

#### **HOLY MASS**

**SATURDAY VIGIL** 5:30 PM **SUNDAY** 7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM & 5:30 PM

#### **DAILY MASS**

MON & WED 5:30 PM

TUES, THURS, FRI & SAT 8 AM

#### **RECONCILIATION**

WEDNESDAY 6-7 PM (during Adoration) SATURDAY

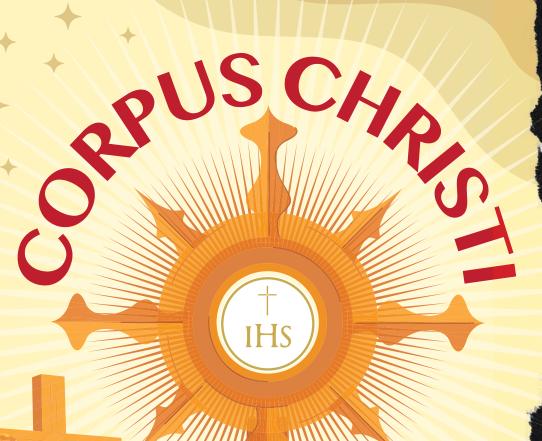
9 AM

Parishioners may schedule an appointment for Confession with one of the priests by calling the parish office.

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 9 AM-12 PM & 1-4 PM 614.876.1272





# "Body of Christ"

This solemnity emphasizes the doctrine of Christ's Real Presence (body, blood, soul and divinity) in the Eucharist.

# SUNDAY, JUNE 11

Procession occurs immediately after 10:45 AM Mass, goes around St Brendan campus and ends at the Chapel where Adoration takes place until 5 PM.

## **CONGRATULATIONS** ON THE BAPTISMS OF

Hayden Michelle Barrett Jackson Jacob Knapp



#### **MASS INTENTIONS JUNE 12-18**

5:30 PM Those with Disabilities MON TUES 8:00 AM Tom Toth

WED 5:30 PM Dee Matuska

THURS 8:00 AM Fern & Edward Coldren

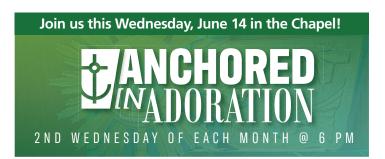
8:00 AM Jonathan Coldren FRI

**SAT** 8:00 AM Steve Toth 5:30 PM Ivy Macioce

SUN 7:15 AM Wayne Lichwa

8:45 AM For the People of St Brendan Parish

10:45 AM Joseph DiSilvester 5:30 PM Joseph Cavallaro



## **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

#### stbrendan.weadorehim.com

**TUES** 9 AM-10 PM 7 AM-5 PM WED

Holy Hour 6-7 PM

Confessions available

THURS 9 AM-10 PM FRI 9 AM-10 PM SAT 9 AM-1 PM



#### **SUMMER ADORERS NEEDED!**

Our commitment to adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament does not take a summer break. 54 hours a week are spent in prayer in our chapel. We come to ask, to thank, to reflect, to rest. What if you took a moment to do the same? How would that change your prayer life? Your daily life? Your relationships? As we begin our parish Eucharistic year on June 11, we invite you to join us in the chapel. Be our guest for 15 minutes and someday grow to commit to an hour. You are needed as part of the great Body of Christ to pray and let that prayer change our world. https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com/

# **SAINT BRENDAN INFORMATION CENTER**

#### **Church Summer Hours**

Weekdays, 6 AM-6 PM (also open during Adoration, evening Mass, and during scheduled events/meetings)

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Weekdays, 9 AM-12 PM & 1-4 PM (closed 12-1 PM)

#### New Members - All are Welcome!

Email receptionist@stbrendans.net or call 614.876.1272 Request a packet at stbrendans.net/become-a-member

#### Marriage

Contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to marriage. Marriage preparation is required.

