

WELCOME TO SAINT BRENDAN & SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH FAMILY

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 11, 2026



*"Go out, therefore,
into the main roads
and invite to the
feast whomever you
find." — MT 22:9*

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 | 7:30AM*

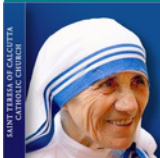
*WITH ROSARY FOLLOWED BY BENEDICTION

CONFESSION

- Monday, Wednesday - Saturday | 7:45AM - 8:15AM
- Saturday | 2:30PM - 4PM
- Other: 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 | 5PM

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"
— ST. MOTHER TERESA OF CALCUTTA

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COVER ART

TITLE: *The Wedding Feast at Cana (Les Noces de Cana)*, 1562-1563 | **ARTIST:** Paolo Veronese | **SOURCE:** louvre.fr

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Monday - Friday | 9:30AM - 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

- **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** - Registration is now open • First class for Parents (ONLY) on Thursday, OCT. 29 • 6:30PM at St. Teresa • Pg. 5 for more info.
- **MOMS GROUP** - Wednesday, OCT. 14 • 9:30AM • St. Brendan.
- **ROSARY MAKING MINISTRY** - Thursday, OCT. 15 • 10AM • STOC.
- **BBQ & BROTHERS** - Thursday, OCT. 15 • 6PM • STB • Below.
- **DR. TOM CURRAN** - OCT. 16/17 • St. Monica/Sacred Heart • Below.
- **REVIVAL WITH DEACON D'SA**- SATURDAY, OCT. 17 • 6:30PM • ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA • FOR MORE INFO >>>
- **STORY TIME WITH MRS. ABRAHAM** - SUNDAY, OCT. 18 • AFTER THE 11AM MASS • ST. TERESA.

109TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MIRACLE IN FATIMA - OCT. 13

Everyone is invited to pray for our country, beginning at **5:10PM to 6:20PM in the St. Brendan Chapel** in front of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

BBQ & BROTHERS

Good day Brothers: We hope everyone is having/had a wonderful summer. Barbeque, Beer and Brothers is back!

Men of the Parish, please join us for an evening of Fellowship and Camaraderie on **Thursday, OCT. 15, 6PM, at St. Brendan - Boil and Cornhole style!** Both the Brothers of Saint Brendan and Brothers of Saint Teresa of Calcutta will join together again. This is an opportunity to spend some quality time with your fellow Brothers from both Parishes. Our very own **Brett Carlton** will be preparing a Seafood and Vegetable Boil. IF you've never been or experienced a Boil, this is a must attend! No need to bring a side salad, but *desserts are always welcome.*

Hope to see you there! **Blessings, The BBB Leadership Team**

STORY TIME

Mrs. Abraham is hosting Story Time at **St. Teresa** on **Sunday, OCT. 18 after the 11AM Mass.**



MISSA EM PORTUGUÊS MASS IN PORTUGUESE

Uma Missa em Português é celebrada na **Paróquia St. John Vianney (12600 84th Ave NE, Kirkland)** no quarto domingo de cada mês, às 18h, com confissões a partir das 17h e confraternização. Católicos brasileiros são calorosamente convidados. Mais informações em [instagram.com/ paroquiasjvbr](https://www.instagram.com/paroquiasjvbr)

Na **segunda-feira, 12 de outubro**, dia da festa de Nossa Senhora Aparecida, padroeira do Brasil, será celebrada uma missa especial em português às 19h, precedida pela oração do terço às **18h30**. Todos são bem-vindos.

"THY KINGDOM COME"

MUSTARD SEED KINGDOM

REVIVAL

"Heal me O Lord, And I will be healed"

Jeremiah 17:14

Healing Session
& Holy Spirit
Impartation led by
Dcn Reuben D'sa

Praise and
Worship by
Mustard Seed
Worship

Join us for an evening of worship, healing and restoration

St. Teresa of Calcutta, Woodinville | Sat, Oct 17th | 6:30PM-10:30PM

All are welcome. Visit www.mustardseedkingdom.org for more details.

