In the School Cafeteria after AM Masses

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COURTESY OF KNIGHTS COUNCIL

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, THURS, FRI 6:30 AM, 8 AM SAT 8 AM

RECONCILIATION* WED 6-7 PM (during Adoration) SAT 9 AM

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To schedule an appointment for Confession with a priest, please call the parish office.

*Regular Mass & Confession times may change due to special events, funerals or Feast/Holy Days. Find this week's calendar inside the bulletin or on our website.



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Find an insert in the bulletin with details about our parishwide upcoming event, Jesus and the Eucharist

MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5 Memorial of St Agatha 6:30 AM Alice Breda +

5:30 PM Alice Breda + Michael Boesch +

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6Memorial of St Paul Miki & Companions6:30 AMEdwin Sese +8:00 AMRobert Bickis, Jr. +

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7 Feria IV of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time 6:30 AM Tharun Zachari + 5:30 PM Jeffrey Smith +

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8
Optional Memorial of St Jerome Emiliani
6:30 AM Jill & Vin Johnson +
8:00 AM Robert Bickis, Jr. +

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9Feria VI of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time6:30 AMIntention of Logan Figuerado8:00 AMBill Sauer +

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Memorial of St Scholastica 8:00 AM Regina Tharp + 5:30 PM Janet Larrimer +

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:15 AM Willi Lalli +
8:45 AM The People of St. Brendan Parish
10:45 AM Dorothy Moffo +
5:30 PM Carol Ann Campbell +

+ indicates intention for a person who is deceased.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com MONDAY ADORATION BEGINS ON FEBRUARY 19!

6 PM –10 PM (Feb 19-March 25)

ADORATION

CHAPEI

- 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 1st Friday of each month: 9 AM–Saturday 1 PM

SAT 9 AM-1 PM



INFORMATION CENTER

CHURCH 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! Call 614.876.1272, email receptionist@stbrendans.net or request a Welcome 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 most months, 12 PM (2 classes required). For questions, 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

ST BRENDAN SCHOOL 614.876.6132, fax 614.529.8929

MARKETING/BULLETIN REQUEST Request form and details at stbrendans.net/marketing or email marketing@stbrendans.net

MASS INTENTIONS Mail in or drop off requests 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 Jen Rice 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 & PARISHSTAQ LOGIN

To automatically begin receiving our parish e-newsletter, visit **stbrendan.ccbchurch.com** and create your ParishStaq login. Within ParishStaq, also find our parish registration forms, needs, calendar, and your giving portal.

WEEKLY SUNDAY LITURGY AIDS

Worship materials sent to your email: tinyurl.com/LiturgyAids

LITURGICAL MINISTER PORTAL

Altar Servers, Welcomers, Ushers, Lectors or EMHCs can login to Ministry Scheduler Pro at: www.rotundasoftware.com/ ministry/stbrendans For questions, email ministryscheduler@stbrendans.net

SOCIAL MEDIA Facebook: (Parish) StBrendanofHilliard

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LIVESTREAMED MASS

YouTube – SaintBrendantheNavigatorHilliard Facebook – facebook.com/ StBrendanHilliardyoutube.com/c/ Sunday:10:45 AM Mon & Wed: 5:30 PM Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat: 8 AM

MESSAGE FROM BEN ROMAKER

As we conclude Catholic Schools Week here at St Brendan, the 50th anniversary of the nationwide celebration, we turn our attention to preparations for the '24-'25 school year. Well—some of us do. Teachers and children will be quick to remind me that I've fast-forwarded



through a 3-month break somewhere in there!

As of this weekend, correspondence has been shared with school families that explains how financial support from the parish will work moving forward. Treat this as a third touchpoint to hopefully reach all parents while also updating parish families on the school.

In the era of universal EdChoice, all school families are entitled to a scholarship. In turn, all school families are encouraged to claim the monies available to them. For most families, EdChoice will be the most common and bounteous financial aid awarded in 2024-25 with every family receiving between \$650 and \$6,165 per child. Other state scholarships, such as the Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship (JPS), will also be guite common among our families.

