

WELCOME TO
**SAINT BRENDAN & SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA
PARISH FAMILY**
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 2, 2026



*Taking the five loaves
and the two fish, and
looking up to heaven,
he said the blessing,
broke the loaves, and
gave them to the
disciples, who in turn
gave them to the
crowds —Mt 14:19*

SAINT BRENDAN PARISH | STB



SUNDAY MASS

- Saturday Vigil | 5PM
- Sunday | 8AM | 10AM* | 12PM* (Misa en Español)
*LIVESTREAM ON FACEBOOK

DAILY MASS Monday, Wednesday - Saturday | 8:30AM

ADORATION

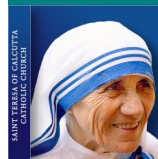
- Monday - Thursday | 1PM to 6PM • Friday | 9:30AM to 6PM
- First Friday | 9:30AM to FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION at 7:30AM*
*WITH ROSARY FOLLOWED BY BENEDICTION |

CONFESSION

- Monday, Wednesday - Saturday | 7:45AM - 8:15AM
- Saturday | 2:30PM - 4PM or By Appointment.

*"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"*
—ST. BRENDAN, THE NAVIGATOR

SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH | STOC



SUNDAY MASS

- Saturday Vigil | 5PM
- Sunday | 9AM | 11AM

DAILY MASS - Tuesday to Friday | 9AM |

ADORATION

- Tuesday - Friday | 8:30AM (Prior to Daily Mass)
- Benediction just before 9AM Mass

CONFESSION

- Saturday | 3PM to 4:30PM
- Other: By Appointment.

"Do small things with great love"—SAINT MOTHER TERESA

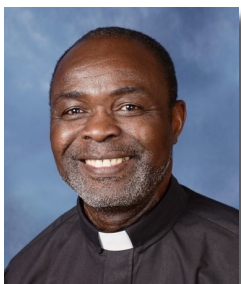
SEE DAILY MASS TIME CHANGE ON PAGE 3.

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ST. BRENDAN PARISH SCHOOL

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday | 8AM to 4PM

Wednesday | 8AM to 3PM

CLOSED for the summer. Please call to make an appointment.

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COVER ART

TITLE: *Miracle of the Bread and Fish*, 1620-1623.

ARTIST - Giovanni Lanfranco **SOURCE** - artrenewal.org

ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH (STOC)

Monday - Friday | 9:30AM to 3PM

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MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

To arrange for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, call the Ministry of Pastoral Care of the Eastern Deanery at 425-655-3200.

To arrange for Holy Communion for the sick or homebound, call the parish office.

MINISTERIO PARA LOS ENFERMOS Y LAS PERSONAS CONFINADAS EN CASA

Para concertar el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos, llame al Ministerio de Atención Pastoral del Decanato Oriental al 425-655-3200.

Para concertar la Sagrada Comunión para los enfermos o las personas confinadas en casa, llame a la oficina parroquial.

FUNERAL MASSES AND BURIAL RITES

To arrange for a funeral Mass, please contact the Parish Office, or ask the funeral director to do so.

MISAS PARA FUNERALES Y RITOS DE ENTIERRO

Para hacer arreglos para Misa para funeral, por favor contacte la Oficina de la Parroquia, o pregunte al director de los servicios funerarios.

PARISH NEWSFLASH

If you would like to receive the weekly St. Teresa Newsflash over email, please let us know at admin@saintteresa.org.

