

June 12, 2022



“But when He comes,
the Spirit of truth,
He will guide you to all truth.”

PARISH OFFICE

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PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

Maris Stella Church

5012 Dune Drive
 Avalon, NJ

Saturday: 5:00PM
(Confession: 4-4:30PM)

Sunday:
 7:00AM (no music)
 8:15AM
 9:30AM
 11:00AM
 5:00PM (no music)

Weekdays:
 8:00AM on
 Tues., Thurs., Sat.
 (Confession after Sat. am
 Mass)

St. Paul Church

9910 Third Avenue
 Stone Harbor, NJ

Saturday: 4:00PM
(Confession: 3-3:30PM)

Sunday:
 7:30AM
 9:00AM
 10:30AM

Weekdays:
 8:00AM on
 Mon., Wed., Fri.

St Brendan the Navigator Parish

Readings & Music for June 12

GATHERING HYMN

HOLY

Mass of St. Mary Magdalene
Sarah Hart

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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READING 1 PRV 8:22-31

Thus says the wisdom of God: "The LORD possessed me, the beginning of His ways, the forerunner of His prodigies of long ago; from of old I was poured forth, at the first, before the earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no fountains or springs of water; before the mountains were settled into place, before the hills, I was brought forth; while as yet the earth and fields were not made, nor the first clods of the world.

"When the Lord established the heavens I was there, when He marked out the vault over the face of the deep; when He made firm the skies above, when He fixed fast the foundations of the earth; when He set for the sea its limit, so that the waters should not transgress His command; then was I beside Him as His craftsman, and I was His delight day by day, playing before Him all the while, playing on the surface of His earth; and I found delight in the human race."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R. O Lord, our God, how won-der-ful your name in all the earth!

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READING II ROM 5:1-5

Brothers and sisters: Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we even boast of our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, and endurance, proven character, and proven character, hope, and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION RV 1:8

R. Alleluia, alleluia.
 Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit;
 to God who is, who was, and who is to come.
 R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL JN 16:12-15

On Jesus said to His disciples: "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when He comes, the Spirit of truth, He will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on His own, but He will speak what He hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming. He will glorify me, because He will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that He will take from what is mine and declare it to you."

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
 I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven (*all bow*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
 I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN

O God, Almighty Father

1. O God, al-might-y Fa-ther, Cre-a-tor of all things, The
 2. O Je-sus, Word in-car-nate, Re-deem-er most a-dored, All
 3. O God, the Ho-ly Spir-it, Who lives with-in our soul, Send

heav-ens stand in won-der, While earth your glo-ry sings.
 glo-ry, praise, and hon-or Be yours, O sov-erign Lord.
 forth your light and lead us To our e-ter-nal goal.

O most ho-ly Trin-i-ty, Un-di-vid-ed u-ni-ty,

Ho-ly God, might-y God, God im-mor-tal be a-dored!

Text: Gott Vater sei gepriesen; anon. W. by Irvin Uchikowski, OFM Cap., fl. 1559, alt. © 1994, The Liturgical Press
 Text: GOTT VATER SEI GEPRIESEN, 7 6 7 6 with refrain; Ludwig Geisinger, 1838; lyrics by Healey Willis, 1880-1968

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COMMUNION HYMN

Refrain

Eye Has Not Seen



Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has read-y for
those who love him; Spir-it of love, come, give us the mind of
Je - sus, teach us the wis-dom of God.

Verses 1-3



1. When pain and sor - row weigh us down, be near to us, O
2. Our lives are but a sin - gle breath, we flow-er and we
3. To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ev - er
Lord, for - give the weak - ness of our faith, and
fade, yet all our days are in your hands, so
near, re - flect - ed in the fac - es of

D.C.

bear us up with - in your peace - ful word.
we re - turn in love what love has made.
all the poor and low - ly of the world.

