

We are a welcoming Roman Catholic Parish that cherishes the Polish heritage of our founders and celebrates the diversity of all who enter, thus striving to give glory to God through worship and service to the community.

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St. Barbara Church

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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 26, 2020

LITURGY SCHEDULE / ROZKLAD MSZY SW.

Saturday, Sobota, July 25 4:30 p.m. † Virginia, † John & † Jack Freas int. Ken & Maureen Krol

Sunday, Niedziela, July 26

9:00 a.m.+ Presider's intention11:00 a.m.+ Zofia & + Leon Lojewskiint. Kusmirek Family

Monday, Poniedziałek, July 27 7:30 a.m. † Robert Grodek int. Fr. Hilinski

Tuesday, Wtorek, July 287:30 a.m.† Roger McCullough int. Molek Family

Wednesday, Środa, July 29 7:30 a.m. Presider's intention

Thursday, Czwartek, July 30

7:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Barbara Church

Friday, Piątek, July 31 7:30 a.m. † Richard Cielec int. Lauri Eckman & Family

Saturday, Sobota, August 1

4:30 p.m. † Mildred Cielec int. Lauri Eckman & Family

Sunday, Niedziela, August 2

9:00 a.m.† Fr. Chester Cudnik, † Fr. Michael Dyrcz &
† Fr. Lucjan Stokowski *int. Benet Konarski*11:00 a.m.† Rafal Sowinski *int. Kowalewski Family*

ALL MASSES are in English except the 11:00 Sunday Mass which is in Polish. CONFESSIONS are heard in English every Saturday before the Vigil Mass, from 3:45 to 4:15 p.m. (see more information in this bulletin)

DISCOUNTS! SALES!

As Americans we love to look for bargains and what we can get for a cheap price but at high value. In the world of shopping, this is a great rule and gives us a lot of value.

However, the Gospel for this 17th Sunday gives us a number of parables that challenge this very practical approach to everyday life when it comes to our religious life.

That which is valuable is costly. Even in our everyday lives where we might be looking for bargains, we come to the realization that if we really want something of quality and permanence we are going to have to spend a good amount of money to get it. For what is the pearl of great price and the treasure hidden in the field but the Kingdom of God which Jesus embodies in his life, death and resurrection. While in some ways it seems easy just to accept it with an act of faith, that act of faith as we grow older and wiser in our lives is far more costly than we ever imagined. Remember the words of Jesus a number of weeks ago, that "those who seek their lives with lose it and those who lose their lives for the Gospel's sake will find it." That is a very daunting exhortation!

There are those who are looking for a bargain in religion! There are those who keep looking to God for some nice big sign "Sale... Lowest price possible is yours!" And yet the Lord knows that what He is offering just cannot be obtained at bargain rates. What the Lord Jesus is offering has a steep price but even that does not compare in the long run to the value of what you are getting. It is the satisfaction of knowing you have something that is not going to keep breaking down and be in need of repairs; that you have something that is truly beautiful and lovely. You will be able to say to yourself— this is really worth it for my life has become something more precious than I could have ever imagined. Why did I wait so long to make the ultimate offering to God!

SOCIAL CONCERNS PROJECT: **Back to School Gift Cards for Kids**



We are continuing to collect donations of Walmart Gift Cards (\$20 each) to help selected students at Metro Catholic School prepare for the new school year. Parishioners can buy and donate a \$20 Walmart gift card or they can make a cash donation. Any cash collected will be used to purchase additional \$20 gift cards.

Thanks to all who have already donated. Your generosity and support is so greatly appreciated in this time with everything going on in the world. The deadline for receiving the cards has been extended to the weekend of August 15/16.

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2021 MASS BOOK

The 2021 Mass Book is now available for Parishioners requesting Mass Intentions for the year 2021. The Mass stipend is \$10 per Mass. Mass request envelopes are available on the table by the side Intentions entrance. Please put your request in

writing on the envelope and enclose the stipend. Include your name, address and phone number on the request so that we can contact you if any adjustments are necessary. Place the envelope in the collection basket or mail it to the rectory.

FACE MASKS are to be worn upon entering the church and during the celebration of the Mass only to be removed momentarily to receive communion. If you or your guest does not have a face mask one will be made available to you. Face masks are on the table near the side entrance.

NOSIC MASKE NA TWARZ

Podczas wchodzenia do kosciola i podczas Mszy Swietej nalezy nosic maske na twarz. Tylko na chwile mozna usunac by przyjac komunie. Jesli ty lub twoj gosc nie ma maski, mozemy ja dla was zapewnic.

CONFESSIONS

Fr. Hilinski will use the priest's sacristy to hear confessions on Saturdays, from 3:45-4:00 p.m. The sacristy will be set up with a kneeler and a chair. Father will be turned away from you to hear your confession unless you request face to face confession. Please use the door to the sacristy which is located in the hallway that leads to the single restroom.

The generosity of our Parishioners & Friends has brought St. Barbara Church the following:

Collection for July 18-19 - \$2,138 (52 envelopes) Maintenance Fund - \$325 (13 envelopes)

Thank you! Dziękuję bardzo!

Prayer List

Please pray for our parishioners who are ill and all who are in need of our prayers:

Jim Adams, Phillip Adams, Renette Armstrong, Ed Barker, Stan Bellar, William Boutell, MaryAnn Boyer, Alan Bradny, Iola Natal, Loretta Budzinski, Sarah Burket, Shannon Burke, Phyllis Cielec, Donna Cuevas, Jean Fabian, Mary Jean Farren, Dorothy Friedl, Marcy Hill, Joan Kalemba, Paul Karbowski, Richard Konarski, Chris Krovich, Maria Kusmierczyk, Christopher Lenik, Rosemary Maier, Ed Montgomery, Dorothy Noga, Kathleen Patton, Linda Sikora, Marek Pietrzycki, Martha Plonski, Martha Vana, Mike Prock, Marc Rudolph, Ann Sagar, Robert Orahoske, Lindsey Sieniawski, Brandon Hrelja, Włodzimierz Wrobel, Sandy Kalemba Worden, Ray Yoder, Tom Zakarowsky

EIGHT YEARS AGO THIS WEEKEND July 22, 2012

Open the doors so that the people of God may worship the God of heaven and earth!



Fr. Hilinski, leading the procession of parishioners and friends, knocks three times on the front doors as our Church is reopened

WHEN THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS ENDS

When this ends, may we find that we have become more like the people we wanted to be, we were called to be, we hoped to be. And may we stay that way - better for each other because of the worst.

- From a poem/prayer by Laura Kelly Fanucci, https://laurakellvfanucci.com/