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Year A: Reading 827



SAINT BARNABAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2023

EASTER SUNDAY

"Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay." - Mt 28:5b-6

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR / UPCOMING EVENTS:

04/07-04/17: SBS Easter/Spring Break-NO School!
 04/09: EASTER SUNDAY
 04/16: DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
 04/19: Altar Servers Training-Info Night/6:30pm/Church
 04/24-04/28: SBS Book Fair/7am-6pm/Hall
 05/14: Mother's Day
 05/21: Fr. Antony's Silver Jubilee Celebration!
 05/29: Memorial Day Weekend (Office/School closed)



PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon-Fri: 9:30am-5:00pm
 Saturday: 8:30am-4:30pm
 Sunday: 7:30am-2:00pm

PASTOR:

Rev. Dr. Antony Gaspar

ASSOC. PASTOR:

Rev. Bernard Santiago

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 Multimedia Coordinator: Olivia Baylen

*** NEW MASS TIMES ***

Mon-Sat: 7:00am*
 Sat Vigil: 5:00pm
 Wed: 8:00am (School Mass)
 Sun: 7:00am | 9:00am*
 11:00am | 12:30pm

1ST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH:

Fri: 8:00am-9:00am Confessions
 Adoration: 8:45am-12:00pm

1ST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH:
 7:30am Novena to Our Lady of Fatima

*denotes live-stream via YouTube

CONFESSION HOURS:

Sat: 3:30pm-4:30pm

For Infant Baptisms, Weddings,
 Funerals, & Anointing of the Sick,
 call the Parish Office: 562-424-8595

NOVENAS / DEVOTIONS:

Tues: 7:30am* (Saint Joseph)

Wed: 7:30am* (Our Lady of
 Perpetual Help)

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"We, the Catholic Community of Saint Barnabas Parish, are a people formed by Christ, called in Baptism and united in the Eucharist; we continue the mission of the Church in the world through Prayer, Apostolic Works, Evangelization, and Christian Stewardship."

OUR PATRON, SAINT BARNABAS

Barnabas sacrificed himself to be instrumental in God's cultivation of His Church. Paul makes specific mention of the fact that Barnabas, who willingly impoverished himself in the interests of the Church, labored with his own hands to support himself on his missionary journeys. In Acts 4:36, Luke translates Barnabas to mean "son of encouragement" or "son of consolation." The original Greek word rendered "encouragement," *paraklesis*, means encouragement, consolation, comfort, exhortation and entreaty. It may be that the Apostles who gave Joseph the name Barnabas, saw all of these qualities in his character.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Adoration Coordinator	Faye R
Altar Servers (Youth)	Erika M
Baptism (Infants)	Jay G
Boy Scouts Pack 32 Cub Scouts Pack 32	Laura L/Chris C
Bulletin/Website/Social Media/Publications	Olivia B
CANA Marriage Renewal Movement	Bernie M
Coffee & Holy Donuts	Bill M
Cornerstone Crew	Dave A
Couples for Christ	Roy R/Faye R
Divine Mercy Apostolate	Itima E
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Sam C/Helen C
Filipino-American Association	Gene L
Finance Council	Espi G
Girl Scouts Troop #4283	Jessica C
Holy Name Society	Bob F
I.T. Resource Team	David A
Knights of Columbus #3449	Greg C
Lectors	Marina C
Legion of Mary	Barbara F
Liturgical Music Coordinator	Call Parish Office
Marian Cenacle M.M.P.	Mary C S/Mary S
Ministry of Consolation	Susan C
Mother Theresa Choir	Benildo T
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena	Armando P/Gigi L
Our Lady Queen of Peace	Tricia J
Pastoral Council	Darrell S
Planning/Building Team	Sean F
Project Achieve	Michelle S
RCIA/Adult Sacraments	Andrea M/Susana M
Respect Life	Robert K
Sacristans	Sahlee B/Armando P
Safeguard the Children	Elizabeth C
Ushers & Greeters	Darrell S
Wedding/Quinceañera Rehearsal Coordinator	Deb R
Worship Environment	Olivia A

FOR MINISTRY INQUIRIES, or to view our complete listing, please visit www.stbarnabaslb.org/ministries or call our Parish Office.

