

MASSES OF GRATITUDE ARE NEXT WEEKEND! See details on page 2

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*Stay awake and be ready!
For you do not know on what day your Lord will come.*

~Mt 24:42

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

HOLY MASS*

SAT VIGIL 5:30 PM

SUNDAY

7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM
& 5:30 PM

DAILY MASS*

MON & WED

6:30 AM & 5:30 PM

TUES, THUR, FRI

6:30 AM, 8 AM

SAT 8 AM

RECONCILIATION*

WED 6-7 PM (*during Adoration*)

SAT 9 AM

*Schedule an appointment
for Confession with a priest
by calling the parish office.*

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**Regular Mass or Confession times may
change due to funerals, Feast or Holy Days.
Please see our parish calendar inside the
bulletin for the weekly schedule.*

LITURGICAL FEAST DAYS NOV 13-19

MON	Memorial of St Frances Xavier Cabrini
TUES	Feria III of the Thirty-second Week
WED	Optional Memorial of St Albert the Great
THUR	Optional Memorial of St Margaret of Scotland
FRI	Memorial of St Elizabeth of Hungary
SAT	Optional Memorial of the Dedication of Ss Peter & Paul
SUN	Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

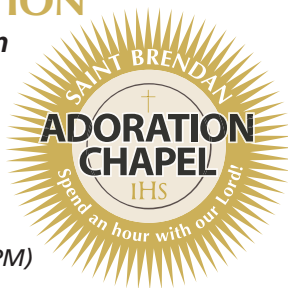
MASS INTENTIONS NOV 13-19

MON	6:30 AM	George Beattie
	5:30 PM	Paul Roth
TUES	6:30 AM	George Beattie
	8:00 AM	Catherine Anderson
WED	6:30 AM	William Breda
	5:30 PM	Rita Blateri
THUR	6:30 AM	Intention of Dcn David Johnstone
	8:00 AM	Intention of Jozsef Gozon
FRI	6:30 AM	Dennis Kairis
	8:00 AM	31st Wedding Anniversary of Darren & Dina Harder
SAT	8:00 AM	Steven & Mary Jo Deerwester
	5:30 PM	Lucille Baggs
SUN	7:15 AM	Regina Tharp
	8:45 AM	For the People of St Brendan Parish
	10:45 AM	Lucille Baggs
	5:30 PM	Charles Destefani

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

<https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com>

TUES	9 AM – 10 PM
WED	7 AM – 5 PM (Holy Hour 6–7 PM, Confessions available)
THUR	9 AM – 10 PM
FRI	9 AM – 10 PM (First Fridays of each month, Fri 9 AM–Sat 1 PM)
SAT	9 AM – 1 PM



THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE

NOV 23: THANKSGIVING DAY MASS – 9 AM

(Thursday 6:30 AM and 8 AM Daily Masses are canceled)

NOV 23 & 24: Parish office is closed, NO Adoration, NO School

NOV 24: 6:30 AM Mass is canceled (8 AM Mass is NOT canceled)

SAINT BRENDAN INFORMATION CENTER

Church Fall Hours

Weekdays, 6 AM–9 PM

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 Fr Jacob Stinnett at frstinnett@stbrendans.net or 614.876.1272, ext 226

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 in or drop off 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 Jamie at 614.876.1272, ext 295 or jyoung@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 ParishStaq login to begin receiving our parish e-newsletter. For Sunday worship materials, visit tinyurl.com/LiturgyAids

A MESSAGE FROM BEN ROMAKER

St Brendan Family,

My message today is one of celebration and gratitude. In my prayer life, and by my estimation, I'm often guilty of overloading the Lord with prayers of petition or intercession. I too often forget to give thanks for the abundant blessings He affords me and my loved ones. I know that we can never spend too much time in prayer, and our Lord is never truly overburdened with our requests for intervention, but it's still important to find balance in expressing our appreciation to the One who listens.



Oftentimes in our daily lives, seizing the opportunities to express gratitude can be easily missed as well. It's important to find moments of respite to count our blessings and better demonstrate our love for our friends and families. Here at St Brendan the Navigator, and on behalf of our clergy and staff, I'd like to extend sincere gratitude for our parishioners – our incredible faith family – who never cease to exemplify the love, charity, and fervor that God has called us to.

