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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday----- 11:00 am (*Spanish*)
5:30 pm (*English*)

Sunday----- 8:00 & 10:30 am (*English*)
1:00 pm (*Spanish*)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE (IN THE CHURCH)

Monday - Friday----- 12:00 pm

Tuesday----- 7:00 pm (*Spanish*)

PENANCE

Saturday----- 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Monday----- 6:00 - 8:00 pm

*Personal appointments can be made
by contacting the Parish Office.*

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Daily----- Following 12:00 pm Mass

Monthly----- First Friday of every month,
1:00 - 6:00 pm

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"God so loved the world that He gave His only Son."

— John 3:16

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please register at your earliest convenience by completing this form and returning it through the Sunday offering. Once your registration is complete, you will receive a letter in the mail confirming your registration, along with an envelope number.

☐ Please check the box if
you would like to sign up
for online giving.

Name _____ Email _____

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***All parishioners must pick up envelopes to stay registered.**

Mass Intentions for the Week

December 18th - December 26th, 2021

Saturday, December 18th

- 11:00^{AM} *Feligreses de San Brendan y San Jorge
- 5:30^{PM} †Maria Antonio Ramos (25 yrs.)
- 7:00^{PM} *Feligreses de San Brendan y San Jorge

Sunday, December 19th

- 8:00^{AM} *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners
- 10:30^{AM} †Mary Chiarella
- †Katherine Krupp
- 1:00^{PM} *Feligreses de San Brendan y San Jorge

Monday, December 20th

- 12:00^{PM} *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

Tuesday, December 21st

- 12:00^{PM} *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners
- 7:00^{PM} *Feligreses de San Brendan y San Jorge

Wednesday, December 22nd

- 12:00^{PM} *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

Thursday, December 23rd

- 12:00^{PM} †Martin Verostek (17 yrs.)
- †Katherine Verostek (6 mos.)

Friday, December 24th Christmas Eve.

- 4:30^{PM} *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners
- 10:30^{PM} *Feligreses de San Brendan y San Jorge

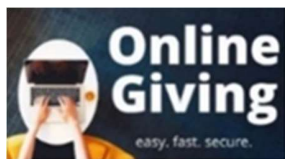
Saturday, December 25th Christmas Day

THERE WILL BE NO 5:30 or 7:00 PM MASS TODAY

- 8:00^{AM} *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners
- 10:30^{AM} *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners
- 12:30^{PM} *Feligreses de San Brendan y San Jorge

Sunday, December 26th

- 8:00^{AM} *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners
- 10:30^{AM} †Martin & Katherine Verostek
- †Carlos H. Garcia
- 1:00^{PM} *Feligreses de San Brendan y San Jorge



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We pray for the sick & those in need, especially for:

Josefina Alvarez, Mary Asunción, Nick Bassano, Emma Bracigliano, Barbara Bruno, Amado Cuduco, Alyssa DiGiacomo, Oscar Manuel Espinal, Jose Gomez Guzman, Delphina Gracias, Catherine Hogel, Brendan Hyland, Milica Korac, Zoran Korac, Martha LeBron, Modesto Martinez, Doris McFarlane, John McGill, Stephen Mihalovic, Saddy Muñoz, Grace Olivo, Domenica Pelosi, Samuel Cristobal Rijo, Sandro Sabaz, Jason Suarez, Leandro Suarez, Debbie Suberlak, Silvia Tamay, Kathleen Ulaszewski, Mike Wilson.

Please contact the rectory office if you would like to place someone on the list.

Remember

We remember all those who were called home to our Lord recently, especially **Maria Stampone**. May they sleep in peace.

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



The Sanctuary Candle will be burning this week in loving memory of:

†**Francisca De Eulogio**



FYI: Our next special collection envelope will be on January 1, 2022 for: **Solemnity of Mary**

Weekend Collection December 11 th – December 12 th	
Immaculate Conception 12/8/21	\$ 683.00
5:30 PM	\$ 455.00
7:00 PM	\$ 187.00
8:00 AM	\$ 1,266.00
10:30 AM	\$ 1,060.00
1:00 PM	\$ 1,924.00
Online Giving	\$ 420.00
Miscellaneous Donations	Please see next week's bulletin
Total	\$ 5,995.00
Thank you for your continued support of The Catholic Community of St. Brendan & St. George	

Two weeks ago, I was visiting one of our parishioners. She is 89 years old. She shared some of her feelings and thoughts with me as we talked. She said to me she thanks God every morning no matter how she feels: “My body is so weak, and I am in pain most of the time. However, I thank God for his mercy. I thank God for his love.” She also shared that she prays the rosary every day at 4 pm without missing it. In addition to it, she told me that she is content with herself: “I never had children. I was never married. But I am happy. I know the Lord is with me.”

