



St. Barnabas

Catholic Church

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January 5, 2025

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

9:00am - 4:00pm

The offices are closed on Fridays.

Mass Schedule

Saturday, 5:00pm

Sunday, 8:00am. and 10:30am

Monday thru Thursday at 8:30am

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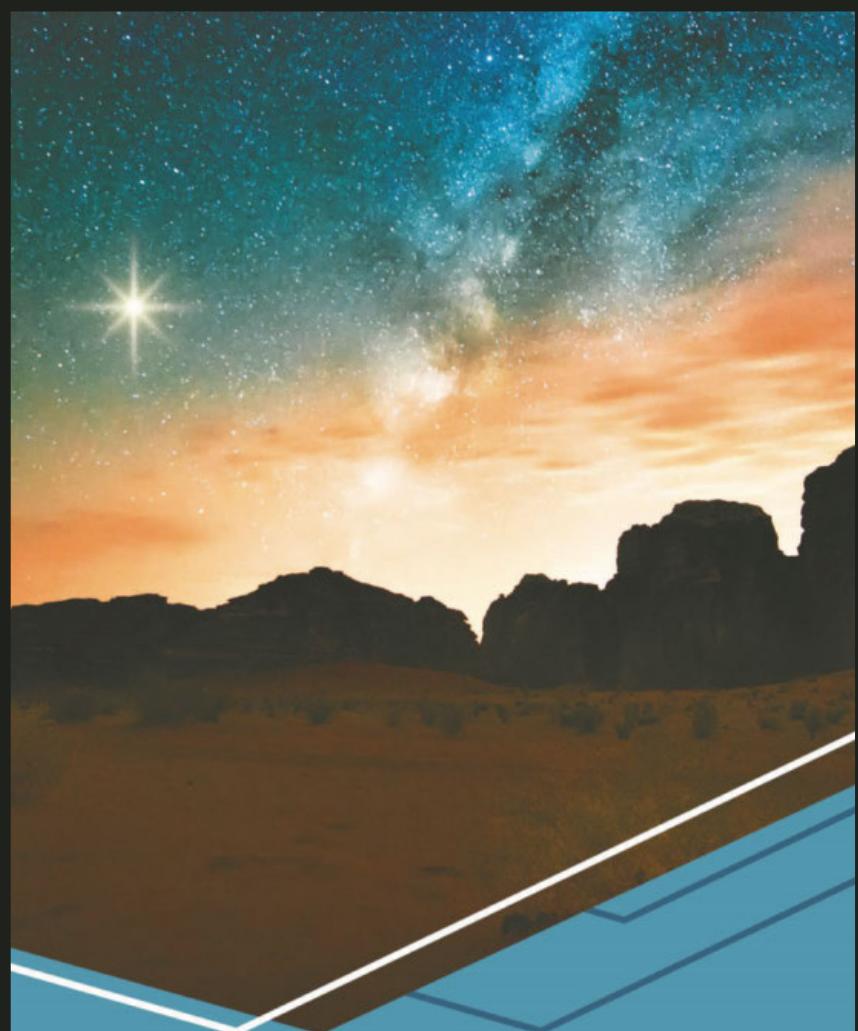
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401-683-1343 ext.211

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage.

Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

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Welcome New Parishioners

Registration cards are available at all entrances to the Church.
And "Thank You" for notifying the parish should you move.

WELCOME TO ST. BARNABAS CHURCH, PORTSMOUTH, RI



REMEMBER in your prayers

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Brian Satterfield	Mary Hamilton
Bob Martley	Dan Nevils
Kirby Akers	Marilla Whitty Cervasio
David A.	Scott G.

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, in the hospital, at home or in a nursing home. All names will remain listed here for 2 months, unless we are notified otherwise.

**To add or delete a name
please call the
Parish Office 401.683.1343.**

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, January 4th - 5:00pm

Lectors: Mary Bolton, Nino Catalano
Eucharistic Ministers: John Beck
Anne Mitchell, Melissa Carty
Rhonda Landers, Denis Coffey

Sunday, January 5th - 8:00am

Lectors: Stephen Fontes, Carla Souza
Eucharistic Ministers: Peter Letendre
Mike Rousseau, Mick Souza
Theresa Fiscus, Jennifer Theriault

Sunday, January 5th - 10:30am

Lectors: Stephen Iwanski, Ann Marie Quinn
Eucharistic Ministers: Will Shipp
Peter Tyer-Witek, Sam Obert
Chris Haynes, Susan Kirmil

Saturday, January 11th - 5:00pm

Lectors: Melissa Carty, Kevin Donovan
Eucharistic Ministers: Dcn. John
Michele Ake, Carol Rosa
Mary Bolton, John Beck

Sunday, January 12th - 8:00am

Lectors: Dan Sullivan, Jennifer Theriault
Eucharistic Ministers: Dcn. John
Rita Logan, Carla Souza
Peter Letendre, Mick Souza

Sunday, January 12th - 10:30am

Lectors: Faith Formation Students
Eucharistic Ministers: Dcn. John
Marcia Blackburn, Linda DiNovella
David Lee, Nora Tyer-Witek



We continue to pray the Rosary each morning before Mass at 8am, as well as the Divine Mercy Chaplet after each daily Mass (Monday - Thursday.) All are welcome to join us as we pray these special devotions.

