

St. Brendan the Navigator Parish

October 8, 2023

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



27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“The stone that the
builders rejected has
become the cornerstone.”
- Mt 21:42ab

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Weekend Mass Schedule

(For weekend live stream schedule see p.2)

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

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

Plus, priests are available during
scheduled Adoration times on Monday,
Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

Adoration & Mass During the Week

MONDAY **LIVE STREAM** from

Our Lady of Good Hope:
Adoration 5:30pm, Mass 6:30pm

TUESDAY:

8:00am Mass at St. Bernard

WEDNESDAY

—8:00am 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

See updated
Mass schedule
inside!

Dominus vobiscum

Church Doors are open in all three churches Monday-Friday from 12pm-3pm.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8 ~ 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: "What more was there to do for my vineyard that I had not done? Why, when I looked for the crop of grapes, did it bring forth wild grapes?" (Is 5:4)



PSALM: The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel. (Is 5:7a)

SECOND READING: Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me. Then the God of peace will be with you. (Phil 4:9)

GOSPEL: "What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?" They answered him, "He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants." (Mt 21:41)

NOTE: The parish office will be closed Monday, Oct. 9th for the Columbus Day holiday. Monday Mass at OLGH will be at 8:00am, not 6:30pm and no Adoration will take place.

SECOND COLLECTION, OCT. 7/8 CATASTROPHE ASSISTANCE

The second collection this week-end is for Catastrophic Assistance. This new annual collection is intended to give the diocese the means to respond charitably to the various natural disasters at home and abroad which arise during the course of the year without the need for multiple second collections as each event occurs.



IMPORTANT CHANGES TO YOUR ONLINE GIVING!

We are moving the parish online giving program from WeShare to eCatholic! We're excited to share that the parish is offering an improved online giving service provided by eCatholic. This excellent option for donors offers simple giving for one-time or recurring donations. Adhering closely to a mission focused on serving the Church, eCatholic's online giving tool also benefits the parish with safer bookkeeping, fast processing, and more efficient communication tools.

Please note, this is a 2-step process:

1. SIGN UP WITH ECATHOLIC ONLINE GIVING

- Go to stbrendanparish.net/donate.
- See step 1 to set up new account with eCatholic at stbrendanparish.net/offertory and follow "DONATE" instructions with the recurring donation option. You will receive an email prompting you to create an account.

THEN

2. PLEASE CANCEL PREVIOUS ONLINE GIVING WITH WESHARE (only after you have created an eCatholic account)

- Sign into your WeShare account at stbrendanparish.weshareonline.org/
- In the upper right-hand corner, click your name, and then click 'My Account'
- At the top of the page click 'Scheduled'
- Click the pencil to edit recurring gift.
- Click 'End Date' and simply put the date you want the gift to stop OR under the 'Scheduled' tab click 'Stop this payment'.

You will also see these instructions at stbrendanparish.net/donate.

Please call the office if any questions and *thank you!*

Quiet Before and After Mass

The General Instruction for the Roman Missal says that there should be a quiet opportunity in the church for the faithful to prepare prayerfully for the Holy Mass.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

(Mass times may change and intentions may need to be rescheduled)
LS indicates Live Stream

Saturday, October 7 2023 – Vigil: Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00pm St. Francis Fr. Divine **LS** Matthew Conway by his niece

4:00pm Our Lady of Good Hope Fr. Anthanasius Pro Populo

6:00pm St. Bernard Fr. Anthanasius Patricia Peasley by Takoda Peasley

Sunday, October 8, 2023 – Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am St. Bernard Fr. Anthanasius Cy Chan by Polly & Jack Kurowski

8:30am St. Francis Fr. Divine Miss Rose Babin by Hector & Kathy Pietra-Santa

11:00am Our Lady of Good Hope Fr. Divine Richard Addie by Paula and Ray Brown

11:00am St. Bernard Fr. Divine **LS** Michael Freda by Josephine Freda

Monday October 9 OLGH 8:00am Fr. Divine **LS** Rosemary Butler by Maureen O'Donnell