I was joyfully amazed. And when I asked her what's the gist of her secret, she talked about her relationship with Jesus: "I believe in the Lord. I trust in him. I have the One who can even do the impossible. I have nothing to worry then."

After this visit, I felt at peace and inspired. I said to myself: “This is great news.” I praised God for his mercy, love, and generosity. At that moment, I felt deep inside that God confirmed our purpose in preaching the Good News during this season of Advent and Christmas. So, what Good News do you have to share with others? God is with us, and his love for us is everlasting.

Last weekend we heard the prophet Zephaniah (3:14-18) proclaiming the Good News that God is with us. He says:

*“On that day, it shall be said to Jerusalem:
Fear not, O Zion, be not discouraged!
The LORD, your God, is in your midst,
a mighty savior;
he will rejoice over you with gladness,
and renew you in his love,
he will sing joyfully because of you,
as one sings at festivals.”*

Here is the message: the Lord wants you to know and be sure that He is with you. “Be still, fear not. I am with you. Be not discouraged,” He says. The Spanish translation of this same passage is powerful. It says that 1) God rejoices in you. Think for a moment about it. God rejoices in me. It means He sees me all the time. It means his happiness is my happiness and vice versa. It states that 2) God

delights in you. He made me in His likeness and image. God never rejects me. It's not his purpose to do it but to save us. It affirms that 3) God loves you. His love makes me worthy of love. I am worthy of his love. I want to say it once again: God loves you. You are worthy of his love because Christ took your place on the cross. It finally says that 4) God will sing joyfully because of your cause. God is for you. He rejoices in your purpose. It's to ask here: what's my purpose? What's my cause? Why am I here? Ask yourself this question: Where is the full realization of my life? Knowing who you are and what you want is essential for you to be happy and for God to sing over your cause. If you do not detect your purpose, the chances are that you won't feel like God loves you and rejoices in you.

Let's pay attention to what Saint Paul says:
 "Have no anxiety at all," for God is with you.

May God bless you always.

Fr. Jesus Peralta



Our next Baptismal Prep course for Parents and God Parents will be held on Saturday January 8th at 9:00 AM. Please fill out this form online to register: www.stbrendan-george.org/baptism



A partir del sábado 27 de noviembre, agregaremos una misa en español adicional a las 7:00 pm. Por favor únete a nosotros.

Comunique la Buena Nueva del Evangelio III

Hace dos semanas atrás, estaba visitando a una de nuestros feligreses. Ella tiene 89 años. Compartió conmigo algunos de sus sentimientos y pensamientos mientras hablábamos. Ella me dijo que agradece a Dios todas las mañanas sin importar cómo se sienta: “Mi cuerpo está muy débil y tengo dolor la mayor parte del tiempo. Sin embargo, agradezco a Dios por su misericordia. Doy gracias a Dios por su amor.” También compartió que reza el rosario todos los días a las 4 pm sin faltar. Además, me dijo que está contenta consigo misma: “Nunca tuve hijos. Yo nunca estuve casado. Pero estoy feliz. Sé que el Señor está conmigo.”

Me quedé alegremente asombrado. Y cuando le pregunté cuál era la esencia de su secreto, me habló de su relación con Jesús: “Creo en el Señor. Yo confío en él. Tengo a Aquel que incluso puede hacer lo imposible. Entonces no tengo nada de qué preocuparme.”

Después de esta visita, me sentí en paz e inspirado. Me dije a mí mismo: "Esta es una gran noticia." Alabé a Dios por su misericordia, amor y generosidad. En ese momento, sentí profundamente en mi interior que Dios confirmó nuestro propósito al predicar las Buenas Noticias durante esta temporada de Adviento y Navidad. Entonces, ¿qué buenas noticias tienes para compartir con los demás? Dios está con nosotros y su amor por nosotros es eterno.

El fin de semana pasado escuchamos al profeta Sofonías (3: 14-18) proclamando la Buena Noticia de que Dios está con nosotros. Él dice:

*“Aquel día dirán a Jerusalén:
“No temas, Sión,
que no desfallezcan tus manos.
El Señor, tu Dios, tu poderoso salvador,
está en medio de ti.
Él se goza y se complace en ti;
él te ama y se llenará de júbilo por tu causa,
como en los días de fiesta.”*

