



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19, 2017

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, Apostolic Works, Evangelization, and Christian Stewardship."*

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Saturday 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Sunday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY 8:00 AM
(VIGIL) 5:00 PM

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

MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:00 AM

WEDNESDAY 6:30 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION/MASS

Adoration First 8:30 am - 7:00 pm
Friday of the month Mass 7:30 pm

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA/MASS

Wednesday Rosary 6:15 pm
(Novena after Mass) Mass 6:30 pm



**Love your enemies, and
pray for those who
persecute you.**

-Matthew 5:44

DIVINE WISDOM

The Lord's message, through Moses, was to "take no revenge and cherish no grudge . . . love your neighbor as yourself" (Leviticus 19:18). We might think, "Great in theory, but not always realistic!"

Then Jesus in today's Gospel goes even further. Take a slap in the face and then turn the other cheek? Treat enemies the same as friends? Again, we're tempted to think that those are nice ideals, but not very practical in the "real world."

Paul echoes Jesus when he tells the Corinthians that what passes for human wisdom is absurdity to God. Divine wisdom casts sunshine on the good and the bad, showers rain on the honest and the dishonest without distinction. We must examine our wisdom and common sense to see how they compare to the wisdom of God, and make adjustments accordingly.

SACRAMENTS

Confession

1st Friday of the month 7:15 am - 7:50 am

Saturday 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Infant Baptisms

4th Sunday of the month 2:30 pm
by prior registration

Weddings

Please contact Priest 6 months prior

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Parish Office

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(562) 988-6855

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"Active" membership at a Parish 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 and to prepare one's children for the Sacraments. To be an "active" member is to participate in the life of prayer and stewardship in the Parish. All adults over the age of 21, living with their parents or on their own, must register in the Parish to be considered members. The use of the offering envelopes may also help you to qualify for tax incentives. Participating in one or more of the ministries offered by the Parish is proof of the sharing of time and talent for the greater good of our Church Community. So please pick-up a free registration form at the Parish Office, or print one from our website at **www.stbarnabaslb.org**. Stop by the Parish Office and we will be happy to help you! Welcome to St. Barnabas!!!

ROSARY/DIVINE MERCY

Please join us in reciting the Rosary every morning  **(Monday - 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).** If you cannot join us, perhaps you can join the Divine Mercy on EWTN television channel at noon.

Take home some fun in God's Word, grab a copy of **"The Kids' Bulletin"** after each Mass!



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- 2/19 & 2/26 No Religious Ed or Confirmation classes
- 2/20 Parish Office & School closed-President's Day
- 2/22 & 2/23 SBS Book Fair, Parish Hall, 9a-4p
- 2/28 Mardi Gras
- 3/1 Ash Wednesday—First day of Lent
- 3/3 World Day of Prayer
- 3/4 Marriage Prep Class 8:45-5:00 in Parish Hall
- 3/18 Make Rosaries - 3pm Parish Hall

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, February 20th

8:00 am- +Clarence L. Bevington Jr.; +Cornelius Shea;
+Edith Daley

Tuesday, February 21st

8:00 am- Francis Baylen; +Kristen Tuason

Wednesday, February 22nd

8:00 am- Bernadette Graves; +Kristen Tuason; +Jerry Randl
6:30 pm- Elizabeth E. Davila

Thursday, February 23rd

8:00 am- Fr. George Reynolds; Gregorio Dones

Friday, February 24th

8:00 am- +John Strange; +Michael Costa

Saturday, February 25th

8:00 am- +Remedios Pasamonte

5:00 pm- +Carlota Alvarez

Sunday, February 26th

7:30 am- Michelle Feiner

9:00 am- James R. Stallman; +Jesusa Basilio

10:45 am- +Manuel Torrez; +Marcela De Los Santos
Herrera; Audrina Barnes

12:30 pm- Thanksgiving for all visiting Priests of St.