Currently, a child can only receive one state scholarship, meaning a family receiving the vital aid of JPS might miss out on a sizable sum from an EdChoice voucher. We don't want parents to forego this crucial support and programming for their child in order to attain a large lump from EdChoice. This is where we intend to jump in and further assist families in this position or others that feel left behind by EdChoice. Fr Bob's letter to parents outlines a variety of other methods of financial aid available to families after they apply for their respective state scholarship.

In the wake of a rigid parish subsidy, and to maximize the benefits of EdChoice, we are formally naming and instituting 'Parish Needsbased Grants (PNG)' for the fall. This flexible method of awarding tuition assistance will ensure a Catholic education is affordable for all who seek it.

The burgeoning Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund will soon serve as the primary means of awarding support from the parish. In 2023, we raised over \$125,000 to award to families for this upcoming school year. While this incredible opportunity is still being overlooked by many would-be heroes, I'm tremendously appreciative of the roughly 100 families that stepped up, called in, or listened to how they could make a real impact at no cost to themselves. This uptick from \$14,250 in the previous year will go a long way in dramatically supporting dozens of school families, and I'm excited for what another year of momentum can become! Please join me in spreading the word.

The aforementioned letter from Fr Bob details even more methods of tuition assistance available to school families. The deadline to submit is March 15th. A record amount of financial aid was awarded this year, and with your patience and diligence, we'll break the record again in the fall. We remain faithfully committed to supporting young families seeking an affordable Catholic education. May God bless our school, its faculty, and students. —Thank You!

THE EUCHARIST AND THE SAINTS: **ST MAXIMILIAN KOLBE**

In a world that can be cold and hard, violent and at times brutal, the saints prove that our humanity has a better side. The saints fostered this better side with spiritual disciplines and acts of loving service. These acts required personal sacrifices that can be directly linked to the Cross via the Eucharist.

COME & SEE

THE EUCHARIST

St Maximilian Kolbe was a priest in Poland during WWII. After Germany invaded Poland, he organized a temporary hospital in the monastery where he lived, with the help of a few brothers who remained. Between 1939 and 1941, they provided shelter and care for thousands of refugees who were fleeing Nazi persecution. This included hiding more than 2,000 Jewish men, women, and children from the Germans.

The center of daily life at the monastery was perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Kolbe recognized the evil that was confronting the world and called for constant prayer before the Eucharist. The rise of evil led Kolbe to place Jesus at the heart of his community. These were his words to the people, "Jesus is the first citizen of Niepokalanow (the monastery), the elder Brother and Bridegroom of souls, present in the Eucharist. He makes us brothers. He warms our hearts with mutual love."

Eventually, the monastery was shut down. Kolbe was arrested and sent to Auschwitz. Kolbe volunteered to take the place of one of 10 men who would be starved to death as punishment for an escape there. After two weeks without food or water, Kolbe was the only one alive. The guards killed him with a lethal injection so they could reuse the bunker. Maximilian Kolbe had laid down his life in small ways for other people thousands of times before that day in Auschwitz. You and I may never find ourselves in a situation like that, but each day is filled with opportunities to sacrifice in love for another person. What small sacrifice, a Eucharistic moment, are you willing to make today for somebody else?

From 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory – Matthew Kelly



To the family of Mary Frick



MARRIAGE BANNS February 16, 2024 Ryan Jacobsen & Natalia McIsaac

TIME TO RENEW! CATHOLIC TIMES

February is when annual subscription renewals begin for the print edition of The Catholic Times, the information source for the Diocese of Columbus. In the past, payment for new subscriptions and renewals were collected through the parish, but an online system is now in place to make the process easier. Simply visit catholictimescolumbus.org and access the subscribe tab on the home page. Current subscribers also receive paper statements in the mail that can be returned to The Catholic Times, Diocese of Columbus, 197 E Gay Street with a check for \$26 or pay online. Or, drop an envelope marked The Catholic Times in the regular collection at Sunday Mass with name, address and payment. Please support Catholic journalism and keeping up on the events in the diocese, during these changing times.