To submit a bulletin announcement:

- Due Thursday a week before the target weekend.
- St. Brendan > bulletin@saintbrendan.org
- St. Teresa > admin@saintteresa.org

To submit a Mass announcement or Mass intentions:

- St. Brendan > receptionist@saintbrendan.org
- St. Teresa > admin@saintteresa.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **OCIA REGISTRATION** — Now OPEN • See below.
- **STORY TIME WITH MRS. ABRAHAM** - Sunday, AUG. 2 • After the 10AM Mass • St. Brendan.
- **GOLF FORE SEMINARIANS TOURNAMENT** - Tuesday, AUG. 4 • Redmond Ridge • pg. 5
- **MOMS GROUP** - Wednesday, AUG. 5 & 19 • 9:30AM • St. Brendan. • Below.
- **FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD** Thursday, AUG. 6 • 8:30AM Mass • St. Brendan.
- **FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** - Saturday, AUG. 15 • 8:30AM Mass • St. Brendan.
- **SAVE THE DATES**
- **PARISH FAMILY & SCHOOL PICNIC** - AUG. 23 • Volunteers needed • Pg 5.
- **OCIA CLASSES** - Begins Thursday, SEP. 10 • 6:30PM • St. Brendan.
- **PARISH FAMILY HARVEST FESTIVAL**- St. Teresa • Sunday, SEP. 20 • NOON • Stay tuned for further details.
- **PARISH/SCHOOL MARINERS GAME** - SEP. 6 • See page 10 for ticket info.
- **ANNUAL CHARITY ST. BRENDAN SCHOOL GOLF TOURNAMENT** - SEP. 19 • Pg. 10.

THIS WEEK'S DAILY MASS TIMES

This week's parish family daily Mass will be at St. Brendan at 8:30AM on Monday and Wednesday through Saturday,



STORY TIME

Mrs. Abraham is hosting Story Time in the **St. Brendan nursery** on the **first Sunday of each month after the 10AM Mass**. All children are welcome to come and listen. The next Story Time is **Sunday, AUG. 2**. Starting in September, also join her at **St. Teresa** on every third Sunday of the month!



MOMS GROUP

Guided by Mary, we aim to be a space where mothers can find connection and community with other mothers as they seek to grow in their relationship with God and deepen their faith.

We meet every other Wednesdays at **9:30AM in the St. Brendan nursery**. Our next meetings are **Wednesday, AUG. 5 and 19**. Children are welcome! Please bring any toys or snacks your child may need. You can email stbmomsgroup25@gmail.com with questions or for more information.

O.C.I.A Registration

St. Brendan and St. Teresa



Become Catholic

ADULTS 18 AND OVER

**FOR CATHOLICS WHO NEED SACRAMENTS
AND NON-CATHOLICS WHO
WISH TO JOIN THE CHURCH**

**THURSDAY NIGHTS
6:30 TO 8 PM**

**BEGINS SEPTEMBER 10TH
IN ST. BRENDAN CHURCH, BOTHELL**

**REGISTER NOW
USE QR CODE
OR PAPER FORMS**

**TURN PAPER
FORMS INTO
PARISH OFFICE**

PRAYER AND READINGS

READINGS OF THE WEEK

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 2, 2026

THE HAND OF THE LORD FEEDS US; HE ANSWERS ALL OUR NEEDS. (Ps 145)

Sunday: Is 55:1-3 • Ps 145:8-9, 15-18 • Rom 8:35, 37-39 • Mt 14:13-21

Monday: Jer 28:1-17 • Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102 • Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22 • Ps 102:16-23, 29 • Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7 • Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 • Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 • Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 • 2 Pt 1:16-19 • Mt 17:1-9

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7 • Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41 • Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Hb 1:12-2:4 • Ps 9:8-13 • Mt 17:14-20

LET US PRAY FOR . . .

The Sick

All praise and glory is yours, Lord our God, for you have called us to serve you in love. Bless them so that they may bear this illness in union with your Son's obedient suffering. Restore them to health, and lead them to glory. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Elizabeth Adoko • Juan Avila • Sheila Barnes • Harrison Carlin • Joan Dedman • Tim Dickison • Don Galloway • Luz Gutierrez • Hannah Joy Haug • Dan Heidrich • Norman Hradec • Ryan Jacobson • Christopher Lagestrom • Terry Losh • Joe Matthews • Melissa Matthews • Tom Nickolson • Dianne Osmialowski • Marilyn Phelps • Megan Riggs • Alexandra Rocio-Hays • Kyle Stemm • Sarah Watson • Dave Whitman

The Deceased

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Patricia Baumann • Olive Bowasi • Patrick Guentert • Patricia Hutchison • Chuck Kahler • George Pittenger • Ron Runyon • Freddy Weller.