Barnabas; +Eleuteria Suarez; +Erlinda Suarez

5:30 pm- Thanksgiving for Deacon Carlito

**Book your Mass Intentions in person, at the Parish Office. (+indicates deceased)*

Pray For The Sick

The following names have been recently added:

Gregorio Dones, Agnes Ylanan, Ricardo Ayala, Jimmie Bernstein, Ed Reyes, Marie Mott, Lina Gustilo, Violet Fimalino, Bernadette Graves, Fr. George Reynolds, Jacob Benarth, Helga Crawford

All are encouraged to pray for them and others already included in the **Prayer Intention Book**, which gets presented at each Mass. Call the Office to be added to the Bulletin list. You may also write your own prayer intentions in the Prayer Intention Book, that is available before each Saturday and Sunday Mass, located on a stand at the main entrance of the Church.

We Remember...

We Pray for and remember our parishioners who have died.

Naomi Martinez 2/3

Mary Degner

Elisa Sanjongo

Today's Readings

First Reading — Take no revenge and cherish no grudge; love your neighbor as yourself.
(Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18).

Psalms — The Lord is kind and merciful (Psalm 103).

Second Reading — You are the temple of God, and holy
(1 Corinthians 3:16-23).

Gospel — Offer no resistance; love your enemies
(Matthew 5:38-48).

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Readings For The Week

Monday: Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28,
39-40; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19

Thursday: Sir 5:1-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Sir 6:5-17; Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35;
Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Sir 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-18; Mk 10:13-16

Sunday: Is 49:14-15; Ps 62:2-3, 6-9; 1 Cor 4:1-5;
Mt 6:24-34

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Presidents' Day

Tuesday: St. Peter Damian

Wednesday: The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle;
Washington's Birthday

Thursday: St. Polycarp

The **Chair of Saint Peter**, also known as the **Throne of Saint Peter**, is a relic conserved in St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City. The relic is a wooden throne that tradition claims the Apostle Saint Peter, the leader of the Early Christians in Rome and first Pope, used as Bishop of Rome. In 2012, Pope Benedict XVI described the chair as "a symbol of the special mission of Peter and his Successors to tend Christ's flock, keeping it united in faith and in charity."

The wooden throne was a gift from Holy Roman Emperor Charles the Bald to Pope John VIII in 875. It has been studied many times over the years, the last being from 1968 to 1974, when it was last removed from the Bernini altar.



Parish News

FAITH DIRECT

I am thankful for all the generous gifts that you provide to our Parish, but I realize that you cannot be with us every Sunday of the year. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program, *Faith Direct*. *Faith Direct* will automatically process any offertory or second collections donations of your choosing. **You can also download the free Faith Direct App on your phone!**



Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: CA794

You may still continue to receive collection envelopes. This is just another option and convenience for our Parishioners! Thank you for your continued support of our parish family! God Bless You! - Rev. Antony J. Gaspar

TAX DONATION LETTER

Tax letters will automatically be mailed out to Parishioners who donated \$500 or more. Those who need a tax letter can still request one, by emailing the Parish Office at church@stbarnabaslb.org. Include your Parish Family # if you remember it.



PARISH HALL ENTRANCE RENOVATION

We will start our renovation project for our Parish Hall Entrance soon. When this begins, please excuse the inconvenience, by entering the Hall through the street-side entrance off of Orange Avenue. Thank you for your cooperation.

MARRIAGE PREP CLASS

Newly engaged? We will be hosting a Marriage Prep Class (one-day retreat) on Saturday, March 4th, 2017 from 8:45am to 5pm at the Parish Hall. You must pre-register for this class, for first time marriages only. To sign up, please Email: church@stbarnabaslb.org (Special Guest speaker: Deacon Carlito de los Reyes)

OBSERVANCE OF PRESIDENTS' DAY

The Parish Office and School will be closed on Monday, February 20th, 2017, in observance of President's Day. We will resume on the following day. Enjoy and have a safe holiday!



PROJECT ACHIEVE MINISTRY – Feeding The Homeless

Our next meeting is MONDAY, 2/27/17 at 7pm in the MUSIC ROOM in the Parish Center.

Meetings are typically the 4th Monday of every month. New members are always welcome!

