

St. Brendan the Navigator Parish



August 29, 2021

Belfast ~ Camden ~ Rockland ~ Islesboro ~ North Haven
~ Vinalhaven ~ St. Dismas Catholic Community (Maine State Prison)



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:14-15

Weekend Mass Schedule

(For weekend live stream schedule see p.3)

SATURDAY

4:00pm Our Lady of Good Hope, Camden
4:00pm St. Francis of Assisi, Belfast
6:00pm St. Bernard, Rockland

SUNDAY

8:00am St. Bernard, Rockland
8:30am St. Francis of Assisi, Belfast
11:00am Our Lady of Good Hope, Camden
11:00am St. Bernard, Rockland

SUMMER ISLAND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays July 3 - September 4

ISLESBORO, ST. MARY OF THE ISLES 9:00AM
NORTH HAVEN, VILLAGE EPISCOPAL: 8:45AM
VINALHAVEN, UNION CHURCH: 10:30AM

Adoration & Mass During the Week

MONDAY LIVE STREAM from
Our Lady of Good Hope:
Adoration 5:30pm, Mass 6:30pm

TUESDAY:
8am Mass at St. Bernard

WEDNESDAY
—8:00 am Mass at Our Lady
of Good Hope, Camden
—At St. Francis of Assisi in Belfast,
Adoration 5:30pm, Mass 6:30pm

THURSDAY LIVE STREAM from St. Bernard
Adoration 5:30pm, Mass 6:30pm

FRIDAY LIVE STREAM Mass 8am from St. Francis



Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Half hour before Mass
or by appointment, call 236-4785.

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

We are happy to announce that we will be having in-person faith formation classes this year! All of our faith formation programs in St. Brendan the Navigator Parish are ready to welcome new members as well as welcome back our current members!

Classes will be held in each of our parish churches!


Registration information and forms may be found on our parish website at <https://stbrendanparish.net/faith-formation-overview>

Registration forms may also be found in each of our parish churches. If you have any questions, please call Sr. Kathleen at 236-4785, Ext. 109 or email at Kathleen.luppens@portlanddiocese.org

We are looking forward to a great year!



CATECHISTS NEEDED!

It takes a big  to help shape little minds — all you need is love for God, His children, our faith.

Answer God's call to become a catechist and teach His children!

For more information call Sr. Kathleen at 236-4785 or email Kathleen.luppens@portlanddiocese.org.



The Caring Fund 2021 ~ Bamenda, Cameroon

This year's Caring Fund fundraiser dates will be **August 21/22 and September 4/5**. The fundraiser for Bamenda, Cameroon, which was to start in 2020, was brought to a halt due to covid restrictions. We are now back on track and ready to help students who have had to flee or abandon their homes with their education and living arrangements at the boarding school which is owned and operated by the Missionary Sisters of the Holy Rosary based in Bryn Mawr, PA. You may remember that Sr. Ellen Anderson and Sr. Ifeoma Onwudinjo spoke at our Parish a few years back. More details to come!



PARISH PICNIC SEPTEMBER 12TH!

The parish picnic will take place on **Sunday, September 12th at 12:30pm at the Camden Snow Bowl**. Please join us for a fun day of community, food, and wonderful entertainment. Sign-up sheets will be available at the entrances to the churches now through September 5th. Hope to see you there! Come and welcome our new priests to our parish community.



DAUGHTERS OF ST. BERNARD

The Daughters of St. Bernard will meet in the Sacred Heart Center on **Friday, Sept. 3rd** at 1:00pm — all women are welcome! FMI, call Sue 542-5018 or Ann: 354-8768.



Livestream Masses Now on Parish Website

All livestreamed Masses will be livestreamed to the parish website. Just click on the "Livestream Masses and Events" button on the front page of the parish website at

www.stbrendanparish.net or go to www.stbrendanparish.net/livestream. At that page, scroll to the video screen that says "Watch livestream Masses here" and click on the arrow at Mass time, and you will see the sanctuary. Scheduled livestream Masses for each weekend will be noted at the top of the web page or see the "LS" notation on the Mass Intention schedule on page 3 of the bulletin.



