

# ST. BRENDAN PARISH

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Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence

*Most Rev. Thomas J. Tobin, Bishop*



## YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

December 8, 2020-December 8, 2021

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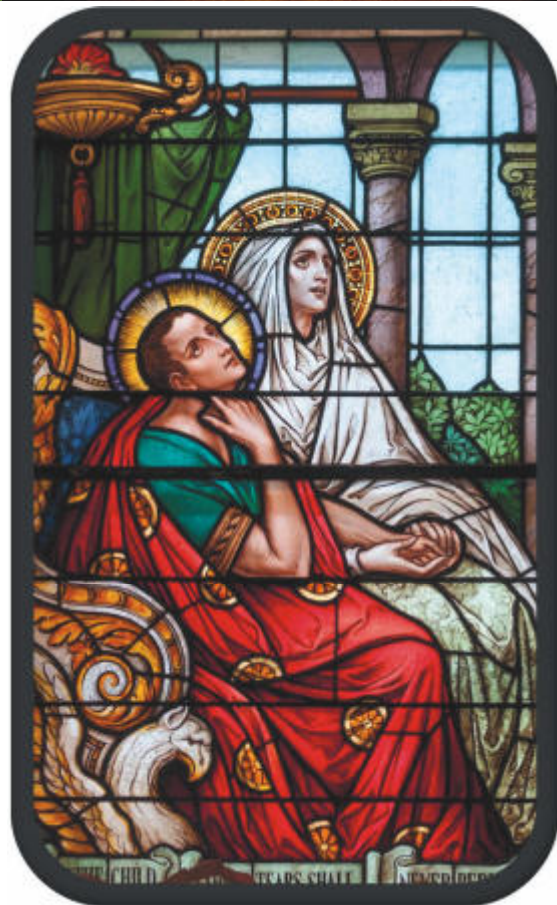
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with Fr. Scott personally)

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and food pantry

Parish Intercessory Prayer Lines: stbrenprayerwarriors@gmail.com

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Information on our parish website: StBren.com



### SACRAMENTS AT ST. BRENDAN'S

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays at 4:00, or anytime by appointment

**Holy Communion:** Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM  
Sunday : 8:00AM, 10:30AM

Daily Mass: Monday—Wed, Friday, 8:00AM  
(Summer Schedule)

**Holy Days:** as Announced

**Baptism:** Baptisms are celebrated monthly but must be scheduled several weeks in advance. Active parishioners should contact your parish office to begin preparations.

**Marriage:** Diocesan requirements state that arrangements should begin at least 6 months to one year before desired date of marriage. Active parishioners should contact the parish office for more details.

**Adult Confirmation:** Preparation for RCIA, Rite of Christian Initiation & Baptism for Adults, begins in October. Candidates are prepared for sacraments at Easter. Contact your parish office for more information.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Chaplains are available at the local hospital during the day and in the evenings for emergency. Because of privacy issues you may have to ask to see the priest. However, if you know you are going, or know of someone who could use a visit today, please do not hesitate to call your parish priest.

### NEW PARISH REGISTRATIONS

Welcome. Glad you are with us. Please introduce yourself to Father Scott after mass.

Dear Fr. Scott:

We are interested in becoming parishioners of St. Brendan's

Please send us information:

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

*Drop in the Sunday collection basket or mail it to the parish office and we'll send you a welcome package.*

# Mass Intentions

There are Mass intentions available during the months of September/October Call the office to have a Mass celebrated for the intentions of the living or deceased. At every mass, you should also bring at least one personal intention with you. Mass intentions are published so the entire church community can pray the mass intention of the Priest for the living or the deceased. Even if you cannot attend mass this day, please join in our parish intention during your personal prayer time.

- SAT, Aug 28, Twenty-Second Sunday Ordinary Time**  
 5:00 PM In Memory of Jose & Maria-Catarina Souto  
 In Memory of Bernard Mellen  
 For the living & deceased members of the  
 Richard J. Cronin, Sr. Family
- SUN, August 29, Twenty-Second Sunday Ordinary Time**  
 8:00 AM For the living people of the parish  
 10:30AM In memory of Leonard & Anazine Nardoza  
 In memory of Jessica Buonanno
- MONDAY, August 30, Weekday**  
 8:00 AM In Memory of Stephen Fillo IV, 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**TUESDAY, August 31, Weekday**  
 8:00 AM Memory of Clementine Landy & Deborah Lema

