

ST. BARNABAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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REV. ANTONY GASPAR | REV. BERNARD SANTIAGO

Mother's

Day

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VOCATION

Roman Catholics in the United States spend a good deal of time speaking of "vocation" and the manner in which each of us discerns our vocation for life. In today's apostolic letter, however, Peter gives us the "cornerstone" of our vocation, the description of what each of us is called to first and foremost by our baptism. He describes our vocation as "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of [God's] own, so that you may announce the praises" of Christ, who called us out of darkness into light (1 Peter 2:9). All of us, no matter what path our life's vocation may take us down, have been chosen by God, made holy, and anointed as priests in the high priesthood of Christ through baptism. All of this, so that we may announce the praises of Christ. Vocation is given for proclamation at home, in the workplace—wherever life takes us—in service, in word, and in sacrament. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



May 10, 2020 | Fifth Sunday of Easter

I AM THE WAY AND THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE.

NO ONE COMES TO THE FATHER EXCEPT THROUGH ME.

~10hn 14:6

HUGS

A mom's hug lasts long after she lets go. —Anonymous

MARY OUR MOTHER

What a joy to remember that Mary is our Mother! Since she loves us and knows our weakness, what have we to fear? —Saint Thérèse of Lisieux

MISSION STATEMENT

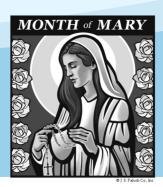
"We, the Catholic Community of St. Barnabas Parish, are a people formed by Christ, called in Baptism and united in the Eucharist; we continue the mission of the Church in the world through Prayer, Apostolic Works, Evangelization, and Christian Stewardship."

PARISH OFFICE: OFFICE # 562-424-8595

OFFICE E-MAIL: church@stbarnabaslb.org

OFFICE CALLS ONLY: Mon-Fri: 9:00am-7:00pm Sat: 9:00am-4:30pm Sun: 9:00am-2:00pm

Office Manager: Olivia Baylen Business Manager: Sam Christi



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Weekly \$ 5,104.00 Contributions: Faith-Direct **\$** 7,917.26 Bi-Weekly Period: 4/1 - 4/15 Contribution:

Thanks for your prayerful giving. Your donation supports the operations of our Parish Community.



ST. BARNABAS. PRAY FOR US!

Monthly Flower Donors for Tabernacle & Blessed Mother:

Thelma Veloro

May 2—16 Flowers on hold until further notice

ST. BARNABAS SCHOOL

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- ♦5/10 Happy Mother's Day!
- ◆Every Thursday: Online Bible Study/Zoom 7:30pm
- ◆Every Saturday: Reflection Talk w/Priests 11am
- ♦5/24 Ascension of the Lord
- ♦5/31 Pentecost Sunday

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 11th

8:00 am: Teodora Custodio; +Elda Las Pinas;

+Sabina Galang Gaspar

Tuesday, May 12th

8:00 am: Lauren Gance; +Opal Holliday; +Marilyn

Frias Banting; +Sabina Galang Gaspar

Wednesday, May 13th

8:00 am: St. Barnabas Students, Parents, Teachers & Staff; Parish Office Staff; +Sabina Galang Gaspar

Thursday, May 14th

8:00 am: +Susana B. Tiong; +Francisco Dimalata

Friday, May 15th

8:00 am: Parish Ministries; +Aurelia Gomez de

Mora; +Pacita Igarta Edles

Saturday, May 16th

8:00 am: Pope Francis' Intentions; To All Mothers; +Jorel Alfonso; +Menandro Legaspi; +Sabina Gaspar

Sunday, May 17th

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Lita Scott; Elizabeth Cantu;

+Marcelina Barnum; +Sabina Gaspar

Book your Mass Intentions via E-mail or by phone. (+ indicates deceased)

CONGRATULATIONS TO

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Chris & Gen Legaspi 5/1 (19yrs)
Gabriel & Rose Bonoan 5/6 (46yrs)
Jericho & Nicole Madlambayan 5/22



Celebrating your Wedding Anniversary? Email us Names, year you're celebrating, along with your Wedding Anniversary date to:
church@stbarnabaslb.org

PRIESTS WILL BE PRIVATELY PRAYING FOR EACH NAME ON THE DESIGNATED DAY & MENTIONED DURING THE ONLINE MASSES. WE ENCOURAGE OUR PARISHIONERS TO PRAY FOR THESE INDIVIDUALS AS WELL.