Across our bustling campus, we've had a tremendous year richly filled with inspiring worship opportunities and exciting festivities. On more than one occasion, I've seen families having to park on Father's front lawn :) We're also wonderfully blessed with financial stability that has allowed us to dynamically tackle challenges like this past summer's renovations. Our parish contribution to The Appeal has eclipsed an awesome \$300,000 for the first time ever, the refund of which will soon retrofit our lighting and electrical systems.

I'm also thrilled to share the great news that we've made our final loan payment from the ONE Campaign. Through the incredible generosity of our faith family, the guidance of various professionals, and the tireless direction of Colleen Speer, our former Director of Development, a beautiful vision of a unified campus was made into a reality. Our modernized facilities – coupled with the smiling faces that fill them daily – coalesce to create a nourishing Catholic experience that is worthy of celebration. That's why we're inviting all parishioners to join us next weekend for our first ever ***Masses of Gratitude!*** Whether you donate of your time, talent, or treasure to the campus at St Brendan, we ask you to join us in celebrating one another *with* one another. No matter which Mass you frequent, we will be hosting special catered receptions after each one next weekend. Let us count our blessings, celebrate our parish, and be refreshed as we look back at all that we've accomplished in Jesus' name. Thank you!

Masses of Gratitude

Saturday 11/18 After 5:30PM Mass

Charcuterie displays, butter boards, meatballs, sliders, hummus & spinach dips, desserts, buckeyes, fruits, adult beverages

Sunday 11/19 After all morning Masses

Pancakes, bagel bar, biscuits & gravy, egg and veggie casserole, bacon, drinks

Sunday 11/19 After 5:30PM Mass

Sundae bar, gourmet brownie bar, caramel apple nacho bar



HOW TO PRAY THE OPENING PRAYER

Spiritual Meaning: The Opening Prayer requires both individual contributions – the pleas of each member of the Mystical Body – and a leader to gather them and give voice to them to God the Father. The moment of silence following the priest's invitation "Let us pray" is a time to offer our intentions to and desires for God.

Participation: Formulate your intentions – sentiments of adoration, sorrow, thanksgiving, and petition – before Mass. When the priest says, "Let us pray," consciously bring these intentions forward so that he can offer them, along with everybody else's, to God.

HOW TO LISTEN TO THE READINGS

Spiritual Meaning: The Word of God is not simply texts spoken at Mass, but first and foremost is a Person, the Word of the Trinity. All liturgical words, in some way, make audible this divine Word. The Mass' Liturgy of the Word resembles history's larger economy of salvation: just as the Father conversed with the Chosen People through the prophets, so now does He continue the dialogue with His people in the Mass' readings.

Participation: In the days leading up to Sunday, follow the method of Lectio Divina for the Sunday Gospel: reading, reflecting, responding, contemplating, acting. At Mass, listen attentively with the ears of your heart. In the day or two following the Sunday hearing of the Word, recall the Gospel message and thank God for the fruits received.



CONGRATULATIONS ON THE BAPTISM OF

Aurora Kay Gagliardi
Elizabeth Ellen Hinkle

MONTHLY EVENTS

ANCHORED IN ADORATION

Second Wednesdays, 6 PM

1ST FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER

First Fridays, 7 PM

1ST FRIDAY 24-HR ADORATION

First Fridays, 9 AM–Sat, 1 PM

UPCOMING

MASSES OF GRATITUDE

After Masses, Nov 18/19

THANKSGIVING MASS

9 AM on Thursday, Nov 23

(Food Drive ends Nov 19)

CHRISTINGLE Dec 3, 2-3:30 PM



SAVE THE DATE!

Listen to our own Jennifer Rice, Director of Missionary Discipleship and the Emcee for the February 17, 2024 Columbus Catholic Women's Conference at <https://tinyurl.com/JenRice-radio>

Jennifer was interviewed by the *Inspired by Faith* show on St Gabriel Radio to talk about her work here and promote the conference. Come join us. Let's fill the seats, St Brendan women!