#### **Baptisms**

Celebrated at 12 PM most Sundays. Two baptismal prep classes are required. Request at stbrendans.net/baptism

#### **Baptism Preparation Classes**

First Sunday of most months at 12 PM (2 classes required). See website for details or email baptism@stbrendans.net

#### **Anointing of the Sick**

Contact the Parish Office.

#### **RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Interested in becoming Catholic? Contact Jennifer Rice at jrice@stbrendans.net or 614.876.1272, ext 227

#### **Ministry of Evangelization & Catechesis**

614.876.1272, fax 614.876.1482

#### **St Brendan School**

614.876.6132, fax 614.529.8929

#### **Marketing & Bulletin Request**

Request form and details: stbrendans.net/marketing Questions? Email marketing@stbrendans.net

#### **Mass Intentions**

To schedule an intention, mail request to the Parish Office with \$10 (due when the request made).

#### Flowers for the Altar

In remembrance of a loved one or special intention (cost is \$75). Donor/intentions are published in the bulletin.

#### Ministry of Care for Our Homebound

To receive the Eucharist at home or in a facility, contact Jennifer at 614.876.1272, ext 227 or jrice@stbrendans.net

#### **Protecting God's Children Class**

Register at www.virtus.org

#### **POD Nursery**

Open most Sundays during 8:45 & 10:45 AM Masses for children ages 6 months to 4 years.

#### **Navigator News**

Visit stbrendan.ccbchurch.com and create your ParishStag account to begin receiving our parish e-newsletter. For Sunday worship materials, visit tinyurl.com/LiturgyAids

# **MESSAGE FROM FR BOB**

Dear Parish Family,

Summer is upon us, and the parish campus seems a little empty without the sounds of children playing at recess or walking down corridors. For many of us, this is a time to rest and renew and I will be praying that God will bless your vacations and summertime together.



Please remember to allow yourself time to spiritually recharge as well. Sunday Mass is more than an obligation – it is our act of worship to God for everything He has done for us and our opportunity to rest in Him. Social media and the internet make it easy now to find a local church to attend Sunday Mass wherever we may be.

This weekend, we also celebrate the **Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ**. Immediately after the 10:45 AM Mass this Sunday, we will have a Eucharistic procession and then continue Adoration in church until the 5 PM. Although your minds will be turning to other things, I want to encourage you to keep special this Solemnity because our belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist is at the heart of everything that we believe. God is not some superhero far, far away whom we cannot see or ever hope to be like. He is the God who loves us, completely, continually until the end of time and beyond into eternity. He loves us so much that He comes to us continually, day after day, and allows us to touch Him, receive Him, be nourished by Him, in the Eucharist. *Our God is Mercy and Love Itself*.

For the next year, dioceses across the country will be focusing on Jesus' presence in the Eucharist as we prepare for the National Eucharistic Congress in 2024. Together, with other parishes across the diocese, we will be going deeper into what it means for Jesus to be with us, in and through the Eucharist. We will dive deep into Scripture to discover again the roots of our belief in the Real Presence of Jesus and open more opportunities for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament here at St Brendan. As we strengthen our spiritual core in the Eucharist, we will be better equipped to share with others the great gift that God has given us. I look forward to this wonderful year with you.

God bless. Fr Bob

#### **COVER OUR PRIESTS IN PRAYER**

From June 19-22, the priests in the Columbus diocese will be at a Priest Convocation with Bishop Fernandes, including our own. Let us cover this event in prayer so that the priests will be built up and supported in their life and ministry. During the week of June 19, each St Brendan priest has a designated day of prayer – Tuesday: Fr Brown, Wednesday: Fr Weldit, Thursday: Fr Bob and Friday: Fr Stinnett. Consider signing up for an hour of Adoration in our chapel during this time to pray for them at **stbrendan.weadorehim.com** 

You may also sign up to pray for all priests in the diocese through the Vicariate Support Office by visiting www.columbuscatholic.org/prayerforpriests