**WEDNESDAY, September 1, Weekday**  
 8:00 AM In Memory of Rene Pincince

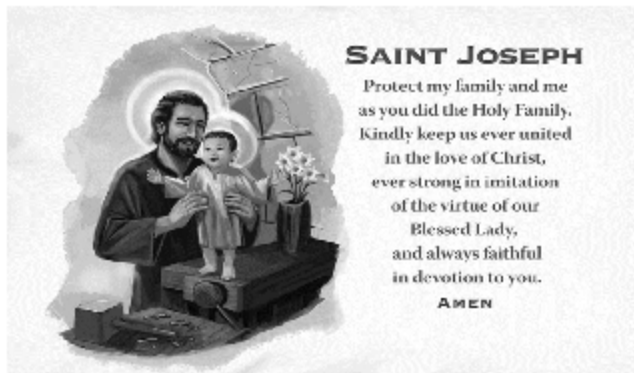
**FRIDAY, September 3, Saint Gregory the Great**  
 8:00 AM Intentions of the Priest

**SAT, September 4, Twenty-Third Sunday Ordinary Time**  
 5:00 PM In Memory of L. Carol Saunders, Anniversary

**SUN, September 5, Twenty-Third Sunday Ordinary Time**  
 8:00 AM For the living people of the parish  
 10:30 AM In Memory of Antonette Iannucci, B-Day Remb.  
 In Memory of Wilma Davitian  
 In Memory of David K. Miller

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 We remember in prayer Muriel Poland & Mary Jackson  
 whose funerals were celebrated this week.  
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**YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH**



**PLEASE CONSIDER ON-LINE GIVING.**

85% of our total parish budgeted expenses comes from those who donate using Sunday Mass collection baskets.



As Mass attendance remains low, so does our offertory. We realize you also may be affected during this season but if you are able, please consider mailing in, or dropping off your envelopes or even better, sign up for on-line giving.

On Line Giving through our partner, Our Sunday Visitor, is safe, secure, and totally in your control to edit, update or cancel anytime. There are no long-term commitments. Visit StBren.com for the image above.

**Thank you for your prayerful generosity!**

**Offerings for August 21st & 22nd**

Weekly Budget Collection amount: \$5,570.52  
 Online Giving Collection for last week : \$1,299.00

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 PLEASE REMEMBER ST. BRENDAN'S  
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**MASSES STREAMED ON-LINE**

As we have for many years, we will continue to live-stream Mass from St. Brendan's Church. Visit our website at StBren.com and click on the YouTube logo.

**CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**



Work continued last week on the gymnasium portion of the parish center (former school). A contract was signed with Roofing Concepts of Warwick, depending on the weather, the work on the school should finish up this week. The project will include replacement of 7,000 sf of badly damaged roof, underlayment and insulation, a new roof access hatch and flashing. This will complete the roof replacement on the parish center. Thanks to your prayerful generosity we have the funds on-hand to complete this project.

**PUTTING YOUR FAITH INTO ACTION**

*"Never worry about numbers. Help one person at a time, and always start with the person nearest you."  
 - Mother Teresa*

For the month of September, as children are returning to school, we will be collecting peanut butter & jelly for the Good Neighbors Food Pantry. Thank you, as always, for your generosity.

## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### FAITH FORMATION NEWS

#### FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Faith Formation Registration is in full swing. You may download forms from our website at [www.stbren.com/youthformation](http://www.stbren.com/youthformation) form is located in the "documents" box, you may also pick up a form in the back of the church. Classes will begin on September 26<sup>th</sup>, a full calendar will be available shortly. Please return registration forms by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

#### BECOME AN RCIA OR RCIC TEAM MEMBER

Please call the rectory or send an email if you are interested in serving in this fruitful ministry. **SAVE THE DATE:** There will be an informational meeting for the team members that have signed up on September 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

#### CAL BASKETBALL REGISTRATIONS

*In person* Basketball registration will take place on Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, from 6-8 p.m. in the St. Brendan's Gym. All parish youth in grades 4-10 are encouraged to join our teams. There are limited spots on our rosters for non-catholic friends. The gym will be open for the kids to shoot around and meet our coaches. The mission statement of the Catholic Athletic League is: THAT THE CATHOLIC ATHLETIC LEAGUE IS ORGANIZED IN ORDER TO GIVE THE CHILDREN OF THIS DIOCESE A PLACE TO SHARE, GROW AND INTERACT IN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT. THE DESIGN OF THE LEAGUE OFFERS ALL CHILDREN A PLACE TO COMPETE IN A CARING, NURTURING ENVIRONMENT IN ORDER TO HELP THEM DEVELOP PHYSICALLY, SOCIALLY, EMOTIONALLY AND SPIRITUALLY.