Early bird registration for the event is now open at www.columbuscatholicwomen.com

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
9:00 AM	Church Cleaning	Church
12:00 PM	Seniors NOW: Luncheon	Der Dutchman, Plain City
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:30 PM	Family Faith Formation PM	Multiple Locations
6:30 PM	Seek/Root Family Faith Formation	Wellnitz, Mtg Rooms 1 & 2
7:00 PM	Lector Training	Church

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

6:30 AM	Men's Ministry: Faith Sharing	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
7:00 PM	RCIA	Chas McCurdy Learning Cntr
7:00 PM	Rescue Project	Davidson Rd Mtg Room A

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
7:00 AM-5:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
9:45 AM	Elizabeth Ministry Playgroup	Wellnitz, Mtg Rm 1 (w/Patio)
1:30 PM	Prayer Shawl Work Session	The Carter Center
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:00 PM-7:15 PM	Adoration: Confessions Available	Church
6:30 PM	VINE Formation	Chas McCurdy Learning Cntr
7:00 PM	Great Adventure Bible Study	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A
7:00 PM	KofC #11208 Members Meeting	Wellnitz, Mtg Rooms 1 & 2

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
9:00 AM	Women's Scripture Studies AM	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B
1:00 PM	Grief Support Lunch	La Chatelaine, Dublin
7:00 PM	SVdP Sandwich Making for the Homeless	Wellnitz, Mtg Rm 1 (w/Patio)
7:00 PM	Women's Scripture Studies PM	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
1:00 PM	American Red Cross Blood Drive	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B
Friday 11/17-Sunday 11/19	Confirmation Retreat	OFF SITE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 Diocesan Collection: Campaign for Human Development

6:30 AM	Men's Ministry: Faith Sharing	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
8:45 AM	Praying the Rosary	Church
9:00 AM	Confessions	Confessional
9:00 AM-1:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
9:00 PM	Protecting God's Children Class	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A
9:00 AM	SVdP: Conference Meeting	Wellnitz, Mtg Rm 1 (w/Patio)
5:30 PM	Vigil Mass	Church
6:30 PM	Mass of Gratitude Reception	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19 Diocesan Collection: Campaign for Human Development

7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM, 5:30 PM	Mass	Church
After all Masses	Mass of Gratitude Receptions	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B
During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Adoration Chapel
During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass	POD Nursery	Childcare Center
After 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass	Coffee & Donuts is canceled	
12:00 PM	Baptisms	Church
6:30 PM	VINE Night	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B
6:45 PM	Aspen Small Group	School Cafeteria
7:00 PM	Family Faith Formation Sm Grp	Multiple Locations



ST BRENDAN PRAYER LIST

If you would like us to pray for friends and family **who are hospitalized or ill at home** or for **active duty military** loved ones, email their names to **bulletin@stbrendans.net**

You may also use our online Prayer Wall to request most other prayer intentions that are not included here in the bulletin by visiting **www.stbrendans.net/prayer-wall**

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THOSE HOSPITALIZED OR ILL

Heather Ayers	Kim Jadwin
Richard Blaha	Doris Kopac
Bill Brake	Frank Kreber
Betsy M Borchers	Jill Markey
Chris Carrino	Joe Martin
Linda Clark	Kaden Morris
Patricia Crane	Becky Moyer
Tom Crane	Lorraine Nemchik
Dick Crumley	Kathlyn Rosado
Ben Diepenbrock	Michelle Spencer
Connie Feliks	Tom Speroni
Mary Jo Flickinger	Pamela Theado
Mary Frick	Mitzie Toth
Lois Hanf	Marilyn Wiggins

ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Thomas Dye	Cody Longstreth
Aaron Grieshop	Jackson Maassel
Aaron Huesman	Alec Moyer
Sam Imwalle	Rick Shonkwiler
Christopher Keck	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.

THOSE AWAY FROM THE CHURCH

If you would like the Inviting Catholics Home Ministry to pray for a loved one who is no longer practicing our faith, please visit **www.stbrendans.net/prayer-wall**, make your request and they will pray weekly for them.

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LUNCH – NOV 13, MONDAY, 12 PM

Lunch at Der Dutchman in Plain City.
 RSVP Larryhanchin@yahoo.com or
 614-264-6925

MASS & BREAKFAST – DEC 1, 8 AM

1st Friday Mass followed by breakfast
 at First Watch, 3800 Fishinger Road.
 No RSVP needed.