INCENSE SCHEDULE

The weekly Mass time incense will be utilized is on the calendar to the right (see thurible icon) or below:

6:30 PM

February 4	5:30 PM
February 11	10:45 AM
February 18	5:30 PM
February 25	10:45 AM

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5		
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
9:00 AM	Church Cleaning	Church & Adoration Chapel
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:45 PM	Family Faith Formation Monday Small Groups	Multiple Locations
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6		
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
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 Chapel
7:00 PM	Men's Club: Monthly Meeting	Wellnitz, Meeting Rms 1 & 2
7:00 PM	RCIA	Chas McCurdy Learning Cntr
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7		
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)
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:00 PM-7:00 PM	Adoration with Confession	Church
6:30 PM	VINE Formation	Chas McCurdy Learning Cntr
7:00 PM	Great Adventure Bible Study	Davidson Rd Mtg Room A
7:00 PM	St Brendan Young Adult Group	Wellnitz, Meeting Rms 1 & 2
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8		
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM	Women's Scripture Studies AM	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
7:00 PM	Women's Scripture Studies PM	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9		
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10		
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	Confession	Confessional
9:00 AM-1:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
5:30 PM	Vigil Mass	Church
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11	Curreley Messee	[10:45 AM]
7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM, 5:30 PM	Sunday Masses	Church
During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass	•••	Adoration Chapel
During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass	•	Childcare Center
9:45 PM	Family Faith Formation Sunday AM	Multiple Locations
12:00 PM	Baptisms	Church

VINE Night

Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B



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 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, call 614.876.1272

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THOSE HOSPITALIZED OR ILL

Heather Ayers	Kim Jadwin
Richard Blaha	Doris Kopac
Bill Brake	Frank Kreber
Chris Carrino	Jill Markey
Linda Clark	Joe Martin
Patricia Crane	Luna Reilly McDonald
Tom Crane	Kaden Morris
Dick Crumley	Becky Moyer
Dan DiCesare	Michelle Spencer
Ben Diepenbrock	Tom Speroni
Connie Feliks	Hattie Stewart
Timothy Patrick Finneran	Pamela Theado
Mary Jo Flickinger	Bernadette Thornton
Allie Ganger	Mitzie Toth
Lois Hanf	Kathy Urbano
Milena Hendrix	Marilyn Wiggins
Ora Johnson	Kevin Yarman

ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Thomas DyeCody LongstrethAaron GrieshopJackson MaasselAaron HuesmanAlec MoyerSam ImwalleRick ShonkwilerChristopher KeckRob Shonkwiler... we continue to pray for all our men andwomen in service to our country, as well as allhealthcare 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** and make your prayer request on the Prayer Wall. For more information about Inviting Catholics Home Ministry, visit **www.stbrendans.net/ich**

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LENT BEGINS FEB 14

RETURN LAST YEAR'S PALMS BY NEXT SUNDAY!

We need them to make this year's ashes! Look for the boxes in the gathering space.

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

Ashes distributed during Feb 14 Masses at 7 AM, 12 PM, 5:30 PM* (*livestreamed)

- Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting & abstinence
- No 6:30 AM Mass
- Adoration is 8 AM-5 PM
- 6 PM Anchored in Adoration is cancelled
- No scheduled Confession

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Altar Servers, Welcomers and Ushers are needed for Ash Wednesday Masses. Please log in to your account and sign up at www. rotundasoftware.com/ministry/stbrendans or email ministryscheduler@stbrendans.net

PARISH LENTEN FISH FRY

February 16 & 23, March 8, 15 & 22. (No Fish Fry on March 1 due to the School Auction on March 2.) See website for details at www.stbrendans.net/fish-fry

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent, 7 PM in the Church

40 DAYS OF ADORATION

February 28, 7 AM-7 PM in the Church

MONDAY ADORATION

During Lent (Feb 19-March 25) we will add Mondays, 6-10 PM to our current Adoration schedule. Please consider signing up to adore at https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com

PARISH PENANCE SERVICE

March 19, 7-9 PM in the Church

PARISH LENTEN MISSION

Listen-Adore-Learn, March 4-6, 7 PM Save the dates! More details to come.



ANCHORED A social group for IN FAITH parishioners age 65+

FEBRUARY 13, TUESDAY, 1 PM – Fat Tuesday, Winter Social: Games and snacks in Wellnitz Hall.

