

ST. BRENDAN CHURCH

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December 13, 2020
3rd Sunday of Advent



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Lord

Mass intentions for the week:

Monday, December 14—St. John of the Cross
8:15 am Pedro & Alicia Pinto (Wedding Anniversary)
Frank Schwab (D) & the Deceased
Members of the Schwab Family

Tuesday, December 15—
8:15 am Larry Looby (D)
Patrick O'Flynn (D)

Wednesday, December 16—
8:15 am Serafin Enriquez (D)
Jamie Mendiola (D)

Thursday, December 17—
8:15 am Neal Murphy (D)
Suzanne Flynn (L) (Special Intentions)

Friday, December 18—
8:15 am Tommy Butler (D)
Albina Klanjac (D)

Saturday, December 19—
8:15 am Fidelm Kane (D)
5:00 pm Loretta Smith (D)
Thomas Harvey (D)

Sunday, December 20—4th Sunday of Advent
7:30 am Christian Charron (D)
9:30 am People of St. Brendan
11:30 am Angela & Giuseppe Tardio (D)

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 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

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.

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

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?

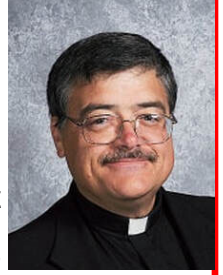
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We can't wait to see you at St. Brendan!



PASTOR'S CORNER

Gaudete Sunday- Rejoice the Lord Comes!



As we approach this midpoint of our Advent preparations to welcome Christ at Christmas, I found a wonderful prayer that I believed might be used throughout this week to prepare ourselves to celebrate Christmas with joy. That Christmas joy starts with right relationship both with God and our brothers and sisters. This Sunday is called "Gaudete Sunday" which is Latin for the imperative command "Rejoice!"

A Prayer to Prepare My Heart for Christ's Coming

"Father, just as You sent John the Baptist to prepare the way for Jesus, help me to clear the path in my heart, too. Show me the distractions in my life that block me from all-out worship of You this Advent. Lord, I await Your coming! As I celebrate the first Advent—the first coming—I look toward the day where I will see You face to face. I imagine what it will be like. Give me a heart, Lord, that looks for Your coming on a daily basis. Help me to live my life where I'm constantly seeking Your presence. My offering to You today is my righteous life for I know I am only clean because of Jesus. Show me today how I need to be refined, purified, forgiven. Give me the strength to ask for forgiveness and to then change my ways." (Sarah Martin, from "The Awe & Wonder of Advent: Day 18)

I hope this helps and know that you are in my prayers!

Fr. Mike

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sunday Collection for week of: November 23-29, 2020

Sunday Collection Goal:	\$9,500
Sunday Collection Received:	\$6,885
Under by:	\$2,615

Second Collection next week: **None**

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or via the direct link of:

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

Please send or drop off all other donations to:

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Archbishops Annual Appeal (AAA) 2020

AAA Goal	\$126,320
AAA amount received/pledged	\$81,296
AAA still needed	\$45,024



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NEWS AND UPDATES

School News

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St. Brendan School Update:

Dear St. Brendan Parish Families,

We are so sorry that, due to the new Covid-19 restrictions put in place by our city's Health Department, we have had to postpone our 3rd graders' First Communion yet again. The children were originally scheduled to receive this beautiful sacrament last spring, but because of the school closure we rescheduled for December 12. Alas, this was not to be either. We are all learning to be flexible, though, and together we can get through these difficult times.

The school is now conducting our Annual Fund campaign, to help raise the funds needed to make our school the best it can possibly be. We are so grateful for all of the parishioners, alumni parents, grandparents, alumni, current school families, and friends who have contributed so generously to this campaign in past years. This year it is especially important, as we need to cover all the extra expenses that come with our Covid-19 preparations.

We would love to have you join us, at whatever level you can. You can drop a check in the school's mailbox outside our front door, call the school office (415-731-2665) to request a donation envelope, or donate securely on-line through the school's website:

www.stbrendansf.com/supporting_SBS/AnnualFund.

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. You can also text (415) 767-1934 and enter the donation amount (no dollar sign or decimal point) then a space, then the fund code **AAA** and click "send."

Christmas Flowers:

Please note: The Christmas Flowers Fund is now active for online donations at <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1668>. You can also text (415) 767-1934 and enter the donation amount (no dollar sign or decimal point) then a space, then the fund code **FLOWERSXMAS** and click "send." If you would like to donate in memory of or in honor of someone please enter names in the special intentions box. We will include these names on our list.

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.