PARISH REGISTRATION

We encourage you to register as a Parishioner. To be an "Active" member at our Parish, is to participate in the life of prayer and stewardship. Being a parishioner enables a person to be eligible to sponsor a child for Baptism, to receive financial aid for Catholic Education, to be Married in the Parish, book a Funeral/Memorial Mass and to prepare one's children for the Sacraments. All adults over the age of 21, living with their parents or on their own, are encouraged to register as well. Visit our website to register!

FAKE TEXT MSG/SPAM E-MAILS

If you received a text message or E-Mail claiming it's from Fr. Antony and/or Staff, asking for money, gift cards or asking for your help, **THIS IS A HOAX! PLEASE IGNORE SUCH MESSAGES (pretending to be our Priest or Staff)** Don't reply to them and immediately delete it. Please ALERT the Parish Office. Thanks for your cooperation.

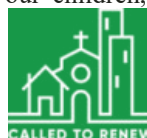


CALLED TO RENEW

Called to Renew is a historic, five-year campaign to strengthen parishes, families, and communities through unity and action; together we commit to renewing what is important so we can pass it on to those who we love.

Called to Renew is a bold plan to strengthen every parish and Catholic center in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, vital ministries that serve thousands each year, education and formation for our children, and the support of Priests and those discerning the call.

More information, visit:
CalledToRenew.org



FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

03/26/23: \$ 6,005.00
04/02/23: Not Avail

Faith-Direct
Bi-Weekly
Contribution: \$ 5,977.91
Period: 3/1 – 3/15

Thanks for your prayerful giving. Your donation supports the operations of our Parish Community.



Monthly Flower Donors for Tabernacle & our Blessed Mother:

Lilia Palaganas
April 1-15

Joe & Monica Ahle: Apr 15-29



ALTAR FLOWERS SPONSORS:

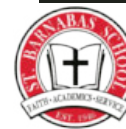
No Sponsor this week.

*Contact the Parish Office
If you would like to
sponsor Altar Flowers*



SPIRITUAL COMMUNION: My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

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Weekly Prayer

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APRIL Is Child Abuse
Prevention Month

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

This man God raised on the third day and granted
that he be visible,
not to all the people, but to us,
the witnesses chosen by God in advance,
who ate and drank with him after he rose from the
dead. (Acts 10:40-41)

Psalm:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and
be glad. (Ps 118)
Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above,
where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.
(Col 3:1)

Gospel:

"For they did not yet understand the Scripture
that he had to rise from the dead. (Jn 20: 9)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

We are witnesses of all that Christ has done —
in our lives, in our souls, in our hearts. We have
seen the empty tomb. We have touched the
abandoned burial cloths. "Go tell my brothers,"
Jesus commands us. "Do not be afraid."

Observances for the week of April 9, 2023

Sunday: Easter Sunday

Saturday: Tax Day

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)



Saint of the week

Venerable Mother Maria Kaupas, a Lithuanian immigrant to the USA, founded the Sisters of St. Casimir and started schools and hospitals all over the USA and Lithuania. The Sisters continue to care for immigrants, children, and the sick to this day!

Prayer

Prayer for the Beatification of Venerable Mother Maria

O loving Jesus, we beseech you, grant that your servant, Mother Maria, who was imbued with your Eucharistic Presence while on earth, may through the intercession of your Immaculate Mother and Saint Casimir, be glorified by visible signs and miracles; so that for your glory and salvation of souls, she may, by your power, be declared Blessed.

Amen.