Verse 4



4. We sing a mys-t'ry from the past in halls where saints have
trod, yet ev - er new the mu - sic rings to
Je - sus, Liv - ing Song of God.

D.C.

Text: 1 Corinthians 2:9-10; Marry Haagen, b.1950
Tune: Marry Haagen, b. 1950
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Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I Love You above all things, And I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You Sacramentally, come at least Spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from You.

An Act of "Spiritual Communion," where we unite ourselves to God through prayer, is a beautiful way to express to God our desire to be united with Him when we are unable to complete that union in the reception of Holy Communion.

SENDING FORTH HYMN

HOLY GOD, WE PRAISE THY NAME

GROSSER GOTT
Arranged by Rick Modlin

Verses



1. Ho - ly God, we praise thy name;
2. Hark! the loud ce - les - tial hymn,
3. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son,



1. Lord of all, we bow be - fore thee!
2. An - gel choirs a - bove are rais - ing;
3. Ho - ly Spir - it, Three we name thee;



1. All on earth thy scep - ter claim,
2. Cher - u - bim and Ser - a - phim,
3. While in es - sence on - ly One,



1. All in heav'n a - bove a - dore thee;
2. In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing;
3. Un - di - vid - ed God we claim thee;



1. In - fi - nite, thy vast do - main,
2. Fill the heav'ns with sweet ac - cord:
3. And a - dor - ing, bend the knee,



1. Ev - er - last - ing is thy reign. (to Verse 2)
2. "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!" (to Bridge)
3. While we own the mys - ter - y. (Fine)

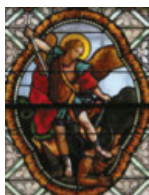
Bridge (to Verse 3)



Ho - ly is your name; ev - er you shall reign.
Heav'n and earth pro - claim: Ho - ly is your name!

Text: 78 78 77 with additions: *Te Deum laudamus*: attr. to St. Nicetas. ca. 335-414:

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord.



Prayer to Saint Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

St Brendan the Navigator Parish

MASS INTENTIONS

MARIS STELLA CHURCH (MS), Avalon; ST PAUL CHURCH (SP), Stone Harbor;
SACRED HEART CHURCH (SH), Avalon

SATURDAY, JUNE 11 *Saint Barnabas, Apostle*

8:00AM (MS) Reverend Monsignor John T. Frey by Ed and Rosemary Mancinelli

VIGIL

4:00PM (SP) John March by Penny March
John Dinella by The Jones Family

5:00PM (MS) Josephine Heintzelman by Marty and Lynda Pagliughi
Elaine Fisher by John and Kathy Kuhn
Richard Judycki, Sr. by John and Sandra Buccella
Rose Wells by Jim and Elizabeth Waldron
Joe Tipping by Neil and Suzie Gallagher
Jack Sweeney by Pat Coyle

SUNDAY, JUNE 12 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

7:00AM (MS) Deceased Members of Sexton & Winter Families by Hannah Sexton Young
7:30AM (STP) For the Protection of Babies in the Womb & their Families by Cape May County Right to Life
8:15AM (MS) Deacon Ralph Catanese by Carol Juliana
9:00AM (SP) Robert Taylor by Gary and Dot Bevan
9:30AM (MS) Gerry O'Brien by Joe and Terri Breslin
10:30AM (STP) Kristin Carrea by The Piotrowski Family
11:00AM (MS) Anthony Milano by Elyse Focht and Alba & Robert Bishof
5:00PM (MS) Ellen Mary McDonnell by The Rinck Family