FEBRUARY 19, MONDAY 12 PM – Soup & Bread Luncheon in Davidson Road Meeting Rooms. Speaker: Joel Wrobbel, Director of Ohio Living. Topic: "Successful Living as You Journey into Retirement" RSVP Larry Hanchin, VP: larryhanchin@yahoo.com, 614-264-6295

ELIZABETH MINISTRY PLAYGROUP

This parish women's group of mothers meets on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 9:45 AM in Wellnitz, Room 1 (the next one is February 7) for social activities and children's playgroups. Questions? Contact Kelly Hansen at kashansen06@gmail.com

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Interested in knit or crochet or looking for a new winter hobby? The ladies of the Prayer Shawl Ministry are available to teach or refresh your skills in the Carter Center Wednesday, February 21, 1:30-3:30 PM. We have plenty of yarn, but please bring your own knitting needles or crochet hook. Contact Kathy at kendriz@aol.com (call/text 614-440-3352) or Karen at kkessmith@yahoo.com to let us know you're coming!

KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY SEMINAR

Discover the many ways you can share the love of God with the incarcerated on Sunday, March 3, 2-4 PM at Discover Church, 2900 Martin Road in Dublin. During the seminar learn why Kairos is so important, why your cookies are so important and ways you can help without ever setting foot in a prison. Also, hear testimonials, musical entertainment, enjoy light hors d'oeuvres and a raffle. Reservations are requested. Questions? Contact Mike Myers at 614-582-8204

ST BRENDAN MEN'S CLUB

Men's Club provides social and spiritual fellowship through monthly meetings, events and fund-raising. The group meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7 PM (next one is Feb 6) in Wellnitz, Rooms 1 & 2. Sign up at https://tinyurl.com/mens-club or contact Dale at dgbrugge@gmail.com

TRAVELING VOCATIONS CRUCIFIX

Sign up at https://stbrendan.ccbchurch.com/goto/needs/public or via the



QR code for a week with our Traveling Vocations Crucifix to promote religious vocations! After your week ends, bring it back to the marked cabinet in the Adoration Chapel by 10:45 AM (the following Sunday) for the next family.

SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATION

St Brendan spring sports registration will open up on Monday, February 5 and close in 2 weeks, February 19, so please sign up soon and access all the details at www.stbrendans.net/athletics



Coming to **St Brendan the Navigator**

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The National Eucharistic Revival has invited all parishes to participate in this study to immerse ourselves in the presence of Jesus: who He is, how He saved us, how He is with us, and the Bread He provided for the journey. Each session contains a video of content, scripture, and the chance to hear bishops, clergy and personal testimonies from Catholics across the country. Group discussion and prayer round out the sessions.

Tuesday morning (9–10:30 AM) and evening (7–8:30 PM) sessions are available beginning on 02/20. See the back of this page for the schedule. Thanks to the generosity of donors to the National

Eucharistic Revival, there is no cost to attend! Registration is open to all teens and adults, and can be found at **bit.ly/425iELm** or via this **QR code**:

Jesus and the Eucharist is one of the many opportunities we have to deepen our faith and connection with Jesus Christ, preparing us for the Eucharistic Congress July 17-21 in Indianapolis, but also preparing us for our spiritual journey of life with Jesus and eternal life with Him one day in Heaven.





Begins February 20

SCHEDULE

02 20 What's Our Story?

NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

The Bible is the story of God's love for us. He created us out of love, redeemed us by his love, and transforms us in his love.

02.27

Who is Jesus?

Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Who do you say that I am?" He asks this same question of us: Who do you say Jesus is?

03.12

Am I Saved? Salvation is a gift from God through Jesus Christ that requires our "yes."

03.19 Why a Church?

Jesus didn't simply leave us a written message or instruction manual to follow. He gave us a living, dynamic Church where we encounter him personally.

04.02 God is with Us

As one of the seven sacraments of the Church, Jesus established the Eucharist in order to accompany us throughout our earthly journey.

> **04.09** The Story of the Eucharist

From the Book of Genesis to the present day, discover how the Cross is the new Tree of Life, and the Eucharist is its fruit.

04.16 Bread for the Journey

Our participation at Mass is an offering of thanksgiving to God. We are then sent forth to share the Miracle we have received.

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 for the life of the world.

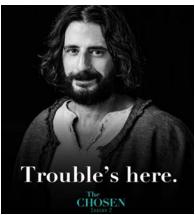
JOHN 6:51

Jesus calls you **deeper!**

AM & PM Sessions Available!