PRAY & REMEMBER WHO HAVE DIED

Jorel Alfonso 4/7 Briana Flores 4/13 Barbara Matthews Joe Pereira Meliton M. Lopez 4/29

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — To meet their growing needs, the community chooses seven reputable men to serve the new Greek believers (Acts 6:1-7).

Psalm — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

Second Reading — We, like living stones, let ourselves be built into a spiritual house (1 Peter 2:4-9).

Gospel — "Show us the Father," Philip asks Jesus. To which Jesus replies: "Whoever sees me, sees the Father" (John 14:1-12).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16;

Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21;

Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20;

1 Pt 3:15-18 or 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 14:15-21 or

Jn 17:1-11a

NEW PRAYERS FOR HEALING..

Ken Augustine, Jim & Connie Edwards, Mary Pearson, Betty Chrysler, Delores Spak, Stanley Golanty, Elizabeth N. Gabrillo, Florencio "Junn" Gabrillo Jr., Cesar Giron, Romeo Giron, Arthur Giron, Marichu Cabriga, Marissa Garcia, Roseann Vetter, Myke Bommer, Elizabeth Cannata, Fr. Mike Grieco, Carolyn Espinoza, Ana Maria Onuna, Gene Henslee, Rosalin Martinez, Herminia Villalpando, Judy Desolo, Richard Hoover, Juanita Hernandez, Valentine Rodriguez, Cynthia Tan, Forrest Hawley, Ramon Tapia, Paul Hutton, Beryl Weekes, Len Tanguay, Laura & Francisco Dominguez, William Dobberpuhl, Ray Barnum, Joel Nicart, Erickson Capitulo, Nathaniel Capitulo, Hector Gustilo, Mateo Leyva, Milagro E. Salazar, Kathy Wachter, Sue Ann E. Tumakay, Fr. Owen de Souza, Gloria Goul, Wilson Panickaveetil, William Dorsey, John Matthew Dobberpuhl, Michael Carrasco, Gerry Johnston, Mary Sabate, Virginia Barch, Joseph Smith, Ramon Zuniga, Nick, Alma Chew, Daniel Chlebowski, Anna Pineda, Melanie De Perio, Sol Reyes, Patty Demuth, Lorna E. Declines, Reggie V, Dolores Medina, Mario Visperas, Jesse Damian, Maria & Miguel Mejia, Michelle Angeles, Raquest Davies

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.

PARISH & MINISTRY NEWS

ENTIRE CHURCH CAMPUS CLOSED

Church doors are to remain closed to the public and all gatherings/events are cancelled or postponed until **May 15th**, or until further notice...

TAX CONTRIBUTION LETTERS

To save on paper, if you still need a copy of your 2019 Contributions, please e-mail the Parish Office at: **church@stbarnabaslb.org** or call and leave your name, number and parish family # and we will mail it out to you. We can even e-mail it to you too! Tax deadline has been extended until July 15th! Thank you for your continued support to St. Barnabas.

<u>FAKE TEXT MESSAGE / SPAM E-MAILS</u>

If you happen to receive a text message or E-Mail claiming it's from Fr. Antony requesting money thru gift cards or other wire transfers, THIS IS A SCAM, THIS IS FAKE. <u>PLEASE IGNORE, DELETE</u> AND BLOCK THEIR NUMBER AND/OR E-**MAIL.** Thanks for your cooperation in this matter.





>>> ONLINE FAITH DIRECT < < <

St. Barnabas needs your support more than ever! Join the parishioners who are using Faith Direct for automated giving to St. Barnabas. Faith Direct offers a safe and secure way to donate to our parish in this time of uncertainty. There is no cost to you, and the program provides a great benefit to our parish.