Tuesday October 10 St. Bernard 8:00am Fr. Divine **Rosary at 7:30am** Michael Duffy by Joan Duffy

Wednesday October 11 OLGH 8:00am Fr. Divine **Rosary at 7:30am** Pauline Johnstone by Maureen O'Donnell
St. Francis 6:30pm Fr. Divine Madeleine and James Carter by Elissa and Matt Koskela

Thursday October 12 St. Bernard 6:30pm Fr. Divine **LS** Anne Ferreira by Penny Wolfe

Friday October 13 St. Francis 8:00am Fr. Divine **LS** **Rosary at 7:30am** For An End to Abortion by St. Francis Pro Life Ministry

Saturday, October 14, 2023 – Vigil: Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00pm St. Francis Fr. Anthanasius Living Intention for Christopher Beaulieu by the Clarks

4:00pm Our Lady of Good Hope Fr. Divine Pauline Johnstone by Mary Merrifield

6:00pm St. Bernard Fr. Divine **LS** Daniel Davey by Nikki Orbin

Sunday, October 15, 2023 – Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am St. Bernard Fr. Divine For An End to Abortion by St. Bernard Pro Life Ministry

8:30am St. Francis Fr. Anthanasius **LS** Judy Roche and Jenny Semancik by Donna Ptak

11:00am Our Lady of Good Hope Fr. Anthanasius For An End to Abortion by OLGH Pro Life Ministry

11:00am St. Bernard Fr. Divine Pro Populo

The Sanctuary Lamp at St. Francis is being lit this week for:

An End to Abortion
by the St. Francis Pro-Life Ministry



FAITH FORMATION UPDATES

Faith Formation Classes:

- Sundays at St. Bernard, Rockland, after the 8:00am Mass
- Sundays at St. Francis, Belfast, after the 8:30am Mass

Family Fellowship at St. Bernard:

Join us for faith and fun on Tuesday mornings. Mass at 8am then gather in the Sacred Heart Center. We will have a faith lesson for all ages, arts and crafts, board games, and snacks. Contact Rachel Vallance at 207-458-8675 or rachrisv@gmail.com.



IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES!

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION RETREAT:

October 21, Saturday at 9:00 at St. Bernard

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION AND FIRST COMMUNION WITH BISHOP ROBERT P. DEELEY:

October 29, Sunday at 11:00 at St. Bernard.

Families with any questions about Faith Formation and children's Sacramental preparation can reach Parish Catechetical Leader, Jennifer Parker, at 207-408-8591 or by email at jennifer.parker@portlanddiocese.org.

RCIA: ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW FEELING CALLED TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults program is for those who are unbaptized and seeking to know more about the Catholic faith. RCIA is also for:

- Baptized Catholics who need to receive the other sacraments of initiation—Confirmation and First Holy Communion.
- Other Christian denominations and faiths or those with no faith background at all who wish to explore
- becoming Catholic. Children over the age of 7.

The Search & Symbolon

For the month of October, at St. Francis in Belfast and at Our Lady of Good Hope in Camden, the parish will be showing episodes of Chris Stefanic's *The Search* on Tuesday evenings at 6:00pm. This show examines life's many challenging and meaningful questions in the light of God, accompanied by leader-guided discussions.

On Tuesdays in November and December, for those beginning the Catholic Faith journey, we will be delving into *Symbolon*, which delves into teachings of the Catholic faith more in depth.

If you know someone or you yourself are interested in learning about our Catholic faith and would like to join us on Tuesday evenings, you/they are welcome and would be Helpful, but not necessary to contact the parish office at 207-236-4785.