BLOOD DRIVE – NOV 17

The next St Brendan Knights of
 Columbus sponsored Red Cross
 Blood Drive is Friday, Nov 17
 at 1-7 PM in Davidson Road
 Meeting Room B. To schedule your
 appointment, visit www.redcrossblood.org
 or call 1-800-RED-CROSS. Questions?
 Email Jeff.lehr@insurance.ohio.gov



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Looking for grief support from
 fellow parishioners? Join us Thursday,
 November 16 at La Chatelaine in
 Dublin at 1 PM for our luncheon
 gathering. Our next Grief Support
 Workshop is Sunday, November 26,
 7 PM in Wellnitz Rm 1. Questions?
 Contact Dennis at edmuch@me.com

**MINISTRY OF
 CARE TO HOMEBOUND
 AND FACILITIES**

Did you know we have 17 senior living
 facilities in our parish area with Catholics
 that need connection, prayer and
 the Eucharist? Our extended family
 members need our help to visit and bring
 Communion. We are in great need of
 people with a heart for this ministry and
 population to help us once a month, as
 a sub, or more frequently. All training is
 provided by our teams, shadowing until
 you are ready to venture on your own.
 You do not already need to be an EMHC
 to participate – you can be trained just to
 serve the sick. For more information or to
 say “YES!” please call Jennifer Rice at the
 parish office or email jrice@stbrendans.net

**ADOPT-A-SENIOR THIS
 WEEKEND & SUPPORT OUR
 EXTENDED PARISH FAMILY!**



Each month, our home and facility-bound seniors receive the *Word Among Us* which contains the daily readings, reflections and guide to Mass. Many follow along watching a streamed Mass or use them at the Communion services we hold onsite. In 2021, your generosity surpassed our goal of distributing these for one year and provided two! Your \$20 gift will provide a year plus Advent and Lent supplements. To give online, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/Adopt-Senior> or scan the QR code. A card will be signed with your name, or you can donate and sign your own after Masses this weekend, November 11 & 12.



The books and cards will go into 250 care packages for Advent. We also need donations of large print word search books (no other puzzle books), lip balm, lotion, and individually packaged snacks/cookies. These may be placed in the marked boxes in the church gathering space. The care packages will be assembled by our school children as their service project. Thank you for your generosity! Questions? Contact Jamie Young at jyoung@stbrendans.net



TRAVELING VOCATIONS CRUCIFIX

As part of Vocations Awareness Week, we have a special Traveling Vocations Crucifix that will spend a week with families in the parish. It includes prayer resources for families to pray and discuss vocations, how God is calling each of us in a special way to serve Him and His Church, and to live out the call to holiness that is for everyone. Sign up your family for a week in ParishStaQ and commit

to receive the Vocations Crucifix during that time. After your week ends, drop it off in the specially marked cabinet in the Adoration Chapel by 10:45 AM on Sunday so the next family who signed up can retrieve it. We would like to get enough families to have the Vocations Crucifix passed among parish families at least until Good Shepherd Sunday, the Fourth Sunday of Easter on April 21. The next open spot we currently need to fill is November 26. Scan the QR code or sign up by visiting <https://stbrendan.ccbchurch.com/goto/needs/public>



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

The Giving Trees are going up next weekend in the Church Gathering Space! Please take a tag and follow the instructions. Your donations will go to a variety of causes. For more information, see the poster in the gathering space. If you prefer online shopping, visit our Amazon Wishlist: <https://tinyurl.com/giving-tree-23> or scan the QR code. Make your purchase online and it will be delivered directly to our Giving Tree volunteer, Marge Cogan. Your donations will help to support the St Francis Evangelization Center Christmas Store in McArthur, OH. Please return all purchased Giving Tree items by December 3 and place them by the trees in the church lobby. We appreciate your generosity! Questions? Contact Rhonda Hamrock at 614-313-2066





FOOD DRIVE

St Brendan's annual Thanksgiving Food Drive began last weekend and runs through November 18 & 19. The familiar trailer will be located outside the church for your donations after Masses. Any regular Thanksgiving "Fixin's"

or items listed on the Green Bin are greatly desired. Some of the highest need items are **Cereal and Oatmeal, Pancake Mix and Syrup, Peanut Butter and Jelly, and Household Essentials (ie: paper towels and toilet paper.)** All donations will be delivered to the Hilliard Food Pantry for distribution to families in need. If you would like to learn more about St Vincent de Paul, contact Heather Carrier at heathercsvdp@gmail.com

LECTOR TRAINING – NOV 12 & 13

Is God nudging at your heart right now to proclaim God's words? We currently are in need of Lectors who can do just that and who desire to live out the Gospel message. St Brendan's Lector Ministry invites you to be a part of this vibrant and important ministry of service. If you have ever thought about becoming a Lector, please prayerfully consider participating in the upcoming training sessions to join this meaningful ministry.