TWO FREE EVENTS / OCTOBER 2026

DR. TOM CURRAN

Go Out Into the Deep! (Luke 5:4)

Two events that could change your life.

Dynamic, entertaining speaker • Catholic theologian
Host of the popular radio program 'Sound Insight'
Heard on Sacred Heart Radio

FRIDAY, OCT 16 (6:30–8:30 P.M.)

- **Topic:** All Is Gift: Transforming Life and Family
- **Focus:** St. John Paul II's message on marriage, family, stewardship, and love.
- **Location:** St. Monica Catholic Church - 4311 88th Ave SE, Mercer Island, WA.

SATURDAY, OCT 17 (9 A.M.–12 NOON)

- **Topic:** Going All In: Following Jesus Toward a Transformed Life
- **Focus:** Lessons from Tom's Camino journey about living fully and committing to faith.
- **Location:** Sacred Heart Parish (9460 NE 14th Street, Bellevue, WA)

Cost: Both events are free of charge.

PRAYERS & READINGS

READINGS OF THE WEEK

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 11, 2026

I SHALL LIVE IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE.
(PS 23)

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a • Ps 23:1-3ab-6 • Phil 4:12-14, 19-20 • Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1 • Ps 113:1b-4, 5a, 6-7 • Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6 • Ps 119:41, 43-48 • Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25 • Ps 1:1-4, 6 • Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: Eph 1:1-10 • Ps 98:1-3abcd, 4-6 • Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Eph 1:11-14 • Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13 • Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Eph 1:15-23 • Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-7 • Lk 12:8-12

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 • Margarita Avila • Harrison Carlin • Joan Dedman • Leticia de la Cruz • Toyo Erickson • Jane Guentert • Luz Gutierrez • Consuelo Haire • Hannah Joy Haug • Norman Hradec • Dianne Osmialowski • Angela Seibert • Sarah Watson • Rowen Yan

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.

Ester Barrientos • Cash Crawford • Jack Mahre • Marilyn Phelps • Barbara Schielmann • Janet Sturholm • Jack Tonkin

**I HAVE LEARNED THE SECRET OF BEING
WELL FED AND OF GOING HUNGRY, OF
LIVING IN ABUNDANCE AND OF BEING IN
NEED. I CAN DO ALL THINGS IN HIM WHO
STRENGTHENS ME.**

(PHIL 4:12-13)

O Sacrament Most Holy

O Sacrament Divine All

Praise and All Thanksgiving

Be Every Moment Thine



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, October 11

STB

8:00AM + Maria Gonzalez Cruz

10:00AM + Valerian Lobo

12:00PM + Juana Gonzalez Gallegos

STOC

9:00AM Saint Teresa Parish

11:00AM Saint Teresa Parish

5:00PM Saint Teresa Parish

Monday, October 12

STB - 8:30AM NO MASS

STOC - NO MASS

Tuesday, October 13

STB - NO MASS

STOC - 9:00AM + Mary Kilbeane

Wednesday, October 14

STB - 8:30AM + Freddy Weller

STOC - 9:00AM + Andrew Lee

Thursday, October 15

STB - 8:30AM Micah Anderson

STOC - 9:00AM + Pedro & Consuelo (Checo) Guzman

Friday, October 16

STB - 8:30AM + Michael Ryan

STOC - 9:00AM + Justin Griffith

Saturday, October 17

STB

8:30AM + German Narag

5:00PM + Richard Chaffee

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

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation registration is now open. Please see the class schedule on the [St. Teresa](#) or [St. Brendan](#) website. Class meetings are at St. Teresa of Calcutta Social Hall and will be on Thursdays at 6:30PM to 7:45PM. **The first class on OCT. 29 is for PARENTS ONLY.**



To register, please fill out our online registration form [here](#) or scan the QR Code below. You can also download our the registration form [here](#) and the sponsor verification form [here](#). For more information, please contact Andrew at andrew@saintteresa.org.



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 meeting will be on **Wednesday, OCT. 14. at St. Brendan.** 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.

