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You do not know
when the Lord
is coming

Good News!

December 3, 2017
First Sunday of Advent (B)
Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7, 1 Cor 1:3-9, Mk 13:33-37

Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy! The sleepy apostles couldn't keep awake with Jesus and drifted off when he most needed them.

I have only fallen asleep at the wheel once. During college, I worked the morning shift starting at 6 AM. After a late night with little sleep, I sluggishly got into my car. Comfortably driving down the highway at about 5:15 AM, I dozed for a few seconds before awakening to the noise of my tires vibrating on the warning tracks—just in time to straighten the wheel and avoid the cement divider.

Advent is like those rumble strips. You don't always need them, they are annoying when you accidentally run over them, but they are very important!

We can get tired, trying to keep our hearts awake and attuned to Jesus. The rhythm of life, the background music of the world, the distractions that fly by us—they all contribute to the danger of a passive heart. Running across Advent is like a wake-up call: "Stay awake! He is almost here."

As in driving, there are many distractions vying for your attention, but you learn to focus on what's important. You survey your surroundings, looking for hazards while keeping your eyes on the road. There are many signs to read, but only certain ones point you where you want to go.

Jesus says to be attentive to the signs; learn to interpret their meaning. Understand them, without being distracted by them. Be vigilant, pray for strength, and stay awake and alert. Thanks be to God for those rumble strips!—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

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CONFESSIONS:
1st Friday of the Month
7:15am-7:50am

Saturday
3:00pm-4:00pm

INFANT BAPTISMS:
4th Sunday of the Month:
2:30pm (must pre-register)

WEDDINGS: (6 Months Prior)
ANNOINTING: (Call Office)

MASS TIMES:

Saturday 8:00am | 5:00pm (Vigil)
Sunday 7:30am | 9:00am | 10:45am
12:30pm | 5:30pm
Monday-Friday 8:00am
Wednesday 6:30pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION/MASS:

(1st Friday of the Month)
Adoration: 8:30am-7:00pm
Mass: 7:30pm

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP/MASS:

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

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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11/19/17 Collection	\$10,368.44
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Geri Johnston
Nov. 25 – Dec.30

**DAILY DEVOTIONS**

Please join us in reciting the **Rosary** every morning (Mon-Sat) at 7:35am before daily Mass. It's 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**. Prayers usually start approximately 5-10 minutes after Mass (around 8:40am). If you can't join us, you can join the Divine Mercy on EWTN television channel at noon.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 4th

8:00 am- Sacristans; Glara Delgado; +Eufemia Guarino Quigogue

Tuesday, December 5th

8:00 am- +Virginia Castro; +Josephine Frias

Wednesday, December 6th

8:00 am- Dan & Erma Selvik

6:30 pm- All Monthly Flower Donors; Bill & Connie Dobberpuhl; +Michelle Feiner

Thursday, December 7th

8:00 am- Ushers & Greeters

5:30 pm- To all our Visiting Priests

Friday, December 8th

8:00 am- The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 pm- The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday, December 9th

8:00 am- +Luis Bringas Jr.

5:00 pm- Glycell & Daisy Perucho; +Yvonne Christina Cuico

Sunday, December 10th

7:30 am- All Names on Legacy Brick Terrace; +Christopher Lloyd Cruz

9:00 am- +Michael Franklin; +Jesusa Basilio; +Marites & +Luis Castanos

10:45 am- +Posidio Faeldav; +Paul Crawford; +Steve Szito

12:30 pm- Religious Ed Staff; +Domingo Villaviza

5:30 pm- Elizabeth Cannata; +Jerry Caligiuri

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

PRAY FOR THE SICK

The following names have been recently added:

Merilyn Corpuz, Cheryl Lebkuecher; Ramon Gossard, Tina Nichols, Sharon Sperry, Librada Casingal, Maryann Sales, Cleomie Valcinus, Estella Sarte, Luciano Sabate

Please pray for them and others already included in the **Prayer Intention Book**, which is 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.

Jerry Caligiuri 11/1

Francisca Vega 11/18

Sister Antona Ebo 11/11

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — We are the clay and you, O LORD, are the potter: we are the work of your hands (Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7).

Psalm — Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (Psalm 80).

Second Reading — God is faithful; by God you were called to fellowship with the Son (1 Corinthians 1:3-9).