Lectors share our Catholic faith story during liturgies and in doing so, bring the Word of God to life. This is an exciting call we hope you consider joining. Also, please attend if you are an existing Lector, to brush up and share your questions and thoughts about improving the Ministry.

We are offering two training sessions – Sunday, November 12 and Monday, November 13 – both at 7 PM in the Church. Please email Pete Terranova at peteterranova@gmail.com to receive materials to read for the sessions and/or to reach out with any questions.



NEW! CHRISTINGLE EVENT

Join us for a new Advent tradition brought to you by Father Bob's own tradition! Bring your family and friends to the Christingle Event, December 3, 2-3:30 PM.

The Christingle is a special symbol full of meaning around the Christmas story. Craft one with us and learn about its meaning from 2-2:45 PM while you enjoy refreshments and community in the Davidson Road Meeting Rooms. Then come into church to participate in a service full of music, prayer, and preparation for Jesus' birth. Please RSVP your family at www.stbrendans.net/advent-events

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN – NOV 18

The next PGC session at St Brendan is Saturday, Nov 18 at 9 AM-12 PM in Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A. Sign up at www.tinyurl.com/StBrendanPGC

INVITE ONE BACK TO MASS!

Do you know any family members, neighbors or friends who are no longer practicing their Catholic faith? What would happen if each of us invited just one person to attend Mass with us? This Christmas, we are asking each of our parish family members to "Invite ONE back" to Mass with them. To aid your efforts, we have created a special invitation greeting card which will be available for you to take home beginning November 18. Thanksgiving gatherings offer an opportunity to share this invitation! An electronic version, which may be emailed, is available now by visiting www.stbrendans.net/advent-events



ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

We invite all women of the parish to attend a beautiful night of prayer and reflection on December 7 at 6:30 PM in the Davidson Road Meeting Rooms to fill our hearts with hope for the coming of Jesus at Christmas. We welcome Sister Ana Chiara, DLJC to speak with us about the hope and peace that comes from our relationship with Jesus. A catered dinner will be served. Sign up to be a table hostess to provide linens, decorations, and place settings for your table as you invite women to join you and leave a few spots open for guests. Come as a guest and be welcomed at one of the many decorated tables. Cost is \$10 per person. Table hosts as well as all guests should register and pay by visiting our women's ministry page at www.stbrendans.net/womens-groups Questions? Contact Jen at jrice@stbrendans.net

ST BRENDAN MINISTRY OF EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS



FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Continued Growth Family Sessions are next week, November 12 & 13
Middle School Small Groups will occur again on November 19 & 20
Sacrament Preparation's next Family Session is Monday, November 27
Please let us know if you need to miss one of the at-church Family Sessions or if you still need to pick up an at-home box. You can email faithformation@stbrendans.net

CONFIRMATION

Our Confirmation date has been announced. It will be Friday, April 26, 2024 at 4 and 7:30 PM. Please pray for the Confirmation candidates attending their retreat at Damascus on November 17-19!

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Our parish First Reconciliation service is on Saturday, December 2 at 10 AM in the church.

POD NURSERY COORDINATOR NEEDED

We are still in search of a coordinator for our POD Nursery to schedule volunteers who watch over and care for children during 8:45 and 10:45 AM Masses on Sundays as well as during our Family Faith Formation programs. If interested, please contact Jacob Doran at jdoran@stbrendans.net

2024 CATHOLIC SUMMER YOUTH CAMP

St Brendan is offering a \$100 campership for the first 100 parishioners to register for CSYC's 2024 summer camp at Damascus. Register now using discount code **BREHILL24** at <https://tinyurl.com/register-CYSC>



Pre-registration is available for children aged 3-5 next fall and seeking a safe, fun, and nurturing preschool education. As the official feeder school of St Brendan, St Margaret of Cortona Preschool will be adding full-day programs and St Brendan shuttle services beginning in 2024. As space will be limited, St Brendan families can pre-register (now until December 1) to reserve a spot by visiting <https://form.jotform.com/232775708817064>

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NOVEMBER VINE CALENDAR

Sundays 6:30-8:30pm



11/12

The Power
of Words

11/19

Is Taking
Rest Lazy?

FOR MORE INFO
FOLLOW @STEVINE ON INSTAGRAM
OR EMAIL KDAY@STBRENDANS.NET

Support THE ROOTS

Middle School
Youth Group

Food Sponsors Needed

Nov 12, Dec 10, Jan 14, Mar 10, Apr 14, May 19

Join The Core Team

- Young adults needed
- One Sunday night with the middle schoolers
- One Sunday night with the core team to build fellowship
- Minister to middle schoolers
- Dinner provided both nights!