MONDAY, JUNE 13 *Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church*

8:00AM (STP) Rich and Francis Borell by Ann and Eric Borell

TUESDAY, JUNE 14

8:00AM (MS) James J. Gillin, Sr. by Family

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15

8:00AM (STP) Kozlowski Family by Mary Reilly

THURSDAY, JUNE 16

8:00AM (MS) Bob Watters, Sr. by Pat Troisi

FRIDAY, JUNE 17

8:00AM (STP) Mary Kate Fischer by Ellen and Bob McNeill

SATURDAY, JUNE 18

8:00AM (MS) Reverend Monsignor John T. Frey by Carl and Dona Mattia

VIGIL

4:00PM (SP) Deceased Members of the Castagna Families by Children
5:00PM (MS) Margaret (Peg) Lenahen by Lisa and Tom Alderman
Helen Quinn by The McLaughlin Family
Josephine Heintzelman by Sandra and John Buccella
Julie Allen by The Fuchs Family
Joanne Kurteson by Ed and Rosemary Mancinelli
Gerard Malanga by Michael and Karen Fitzpatrick
Ellen Wishchuk by James Wishchuk

SUNDAY, JUNE 19

7:00AM (MS) Joe Galbally by Tom and Gerry Galbally
7:30AM (STP) Frank D'Elia by Mary Reilly
8:15AM (MS) Robert Daniel White by Patrick and Bridget Madden
9:00AM (SP) Peg and Stu Atwood by The Atwood Family
9:30AM (MS) Horace William Donaghay by The Galle Family
10:30AM (STP) Graziella Iacovino by The Phillips Family
11:00AM (MS) Ronald Bishof by His Family
5:00PM (MS) Marilla Watters by Casey and Marty Smith

Mass Intentions are accepted in the Parish Office.

PRAYER OF ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT FOR THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY: *Eternal Father, I offer Thee the most precious blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my home and within my family. Amen.*

St Brendan the Navigator Parish Mission Statement

Our Catholic community in Avalon and Stone Harbor, NJ is committed to implementing, following, and spreading the teachings of Jesus Christ. We also invite, welcome, and encourage each member of our community and visitors to actively participate with us in our Catholic Faith. Our community joyfully joins in celebrating the Eucharist and the sacraments, recognizing God in one another, and serving those in need. We remember and believe that we are all brothers and sisters, the children of our all-loving heavenly Father.



IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Let us pray for: the unborn and their parents, the sick and the dying, the poor and the lonely, those persecuted for their faith, and all the faithful departed - especially those with no one else to pray for them.

Let us pray for: Pope Francis, Bishop Sullivan, all Priests, Deacons and Religious, for an increase in vocations, and for all those discerning a religious vocation.

Let us pray for: all first responders, and medical staff as they selflessly put others before themselves.

Let us pray for: those serving in the military, their families, and our country.

Please pray for our sick: *Meg Lampazzi, Toni Davis, Elizabeth Keen, Stephanie McMannis Sinix, Anthony Abbonizio, Rachel Walters Kahly, Bill Burns (SH), Pat Williams, Theresa Polak, Michelle Vidal, Sis Hilkert*

Let us pray for our deceased

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Lord hear our prayers.

Names will remain on the sick list for 3 months, and on the list of the deceased for 1 month.

* Please call or email the parish office to include the name of your loved one. Call 609-967-3746 or email frontdesk@stbrendanavalon.org. *

Masses can be offered for: * a person who is deceased * a living person who is sick or suffering * on the occasion of a person's birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion * in thanksgiving * for a prayer intention * for a prayer intention (so long as the intention does not contradict Church teaching)

PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome new parishioners! We are blessed to have you share in this Eucharist Celebration. We invite you to become part of our parish family. Please contact the parish office to register with us.

BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Also, please note that **all parents who are scheduling Baptism for their child/children must attend a Baptismal Prep class if this is the first child they are having baptized.** The prep class is held each month for baptisms the following month. The classes are held on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7PM in Quinn Hall (St. Paul) in Stone Harbor. Classes will be instructed by Deacon Charlie Devlin. Please register for the class by calling the Parish Office 609-967-3746.

MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Office for availability and information. The common policy set by the Bishops of the Province of New Jersey requires a one year preparation for marriage.