Gospel — Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. (Mark 13:33-37).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: First Sunday of Advent

Monday: St. John Damascene

Wednesday: St. Nicholas

Thursday: St. Ambrose;
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

Friday: Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

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Thank you for your continued support of our Parish Family! - Fr. Antony Gaspar, Fr. Joseph Bai & Staff

PARISH NEWS & MORE

HOLIDAY ADVENT SCHEDULE

Advent Penance Service: (10 Priests)

Thurs. Dec. 7 at 7:00pm
5:30pm (Vigil Mass)

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Holy Day of Obligation

Fri. Dec. 8 at 8:00am & 6:30pm

Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Celebration)

Tues. Dec. 12 at 6:00pm - bilingual (English/Spanish)

Celebrant: Fr. Bernardsha Santiago. Reception hosted by Knights of Columbus immediately following in the Parish Hall.



Simbang Gabi Night Masses

Fri. Dec. 15 to Sat. Dec. 23
(see flyer on page 5)

Sunday Mass (4th Sunday of Advent)

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:45am, 12:30pm

Christmas Mass (Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord)

Holy Day of Obligation

Sun. Dec. 24

5:00pm - Children's Dramatization
5:30pm - **Vigil Mass**
9:30pm - Caroling
10:00pm - Traditional Mass

Mon. Dec. 25

8:00am, 10:00am, 12noon

Solemn Celebration of the Year of the Rosary

Saturday December 30th

4:00pm - Candle-lit Rosary Procession of the Blessed Virgin Mary Statue

5:00pm - Mass

Celebration in the Parish Hall immediately following the Mass

If your Parish Ministry would like to lead one of the decades during the procession, please contact Marina at: 562-254-8133/marinacuico@gmail.com

New Year's Eve (Feast of the Holy Family)

Sun. Dec. 31

Regular Sunday Masses

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:45am, 12:00pm, 5:30pm (Vigil)

New Year's Day (Solemnity of Mary)

Mon. Jan. 1

9:00am

CONGRATULATIONS TO

ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

Fr. Bai's Priest Ordination Anniversary,
Dec. 8th (20yrs)

NEW/RE-REGISTERED PARISHIONERS

Reynaldo & Juanita Magpale, Margaret Guerrero, and their families.

BAPTISM:

Thiago Romero 11/26

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Brian & Vivian Grosh 11/6
Frank & Barbara Florida 11/21 (48yrs)
Bob & Pam Frazier (37yrs)
William & Gloria Dorsey (52yrs)
Dan & Erma Selvik 12/6 (31yrs)
Gleycell & Daisy Perucho 12/9 (30yrs)
Lal & Gigi Lalan 12/18 (46yrs)
Edward & Rio Martinez 12/21 (2yrs)



PARISH MINISTRIES

KNITTING AND CROCHETING MINISTRY

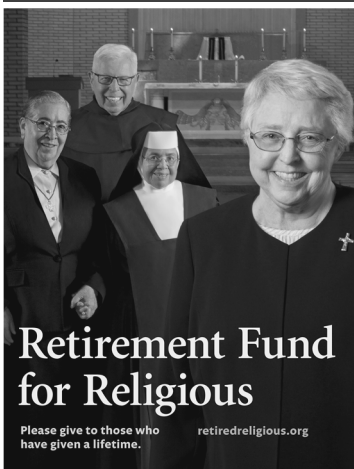
The 5:30pm Sunday Choir will be starting a crochet and knitting ministry to serve the sick and home bound members of our Parish, as well as the homeless in our community. If you knit, crochet or would like to learn, we warmly welcome you to gather with us for this fun & unique ministry. For more information, please call Erica at 562-221-5196 or contact the Parish Office.



FILIPINO AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Please join us in our next meeting on **Sunday, December 3rd at 6:30pm** 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, please call Dr. Gene R. Lowther at (562) 427-1386 or Peter Salas at (562) 852-1180.

SPECIAL COLLECTION



DEC. 10TH WEEKEND

We will be having a 2nd collection next week for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Your donation will help provide medications, nursing care and other necessities to elderly Catholic Sisters, Brothers, and Priests. Special envelopes are placed in the pews, so please take one home and bring it back next week. Please be generous, thank you.

Come & Join Us!