PARISH PRAYER CHAIN

To request prayers, or to pray for others, please contact Kathleen Daley: daleykathy90@gmail.com

OLGH WOMEN'S CLUB POTLUCK



The Women's Club at Our Lady of Good Hope will meet on **Wednesday, October 11, in Cote Hall at 12:00 noon.** We will have our annual potluck lunch and invite ladies to bring a dish to share. Desserts will be provided by our hostesses, so please bring a dish that is not a dessert. Entertainment will be provided by talented local musician, Frank Boscoe. All the women of the parish are invited to attend.

TRANSFIGURATION HERMITAGE BAKE SALE OCT. 7/8 @ ST. FRANCIS

The sisters of Transfiguration Hermitage will be holding a bake sale before and after all the Masses at St Francis of Assisi on Saturday October 7 & Sunday October 8. All the usual goodies, plus those yummy pre-Christmas fruitcakes and rum cakes! Help support the sisters' life of prayer for all people and help yourself to some wonderful goodies as well.

respect life month

OCTOBER 2023



"I would now like to say a special word to women who have had an abortion. The Church is aware of the many factors which may have influenced your decision, and she does not doubt that in many cases it was a painful and even shattering decision. The wound in your heart may not yet have healed. ...But do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope. ...The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation."

Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, no. 99. © 1995, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

Join Catholics around the country as we pray a Novena for Life, starting on Friday October 13th. Copies of the Novena for Life were in the bulletins the weekend of 10/1, plus, you can find the novena at <https://www.stbrendanparish.net/pro-life-ministry>. Thank you for joining us in praying for life at every stage.

Copies of *Why We're Pro-Life* by Trent Horn, published by Catholic Answers Press, are available in each of our churches. It is a beautifully written statement on why unborn life is undeniably human and should be afforded the rights of all humans. Please take a copy for your family.

COME AND MEET OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE, Patroness of the Unborn and of the Americas. All parishioners are invited to join the Pro-Life Ministry's Respect Life Month pasta supper and movie event on Saturday October 14th after the 4:00pm Mass at St. Francis in Belfast. Enjoy a meal with fellow parishioners and learn about the apparitions of Our Lady to Juan Diego nearly 500 years ago and their meaning for us today. Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us. Donations gladly accepted at the event to benefit future events and doings of the Pro-Life Ministry. Posters in each church provide RSVP information. Please RSVP by October 9th with name and number of people coming. Questions (or to rsvp): Contact Maureen Rispoli - momeuse89@gmail.com.

FIND THE NOVENA FOR LIFE AT

<https://stbrendanparish.net/pro-life-ministry>



EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

<https://www.stbrendanparish.net/eucharistic-revival>



St. Thomas Aquinas: Eucharistic Eloquence

Eucharistic Saints (thepriest.com)

St. Thomas Aquinas is like a heavenly gift; among his masterpieces, he provides explanations and logical clarification to numerous questions about the Eucharist.

There have been debates within the Church as to whether or not receiving the Eucharist in holy Communion is a cure for all our sins. Aquinas tells us that the Eucharist is not a medicine for mortal sin — it is rather food for those in the state of grace. He wrote: “So likewise Baptism and Penance are as purgative medicines, given to take away the fever of sin ... this sacrament [Eucharist] is a medicine given to strengthen, and it ought not to be given except to them who have quit sin” (Summa Theologica, Question 80, Article 4, Reply to Objection 2).

The Catechism of the Catholic Church, published 700 years later, echoes the words of Aquinas: “The Eucharist is not ordered to the forgiveness of mortal sins — that is proper to the sacrament of Reconciliation” (No. 1395). Emphasis on the Sacrament of Reconciliation increases the likelihood of a successful Eucharistic Revival.

Aquinas’ explanation of transubstantiation, a term many churchgoers hear little about, became the basis for a canon, a Church dogma for all Catholics to believe, issued by the Council of Trent. St. Thomas concluded that at the consecration the whole substance of the bread and wine change into the body and blood of Christ (transubstantiation), it still looks like and tastes like bread and wine, but the substance has become the body and blood of Christ.