YOUTH GROUP

Are you looking for a youth ministry for your teen that:

1. Empowers young people **to live as disciples of Jesus Christ** in our world today.
2. Draws young people to **responsible participation** in the life, mission, and work of the Catholic faith community.
3. Fosters the total **personal and spiritual growth** of each young person.*

... Then have your son or daughter join us **at St. Teresa of Calcutta.** Scan the respective QR Code to register.

**Source: USCCB*

SINAI
Middle School Youth Group
6th - 8th Grade
Sundays, 12:30PM to 2PM
@St. Teresa - Scan to register >>>



EMMAUS
High School Youth Group
9th - 12th Grade
Sundays, 6PM to 8PM
Dinner Included
@St. Teresa - Scan to register>>>



Respect Life Month

October 2026

An old Irish proverb says, **'It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.'** Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to 'shelter' them.

Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them: usccb.org/end-of-life-care.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The Women's Bible Study Group at St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish has openings for the study of the Book of Isaiah by Catholic Scripture Study. Saint Jerome viewed Isaiah as the Gospel in the Old Testament. It is the second longest book of the Bible and the second most cited book of the Old Testament. It is used in numerous Mass and Liturgy of the Hours readings.

We meet on Wednesdays from 10:15AM to noon. We started with Lesson One on September 23. There is still time to join us. **Please contact Pam Gockel at pgockel20@gmail.com to register.**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER (COUNCIL 6686)

- **October Knight of the Month** – [Fr. Nicholas Wichert](#)
October Family of the Month – [Victor & Paola Rojo](#)
- There is an acute shortage of blood in our area. Bloodworks Northwest will be collecting your blood donation at the Bothell Rental Hall on Wednesday, OCT. 14, from 9AM to 3:30PM. If you are able, please consider making a donation. You can sign up at the Bloodworks NW web site.
- The Knights of Columbus supports seminarians. This year's Sharing the Cross hike, led by Mike Gray, to Lake Valhalla was one for the books. 20 miles, two potential seminarians, non-Catholic friends, and a sunrise Mass in the mountains that felt like heaven itself. Join us next year! Over \$1,000.00 was raised by the donations of our generous parishioners. Thank You!
- Looking for a place to host a wedding reception, shower, birthday, graduation party or some other event? Look no further. The Bothell Rental Hall is a great place to hold any event. Contact Cindy Roeter at 425-418-3185 for availability.
- What does it mean to be a Knight? It means a life of faith in action, a life of boldness in brotherhood, a life worth living. Join 2 million Catholic men on a mission. To learn more, go to kofc.org or look for a Knight in a blue vest or contact Grand Knight Joe Osmialowski at 248-343-9021.

RESPECT FOR LIFE SPIRITUAL ADOPTION UPDATE



This month nature puts the finishing touches on your spiritually adopted child. Having gained 1/2 ounce of fat every day, the "baby looks pleasingly plump." Near the end of the month the baby may assume the position he will take for delivery which is usually head down facing your back. (Psalm 139: 13-17)

Please join us for the Spiritual Adoption Baby Shower during October which is RESPECT LIFE MONTH. Please bring your unwrapped gifts for Two Hearts Pregnancy Aide and place your gifts in the **St. Brendan Narthex** pak 'n play marked Spiritual Adoption. This will remain up until the last weekend in October. Thank you to all who participated, for your support of prayers these past nine months for the unborn babies in danger of abortion. We pray that many babies were saved by our prayers.



TWO HEARTS PREGNANCY AID GIFT NEEDS

- CAR SEATS: such as COSCO SCENERA (available at Walmart)
- DIAPERS: Newborn • Sizes 4 to 6.
- FORMULA: Similac Advance or Enfamil (yellow & purple cans)
- CLOTHING: Toddler Sizes 2-5T • Baby Socks.
- Baby food
- Baby Bottles | Sippy Cups.



Two Hearts Pregnancy Aid is also happy to accept donations of *any gently used or new* baby/toddler items. All gifts will go to local moms who are in need of help. God bless you for your prayers.



CHILD OF THE MONTH - OCTOBER 2026 NUESTROS PEQUEÑOS HERMANOS

LEON - When Leon first arrived at the Casa Santa Ana Home at NPH-Dominican Republic, he faced enormous challenges. Blind since birth and unable to walk, his world had been greatly limited. Since joining the NPH family, he has begun receiving regular physical therapy, specialized care and personalized support tailored to his needs. With patience, dedication, and guidance from our therapists.



