



Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 14, 2015

ST. BARNABAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MISSION STATEMENT: *"We, the Catholic Community of St. 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,*

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Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm
Saturday 9:30 am-3:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am-1:00 pm

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY 8:00 AM
(VIGIL) 5:00 PM
SUNDAY 7:30 AM
9:00 AM
10:30 AM
12:00 PM
MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:00 AM

EUCCHARISTIC

1st Friday of the month 8:30 am-9:00 pm

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL

Wednesday 6:30 pm



SACRAMENTS

Confession

1st Friday of the month 7:15 am-7:50 am
Saturday 3:30 pm-4:30 pm

Baptisms

4th Sunday of the month 1:30 pm
by prior arrangement

Marriages

Please contact Priest 6 months prior

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the office

**It shall put forth
branches and bear
fruit and become a
majestic cedar.**

ALL IS GRACE

On Sundays in Ordinary Time, the Old Testament reading is selected for the light it sheds on the day's Gospel. Today, Ezekiel sees God lifting up the lowly tree and making the withered tree bloom. So in the second parable of today's Gospel, Jesus encourages us by promising that, as fragile seeds grow into an abundant harvest, and the tiny mustard seed into a hearty plant, so God will grow the kingdom from small beginnings to an instrument of salvation for all. In the first parable, the land yields fruit "of its own accord" (Mark 4:28). Not only is the initiative God's, but the parable teaches that the seed's growth, though invisible at first, is actually unstoppable! To be sure, those who depend on the impressive or dramatic in order to be convinced or encouraged will be disappointed in the slow unfolding of the kingdom that Jesus announces. But for those who do accept the kingdom, all is grace, and that grace is certain.

Though the second reading is not coordinated with either the first reading or Gospel on these Sundays, today's is thematically appropriate. Saint Paul argues that our experience of God's trustworthiness thus far should make us a people of undaunted courage and unshakeable faith. But

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I have lifted high the lowly tree
(Ezekiel 17:22-24).

Psalms — Lord, it is good to give thanks to you
(Psalm 92).

Second Reading — Whether we are at home or away, we aspire to please the Lord
(2 Corinthians 5:6-10).

Gospel — It is the smallest of all seeds, and becomes the largest of plants (Mark 4:26-34)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3-4; Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday:	2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-9a; Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday:	2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-4, 9; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday:	2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15
Friday:	2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34:2-7; Mt 6:19-23
Saturday:	2 Cor 12:1-10; Ps 34:8-13; Mt 6:24-34
Sunday:	Jb 38:1, 8-11; Ps 107:23-26, 28-31; 2 Cor 5:14-17;

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Flag Day
Friday:	St. Romuald
Saturday:	



Mark Your Calendar

- 6/13 & 6/14 Extraordinary Ministers meet Victor after Mass in church parking lot.
- 6/14: Catholic Faith-Learn More, 10:30am-11:30am/ Parish Center Fireside Rm
- 6/14: Flag Day
- 6/15: Estimated date for re-roofing of the Parish Hall
- 7/5: New Sunday Mass schedule takes effect

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, June 15th

8:00 am - Rommel Abrogar +

Tuesday, June 16th

8:00 am- Intention of Fr. Peter Kirwin, OSM

Wednesday, June 17th

8:00 am- Alejandro dela Cruz +

Thursday, June 18th

8:00 am- Joao Noronha +

Friday, June 19th

8:00 am- Romulo Abrogar +

Saturday, June 20th

8:00 am- Andres & Lydia Aguinaldo +

5:00 pm- Logie Sacramento +

Sunday, June 21st

7:30 am- Father's Day Novena

9:00 am- Intention of St. Barnabas Parishioners

10:30 am- Antonio Fabon, Sr. +

12:00 noon – Bonifacio & Hermenia Avancena +

Pray For The Sick

The following names have been recently added:

Jim Edwards, and Olivia Santos.

All are encouraged to pray for them and others already included in the **Prayer Intention Book**. Call the Rectory to be added to the list. You may write your own prayer intentions in the Prayer Intention Book that will be available before each Mass on Saturday and Sunday, located on a stand at the back of the Church.

We Remember...

We Pray for and remember those who have died.

- Jean Jackson 5/25/15
- Maria Sora Porra De Ron 5/26/15

Parish News

WELCOME TO OUR VISITING PRIEST

Our parish community warmly welcomes **Fr. Santiago Bernard Sha**, a priest from the Diocese of Dindigul, India, but currently completing his licentiate in Sacred Scripture in Rome. Fr. Bernard will be helping our parish while Fr. Antony is gone on his vacation to India from May 26 to June 25. Welcome Fr. Bernard to our parish.