OUR LADY OF GOOD HOPE BIBLE STUDY

Week 4 of *The Letter to the Hebrews* is about Chapter 1 verses 5-14 “A Name Higher Than The Angels”

For the Jewish audience of the first century, this was a bold idea. Angels were close to God, special, and more important than humans. “What is man that thou art mindful of him? Thou hast made him a little less than the angels” Psalm 8:5-6

But the new revelation of Jesus Christ upset the heavenly order. Now humans were going to be united through Jesus and become the sons and daughters of The Most High.

Lesson: <https://youtu.be/QMz79Vpl3Z8>

What happens when our sense of order gets upset? Do we react well? Can we learn to give up our own sense of order and seek to understand God’s plans? And can we live up to our new role?

To receive weekly emails please contact Mary Smyth at goodhopebiblestudy@gmail.com

PRAY THE ROSARY

In 1917 Our Lady of Fatima, asked us to pray the rosary every day to obtain peace for the world. During the week, you are invited to pray the Rosary before our 8:00am Masses:

- Tuesday, 7:30am, at St. Bernard in Rockland
- Wednesday, 7:30am, at Our Lady of Good Hope in Camden
- Friday, 7:30am, at St. Francis of Assisi in Belfast

BUILD YOUR FAITH ON FORMED.ORG

THIS WEEK’S SPOTLIGHT:

An inspiring feature film on Saint Pope John XXIII, starring Edward Asner as the beloved pontiff, who came from common stock and was known for his simplicity, courage, and love for humanity. Elected supposedly as an “interim Pope” who would just keep the status quo and listen to the advisers around him, John XXIII proved to be his own man when he surprised the Church and world by calling for the Second Vatican Council.

JOHN XXIII: The Pope of Peace



EASY AND FREE SIGN-UP FOR PARISHIONERS:

Sign up and watch for free on formed.org using our parish sign in!

1. Go to **formed.org** on a web browser
2. Under ‘How would you like to sign up?’ choose ‘Sign up as a parishioner’
3. Under ‘Create a New Account’ in the box, put in the ZIP code of 04843 and choose ‘St. Brendan the Navigator, Camden, ME’
4. Enter your name and email and click ‘sign up’ and follow the prompts.
5. (It is also a free Roku app!)

READINGS FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 8, 2023

Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 (Isaiah 5:7a)/ Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

Monday: Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/ Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Lk 11:27-28

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“This is the Lord’s doing and it is marvelous in our eyes.” Being chosen to serve as a priest or in the consecrated life is an amazing work of the Lord. Ask the Holy Spirit and our Blessed Mother to help you recognize and be faithful to your vocation.

Contact the Director of Vocations by Facebook at VocationsME, by phone at (207)773-6471, or by email at vocations@portlanddiocese.org. www.portlanddiocese.org/vocations



ST. REPARATA

Feast: October 8

St. Reparata, d. 3rd Century, virgin martyr of Caesarea, in Palestine. Known mainly through unreliable legend, she was supposedly a twenty-year-old girl in Caesarea who was denounced as a Christian during the persecutions launched by Emperor Trajanus Decius. She was tortured and thrown into a furnace. Miraculously surviving the flames, she still refused to sacrifice to the pagan gods and the Romans beheaded her.



DID YOU KNOW?

About 15 percent of all hospitals in the United States are Catholic hospitals. In some parts of the world, the Catholic Church provides the only healthcare, education and social services available to people.



Parish Ministries

BELFAST KNIGHTS



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL

The William S. Brannagan Council 3942 meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month after the 6:30pm Mass at St. Francis in Belfast in the church hall. New members are welcome, if interested Grand Knight Gary Boynton can be reached at kofccouncil3942@gmail.com or <https://www.kofc3942.org/>

The KofC world famous breakfast in Belfast typically takes place on the third Sunday after the 8:30am Mass. Proceeds help various charitable efforts, thank you!

