



## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



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Year B: Reading 812

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon-Fri: 9:30am-5:00pm

Saturday: 8:30am-4:30pm

Sunday: 7:30am-2:00pm

### PASTOR:

Rev. Dr. Antony Gaspar

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### •MASS TIMES•

Mon-Sat: 7:00am

Sat Vigil: 5:00pm

Wed: 8:00am (School Mass)

6:30pm (OLPH)

Sun: 7:00am | 11:00am

9:00am\* | 12:30pm

\*denotes live-stream via YouTube

### •1ST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH•

Confession: 8:00am-9:00am

Adoration: 9:00am-12:00pm

5:00pm-6:00pm

Stations of the Cross: 6:00pm

Mass of Anointing: 6:30pm

### •CONFESSION TIMES•

Sat: 3:30pm-4:30pm

### NOVENAS / DEVOTIONS:

Tues: 7:30am (Saint Joseph)

Wed: 7:15pm (Our Lady of  
Perpetual Help)

1st Sat: 7:30am (Our Lady of  
Fatima)

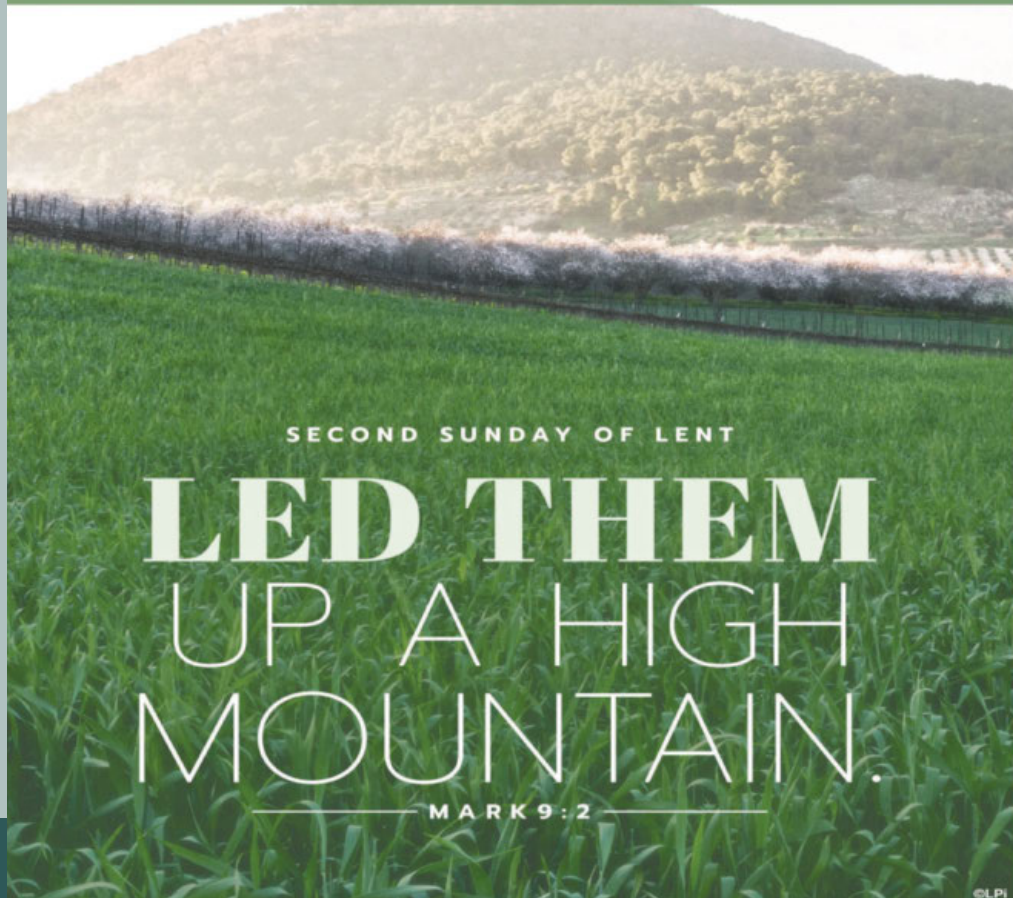
### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*"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."*

## ST. BARNABAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024



### MARK YOUR CALENDAR / UPCOMING EVENTS:

02/17-03/17: Lenten Sock Drive!