THUS SAYS THE LORD:

ALL YOU WHO ARE THIRSTY,

COME TO THE WATER! (Is 55:1)

O SACRAMENT MOST HOLY

O SACRAMENT DIVINE

ALL PRAISE AND

ALL THANKSGIVING

BE EVERY MOMENT THINE



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 2

STB

8:00AM Dianne Osmialowski

10:00AM Saint Brendan Parish

12:00PM + Armando Saldana Osoria

STOC

9:00AM Saint Teresa Parish

11:00AM Saint Teresa Parish

Monday, August 3

STB - 8:30AM Scholastica White

STOC - NO MASS

Tuesday, August 4

STB - NO MASS

STOC - 9:00AM NO MASS

Wednesday, August 5

STB - 8:30AM + Shirley Wichert

STOC - 9:00AM NO MASS

Thursday, August 6

STB - 8:30AM Paula Stevenson

STOC - 9:00AM NO MASS

Friday, August 7

STB - 8:30AM Harrison Jack Carlin

STOC - 9:00AM NO MASS

Saturday, August 8

STB

8:30AM Eric James

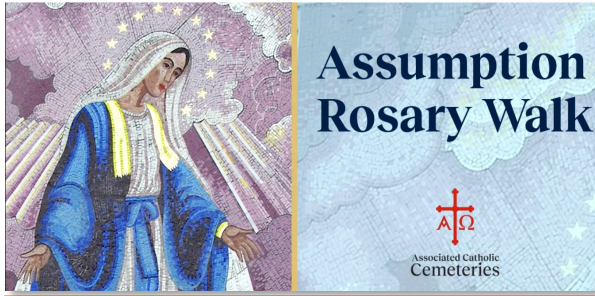
5:00PM + Wilfred Mascarenhas

STOC - 5:00PM Saint Teresa Parish

+ = deceased.

To submit a Mass intention, contact the parish office at the following email address.

- St. Brendan - receptionist@saintbrendan.org
- St. Teresa of Calcutta - admin@saintteresa.org



ASSUMPTION ROSARY WALK AT HOLYROOD

Wednesday • AUG. 12 • 11AM to 12:15PM
Holyrood Catholic Cemetery
205 NE 205th Street, Shoreline, WA 98155

All Catholics are invited to join us at Holyrood Cemetery for a Rosary Walk in honor of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. **Bring your rosary as Fr. Wichert leads us through the grounds to pray for loved ones.** Rosary walks are beautiful, reverent, guided walks through the cemetery where participants pray the Rosary together, stopping briefly at designated points (stations) for each decade.

A Rosary walk through the cemetery's sacred ground emphasizes peace and contemplation, hope in the Resurrection, and reminds us that a cemetery is a place of active prayer, not just burials and rest.

The Rosary Walk should take about 60 - 75 minutes and is free to attend. Just bring your Rosary and meet us in front of the Chapel Mausoleum. For any questions, please contact Alana Niemi, Outreach Office Manager for Associated Catholic Cemeteries at lanan@mycatholiccemetery.org.

GOLF FORE SEMINARIANS TOURNAMENT

Tee off to support
future priests

8/4/26



REGISTER

Golf Fore Seminarians
Archdiocese of Seattle - Crozier Society

INDEPENDENCE DAY 250 YEARS 1776 - 2026

St. Teresa & St. Brendan
**PARISH FAMILY & SCHOOL
PICNIC**

SUNDAY 23 AUGUST | **AFTER THE 10AM MASS**

FAMILY • FRIENDS • FOODS • GAMES • FUN
St. Brendan Baseball Field

MANY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Food Delivery

SOS (Serving our Savior) makes meals for homeless shelters every week at St. Brendan, and is in need of help. Someone has to deliver the meals on Thursday afternoons between 3PM and 4PM. It only takes about an hour and if there are enough who sign up, volunteers will only be needed once a month. Please help if you can.