(Prayer Source:

<https://www.sistersofstcasimir.org/>)

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of April 9, 2023

Sunday:

AAccts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

Monday:

Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday:

Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday:

Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday:

Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

Friday:

Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday:

Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday:

Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

"When Jesus had risen, early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had driven seven demons." (Mark 16:9)

Popular Catholic piety sometimes posits that the newly risen Jesus appears first to the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a happy thought, but it's simply not what the scriptures report. We are told quite directly that he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, **"out of whom he had driven seven demons."**

Why would the gospel writer remind us of this unsavory detail of Mary's past? Historians tell us women were not qualified to give legal testimony. On top of that, to be possessed by not just one, but seven demons, is unsavory and terrifying. What damage had they done to her? What did she do to allow herself to be home to such evil? It doesn't seem to matter. Jesus chose Mary Magdalene to be the first one who saw him risen from the dead. He decided she was qualified.

Do you think that you are disqualified from seeing and announcing the risen Jesus because of your past demons? Maybe they are the demons of despair, confusion, self-hatred, pride, addiction, failure, boredom, laziness, or other sins. Well, don't. In the light of the Risen Jesus, all these past demons make our witness that much more believable — only if we allow ourselves to be touched by the liberating hand of Christ, just as Mary Magdalene did.

— Father John Muir

● TAX CONTRIBUTION REQUESTS TAX LETTERS / CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS

If you would like to obtain a copy of your 2022 Church Contributions, please e-mail us at: church@stbarnabaslb.org (preferred, that way we can E-mail your copy faster).



You can also call our Parish Office and leave your full name, address & phone number and we can mail them out. **We will not be sending them out automatically.** These records may or may not reflect some fundraising donations. We can certainly modify your totals, just let us know. Or better yet, also refer to your own bank statements to accompany with your Church contributions. Thanks for your patience and your continued support to our Parish. **Faith Direct Subscribers: It will be mailed to you directly!**

● MISSALETTES FOR SALE

We still have Missalettes available for purchase for \$25/each. This is a complete Missal book with all three cycles, so no need to purchase every year! Please visit our Parish Office or call: 562-424-8595 or E-mail: church@stbarnabaslb.org

● PENNIES FOR THE POOR

"Pennies for the Poor" has returned!

This popular program has returned and is in full swing! The purpose of this program is to teach the children the joy of giving back to God out of gratitude for all that God has given to them. We invite all our children to prayerfully consider collecting any loose changes (ie. coins, bills), and at the 9am Sunday Mass, during the Offertory, they will be invited to come to the Altar to place their gifts in a special basket placed in front of the Altar. This collection will support the poor and orphan children for their various needs.



● R.C.I.A. CANDIDATES

Let us pray for these elect whom the Church has confidently chosen. They have successfully completed their long preparation and received their Sacraments on April 1st. Let's keep them all in our prayers.



Angela DeLaCruz	Jose Suarez
Antonio Ortega	Krystal Cabrera
Elizabeth Ruiz	Maribel Salazar
Eloisa Barragan	Mary Lopez
Gerardo Martinez	Nichole Cord

● PASTOR'S MESSAGE CALLED TO RENEW CAMPAIGN



Blessings to you! We are in exciting times as a faith community in Southern California! Our Archbishop Jose Gomez has called us all to a period of renewal — a renewal of our spiritual life and our resources. In response to this invitation, I am pleased to announce the launch of our Parish's Called to Renew campaign. This historic effort will provide much-needed funding for parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, including ours, and strengthen essential ministries and programs that affect us.

Through God's grace, we have grown from the initial small faith community into a large welcoming parish of vibrant, active, and dynamic parishioners of all ages. We are passionate about our faith, excel in service, and are dedicated to sharing the Good News as they connect us with Christ, one another, and those in need.

We are now launching the Called to Renew campaign alongside every Parish in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and ask God to bless this ambitious effort. Our campaign will allow us to address the needs of our Parish, ensuring future generations of parishioners may continue to gather, worship, and create lasting friendships.

The goal for our 5-year campaign is \$1,500,000 of which \$1,000,000 will remain with us at our Parish to address our needs. We will also retain 100 percent of the funds we collect over our goal.



I am asking you, and every member of our Parish, to make a gift from the heart. As your pastor and fellow parishioner, I will also make a sacrificial pledge. Before you determine your pledge, please prayerfully consider the generosity God has shown you, and the importance of the mission we have been given at St. Barnabas Church.