02/25: Community Breakfast/7am-11:30am/Parish Hall/\$10-plate

03/01: Lenten Friday/Stations 5:30pm/Lenten Mass 6pm/Fish Fry 6:15pm

03/03: Fil-Am Assoc. Mtg/5pm/Parish Hall

03/09: Save the Date! Parish Lenten & Eucharistic Revival Recollection

03/10: Daylight Savings Time/Set clocks ahead 1-hour the night before!

03/16: Fr. Antony's Birthday!

03/17: Fil-Am Pancake Breakfast/more info to come!

03/24: Palm Sunday

## 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
Coffee & Holy Donuts	Bill M
Cornerstone Crew	Dave A
Couples for Christ	Roy R/Faye R
Divine Mercy Apostolate	Itima E
Eucharistic Revival	Brian S
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	David S (Church) Helen C (Homebound)
Filipino-American Association	Helen C
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	Helen C
Liturgical Music	Cynthia T
Maintenance	Reggie V
Marian Cenacle M.M.P.	Mary C S/Mary S
Ministry of Consolation	Susan C
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena	Armando P Gigi L
Our Lady Queen of Peace	Tricia J
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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	Parish Office

For **MINISTRY INQUIRIES**,  
or to view our complete listing,  
please visit:  
[www.stbarnabaslb.org/ministries](http://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.



**THIS SUNDAY: FEB. 25TH**

**COMMUNITY  
BREAKFAST  
AT THE  
PARISH HALL!  
7AM ~ 11:30AM**

Inquiring about Infant Baptisms,  
Weddings, Funerals, & Anointing of the  
Sick, please call the Parish Office:  
**562-424-8595**

## FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

02/04/24: \$ **7,922.53**  
02/11/24: \$ **5,161.85**



Faith-Direct  
Bi-Weekly  
Contribution: \$ **8,473.46**  
Period: 01/16- 01/31

Thanks for your prayerful giving. Your donation supports the operations of our Parish. Pre-pandemic, we would average \$10,000+ weekly. Please consider increasing your donation amount. Thanks for your help & generosity.



### Monthly Flower Donors for Tabernacle & Blessed Mother:

**Deli  
Marrujo**



**Feb. 13-Mar. 23**

### ALTAR FLOWERS SPONSOR(S):

*Requested by: Cynthia Tan*

**Special Intentions for:  
Holy Family Choir**

**Feb. 26~Mar. 3**



**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.

### ST. BARNABAS SCHOOL



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# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

"I know now how devoted you are to God,  
since you did not withhold from me your own  
beloved son." (Gn 22:12)

### Psalm:

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. (Ps 116)

### Second Reading:

He who did not spare his own Son  
but handed him over for us all,  
how will he not also give us everything else along  
with him? (Rom 8:32)

### Gospel:

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them;  
from the cloud came a voice,  
"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." (Mk 9:7)

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## Saint of the week

Blessed Carlo Acutis was born in 1991 and is the first millennial to be beatified. Despite dying of leukemia at age 15, he developed a website that showcases Eucharistic Miracles around the world, demonstrating that holiness knows no age.

## Prayer of Trust

Dear Lord,  
Your ways confuse me sometimes. Often, I don't fully understand what You are doing. But I believe that You are working in a way that will one day make sense. Until then, keep me close to You, trusting blindly in the ways You lead me. Amen.

## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The Transfiguration left the disciples with more questions than answers. What had they just seen? What had they just heard? They were confused, but they trusted Jesus. Let's follow in their example, trusting in God's care as we journey deeper into Lent.

## Observances for the week of February 25, 2024

**Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Lent

**Tuesday:** St. Gregory of Narek,  
Abbot and Doctor of the Church

**Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Lent



**Parish Lenten &  
Eucharistic Revival  
Recollection:  
MARCH 9TH**

## Worship & Meditation

### Readings for the week of February 25, 2024

#### Sunday:

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15,  
16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

#### Monday:

Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

#### Tuesday:

Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21  
and 23/Mt 23:1-12

#### Wednesday:

Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/  
Mt 20:17-28

#### Thursday:

Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

#### Friday:

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17,  
18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

#### Saturday:

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10,  
11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