"If you do it for the least of these, you do it for Me."
Matthew 25:40

Contact: Priscilla Finch <cilfinch@hotmail.com>

PARISH NEWS

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRIES

Please Pray For These Expecting Mothers: Sydney Covello • Erin Dolenc • Sarah Hill • Taylor Lockman • Laurn Manning • Scareth Meija • Meron • Joy Stanley • Chrissy White Cuda

Congratulations to: Alex & Hannah Galvan BOCKEL on the birth of their daughter, Alannah Rose • Ryan & Lauren GREEN on the birth of their son, Callahan Howard • Edlin & Liz NGUYEN on the birth of their son, William John. We ask that God bless you and bring you much joy as you raise your little one.

If you are expecting a baby and would like your church family to pray for you, please contact Colleen Danforth at rdhcoll@aol.com.

NEXT STEP GALA REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

Get Your Tickets Today!



Date: Saturday, September 19, 2026

Time: Doors open at 5:30PM

Silent Auction: 5:30PM - 6:30PM

Dinner and Program to follow!

Location: Holy Rosary Pastoral Center
630 7th Ave N. • Edmonds • WA 98020

Register at: <https://nssupport.org/gala2026/> or click on the QR Code >>>.

At the Gala Registration Page you can:

- Purchase tickets (individual and tables)
- Request tablemates and
- Choose entrees.

Questions? Call 425.338.2813 or email gala@nssupport.org.

Gala Tickets and More!



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Sixtus II and Companions (Martyrs)



St. Sixtus II and Companions were martyred in 258 AD during the persecution of Christians under Emperor Valerian. Sixtus, a Greek by birth, was elected pope in 257 and quickly became beloved for his pastoral gentleness and wisdom. At the time, Christians in Rome faced harsh oppression, and worship had to be carried out in secret.

Despite the danger, Pope Sixtus continued to gather the faithful, celebrating the Eucharist in the catacombs.

On August 6, 258, while celebrating Mass in the cemetery of Callistus, Sixtus was seized by imperial soldiers. Alongside him were six deacons — Felicissimus, Agapitus, Januarius, Stephanus, Magnus, and Vincentius — who shared in his arrest. All were executed together, giving their lives for Christ and His Church. Their martyrdom was a source of courage and inspiration to the early Christians, many of whom risked their lives to attend their funerals and venerate their memory. Their sacrifice is closely tied to St. Lawrence the Deacon, who was martyred just days later and looked up to Sixtus as a spiritual father.

In addition to his martyrdom, St. Sixtus II is remembered for his contributions to the development of the Church. He was known for his humility and his commitment to serving the needs of the faithful. He is also credited with promoting the use of sacred music in Christian worship, and he was a patron of the arts.

"A bishop must be ready to give his life for the flock entrusted to him." — St. Sixtus II

St. Sixtus and Companions, Pray for Us.

PATRON SAINT OF: Deacons • Arts

FEAST DAY: AUGUST 7.

Source: myCatholic.life

LEGION OF MARY

OUR LADY OF HUMILITY AUXILIARY MEMBER

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, AUG. 29, Information forthcoming.

What is an Auxiliary member? An auxiliary member of the Legion of Mary is the spiritual or "praying wing" of the Catholic lay apostolate. Because they cannot assume the duties of active members, they support the Legion's apostolic work by offering daily prayers. To be an auxiliary member, one must make a few daily commitments:

- **The Rosary:** Praying the five decades of the Rosary every day.
- **Legion Prayers:** Reciting the daily prayers found in the Legion prayer leaflet known as the Tessera. These include invocations to the Holy Spirit, the Catena (the Magnificat), and concluding prayers.

