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SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2022

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.*

- Lk 4:18

Pastor's Corner

January 23, 2022

Dear Parishioners

Today our first reading focuses on the law of Moses and worship of God. When Ezra stood on the platform, read the law and explained it to all the people, they accepted it by saying, "Amen, amen." "Then they bowed their heads and worshipped God." The reading tells us that true happiness is found in following God's ways.

In our Gospel, Jesus, too, stands before the people and reads from the Word of God. He, too, explains it to those gathered there. This passage in Luke is, as it were, Jesus' own "job description." He declares that He is the one sent and anointed by God to fulfill the prophecy which He has read from Isaiah. Here Jesus reveals the meaning of the Scriptures and His own mission. Throughout Ordinary Time, we will see this mission to the poor; the oppressed and the downtrodden unfold in the teachings and actions of Jesus.

A vocation is a call, a gift, from God to love him and serve others in a specific life commitment. Through Baptism each of us has a call to serve. Some are called to the married state and still others to the single life. God also calls men and women to respond to public, explicit service in preaching, celebrating the Eucharist, and gathering the community in various forms of service. This is the vocation to priestly and religious life. The public, explicit service by priests and religious is a deepening of the baptismal commitment. This commitment to such service serves as a paradigm for all other vocations and forms of service.

Vocations to the priesthood and religious life do not fall from heaven pre-programmed. Vocations to the priesthood and religious life grow out from the believing community. The community has the responsibility, and plays a

key role, in fostering vocations.

Vocations rise out of the family which serves as the first church and seminary or house of formation. The parish community, especially through the preaching ministry and the celebration of the Eucharist, plays a key role in fostering vocations to the priestly and religious life. Our gracious God chooses men and women from the community with the help of the community.

No doubt many today are concerned about the Church and its seemingly uncertain future. This can cause doubts and even despair. However, we need to keep in mind the promise of Jesus to be with the faith

community until the end of time. The Church may experience many struggles yet we are kept united in the power of the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit. I can think of no more exciting time to be alive in the church and to serve the Lord as a priest. We have been given some marvelous opportunities for rethinking and creatively living the vision and mission of Jesus.

The priest and religious are called to unique opportunities for leadership in imitation of the Good Shepherd. Many today are searching for the Lord. The priest and religious have the opportunity to lead many to know the Father and experience His love. This is not easy but it is certainly not boring. There is much to be done. If you are, or know someone who is, considering the call to the priesthood and religious life, let them know that the Church needs your/their vision, talents, and generosity in proclaiming the word of the Lord. Search your heart and see if the Lord is calling you. If you believe He might be, let me say to you what Eli said to Samuel, "say, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'"

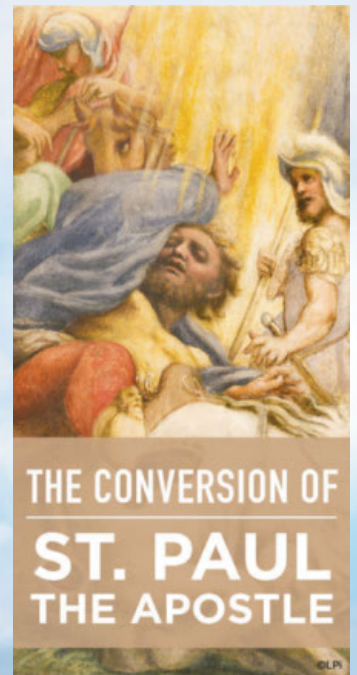
Have a blessed week.