Aquí está el mensaje: el Señor quiere que sepas y estés seguro de que Él está contigo. “No pierdas el coraje, no temas. Estoy contigo. No te desanimes”, dice. La traducción al español del mismo pasaje es poderosa. Dice que 1) Dios se regocija en ti. Piense

por un momento en ello. Dios se regocija en mí. Significa que me ve todo el tiempo. Significa que su felicidad es mi felicidad y viceversa. Dice que 2) Dios se deleita en mí. Me hizo a Su imagen y semejanza. Dios nunca me rechaza. No es su propósito hacerlo sino salvarnos. Afirma que 3) Dios me ama. El también te ama. Su amor me hace digno de ser amado. Soy digno de su amor. Quiero decirlo una vez más: Dios te ama. Eres digno de su amor porque Cristo tomó tu lugar en la cruz. Finalmente, dice que 4) Dios cantará con gozo por tu causa. Dios es para ti. Se regocija en tu propósito. Es para preguntar aquí: ¿cuál es mi propósito? ¿Cuál es mi causa? ¿Por qué estoy aquí? Hágase esta pregunta: ¿Dónde está la plena realización de mi vida? Saber quién eres y qué quieres es fundamental para que seas feliz y para que Dios cante por tu causa. Si no detectas su propósito, lo más probable es que no sientes que Dios no te ama y no se regocija en ti.

Prestemos atención a lo que dice San Pablo: “No tengas ninguna ansiedad”, porque Dios está contigo.

Que Dios te bendiga siempre.

P. Jesus



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Altar Server meetings will be held the 2nd Tuesday of every month.

**MONDAY EVENING ADORATION IS
POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

Grupo de Oración Carismática

Reúne: Todos los martes después de Misa de 7 pm.
¡Todos están invitados a unirse!!

Spanish Charismatic Prayer Group

Meets: Every Tuesday following the 7pm Mass.
All are invited to join!



2021 Giving Tree

A huge heartfelt “Thank You” to everyone who donated to our Giving Tree. Your kindness will most certainly make a difference this Christmas for those who are less fortunate. As always we thank you for your overwhelming generosity and love. May God continue to bless you all this joyous Christmas season.

Upcoming Events

Friday December 24 th	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	4 ³⁰ pm E 10 ³⁰ pm S
Saturday December 25 th	<i>Christmas Day</i>	8 & 10 ³⁰ am E 12 ³⁰ pm S
Friday December 31 st	<i>Adoration and Confession</i>	10 am – 4 pm Church
Friday December 31 st	<i>New Years Eve</i>	5 ³⁰ pm B
Saturday January 1 st	<i>Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God</i>	8 & 10 ³⁰ am E 12 ³⁰ pm S
Sunday January 2 nd	<i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i>	8 & 10 ³⁰ am E 1 ⁰⁰ pm S
Sunday January 9 th	<i>The Baptism of the Lord</i>	8 & 10 ³⁰ am E 1 ⁰⁰ pm S
Sunday January 9 th	<i>Baptism of Faith Formation Students</i>	10 ³⁰ am E 1 ⁰⁰ pm S
B = Bi-lingual E = English S = Spanish/Español		

ST. BRENDAN & ST. GEORGE PRAYER

Faithful and Merciful Father, we place into your heart this our Community of Saint Brendan and Saint George, that You may abundantly bless us, and that all of us, guided by your grace, may have a personal and profound encounter with the risen Christ, our Savior. Pour out into our hearts the gift of the Holy Spirit and a great desire to grow and share our faith in Jesus Christ with those who have not yet met Him. Give us joy and perseverance in our faith that, together as one family, we may become what You want us to be and do what You want us to do. In the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever.

Amen.

ST. BRENDAN & ST. GEORGE PRAYER

Padre fiel y misericordioso, ponemos en tu corazón esta nuestra Comunidad de San Brendan y San Jorge, para que nos bendigas abundantemente y para que todos, guiados por Su gracia, tengamos un encuentro personal y profundo con Cristo resucitado, nuestro Salvador. Derrama en nuestros corazones el don del Espíritu Santo y un gran deseo de crecer y compartir nuestra fe en Jesucristo con aquellos que aún no lo han conocido. Danos gozo y perseverancia en nuestra fe para que, juntos como una familia, podamos llegar a ser lo que Tú quieres que seamos y hacer lo que Tú quieres que hagamos. En el nombre de Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios, por los siglos de los siglos.

Amen.

Growing in Spirit, Growing in Life

If you are seeking to grow and add purpose and vision to your life, I am beginning spiritual conversations using a coaching approach.

It is open to both individuals and families.

If you are interested in receiving additional information or setting a meeting to talk, please contact me.

-Fr. Jesus Peralta

Creciendo en el espíritu, creciendo en la vida

Si está buscando crecer y agregar propósito y visión a su vida, estoy comenzando conversaciones espirituales utilizando un enfoque de coaching.

Está abierto tanto a individuos como a familias. Si está interesado en recibir información adicional o programar una reunión para conversar, comuníquese conmigo.

-P. Jesús Peralta



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