Recently, the diocese published Bishop Fernandes' responses to the Real Presence, Real Future recommendations. The Bishop has accepted the recommendations for our parish and that of St Margaret of Cortona: that we collaborate and move forward together but remain separate parishes. To view the results, visit: https://columbuscatholic.org/real-presence-real-future



#### PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

The next PGC session at St Brendan's will be June 17 from 9 AM-12 PM in Wellnitz Hall. No fingerprinting will be available. There are still some spaces available to sign up! If you plan to volunteer at the Parish Festival in August and have not attended a Protecting God's Children Class in the past, please consider signing up. Register for classes at tinyurl.com/StBrendanPGC

As a reminder, all volunteers who work around children at St Brendan must complete the following:

- Attend a Protecting God's Children class (needed once)
- Complete a background check with electronic fingerprinting (an updated background check is needed if you haven't volunteered for anything at St Brendan for 1-1/2 years or more)
- Obtain a volunteer badge, which must be worn while volunteering.
- Fill out and return to the parish office a Volunteer Code of Conduct Form.

We thank you for giving your time and talent! If you have any questions, contact Teresa Boyne at the parish office or email tboyne@stbrendans.net. More details are available on our website at www.stbrendans.net/safe-environment



If you would like us to pray for friends or family who are hospitalized or are ill at home or for active duty military loved ones, please email their names to bulletin@stbrendans.net. Or visit our online Prayer Wall and make your request for any other intentions at www.stbrendans.net/year-of-prayer

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

#### THOSE HOSPITALIZED OR ILL

**Doris Kopac** Michael Boesch Frank Kreber Bill Brake Chris Carrino Jim Logue **Eugene Chervenak** Jane Lumen Mary Pat Marchion Linda Clark Jill Markey Patricia Crane Joe Martin Tom Crane **Becky Moyer** Chuck Destefani **Grant Nuss** Mary Jo Flickinger Pamela Theado Mary Frick Mitzie Toth Don Johnson Marilyn Wiggins **Bob Kienle** Peter Kim

#### **ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY**

Aaron Grieshop Jackson Maassel
Sam Imwalle Alec Moyer
Christopher Keck Rick Shonkwiler
Cody Longstreth Rob Shonkwiler

Please continue to pray for all our men and women in service to our country, as well as all healthcare workers and first responders.

If you or a loved one is hospitalized or ill at home and would like a pastoral visit, please call 614.876.1272

#### **NON-PRACTICING CATHOLICS**

If you would like the Inviting Catholics Home Ministry to pray for a friend or family member who is no longer practicing the faith, visit the Prayer Wall at www.stbrendans.net/year-of-prayer and make your request. Or, write their first name(s) on our St Monica prayer board, located by the Welcome desk and our ministry will pray for their return back to the Church.

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# **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

MONDAY, JUNE 12			
9:00 AM	Church Cleaning	Church	
12:00 PM	Seniors NOW: Picnic Potluck	Scioto Park Central Shelter, Dublin	
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church	
TUESDAY, JUNE 13			
6:30 AM	Men's Ministry: Faith Sharing	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A	
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church	
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chape	
7:00 PM	Parish Festival: Planning Meeting	The Carter Center	
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14			
7:00 AM-5:00 PM	<b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>	Adoration Chape	
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church	
6:00 PM – 7:15 PM	Anchored in Adoration: NO Confessions	Church	
7:00 PM	Summer Bible Study: Romans	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm B	
7:00 PM	VINE Summer Formation	Wellnitz Hall, Meeting Rm 2	
7:15 PM	Young Adult Night	OFF-SITE	
THURSDAY, JUNE 15			
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church	
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chape	
9:00 AM	Rescue Project: AM Reunion	Davidson Rd Meeting Rms A &	
1:00 PM-2:30 PM	Grief Support Group Lunch	La Chatelaine in Dublin	
7:00 PM	SVdP Sandwich Making for the Homeless	Wellnitz Hall, Mtg Rm 1 (w/patio	
7:00 PM	Rescue Project: PM Reunion	Davidson Rd Meeting Rms A &	
FRIDAY, JUNE 16			
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church	
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chape	
7:00 PM	Summer VINE	OFF-SITE	
SATURDAY, JUNE 17			
6:30 AM	Men's Ministry: Faith Sharing	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A	
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church	
8:45 AM	The Rosary	Church	
9:00 AM	Protecting God's Children Class	Wellnitz Hall, Mtg Rm 1 (w/patio	
9:00 AM	Confessions	Church	
9:00 AM-1:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chape	
5:30 PM	Vigil Mass	Church	
SUNDAY, JUNE 18			
7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM, 5:30 PM	Mass	Church	
8:45 & 10:45 AM Masses	POD Nursery	Childcare Center	
8:45 & 10:45 AM Masses	Coffee & Donuts	Davidson Rd Meeting Rms A & E	
12:00 PM	Baptisms	Church	

