

ST. BRENDAN CHURCH

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September 13, 2020
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass intentions for the week:

Monday, September 14—The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:15 am Frank Schwab (D) & the Deceased
Members of the Schwab Family
Gene Burbank (D)

Tuesday, September 15—Our Lady of Sorrows

8:15 am Cristian Solis (D) & John J. Cavagnaro(D)

Wednesday, September 16—Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian

8:15 am Gunilla Gustafson (D)

Thursday September 17—St. Robert Bellarmine

8:15 am Neal Murphy (D)

Friday, September 18

8:15 am Darragh Sheehan (D) & Donald E.
Huettner (D)

Saturday, September 19—St. Januarius

8:15 am Peter Antonini (D)

5:00 pm Mario & Angelo Ordano

Sunday, September 20—25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 am Cristian Solis (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

7:30 am, 8:15 am (School Mass), 6 pm

Confessions

Wednesday 7:15 pm - 7:45 pm

Saturday 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm

By appointment with any priest.

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 7-8 pm

Saturday 4-4:45 pm

Adoration Chapel open Monday-Friday after morning
mass until 4pm

Baptisms

Please contact the office.

Weddings

Call Fr. Mike at least six months before the desired
wedding date

Anointing of the sick

Please contact the office.



FORGIVENESS

Nearly ten years before, a son and father had parted ways when the business they shared went bankrupt. The son blamed the father. They did not speak to each other again.

Then the father became seriously ill. The mother called the son and told him he had better come soon. The son walked sheepishly into the hospital room. The father motioned his son to him and whispered: "Did you ever think you could do anything that would keep me from loving you?"

Resentment and anger are foul things, the first reading from Sirach tells us. Remember the last things. Stop hating. Live by the commandments. As St. Paul writes to the Romans, we are to live for the Lord and die for the Lord.

Jesus' parable in today's Gospel reminds us of God's compassion. The immense sin of humanity has been forgiven and stricken from the record. We are to forgive others in the same way.

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MINISTRY INFORMATION

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Church Environmental Committee

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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

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

We would like to welcome our new Children's Faith Formation Director, Stephanie Stanko. Stephanie has been our 2nd grade First Communion Faith Formation Teacher for the past few years and we are happy to welcome her to our team here at St. Brendan Church. If you have any questions about Faith Formation for the upcoming School year she is the one to ask. Call her at 415-681-4225 ext. 205 or email her at: stephanie@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

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

Births:

Ruby Hall daughter of Stella Hall

Newly Baptized:

Grace Maria Cuadro, Mara Duong Cronin, Kevin Matthews

Milestone Birthday's:

Sandra Toti turned 100 on September 6


Pray for ...

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Sick:

Corona Virus Victims,
Homebound
Parishioners

Deaths:

Eugene Burbank, Cristian Solis Escudero, Eldon Jesse, Maureen Laval, Adrian Kelly, Tom McGrath, Fred Robino, Elizabeth Ann Selig

Newly Married:

John & Alicia Stellini

Other Prayers:

Wildfire victims, Hurricane Laura victims

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>

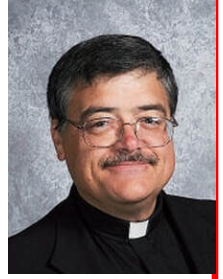
Please call the school office at 415-731-2665 between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM for more information.



PASTOR'S CORNER

Forgive from the heart...

This weekend's gospel message instructs us to forgive from the heart. In my early priesthood, here at St. Brendan Church, I sat in the confessional and absolutely knew that as some exited the Confessional, having received the forgiveness of Jesus Christ, that they still did not forgive themselves. Stated in other words, after Jesus had forgiven sins the penitent went away feeling God had forgiven too easily. The consequence - the person remains entangled in the past and was not free to appreciate the life of hope that we as Christians enjoy.



My experience does not end there! Visiting the sick and especially administering the Sacrament of the Sick to all who are sick, worried or perhaps even facing death, we priests sometimes confront lifelong sad burdens and regrets that could have been avoided if only we understood the magnificence of both God's forgiveness and the power of forgiveness. If only we/ they understood the power and benefit of both asking for pardon or being ready to forgive. Sometimes I have witnessed the terrible burdens imposed by either the person who did not accept God's forgiveness as a sign of God's love or occasionally held a grudge that they wish they had never harbored, not wanting to be the person who took the initiative of repairing relationships. What resulted was the pyrrhic victory of "being right" complete with the suffering that was the cost.