Thanks to eGiving, your weekly offertory will be automatically taken care of, which saves you time and saves our parish money by eliminating all those

unused offertory envelopes.

Visit: membership.faithdirect.net/CA794, call 1-866-507-8757 or visit www.faithdirect.net. You can download the free Faith Direct App today! Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

-Antony Gaspar, Pastor



Text "Enroll" to 562-330-1646 to tithe

TOGETHER IN MISSION

This year's theme "Our Story is Alive" reminds us that our gifts to Together in Mission are an active demonstration of our faith and love for those in our Archdiocese who need our support.

Please make a pledge with the information that was mailed to your home, a pledge card found with the parish, or online at: ourmissionla.org/give

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day Tuesday: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras

Wednesday: Our Lady of Fatima

Thursday: St. Matthias

St. Isidore the Farmer Friday: Armed Forces Day Saturday:

SAINT OF THE DAY

SAINT DAMIEN JOSEPH DE VEUSTER MOLOKA'I (1840-1889) May 10

In the mid-1990s, a heavily bearded, bespectacled Robin Williams appeared on Late Night with David Letterman, whose host was clearly taken aback. Letterman inquired as to why the wild look. Uncharacteristically subdued, the usually manic comic responded that he was producing and starring in a movie about a most extraordinarily compassionate man, Damien, the Leper Priest of Moloka'i. Some saints transcend religious and ethnic boundaries to touch the heart that beats in each human being: Francis of Assisi; Mother Teresa; and, though Williams' film was never completed, his admiration speaks, as does Damien's statue outside the capitol in Honolulu, of this newest saint's universal appeal. Far from his native Flanders' idyllic beauty and rich culture, Damien volunteered to bear Christ's light into Moloka'i's bleak leper colony, building decent homes, opening schools, establishing clinics, planting farms, sharing the sufferings and the social stigma—of those with whom he delighted to identify: "We lepers," he would proudly say when finally he contracted leprosy. Saint Damien challenges us to identify the lepers of our own day, to examine our compassion for and our identification with them —Peter Scagnelli, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

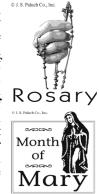
HOLY HUMOR

What did Moses use to illuminate his Ark at night? Answer: Moses wasn't on the Ark!!!

OH, BROTHER! Belly Laughs for Good Humored Catholics By Brother Loughlan Sofield, ST

MAY IS THE MONTH OF

Please make an extra effort to join us in reciting the Rosary and Adoration, every Monday-Saturday from 6pm-7pm. Pope Francis urges Catholics to unite through praying the rosary during the month of May. We also invite all students and adults too, if you are feeling "artsy" and would like to share your artworks of drawings, paintings, mixed media... send it to us so we can feature it on our social media. Please E-mail your artwork with your first name and last initial to: church@stbarnabarnabaslb.org. We will be honoring Mary all month long.



Praying for all Mothers
throughout the month of May!
View our Social Media on how to send in your Mother's
names that you want to pray for. They will then be shared
publicly on Instagram & Facebook for everyone to see.
You can also call the Parish Office (or e-mail us) with the names to be included on a prayer list that will be placed by our Lady of Fatima statue all month long.

POPE'S PRAYERS TO MARY

O Mary,

you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

Pope Francis sent a letter encouraging Catholics to pray the rosary throughout May. He also shared two new prayers to implore the help of the Virgin Mary during the coronavirus pandemic.

"We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God". In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection.

Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment.

Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health.

Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone.

Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus.

Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity.

Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future.

Beloved Mother, help us realize that we are all members of one great family and to recognize the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course.

To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary.

CONSECRATION TO MARY

O Mary, Virgin most powerful and Mother of mercy, Queen of Heaven and Refuge of sinners, we consecrate ourselves to thine Immaculate Heart.

We consecrate to thee our very being and our whole life; all that we have, all that we love, all that we are. To thee we give our bodies, our hearts and our souls; to thee we give our homes, our families, our country.