DEVOTIONS

ADORATION

St. Paul Church: Wednesday evenings, 6-7PM
and First Friday 8:30AM - NOON

ROSARY GROUP

Maris Stella Church: Tuesday evenings, 7PM
The ROSARY is prayed before each daily Mass.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Maris Stella Church: Tuesday after Mass
St. Paul Church: Wednesday after Mass

OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

St. Paul Church: Daily 9AM - 4PM
Sacred Heart Church: Daily 9AM - 3PM
Maris Stella Church: *Saturday Only*, 9AM - 3PM

If you would like to have your home blessed, please contact the Parish Office and one of our Priests or Deacons will call you to make arrangements.

We are Live Streaming the Mass on Sundays at 9:00AM



The Sanctuary Candle and Altar Flowers



may be in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. Please call the parish office at 609-967-3746.

*The Most Holy
Body and Blood of Christ*

***Eucharistic Procession
Sunday, June 19***

**Starting after the 11:00 Mass
at Maris Stella Church
Dune Drive at 50th Steet, Avalon**

**Proceeding to
Sacred Heart Church
First Avenue at 25th St., Avalon**

Come Join Us!



Interested in Religious Education for your child(ren) for the 2022- 2023 school year?

Please e-mail dre@stbrendanavalon.org or call the Religious Education office at: 609- 967- 3017.

SUPPORTING OUR PARISH

We recently updated our online giving services to better serve our parishioners. We are providing this option in addition to cash or check donations. You can still give through traditional methods, but now you can make recurring or one-time gifts online with a credit/debit card or electronic check, text a donation right from your phone or through our QR codes.

These programs are beneficial to you, in that you do not need to worry about having cash or check on hand at Mass or if you are away on vacation and it benefits the Parish by reducing the time needed to process donations and run financial reports.

To give online through our new platform, visit:
<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stbrendanavalon>.

You can give through text message by sending "Give" to 609-928-8020!

You can also make a donation using this QR code. Simply grab your cell phone, open up the camera and highlight the QR code. You can make your donation right from your phone.



COMPASSIONATE CARE OUTREACH

Monies that our parish receives from the 1100 Raffle Proceeds as well as House of Charity are used for our Compassionate Care Outreach.

The following recipients (all from Cape May County, except one *) have benefitted from YOUR GENEROSITY. Thank you for living a life of staggering generosity and helping so many.

No act of kindness ever goes unnoticed by God :-)

Compassionate Care Recipients: Bishop McHugh Regional School, Wildwood Catholic Academy, Prayers and Squares, C.A.R.A, Covenant House of NJ, Family Promise, Friends in Need, Good Counsel Home, Habitat for Humanity, Holy Redeemer Food Bank, Right to Life, Sacred Heart Parish Camden Food Bank*, Branches, Hope Pregnancy, Villa Maria By the Sea, Volunteers in Medicine, Saint Casimir Food Pantry, Catholic Radio Station

Thank you again, and thank you to our parish

Compassionate Care Committee: Sue Keen, Joan Piotrowski, Rosemary Mancinelli, Carol Matt, and Fr. Kelly

An Evening of Remembrance and Healing

Mass celebrated by Father Cadmus Mazzarella



For those who have suffered the loss of a child of any age through miscarriage, still-birth, abortion, SIDS, illness, overdose, suicide, disease or any untimely death.

We encourage and welcome all members of the family and friends affected by the loss of a child to join in this Mass of Celebration for the life that touched yours briefly, yet stays in your heart forever.

MONDAY, June 20, 2022, 6:00pm

Saint Ann RC Church
Notre Dame de la Mer Parish
2901 Atlantic Ave., Wildwood, NJ

Please Bring a Picture or Special Remembrance of Your Child (roses will be available to those who lost their child before birth)

Please contact Kathy @ (609) 828-1105 or email @ LTSDANZ@verizon.net to register and to have your child's name listed in our Mass booklet
Dessert reception in Chapel hall behind Church to follow Mass

Book for 2022 season of Seven Mile Island University:

UNDOING THE KNOTS—FIVE GENERATIONS OF AMERICAN CATHOLIC ANTI-BLACKNESS by Maureen H. O’Connell, Beacon Press, 2022, ISBN -13: 978-0-8070-1665-7.