ADORATION - ST. BRENDAN CHAPEL

Come and spend an hour with Jesus in the St. Brendan Adoration Chapel. We need two or three people on the following days:

Monday 2PM to 3PM • 3PM to 4PM • 4PM to 5PM • 5PM to 6PM.
Tuesday 1PM to 2PM • 2PM to 3PM • 3PM to 4PM • 5PM to 6PM
Wednesday 1PM to 2PM • 3PM to 4PM | **Thursday** 3PM to 4PM • 4PM to 5PM • 5PM to 6PM | **Thursday** 4PM to 5PM | **Friday** 11am to Noon • Noon to 1PM • 1PM to 2PM • 2PM to 3PM • 3PM to 4PM • 4PM to 5PM. | **Saturday** 12AM to 1AM • 1AM to 2AM • 4AM to 5AM • 6AM to 7AM.

If you'd like to sign up or have questions, please contact Christina Plantilla at 425-486-3376.

ST. BRENDAN OVERNIGHT ADORATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Second Saturday of the Month:

- Women's Overnight Adoration—7PM to 6AM (Sunday)

Third Saturday of the Month:

- Children/Teen's Evening Adoration—6:30PM to 8:30PM
- Men's Overnight Adoration—8:30PM to 6AM (Sunday)

Segundo sábado del mes:

- Adoración nocturna de las mujeres—7PM a 6AM (domingo)

Tercer sábado del mes:

- Adoración nocturna de los niños/adolescentes—6:30PM a 8:30PM
- Adoración nocturna de los hombres—8:30PM a 6:00AM (domingo)

EVANGELIZATION

By Brigette Blair

Chris Stefanick

- [Gym Bro Secrets + Theology of the Body \(This Combo Works\)](#)
- [Christopher West Answers YOUR Questions About Sex, Dating & Gender](#)
- [The Tricky Temptation Nobody Talks About \(It's Not What You Think\)](#)
- [He Had 800 Million Views... Then Got Banned for Talking About Jesus](#)
- [One of the Most Brilliant Minds in History Said THIS Before He Died](#)
- [Feminism Robbed Women of This — Here's How to Get It Back](#)

FORMED

- [Lectio: God](#)
- [The Art of Living](#)
- [Jesus Thirsts: The Miracle of the Eucharist](#)
- [Practicing Catholic Podcast](#)
- [Does God Send People to Hell? The Truth About Mercy](#)
- [The Heart of Prayer](#)

Bishop Barron Sunday Sermon

- [What Life Is All About](#)
- [All Things Work Together for Good](#)
- [Let the Word of God Take Root in You - Bishop Barron's Sunday Sermon](#)

Ascension Presents

- [Everything You Need to Know About Archbishop Fulton Sheen | Fr. Mike Schmitz & Msgr. Jason Gray](#)
- [Why We Bury the Dead | Fr. Mike Schmitz](#)
- [God Wants You to Love Yourself: Here's How | Fr. Columba Jordan](#)
- [The Biggest Opportunity Most Catholics Ignore | Fr. Mike Schmitz](#)
- [What Matters More Than Success | Fr. Mike Schmitz](#)
- [Priest vs. Sister \(Who Knows the Faith Better?\)](#)
- [Train Your Heart to Trust | Fr. Mike Schmitz](#)
- [How to Fit the Liturgy of the Hours into Your Busy Day](#)

Fr. Mike Schmitz Homilies

- ["Fruitful and Faithful" | 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time](#)
- ["We Do Not Know How" | 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time](#)
- ["No Bad Days" | 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time](#)

The Catholic Parent - [The Catholic Parent](#) - FORMED

For Kids

- [Chime Travelers](#) • [Awesome Animals & Mini Me](#) • [God's Knights](#) • [God's Princesses](#) • [Zack and Yalla](#) • [Brother Francis \(English & Español\)](#) • [Littlest Saints - The Wonderful World of Benjamin Cello](#)

GROWING IN FAITH

THE COSMIC SIGNIFICANCE OF THE MULTIPLICATION OF THE LOAVES

By Zoltan Abraham

The Book of Daniel in the Old Testament contains a somewhat cryptic prophecy foretelling the timeframe of the coming of the Messiah. When the prophecy was deciphered, the timeframe pointed to the first century AD, exactly the time when Christ came among humanity. Thus, at the time of Jesus, there was a great deal of expectation that the Messiah would soon arrive.