#### HOW TO TAKE YOUR KIDS TO MASS

Each week for the next 8 weeks, we will share with you tips for taking your children to Mass from Catholiclink.com

**Plan & Prepare** It is crucial to prepare for Mass beforehand in both practical and spiritual ways. Explain to your children the expected behavior for Mass and the reasons why we need to obey the rules. My children have an easier time understanding that we need to be quiet because other people are praying and listening to God than just a command to not speak or move. As my children have gotten older, we ask them to tell us what the rules are as we drive to Mass. It is a reminder to them and an instruction to the younger kids. Reading the readings and discussing prior to Sunday is a good discipline for both you and your children. This will really help the kids to pay more attention to Mass because they will have a better understanding of what is being said. If you have to leave with a crying baby or take a trip to the restroom with a potty training toddler, having previously read the readings will allow you to stay focused when you return

### THIS WEEK'S PARISH SCHEDULE

#### TUESDAY, August 31

8:30PM - AA (open) Meeting (Parish Hall)

#### WEDNESDAY - September 1

8:00AM - Mass followed by Breakfast (Church)

6:30PM - Rosary (Church)

#### THURSDAY, September 2

7:00PM - Music Rehearsal (Church)

#### LITURGICAL MINISTER SIGN-UP AND TRAINING

Parish members are encouraged to join in the celebration of the liturgy in a special way by becoming part of the Liturgical Ministry. Adults and High School youth are welcome to participate as Readers (Lectors) and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (*must be a practicing catholic in good standing*). Children in grades 4 and older are welcome to become Altar Servers and are encouraged to continue serving throughout Middle School and High School. If you are interested in being part of our Altar Server ministry, please contact the office to let them know you would like to attend the training on **September 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.** in the Church. Current Altar Servers are encouraged to attend as well.

If you are interested in becoming a Lector, please contact the office to let them know you will attend the training on **October 3<sup>rd</sup> immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass.** Refreshments will be served.

If you are interested in becoming an Extra-Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion, please contact Fr. Scott directly.

#### HIGH-SCHOOL YOUTH MORNING MASS AND BREAKFAST



All High School Youth are invited to attend morning Mass on Wednesday, Sept 1<sup>st</sup>, at 8 am, then accompany Father Scott to Farnsworth Café for Breakfast.

They will walk to the restaurant together along with either Mrs. Primmer or Mrs. Potrzeba. Please remind your teenager of this wonderful opportunity to gather in prayer and enjoy each other's company over breakfast. Our next and last one of the summer will be this Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### A NIGHT TO HONOR MARY - SEPTEMBER 8TH

Join Bishop Thomas J. Tobin to inaugurate the Diocese of Providence's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration at "A Night to Honor Mary" on September 8 at 6 p.m. in the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul. The Bishop will lead the diocese in this Marian devotion through prayer, readings from Sacred Scripture, the Holy Rosary, and a litany and procession. A small reception will follow

Beginning September 8, 2021, the Diocese of Providence will celebrate the sesquicentennial of its foundation through a series of events running through June 2022. For more information on this event and other anniversary events, visit [dioceseofprovidence.org/150](http://dioceseofprovidence.org/150)

*AUGUST 29, 2021*

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**LETTER FROM THE PASTOR**

*“Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls” (James 1:21).*

*Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,*

*When we welcome guests for a gathering or a visit we make many preparations for their arrival, such as cleaning the inside and outside of the house. Let us humble ourselves before God and welcome Him into the home of our heart. God gives us Himself to be planted in our heart because He is the only One to save our souls. Let us continue to persevere prayer. We have Sacred Scripture, the Mass, and devotion, such as the rosary, to assist us in praying always and encountering the living God.*

*Last Sunday, even with news of a lot of wind and rain, our parish community celebrated the Mass of Installation. Thank you all for your support, prayers, and hospitality, and welcoming my family and friends who joined us for this occasion. The Mass was uplifting and the reception that followed was a sign of the fellowship and family atmosphere of Saint Brendan Parish.*

*Thank you to all the committee members who took the time to coordinate and decorate the parish center hall. Thank you to all who brought desserts. Thank you to all the liturgical ministers, the delegation of the parish, the Trustees, Finance Council, choir, the concelebrating priests and especially the Bishop who celebrated the Mass of Installation. May the Lord richly bless you and strengthen us on our journey of faith.*

*The weekday Mass schedule will be amended starting the week of Labor Day September 6th. to parallel the office hours. Daily Mass schedule will be celebrated Monday through Thursday at 8 am. All Mass intentions held on Friday (except for First Fridays) will be transferred to Thursday. Please call the rectory with any questions. First Friday & First Saturday Devotions will be offered every month.*

*To participate in the 33-Day Consecration to Saint Joseph please contact the office to sign up. Also, please indicate if you would like to order the book *The Consecration begins on Thursday, September 30th and will end on All Saints Day Monday, November 1st. More information on meeting times will be offered next week.**

*Saint Brendan Parish will offer the Seven Sunday Devotions to Saint Joseph beginning on September 19th. Following all weekend Masses, the community will be led through the prayers and reflections. It is approximately 10-15 min. The devotional book will be available online if you would like to pray the devotion at home or at another time. Let us keep each other in prayer.*

*“What could Jesus Christ refuse St. Joseph, who never refused him anything during his mortal life on earth?”—St. Augustine*

*May the Lord bless you and keep you and fill you with His peace,  
Father Scott*





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