



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

April 9, 2017

ST. BARNABAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

Holy Week Schedule
posted inside

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



**Your king comes to
you, meek and riding
on an ass.**

--Matthew 21:5

SEEING CHRIST CLEARLY

We start today looking through the portals of Jerusalem, seeing crowds of people, cheering and waving palm branches in the air. The whole atmosphere is one of joy, triumph, and celebration. We can get distracted or enthralled by the scene, and not see clearly the features of Jesus as he enters. But our readings from Isaiah and Paul's letter to the Philippians clarify his features for us. He is the Suffering Servant, meek and mute before his captors and persecutors; he is the very image of the unseen God, yet will not clutch at equality with God before he endures his final confrontation in humility. Isaiah and Paul help us "behold the Lamb of God" before we hear the story of his final and greatest confrontation. It is important that we see Christ clearly before we hear the account of his passion, for we—his Body through baptism, the church—now bear his face. We must, with him, enter into this time of trial so we can, also with him, enter into his final triumph.

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
Email Office to register

Weddings

Contact Church 6 months prior. Inquiries,
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Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Parish Office



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



April: Rory Pastor



Mark Your Calendar

- 4/9 Last Day -Collecting items Lenten Service Project
- 4/14 Lenten Soup Dinner, 4:30pm - 6:30pm
- 4/14 Reenactment of our Lord's Passion; 7pm, Church
- 4/16 Easter Sunday
- 4/18 Virtus Training 6:30-8:30p/Hall/Must RSVP
- 4/20-4/21 United Nations International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of the World Apostolate of Fatima
- 4/28 & 4/29 SB on Broadway A Musical Revue
- 5/6 Candle-lit Rosary Procession

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, April 10th

8:00 am- Feliciana Cerame; Sister Antona Ebo, FSM;
+Crisanta de Lunas; +Richard Watson

Tuesday, April 11th

8:00 am- +Galina Novikoff

Wednesday, April 12th

8:00 am- Deacon Carlito de los Reyes
6:30 pm- Margarito & Felipa Rodriguez; +Reynaldo Ramos

Thursday, April 13th

8:00 am- HOLY THURSDAY

Friday, April 14th

8:00 am- GOOD FRIDAY
6:00 pm- GOOD FRIDAY

Saturday, April 15th

8:00 am- HOLY SATURDAY
5:00 pm- EASTER VIGIL

Sunday, April 16th

7:30 am- +Nicanor & +Flora Campano; +Raymundo Acuzar
9:00 am- Josette Sangria; +Romulo Abrogar; +Adelaida Sangria; +Jesusa Basilio
10:45 am- Jena Sarmiento
12:30 pm- +Francisca Powell
5:30 pm- EASTER – NO MASS

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

Pray For The Sick

The following names have been recently added:

Reynante Senax, Kevin Platt, Jan Bousher, Robert A. McJilton, Patricia O'Connell, Teresa Correa, Francisco Moreno, Alejandrina Garate

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.

Diane Price

Today's Readings

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-11).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22)

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel — The account of Christ's passion according to Matthew (Matthew 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]).

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Readings For The Week

Mon: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

Tues: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wed: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34;
Mt 26:14-25

Thurs: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3ab, 6a, 8b-9;

Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21

Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;

Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26;
Jn 13:1-15

Fri: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25;
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42

Sat: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10,
12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;

b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;

c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;

d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;

e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;

f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;

g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or

Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;

h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Mt 28:1-10

Sun: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;

Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9

or Mt 28:1-10 or (at an afternoon

or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord;
Julian Calendar Palm Sunday

Monday: Monday of Holy Week;
Passover (Jewish celebration) begins at sunset

Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week

Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week

Thursday: Holy Thursday; The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Friday: Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good

Friday);

Julian Calendar Good Friday;

Fast and Abstinence

Saturday: Holy Saturday;

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



HOLY MONDAY-WEDNESDAY

April 10 – 12 / 8:00am Mass

HOLY THURSDAY April 13th

8:00am Rosary & Devotions (NO 8:00am Mass)

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
(Procession to the Parish Hall after Mass)

10:00pm - 11:55pm Vigil with Jesus
(Adorers: Various Parish Ministries)

11:55pm Evening Prayer & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament

GOOD FRIDAY April 14th

8:00am Rosary & Devotions (NO 8:00am Mass)

11:30am Stations of the Cross

12:00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, Holy Communion & Veneration of the Cross

3:00pm - 4:30 pm Confessions

5:30pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, Holy Communion & Veneration of the Cross