Step by step, he is making remarkable progress. Today, with the support of his therapist, he is able to take a few steps, an achievement that represents not only physical improvement but also greater confidence and independence. His progress is a powerful reminder of how access to care, therapy, and a loving environment can transform a child's life

YOUNG AT HEART SENIORS

Fall is here and it's time to head to the countryside to enjoy the beautiful fall scenery. On **Wednesday, OCT. 21, we will be doing just that: visiting Bob's Corn & Pumpkin Farm in Snohomish. Meet in the StB narthex for our 10AM departure.**

You'll have the opportunity to wander in their (12 acre!) corn maze, test your aim with the apple cannon, smile beautifully in the photo op areas, purchase their delectable apple cider donuts ... and, of course, choose your own very special pumpkin. Don't eat too many of the donuts there, though, because we will be **going to Strikers Bar & Grill at the Echo Falls Golf Course for lunch afterwards.**

Please contact Donna (206-335-4469) by Sunday, OCT. 19, to let her know if you'd like to join us. Tickets (\$9.98) need to be purchased on-line ahead of time (tickets purchased at the gate cost an additional \$5)

**THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED MAKE THE FUNDRAISER
BAKE SALE A SUCCESS**

ST. BRENDAN GARDENS

Many thanks to the parishioners who came to our first Fall work party and cleaned up areas near the church as well as along the street.

Our Fall Work Party #2 will be on Saturday morning, OCT. 24. The focus will include trimming low-hanging branches on the trees on 100th Ave, NE as well as cleaning up the leaves underneath those trees. Not interested in that? No worries — there'll be plenty of other things to do. **A light lunch will be served at noon.**



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRIES

Please Pray For These Expecting Mothers: Sydney Covello • Erin Dolenc • Sarah Fernandes DesCollinese • Sarah Hill • Lauryn Manning • Scareth Meija • Meron • Maggie Mock • Hannah Moxley • Joy Stanley

Congratulations to: Jordan & Chrissy (White) CUDA on the birth of their son, Giovanni Brooks • John & Sarah HILL on the birth of their son, Giovanni Isaac • Trevor & Taylor LOCKMAN on the birth of their son, Leo Richard. 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.

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Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Archbishop of NY
"This school of ministry, rooted in the richness of the Catholic faith, will equip its participants as disciples with a wealth of theological and practical tools to deepen their identity and relationship with Christ, to live out the gifts of the Holy Spirit with boldness and joy, and to go forth and lead others to do the same."

Fr. Joseph Taphorn, J.C.L., Rector and Vt. St. Paul Seminary
"Even after 25 years in the priesthood, I found myself coming more alive in Christ and in the gifts of the Holy Spirit as a student in the Encounter School of Ministry. I am blessed now to be an occasional instructor for the school in a local satellite campus. I highly recommend this school for students who wish to deepen their relationship with God and become spiritually equipped for the ministry God has in mind for them."

Kim Zember, Catholic speaker, author, and founder of Boldly Beloved
"I cannot fully express what a true gift Encounter School of Ministry has been to not only my life and my ministry but also to the Body of Christ here on earth! I am so grateful to be a part of all God is doing in and through this ministry!"

EVANGELIZATION

By Brigitte Blair

Chris Stefanick - Chris Stefanick has changed his approach on YouTube. He has shorts on that channel and not full episodes. Full Episodes are now available on Pod cast links such as Apple and Spotify.

- The Biblical Origins of Every Catholic Sacrament | Fr. Chris Alar | [Spotify](#) • [Apple](#)
- How Losing His Sight Deepened His Faith | Fr. Robert Spitzer | [Spotify](#) • [Apple](#)
- Fulton Sheen Predicted This 70 Years Ago | [Dr. Peter Howard](#)

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Bishop Barron Sunday Sermon

- [The Peace of Christ](#)
- [The Hubris of Man, the Humility of God.](#)
- [Love God—Not His Benefits](#)

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 | **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).