WELCOME HOME!

Maine Catholics, non-practicing Catholics, and non-Catholics are encouraged to visit the new "Welcome Home" section on the Diocese of Portland website at

www.portlanddiocese.org/welcome-home. On the page, you will discover information about returning to Mass in Maine, messages from Bishop Deeley, the importance of attending Sunday Mass, reflections on Sunday readings, columns about the beauty and gift of the Eucharist, videos from Pope Francis, and much more. The section will be frequently updated with additional material and resources.



SUMMER 2021 ISLAND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAYS, JULY 3—SEPT. 4
ISLESBORO, ST. MARY OF THE ISLES 9:00AM
NORTH HAVEN, VILLAGE EPISCOPAL: 8:45AM
VINALHAVEN, UNION CHURCH: 10:30AM

WEDDING BANNS

III. Ryan Harold & Kathleen Henke



LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST (MASS TIMES)			MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS (Mass times may change and intentions may need to be rescheduled) <i>LS indicates Live Stream</i>			
	St. Bernard 150 Broadway, Rockland, ME 04841	Saturday 6:00pm Sunday 8:00am & 11:00am Tues 8am & Thurs 6:30pm	Saturday, August 28, 2021 – Vigil: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time			
	Our Lady of Good Hope 7 Union Street, Camden, ME 04843	Saturday 4:00pm Sunday 11:00am Mon 6:30pm & Wed 8am	9:00am	Islesboro	Fr. Nathan	All Souls by the Parish
	St. Francis of Assisi 81 Court Street, Belfast, ME 04915	Saturday 4:00pm Sunday 8:30am Wed 6:30pm & Fri 8am	10:30am	Vinalhaven	Fr. Divine	All Souls by the Parish
PASTORAL STAFF Staff email addresses: firstname.lastname@portlanddiocese.org			4:00pm	St. Francis	Fr. Divine	Living Intention for Fergal Gilmore by Siobhan and Alex Gilmore
Fr. Nathan D. March, Pastor 207-236-4785			4:00pm	OLGH	Fr. Nathan LS	Peggy Whitman by Faith Vautour
Fr. Divine Esua Fossoh, Parochial Vicar 207-930-7044			6:00pm	St. Bernard	Fr. Nathan	Daniel Taras by his wife
Deacon Robert Cleveland			Sunday, August 29, 2021 – Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time			
OFFICE			8:00am	St. Bernard	Fr. Nathan	Maria Wladyslaw by Tadeusz & Alicja Strzalka
Address: 7 Union St. Camden, ME 04843			8:30am	St. Francis	Fr. Divine	Pro Populo
Phone: 207-236-4785 Fax: 207-236-9422			11:00am	OLGH	Fr. Divine LS	Norman and Mary Cote by Sally Kinney
For Parish Social Worker, Jeanne Denny, 207-390-1763			11:00am	St. Bernard	Fr. Nathan	Living Intention for Randy Mercer by RoseAnn Chaisson
Office Hours: M,T & Th- 8:30am-3:30pm, Wed.- 8:30am - 12:30pm			Monday August 30	OLGH 6:30pm	Fr. Nathan LS	Paul Lenci by Cathedral Prep Class of '68
Email: stbrendan@portlanddiocese.org			Tuesday August 31	St. Bernard 8:00am	Fr. Nathan	Living Intention for Alex and Siobhan Gilmore by Siobhan and Alex Gilmore
Belfast Rectory: 207-930-7044			Wednesday September 1	OLGH 8:00am	Fr. Nathan	Living Intention for the Birthday of Johnny O'Donnell by M.O'Donnell
Website: http://www.stbrendanparish.net				St. Francis 6:30pm	Fr. Divine	Edward Moffitt by RoseAnn Chaisson
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/stbrendanparishmaine			Thursday September 2	St. Bernard 6:30pm	Fr. Divine LS	Edward Chaisson by RoseAnn Chaisson
Parish email list: Contact Christine Fee at christine.fee@portlanddiocese.org			Friday September 3	St. Francis 8:00am	Fr. Divine LS	Living Intention for Birthday for Maureen O'Donnell by Linda Roden