#### Next Sunday:

Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9,  
10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25  
*Scrutiny:* Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/  
Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-  
26, 39a, 40-42

### •WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES ♥

01/01: Victor & JoAnne Perez

01/06: William & Elaine Chua (42yrs)

01/07: Sam & Sonia Christi (5yrs)

01/14: Jale & Sahlee Balajadia (25yrs)

02/25: Raymund & JJ Ramos (35yrs)

#### GET FEATURED IN OUR BULLETIN!

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](mailto:church@stbarnabaslb.org),  
ATTN: BULLETIN



*Happy  
Anniversary*

### Gospel Meditation

#### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

As a college student, my prized possession was an after-market car stereo. It was my pride and joy: glorious audio, eye-catching display screen, and multi-disc CD changer. It drained my hard-earned dollars, but it was totally worth it. It drenched me in music everywhere I drove. On Ash Wednesday of my senior year of college, Father Tom, the Jesuit priest at my university said, "Pray for God to tell you what he wants you to sacrifice for Lent." I did. In my heart, the answer came: "Give up listening to your car stereo for forty days." I winced. Not possible, I thought. Can't do it. I made other plans. The next morning, I was stunned to find that my car had been broken into, and my fancy stereo ripped out and stolen.

God's command to sacrifice what we love is no joke. This week in Genesis 22, God says: "**Abraham!**" "**Here I am,**" he replied. **Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, whom you love — Isaac — and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you."** Believe me, I know. We like to be in control. It chafes us that *God sets the terms* of what we must sacrifice, and how. But this is no impersonal, tyrannical process. Remember that God uses their names, Abraham and Isaac. God knows each one of us and the precious gifts He commands us to offer. Finally, our sacrifices are for our own good. Do we trust this enough to do what Father Tom asked me to do?

**Lenten challenge:** This week, I dare you to ask God: "What do you want me to give up?" He may ask for that which you love most. It will be something precious to you: time, money, a relationship, a dream, an opportunity. What matters is we trust Him and act sacrificially in line with His command. Whatever we sacrifice will of course come back to us as surely as the Risen Jesus — but that doesn't make it easy.

— Father John Muir

### •WELCOME TO ST. BARNABAS! NEW PARISHIONERS OR RE-REGISTERED

- Cipriano & Adelita Mejilla
- Diocel & Arnold Repollo
- Cody & Beatriz Charnell
- Ervin De Ono
- Ricardo & Claudia Marin & Family







## Second Sunday of Lent: Listening for the Voice of God



NATIONAL  
**Eucharistic  
Revival**

**WORK OF MERCY:** Bear Wrongs Patiently

**THE GRACE I SEEK:** to recognize the voice of Jesus in my life

**IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN.**

*Pause for a few moments, and allow yourself to become aware of Jesus' gift of himself in the Eucharist. Realize that, at this very moment, the Lord of Life is gazing upon you with great love. Allow yourself to receive his loving gaze. You are his beloved child. Rest in his loving gaze.*

*Thank Jesus for the gift of himself in the Eucharist.*

**ASK FOR THE GRACE:** Jesus, help me to trust you are speaking to me and to recognize your voice.

**SCRIPTURE MEDITATION** — Read slowly, 3–4 times. Allow the words of Scripture to wash over your mind and heart. Allow the Holy Spirit to speak to you through this passage.

**"I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you acted as you did in not withholding from me your beloved son, I will bless you abundantly and make your descendants as countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore." (Genesis 22:16–17)**

**REFLECTION QUESTION** — Allow yourself to sit with these questions for a while, being attentive to how the Lord is speaking in your heart.

The Lord often asks difficult things of us, especially if our hearts have wandered away from him. However, he always blesses us more than we could have ever imagined when we follow his promptings. What is one concrete blessing in your life Jesus has given you after you chose to listen to and follow him?

**SCRIPTURE MEDITATION** — Read slowly, 3–4 times. Again, allow the words of Scripture to wash over your mind and heart. Let the Holy Spirit speak to you through this passage.

**"Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, 'This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.' Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them." (Mark 9:7–8)**

**REFLECTION QUESTION** — Allow yourself to sit with these questions for a while, being attentive to how the Lord is speaking in your heart.