For more information visit
stbrendans.net/the-roots or
email acolman@stbrendans.net



Executive Speaker Series

KRISTAN
HAWKINS

President of Students for
Life of America

7:00 PM | 11.15.23 | THE VAULT
Registration required at YPColumbus.org

ST BRENDAN YOUNG ADULTS

All young adults (20s and 30s) in the Parish are invited to join us November 15, 7 PM at the Vault (35 E Gay St) as we welcome Kristan Hawkins, President of Students for Life of America, to receive insights about the Pro-life movement. Pizza and drinks are included. Register at www.YPColumbus.org

HAPPENING AROUND OUR DIOCESE...

BISHOP WATTERSON OPEN HOUSE

Bishop Watterson's Open House is Sunday, November 19 from 1-3 PM, 99 East Cooke Rd, Columbus. Register to attend an information session with our principal, Deacon Chris Campbell. For details visit bishopwatterson.com

ST ANDREW HOLIDAY BAZAAR

St Andrew Parish (in Upper Arlington) is having their Annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, November 18, 9 AM-2:30 PM. Craft vendors, homemade buckeyes and baked goods, too!

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Friday, December 1, St Patrick Church, Columbus event features his Excellency Bishop Earl Fernandes, Bishop of the Columbus Diocese and sponsored by The Catholic Foundation (website: <https://catholic-foundation.org/>). Holy Mass (optional) at 11:45 AM, 12:10 PM lunch and then Bishop Fernandes' presentation. No reservations necessary. \$12 cost for lunch. To sponsor a luncheon, contact Pat at foley513@gmail.com

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AN EVENING WITH DR EDWARD SRI

Theologian, author, and speaker Dr Edward Sri will be in Columbus for two evening events: December 7, 7-9 PM, *Mission on the Eucharist* at St Andrew (1899 McCoy Rd, Columbus): Sign up at www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D4FA5AC2CA1FF2-44477115-parish# December 8, 7 PM, *Advent with Mary* at Immaculate Conception (414 E North Broadway, Columbus, 614-267-9241): Sign up at <https://immaculateconceptionca29.flocknote.com/signup/135334>

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Wis 6:12-16 | 1 Thes 4:13-18 | Mt 25:1-13

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I'll always remember that first Easter after my Dad passed away. It was when the promise of the resurrection truly hit home. Sure, I had always believed in heaven and that everyone had the possibility of spending eternity there, but until my Dad died, it had all been theoretical. Now, it was personal. Someone I loved deeply had left this world, but because of Christ's sacrifice, he had the opportunity to go to paradise, someplace where we will hopefully be reunited someday. I believe that's what St. Paul is talking about in today's second reading. We do "not grieve like the rest, who have no hope." *We have hope!* We have hope for our family, for our friends – for our very selves! – that we will rise again and spend eternity with the Lord and with those we love. Paul writes elsewhere, "Where, O death, is your sting?" (1 Cor 15:55) The sting of death is sin, Paul says, but Christ has won the victory over it. In being baptized into Christ, we share in that victory, and we are inheritors of the promise of eternal life that comes from death's defeat.

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The parable in today's Gospel is a reminder that while Christ has opened the gates of heaven for us, we must be ready to accept that gift and walk through them. In the parable of the ten virgins, we see how all fell asleep while waiting for the bridegroom to arrive. When he did show up, five were ready with oil for their lamps while five were sent scurrying to buy some. As a result, those who were not ready missed the opening of the doors and were locked out of the wedding feast. "Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour," Jesus admonishes us. Are you awake? Will you be ready to enter the wedding feast when the door is opened to you? There is nothing wrong with enjoying God's creation and gifts here on earth, but we must guard against getting so caught up in the things of this world that we forget to prepare for the next.

PRAY The ten virgins needed oil for their lamps to be ready for the bridegroom, but we need a clean heart and a steadfast spirit, as Psalm 51 tells us. (12) We get that by setting aside regular time for prayer and making a point to regularly receive the sacraments, including the reception of the body and blood of Jesus in the Eucharist and his forgiveness within the sacrament of reconciliation. Making time for the Lord now will mean we are ready for his return later.

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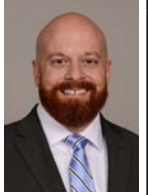
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