CHANGE IN SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Effective July 5, 2015

The Mass schedule for Sunday will be as follows:

7 : 30 AM 9 : 00 AM 10 : 45 AM
12 : 30 PM 5 : 30 PM

MEMORIAL PLAQUE

Remember your deceased loved ones by ordering a **3" x 3/4"** memorial plaque to be placed in our **"In Memoriam" Prayer Room** in our church. The requested donation is **\$50.00**. Masses for our beloved departed whose names are inscribed on the memorial

Ministry News

UPDATING OUR SOUND SYSTEM 🎵

As with any equipment, our microphones, cords and music stands are in desperate need of an update. We are asking all of you to prayerfully consider a donation to purchase these much needed necessities for our sound system. You can place your donation of any amount in the regular collection baskets – Please place in a separate envelope marked **"for microphones."** Thank you in advance for your generous donations.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Following mass on **June 13 & 14**, Victor Velazquez will be in the church parking lot assigning ministers to the new serving schedule. Please also see him to update your contact information and sign the required volunteer documents. This also applies to those who visit the sick and retirees.



We are also looking for ministers to consider serving at the New 5:30pm Sunday Mass.

If you are interested in joining this ministry, you are also welcomed to stop by and speak with Victor.

Religious Education

We are looking for volunteers to staff our Religious Education Office during the week and some Sunday mornings, as well as a few evenings and Saturday mornings. Flexible hours. The people we are seeking possess some computer skills, will be filing, doing mailings, answering phones, and is organized. If you are looking for a rewarding ministry, please call our office at **(562) 988-6855**. Our office is closed from June 15th through August 15th. Call the rectory at (562) 424-8595.

St. Barnabas School News

Applications for new students and returning students are now available in the school office from **7:45am to 3:00pm, Monday through Friday**. New siblings (entering school for their first time) of current St. Barnabas students must also pick-up an application. Please submit the necessary copies of Sacramental certificates as requested on the application.

***** You can also download an application via the school's website: www.school.stbarnabaslb.org *****

The school, mindful of its mission to be a witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students regardless of race, color or national and/or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available at the school.

The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, disability, sex or national and/or ethnic origin in the administration of educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs, although certain athletic leagues and other programs may limit participation and some archdiocesan schools operate as single sex schools.

While the school does not discriminate against students with special needs, a full range of services may not always be available to them. Decisions concerning the admission and continued enrollment of a student in the school are based upon the student's emotional,

SCRC Catholic Renewal Convention

The 44th Annual SCRC Catholic Renewal Convention will take place over Labor Day Weekend
September 4 - 6, 2015
at the Anaheim Convention Center & Arena.

This year's theme is: "Rejoice and Be Glad".
Over 50 Catholic Speakers & 70 Presentations! Spiritually enriching for all ages!

Guest speakers: Bishop Kevin Vann, Fr. Gary Thomas, John Michael Talbot, Deacon Alex Jones, Fr. Stan Fortuna, CFR, Sr. Regina Marie Gorman, OCD, Fr. Jeffrey Grob, JCD, Dr. Margaret Schleintz, Fr. Eugenio Cardenas, MSPS, Dr. Mary Healy, Neal Lozano and many more!

For brochure/info, contact: (818) 771-361 spirit@scrc.org

R.C.I.A. News

Learning More about Our Catholic Faith

We invite you to learn what it means to be Catholic and to delve deeper into the Catholic Faith through the Adult Initiation Process (R.C.I.A.).

There will be a Gathering to welcome all who are interested in learning about the Catholic Faith on **Sunday, June 14th from 10:30 – 11:30am in the Parish Center Fireside Room** (upstairs from coffee and donuts). If you are interested in joining the Catholic Faith OR if you need to complete your sacraments of initiation – Confirmation & Eucharist, please come by to meet our team and to have your questions answered.

Join the RCIA Ministry Team

Are you interested in sharing your faith? We are looking for volunteers to share their faith and walk with those enrolled in the RCIA program. The RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults – is for those who are interested in becoming Catholic or those wishing to complete their sacraments of initiation. The ministry team participates in sessions, dismissals, discussions, study of scripture, the tenets of our Catholic Faith, and fellowship. Is the Holy Spirit calling you to this ministry?

Please call **Rita Coffey** in the Religious Education Office **(562) 988-6855** for more information. Meetings start in

Sunday Series

For over one thousand years, stained glass windows have been used not only to add light to dark churches, but also as instruction in the Catholic Faith. These windows have many different themes, but there are always many symbols in each window; telling stories of Christ or the Saints represented. During the coming months, we will highlight some of these windows in our church, their stories and perhaps some history of St. Barnabas Church itself.



Planning & Building Update

Sean Farragher, Chairman of the Planning & Building Committee, announces the re-roofing of the Parish Hall. After a thorough assessment of infrastructure problems the committee determined that, given the poor condition of the roof, it should be given top priority for repair. The project will begin around June 15th with an estimated finish date of about two weeks later.





Where the Church is, there is the Spirit of God; and where the Spirit of God is, there is the Church and all grace, and the Spirit is truth.

—St. Irenaeus



The most important person to be honest with is myself.

—Anonymous

Good News!

June 14, 2015

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

Ez 17:22–24 / 2 Cor 5:6–10 / Mk 4:26–34

I have a good sense of direction. If I drive by a place, I can usually find my way back, walking or driving as much by instinct that says, “I think it’s over that way a little,” as by any street names or landmarks. I like following unknown paths in the woods just to see where they lead. I almost always find my way back with a minimum of backtracking.