Additional St. Francis email list: Contact the office.			Saturday, September 4, 2021 – Vigil: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Staff email addresses: firstname.lastname@portlanddiocese.org			8:45am	North Haven	Fr. Nathan	All Souls by the Parish
PASTORAL LIFE & FAITH FORMATION STAFF			9:00am	Islesboro	Fr. Divine	All Souls by the Parish
Christine Fee, Pastoral Life Coordinator			10:30am	Vinalhaven	Fr. Nathan	All Souls by the Parish
Sr. Kathleen Luppens, Parish Catechetical Leader			4:00pm	St. Francis	Fr. Nathan	RoseAnn Chaisson's Family by RoseAnn Chaisson
ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF			4:00pm	OLGH	Fr. Divine LS	Living Intention for Jean and Phil Stuart by Deb MacKinnon
Karol Skoby, Business Coordinator			6:00pm	St. Bernard	Fr. Divine	Pro Populo
Penny Wolfe, Office Manager			Sunday, September 5, 2021 – Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Paula Williamson, Safe Environment Coordinator			8:00am	St. Bernard	Fr. Divine	Marissa Spera by Paulette & Russell Spera
Michael Colson, Custodial			8:30am	St. Francis	Fr. Nathan	All Souls by the Parish
John Maas, Custodial			11:00am	OLGH	Fr. Nathan LS	Jack Christopher Strazulla by the family
Rich Norman, Soup Kitchen Supervisor			11:00am	St. Bernard	Fr. Divine	Living Intention for Fr. Bob, Fr. Hyacinth & Deacon Bob by Bonnie MacMillian
Jeanne Denny, Social Worker (Contact: 207-390-1763)						
SACRAMENTAL LIFE						
Baptism: If you are planning to have a child baptized please call the Parish Office, 207-236-4785, two months prior to the birth.						
Marriage Preparation and Ceremony: All couples planning a wedding should contact the parish office at least one year prior to their planned wedding date so that the church or mission can be reserved and the necessary preparation can be discussed.						
Anointing the Sick /Communion at home: If you know of a parishioner in need, please call the Parish Office, 236-4785.						
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Available during the half -hour before every weekend Mass or by appointment.						
TO RECEIVE PARISH-WIDE EMAILS, send an e-mail with your name and church you attend most often to Christine Fee at Christine.Fee@portlanddiocese.org						
TO ADD NAME TO PARISH PRAYER CHAIN send an email to stbrendan@portlanddiocese.org .						
			<div>  <p>Church Doors are open in all three churches from 12pm-3pm, Monday-Friday Come, spend some quiet time with the Lord— pray, keep Him company...</p>  </div>			

PURE RELIGION: SCOTT HAHN REFLECTS ON THE 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Gospel casts Jesus in a prophetic light as one having authority to interpret God's law. Jesus' quotation from Isaiah today is ironic (see Isaiah 29:13). In observing the law, the Pharisees honor God by ensuring that nothing unclean passes their lips. In this, however, they've turned the law inside out, making it a matter of simply performing certain external actions.

The gift of the law, which we hear God giving to Israel in today's First Reading, is fulfilled in Jesus' Gospel, which shows us the law's true meaning and purpose (see Matthew 5:17).

The law, fulfilled in the Gospel, is meant to form our hearts, to make us pure, able to live in the Lord's presence. The law was given that we might live and enter into the inheritance promised to us—the kingdom of God, eternal life.

