



ST. BARNABAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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REV. ANTONY GASPAR | REV. BERNARD SANTIAGO

Pastor

Associate Pastor

First SUNDAY of Advent

November 29, 2020

Oh, that you would rend the heavens
and come down, with the mountains
quaking before you, while you wrought
awesome deeds we could not hope for,
such as they had not heard of from of old.

Isaiah 63:19b; 64:2-3

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ADVENT

PARISH OFFICE:

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OFFICE HOURS (Calls Only):

Mon-Sat 9:00am-2:00pm

Sun: 9:00am-12:00pm

THE PARISH OFFICE REMAINS CLOSED, BUT YOU CAN
CERTAINLY DROP-OFF ENVELOPES IN OUR MAIL SLOT.
E-MAIL OR CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR OTHER INQUIRIES.

CONFESSIONS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.

CHURCH DOORS, OFFICE & FACILITIES ARE ALL CLOSED AT THIS
TIME. NO BOOKINGS OR EVENTS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

OUTDOOR MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Saturday	7:00 am	Parking Lot Mass
SUNDAY Parking Lot	6:00 am 7:00 am 8:00 am	"Early Bird" Mass Mass Mass

LIVE-STREAM MASS/ONLINE ZOOM

Monday - Saturday Wednesday	8:00 am 8:30 am	Facebook & YouTube Perpetual Help Novena
SUNDAY	9:00 am	Facebook & YouTube
Thursday	7:00pm-8:00pm	Online Bible Study via online Zoom
1st Tuesday of the month	7:00pm-8:00pm	Reflection Talk Via online Zoom

PARISH 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."

Good News!

November 29, 2020
First Sunday of Advent (B)

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

Hurry Up and Wait! We've all had this experience. We rush to get ready...and then we wait: at the doctor's office, for a train, at a restaurant. For what do we hurry up and wait this Sunday? Some might say we are waiting for the birth of Jesus. But today's readings don't say this. The first reading describes people waiting for relief from the guilt of their sinfulness. Paul talks about waiting for "the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ" at the end time (1 Corinthians 1:7). The people in the Gospel are waiting for the return of the householder to settle accounts. There's no waiting for Christmas—yet.

For what should we wait if not Christmas? Isaiah tells us to hurry up and change our lives of pettiness, selfishness, and arrogance, and then to wait for the graciousness of God to "rend the heavens and come down" (Isaiah 63:19). Paul tells us to hurry up and embrace "the grace of God bestowed on [us] in Christ Jesus" (1 Corinthians 1:4), and then to wait for the final revelation of his glory. The Gospel tells us to hurry up, be alert and ready for Christ's return, and then to wait for it to happen.

If we don't prepare ourselves for the coming of God in the reality of our own lives, we might not recognize this salvation when it comes. We're not waiting for an event that happened in the past; we are waiting for the grace of God that is calling us into the future. So, hurry up and wait!

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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PARKING LOT MASS

OUTDOORS
Mon-Sat: 7am
Sun: 6am / 7am / 8am

Live-Stream

Facebook & YouTube
Mon-Sat: 8am
Sun: 9am

No indoor activities allowed at this time.
100 max occupancy.
Stay home if sick.

Mandatory Masks
Temperature Checks
Hand Sanitizing
Social Distancing

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

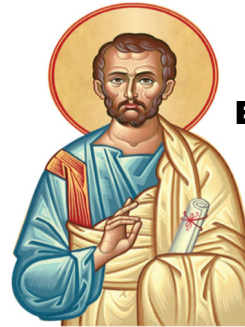
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Bi-Weekly
Contribution:

\$ 9,018.79
Period: 10/16 – 10/31

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



**SAINT
BARNABAS,
PRAY
FOR
US!**

PARISH REGISTRATION

We encourage you to register as a Parishioner. To be an "Active" member at our Parish, is to participate in the life of prayer and stewardship. Being a parishioner 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, book a Funeral/Memorial Mass and to prepare one's children for the Sacraments. All adults over the age of 21, living with their parents or on their own, are encouraged to register as well. Visit our website to register!