Gazing upon the Eucharist, recognize that Jesus is with you. The Father tells us in this Gospel reading that Jesus is his beloved Son. Is there an area of your heart that still struggles to believe that this is really God's beloved Son, present in a most special way in the Eucharist? Ask Jesus to help you see his face and hear his voice in the Blessed Sacrament.

Remain in silence with the Lord. Allow him to speak in the silence, in your heart. Receive his presence. If it helps, write down what you sense the Lord communicating to you during this time of prayer.

**CLOSING PRAYER** — O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly by your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen. (Collect, Second Sunday of Lent)

**SUNDAY MASS CONNECTION** — At every Mass, Jesus offers himself to the Father for us. We can always join our own offerings with Jesus at Mass. This Sunday, offer your desire to recognize Jesus and to hear his voice more clearly in the Eucharist, trusting that he will bless you abundantly as you follow him more closely.

**LOVE IN ACTION** — Most of us have family, friends, or coworkers that do not understand our belief that Jesus is truly present and communicates himself to us in the Blessed Sacrament. This can be a deep source of suffering, but bearing this patiently and praying for their conversion can be an occasion of grace and peace for both them and you! This week, consider choosing one person in your life who does not believe in the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, and pray daily for them to encounter Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

[eucharisticrevival.org/newsletter](http://eucharisticrevival.org/newsletter)

### The Eucharistic Revival Team Cordially Invites You



#### LENTEN & EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL RECOLLECTION

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2024

St Barnabas Church

1:30pm – 4:30pm

With Fr. Tony Ricard

Archdiocese of New Orleans

#### Parish Schedule

1:30pm	Gather & Fellowship
2:00pm	Welcome & Introduction Opening Prayer
2:10pm	Reflection by Fr Tony Ricard
3:30pm	Adoration / Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Confessions
4:30pm	Benediction Lenten & Eucharistic Revival Recollection Closing Prayer
5:00pm	Vigil Mass (optional)



#### Parish Lenten & Eucharistic Revival Recollection

Rev. R. Tony Ricard, M.Th., M.Div. is a Catholic Priest for the Archdiocese of New Orleans, the Pastor of St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish and the Campus Minister at St. Augustine High School in New Orleans. Since his ordination on May 27, 1995, he has given keynote addresses, retreats, revivals, and youth talks across the nation and throughout Canada. He has preached in and visited 23 other countries. He is a native of New Orleans and a proud graduate of St. Augustine High School, Loyola University in New Orleans, Xavier University of Louisiana's Institute for Black Catholic Studies and Notre Dame Seminary.

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# Liturgical Life

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

### On the Mountain

Why climb a mountain? "Because it's there," George Mallory famously said, before perishing in an attempt to scale Mount Everest.

God is an event planner; every detail matters, and the location is most crucial of all. On the mountain, God demanded the sacrifice of Isaac. On the mountain, he restored Isaac to his father. On the mountain, Jesus was transfigured, revealed in all his mystifying glory as the beloved Son of God, the sacrifice which would finally balance the scale.

These things happened on a mountain because they could only happen on a mountain. The mountain is where the reckoning happens. It is where God takes, where He gives back, where He hands down.

In Lent, we encounter the mountain. We are removed from the distractions of ordinary life and placed outside the confines of our everyday habits. We find silence and mystery, pain and truth. We struggle and we become tired, and there is always a moment when we wonder if, perhaps, it would have been easier not to climb. There is always a moment when others look at us and think: "Why climb a mountain?"

I confess, I am not much of an outdoorswoman. Hiking, in my family, is any walking you do on a trail that is not paved, so I am far from qualified to comment on whether or not the view from the summit was worth George Mallory's life. But I do know a thing or two about struggling through a difficult experience. I know the strange peace that exists in the moment after it's all over and you catch your breath and realize you are a better, stronger, wiser person for the pain.

The mountain is there. Let's climb it.

*"God put Abraham to the test. He called to him, 'Abraham!' 'Here I am!' he replied." — Genesis 22:1*

*Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman*

## Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

### Question:

Why do we hold hands during the Our Father?

### Answer:

The practice of members of the assembly holding hands while praying the Lord's Prayer during the Mass is a custom that developed organically in the 1970s and 1980s. While some commentators acknowledge that the practice varies from place to place, it is a fairly universal reality in parishes across the United States. For some, this action symbolizes the communion of Christians praying together as one family of believers honoring the Father of All. Critics of the practice sometimes express concern that holding hands can be a distraction from the more significant unity that is experienced when we process to the altar to receive sacramental communion.