# CONSTRUCTION & RENOVATION CALENDAR

JUNE						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Painting Completed X					
	Flooring Extraction Completed					
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	
Parish Picnic New Flooring in Church						
VBS Begins Repaying of Parking Lot (weather permitting)						



#### **SUMMER HOURS**

St Brendan facilities team members' summer hours are 6 AM-6 PM. The church will remain open for evening Mass, Adoration, scheduled meetings and other parish events as usual. The church doors will be locked after 6 PM only if there is nothing scheduled after that time. To schedule an event, please fill out the Room Reservation Request form at www.stbrendans.net/room-request



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to the success of this diocesan campaign. The Appeal benefits many ministries and services including Catholic education, evangelization, social concerns and services, and vocations, including the growing list of seminarians (including our own Keith Bray) starting this fall.

Thank you to all those who have already made a gift or pledge! Our pledges, as of June 6, total \$183,112 from 371 parishioners, which is 70% of our \$263,000 goal.

All gifts, large and small are important and appreciated. All monies received above goal will be applied toward renovating our lighting system in the sanctuary — a much needed update!

Please pledge to The Appeal today if you have not already done so. Return your envelope to the dropbox in the gathering space, mail to the church office, or pledge online by scanning the QR code below or by visiting: ColumbusCatholicgiving.org/appeal Thank you for your generosity!

The progress chart shows dollar amounts in increments of \$10,000. Our pledge

amount reached so far

is shown in the darker teal color.

#### MONEY COUNTERS NEEDED

Are you able to help the parish on Monday mornings? Our office needs more volunteers to help with the offertory money counting. Usually, you would just have to help once a month for a couple hours (the day changes to Tuesday or Wednesday if holidays are involved.) A BCI background check is required for this volunteer position and training is provided by our current money counting team. Contact Clara or Jill in the office at 614.876.1272 or email cherr@stbrendans.net for more information.

#### **FALL SPORTS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!**

Registration is now open for St Brendan's 2023 Fall sports including football, cross country and volleyball. To register, visit our athletics webpage at www.stbrendans.net/athletics

#### GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP EVENTS

All are welcome to help one another through this grief journey! Meet at 1 PM at La Chatelaine in Dublin on Thursday, June 15. Also, join us for our grief workshop Sunday, June 25, 7 PM in Wellnitz Hall. Contact Dennis: edmuch@me.com or 614.946.8099

#### YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS

Join us June 21, 7-9 PM in Davidson Road Meeting Room A for the Young Catholic Professionals Executive Speaker Series. This executive healthcare panel discussion will be with Dr Ashley Fernandes, Joe Geig, LPCC-S and Dr Kathleen Lutter. To register, visit ycp.glueup.com/event/78706/register. Questions? Contact maddie.smith@ycpcolumbus.org

#### **ARE YOU CALLED TO CARE & CONSOLE?**

We continue to expand our consolation team to support our families in grief. Several different roles are needed: funeral coordinators who meet as a team with families to support and coordinate the funeral Mass, hospitality team who greet, guide and support families and guests the day of the funeral, luncheon team, and bereavement support who send cards to families at different times of the year following a loss. Training will be provided for each role.