Israel, by its observance of the law, was meant to be an example to surrounding nations. As James tells us in today's Epistle, the Gospel was given to us that we might have new birth by the Word of truth. By living the Word we've received, we're to be examples of God's wisdom to those around us, the "first fruits" of a new humanity.

This means we must be "doers" of the Word, not merely hearers of it. As we sing in today's Psalm and hear again in today's Epistle, we must work for justice, taking care of our brothers and sisters and living by the truth God has placed in our hearts.

The Word given to us is a perfect gift. We should not add to it through vain and needless devotions. Nor should we subtract from it by picking and choosing which of His laws to honor.

"Hear me," Jesus says in today's Gospel. Today, we're called to examine our relationship to God's law.

Is the practice of our religion a pure listening to Jesus, a humble welcoming of the Word planted in us and able to save our souls? Or are we only paying lip service?

Yours in Christ,
Dr. Scott Hahn, Founder and President

Scott Hahn



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READINGS FOR THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8
Psalm 15:2-5
James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUG. 29, 2021

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11
Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5

OLGH BIBLE STUDY ~ NEW YEAR!

A new Adult and Teen Bible study series will begin the weekend of Sept 11-12 at Our Lady of Good Hope in Camden. The topic is St. Paul's Letter to the Romans. In this letter, Paul explains what he calls "The Gospel of God." Do you wonder what that means? How would you describe God's good news? Come learn more with us in this new study.

Study sessions will begin this fall with online taped lessons. Once the current infections slow down we hope to be able to meet in person again. But for now, it is safer to continue our pandemic video lessons. If you have questions or you want to receive a weekly email about the study contact Mary Smyth, mlstocme@gmail.com.

Links to all the lessons are at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWBZb5JjCipLAU46qIQCHug>



POPE ST. GREGORY THE GREAT FEAST DAY: SEPTEMBER 3

St. Gregory was born at Rome in 540. He was successively senator and prefect of Rome before the age of 30. After five years he resigned and became a monk, transforming his own house into a Benedictine monastery, and founding six others. At the age of 50 he was elected pope, serving from 590 to 604. In 14 years he accomplished much for the Mystical Body of Christ.

After seeing English children being sold as slaves in Rome, he sent 40 monks, including St. Augustine of Canterbury, from his own monastery to make "the Angles angels." England owes her conversion to him. Gregory reformed the liturgy, and it still contains several of his most beautiful prayers. The name "Gregorian chant" recalls this great Pope's work in the development of the Church's music. His commentaries on Holy Scripture exercised a considerable influence on Christian thought in the Middle Ages. St. Gregory died on March 12, 604. His body lies at St. Peter's in Rome.

Patron: choir boys; educators; gout; masons; music; musicians; choirs; singers; stonecutters; teachers; popes; students; scholars; against plague; against gout; against fever; England; West Indies;

FROM: <https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2014-09-03>

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SAINTS AND FEASTS THIS WEEK

September 3: St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church



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THE DOUG AND DAVE SHOW IN AUGUSTA "MASS CONFUSION," SUNDAY, SEPT. 19TH

All are welcome to gather for a special show and afternoon that aims to share the beauty, history, and mystery of the Catholic Mass in a fun and engaging way. The Doug and Dave Show will present "Mass Confusion," an amazing mix of humor, song, and the teachings of the Catholic Church on **Sunday, September 19, at 3 p.m. at St. Augustine Church and hall on 75 Northern Avenue in Augusta.** The event will begin with a social from 1 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. in the hall of St. Augustine which will be followed by the show in the church. After the show, Mass will be held in the church at 4:45 p.m.

For more information about the event in Augusta, contact St. Michael Parish at (207) 623-8823.



ANNUAL MEN'S CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 13, 2021

The Men's Conference Planning Committee invites men age 16+ to register for the 10th annual Maine Catholic Men's Conference. The event will be held at St. John's community hall in Brunswick. The speaker this year will be Fr. Larry Richards. Look for more information in the months to come.



"Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope."
1 Peter 3:15

ABIDE: YOUTH MINISTRY DAY OF REFLECTION

ABIDE, a day of reflection for high school youth in Maine to relate, pray, receive, and witness will be held in three locations this fall.

Brunswick
St. John's Community Center
Saturday, October 30
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Bangor
St. John Church
Sunday, October 31
9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Presque Isle
St. Mary Church
Sunday, November 7
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Participants can register through their parish youth ministry or faith formation program. The cost is \$20 and includes a lunch and a t-shirt. For more information, contact Shawn Gregory, the coordinator of youth ministry for the Diocese of Portland, at (207) 321-7813 or shawn.gregory@portlanddiocese.org.



DIOCESAN-WIDE ADULT FAITH FORMATION ECHOES OF FAITH®

WHAT: We invite Catholics across the state of Maine to participate in Echoes of Faith® program. Echoes of Faith® is made up of 11 modules which help participants to discover the truth, goodness, and beauty of the Catholic faith while giving the skills to articulate their faith to others. The Office of Lifelong Faith Formation allows participants to choose between two tracks; the community track or the self-paced track. Those in the community track complete the modules follow the order of modules set by the OLFF staff, complete one module in a 2-month timeframe (finishing all modules in a 24-month time period) and attend the opening and closing gatherings at the beginning and end of each module. Echoes of Faith® can be used to obtain basic catechist certification. If one is seeking to earn basic catechist certification, they must be enrolled in the community track. Those enrolled in the self-paced track are free to chart their own course. The modules are available to them for 12-18 months (24 months if needed).

For more information go to: <https://portlanddiocese.org/olff/echoing-faith>. Participants must register through their parish.

WHEN: First cohorts began in February 2021 with a new module starting every two months through November 2022 when the module rotation begins to repeat through 2024. The next opportunities for participants to enroll are in July, September, or November 2021.

WHO: Any fully-initiated (baptized, confirmed, sharing in holy Communion) adult Catholic 18 years of age or older who wants to deepen their own relationship with Christ, practice skills for sharing the faith with others, and support the Church's mission of evangelizing and catechesis. Especially suited for those who currently serve as catechists or teachers and leaders of any aspect of parish or Catholic school religious education and faith formation. **HOW:** Register through local parish for one of two options:

(1) **Community Track:** participate in a local or regional small discipleship group with a facilitator and diocesan pre and post sessions working through the material and practicing skills over 2 years OR

(2) **Self-Paced Track:** work through material at own pace for a specified timeframe (up to 24 months depending on when start the process)

Registration and Fee: Adults will register through their local parishes. The fee is \$20/person for Community Track (\$300 value) OR \$50 for Self-Paced Track (\$100 value)

NOTE: Reduced cost to Maine adults made possible through contributions to the Catholic Appeal, a grant from the Lay Continuing Education and Formation Endowment with the Catholic Foundation of Maine, and the partnership of RCL Benziger.

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organized by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES HELPING VICTIMS OF HAITIAN EARTHQUAKE

A 7.2 magnitude earthquake struck Haiti on August 14 killing more than 1,400 people and injuring an estimated 6,000 others. Thousands more have had their homes destroyed and have no food or shelter. The Diocese of Portland has created a special website with information about support efforts for the Haitian people and how you can lend a helping hand through donations to Catholic Relief Services (CRS), the official international humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States, and MISSIO, a division of the Pontifical Mission Societies, the official missionary arm of the universal Catholic Church. CRS has served in Haiti for 60 years, and with more than 200 partner organizations, including many in the Catholic Church, it is well-positioned to provide immediate aid to the people, as well as long-term assistance as they seek to rebuild their lives. To view the special section, visit www.portlanddiocese.org/crs-help-people-haiti



FORMED.ORG sign-up reminder:

- Go to formed.org with a web browser ,
- Click on Sign up (upper right of page),
- Click on "I belong to a parish"
- Find your parish: Find "St. Brendan the Navigator Parish 7 Union St. Camden, ME" and highlight/ enter
- Enter your name and email and click "Sign up" and follow prompts.