And so, we're left to ask, what is the answer?

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (the document that offers specific instructions for the celebration of the Mass) is silent on the practice, saying only that "all the faithful say the prayer" with the priest. The website of the US Bishops simply observes that "No position is prescribed in the Roman Missal for an assembly gesture during the Lord's Prayer." And so, we're left to discern within ourselves and within our parish and religious communities what is an authentic gesture of praise during this important point of the Mass. For some, this means continuing to hold hands, while for others, this may mean adopting another posture of prayer.



# STATIONS OF THE CROSS

AT ST. BARNABAS CHURCH

Please join us all Fridays in Lent | 5:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY 16 | FEBRUARY 23

MARCH 1 | MARCH 8

MARCH 15 | MARCH 22

Mass | 6 p.m. Fish Fry | 6:15 p.m.-8:30 p.m.



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## •LENTEN FRIDAYS

### FEATURED MINISTRIES DURING LENT

- 2/16: Divine Mercy Apostolate & Consolation Ministry
- 2/23: Filipino-American Association
- 3/1 : St. Barnabas School (*Adoration: 5pm-5:30pm*)
- 3/8 : Legion of Mary & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- 3/15: Knights of Columbus
- 3/22: Marian Cenacle MMP & Legion of Mary



JOIN US FOR  
**FRIDAY  
FISH FRY!**

ST. BARNABAS | 6:15-8:30PM | \$15 ADULTS, \$12 SENIORS, \$6 CHILD  
PARISH HALL - HOSTED BY: KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



## It's RAFFLE Time!

A chance to win one of these beautiful handmade blankets!

**\$5 / 1-ticket  
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Purchase at Fish Fry!



## •FR. BERNARD'S BIBLE STUDY

### THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY IS BACK!

Join Fr. Bernard's Bible Study Sessions for **8-Weeks starting on Feb. 8th from 7:00pm-8:30pm**. You can join thru your computer or phone by visiting this link:

<https://zoom.us/j/99174147604>

Meeting ID: 991 7414 7604

Password: 3955



For more info, visit our webpage:

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## •WORSHIP ENVIRONMENT TEAM

### LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

We are currently in need of more volunteers to join our Worship Environment Team! If you love decorating and want to help making our Church beautiful for upcoming events, holidays, feast days, etc. please call our Parish Office at: **562-424-8595** or E-Mail to: [church@stbarnabaslb.org](mailto:church@stbarnabaslb.org) if you are interested. Our Team works hard and we are looking for a group who can dedicate some free time on a regular basis!

So if you are called and would like to share your time, talent and treasure in this Ministry, don't hesitate to contact us!

## •ALTAR FLOWER SPONSORS

### SPONSOR FLOWERS FOR A WEEK

Sponsor our weekly Altar Flowers in honor of a loved one, or special occasion, call the Parish Office at: 562-424-8595 or E-mail: [church@stbarnabaslb.org](mailto:church@stbarnabaslb.org) to book your week. Suggested Donation/Cost: \$100-\$125 — this includes a Mass Intention date of your choosing & bulletin spotlight. (depends on availability)





# LENTEN SOCK DRIVE!

**All Sizes!**  
**Adults & Children**  
*(especially Mothers & Kids)*

**NEW Socks only!**

**Donations will benefit:**  
***Precious Life Center (Lakewood)***  
***& Marian Outreach Center***  
***(Long Beach)***

**Warming 'soles'**  
**one step at a time!**

***Collection ends: March 17th***

***(Donation bins located at each exit  
of the Church)***

## •TAX CONTRIBUTION REQUESTS

### TAX LETTERS / CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS

If you would like to obtain a copy of your yearly 2023 Church Contributions, please e-mail us at: [church@stbarnabaslb.org](mailto:church@stbarnabaslb.org) (preferred, that way we can E-mail your copy faster).