The Jewish expectation was that a great leader anointed by God would come forward to lead the people out from under the oppression of the Romans. He would then establish the Reign of God, forging a great kingdom, greater than that of Solomon, which would be filled with abundant blessings. The people living at the time of Jesus eagerly looked for the signs indicating the arrival of the Messiah.

Two of those signs were the abundance of food and the abundance of wine. Wine, we should remark, was not a drink necessarily associated mostly with entertainment in the ancient world. Clean drinking water was often hard to find and the fermentation process helped to sanitize the water. Jesus provided an abundance of wine at the wedding at Cana, his first public miracle. With the multiplication of the loaves, he fulfilled the sign relating to food. The message was not lost on the crowds, who, in the parallel text in the Gospel of John, wanted to crown him king at once. But the time had not yet come for Christ to assume his kingship, so he slipped away from them for the time being.

The feeding of the multitudes also connects Jesus with the feeding of the Israelites with Manna. While the Israelites wandered in the desert for 40 years, God fed them with Manna, a special bread from Heaven. Now Christ shows his divinity, that he is God Incarnate, by feeding the people miraculously himself.

Significantly, in the chronology of the Gospels, the feeding of the multitudes occurs close to the time of Passover, which is the celebration of the liberation of the Israelites from their bondage in Israel. In the Passover ritual, a lamb is sacrificed. When the Israelites were captives in Egypt, God performed ten signs through Moses to get Pharaoh to let the Israelites go. The last of these signs was that the Angel of Death would go through Egypt and would strike down the first-born male in every household. But the Israelites could avoid this punishment by killing and eating a lamb and smearing its blood on the doorframe of their homes. After they escaped from Egypt, the Israelites were to sacrifice and eat a lamb each year to remember their liberation.

At the Last Supper, Jesus reinterprets the Passover. He himself becomes the sacrificial lamb, who dies on the cross for us. His blood is shed for us to wash us clean of our sins and liberate us from the spiritual bondage that holds us captive. The Messianic sign of the multiplication of the loaves so close to Passover points to the kind of Messiah Jesus will be. Rather than freeing the Israelites from political oppression through military strength, Jesus offers freedom from the bondage of our sins through his self-sacrifice on the cross.



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AUGUST 6

Moreover, the miraculous feeding also points toward the miracle of how Jesus feeds us in the Mass. We believe that when the bread and wine are consecrated by the prayers of the priest, they become the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Christ. As Jesus says in the Gospel of John, eating his flesh and drinking his blood gives us true, eternal life. Without the intimate communion he offers us in the Eucharist, we have no life within us.

The account of the multiplication of the loaves is found in all four Gospels, and twice in the Gospels of Matthew and Mark. Jesus performed this miracle twice, once in a Jewish area and once in a pagan region. The implication is that the blessings foreshadowed by the miraculous feeding were not just for the people of Israel but for all of humanity.

In reflecting on this passage, we should also consider one interpretation that gained some popularity in recent years, but which poses some serious problems. According to this interpretation, Jesus didn't physically multiply the loaves but he was able to prevail on everyone to share with others the food they already had. Thus, from this perspective, the miracle was not of multiplication but of sharing. The problem with the sharing interpretation is that it denies the intervention of God's grace in the situation. The challenge, in that interpretation, is solved by humans working together, not through Christ's miracle, which goes contrary to the message of the Gospels. At the same time, the sharing interpretation does contain an element of truth. God does want us to do our best to solve problems, rather than just sitting back and waiting for him to fix everything. But we must do so while at the same time inviting his grace into each situation. Human effort and God's grace are not mutually exclusive. They go hand in hand. As it's been said, God does not expect us to provide loaves enough for the five thousand. He wants us to provide the little we have and he will make it more than sufficient through his grace.