Facilitated by Father Jack Baron, those interested in participating will gather at Maris Stella Church from 7:30-9:00PM on Wednesday July 20, 27, and August 3.

On August 3, Maureen O’Connell will be with us and she will answer questions and do a book signing.

REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

An independent, toll-free number has been established by the Diocese of Camden to help callers report cases of sexual abuse by priests, deacons, religious, employees and/or volunteers. For information or to inquire about counseling and support services, call 1-800-964-6588

To do the will of God, man must despise his own; the more he dies to himself, the more he will live to God.

– Saint Peter Claver

St Brendan the Navigator Parish

2022

SAINT BRENDAN THE NAVIGATOR
50/50 PARISH RAFFLE

1100 CLUB

\$35,000
1st Place
Cash Prize

PLUS

Four (4) additional
\$5,000
Cash Prizes

TICKETS AVAILABLE STARTING MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND
COST IS \$100 PER TICKET

Reserve your tickets NOW by completing the Application below!!

Prize amounts are based on the number of tickets sold.

Drawing is Monday, September 12, 2022 in Parish Office. You Do NOT need to be present to win!

2022 Parish 50/50 Raffle Ticket Application Form

Cash, Check, Credit Card or Venmo Accepted!

(Please make checks payable to St. Brendan the Navigator Parish)

OR

- Call the Parish Office to ask about weekday hours to purchase your tickets in person.
- If you are from out of town, please **mail this APPLICATION to the Parish Office**, after which we will process your information accordingly.

Parish Office Address: **5012 Dune Drive, Avalon, NJ 08202** Parish Office Phone: **609-967-3746**

PLEASE PRINT (MUST include phone numbers)

Today's Date _____ How many Tickets would you like to purchase this year? _____

Name _____

*Phone Numbers 1. _____ 2. _____

Mailing Address _____

For OFFICE USE ONLY:

Payment Method (circle one)

CHECK# _____ Amt \$ _____ CASH Amt. \$ _____ Credit Card Amt. _____ VENMO _____

Ticket Number(s): _____

Parish Rep Name: _____ date: _____



MAY COLLECTIONS

April 30/May 1:

In Pew: \$12,137.50 Online: \$827

May 7/8:

In Pew: \$12,403.50 Online: \$727

May 14/15:

In Pew: \$11,592.00 Online: \$991

May 21/22:

In Pew: \$16,649.35 Online: \$991

May 29/30:

(Memorial Day Weekend)

In Pew: \$24,856.50 Online: \$622

Total in Pew: \$77,638.85 Total Online: \$4,158

Grand Total: \$81,796.85

Thank you for your stewardship. We are truly grateful.

BECOMING FULLY CATHOLIC

If you or someone you know is not fully initiated in the Catholic Church (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation), or a family member or friend has questions about becoming a Catholic, please contact Deacon Bob at 609-287-9205 or email deacon@stbrendanavalon.org or call Fr. Kelly at the office.



St. Brendan the Navigator is a support parish of the **FAMILY PROMISE NETWORK** of churches throughout Cape May County who offer shelter, food, and social services support within a faith-filled outreach program. As a support church, we assist with preparing dinners, social interaction with families in the program, and overnight support when the families stay at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Stone Harbor. **If you want to become a part of a hands-on outreach** to those who need to see the face of Christ through the compassionate efforts of men and women of faith, **please contact:** Peg Bozzi (609-560-1302) or Bunny Parzych (609-675-1454).

Ask the Parish Council a question or address any issue you have. Email: parishcouncil@stbrendanavalon.org.