I realize this request is significant but trust your commitment to our Parish, and our Catholic faith will guide you to make a sacrificial gift. Called to Renew is essential to ensuring our church is vibrant and healthy, and our Parish remains a presence in the lives of parishioners and the community for years to come. I hope you will join me in supporting this historic campaign.

Thank you in advance for your faithful support.
Sincerely, —Fr. Antony



A direct Fund has also been set-up via Faith Direct, so you can also donate via online for convenience.

Good News!

April 9, 2023

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord (A)

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 / Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8 / John 20:1-9

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

I overheard this conversation in a coffee shop:

Child: Mom, I wouldn't have to go to school today. I could stay home with you.

Mom: I know, Joe, but I think Mrs. Burns would miss you.

Child: But won't you miss me, Mom?

Mom: Sure, Joe, but I know you'll be back in the afternoon, and I can be with you then.

Child: But I could help you in the kitchen.

Mom: What do you think you'll be doing in school today? It's getting close to Easter.

I bet Mrs. Burns will let you make bunnies.

Child: Yeah, maybe. Mom, I think my tummy hurts.

Mom: Oh, I think it'll get better once you're busy in school.

Child: Mom, couldn't I stay home with you? I'll miss you.

Mom: I know you will, Joe, but it's only for a couple of hours. How's your apple juice?

Child: OK. Mom, I think it would be OK if I stayed home today.

By the time they left, it looked as if Joe was going to school. Joe was learning an important lesson in life. Sometimes we have to do what we don't want to; we have to go into what seems to be "the tomb of death" if we're going to find life.

Easter's Gospel is that of Peter and John going and finding the tomb empty. Curiously, they didn't become believers until they entered the tomb, until they entered death's home. It's how faith happens, finding life when we expected only death and recognizing the hand of God in it. ●

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Dear Padre

April 9, 2023

Why should I believe Jesus founded the Catholic Church?

What a great question, especially during our Easter season, when the readings at Mass are about how the early Church discovers its mission and identity. Jesus intended to found a Church to carry on his mission.

Jesus chose twelve men to accompany him and learn from him. He passed on his mission to them: "Whoever listens to you listens to me. Whoever rejects you rejects me. And whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me" (Luke 10:16). Jesus called Simon Bar-Jonah "Peter," meaning "rock." Indicating his foundational role, Jesus said to Peter, "I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven" (Matthew 16:19).

Throughout the New Testament, we read how the apostles in their turn passed on their authority to other individuals by the laying on of hands (Acts 6:6; 13:3; 1 Timothy 4:14; 2 Timothy 1:6). Initially, the only two orders were bishops and deacons, but soon priests were also ordained to share some of the authority of the bishop and to be his assistants.

The Church would exist and do Jesus' work until the end of time. The whole Church, the "Body of Christ," as Paul would call it (1 Corinthians 12:27), would be Christ acting in the world on his behalf. The Church and all its members are to be "the light of the world" and "the salt of the earth" (Matthew 5:13-16). ●

— Bishop Bruce Lewandowski, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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UPCOMING INFO NIGHT / TRAINING: WEDNESDAY: APRIL 19TH AT 6:30PM

This ministry is open to all children of our Parish -- Grades 4 and higher and has received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.

Serving at the altar, Pope Francis told the young people, is a privileged way to draw closer to Jesus, which in turn "enables you to open yourselves to others, to journey together, to set demanding goals and to find the strength to achieve them."

"The closer you are to the altar," he told them, "The more you will remember to speak with Jesus in daily prayer; the more you will be nourished by the word and the body of the Lord, the better able you will be to go out to others, bringing them the gift that you have received, giving in turn with enthusiasm the joy you have received."

TO RSVP OR FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT:
ERIKA MORENO at 562-244-3062
erikamoreno22@yahoo.com

Thanks for your interest in this important Liturgical Ministry!

PIZZA DINNER WILL BE PROVIDED! PLEASE RSVP!!!