Any questions, please contact Ministry Coordinator: Michelle Gustilo-Smithson, cell: 310.344.7862.

Parish Ministries

TO ALL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

New procedures are posted at the 2 front entrances and the back of the Sacristy. Please follow them accordingly.

CANCELLED

The Knights of Columbus membership drive and BBQ, originally scheduled for this weekend, has been **cancelled** due to concerns about the weather. We will reschedule for a later date.



If you are interested in joining our group, please come talk to us during the upcoming Lenten Fish Fry!

FRY-DAY NIGHT
Lenten
FISH FRY

Hosted by:
Knights of Columbus #3449

Lenten Fish Fry Nights:
3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31, 4/7
6:00pm-8:30pm/Parish Hall

PRICES:
\$9 / ADULTS
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Thank You



We would like to acknowledge and thank the Filipino-American Association and the Judge Walter Desmond Council #3449 of the Knights of Columbus for their donation of a **new stove/oven for the parish hall kitchen**. Both ministries collaborated together in donating this much needed piece of equipment for the benefit of our parish. Thank you for your generosity towards St. Barnabas!

Congratulations To The Following:

NEW/RE-REGISTERED PARISHIONERS:

Robert & Isabelle Nelson, Robert Herrera, Lisandro & Jessica Figueroa, Joseph Garcia & Jocelyn Ixcay, Francisco & Isabel Garibay & their families.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Joe & Belinda Rutigliano 2/14 (11yrs)
Robert & Melissa Ray 2/14 (3yrs)

Celebrating your Wedding Anniversary?
Email us (a month before date) with Names, year you're celebrating, along with your Wedding Anniversary date: church@stbarnabaslb.org



Year of the Rosary

This year, Fr. Antony, and the Pastoral Council, invite all St. Barnabas Parishioners to place our focus on one of the most beautiful gifts of our faith, the Rosary. Our "Year of the Rosary" began on January 1, 2017 and will conclude on December 31, 2017. We will focus on strengthening our worship and prayer activities, with spiritual talks, and events throughout 2017.



JOIN OUR NEWEST MINISTRY: THE "ROSARY WARRIORS OF LB"

We welcome everyone who would like to help make rosaries while deepening their love and knowledge of this beautiful gift from our Blessed Mother. No prior skills necessary, all you need to do is show up! We're now on Instagram, come check us out [@RosaryWarriorsLB](#). For questions, please contact the Ministry Coordinators: Mary Lopez, (562) 305-5542 or Lisa Marie McDonald, (626) 214-6260.

The 1st day scheduled to make rosaries will begin on: Saturday, March 18th at 3:00pm in the Parish Hall.

KIDS ARE INVITED TO JOIN! This first class is geared toward kids, but of course EVERYONE IS WELCOME.



BRING YOUR KIDS.

ROSARY LEADERS NEEDED

We have begun praying the rosary before Mass on weekends. Already a tradition in our daily masses, we are seeking individuals and families who would lead our church in a rosary 25 minutes prior to each of our Saturday vigil and Sunday masses. There is a red folder with sign-up sheets located in the church entrance near the

Ash Wednesday



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This year, Ash Wednesday will be March 1, 2017. **Ashes will be distributed** during the masses which will be held at 8 AM, 12 Noon, 5PM and 7PM.

Holy Humor

Two of the members of the men's senior club at the parish were sitting next to each other after Monday morning Mass.

One asked his buddy, "Do you have any plans for today?" "Yes," his friend responded. "I'll be filling up space and taking up time."

Without missing a beat, the first guy answered, "And you do it very well."

OH, BROTHER! Belly Laughs for Good Humored Catholics By Brother Loughlan Sofield, ST Copyright © 2015 by Brother Loughlan Sofield, ST

St. Barnabas School News

St. Barnabas School is proud to announce our annual Spring Event and production of *St. Barnabas on Broadway: A Musical Revue* on April 28 & 29 at St. Joseph High School in Lakewood.



