

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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An outreach ministry to those in need.

Call SVdP donate or for assistance (Active parishioners may call the parish offices directly - please ask to speak with Fr. Scott personally)

Good Neighbors' Soup Kitchen and food pantry 401.433.0045

Parish Intercessory Prayer Lines: stbrenprayerwarriors@gmail.com

On-Line Offering: safe, secure, convenient.

Information on our parish website: StBren.com



LITURGY & SACRAMENTS AT ST. BRENDAN'S

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

Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM
Sunday : 8:00AM, 10:30AM

Daily Mass: Monday–Thursday, 8:00AM
(NEW Schedule)

Holy Days: as Announced

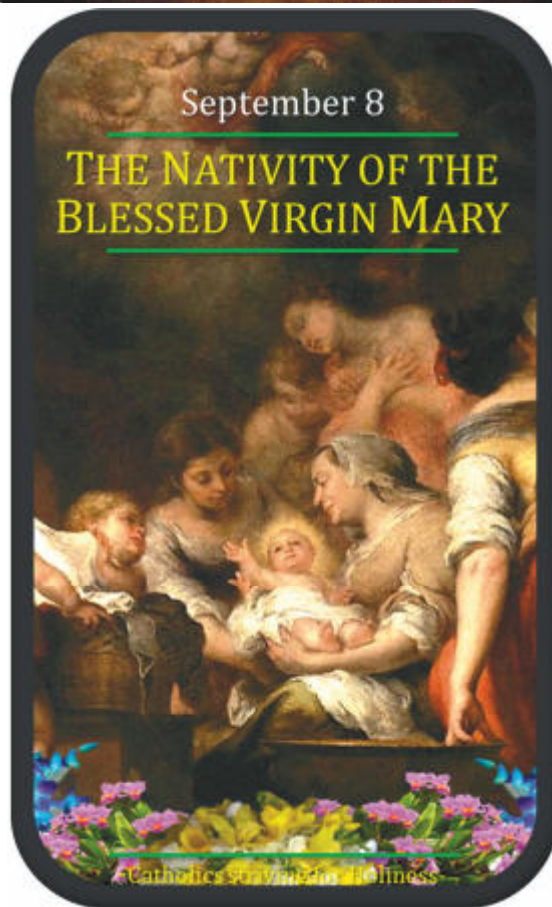
Devotions: First Fridays & First Saturdays, 8:00AM

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:

Name: _____

Street _____

Town: _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

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.

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

SUNDAY, Sept 5, Twenty-Third Sunday Ordinary Time
8:00 AM For the living people of the parish
10:30AM In Memory of Wilma Davitian
In Memory of Antonette Iannuci, B-day Remb.
In Memory of David K. Miller

MONDAY, September 6, Weekday
8:00 AM Kevin Christian, (Living)

TUESDAY, September 7, Weekday
8:00 AM Intentions of the Priest

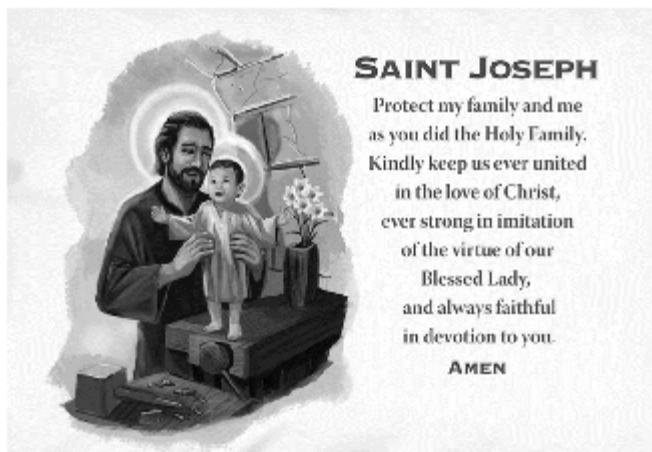
WEDNESDAY, September 8, Nativity of the Virgin Mary
8:00 AM In Memory of Joan & Albert Shovelton

THURSDAY, September 9, Saint Peter Claver, Priest
8:00 AM In Memory of William Connell, 7th Anniversary

SAT, Sept 11, Twenty-Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time
5:00 PM In Memory of Adolf "Jack" Gennari Jr.
In Memory of Richard Bassett, 6th Anniversary
In Memory of Gerald & Jimmy Platt

SUN, Sept 12, Twenty-Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time
8:00 AM In Memory of members of the Carrara Family
In Memory of Joseph Carrara Sr.
In Memory of Jane Hammitt Duarte, 6th Anniv.
10:30 AM For the living people of the parish

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 28th & 29th

Weekly Budget Collection amount: \$6,408.82
Online Giving Collection for last week : \$1,684.00

PLEASE REMEMBER ST. BRENDAN'S PARISH OR ENDOWMENT IN YOUR WILL AND ESTATE PLANNING.

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.

NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

This year the National Day of Remembrance is on September 18th at 10:00am, Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Guardian Angel Statue, 550 Wampanoag Trail, Riverside. This is to remember all the aborted babies who have died due to miscarriage, stillbirth, and illness. Please call Anne Pari, Respect Life Coordinator of St. Brendan's Parish with any questions (401) 559-9303.

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-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Planning has begun for our 2021-2022 program. If you missed the registration deadline (9/1) please call the office as soon as possible to register.

Rehearsal for First Communion is as follows:

Tuesday, Sept 7th at 6:00. in the church (Children only)
Thursday, Sept 9th at 6:00. in the church (Parents & children)
Rehearsals will be held in the Church.

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 14th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

CAL BASKETBALL REGISTRATIONS

In person Basketball registration will take place on Monday, September 13th, from 6-8 p.m. in the St. Brendan's Gym. All parish youth in grades 4-10 are encouraged to join our teams. The gym will be open for the kids to shoot around and meet our coaches. If you are an adult 21 years of age or older and are interested in coaching, please call or email Mrs. Primmer.

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

Practice-Part of preparing is practicing. Children can "play" Mass. We don't have all the fancy supplies, but a nice wine glass and special plate can substitute. This will help kids to learn the parts of the Mass.

During Mass, there's a little moment that can often go unnoticed. After the prayers of the faithful, while the collection baskets are passed, members of our parish carry the gifts of bread and wine to the priest. These gift bearers represent the entire parish as we return to God a small part of the many blessings that He has given to us. If the Mass you are attending has a loved one as the intention, and you would like to be a gift bearer, please see one of the ushers in the back of the church prior to Mass. If you are interested in being a gift bearer, please check in with the ushers before Mass, they will let you know if a gift bearer is still needed.

USHERS NEEDED When arriving at Mass, if you are willing to help pass the basket during the offertory, please check in with the head ushers prior to Mass starting, they will let you know if your help is needed. In total St. Brendan's needs 11 ushers. We are also currently in need of a Lead Usher for the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Please speak to Fr. Scott if you are interested. Thank you!

THIS WEEK'S PARISH SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, September 7

6:00PM - First Communion Rehearsal for children (Church)
8:30PM - AA (open) Meeting (Parish Hall)

WEDNESDAY - September 8

6:30PM - Rosary (Church)

THURSDAY, September 9

6:00PM 1st Communion Rehearsal Parents/Children (Church)
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 28th 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 3rd 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.

A NIGHT TO HONOR MARY - SEPTEMBER 8TH

Join Bishop Thomas J. Tobin to inaugurate the Diocese of Providence's 150th 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

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL IN SEEKONK, MA

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel is in need of Adorners & Substitutes. Please contact Linda Nason (508)463-6723 if you're available for any of the following time slots in need:

Saturday - 4pm, 5pm, 6pm, 8pm

Sunday - 3am, 1pm, 4pm, 5pm

Monday - 7am, 1pm

Tuesday - 5am, 9pm, 11pm, 3am

Wednesday - 1am, 2am, 3am, 4am, 1pm, 3pm, 6pm

Thursday - 3pm, 5pm

Friday - 5am, 10pm

SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

"Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he comes to save you." Isaiah 35:4

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

The Lord our God has shown His great power over sin and death by sending us His Son who lived, suffered, died, rose, and ascended into Heaven for our vindication and salvation. Let our hearts not be frightened. Let us be strong because the Lord has shown us the way to eternal life: through Jesus Christ. He has given us everything which is kept in His Catholic (Universal) Church.

The Book that will be used for the 33-Day consecration to Saint Joseph is by Father Donald Calloway, MIC, Consecration to St. Joseph: The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father. The Information Session and the First Day will be held on Thursday, September 30th. Two Sessions will be offered, please choose one time to attend. Sessions will be held in the Church: 1PM & 7 PM. Books are available. Please contact the office to reserve yours today. You will be contacted when the book is available for pick up at the office. Suggested donation \$12.95.

The Seven Sunday Devotion of Saint Joseph will begin on September 19th. Please join us after all Masses for prayer and reflection. This is a 10-15 min devotion. Booklets will be available upon arrival to the church. You can also download the book off the St. Brendan website.

The Weekday Mass Schedule will be amended beginning Labor Day week (this week). The new Mass schedule for the weekday is: 8 AM Monday through Thursday. This collaborates with the Office Hours.

Devotions will be held on First Fridays and First Saturdays of each month. 7:15 - 7:45 AM Sacrament of Reconciliation
8 AM Mass, followed by Adoration, prayers, and Benediction. Let us continue to pray for the offenses committed against the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Please keep in prayer the children and their families who are preparing to receive First Holy Communion on Sept 12th.

Prayer to begin a School Year
*God of wisdom and might,
we praise you for the wonder of our being,
for mind, body and spirit.
Be with our children as they begin
a new school year.
Bless them and their teachers and staff.
Give the strength and grace as their bodies grow;
wisdom and knowledge to their minds
as they search for understanding;
and peace and zeal to their hearts.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

Peace in Christ,
Father Scott



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