Father Tom



Parish Stewardship

January 15-16, 2022	
First Collection	7,022.56
Online Donations (reported 2/month)	11,055.00
Christmas	5,000
Solemnity of Mary	
School Subsidy Collection	838.00
School Subsidy Online (reported 2/month)	952.00
Total Week's Offertory	\$24,867.56
Weekly Operating Budget	14,409.68
Surplus (Deficit)	10,457.88
Catholic Home Missions	5.00
Orlando Seminarians	148.00
St. Brendan Outreach	1,918.01



OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida		As of 1/14/2022	
		Assessment	\$182,370
		Amount Pledged	198,335
		Over Goal	15,965
		Number of Pledges	297

Mass Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Requested by
Saturday, January 22	4:00PM	Pro Populo	
Sunday, January 23	8:00AM	† Lad Warzecha	The Skipper Family
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:30AM	† Kathy & Jackie Durkin	Mike Durkin
	11:00AM	† Carol Aufiero	Jan Jones
Monday, January 24	8:30AM	Thanksgiving to the Blessed Mother	Cynthia Rommeney
Tuesday, January 25	8:30AM	† The Harney Family	Mary Harney
Wednesday, January 26	8:30AM	† Madelyn Robinson	Husband and MaryPhyllis
Thursday, January 27	8:30AM	† John Howley	The Wilkie Family
Friday, January 28	8:30AM	† John Howley	Fr. Eamon Gill Knights of Columbus
Saturday, January 29	8:30AM	† Hubert McCauley	Council of Catholic Women
	4:00PM	† Mike Van Houten	The McDonough Family
Sunday, January 30	8:00AM	† James Murphy	Jack & Arlene Halsey
	9:30AM	Pro Populo	
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	11:00AM	† Renee Hennessy	Gerri Masson

In Our Parish

Mark your calendar

Girl Scout Cookies on sale
February 12 & 13.

John Howley Toy Drive Update

Dear Father Tom,

Many thanks to you and the generous parishioners of St. Brendan the Navigator Catholic Church for the hundreds of Christmas gifts that were provided to Project Share last month in the John Howley Memorial toy drive.

This year, we were able to provide for over 850 children in need. I know John was smiling down from Heaven at the wonderful way everyone came together to ensure the success of the program.

Thanks again for helping Project Share make Christmas morning a bit brighter for some of our most vulnerable neighbors. It is so inspiring to see how much St. Brendan parish cares for our brothers and sisters in need in our community.

Sincerely,

Roseanne Stocker
Project Share chairperson
Rotary Club of Flagler Beach

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil	4:00pm
Sunday	8:00am 9:30am 11:00am
Confessions Saturday	9:00am



St. Brendan Catholic School Open House



St. Brendan the Navigator Catholic School will host an Open House on **Friday, January 28, 2022 from 9:00AM-NOON**. Join us and learn how your child will excel at St. Brendan Catholic School.

- Take a tour of our beautiful campus and technology-equipped classrooms
- Meet administrators and teaching staff
- Receive admissions and financial assistance information.

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- Spanish language
- Computer technology
- Art/Music
- Drama
- STEM initiatives

St. Brendan's high-tech environment includes computer, iPad and Chrome book labs. Classrooms are equipped with interactive whiteboards for a dynamic hands-on active learning experience.

A diverse range of extracurricular programs include:

- Comprehensive athletics through the Catholic Youth Sports League
- National Junior Honor Society
- Student Council

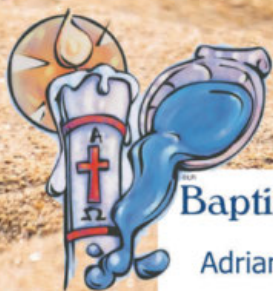
Students grow in their faith through:

- Sacramental preparation
- Daily prayer
- Religious studies
- Weekly Mass

Our dedicated teaching staff is Florida certified and holds minimum 4 year Bachelor's degrees.

St. Brendan student graduates are well prepared with the leadership and academic skills needed for success in high school and are readily accepted into Honors and Advanced programs.

Join us during our Open House on January 28th. No RSVP required. For more information, call (386) 441-1331 to schedule your personal campus tour or visit volusiacatholicschools.org/winter-open-house.



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Reflections on the First and Second Readings



The 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Family History

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

Whenever you open up an old family photo album, you may be struck with the power of ancestry. You realize you come from a people who shared with you their beliefs, their possessions, and their past.

When you look at old photos, you may want to learn more. "Who were these people? Where did they live? How did they live? What part of me have I inherited from them?" If you can converse with older members of your family, you can ask these questions directly. But for others, only the photos exist to tell the tales.