We always need Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to join our nursing facility teams. We have needs Sunday mornings as well as during the week for Communion services or visiting rooms. Your commitment can be once a month or once per quarter. Training is provided specific to the ministry, so you do not need to be an EMHC already. Please contact Jennifer at <a href="mailto:jrice@stbrendans.net">jrice@stbrendans.net</a> or by phone for more information on any of these ministries.

#### 2023 PARISH FESTIVAL

PICK UP YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS BY JUNE 12! Please pick up your Parish Festival raffle tickets in the Church Gathering Space by this Monday so we can save the cost of mailing them!

**DONATE AN EXPERIENCE** If you have tickets to sporting events, vacation timeshares, or other "experience" types of items that you are interested in donating to the 2023 St Brendan Festival Silent Auction OR if you are in contact with a business that would like to donate items, or participate as a festival sponsor, contact Mike Lynch at festival@stbrendans.net or 614-264-0314. For other donation opportunities, watch for the giving tree coming soon.

#### THE CHRISTINE WILSON FOUNDATION

This year's Christine Wilson Memorial scholarships (2 annual \$3,500 scholarships to students planning to attend Bishop Watterson High School) are being awarded to MiCayla Serna (St Brendan) and Giovanna Swartz (St Timothy). Congrats on your accomplishment and good luck at Bishop Watterson.

#### **CATHOLIC EDUCATION ACTION ALERT!**

#### Attention parents, parishioners, and Catholic school supporters!

Lawmakers are currently weighing proposals to the biennial state budget to dramatically increase the availability of school choice scholarships such as EdChoice, which currently provides eligible pupils up to \$5,500 in tuition for grades K-8 and \$7,500 for grades 9-12. Recently, the Ohio House proposed increasing eligibility



for EdChoice scholarships to a maximum annual household income up to 450% times the federal poverty level. The Ohio Senate also is considering multiple proposals, including one to make EdChoice scholarships universally available to every student.

## So...how can you help?

#### STEP 1 - ADVOCATE FOR SCHOOL CHOICE

Contact your elected officials to let them know you support these initiatives! Scan the QR code on the right or visit https://tinyurl.com/OH-Catholic-Schools to submit your support in less than 10 seconds.



#### **EdChoice Eligibility Guidelines**

250% Current Guidelines		450% Proposed Budget		
Household Size	Annual Income	Household Size	Annual Income	
2	\$49,300	2	\$88,740	
3	\$62,150	3	\$111,870	
4	\$75,000	4	\$135,000	
5	\$87,850	5	\$158,130	
6	\$100,700	6	\$181,260	

STEP 2 - STAY ALERT

Lawmakers are working urgently to meet the June 30 budget deadline. Whatever the final policies, we hope to see more Ohioans eligible for state scholarships.

Use the chart to the left to review your own eligibility and see if you would qualify under the expanded guidelines of 450%.



STEP 3 - SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS

Forward this information along and encourage others to raise their voice for school choice!

#### **AUGUST SPECIAL ELECTION**

A special election will take place in Ohio on August 8, 2023 to vote on Issue 1, which asks voters if Ohio should "Require that any proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Ohio receive the approval of at least 60% of eligible voters voting on the proposed amendment." As our bishops remind us, "responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation" (*Faithful Citizenship*, No. 13.) Please note:

- July 10: Deadline to register to vote or update voter information
- July 11-August 6: Absentee and early in-person voting
- Tuesday, August 8: ELECTION DAY

The Bishops of Ohio do not have a position on Issue 1 as it does not have moral content.