Simbang Gabi

December 15 – 23, 2017

*"Jesus, Make Us Generous
Dispensers of Your Divine Mercy."**"Hesus, Gawin Mo Kaming
Masaganang Daluyan ng Iyong
Banal na Awa."*

Theme:

The Joyful Mysteries

- 1) Mary and the Mysteries of the Rosary * 2) The Annunciation
3) The Visitation * 4) The Birth of Jesus * 5) The Presentation of
Jesus * 6) The Finding of Jesus in the Temple * 7) Mary in the
mystery of Incarnation of Jesus * 8) Mary in the mystery of our
salvation * 9) Mary and Her Message for us today

All are invited to join as a spiritual offering in preparation for celebrating the
birth of our Lord Jesus!

Nine Day Simbang Gabi Advent Mass Schedule

- 1st Day- Fri. Dec. 15, 6:30 pm
2nd Day- Sat. Dec. 16, 5:00 pm
3rd Day- Sun. Dec. 17, 5:30 pm
4th Day- Mon, Dec. 18, 6:30 pm
5th Day- Tues, Dec. 19, 6:30 pm
6th Day- Wed, Dec. 20, 6:30 pm
7th Day- Thurs, Dec. 21, 6:30 pm
8th Day- Fri, Dec. 22, 6:30 pm
9th Day- Sat., Dec. 23, 5:00 pm

If you are interested in donating or for any questions, please contact:
Bryan Grosh, Chair, Simbang Gabi 2017 (323) 710-1331, Helen Cajayon (562) 290-2019,
Parish Office (562) 424-8595

CHRISTMAS EVE DRAMATIZATION

Calling all Children's Nativity Players! This year's Christmas Eve Dramatization will be Sunday 12/24 at 5:00pm preceding our Family Mass at 5:30pm. All children are welcomed to participate.

Our first practice will be Monday 12/11 at 6:30pm downstairs in the Parish Center and again on Monday 12/18 at 6:30pm. Please contact the Parish Office with any questions.



THE GIVING TREE

The annual St. Barnabas Giving Tree program is back during this Christmas season! There are Christmas trees located at each of the church exits, and inside the Parish Center. Please select ornaments off of the trees and return the new and unwrapped items listed on each ornament. In addition to the gifts, diapers are desperately needed to help the young families in need. All gifts will be gathered and delivered to the Marian Center here in Long Beach by the Pack 32 Cub Scouts on December 17th. You are welcome to drop off gifts prior to the 17th though. Thank you for your generosity by helping our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Also, if you are in need or know of any other families from St. Barnabas Parish in need, please contact the Rectory. We would also like to reserve Giving Tree presents for local parishioners.



PASSION & PURPOSE FOR MARRIAGE

St. Barnabas will join Our Lady of Refuge in co-sponsoring "Passion and Purpose for Marriage" presented by speaker Dr. Allen Hunt from Dynamic Catholic.

It will be held at Our Lady of Refuge on Sat, February 10 from 9-1:30. This program is meant for engaged or married couples of all ages. The perfect Christmas gift for your spouse—uninterrupted time together focused on each other. The cost of the day is \$25 per person. Buy your tickets on line, DynamicCatholic.com or call 859-980-7900. We will also be selling tickets after all masses the weekend of December 2nd and 3rd. Give a gift that can change lives this Christmas! Any questions please call Terri Furlow at (562) 427 8048

HOLY HUMOR

Catherine, having reached the grand age of eighty, had just gotten married for the fourth time. A reporter from the local paper was assigned to ask her questions about her life, her recent marriage, and her new husband's occupation, "He's a funeral director," she answered, Interesting, the reporter thought. "Can you tell me a little about your first three husbands and what they did for a living?"

Catherine paused for a few moments, reflecting on all those happy years, then she smiled and she answered proudly, "I married a banker when I was in my twenties, a circus ringmaster in my forties, and a preacher in my sixties. And now, as you know, I have married a funeral director as I begin my eighties."

The interviewer looked at her, quite astonished. "Why," he asked, "would you marry men with such diverse careers?" Catherine paused for a quick beat for effect and then said: "It's obvious, isn't it? One for the money. Two for the show. Three to get ready. And four to go."

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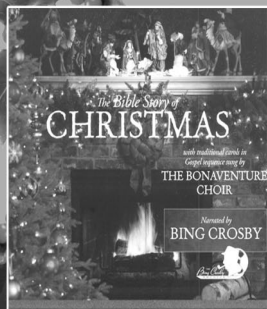
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