Come Celebrate

FR. ANTONY'S SILVER JUBILEE

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE

Sun. May 21, 2023 11:00am Mass Reception After

St. Barnabas Catholic Church
3955 Orange Avenue | Long Beach, CA 90807

Please visit: www.youtube.com/stbarnabaschurchlongbeach



April 9, 2023

My Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Easter Blessings to you! Christ, our Savior, is Risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! This is our song in celebrating Easter. The angel in the Gospel at the Easter vigil said to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary who came to see the tomb, "Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said" (Jn 28: 5-6). Jesus has overcome sin and death because He is the Lord of life and death. The self-sacrifice of Jesus on the cross reveals how much He loves us that He was willing to die for us. Let us be at awe of Jesus's love for us and make every effort to live our lives in His love.

In the epistle reading at the Easter vigil, St. Paul reminds us that we who are baptized into Christ Jesus are indeed buried with him through our baptism into his death, so that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life (Rom: 6:4). All of us have embraced new life in Christ at our baptism and has been freed from our ancient bondage. Let us take time to reflect if we continue to live our daily lives in the new life we found in Christ. Let us be reminded that God's love and mercy is always available through the Sacrament of Confession. The second Sunday of the Easter is celebrated as 'Divine Mercy Sunday.' St. John Paul II instituted this feast to remind us that our God is merciful to us when we seek his forgiveness. The mercy of God frees us from our spiritual decay. I invite you to seek the love and mercy of God constantly and be enriched in your spiritual life.

The risen Lord invited his disciples for communion with Him through sacred meal. For this reason, He instituted the Eucharist at the Last Supper and affirmed it when he had the meal with two of his disciples at Eumaeus. In John's Gospel, He emphatically revealed, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever..." (Jn: 6-51). As Catholics, we find our life flourishing from the nourishments we receive from the Eucharistic meal we share at the Mass. This is the meal that sustains our communion with our Lord, and our cherished beliefs and convictions against opposing views in our secular culture. The more we strengthen our communion with our Lord at Mass, the better we are prepared to navigate through the challenges of our time. Therefore, I encourage you to deepen your communion with our Lord at every Mass, particularly on Sundays.

We are so blessed to have many children in our Religious Education and Parish School preparing to receive their First Holy Communion. Our Confirmation students and the RCIA candidates are preparing to receive their Confirmation as well. Let us continue to pray for their fruitful faith journey. We congratulate and welcome those who are baptized at the Easter vigil to our family of God. Let us continue to be joyful Catholics and proclaim to the world that we are Easter People!

In union with Fr. Bernard Santiago and the Parish Staff, I invoke the abundant blessings of our Risen Lord for you and your loved ones. Happy Easter!

With Easter Blessings,
Rev. Dr. Antony J. Gaspar — Pastor



●CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

QUEEN OF HEAVEN (REGINA CAELI)

Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia.
For he whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia.
has risen, as he foretold, alleluia.
Pray for us to God, alleluia.
Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
for the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

O God, who gave joy to the world
by the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
Grant, we beseech you,
that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary,
his Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life.
Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

●WEEKLY REFLECTION

REJOICE AND BE GLAD

If Christmas is the “most wonderful time of the year,” then Easter is the most joyous, glorious, awesome time of the year! Really? Today’s readings don’t exactly brim over with the kind of holiday cheer we find at Christmas—except for the responsorial psalm, which admittedly rings with gleeful joy. But otherwise, not so much. In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, Peter gives a dry, condensed rendering of the story of Jesus to a group of Gentiles in Caesarea. The Colossians reading actually does have us looking forward to glory. Most underwhelming, though, is the Gospel proclamation of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. When we want to hear about angels and earthquakes and trumpets and glory, we hear about a dark, silent, empty tomb. This Easter Sunday story from John’s Gospel is startling in its emptiness. Like Peter in the story, we must enter into this mystery.