ROCKLAND KNIGHTS

The Rockland Knights - Limerock Council 136 meets the 3rd Thursday at 7pm in Grispi Hall, at St. Bernard's Church, Rockland. The Grand Knight for 2022-2023 is Kevin Bailey. You can contact Kevin by cell: 978-404-1594 or by email at: info@kofc136.stbrendanparish.net. Website: <https://www.stbrendanparish.net/knight-of-columbus-rockland>

The KofC delicious breakfast in Rockland typically takes place on the last Sunday after the 8:00am Mass. Proceeds help various charitable efforts, thank you!

KOFC 4TH DEGREE

4th Degree Assembly 340 will hold the **Officer Initiation Ceremony at Our Lady of Good Hope at 3:45pm on Sunday, October 22, 2023.**

All 4th degree Knights and their families are invited to attend. There will be a potluck dinner following the Ceremony. Please contact Faithful Navigator Gregg Turley at 702-408-5996 for more information.

The 4th Degree Knights meet the second Monday of the month at Our Lady of Good Hope in Camden at 7:00pm. To find out more, contact Gregg Turley at 702-408-5996.



KNIGHTS HELPING NEIGHBORS

The Knights of Columbus in Rockland and Belfast have a new program for members, widows of members, and parishioners of our parish. We will donate labor to help those that need help around their homes and are either physically or financially unable to do the work. This will be for smaller inside projects or yard projects.

To see if we can help, please contact the following Knights:
In Rockland: Liam Yung at 207-450-3915

In Belfast:

Brian Beaulieu at 207-542-8967 or bbeaulieu@allenfg.com
Joseph Mathieu at 207-323-1436 or painterjo56@gmail.com



FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY

The Camden Area Christian Food Pantry will be collecting a new food item for the month of September. It will be canned pasta. Please place items in the bin in the entrance to Cote Hall at Our Lady of Good Hope.



REMINDER TO SACRISTANS & LECTORS

Please be reminded of following required training date:
Sunday, October 15th, 4pm at Our Lady of Good Hope

THAT MAN IS YOU

That Man Is You meets Saturdays at 8:30am in the Our Lady of Good Hope Upper Room. For more information please contact Joe Cammelieri at jccam@tidewater.net.

WALKING WITH PURPOSE

Tuesdays , 6:30PM at Our Lady of Good Hope in the designated WWP room downstairs. For more info: Janet Heath 207-841-1975 or Carol Brownawell 410-714-4549



**St. Francis of Assisi Church
Belfast, ME**

<https://laudatosiactionplatform.org>

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READ POPE FRANCIS' ENCYCLICAL AT

https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_enciclica-laudato-



CONTEMPLATIVE HIKE

Sat. Oct. 14th, 10:00am: Contemplative Hike, Head of the Tide Preserve, Doak Rd., Belfast
Please join fellow parishioners for a contemplative hike on Saturday, October 14th at 10:00am.
Please meet at Head of the Tide Preserve, located on Doak Rd. in Belfast.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY OCTOBER 7

This feast was instituted by Pope St. Pius V in thanksgiving for the great naval victory over the Turks at the battle of Lepanto on this day in the year 1570, a favor due to the recitation of the Rosary. This victory saved Europe from being overrun by the forces of Islam.

Lepanto, perhaps the most complete victory ever gained over the Ottoman Empire, on October 7, 1571, is commemorated by the invocation "Help of Christians," inserted in the Litany of Loretto. At Belgrade, the Turks were defeated on the Feast of Our Lady at Nives in 1716.

A second victory gained that year on the Octave of the Assumption determined Pope Clement XI to command the Feast of the Rosary to be celebrated by the universal Church. Leo XIII added the invocation "Queen of the most Holy Rosary, pray for us," to the Litany of Loretto. The Feast is in reality a great festival of thanksgiving for the signal and countless benefits bestowed on Christendom through the Rosary of our blessed Queen.