The work of the **FACILITIES TEAM** is to provide oversight into the upkeep of each building in the parish. The members of the committee have been assigned as such:

Tom Speakman—St Paul Rectory— 609-368-2243 or Speakmant8408@gmail.com

Gene Boyd—St Paul Church —609-602-7613 or ewboyd@aol.com

Terrie Cwik - Quinn Hall - 609-368-4125

Ed Grubb - Tierney Hall - ejgrubb@verizon.net

Mike Matt - Maris Stella Church - 609-368-0512 or mmatt01@gmail.com

Anita Stenger - Parish Office - 609-368-0737 or facilities@stbrendanavalon.org

Joe Stenger - Sacred Heart Church - 609-368-0737 or jvs4415@yahoo.com

The team members ask that if you see any concerns in these buildings, or have any suggestions for enhancements, you contact the responsible members only. They will relay the information to the committee for consideration. Any emergency item should be referred immediately to the parish office.

Branches, Holy Redeemer Food Bank and the Mobile Pantry are in need of the following items: Canned Soup, Crackers, large containers of Juice, Chef Boyardee, Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Mac & Cheese, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Bread, Powdered & Boxed Milk, Cereal, Mayo, Tuna, Canned Fruit, Pork & Beans, Hot Dogs, Pudding, Canned Beef Stew, healthy snacks, fruit cups **There are containers in all churches. Churches are open daily.**

Branches accepts monetary donations online at:
www.thebranchesoutreach.org

Holy Redeemer Food Bank accepts monetary donations:
checks can be mailed to 1801 Rte 9 N, CMCH, NJ 08210

Do you or someone you love need care at home?
Contact the Diocese of Camden's Home & Parish Healthcare Services Resource and Referral Help Line
1-888-26 VITALITY (1-888-268-4825)
A Free and simple Gateway to Help at Home.

St Brendan the Navigator Parish

Our HoC goal is \$137,300

Checks should be endorsed to House of Charity/Bishop's Annual Appeal.



2022 APPEAL: "FROM MANY...ONE BODY"

In the first letter to the Corinthians, Saint Paul reminds us "as a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ" and by extension so also his Church.

Through the House of Charity – Bishop's Annual Appeal, we support those in need throughout the six counties of the Diocese of Camden.

YOUR GIFT TO THE HOUSE OF CHARITY PROVIDES:

SOCIAL, COMMUNITY AND HEALTH CARE SERVICES

Your generosity provides services through Catholic Charities offices in each county of South Jersey. VITALity's Hospital Chaplaincy is able to provide spiritual and emotional support to patients, their families and staff through your donations. Together, we offer support to the weak, vulnerable, and disenfranchised.

EVANGELIZATION AND FAITH FORMATION

Lay leadership training, intercultural ministries, ministry with the deaf and persons with disabilities, marriage enrichment, adult faith formation, liturgical catechesis and other evangelization efforts, along with your gifts, kindle the fire of faith into a bright beacon for all to see.

YOUTH, YOUNG ADULT AND CAMPUS MINISTRIES

Your donation enables programs like Summer in the City, Catholic Scouting, Theology on Tap, college campus ministries and Newman Centers, and support for a growing number of parish-based Youth Ministry programs and many more activities to build community and prepare our youth and young adults for the mission that God has chosen for them.

VOCATIONS, SEMINARIAN & PERMANENT DIACONATE FORMATION, CARE OF PRIESTS

Your support ensures that pastors and clergy continue to bring the light of Jesus into the world. Through prayers and support, we currently have 14 seminarians studying for the priesthood in the Diocese of Camden.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION – "FORMING MINDS AND HEARTS IN GRACE"

Catholic schools are an integral part of the teaching mission of the Church.

Catholic schools build faith, develop leadership ability and provide academic excellence in a safe environment. Your gift will help keep tuition affordable for families to send children to schools that will support Catholic values, develop character and provide academic excellence.