#### PLEASE HELP US WATER OUR OUTDOOR PLANTS

Attention all gardeners! With the lack of rain and a transition in leadership of our garden and landscape ministry, we need your immediate help to water and weed our beds around campus this season. We will be organizing a team to give whatever time you can to choose an area and give it the love it needs. Coming soon, to help in the effort is a water cart for easier transport of water to the areas further away! If you are interested in helping, please contact Jamie Young at <code>jyoung@stbrendans.net</code> or call her at the office.



PICNIC SNACK DRIVE - St Lawrence
Haven has been providing help to our
neighbors in need for the last 75+ years
with meals Monday-Fridays. All who enter
are served, with approximately 175 meals
provided daily and countless groceries and
bread. They operate from the generosity of
volunteers and donors and serve as a safe
space for many to receive a meal. We would
like to help them in their efforts this year,
so please bring donations to the picnic of
individual snack items such as chips, granola
bars, cheese crackers, gummies, cookies, etc.

MINISTRY FAIR - While you're munching on your picnic fare, stop by the ministry tables to learn more about the opportunities St Brendan has to offer in faith, fellowship and service. Pick up some information or chat with a member to see how you can get involved.

#### PICNIC VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED -

Interested in helping out with the picnic? We will need adults and teens to lend their time to help supervise the children's games, playground, and bounce houses. To sign up for a shift, please contact Jamie Young at jyoung@stbrendans.net or call her at the office. Service hours are available!

#### FAMILY FAITH FORMATION & SACRAMENT PREPARATION

For 2023-24, Family Faith Formation at St Brendan will begin to offer three different pathways for families. Each family will be involved in one of the following:

SEEK & ROOT - If you are new to family faith formation, you will join the Seek & Root pathway. These families meet on Monday night at church 10 times throughout the year - twice a month in September and October, and once a month November-April.

**SACRAMENT PREPARATION** - Families returning to family faith formation and preparing one (or more!) of their children for a sacrament this year will meet on a Monday night five times throughout the year, in addition to sacramental celebrations. These family sessions run from October-March.

**CONTINUED GROWTH** - Families returning to family faith formation who are not preparing any children for a sacrament are part of the continued growth pathway, which meets on a Sunday morning or evening, OR Monday night 8 times from September-April.

Each of these pathways needs volunteers, too! We need catechists, aides, middle school small group leaders, and parent small group leaders. Please see volunteer description and details listed to the right and reach out if you have a heart for families whether it be parents, children, or both!

#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Registration for the Totus Tuus Day Camp (grades 1-6) is now closed. However, the evening Youth Nights session is still open for registration! Cost is \$25/child. Youth Nights are Sunday-Thursday, June 25-29, 7-9 PM for children entering grades 7-12 Still in need of Volunteers! Two Safe Environment certified adults are needed with each grade level during the day camp. Volunteers are also needed to provide dinner for the missionaries during the week. To help: stbrendan.ccbchurch.com/goto/needs/public

Questions? Contact jdoran@stbrendans.net Register by scanning the QR code or by visiting https://bit.ly/stbtotustuus



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# ST BRENDAN MINISTRY OF **EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS**



## 2023-24 FAMILY FAITH FORMATION **REGISTRATION IS OPEN!**

Thanks for a great year of Family Faith Formation. The Holy Spirit is certainly at work here in our parish! We are so excited to see what the coming years will bring as we dive deeper. Please scan the QR codes below to register for next year or find them in ParishStag forms.



**REGISTRATION** (fill out once)



REGISTRATION (fill out once per child)

#### **VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP**



The success of our Family Faith Formation program relies on our solid and consistent volunteers, who help to communicate the Truth of the Gospel through their teaching and example. Scan the QR code to the left, to sign up and we will send you a discount code to use.

**LEAD CATECHISTS (50% discount)** will coordinate adults in leading a group of children in songs, games, and sharing short teachings that are prepared for you by our staff. Catechists also use the online platform Martha to give short feedback and follow up with families as they complete their family meetings at home. Catechists will lead 8 at-church sessions throughout the year, once a month.