MEN'S & WOMEN'S CHOSEN, SEASON 2

WOMEN'S THURSDAY AM/PM GROUP – Once we belong to Him, we are not only given a new identity, we are also ushered into a new reality. One that is sure, powerful, and life changing. Because of this, we have hope no matter our circumstances, we have assurances and resources, even in life's trials, and we are blessed in all things



because we are chosen by Him. Join us for Season Two of *The Chosen: Blessed Are The Chosen*. This is an 8-week study of video, discussion and prayer with AM & PM sessions for women beginning Feb 22. Register at **www. stbrendans.net/womens-groups** Childcare available for the morning session. Join us for another great season of getting to know Jesus more in this Eucharistic Year!

MEN'S SATURDAY MORNING FAITH SHARING – Join us March 2 to explore Season Two of *The Chosen* from a Catholic perspective on Saturdays at 6:30 AM in the Davidson Road Meeting Rooms for fellowship (breakfast provided), video, small group discussion and prayer. Questions? Contact Grant at **ricekris8813@att.net**

THE TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S MINISTRY is starting a new Lenten series on February 13 called *I Thirst* from *Formed*. This seven-week study meets at 6:30-7:30 AM. All men of the parish are welcome!

MEN'S VIRTUAL ROSARY - FEB 17, 7:30 AM

Join us on Zoom to pray a Rosary for the success of the Women's Conference! Also, pray a virtual Rosary with other Columbus Catholic Men at 7 AM (1st Wednesday of each month): www.catholicmensministry.com



SCHOOL AUCTION

The 2024 School Auction and Dinner, *An Evening Under the Stars*, is Saturday, March 2.

DONATIONS – We are currently accepting personal and corporate donations and sponsorships. To find out how you can help, scan the QR code or visit our webpage.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

To volunteer and for all auction details, scan the QR code or visit our auction webpage at tinyurl.com/school-auction Questions? Contact Joy at jbair1@cdeducation.org

SCHOOL AUCTION RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE

Lucky Stars Raffle tickets for the St Brendan School Auction and Dinner are now available for purchase! Only 500 tickets will be sold for our popular 50/50



raffle this year, so purchase your ticket soon! Grand prize is \$5,000. No need to be present to win. Tickets are \$20 each and available by scanning the QR code or by visiting **tinyurl.com/school-auction**

GRIEF SUPPORT LUNCH

Looking for grief support from other parishioners? Our next Grief Support Lunch is Thursday, February 15 at 1 PM at La Chatelaine Restaurant in Dublin at 65 W Bridge Street. Questions? Contact Dennis at **edmuch@me.com**



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BEN SMITH SCHOLARSHIP

The Ben Smith "You Can Make a Difference" Scholarship provides a one-time \$1,000 scholarship to a senior student graduating from a Hilliard high school or is an active member of St Margaret or St Brendan Parishes and is pursuing a career path to positively impact the lives of those with special needs (ie: teaching, nursing, starting a nonprofit, etc.). Since 2007, The Catholic Foundation has awarded over \$1.3 million in scholarships empowering over 200 young people to continue their academic and vocational studies. For details, visit www.catholic-foundation.org/scholarships The Catholic Foundation's Applications for Scholarships opened up January 29 and will close on February 26. To apply for the scholarship, visit https://catholic-foundation.org/grants/scholarships/ ben-smith-you-can-make-a-difference-scholarship/ Questions? Contact Dan Kurth, at 614-443-8893 or dkurth@catholic-foundation.org



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FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

MIDDLE SCHOOL SMALL GROUPS are meeting this Sunday and Monday, February 4 and 5, at 6:45 PM.

CONTINUED GROWTH/SEEK & ROOT sessions will meet next week on Sunday, February 11 and Monday, February 12. If you still need to pick up the Witness box resource, please contact us.

CONFIRMATION – We have many more families signed up for the 4 PM Confirmation liturgy than the 7:30 PM. If you are able to switch to the later Mass time, please let us know. Thank you!

FIRST EUCHARIST – If you have not picked up a First Eucharist Nourish box yet, please contact Maggie (magra@stbrendans.net) to schedule a time to get your box from the church, or for St Brendan schoolchildren, have it sent home via backpack.

