

ST. BRENDAN CHURCH

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September 20, 2020
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass intentions for the week:

Monday, September 21—St. Matthew

8:15 am Irene Weidinger (D)
Angela & Giuseppe Tardio (D)

Tuesday, September 22

8:15 am Gonzalo y Trinidad La Garda (D)
Steve Summer (D)

Wednesday, September 23—St. Pius of Pietrelcina
(Padre Pio)

8:15 am Ebe Cavagnaro (D)

Thursday September 24

8:15 am Cristian Solis (D)

Friday, September 25

8:15 am Fred Chi-Hung Ho (D)

Saturday, September 26—Sts. Cosmas & Damien;
Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15 am Rolande Bazile (D)

5:00 pm Loretta Smith (D)

Sunday, September 27—26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 am Lourdes Adriatico de Leon (D)
Angela & Giuseppe Tardio (D)
People of St. Brendan

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4 pm

Staff

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Mass Times During COVID-19

Daily Monday-Saturday: 8:15 am

Saturday Vigil Mass: 3:00 pm

Sunday Mass: 9:30 am

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 after morning
mass until 4pm

Baptisms

Contact Sr. Angela: srangela@stbrendanparish.org

Weddings

Call Fr. Mike at least six months before the desired
wedding date at frmike@stbrendanparish.org

Anointing of the sick

Please contact the office 415-681-4225.

God's ways

are above



our ways

DIRECTION

Isaiah tells us something that we already know, and yet seem to forget every now and then. He tells us, essentially, that God is God and we are not. When we're confused and troubled and can't figure everything out, it might be wise to recall Isaiah speaking on the Lord's behalf and explaining that God—who is on a much more, well, Godly wave-length than we are—moves in ways we can't even imagine.

Saint Paul, by comparison, has everything figured out. Kind of. At least he understands his calling in life—to magnify Christ in everything he does. That should give all of us the direction we need. Jesus gives us direction, too, explaining to us once again in the parable of the workers in the vineyard that the last will be first, and the first, last.
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MINISTRY INFORMATION

Parish Leadership

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

UPDATES AROUND THE CHURCH

There will be a Small Groups Facilitators Zoom Meeting on September 23, 2020 at 6:30pm. Please contact Sr. Angela for more details: srangela@stbrendanparish.org

The Church has been very lonely without you here with us to celebrate the mystery's of Christ. We need volunteers to help us when we can once again open our doors to you. Please contact Sr. Angela or Mario Balestrieri

Faith Formation Classes & Registration

Children's Faith Formation classes, for students in grades 1-8 not attending Catholic school, will begin in October. Information about the classes, format and registration will be available by the end of September. Questions? Email Mrs. Stephanie Stanko, Coordinator for Children's Faith Formation stephanie@stbrendanparish.org

PRAYER CORNER

We would like to ask prayers for members of our community here at St. Brendan. If you have anyone you would like to add to our prayer list please email us at web@stbrendanparish.org



Sick:

Marie Louise Ardini,
Graciela Hilton,
Corona Virus Victims,
••• Homebound
Parishioners

Deaths:

Marco Acevedo, Monica Driscoll, Msgr. Edward McTaggart, Andrew Moore, Elsie Barbagelata Swenson

Other Prayers:

Wildfire victims, Hurricane Laura victims

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 or call the rectory at 415-681-4225

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

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>

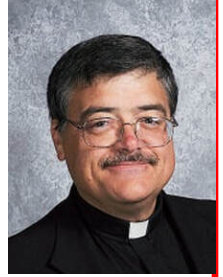
Please call the school office at 415-731-2665 between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM for more information.



PASTOR'S CORNER

Are We the Workers in the Vineyard of the Lord?

In this weekend's gospel, we have the message being shared that we hopefully will all be able to share in the heaven of the Lord. What a contrast to the secular messages of our present day where one person goes against another; one tribe/ country goes against another; and even some religious congregations are based on a sense of superiority to their brothers and sisters whose understanding differs from theirs. What we are called to do is to think more of success as transcending our sense of doing what is correct so as to save only ourselves. We are called to develop and nurture those gifts we all possess so as to become Christ to others.



We may think that this message has no application to us, but we would be very wrong in that perception. This message is for all of us. This applies to forgiveness – it is never too late to forgive or ask for forgiveness as long as we can. This applies to the depth of our practiced faith.