7:00pm Re-enactment of the Lord's Passion

4:30pm - 6:30pm Soup Dinner at the Parish Hall
(Knights of Columbus)

HOLY SATURDAY April 15th

8:00am Rosary & Devotions (NO 8:00am Mass)

7:30pm Easter Vigil Service & Mass of Resurrection

EASTER SUNDAY April 16th

Mass Times: 7:30am/9am/10:45am/12:30pm

*NO 5:30pm Mass

Parish News

FAITH DIRECT

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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*

Easter Lilies

We are now accepting donations of potted Easter lilies. Please drop off the Easter lilies by the Baptismal font. The last day to drop off is Good Friday.



Lenten Soup Dinner

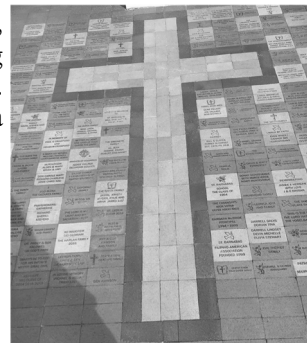
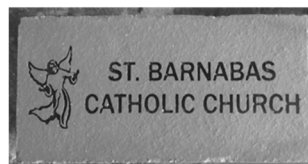
Please join us on Good Friday for a delicious soup dinner!
Friday, April 14th, 4:30 - 6:30pm
Donations gladly accepted!
Hosted by:
Knights of Columbus #3449



Stewardship Committee

You still have time!

Be a part of the St. Barnabas Legacy Bricks in front of the Parish Hall. We have completed the construction of the brick entryway, but you can still buy a brick and join your fellow parishioners in supporting St. Barnabas Church. Order forms are on a table out by the bricks and you can also sign up and pay at the rectory office. Don't be left out, join us to help continue fixing and repairing our church. Together we WILL make a difference!



Year of the Rosary: Jan. 1-Dec. 31

We invite all St. Barnabas Parishioners to place our focus on one of the most beautiful gifts of our faith, the Rosary. We will focus on strengthening our worship and prayer activities, with spiritual talks, and events throughout 2017.

ROSARY LEADERS NEEDED

Already a tradition in our daily masses, we are seeking individuals and families to guide the Rosary 25-minutes before all Masses on weekends. We provide you with a script of the prayers to help you lead. Please sign-up in the red folder near the entrance by the baptismal font.

CANDLE-LIT ROSARY PROCESSION

Candle-lit Rosary Procession with Benediction every First Saturday of the month after the 5pm Vigil Mass. Please consider participating in this powerful expression of our Faith! ****Next Date: SATURDAY, MAY 6TH, 2017****



UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF THE WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA IS COMING TO OUR PARISH!

Save the Date: Thursday, April 20th & Friday, April 21st. You don't want to miss this event!!!

Thursday, April 20th

5:00pm: Rosary
5:30pm: Chaplet
6:00pm: Mass
6:30pm: Presentation by Judith Studer (RIWAF President & Custodian story of Fatima)
7:30pm-8:30pm: Veneration of First Class Relics of Blessed Jacinta & Blessed Francesco, & a piece of original tree where Our Lady appeared.



Friday, April 21st

8:00am: Mass; followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Church will be open All day for Eucharistic Adoration & Veneration of Blessed Mother pilgrim statue)
9:00am: Rosary
3:00pm: Chaplet
6:00pm: Rosary
6:30pm: Presentation by Judith Studer (The story of Fatima)
7:30pm: Healing Mass (Fr. Sebastian & Fr. Bernard)
8:30pm: Veneration of First Class Relics
There will be a gift table with commemorative book & rosaries made in Fatima. The Rhode Island Division of the World Apostolate of Fatima is a non-profit.

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.



St. Barnabas School News

There are many ways to support Spring Event 2017 – St. Barnabas School's largest fundraiser of the year!



1. Purchase a ticket for our Cash Raffle:

1st prize - \$2,000, 2nd prize - \$500 and 3rd prize - \$250
Tickets are \$3 each, 2 for \$5 or book of ten for \$25. Raffle tickets were distributed after the 9:00am, 10:45am and 12:30pm masses on April 2. Or you can contact the school or church offices for tickets.

2. Buy a ticket to one of our two performances of *St. Barnabas on Broadway: A Musical Revue* on April 28th and 29th at Saint Joseph High School. Tickets are available online at biddingforgood.com/SBSpringlevent.