In the Old Testament, Ezra the priest came before the assembly of people and brought out for them an old book that had been lost. It was too early in history, of course, for a photo album. But he now possessed a record of the holy words revealed by God to their ancestors. Now that the book had been discovered, its contents were proclaimed to the people.

They listened attentively. These were the words that shaped the lives of their ancestors. As they heard them, they learned what was important to the people who gave them life.

The Bible has been revered by many of our ancestors. It contains a record of the stories they told and the values they held. When you take that old book off the shelf at your home, the Word of God, you can meet the people who gave you life.

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Body Block

1 Corinthians 12:12-30

It is hard for some people to get along. We think the worst of strangers in our way. We get tired of people we work with every day. Kids in the family fight with one another. It is hard to get along.

There are many reasons to work at it, though. Fighting creates tensions we do not need. It puts us on edge and violates the interior harmony we seek. Work gets done more smoothly, learning happens more peacefully, love is shared more fully, when people get along.

Paul tells the Corinthians that they should think of themselves as one body, not as different people. Earlier on in this letter, he already complained about the divisions in their church. The one community was splintering as people took sides under different natural leaders. They intuited that they were one community, but they lived as though they were many who were not getting along.

Paul urged them to think of themselves as one. "The body is not a single part, but many." The foot and the hand get along. So do the ear and the eye. They do not compete with each other. They do not claim to be the only part in the entire body. "If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy."

It is easier to get along when we start from this premise: We are already one.



You are the
BODY of CHRIST
and individually
members of it

1 CORINTHIANS 12:27

Readings for Next Sunday

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-29 ♦ *1 Corinthians 12:31-13:3* ♦ *Luke 4:21-30*



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Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated after the 11:00am Mass on Sunday or 4:00pm Mass on Saturday. Call Valeta Orlando at x-307 in the Parish Office for more information.

Children's Faith Formation & Sacramental Preparation

For information contact Valeta Orlando in the Parish Office.

Becoming Catholic

Are you a non-Catholic adult interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Seekers and inquirers are always welcome. Contact Valeta Orlando in the Parish Office. No pressure; no commitment.

Church Office Hours

Monday-Friday
9:00am-3:30pm

St. Brendan's Outreach Ministry

Food donations accepted in the church narthex at all weekend Masses all through the year. Special collections at Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Please contact the Parish Office for an appointment.

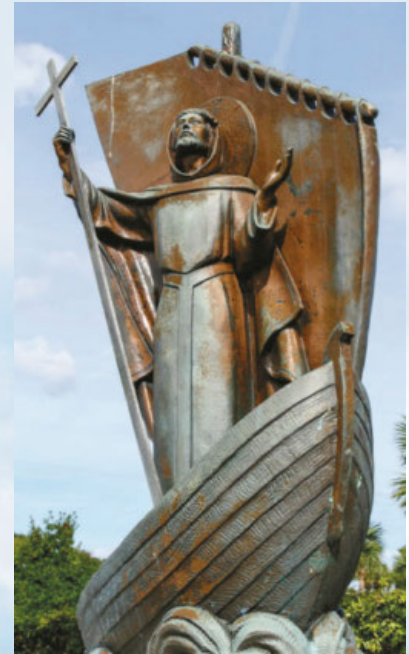
New Parishioners

St. Brendan warmly welcomes you! Registration forms are available in the Parish Office and Religious Articles Store. Please return form via the Sunday offertory or bring it or send it to the Parish Office.

The Knights of Columbus always welcomes new members. For information contact Steve Silvestro: 386-238-8695
ssilvestro1@att.net

The Council of Catholic Women (CCW)

welcomes all women of the parish. Meetings are held first Monday of the month Sept. - May. For information, contact Ann Smith 386-299-3153.



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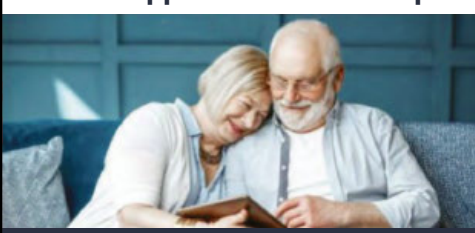
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