AIDES (50% discount) support the Lead Catechist in managing the room and leading activities with small groups of elementary-aged kids. They may support the Catechists to provide feedback for family follow-throughs on the Martha online platform. Aides will assist at 8 at-church sessions, once each month.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SMALL GROUP LEADERS (100% discount) will accompany a group of 6th-8th grade children as they mature in their faith. They are good facilitators, using discussion-based small groups to help students grasp the faith. They have a heart for young people, an openness to their questions, and an eagerness to share Jesus and His Church. Small group leaders will be present at 12 small groups throughout the year, usually twice each month.

FAMILY COACHES (50% discount) are present to share their wisdom and accompany 6-8 families. They lead a small group of parents at each family session and are available to help with questions about sharing faith at home and raising kids to be Catholic. They also provide feedback on family follow-throughs for their small group of families via the Martha online platform. Family Coaches are present with their group of parents for 8 parent sessions, once each month.

Questions? Contact Maggie Agra at faithformation@stbrendans.net or Jacob Doran at jdoran@stbrendans.net

#### HAPPENING AROUND THE **DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS...**

#### **COLUMBUS DIOCESE FAMILY MONTH**

To strengthen and enrich the families of our diocese, the Marriage and Family Life Office introduces Family Month, from Mother's Day to Father's Day. Find weekly videos and resources to celebrate the family at columbuscatholic.org/marriage-family/ family-ministry/family-month

#### **VOLUNTEER WITH MOMMIES MATTER**

Mommies Matter is a charitable organization that provides mentoring support, housing, educational, employment and financial assistance to brave, single, pregnant moms. An In-person Volunteer Orientation will be held June 15 at 7 PM in Westerville and a Virtual Volunteer Orientation will be held July 13 at 7 PM on Zoom. For details or to RSVP, visit www.mommiesmatter.org/volunteer

#### **BETHESDA HEALING MINISTRY**

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# Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ

Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a | 1 Cor 10:16-17 | Jn 6:51-58

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Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, the true, real, and substantial presence of Jesus Christ under the appearances of bread and wine. As Catholics, we know that the Eucharist is not simply symbolic, but is in fact the body, blood, soul, and divinity of Christ who rose from the dead. Our readings remind us of this. In the Gospel Jesus says: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh ... I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you." Although Jesus' words were very difficult for his disciples at the time to understand, we know that the bread and wine that become the body and blood of Jesus satisfy our deepest hunger. This spiritual food is actually an encounter with God through his Son, Jesus. It is a blessing that the Church provides us. Let us celebrate on this solemnity by giving thanks, which is what eucharist means!

#### GO EVANGELIZE

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There was a priest at my home parish who could spend hours literally, hours - sitting in eucharistic adoration. If he wasn't out and about serving our parish or in his office for a meeting, you would find him in the adoration chapel gazing at the monstrance which displayed the consecrated host, the Blessed Sacrament. He always would have a small smile on his face, happily losing himself in the Lord. Although everyone has different time pressures on them during the course of a typical week, I think we can all agree that spending only one hour a week with someone is not enough to maintain an important relationship. The same is true with our relationship with Christ. Let's make an effort in the coming weeks to enhance that relationship by spending more time with him. Do you have an hour for adoration? Experience the peace it can bring. Or perhaps now is the time to check the daily Mass schedule in your parish and try to attend once or twice. Jesus offers us his very body and blood under the appearances of bread and wine. Don't squander the opportunity to receive this precious gift.

**ACTION** As part of the National Eucharistic Revival, many dioceses around the country will hold Eucharistic processions for this solemn feast. This is a family-friendly activity. See what is planned in your diocese.

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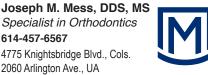
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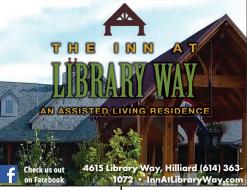














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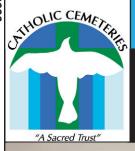
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