3. Support our Online Auction from April 10-27.

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4. Support our Arts, Music & Spanish programs!

Your contribution, whether it's \$5 or \$25, allows our students to explore and express themselves through music and art. All of our students have weekly Spanish instruction, thanks to generous donations from families and friends of St. Barnabas Church and School. Click on the "DONATE NOW" button at biddingforgood.com/SBSpringlevent.

Congratulations To The Following:

WEDDINGS

Ana Ortiz & Pedro Suarez (4/8)

BAPTISMS

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3/25: Isabel Rodriguez

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

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Pilgrimage with Fr. Antony

DIVINE MERCY & MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE

Fr. Antony Gaspar will be the Spiritual Director on this pilgrimage, that will be visiting the countries of Poland, Czech Republic, Austria, Bosnia-Herzegovina & Croatia. Pilgrimage is from Sep. 15 -Sept. 28, 2017. Pilgrimage flyers at the entrances to the church or contact Fr. Antony at 562-424-8595.



Treasures From Our Tradition

Now we have come to the center of the Christian year, beginning with today, Passion Sunday, Holy Week, and culminating in the Pasch, the Sacred Triduum. Some have called the culminating event in this week's journey of faith "The Three Days of Easter." The origins of many of our observances, including today's blessing of palms and solemn entry into the church, harken back to old Jerusalem.

In the late fourth century, a woman living a consecrated life in southern France made a four-year pilgrimage to Jerusalem. There, she encountered the rich liturgies of the city, bursting with Christians. She was a keen observer, and fortunately for us wrote vivid letters of her experience to a circle of women friends she calls her sisters. By the time of her journey, it is clear that even some catechumens were undertaking the dangerous journey so that they could be formed at the very site of the events of Christ's passion and rising. At the heart of the pilgrim experience were processions, such as today's joyous procession to the Mount of Olives, and brilliant catechesis from the bishop every day, as well as intense fasting and prayer. When you resolve to keep this week holy in your own life, and especially when you commit to participate in the full Triduum with worship in church and fasting at home, a very ancient tradition is within your grasp.

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

Holy Humor

Patrick was visiting family in New York City from Ireland. He patiently waited while the cop on Fifth Avenue near the cathedral directed traffic, stopping from time to time and shouting, "Okay, pedestrians," and waving them across.

All the people waiting crossed the street before the officer signaled the cars to proceed. He'd done this several times, but Patrick was still standing on the curb.

After the cop had shouted, "Okay, pedestrians!" for the tenth time, Patrick went over to him and complained, "Sure and isn't it about about time," he asked the police officer, "that you let the Catholics across?"

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Stewardship For Children



Our Parish has initiated a new program for children: **"Pennies for the Poor."** The purpose 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 each 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 be directed towards supporting the poor and orphan children for their various needs. For more info, contact the Parish Office.

Dear Padre

APRIL 9, 2017

Why don't Catholics study and prepare for the end times or rapture?

Quite simply, we don't prepare for the rapture because as Catholics we don't believe in the rapture.

We do believe that there is a time when the world will end, but we have no idea when that day will come. Fundamentalist Christians believe that the world will end with a rapture where the good will be taken and the evil left. It is based on a misreading of Revelation 20 that speaks of an angel in the pit who will ravage the earth for 1,000 years. This is called amillennialism, and the Church has condemned this belief (CCC 676). The whole "left behind" series comes from this misreading.

Rather than being afraid of the end of the world, the Catholic Church teaches that the best way to prepare for the coming of Christ is by living the sacramental life of the Church: being baptized, celebrating the Eucharist and reconciliation consistently, being married or professing holy orders in the Church, and partaking in the anointing of the sick.

By doing these things we are participating in the fullness of the Church and life with Christ. This is the best way to prepare for Christ's return. While we as Catholics do believe there will be a day when we will be gathered to Christ, we look forward to this day with anticipation and joy, not fear and anguish.

Patrick Keyes, CSsR
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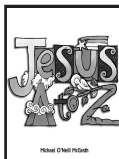
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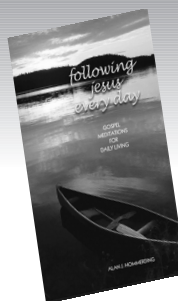
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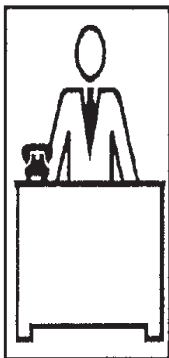
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