

# ST. BRENDAN PARISH

60 Turner Avenue

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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

**Rev. Scott J. Carpentier, Pastor**

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Mr. Michael Parrillo, Music Director



St. Vincent de Paul Ministries: 401.301.6307

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may call the parish offices directly - please ask to speak  
with Fr. Scott personally)

Good Neighbors' Soup Kitchen 401.433.0045  
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Parish Intercessory Prayer Lines: [stbren-prayerwarriors@gmail.com](mailto:stbren-prayerwarriors@gmail.com)

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### 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:

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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.

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

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

**MONDAY, September 13, Saint John Chrysostom**  
 8:00 AM Intentions of the priest

**TUESDAY, September 14, Exaltation of the Holy Cross**  
 8:00 AM Intentions of the priest

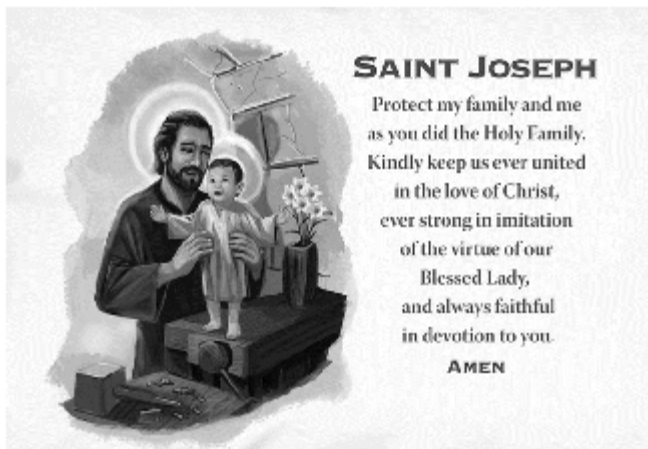
**WEDNESDAY, September 15, Our Lady of Sorrows**  
 8:00 AM In Memory of Mary & Walter Allen

**THURSDAY, September 16, Saints Cornelius & Cyprian**  
 8:00 AM Intentions of the priest

**SAT, Sept 18, Twenty-Fifth Sunday Ordinary Time**  
 5:00 PM In Memory of Delores Machado  
 In Memory of Rufino Costa, Birthday Remb.

**SUN, Sept 19, Twenty-Fifth Sunday Ordinary Time**  
 8:00 AM For the living people of the parish  
 10:30 AM In memory of Connie Fournier, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
 In memory of Norman Fournier, 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
 In memory of William DeCoste  
 In memory of David K. Miller

## 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 September 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>**

Weekly Budget Collection amount: \$10,288.79  
 Online Giving Collection for last week : \$2,438.00

**NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION :  
 MONTHLY MAINTENANCE**

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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 and those 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-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### FAITH FORMATION NEWS

#### FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

All *currently registered* families were sent the 2021/2022 Faith Formation Calendar. **Classes will begin for all grades on Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021.** ALL grades will attend from 9-10:15 with their families. Please contact Mrs. Primmer with any questions or concerns.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to our youth who received Holy Eucharist for the first time.

Eugene Appleton, IV	Liam Melley
Mia Batty	Jake Quinn
Sydney Braga	John Quinn
Michael Chatelle	Zoey Reis
Jaxson Enos	Leland Robinson
Audrey Flamond	Tiana Sampaio
Isabella Gelfuso	Michaela Sullo

Stella Teodoro

#### 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. 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

**Pray on the Way-** On our way to Mass, we always say a prayer asking the Holy Spirit to help our children grow in their love for God and to have self-control during 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 the 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

#### MONDAY, September 13

6:00PM - CAL Basketball Registration (Gym)

#### TUESDAY, September 14

6:30PM - St. Vincent de Paul Meeting (School)

7:00PM - RCIA Team Meeting (Parish Hall)

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

#### WEDNESDAY - September 15

6:30PM - Rosary (Church)

#### THURSDAY, September 16

6:00PM - Safe Environment & BCI Evening (School)

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.

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



The Diocese of Providence cordially invites you and your spouse to celebrate your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> or over 50 years Wedding Anniversary. The Celebration is on Sunday, September 26, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of SS. Peter & Paul in Providence, Rhode Island. The 2021 Wedding Anniversary Celebration includes: Mass, renewal of wedding vows, a personalized certificate & reception for you and your guests. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin will be the mail celebrant and homilist. If interested, please contact the office at 433-2600 or pick up a registration form from the back of the church.

#### 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 12, 2021***

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**LETTER FROM THE PASTOR**

*“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me” (Mark 8:34)*

*Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,*

*Jesus invites us to encounter Him. He teaches us how to follow Him. In the Gospel of Mark, Jesus tells His disciples to deny themselves, take up their cross and follow Him. Because Jesus does everything that the Father in Heaven asks, Jesus teaches us the same. Part of our relationship is to deny our wants, desires, passions, and feelings to follow Christ. Our will is to do His will. To carry and accept the cross we carry, the first step is to deny oneself. The second step is to follow Christ. We are not left without direction. Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Let us stay close to Him on our journey of faith.*

*The Diocese has begun the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the Diocese of Providence. Please visit the Diocesan website for more information and scheduled events throughout the year.*

*The parish family of Saint Brendan will offer the Seven Sunday Devotion of Saint Joseph following all the Masses on September 19th. Please remain in your pew following the closing song. The devotional prayers will begin after the song. If you are unable to join us, or miss one of the Sundays, you can download the booklet from St. Brendan website.*

*The roof of the parish center, over the gym, is coming to completion. Thank you for all your support and prayers.*

*Let us keep the children who are receiving First Holy Communion for the first today (Sunday Sept. 12) in prayer. May the Eucharistic Lord strengthen them and deepen their awareness of the presence of Christ*

*I am glad to announce that Anthony DeCrescenzo, our parish accountant, has accepted the role of Business Manager for Saint Brendan parish. Thank you to the Trustees and Finance Council for your support and prayers. Thank you, Anthony, for taking on this role in service to the parish family.*

*May the Lord bless us and keep us. May the Angels and Saints protect and intercede for us. May the Holy Spirit strengthen us for the journey to eternal life.*

*Sincerely in Christ,  
Father Scott*



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