Ascension Presents

[Catholic Words Explained](#) | [Sr. Carino Hodder](#) • [When You Pray the Liturgy of the Hours, Here's What Happens](#) | [Fr. Fernando Camou](#) • [The Gift of Your Guardian Angel](#) | [Dr. Edward Sri](#) • [ALL 24 Catholic Churches—Explained by Fr. Gregory Pine, OP](#) • [Priestly Struggles That Few Know About](#) • [10 Movies Every Catholic Needs to Watch](#) | [Fr. Gregory Pine](#) • [5 Books I Think Everyone Should Read](#) • [Can't Find The Words to Pray?](#) | [Fr. Fernando Camou](#)

Fr. Mike Schmitz Homilies

- ["Blind Spots: Worry"](#) | [27th Sunday in Ordinary Time](#)
- ["Blind Spots: Complaint"](#) | [26th Sunday in Ordinary Time.](#)
- ["Blind Spots: Entitlement"](#) | [25th Sunday in Ordinary Time.](#)
- ["Blind Spots: Anger"](#) | [24th Sunday in Ordinary Time.](#)
- ["Blind Spots: Gossip"](#) | [23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time](#)

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GROWING IN FAITH

WE ARE ALL INVITED

By Zoltan Abraham

The Parable of the Wedding Feast, which is the Gospel Reading for today, is a part of a larger narrative arc in the Gospel of Matthew. Jesus has entered Jerusalem in triumph. He has cleansed the Temple, and now he is teaching before the Temple, instructing the crowds who have gathered in the city for the Passover celebration. The atmosphere is tense and highly charged, because the Passover was the commemoration of the liberation of the Israelites from bondage in Egypt, but now the feast has to be held while the people of Israel are under Roman occupation. The Roman occupiers know full well that the city might go up like a tinderbox during these days, so they have reinforced their garrison with sufficient numbers to subdue any unrest.

As Jesus is teaching in the Temple, the religious leaders, most of whom have already decided to reject him, take turns at challenging him. Their goal is to trip him up, getting the crowds to turn on him or drawing the Roman soldiers in to arrest him. Jesus, for his part, has harsh words for the religious leaders, who are leading the people astray.

In last Sunday's Gospel Reading, we saw the Parable of the Tenants and that the leaders would lose the blessings they had been given, because they had rejected the grace of Christ. The Parable of the Wedding Feast is similar. In this parable, the king throws a lavish wedding party for his son, but the invited guests refuse to come. Some just ignore the invitation, some make an excuse, and others mistreat and murder the messengers. In response, the king punishes the murderers.

The message of the parable would not have been lost on the religious leaders of the time of Jesus. Throughout the Old Testament, the relationship between God and the Israelites is described as a marriage, with God as the husband and the people of Israel as the wife. In the Gospel of John, we see that Jesus starts his ministry by turning water into wine at a wedding, thereby associating himself with the divine marriage imagery of the Old Testament. In the Book of Revelation, we see that Jesus is the Divine Bridegroom and his bride is the Church. The marriage between God and his people comes to its completion in Christ coming among us and offering us union with him, the closest possible union between the Creator and his creation.

All of the Israelites are invited to the wedding feasts, which symbolizes that most intimate union with God. Many Israelites accepted the invitation. But most of the religious leaders at the time of Jesus did not. As we see in the Parable of the Tenants and the Parable of the Wedding Feast, those who rejected the grace offered to them by Christ lost the blessings they had been given - and those blessings were given to others.

But there is a deeper significance of the new people being invited into the wedding feast. As discussed in the reflection for last week, God had established a covenant with the people of Israel in Old Testament times. With the coming of Christ, the Covenant is reshaped. The New Covenant is still for Israel, but not just for Israel. The New Covenant is now open to the whole human race.



The focus of the New Covenant is Christ himself, who is God Incarnate. We are all invited into the eternal, infinite love relationship that Christ offers us.