In modern times successive popes have urged the faithful to pray the Rosary. It is a form of contemplative prayer, mental and vocal prayer, which brings down God's blessing on the Church. It is a biblically inspired prayer that is centered on meditation on the salvific mysteries of Christ in union with Mary, who was so closely associated with her Son in his redeeming activity.

FROM: <https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2020-10-07>

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST (MASS TIMES)



St. Bernard
150 Broadway,
Rockland, ME 04841

Saturday 6:00pm
Sunday 8:00am & 11:00am
Tues 8am & Thurs 6:30pm



Our Lady of Good Hope
7 Union Street,
Camden, ME 04843

Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 11:00am
Mon 6:30pm & Wed 8am



St. Francis of Assisi
81 Court Street,
Belfast, ME 04915

Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 8:30am
Wed 6:30pm & Fri 8am

PASTORAL STAFF

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207-236-4785

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Deacon Robert Cleveland

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Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stbrendanparishmaine>

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Michael Colson, Custodial
John Maas, Custodial
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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 Penny Wolfe at penny.wolfe@portlanddiocese.org

TO ADD NAME TO PARISH PRAYER CHAIN, send an email to stbrendan@portlanddiocese.org.

**St. Francis of Assisi, Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
St. Bernard of Clairvaux and St. Brendan the Navigator
PRAY FOR US!**

CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE FOR ST. BRENDAN

Current (as of 09/29/23) **\$76,642**

Goal: **\$77,339**

Percentage reached: **99%**

Sooooooooooooo close! Who can put us over the top?

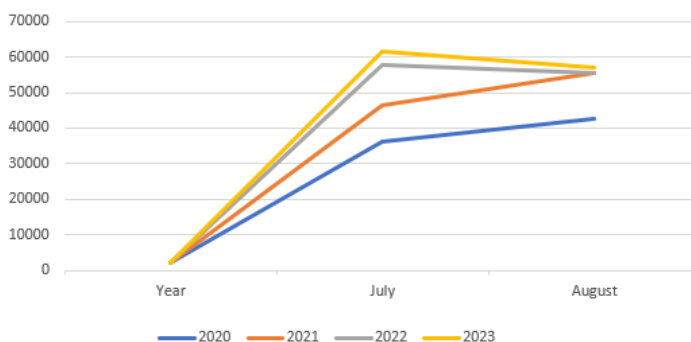
CATHOLIC APPEAL

Join us today in support of the Catholic Appeal with a gift by scanning the QR code to make a gift online or with the pledge envelope found in your pew. Your support enables the works of programs and ministries around the diocese including Faith Formation, Youth Ministry, Catholic Charities, Hospital Chaplains and much, much more! *Donations to the Catholic Appeal may be made via QR-code on this page, online at w.portlanddiocese.org/giving/make-gift, or envelopes found in your pews. Thank you for your generosity!*



COLLECTION REPORT

Monthly Collections July 2020-Aug 2023



MONTHLY OFFERTORY: ACTUAL vs. BUDGETED

| Actual | Actual | Budget | 2023/2024 |
|----------|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| August | Year-to-Date | Year-to-Date | Budget |
| \$56,999 | \$118,554 | \$97,023 | \$533,188 |

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ST. BERNARD SOUP KITCHEN

For the week Sept 25th, we provided the following meals:

M - 73 , T - 77 , W - 70 , T - 65 , F - 66

We are in need of volunteers for Tuesday, Thursday & Friday to help serve. Some of our snowbirds have returned home to warmer weather.

Want to help? Contact Rich Norman 691-6400.

Soup Kitchen donations week thru 10/1: \$37,240.85

“I wish it need not have happened in my time,” said Frodo.

‘So do I,’ said Gandalf, ‘and so do all who live to see such times. But that is not for them to decide. All we have to decide is what to do with the time that is given us.’”

— J.R.R. Tolkien