**TAX  
INCENTIVES**

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, Together in Mission and Called to Renew Donors: It will be mailed to you directly!**

## •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, 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

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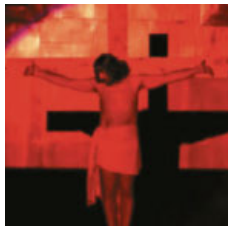
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## •LENTEN PASSION PLAY

### LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS/PARTICIPANTS

We will be performing the Passion Play again this year on Good Friday. We are in need of volunteers to be a part of it. NO acting experience needed! Come to our rehearsals on: **MONDAY EVENINGS approx. from 6pm-9pm.**



Meet us inside the Church. Costumes will be provided.

Questions, contact our Parish Office:  
562-424-8595  
or E-mail: [church@stbarnabaslb.org](mailto:church@stbarnabaslb.org)

## •FILIPINO-AMERICAN ASSOC.

### GENERAL MEETING: MARCH 3RD

Join us for our next meeting on Sunday, March 3rd at 5:00pm in the Parish Hall. New members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

We will also have a potluck dinner, so please bring a dish to share. For more information, contact Joey Kennett (562) 400-3121, Cipi Mejilla (310) 920-7817.



Donation of \$10.00 goes to St. Barnabas Parish

### A Community breakfast at St Barnabas

Hosted by:

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### Menu

Longanisa, Pork Tocino, Corned Beef Hash  
Includes: Fried rice, Coffee, Tea and Juice

*When*

February 25, 2024

*Where*

Parish Hall

*Time*

7:00 - 11:30 a.m

## •SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN

### DID YOU KNOW? February 24 & 25

"Sexting" is the sending of sexually explicit messages or images via text. Sexting commonly happens in conversations between teens and tweens, and usually involves nude "selfies." When these images are shared or distributed on social media platforms like TikTok, Instagram, and Snapchat, the problem is made worse. Some states have laws against sexting that could have criminal ramifications for teens.

To learn more, read the VIRTUS® article "Responding to the Crime of Child Sexual Abuse Materials" at: [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).



Fr. Antony, Manny & our 2nd-Year Confirmation Students on Retreat on February 10-11, 2024 at Idyllwild.

## •CONVALIDATION MARRIAGE

### PREPARATION PROGRAM

These programs is for couples who have been previously married in a civil ceremony. They are now making a commitment in the sight of the Catholic Community, entering into a covenanted relationship, not just with each other, but also with God and God's people, the Church.

These couples have been married anywhere from a few months to many years and some already have children. This type of preparation can also be beneficial for the couple who has lived together for an extended period of time.

If you would like to get your Marriage validated within the eyes of the Catholic Church, please call our Parish Office for more information, and/or to RSVP for our upcoming Convalidation Program, scheduled for: **Saturday, March 2, 2024 from 8:45am-5:00pm. Cost=\$120/couple**

**\*Call our Parish Office at: 562-424-8595 to RSVP** as soon as possible, as spots fill up quickly!

## COLLECTING YOUR OLD, BLESSED PALMS!

**We will begin to collect your old, blessed palms starting on Ash Wednesday. Please place them at the designated baskets around the Church. Thank you!**

## •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 Feb 24 5:00 p.m.	Repose: +Concepcion Sagum 5th Death Anniversary: +Rodolfo Alejandria
Sun Feb 25 7:00 a.m.	Birthday: Jonny Atienza 35th Wedding Anniversary: Raymund and JJ Ramos Healing: Gloria Dorsey Special Intentions: Avery Morgia; Socorro Dones
9:00 a.m.	Birthday: Isabie Gombas Healing: Jose Chavez Repose: +Cornelio Dalog; +Catalina Vargas
11:00 a.m.	All St. Barnabas Parishioners
12:30 p.m.	Repose: +Darwin Arayata; +Remedios Pasamonte
Mon Feb 26 7:00 a.m.	Birthday: Virgil Sangria Thanksgiving: Sangria Family Healing: Gloria Dorsey Special Intentions: Socorro Dones Repose: +Rosario Ocampo Death Anniversary: +Luis G. Figueiredo; +Manuel Torrez (5th)
Tues Feb 27 7:00 a.m.	Birthday: Ismael Holipas; Alexandra Shields-Knox Healing: Gloria Dorsey Special Intentions: Socorro Dones Repose: +Gabriel Medina
Wed Feb 28 7:00 a.m.	Healing: John Fitzpatrick Repose: +Tom & +Freida Skeren, +Jean & +Stanley Gilewski
& 6:30 p.m.	OLPH Devotees; Special Intentions: Amelia Joya 40th Day: +Damaso Memije
Thur Feb 29 7:00 a.m.	Birthday: Fr. Ed Broom, OMV
Fri Mar 1 7:00 a.m.	Birthday: Elaine Trenkle Thanksgiving: Christine Angeles Repose: +Ron Hoyt; +Eric St. John
& 6:00 p.m.	Birthday: Fr. Ed Broom, OMV Special Intentions: Tom Skeren III; Thanksgiving: St. Barnabas School Students, Parents & Staff/Teachers
Sat Mar 2 7:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving: Lucas Demigillo & Family; Eric Files