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●OUR FASCINATING FAITH

EASTER SEASON

Our Easter celebration lasts fifty days, during which Resurrection joy should overflow the hearts of believers to refresh a parched and weary world with the revivifying waters of faith, hope, and charity. All season, at every Sunday Mass, we read Luke’s Acts of the Apostles, charting the young church’s Spirit-led journey, sometimes peaceful, sometimes persecuted, beset by enemies without and turmoil within. But this young church is always moving onward, from Jerusalem’s familiarity to the strangeness of every place between there and Rome; and outward, from an inherited Judaism’s comfortable uniformity to the Gentile world’s challenging diversity.

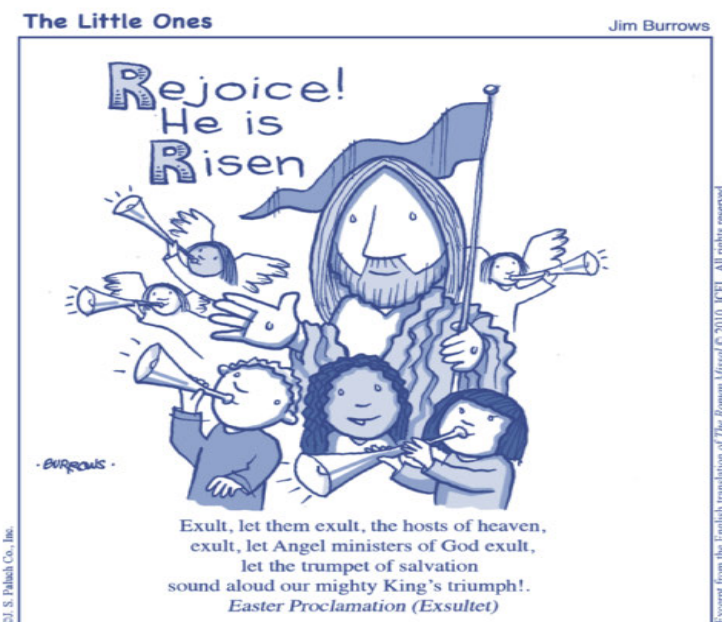
A week after Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday invites us to renew our personal relationship with Jesus. On the Third Sunday of Easter, the disciples at Emmaus recognize Jesus in the breaking of the bread, and return to share the Good News even as modern-day disciples should. On Good Shepherd Sunday, the church prays for priestly and religious vocations. All the while, Acts shows people drawn to the early Church because they had seen the Risen Jesus not in person, but in persons, in disciples who still form Christ’s living Body, the Church. Each of us is likewise called to be the kind of disciple, personally and in communion with our brothers and sisters, in whom those who seek Jesus may at least glimpse his presence.

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●FREE CATHOLIC RESOURCES

We have several FREE pamphlets at the entrances of the church that you can use to deepen your faith and also share with others. Read them and pass them along to share about our Catholic Faith.

- * Welcome: Thank You for Coming
- * Why Be Catholic?
- * 10 Things That Make For a Great Catholic Family
- * What is Catholic Social Teaching?
- * Are You Thinking About Becoming Catholic?



Join us for Coffee & Holy Donuts on (some) Sundays at the Parish Center from 8am-11am. Listen for announcements!

Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING)

CATHOLIC

Easter Sunday and Object Permanence

When you play peekaboo with a very young baby who has not yet developed object permanence, you actually feel kind of mean. As soon as your hands obscure your face, their little eyes widen with alarm and their expression crumbles into confusion and despair.

Because they can no longer see you, they believe you no longer exist. Their little brains are unable to understand that just because a thing cannot be seen, it is still there, still alive, still full of love and care and protection.

Aw, man, you can hear them thinking. I guess I don't have a mom anymore.

On Easter morning, Mary Magdalene sees the burial cloth but no body. Her human mind makes sense of the situation the best way it knows how, she assumes the Lord has been taken. I'm sure I would have thought the same thing, in her position.

She cannot conceive, on her own, the reality that Christ has risen from the dead. It doesn't matter that he has told his disciples again and again that this will happen. They weren't ready to understand then.