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PICK OF THE WEEK

August 29, 2021

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INTO THE BREACH - EPISODE 3: LEADERSHIP

Among many other things, Pope St. Gregory the Great is known for his incredible pastoral presence and servant leadership. In honor of this magnanimous Saint, enjoy this episode of Into the Breach! Although primarily targeted at men, this video and its emphasis on service will be fruitful to anyone who desires sanctity and self-mastery!



LEARN

FORMED NOW: POPE SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT



Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss more about this great Saint.

LISTEN

LOVE, SACRIFICE, TRUST: HE SHOWED US THE WAY BY FR. MIKE SCHMITZ

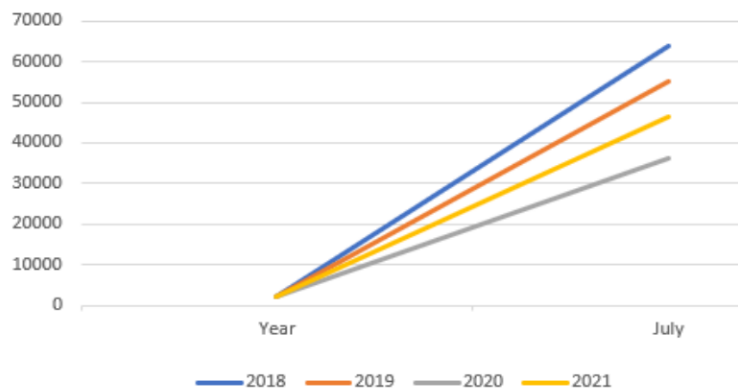
In this talk, Fr. Mike Schmitz shares with us the need to pick up our crosses and embrace Christ in our own suffering. He reminds us that love often means sacrifice!



COLLECTION REPORT

<https://stbrendanparish.weshareonline.org/>

Collections for the Month of July, Years 2018-21



ST. BERNARD SOUP KITCHEN

For the week of August 16, 2021 we provided

M - 55 , T - 44 , W - 48 , T - 49 , F - 52

Thank you to everyone who made this possible.
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Soup Kitchen donations 8/22/21: \$244.00

Together in Christ

CATHOLIC APPEAL

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Second Commitment Weekend!

We are all called to respond to the needs of our brothers and sisters both here in our parish and in the diocese. Yet most of us are not able to drop

everything and work for the Church. Most of us are not qualified to provide such services as counseling, natural family planning, prison ministry, sacramental preparation, and many more. But we can, through financial contributions, support the work of the Church in areas such as these.



CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE FOR ST. BRENDAN

Current (as of 8/19/21):	\$54,190.00
Goal:	\$72,486.00
Percentage reached:	75%

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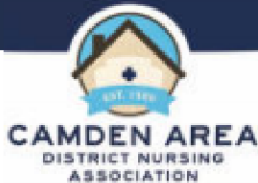
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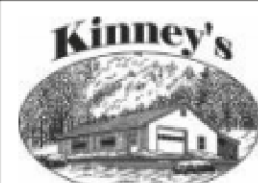


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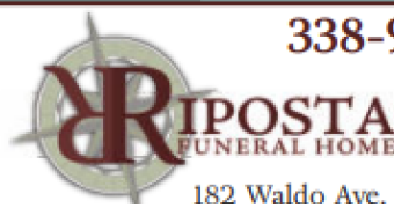
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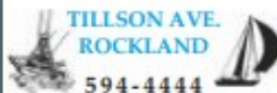


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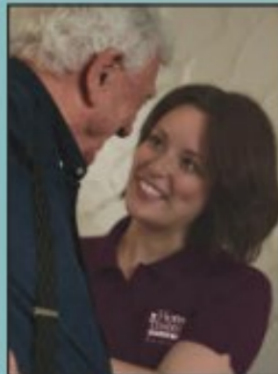
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