If you would like to read more of Zoltan's writings, you can find them at www.zoltanabraham.com.

PARISH FAMILY OUTREACH AND SERVICE

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- STOC - Dennis Hammonds | den-nishammonds45@gmail.com

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- All others - STB - Contact receptionist@saintbrendan.org
- STOC - Contact admin@saintteresa.org

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Respect Life | Colleen Danforth - rdhcoll@aol.com

Serving Our Savior (SOS) | Priscilla Finch - cilfinch@hotmail

St. Vincent de Paul

- STB - Margie Inghram | 425-486-8953
- STOC - Marion Scichilone | bpgourmet@yahoo.com



MINISTRY AT ST. BRENDAN & ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA

Supports families in need by providing diapers and clothing for children from birth to school age. We are located in the **lower Brendan House** and are open on **Tuesdays from 9AM to 11AM**. If you are in a housing or food crisis or in need of other immediate assistance, please call the State of Washington Services at 2-1-1 for help—it's FREE; they are open 24/7 and multilingual. **If you would like to make a financial donation to PREPARES, please write St. Teresa Prepares on the check.** Please contact Lori Wirtz (loriwirtz@gmail.com) with any questions.

NEED: Diapers: Size - 4T and 5T • Diaper Wipes

SERVING OUR SAVIOR (S.O.S.) SOUP KITCHEN MINISTRY

Many thanks for the continued generous donations to fill our pantry. Below are what is still needed.

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ST. BRENDAN CYO SOCCER – REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Calling all **soccer families!** It's time to lace up your cleats. **St. Brendan CYO Soccer registration is officially open** for students in Pre-K through 8th grade!

Don't wait—early registration is encouraged! Fees increase with late sign-ups, so secure your spot today.

Exciting News for the Season Ahead! We're thrilled to share that **brand-new goals** have been added—making this season even better for all our athletes!

Volunteer Coaches Needed Our program thrives because of our amazing volunteers! If you're interested in coaching this fall, please **sign up by the end of June**. Early commitments help ensure every team has the support it needs.

Questions? We're here to help! Contact **Rob Flajole, Soccer Coordinator** - cynosoccer@saintbrendan.org

Join us for a fun, active, and rewarding season—we can't wait to see you on the pitch!

ST. BRENDAN CROSS COUNTRY

Registration is Now Open!

Calling all students in Grades K–8! Runners of every age and ability level are welcome to join. Whether your child is brand new to running or already loves to race — there's a place for everyone on the team!

- **Early-Bird Registration:** Through August 29th | \$55 per runner
- **Late Registration:** Through September 8th | \$75 per runner

Get Involved — We Need Coaches! We're looking for **volunteer coaches** to help lead practices and make this season a success.

Join Us for a Great Season! Be part of a fun, supportive experience focused on: Fitness • Teamwork • School Spirit

Questions or Interested in Coaching? Contact: Meg Koury (cycocrosscountry@saintbrendan.org) Cross Country Coordinator

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St. Brendan Holiday Craft Fair

Saturday, November 14, 2026

SAVE THE DATE: ST BRENDAN HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR 2026

This year's Holiday Craft Fair will be held Saturday, November 14, 2026. Vendor applications for the 2026 Holiday Craft Fair are now being accepted (due date May 29, 2026).

The Holiday Craft Fair is our largest community event featuring 100+ small business craft vendors, our beloved bake sale, photos with Santa, and MORE!

Questions about the Craft Fair or to request an application please reach out at CraftFair@school.saintbrendan.org

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Every person's finances and family situation is different. Jesus makes it clear that it matters not how much one gives, but that it is planned, calculated, at least some-what sacrificial (see Luke 24:1-4), and not simply from what is "leftover" at the end of the month. We propose the tithe (10%) as the ideal every family can consider working towards. This means taking steps to give 5% to one's parish and 5% to other charities, or causes you have personal passion for.

You can give online at:

- St. Brendan Parish (STB) - parish.saintbrendan.org
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