In many ways, Easter is when the human race really achieved object permanence. But we still struggle with it, don't we? I certainly do. So often I can be heard accusing God: "You weren't there. Where were you? I couldn't find you."

But I looked for him in the flesh. I looked for him in the stale yeast of the world — in money or success or affirmation or (worst of all) convenience and pleasure. Of course, I would not find him there, among the dead.

Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.
— Colossians 3:2

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Why are Catholics required to get married in a church, and not outside or at a different venue?

Answer:

Because the sacrament of marriage is a sacred covenant between the husband and wife, the celebration of the sacrament of matrimony is much more than simply a social or family event. So, the rule that the sacrament be celebrated in a church is a way to help reinforce the deeper meaning of Christian marriage. To help make this clearer, the Church's tradition also normally includes the celebration of the Mass when the marriage is being celebrated between two Catholics, and so a church or chapel is the ideal setting. For special reasons — which vary from diocese to diocese — the local bishop can give permission for the marriage to be celebrated in another suitable place.

• WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES


4/10: Juan & Celia Marquez (31yrs)
4/17: Jimmy & Feb Marie Rushing
4/23: Hugo & Jennie Dueñas (18yrs)



If you would like to celebrate your Wedding Anniversary, by featuring it in our bulletin, please E-mail us your full names, year you're celebrating, along with your wedding anniversary date to: church@stbarnabaslb.org, ATTN: BULLETIN

●WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Book Mass Intentions via Website, E-mail or by Phone. (+ indicates deceased) Send requests at least 2 weeks in advance, to be listed. Some names may not reflect below, due to early print deadlines or last-minute requests.

Sat. Apr 8 7:30 p.m.	HOLY SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL
Sun Apr 9 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 a.m.	EASTER SUNDAY ALLELUIA... HE IS RISEN! 
Mon. Apr 10 7:00 a.m.	31st Wedding Anniversary: Juan & Celia Marquez Birthday: Luke Dobberpuhl Intentions: Criscanta DeLunas Repose: +Carmen Alvarado; +Richard Watson; +Liberato Garcia; +Lette Berhane Ugba Gabriel Death Anniversary: +Maria Luisa Memije; +Feliciana Cerame
Tues Apr 11 7:00 a.m.	Healing & Strength: Marilyn Clark Thanksgiving: Aurora, Jena, Olivia & Lory Repose: +Galina Novikoff; +Nicandro Bernardo; +Jose Ocampo 40th day: +Sister Gemma Magnetico, OP
Wed Apr 12 7:00 a.m.	OLPH Devotees; Birthday: Julia Medina Repose: +Mary Ward
Thur Apr 13 7:00 a.m.	St. Barnabas Parish Office Staff & Volunteers Death Anniversary: +Benny Chua
Fri Apr 14 7:00 a.m.	Birthday: Suzanne Kavoosi Repose: +Glendale Magpantay Gance & +Jeff Gance
Sat Apr 15 7:00 a.m.	Birthday: Jena Solamillos Repose: +Romulo Abrogar; +Alan Clark

●PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Ken Augustine, Connie Edwards, Mary Pearson, Betty Chrysler, Kathy Wachter, Sherrie & Heather Wren, Augusto David, Barbara Hendren, Roxanne, Don, Danny & Mike Batovsky, Josh & Pam Batovsky, Cesar Giron, Robert Carambelas, Hector Gustilo, Deacon Carlito & Rose de los Reyes, Alvino Jauregui, Tina Quinn*, Bridget Vanderwerff, Carmela Chirazzini, Eva Talastas, The Dorsey Family, MaryAnn Salas*, Lydia Clark, Ted & Terri Furlow, Maxym Velazquez, Bill & Connie Dobberpuhl, Phillip Reher, Lucy Galletes*, Elizabeth N. Gabrillo*, Florencio "Junn" Gabrillo Jr.*, Lorna E Declines*, Lydia "Julie" Estrada*, Leo Ascuncion*, Sue Ann Estrada-Tumakay*, Arsenia "Paz" Estrada, Nelia N Estrada, Mario & Mely Visperas, Natividad S Fernandez, Maribella V.*, Joan Ingram*, Bridget Panek, Zoraida Ramos, Dixie Moran, Alberto Toledo, Michele Bartels, Andrea Noir, Rita Valle Moreno, Sr. Deonilda, Victor Adolfo Bracamonte, Jillian Adriano, Maria Linda Evans, Keith Wieland, Pat Madden, Arsenia "Paz" Estrada, T. McQuire, Nathaniel Espinoza, Emmanuel Sarte, Soji VS, Maria Hainey, Edwin de Lara*, Danilo Masangkay, George S*, Liza & Michael Cabrea, Katrina Sabate, Theresa Sabate, Luciano Sabate, Rose Sabate, Mary & Chris Divinaflor S., Avery Morgia, Adam Koffler, John Cuico Sr.*, Mia*, Veda, Louie Reyes, Samuel Chavez, Juan Carlos Vincent, Rhyann & Camille, Gretchen Hetzler, Emma Martinez, Mary Rende & Family, Jim Moore, Josephin, Cecilio Bautista, Emily Dunn*, Arlene Geron Monaco*, Elizabeth Lazarte*, Owen Maternal*, Ernesto Corpuz*, Martin Widener, Marilyn Clark*

List updates every 4-6 months. If you would like to be added or RE-ADDED to our prayer list, please email church@stbarnabaslb.org. Names w/asterisks denotes inclusion to St. Peregrine (patron Saint of cancer) prayer list as well.

●IN MEMORY OF

William Jeff Sr
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Mary Novotny
Martha Martinez
William Fargas
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Jose Ocampo
Leonard M Contreras
Maria Hainey
Mary Ward



Every April, Catholic parishes and schools across the United States participate in National Child Abuse Prevention Month.



The Effects of ABUSE

When a child is abused, the effects are grave and can last a lifetime. Some of the most common effects of abuse include:

- Loss of faith and trust in God.
- Post-traumatic stress disorder, psychological distress, and other indirect signs of trauma, such as anxiety, trouble sleeping, chronic stomach pain, and headaches.
- A greater risk of developing behavioral problems, substance abuse, and suicide.

The sense of violation goes deep into a person's psyche and feelings of anger, shame, hurt, and betrayal can build long after the abuse has taken place.

Steps to Prevent ABUSE

Communicate with Your Children

It is extremely important to communicate openly with your children. Let them know that they can talk to you about anything that bothers them. This will help you identify warning signs and grooming behaviors perpetrated by offenders before they escalate to abuse.

Educate Yourself and Your Children on Abuse

Learning how to identify, prevent, and report abuse is key. Parents and guardians should empower their children to protect themselves from harm and to report abuse. Ask your diocesan safe environment coordinator or parish delegate about opportunities for safe environment training.

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Identify and Report Warning Signs of Child Abusers

Grooming behaviors are the actions abusers take to project the image that they are kind, generous, caring people, while their intent is to lure a minor into an inappropriate relationship. Offenders can be patient and may groom their victim, his or her family, or community for years.

Some abusers isolate a potential victim by giving him or her undue attention or lavish gifts, while others allow young people to participate in activities which their parents or guardians would not approve, such as watching pornography, drinking alcohol, using drugs, and excessive touching, such as wrestling and tickling. Abusers also often try to isolate their victims from family or friends and encourage their victims to keep secrets from their parents or other caring adults.

Holding Offenders ACCOUNTABLE

To help hold offenders accountable, report all suspected abuse to local public authorities. You can also contact your local diocesan victim assistance coordinator to make a report and seek outreach for the abused.

In accordance with diocesan policy, when a single act of sexual abuse is admitted or established, the offender is to be removed permanently from ministry.



"Let it be clear that before these abominations the Church will spare no effort to do all that is necessary to bring to justice whosoever has committed such crimes . . . To those who abuse minors I would say this: convert and hand yourself over to human justice, and prepare for divine justice."

—Pope Francis, Dec. 21, 2018





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