We desire that all that is in us and around us may belong to thee, and may share in the benefits of thy motherly benediction. And that this act of consecration may be truly efficacious and lasting, we renew this day at thy feet the promises of our Baptism and our first Holy Communion.

We pledge ourselves to profess courageously and at all times the truths of our holy Faith, and to live as befits Catholics who are duly obedient to all the teachings and directions of the Pope and the Bishops in communion with him.

We pledge ourselves to keep the commandments of God and His Church, in particular to keep holy the Lord's Day. We likewise pledge ourselves to make the consoling practices of the Christian religion, and above all, Holy Communion, an integral part of our lives, in so far as we shall be able so to do.

Finally, we promise thee, O glorious Mother of God and loving Mother of all humanity, to devote ourselves wholeheartedly to the service of thy blessed cult, in order to hasten and assure, through the sovereignty of thine Immaculate Heart, the coming of the kingdom of the Sacred Heart of thine adorable Son, in our own hearts and in those of all men and women, in our country and in all the world, as in heaven. so on earth. Amen!

PRAYER FOR CORONAVIRUS

By: Most Reverend José H. Gomez-Archbishop of Los Angeles



Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas. We fly to you today as your beloved children. We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana. Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your holy angels. that we may be spared the worst of this illness. For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust. In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind.

Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts. We come to you with confidence,

knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy. Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

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SOCIAL MEDIA & MORE

FACEBOOK LIVE-STREAMING ONLINE

You do not need to sign-up for Facebook. You can go directly to the Church's Facebook page:

Facebook.com/stbarnabaslb/

We encourage those who have Facebook already, to "like" our page and show us your support by commenting and participating during the live feeds. We appreciate all the "likes" and "hearts" too! If you miss the live feed, videos will remain on our page. Please share among your Family and Friends!

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We need everyone to subscribe to our new You Tube channel so we can continue to provide live-streaming of our Services on this social platform as well! Visit:

Youtube.com/c/StBarnabasChurchLongBeach (Or Search: St Barnabas Church Long Beach)

ZOOM REFLECTION TALK

An enrichment talk with our Priests, every Saturday from 11am-12noon. Visit our website on how to join via Zoom meeting, at: www.stbarnabaslb.org. Info will also be posted on our social media outlets. OR You can join directly thru your computer or phone by visiting this link: https://zoom.us/j/92139079499

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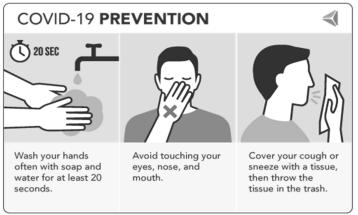
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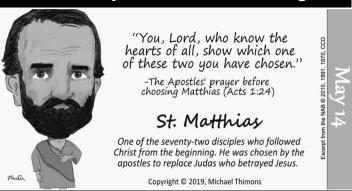
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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIET

If you are elderly, ill, or unable to leave your home at this time for any reason, please call 855-423-6780 between 8am-6pm to get assistance from your local St. Vincent de Paul Society. This hotline will provide resources and serve as a call center for our homebound and elderly community who are not able to access local necessities.



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FR BERNARD'S BIBLE STUDY

EVERY THURSDAY EVENING: 7:30PM - 9PM

Join Fr. Bernard's Bible Study Sessions every Thursday from 7:30pm-9pm. We meet online via the 'zoom' meeting application. You can join thru your computer or phone by visiting this link:

https://zoom.us/j/99174147604

Meeting ID: 991 7414 7604

Password: 3955

Lesson plans will be e-mailed to you and also posted in our Bible Study Group Page! If you would like to be added to his e-mail distribution list, please send him a request, directly at: sanbernashs@hotmail.com

For more info, visit our webpage: https://stbarnabaslb.org/bible-study/ Join our Bible Study Group's Facebook page: Facebook.com/groups/biblestudylb

Dear Beloved Parishioners,

I would like to update you with the revised guidelines we have received from our Archbishop Jose Gomez on April 19, 2020. The following are the updates from our Archbishop until further notice. Parish Churches, chapels, centers, and missions are to remain closed to the public until May 15, 2020, or until further notice. Church Offices are to be closed to the public until May 15, 2020. So, our Parish Office, and Religious Education offices will continue to operate remotely. Our office staff will be more than happy to assist you via phone, email, and postal mails. If you prefer, you could also drop off your requests, envelops, and letters at the parish office mail slot.