I decided to sharpen my skills at communicating the wonder and magnitude of God's forgiveness by taking graduate classes on forgiveness and reconciliation at Creighton University, where I had obtained my Masters in Christian Spirituality. The sequence was first to take the course on Christian forgiveness and then the course on reconciliation. The instructors explained that we use the word "Reconciliation" is used for the Sacrament of Forgiveness because God is so willing to forgive and be reconciled to the repentant heart. The Church teaches that we are to all practice forgiveness to keep from being imprisoned in the past, to be kept from being judged, (by others and ourselves), by our weakest moment(s). Practicing forgiveness is both to appreciate and readily receive God's forgiveness and then do the same in our lives with our human family. Reconciliation frequently results from forgiveness, but is not mandatory, (i.e. In the case of hideous crimes). But. Forgiveness is liberation from the past. It is a decision of the heart!

Fr. Mike

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sunday Collection for week of: August 24-30, 2020

Sunday Collection Goal:	\$9,500
Sunday Collection Received:	\$6,596
Under by:	\$2,903

Archbishops Annual Appeal (AAA) 2020

AAA Goal	\$126,320
AAA amount received/pledged	\$54,440
AAA still needed	\$74,880

Second Collection next week: **Priests' Retirement Fund**

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

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Yao



St. Brendan Parish and School would like to congratulate our 34 recent graduates. The class of 2020 will be attending a number of different high schools in San Francisco this fall:

St. Ignatius—20
Sacred Heart Cathedral—7
Archbishop Riordan—2
University—2
Convent of the Sacred Heart—1
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NEWS AND UPDATES

School News

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Message from the
School Principal:
Dianne Lakatta

I hope this message finds you all in good health and happiness. We are in the 3rd week of Distance Learning and it is going well! We are so happy the way the students are adjusting and participating in virtual instruction. We are trying to keep many routines we had in person during our distance learning. During the normal school year our 8th graders film a live morning television news show called SBTV. I am so thankful that our SBTV crew is working on their own time with me to pre-record daily shows for the school. The 8th graders are in charge of researching and presenting the following information: Birthdays, Saint of the Day, Bad Joke, Current Events, and our school prayer to end the broadcast.

Our fabulous Mothers' Club and Men's Club have organized a virtual BINGO night in late September to help us stay connected as a school family. As you may know, our strength is God, and He has allowed us to stay a tight knit, supportive family. I thank God every day for my St. Brendan Family and our leader, Father Mike. May God remind you during this time of seclusion that you are not alone and you are loved. I leave you with our school prayer:

*Dear Lord,
Thank you for the light that shines from within.
Help me to recognize the many points of light that shine in me.
The light of Faith, the light of Hope, and the light of Love.
Give me the strength to let my light shine so that all people
Might see Your goodness through my actions and words.
Amen*

Ms. Lakatta



R.C.I.A. News:

St. Brendan would like congratulate our newly initiated members. May they be Blessed with the Holy Spirit as they begin to fully appreciate our Catholic Faith.

Marco Antonio Garcia and Niall Cannon received the Sacrament of Confirmation on August 16.

Megan Marie Kimble and Christian Postier made a Profession of Faith along with Holy Communion and Confirmation on August 16.

Sandy Liu (Conde) received a Full Initiation into the Catholic Church along with her daughters Andrea & Julianne Conde who were Baptized in the Catholic Church on August 22.

Megan (Zhao Chen) Zuo and Charles Zuo receive Full Initiation into the Catholic Church along with their sons Terrence and Kyle Zuo who were Baptized in the Catholic Church on August 23.

Zachary Leo Bukhari made a Profession of Faith along with Holy Communion and Confirmation on August 29.

Logan Andrew Carter, Harold Kwan, Esther Tea (Caire), and Su Hokiarto received a Full Initiation into the Catholic Church on August 30.

What is R.C.I.A? Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. RCIA 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.

RCIA is starting soon.

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