This bothers my husband, who is a firm believer in maps, map apps, and GPS voices telling him when to turn. Often he ignores them to take a different route, but he is comforted by their presence and reliably gets from point A to point B.

“We walk by faith and not by sight,” St. Paul says. He may not have had a store in mind, but in a very real way he was talking about getting from point A to point B—from our wandering in this world to our home with God. He was talking about making it out of our spiritual woods into the light of day and making discoveries along the way.

We see as human beings do and not as God does. Paul suggests we find our way through our faith in God, who is light in our darkness, the path on which we walk, our goal and destination.

Our longing to know where we are going is satisfied when we realize we are going to him. Some will take detours and get utterly lost. Others will rely on maps, and still others will follow those who have gone before—the saints who are our examples or Christ himself. Walking by faith isn’t easy, but God will get us to where we are going if we trust in him.

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dear Padre

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Why is Jesus’ ancestry described inconsistently in the Bible?

Why is there such a difference between the genealogy of Jesus outlined in Matthew 1 and Luke 4:23?

Matthew wrote his Gospel story first. He was a Jewish man who wanted to tell his Jewish audience that Jesus was the long-awaited Messiah, the savior who had come. He needed to show that Jesus was part of the long tradition of the people of God, starting with Abraham, the father of the faith.

Luke was a Greek writing to Gentiles. He accompanied St. Paul on his many missionary journeys. His listeners and readers knew very little of Jewish culture and tradition. Luke wanted to show that Jesus had come as savior and redeemer of all races and all peoples. So he starts with Adam, the father of us all, and says salvation is now universal. Your last name and skin color are immaterial.

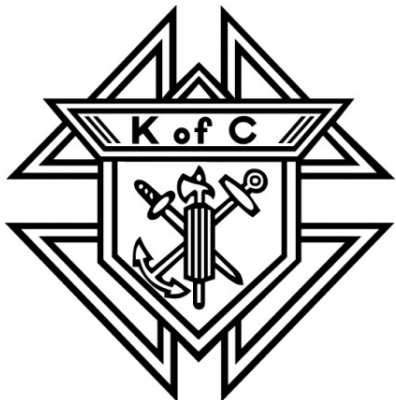
This belief of universal salvation will reach its fullness in the doctrine of the Mystical Body of Christ, in which all of us are included. Christ is the head, and we are the members of the one body that is the Church.

Keep reading the word of God for more wonderful insights.

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Knights of Columbus News



Council #3449 of the Knights of Columbus, is pleased to announce the following men have participated in a solemn ceremony (called an Exemplification) initiating them into membership as First Degree Knights. These Catholic men are; Dr. Gene Lowther, Anthony Vitale, Max Dominguez, Pedro Salas (father), Dominique Salas (son), Jorge Ueberhuaga, Patrick Quinn, Ray Barnum, Joey Kennett, Pascual Sampang (father), Edward Sampang (son), Victor Velazquez, Julio Ramirez, Greg Czopek and Gary Negrete. With a blessing from Father George, a fellow Knight, and under the auspices of Worthy Grand Knight, Waldy Cruz, these men began their journey into volunteer services for the St. Barnabas parish. After the ceremony they were joined by their wives (who automatically become members of the Ladies Auxiliary) and their families,

Congratulations To The Following:

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS! Evelyn Tyler

BAPTISMS: Emily Torres Castro, Kylie Aria Ferma, Luca Lira, Julianna Jade Smith, and Raika Rayn Ripors.

ANNIVERSARIES: John & Carol Samson (55 years), John & Ginger Gillette (45 years), and Hugo Dueñas & Jennie Aguilar-Dueñas (10 years).

Kid's Connection

Please pick-up your copy of **"The Kid's Bulletin"** after every Mass, at the exits of the Church!



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Please join us in reciting the Rosary every morning **(Monday through Saturday) at 7:35 am** before daily Mass. It is a beautiful and spiritual way to start your day.

Every day following weekday Mass, we invite you to join us for the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. **It starts about five minutes after Mass (around 8:35 am)**. It can be the best fifteen minutes of the day. If you cannot join us, perhaps you can join the Divine Mercy on EWTN television

Are You Celebrating An Anniversary?

If you are celebrating your 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 or 60th Wedding Anniversary, please let us know so we can all celebrate with you!

Please call the Parish Office at **(562) 424-8595** with your Names, year you are celebrating, along with your

Holy Humor

A cop pulls over a car full of nuns. The cop says, "Sister, the speed limit on this highway is 55 mph. Why are you going so slow?"

Sister replies, "I saw a lot of signs that said 41, not 55."

The cop says, "Sister, that's the name of the highway, not the speed limit."

"Silly me," the embarrassed nun says, "Thanks for letting me know. I'll be more careful."

But then the cop glances in the back seat where the other nuns are quaking with fear. He asks, "Excuse me, Sister, what's wrong with your friends?"

Sister says, "Oh, we just got off Highway 101."