INCENTIVES FOR PARISH INITIATIVES

When our parish collects its goal amount, up to 10% is returned to our parish for our local charitable needs. Additionally, 75% of all funds received above our parish goal will also be returned to our parish to foster our charitable and ministerial work.

We invite all parishioners to participate in this important effort.

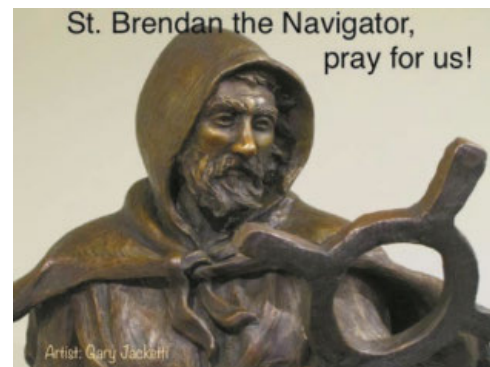
During House of Charity Appeal Weekend, please make your sacrificial gift to help continue the mission of the Church here in the Diocese of Camden!

In-Pew Weekends—June 4/5—Maris Stella Church

June 11/12—St. Paul Church

SAINT BRENDAN THE NAVIGATOR - Feast Day May 16th

St. Brendan of Clonfert was known as “the Navigator,” “the Voyager,” “the Bold.” One-hundred years before Brendan was born, Ireland was moving from a pagan to a Christian nation through the inspiration of St. Patrick. However, Christianity had a slow start. Although St. Patrick did much to convert Ireland, Christianity did not flourish until after his death. Brendan, because of his upbringing, carried on the mission to spread the faith. He is known as one of the original Twelve Apostles of Ireland.



In 484 A.D. Brendan was born in Fenit, near the small seaside port of Tralee, in County Kerry in the province of Munster in the southwest of Ireland. His parents were Finlug and Cara. He came under the tutelage of Bishop Erc who was their spiritual leader. It was Bishop Erc who baptized the child and changed his name from Mobhi to Brendan (Broen-finn, meaning “fair-drop”). Brendan was sent to study at school with St. Ita of Killeedy, as his teacher. In the year 510 Brendan was ordained a priest. During the period of 510-530, he was instrumental in establishing monastic communities around the port of Ardfert. Being influenced by the beauty of the land and also seeing daily the mysteries of the ocean, Brendan’s enthusiasm for exploration grew. It is from the port of Ardfert that he initially set out on his travels into uncharted waters.

His journals speak of adventures by boat to Britain, Scotland, Greenland, Iceland, and possibly even America. There are signs of ancient Celtic presence in areas of Newfoundland as well as some of the New England states. Evidence of this means that Brendan’s claims are not necessarily mythological in nature. It is reported that Christopher Columbus even studied the saint’s journals before setting out on his own seafaring expeditions.

St. Brendan’s most famous monastery was built in Clonfert in County Galway in 560. Today, there is a cathedral located there, surrounded by a cemetery. St. Brendan’s grave is simply marked immediately outside the cathedral front doors. He died at the age of 93 in 577 A.D.

St. Brendan the Navigator is known as the patron saint of sailors and the United States Navy. He is the patron of those who are afraid because he himself was fearless in setting out into uncharted water and in uncertain circumstances.

Today and every day, let us not be afraid. We live our lives each day and often our waters are uncharted and we at times live with uncertainty, but like St. Brendan, we need to know that God is with us through it all.

Prayer attributed to Saint Brendan:

Lord, help me to journey beyond the familiar and into the unknown Give me the faith to leave old ways and break fresh ground with You. Christ of the mysteries, I trust You to be stronger than each storm within me. I will trust in the darkness and know that my times, even now, are in Your hand. Tune my spirit to the music of heaven, and somehow, make my obedience count for You. Amen.

St. Brendan the Navigator, pray for us!

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