This applies to the integrity of our relationships. For instance, at a wedding, a married couple promise to love, honor and obey the covenant of love so as to enjoy a happy life and gain heaven. How easy it is to become “sidetracked”, as it were, by an earthly concern that in the measurement of a human's life was just that -a distraction from our true purpose. How many couples reflect upon the question “How did I honor my spouse today?” or anticipate “How might I honor my spouse better?”

There was a time when I believed in capital punishment, especially for the most heinous of crimes. As I matured in faith, (and luckily through prison ministry), I came to realize that many criminals who had done very bad things were still children of the same God we all share. Many had never had the advantages in life, perhaps a loving family, good parental example, a community of faith or school or even work that encouraged me. Some had survived endured terrible experiences and they became bitter and “dented” by their offenses. Some turned to gangs because there was no home at all for them, others did bad things because of any number of weaknesses. Are we so very different? Many come to a point of sorrow and repentance before they die, and I stand now with the Church against capital punishment.

When I make a mistake, one of my favorite inner comments is “Remember, God loves dented cans.” This phrase acknowledges that I hope to be forgiven my mistakes in life for which I am sorry. I hope that we all have this disposition. Today's message is to not be jealous of God's mercy to others but be grateful that we receive the fullness of God's mercy- our promised “wage” and be happy for that and hopeful for others.

Fr. Mike

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sunday Collection for week of: August 31-September 6, 2020

Sunday Collection Goal: **\$9,500**
Sunday Collection Received: **\$10,979**
Over by: **\$1,479**

Second Collection next week: **None**

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Archbishops Annual Appeal (AAA) 2020

AAA Goal **\$126,320**
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NEWS AND UPDATES

St. Brendan School Update:

I hope our school update provides a smile and reminder of the joys you had when you were in school. While we are still providing curriculum and school online, our students are a BLESSING! They are all working hard, smiling, and adjusting to this new normal. We have some wonderful new staff members who joined us this school year.

- Bridget Corvera (former aide and current parent) is teaching kindergarten
- Teresa Ira (former aide) is teaching third grade
- Chris Tenhoff has changed grades and is teaching fourth grade
- Torie Palmer is teaching reading language arts for sixth grade
- Danny Williams is teaching physical education
- Catie Kaposch has changed positions from after school aide to full time kindergarten instructional aide
- Jill Petersen has moved grades and is our current second grade instructional aide
- Nina Puccinelli has moved grades and is our current third grade instructional aide
- Nick Andress is our new full time fourth grade instructional aide
- Danielle Hicban has rejoined our staff as full time sixth grade instructional aide
- Elizabeth Gamarra (former parent) has joined our staff as full time eighth grade instructional aide
- Mia Inocencio (former extended care aide) has joined us full time as instructional aide for various grade levels
- Kari Putz (former extended care aide) has joined us full time as instructional aide for various grade levels

Mrs. Ines Casallas, Mrs. Frances Casazza, and Mr. Christophe Schlueter are working during the school day to support our staff while extended care is closed. They are a crucial part of helping us keep organized this year.

We would not be such a successful Catholic School without our wonderful staff. If you see us with masks on, give us a wave and know we are smiling back.

Stay safe and God Bless,
Ms. Dianne Lakatta, proud principal

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

"Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there I am in their midst...." Mt. 18:20

Saint Brendan Church invites you to gather with others to share the journey of Faith and spend time with the Lord.

1. **FAITH SHARING GROUPS:** Join a small group to listen and share, support and be supported, explore and grow, pray and do. Small groups focus on Bible study, book discussion, family life, prayer, and other interests.
2. **SPECIAL EVENTS** to nurture and grow our faith. Events may include speakers and Retreats, especially during Advent, Lent, and Holy Week, that focus on scripture, faith, and family life.
3. **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** R.C.I.A. is a process that begins with inquiry - searching for faith, continues with getting to know Jesus and his teachings - growing in faith, culminates in participating in the signs (sacraments) that initiate us for our journey with Jesus - a cleansing (Baptism), a strengthening (Confirmation), and a gift of food for our journey (Eucharist).

A period of reflection and additional teaching follows receiving the Sacraments of Initiation.

Both adults from other Christian denominations and adults with no Christian background are invited to journey with us.

Are you an adult Catholic who never received first Eucharist or the Sacrament of Confirmation? The invitation is for you, too,

RCIA is starting soon.

For more information or to register, please contact Sister Angela at (415) 681-4225 ext. 201

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