Some in the parable refuse the invitation. We do not know why. But one thing we need to bear in mind is that accepting the invitation is not a choice between various possible good outcomes. Accepting the invitation is a choice between true life and our own self-destruction. Our culture likes to tell us that all religions are just as good and that it doesn't matter which one we choose, as long as we are a nice person, as defined by the secular culture. But Christ is always very clear in the Gospels that the choice he gives us is life and death. If we choose him, we receive complete, absolute fulfillment, joy, peace, and contentment for all eternity. But if we reject him, we turn away from our only true source of satisfaction and we plunge ourselves into darkness.

Nor is it enough to accept Christ just once. Some Christians have the notion of "once saved, always saved," claiming that once they have been saved by Christ, no sin could cause them to lose the grace of God. But this is a false position. Just like a marriage relationship requires daily acts of love to build or sometimes restore the relationship, so also our relationship with God requires a daily, minute-by-minute commitment on our part. We should not be like the man who came into the wedding but then wasn't properly dressed. It's not enough to just get into the Kingdom of God here on earth. We need to live out the Christian life each day.

In the Second Reading, St. Paul shows us that when Christ is in the center, all suffering in this human life is bearable. He says: "In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me" (Philippians 4:12). The suffering of this life is temporary, just for a few years. By contrast, in the First Reading, the Prophet Isaiah gives us a glimpse of the eternal reality that awaits all those who accept the love of Christ - a life of infinite, unending happiness.

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

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🏃☀️ CYO CROSS COUNTRY UPDATE! ☀️🏃

Practices continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:15–4:30 PM. Please make sure your athlete packs **running clothes** and a **water bottle**—we run rain or shine and can't wait to keep building strength and team spirit.

👋 **Volunteers Needed!** We're looking for a few helping hands. Volunteers will help **direct athletes on the course** and **walk runners to the starting line**. If you can support our team, please contact the XC Coordinator at CYOcrosscountry@saintbrendan.org.

Let's make it an amazing start to the season! ☀️🏃



CYO SPOTLIGHT

Hey, Parents – did you know that your children are eligible and welcome to participate in all St. Brendan CYO sports programs simply by being registered parishioners at either St. Brendan or St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish Family? Financial Assistance is available to help with registration fees, please contact CYOad@saintbrendan.org for details. For more information on CYO and the programs offered at St. Brendan, please reach out to Ena Demeter at cyosecretary@saintbrendan.org.



🏀 CYO BASKETBALL 🏀

4th - 8th Basketball registration is open! Games begin Nov. 14th. All players **and** coaches must register using the Team Sideline website by **Oct. 12th**.

Kinder - 3rd Basketball registration will open in October! Games will begin in January and will operate through the YMCA again. Keep an eye on future bulletins for more info next month!

To Enroll Players & Volunteer Coaches for 4th -8th grade:

1. Visit Team Sideline:
2. <https://www.teamsideline.com/sites/seattlecyo/current-programs>
3. Select the **red** 'Enroll' box, next to the basketball hoop image.
4. Complete the prompts to enroll your student(s) and make payment.

Practice Times - Team practice schedules **have not yet been determined**. As team rosters form and Coaches are registered, additional communication will follow.

Financial Assistance - CYO Scholarships are available to help with registration fees, please contact CYOad@saintbrendan.org for more information.

Questions? Reach out to CYO Basketball Coordinator Krista Torrey, kristatorrey@gmail.com

Admissions & Enrollment



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November 19th Middle School

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Catechism Classes: Registration is Open!

Disciples Club is for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th year children's religious education. The 2nd Year is for preparation for 1st Holy Communion. We strongly recommend that children attend the full five years for proper Faith Formation.

The Annual Fee for 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th year is \$50 per child. For the 2nd Year - 1st Holy Communion, the fee is \$75. The Maximum fee for any one family, regardless of the number of children in the program, is \$100.

Scholarships and payment options are available. For help with payments or questions, please contact Mark Sizemore: 425-483-9400 Ext. 2648, or childfamilyministry@saintbrendan.org

Disciples Club meets Wednesday evenings from 6-7 pm at St. Brendan School and starts September 16th.

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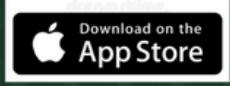
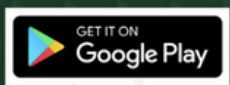
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