MASS: The suspension of public celebration of Mass in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles has been extended until May 15, 2020 (inclusive), or until further notice. So, we will continue to livestream our parish Mass and other activities. The following are the schedule:

Sunday Mass: 9:00am & 11:00am

Monday-Saturday Weekday Mass: 8:00am Wednesday & 1st Friday School Mass: 8:00am

Monday-Saturday Rosary & Adoration: 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Wednesday Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena: 6:30pm

First Friday Adoration: 8:30am - 10:00am

Thursday Bible Study via Zoom: 7:30pm – 9:00pm

Saturday Spiritual Enrichment Talk via Zoom: 11:00am

-12:00noon

Although you could not come to our parish church, I strongly encourage you to spiritually unite with your priests and the parish community by participating in the virtual Mass, particularly on Sundays in order to keep the Lord's Day holy. In case you couldn't participate in the virtual Mass, may I encourage you to read the readings and spend some time in prayer and reflection with your family. To make it easy for you, we have published a prayer format in our website, that would be helpful to use in the absence of attending the Mass. I hope you would avail of this opportunity to enrich your faith life.

CONFESSIONS: The regular schedule for confessions remain suspended until May 15, 2020, or until further notice. Unfortunately, the confessions could not be offered by telephone, electronic means, or by drive through options. The priests will respond to hear confessions only for someone in danger of death or extremely extraordinary situations. Since you could not confess your sins to a priest and get absolution at this time, our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has reminded us the Church's teaching in his Mass on March 20, 2020: "If you don't find a priest to go to confession, speak to God. He's your Father. Tell Him the truth: 'Lord, I did this and this and this. Pardon me.' Ask His forgiveness with all your heart with an act of contrition and, promise Him that your will go to confession as soon as possible when available. You will return to God's grace immediately." In an extra ordinary situation, a perfect act of contrition obtains the forgiveness of sins, both venial and mortal. (Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) 1452).

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Fr. Bernard and I will continue to respond to your requests for anointing of the sick. However, if it is not a life-threatening situation, we recommend that you consider waiting until it is safe to engage in pastoral visits.

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, and QUINCEANERA are postponed until further notice.

FIRST COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION: The scheduled First Communion and Confirmation (May 9 & 16) will be postponed for a future date. Kindly expect a new date to

be announced in the coming weeks. In the meantime, let us continue to strengthen our spiritual bond by praying for one another, particularly by participating in the virtual Mass and prayers. Although we are in lockdown, please know that our parish continues to operate. Some of our parish staff work from our parish office, others work from home. The religious education office continues to operate as well. Our utilities and other operating expenses continue to take place. But our revenue has diminished almost 70 percent. This is understandable given the current situation. May I request you to consider donating online, or dropping off, or mailing in your offertory envelopes. To sign up for online giving visit:

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Your generosity will help us to take care of our parish operations. We appreciate your support. Fr. Bernard and I will continue to pray for your safety and protection. And, kindly keep us in your prayers as well.

With Easter Blessings,

Pastor—Rev. Dr. Antony Gaspar

MOTHER'S DAY LETTER

My Dear Beloved Mothers,

On this occasion of Mothers' Day, we wanted to let you know how blessed we are to have you as our Someone said that if we wanted to experience God's love and see his face, we should look at our mother. This is so true because you channel God's love for us, your children. You are the first one to love us and teach us how to love others. You sacrifice many things, including your own desires, careers, goals, and ambitions in order to care for our wellbeing. You nourish and nurture us in God's word, Sacraments, and the faith life of the Church. You make sure that we grow up as wonderful children of God. You help and guide us to prepare for a meaningful career. Our hearts are filled with tremendous gratitude for you for being our wonderful mother.