We have a beautiful **Adoration Tabernacle in our Chapel**. The tabernacle allows us to have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament available anytime someone wants to spend time with Jesus in Adoration. The Chapel is open 24/7 and there are instructions and suggestions for prayers on display.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

Youth Choir

Thursday, January 2nd - 4:15-5pm

Cub Scouts

Thursday, January 2nd - 6pm (CH)

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, January 7th - 9am-11am (CH)

Barnabas Quilters

Thursday, January 9th - 10am-3pm (CH)

Youth Choir

Thursday, January 9th - 4:15-5pm (Church)

Cub Scouts

Thursday, January 9th - 6pm (CH)

Malassadas for Sale

after all Sunday Masses

Sunday, January 12th - 9am and 10:30am

Mission Trip Paperwork Meeting

(MANDATORY FOR ALL MISSIONARIES!)

Sunday, January 12th - 6pm (CH)

Baptism Class

Thursday, January 16th - 7:30pm (CMR)

Sons of Encouragement

Saturday, January 18th - 7:30am

Knights of Columbus & Boy Scouts

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, January 19th - 8am-12pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe Missionary Image

Tuesday, January 28th - 6pm

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary meets in the St. Barnabas Parish Hall on **Mondays at 9:30am**. You are most welcome to be a part of this wonderful ministry. You don't need a reservation, just stop by and join with us.

Our Junior Legion of Mary (for young men and women aged 8-17) meets **Sundays after 10:30am Mass** in the Parish Center Classroom #3.

For more information, contact Laura at lauraandscott1992@yahoo.com

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be hosted at St Barnabas Church on

Tuesday, January 28th 2025 at 6pm.

The image is an exact replica of the original image of Our Lady which She left on the Tilma of St. Juan Diego in December 1531. The image is among four blessed at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico by the Rector of the Basilica, Msgr. Monroy, to bring conversions, reverence for life, sanctity of the family and solidarity of the Church in America. The Missionary Images are known to have been associated with many miracles and healings.

Our Holy Hour will begin at 6pm in the main Church led by Deacon John Silvia and Deacon Paul St. Laurent of St. Anthony's Church in Portsmouth. The Holy Hour will include the Rosary, The Chaplet of Divine Mercy, readings, music including the song Maria written by Fr. Douglas Spina, retired from our diocese, a homily that will describe the story of Our Lady of Guadalupe, a local miracle described by an audio from Deacon Fred Young who served our diocese before he passed, and time for silent prayer.

ALL are encouraged and welcome to attend. This wonderful opportunity is sponsored by The Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence, Office of Life and Family Ministry.



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We are so excited to share our brand new website with you. With a fresh new layout, easier navigation and more user-friendly contact tools, we think you're going to love this change! Check it out!

MALASSADAS

Malassadas will be available after both the 8am and 10:30am Masses on Sunday, January 12th. The cost is \$2 each or \$20 for a dozen.

50TH FESTIVAL LEGACY PHOTOS

This year the St. Barnabas Festival is celebrating 50 years of Faith, Family, and Fun in June of 2025. As part of the effort to remember and honor all the people and families who have made the festival great, the festival committee is asking all parishioners to search for family photos that show the festival through the years, especially from 1976 through 2003. If photos are in electronic format, please send to Maureen.beck@proton.me or you can leave your hardcopy photos at the church office. Please label all photos with your contact information, and the photos will be photographed by Dick Hood and then returned to you. Of particular interest are photos of past Festival Chairs. If you have any questions, please call Maureen Beck at 401-864-4539.

SONS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

The Sons of Encouragement are a group of men who meet monthly, on a Saturday morning, for prayer, breakfast and fraternal discussions with the objective of fostering spiritual growth by sharing experiences.

If you are interested in getting on the email list for event notifications just email Kevin Donovan at:

ckevind@verizon.net

Our group is named after our Parish Patron Saint – Barnabas. Barnabas, whose birth name was likely Joseph, was a nickname given by his fellow Apostles which means “son of encouragement.”

Our next meeting will be Saturday, January 18th.

We will gather in the Church at 7:30am for prayer, followed by a light breakfast and a brief gathering for discussion.

All men in the area, young and old, parishioner or not, Catholic or not, are welcome.

An invitation to the Women of St. Barnabas Parish

Some parishioners have expressed interest in starting a **Woman's Prayer Group**. Perhaps you are looking for a new devotion or practice of Faith Formation for your personal journey.