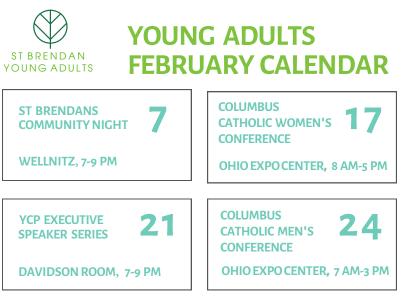
2024 CYSC CAMP REGISTRATION

St Brendan is offering a \$100 campership for the first 100 parishioners for CYSC's 2024 summer camp. Register (using discount code **BRENHILL24**) at https://tinyurl.com/register-CYSC

POD NURSERY HELP

The Pod Nursery is open for 8:45 & 10:45 AM Masses and Faith Formation, but we are still in need of several more adult and teen volunteers (adults must be *Protecting God's Children* compliant). Sign up via the QR code or contact Andrea McClymont, at andrea.r.mcclymont@gmail.com





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GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Why me? It could be a flat tire, a lost job or a serious illness. When inconvenient, unpleasant or even downright horrible things happen, it is understand-able to wonder why God allows it. I know that is what goes through my head in extreme adversity. God can do all things, so why wouldn't he change "this thing" for me? In the Gospel, we see Jesus curing Simon Peter's mother-in-law of her illness, but many of us don't have our prayers answered like that. Instead, we may relate more to Job in today's first reading when he says life is a "drudgery" and he "shall not see happiness again." The reality is that God's ways are not our ways, so we can't know why some people endure hardship while others receive miracles. But we can change how we respond to those hardships when they arrive. Just as this passage from Job is understood better within the context of the whole book, discrete events in our lives are part of something larger than ourselves. Praying with Scripture, including reading more of Job, can help us understand how God is molding, refining, and yes – always loving us.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

When we are tempted to feel like Job is a good time to embrace the age-old practice of "offering it [suffering] up." As a child, my parents explained that offering it up meant I was telling God I would happily suffer in exchange for it helping someone else. What does this really mean? Everything stems from our being united to Christ in our baptism and being participants in his priestly, prophetic and royal office. We offer ourselves, our whole being, including our worship, praise, joy, gratitude, bodies and even sufferings to God as sacrifice. So, to "offer it [suffering] up" is a powerful way of taking a bad situation and allowing it to be used for something good; to give our inconvenience, pain and grief to the Lord and ask him to unite it to Christ's suffering for the good of others. It is a redemptive act, a form of love-in-action. St Paul is a great example of someone who suffered gladly, and in today's second reading he shares that "to the weak [he] became weak, to win over the weak."

HAPPENING AROUND OUR DIOCESE...

WE SHOULD'VE DONE THIS SOONER!

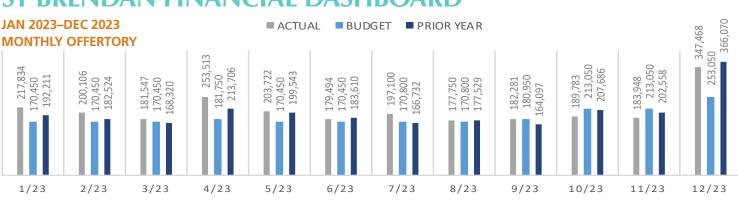
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CATHOLIC CEMETERIES OF COLUMBUS

Spring Cleanup begins on March 1 – It's getting close to Spring and that means time for the Catholic Cemeteries of Columbus Spring Cleanup! Families wishing to retain any personal keepsakes should gather them by March 1, 2024, when Cemetery field staff will begin cleanup around graves and mausoleums. If you have questions, please contact our cemetery offices: St Joseph/Mt Calvary, 614-491-2751; Resurrection, 614-888-1805; or Holy Cross, 740-927-4442

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord – On February 2, in celebration of the Feast, and as an answer to the call to prayer, you are invited to join the religious orders in the Diocese for a Holy Hour for Vocations and then the Mass for the Feast Day with Bishop Fernandes at St Joseph Cathedral. Holy Hour at 4 PM – Recitation of the Rosary and Evening Prayer; Holy Mass at 5:15 PM



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