As we celebrate Mothers' Day, we truly wish to have you present in our parish church to honor you. But, since we could not do this, we offer our profound prayers for you. Our prayer is that the Lord will bless you with peace and good health; that, you will continue to be God's instrument to guide our steps in the path of righteousness. And, most importantly, may the Lord keep you safe and protect you from the ongoing Coronavirus Pandemic. We also entrust you to our Blessed Mother Mary, whom we specially honor in this month of May. May our beloved virgin Mary shelter you under the mantle of her protection. Please be safe and enjoy your special day!

— Rev. Dr. Antony Gaspar

SBS: SPRING EVENT UPDATE

Unfortunately, The Show Must NOT Go On..Just Yet! Due to the Safe at Home mandates, the Spring Event (and the performance of Seussical Jr.) must be postponed. (Insert very sad face here.) The production team is hard at work finding alternatives for the show. With so many unknowns, it would be impossible for me to give you an exact date/venue at his time, but rest assured, Seussical Jr. WILL be performed! The students have worked too hard to have this cancelled. Of course, we are meeting to determine the best course of action in regards to ticket sales, costumes, and donations received. It would be our wish to hold on for a while longer to see if the "unknown" becomes clear... but if your family is experiencing extreme hardships, please let me know and we can accommodate you. HOWEVER, the Spring Event Team has met to determine a course of action for the fundraising portion of the Spring Event. We will be moving forward on a VERY modified platform. We WILL continue with a VIRTUAL Cash Raffle and some of the "traditional" Auction items. We have decided to extend the date for the raffle out hoping to ... "gently encourage" you to get your raffle ticket money in, and create a platform for a VIRTUAL Raffle Drawing! In my perfect world, it would take place in a room filled with all of my favorite people and kids, but we must move forward with alternate plans. Please see the attached flyer for more detailed information regarding the BIG RAFFLE! If you have any questions regarding the raffle, please contact Candice Wood at sbsspringevent@gmail.com Thanks, as always, for your support with this fundraiser. The Spring Event is such a big part of our school community... from the school improvements, to the community building, to the amazing performance of the students. Our primary focus is always... the kids! What Will We Do With the Money? The funds collected from these efforts will allow SBS to secure a part-time on-site counselor for the students beginning in the Fall of 2020. With everything the kids are going through right now, I am 100% committed to provide this service for the SBS students. Originally, we were going to purchase new flexible classroom furnishings for all. That has now become a "may do," depending on the funds raised. We can begin to work on that project when we are able. The real "must do" is to secure help for the students as they try their best to cope with stress, anxiety, insecurity, and... well, loss. Despite the joy of everyday being pajama day, this time can be filled with moments of sadness...they miss their friends, they miss their teachers... not to mention their favorite principal. They deserve this! Let's work together to make this happen... for them!

EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 8:00 AM IS OUR SCHOOL MASS! DON'T FORGET TO WATCH LIVE ONLINE AT: www.Facebook.com/stbarnabaslb/ or Youtube.com/c/stbarnabaschurchlongbeach

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Raffle ticket suggested donation prices: \$3 each, 2 for \$5, or \$25 for book of 10

Please contact the SBS School Office (M-F 8am-1pm) at 562.424.7476 to purchase your raffle tickets

If you have tickets already, send directly to the school office

Place ticket stubs, cash/checks in an envelope labeled "CASH RAFFLE" and include FAMILY NUMBER

Please return tickets to school office by May 28

All proceeds will support the school's Social Emotional Learning initiative that includes funding for an onsite school counselor to start in the 2020-21 academic year.

Winner need not be present to win. Thank you for your support!



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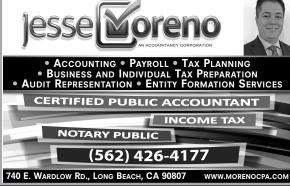
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