## •R.C.I.A.

### PRAY FOR OUR CANDIDATES AND ELECTS

During this spiritual time of Lent, let us pray for all our Catechumens and Candidates who will be receiving their Sacraments soon.

CATECHUMENS	CANDIDATES
Cassandra Aim	Rozlyn Aguilar
Allan Bowman	William Aguilar
Leslie Gossard	Michael Arango
Angela Henkel	Mary Elenez
	Luis Garcia
	Margarita Kleinman
	Christina Nava

Lord, we pray for those in the RCIA process who journey to you. Strengthen their faith. Open their hearts to the fullness of your love. Deepen their understanding. Set their hearts on fire for the kingdom of God. We ask this through Jesus, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life for all. —Amen.

## •PRAYERS FOR HEALING

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](mailto:church@stbarnabaslb.org). Names w/asterisks denotes inclusion to St. Peregrine (patron Saint of cancer) prayer list as well.

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 Chiurazzi, Eva Talastas, The Dorsey Family, MaryAnn Salas\*, Ted & Terri Furlow, Maxym Velazquez, Phillip Reher, Lucy Galletes\*, Elizabeth N. Gabrillo\*, 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, 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., Adam Koffler, Mia\*, Veda, Louie Reyes, Samuel Chavez, Juan Carlos Vincent, Gretchen Hetzler, Emma Martinez, Mary Rende & Family, Jim Moore, Josephin, Cecilio Bautista, Emily Dunn\*, Elizabeth Lazarte\*, Owen Maternal\*, Ernesto Corpuz\*, Martin Widener, Marilyn Clark\*, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Caceres Family, Richard Van Vooren, Barbara & Richard Bourque, Tom Skeren III, Nathaniel Espinoza, Gladys Roberts\*, Esperanza Trujillo, Frank Battaglia, Aurora Tadic\*, Julie & Franco Atienza, Agyn Atienza, John Fitzpatrick, Carolyn Skeren, Dorothy Clay, Hermelindo Chavez, Jordan, Stefan Uhlar, Christina McClure & Family, Mark Dorsey, Alice Almeida, Charito Salas, Gilberto Topete, Nathan Topete, Dania Gonzalez\*, Cecilia Canchola\*, Calinica Semense, Jason, Cale, Michele, Jacque, Stacey, Tecla, Marlize, Joel Ramos C., Francisco Reyes, Justina Ramos, Corkey Stillwell, Alwina Stillwell, Diane Sharp, Charles M. Mirira, Sheila Nyakio, Baby Maina, Ashley, Valentine Judy Andrade & Family Tree, Amara G. Riparip\*, Abe Ubaldo, Precy de Lara, Marife de Lara, Edwin de Lara; Robert Mancilla\*, Lory D., Maria A. Laurel, Maria L. Laurel, Hector Morales, Aurelio Sanchez, Manuel Torres, Matthew Herreid, Essan Labos, Patricia Pagay, Luis Figuerido, Avery Morgia, Antonio Quintero, Dixie Moran\*, Alberto Toledo\*, Rodney Benjamin, Lilly Burton\*, Virginia Castillo, Julio Rivera, Jackie Spiziri, Mary Ann Homan, Connie Dobberpuhl, Jan Karsko, Jeanine Chester\*, Zuzana Vikrutova, Socorro Dones

## •IN MEMORY OF

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Juanito (John) Cuico, Sr.  
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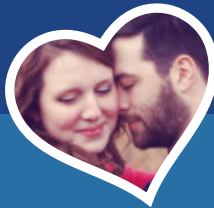


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