- Tickets go on sale March 13th at [biddingforgood.com/SBSpringEvent](#).
- If you are interested in purchasing an ad in our colorful playbill or buying a sponsor table at the gala dinner on April 29th, please contact Maggie Gisel at [maggie.gisel@gmail.com](#).
- Don't miss our online auction at [biddingforgood.com/SBSpringEvent](#). Starting April 10th, we'll have many exciting items and services available to bid and buy on-line.

Raffle tickets will be available soon:

1st prize - \$2,000, 2nd prize - \$500 and 3rd prize - \$250

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We are also seeking coaches for ALL teams (\$50.00 discount). VIRTUS certification required for all coaches and team moms. VIRTUS training available Long Beach. [Virtus.org /San Pedro region](#).

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Joe Fletes at (310) 480-6637 or email at [joeletes@msn.com](#). Please also see the parish website at [www.stbarnabaslb.org](#) for the forms.





Heavenly king, we thank you for the blessings you bestow upon us. We pray that stewardship may become a way of life for us so that we can share the many gifts you have bestowed upon. Guide us to be generous in our thoughts and actions. We offer you today the fruits of our labor that they may become beacons of hope for others. Let us be reminded of the gift of light we received at the baptismal font and help us to reflect that light on to others in need.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Treasures from our Tradition

In brushing up for “Catholic Jeopardy,” it might help to know that there is only one feast on the calendar for a thing, rather than a person or mystery. It’s for a chair: Saint Peter’s chair in fact

After the Resurrection, there can be no doubt that the disciples reserved a special place for Simon Peter in the upper room. Later, Peter became the bishop of Antioch in today’s Syria, the place where we were first called “Christians.” From there, he went to Rome, the center of the Empire, where it is said that Peter sat in a chair in the house of Priscilla and Aquila to instruct his flock. Jesus, in entrusting the keys of the Kingdom to Peter and his successors, entrusted his compassion and mercy to them, and charged them with pointing to the Kingdom of God. Compassion and mercy are to resonate through their teaching.

Since the ancient sign of a teacher is the chair (“disciple” literally means one who sits at the feet of a teacher), Peter’s chair has long been treasured. Today there is a symbolic shrine of Peter’s chair above the main altar of St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome. This monument is the last work of Bernini, a huge bronze throne supported by four doctors of the Church: Augustine and Ambrose from the Western Church, and Chrysostom and Athanasius from the East. High above it is the alabaster window of the descent of the Holy Spirit.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Dear Padre

FEBRUARY 19, 2017

Is it ever OK to use “God” and “damn” together?

When we pray “hallowed be thy name” in the Lord’s Prayer, we give God the reverence he is due. Because the Lord’s name is holy, we mustn’t abuse it. The Second Commandment tells us not to “take the name of the Lord...in vain” (see Exodus 20:7). With our tongue, “we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. This need not be so...” (James 3:9–10).

What happens, when our reverence is contradicted by cursing? For some, cursing is a cathartic response to pain or anger. Those who view it as a form of stress management or as a substitute for physical aggression may contend that condemning in this context is neither literal nor deliberate. If God knows our hearts, that our misuse of his name is insincere, what’s the harm?

“A sharp tongue is the only edge[d] tool that grows keener with constant use,” wrote Washington Irving. In other words, if we constantly and carelessly misuse God’s name, we may stop feeling sorry that it offends him. That irreverent attitude is more offensive—and more dangerous—than the vocabulary. Scripture warns, “Death and life are in the power of the tongue; those who choose one shall eat its fruit” (Proverbs 18: 21).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR
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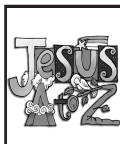
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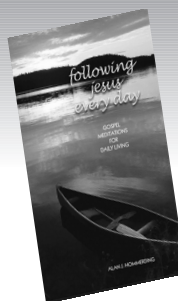
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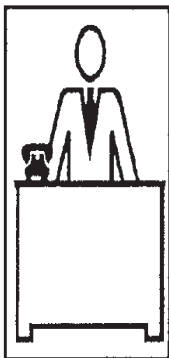
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