents in the world, without a doubt.

We are so sorry that we cannot offer school tours for prospective kindergarten families this year. Any family interested in applying for school year 2021-2022 can download an application on the school website ([www.stbrendansf.com](http://www.stbrendansf.com)), or come by the school office between 9am and 3pm to pick up an application packet.

The deadline for applications from new families is **December 9**. Children must be five years old by September 1, 2021.

Thank you!

God Bless you all,  
**Ms. Dianne Lakatta**, proud principal



We are still trying to hold outdoor mass at 11:30am but we will need your patience as we all adjust to the new guidelines that are constantly changing. We are doing our best to adapt but we need your help with this.

### Archbishop's Annual Appeal (AAA) 2020:

We still need over \$45,000 to reach our goal for AAA 2020. It would be very helpful if you could help us reach our goal. To donate visit <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1668> or go to our website to find more information. We appreciate everyone who has already donated to AAA 2020 and thank you all for your support.

### Parish and School Dates Coming up:

December 12, 2020 9:30am & 11:30am-School 3rd graders First Communion (**subject to change because of COVID 19 restrictions**)

Our Christmas Schedule is:

Christmas Eve– Thursday, December 24, 2020  
4:00 pm, 6:00 pm, 10:00 pm

Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Day)- Friday,  
December 25, 2020  
7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God– Friday,  
January 1, 2021  
9:00 am, 6:00 pm

### St. Brendan School Kindergarten Applications

Due to COVID restrictions, we will not be able to offer school tours this year. Anyone wishing to apply for the 2021-2022 school year should visit the school's website for admission procedures and to download an application:

<https://www.stbrendansf.com>

Please call the school office at 415-731-2665 between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM for more information.

