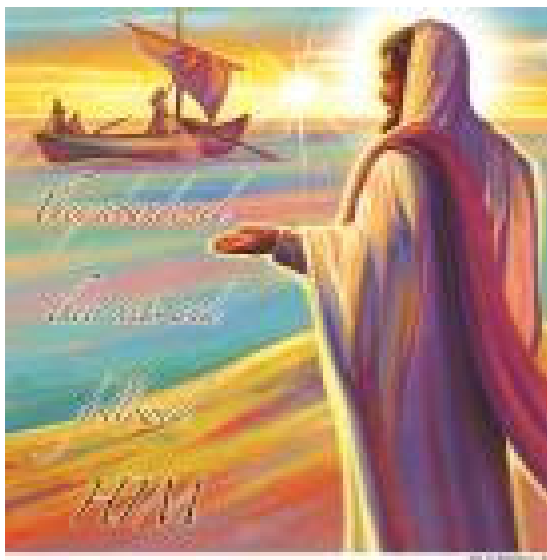


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January 24, 2021
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass intentions for the week:

Monday, January 25—Conversion of St. Paul

8:15 am Marianne O'Reilly (D)

Tuesday, January 26—Sts. Timothy & Titus

8:15 am Allen Yin (D)

Carrie Mallen (D)

Wednesday, January 27—St. Angela Merici

8:15 am Nick Damato (D)

Suzie Kelly (D)

Thursday, January 28—St. Thomas Aquinas

8:15 am Staff of Duggan's Mortuary

Angela & Giuseppe Tardio (D)

Friday, January 29—

8:15 am Mercedes Vidal Dumlao (D)

Brian Flynn (D) & Mary Flynn (D)

Saturday, January 30—

8:15 am Diego Alphonso (D)

5:00 pm Allen Yim (D)

Sunday, January 31—4th Sunday In Ordinary

Time; National Catholic Schools Week

9:30 am Alcides Pardo (D)

11:30 am Tom McGrath (D)

Rosa Cordova (D)

People of St. Brendan

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4 pm

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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

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Lectors
Eucharistic Ministers
Ushers
Music Ministry
Church Environmental Committee

Parish Life

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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

New Families

The St. Brendan Children's Faith Formation program welcomes all parish children in grades 1-8 who do not attend Catholic school. Families are welcome to enroll mid-year, especially those considering sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation. Sacramental preparation is a multi-year program beginning in 1st grade for First Reconciliation/First Communion and 6th grade for Confirmation. More details may be found on the website: <https://www.stbrendanparish.org/faith-formation.html>

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

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:

Clare Thompson,
Corona Virus Victims,
Homebound
Parishioners

Deceased:

Yvonne Sangiacomo, Diogo Alphonoso, Lisa Gervasi

Other Prayers:

Wildfire victims, Hurricane victims

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

If you would like to make donations please visit our website stbrendanparish.org to find ways to give. Or you can give online at <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1668>

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?

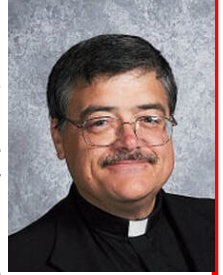
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We can't wait to see you at St. Brendan!

PASTOR'S CORNER

"Repent, and Believe in the Gospel..."

Most of us go through life thinking that we will always have tomorrow to take care of that single task we have been avoiding or perhaps a number of tasks. Perhaps that task is setting matters aright with a brother or sister... perhaps return to Church and make a serious Confession so as to be in right relationship with God when we are called home. There are so many corrections we can each make in life to prepare ourselves for that coming day of judgement.



Perhaps our sin is that we are unaware of ourselves being sinful (pride). St. Ignatius in *the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius* emphasizes that the first week of a planned 30 - day retreat should focus on the fact that we live in a world where sin is present, and we participate in this condition to a greater or lesser extent. Some people are completely unaware of their failings and that is their weakness. Others could, (and some do), go to receive the sacrament of forgiveness almost daily, (scrupulosity).

Most of the world lives between these two extremes. While we could criticize any extreme position, the message is clear – right relationships with God and one another. As followers of Christ we are expected to follow the way of the Lord and this entails repentance for bad choices in life. We are asked to become increasingly intentional in our relationship with God. That is what loving relationships involve- a choice daily to choose God, to choose love; It is through this repentance that we both acknowledge our shortcomings and seek forgiveness. We can then become positive and constructive in our building relationship with God and one another. Time is a factor.

I would like to share an experience in ministry as a priest that demonstrates the need to be prepared. I was called to a hospital to administer last rites to a dying young man who had started the day as the very picture of life. He was a handsome young man , well- educated and with a good job and a loving family- all but one.

He was struck by a vehicle and sent to the hospital with broken bones, but he thought he would survive and even talked to his friends to contact his parents and calm anticipated anxiety if they heard of the accident. Despite the best efforts of hospital, the internal injuries were far worse than first diagnosed and the young man died. As I stayed with the family in the ICU waiting room, the family member who had not spoken to the young man in 5 years came in and demanded to see him. The mother of the young man looked painfully into the other person's eyes and said in a whisper " He is gone. He is with the Lord." The prideful person just collapsed onto the floor. That person received help and ultimately left the grieving family, focused still on self - versus others. I have prayed for that family ever since and thanked God for showing that right choices need to be made today, not the "tomorrow " that is guaranteed to no one. Choose life daily!

Fr. Mike

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sunday Collection for week of: January 4-10, 2021

Sunday Collection Goal: **\$9,500**
Sunday Collection Received: **\$7,143**
Under by: **\$2,357**

Archbishops Annual Appeal (AAA) 2020

AAA Goal **\$126,320**
AAA amount received/pledged **\$121,195**
AAA still needed **\$5,125**

Second Collection next week: **St. Vincent de Paul**

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NEWS AND UPDATES

School News

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St. Brendan School Update:



Dear St. Brendan Parish Families,

We are very excited to announce that we have completed our kindergarten applications process, and have sent acceptance letters to what we know will be an exceptional Class of 2030. This class will include eleven “Bear Cubs”, who are the children of alumni — a new record!

Thank you so much to all those parishioners who have been so generous in supporting the school’s Annual Fund, which is so important in helping us make our school the best it can possibly be. 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. Just click “Supporting the School” at the top of the page, then choose “Annual Fund/Donate Now”.

Best wishes to all of our parishioners for a wonderful 2021,

Ms. Dianne Lakatta, proud principal



MAKING NEW FRIENDS IN CHRIST

Before the scourge of the VIRUS disrupted my life, for a treat I would regularly visit my Elks Club or have a mani-pedi: two places where I enjoyed friendly chatting with folks that I had something in common.

Then the lockdown came and I was feeling isolated and missed those warm interactions. To avoid feeling isolated, I am fortunate to have been welcomed into two small Faith sharing groups with people from St. Brendan Church. I’ve never met any of the group members, but that didn’t stop quickly feeling bonded with them. I have found that, after meeting with my new friends, **I feel peaceful, less stressed and more joyful**. This is how I found a way to cope better during these difficult times and wanted to share my “secret” with others. Hope you find this tip helpful. (Ellen J.)

Are you considering to start or to join a “Small Faith Sharing Group?”

Call or email Sr. Angela at (415)-681-4225, srangela@stbrendanparish.org