There are many possibilities: monthly gatherings, planning Day Retreats for women or seasonal prayer opportunities.

If you are interested in exploring these ideas or participating, please call or email:

Rita Logan 203-249-9938 or Rml6friends@gmail.com

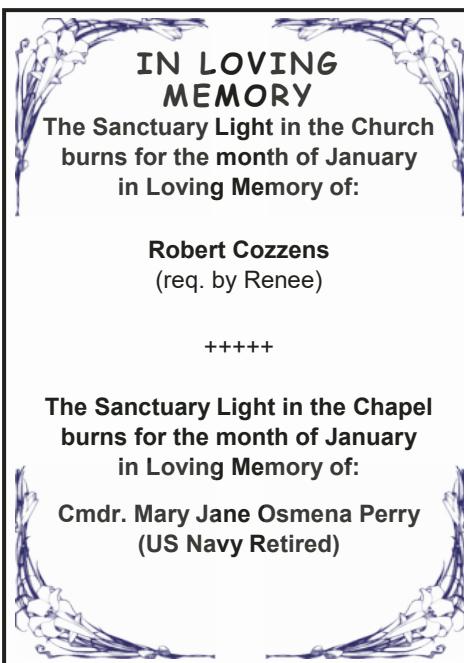
CHRISTMAS FLOWER LIST 2024

Parishioner

In Loving Memory/Honor Of

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Burkhardt

Joann Silvia and Pat Warner



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 4th

5:00pm Deceased members of the St. Laurent and Turcotte families
(req. by the family)

The Epiphany of the Lord, Sunday, January 5th

8:00am Janet R. Sevigny
(req. by Michael & Sandy Hagenhoff)
10:30am Kelly T. Sullivan - 1st Anniversary
(req. by the family)

Monday, January 6th

8:30am Sandy Gould
(req. by the family)

Tuesday, January 7th

8:30am Frances Peterson
(req. by the family)

Wednesday, January 8th

8:30am Jeanne & Dennis Sullivan
(req. by the family)

Thursday, January 9th

8:30am Kate Cousins
(req. by the Dooley family)

Saturday, January 11th

5:00pm Kathleen Sawyer and Harold & Marie Sawyer
(req. by the family)

The Baptism of the Lord, Sunday, January 12th

8:00am Deceased members of the Manuel P. Perry family and Patricia Virgadamo
(req. by the family)
10:30am Al & David Lucci
(req. by the family)

Readings for the week of January 5, 2025

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 (1)/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

THE LIGHT OF THE MOON

If you own a television that has been turned on at any point in the last month or so, chances are you've caught at least a scene or two of the 1946 classic film "It's a Wonderful Life."

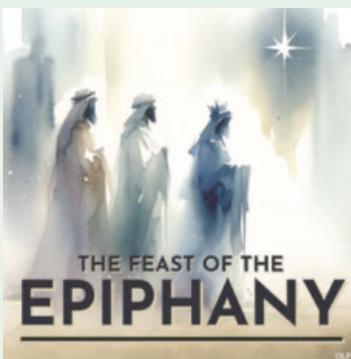
If you're not familiar with the movie, it follows the life of George Bailey from childhood through adulthood. A dreamer by nature, George has big plans for himself that involve world exploration and adventure — but family and community obligations keep him tethered to the same spot on the map, leading an altogether ordinary life.

One of the most memorable scenes from that movie is of George dancing with his sweetheart Mary while they sing "Buffalo Gals — Won't you come out tonight/And dance by the light of the moon?"

That lyric always catches my ear. Of course, the moon doesn't have any light of its own. ***All the moon has is the ability to reflect the light that shines upon it.***

The same holds for us, doesn't it? Our stewardship is purely a reflection of the grace granted to us by another. "Upon you the **LORD** shines," writes Isaiah, "and over you appears His glory." Every good action we will ever take begins in the mind of God. The fact that we have the honor of carrying it out on His behalf is a beautiful gift. It is God that makes our ordinary lives extraordinary.

In the end of the movie, George Bailey realizes that he had a far greater life because, instead of being the hero of his own story, he allowed himself to reflect goodness onto others.



Remember — the magi didn't chart their own course. They merely followed the star.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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UPCOMING BAPTISM DATES

Please take note of the upcoming dates for Baptism and Baptism Classes. If you would like to have your child Baptized, please contact the parish office to register.

Thursday, January 16th - Baptism Class 7:30pm (CMR)
Sunday, January 19th - Baptisms (following the 10:30am Mass)

Thursday, February 13th - Baptism Class 7:30pm (CMR)
Sunday, February 16th - Baptisms (following the 10:30am Mass)

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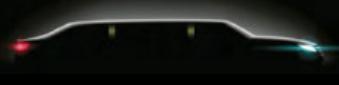
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