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Advent Wreath

1st CANDLE – (purple) THE PROPHECY CANDLE or CANDLE OF HOPE – We can have hope because God is faithful and will keep the promises made to us. Our hope comes from God. (Romans 15:12-13)

2nd CANDLE – (purple) THE BETHLEHEM CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF PREPARATION – God kept his promise of a Savior who would be born in Bethlehem. Preparation means to "get ready". Help us to be ready to welcome YOU, O GOD! (Luke 3:4-6)

3rd CANDLE – (pink) THE SHEPHERD CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF JOY – The angels sang a message of JOY! (Luke 2:7-15)

4th CANDLE – (purple) THE ANGEL CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF LOVE – The angels announced the good news of a Savior. God sent his only Son to earth to save us, because he loves us! (John 3:16-17)

5th CANDLE – (white) "CHRIST CANDLE" – The white candle reminds us that Jesus is the spotless lamb of God, sent to wash away our sins! His birth was for his death, his death was for our birth! (John 1:29)

Stop the spread of germs that can make you and others sick!



Wash your
hands often



Wear a cloth
face cover



Cover your coughs
and sneezes



Keep **6 feet** of space
between you and
your friends



[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

12/5: Legion of Mary Reunion Mass/10a
 12/8: Immaculate Conception (*Holy Day of Obligation*)
 12/12: Feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe
 12/24: Christmas Eve
 12/25: Christmas Day

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 29th

St. Barnabas Parishioners; Redondo Family; Manuel Ponce Jr. & Family; Gloria Dorsey; +Herminia Manarez; All Souls Names on envelopes & list; All Souls in Purgatory

Monday, November 30th

Gabby Jischke; +Marlene Clavaria; All Souls Names on envelopes & list; All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, December 1st

+Ernie Bayudan; +Consolacion Reyes Meno; +Michael Ray Paraiso; Junn Gabrillo

Wednesday, December 2nd

OLPH Devotees, St. Barnabas School; John Lucero; Luke Francis Dobberpuhl; +Noemi de Vera

Thursday, December 3rd

Tina & Leah Cruz; Reggie Puertollano

Friday, December 4th

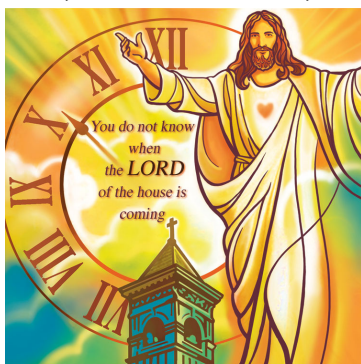
Antonio Edles; Christine Marie Angeles; +Francisco & +Rosita Herrera; All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, December 5th

Fe Abrillo; Vicente & Eugenia Herrera; All Names in our Memoriam Room; Tuklasan CANA Marriage Renewal Ministry; +Florenda Cinco; +Guillermo A. Sibala

Sunday, December 6th

Luke Francis Dobberpuhl; +Francisca Lomboy; +Antonio Chiu; +Posidio Faeldan; +Jacinta Reyes



MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE MENTIONED AT ALL MASS TIMES.

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

PRAY & REMEMBER WHO HAVE DIED

Ernesto Bayudan	Amalia Vergel Villanueva
Elizabeth Cannata	Rudy Perez
Sepe Lefaoeu	Marion Salch

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).

Psalms — 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: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

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: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

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

NEW PRAYERS FOR HEALING...

Ken Augustine, Connie Edwards, Mary Pearson, Betty Chrysler, Delores Spak, Elizabeth N. Gabrillo, Florencio "Junn" Gabrillo Jr., Cesar Giron, Romeo Giron, Arthur Giron, Marichu Cabriga, Marissa Garcia, Roseann Vetter, Myke Bommer, Carolyn Espinoza, Ana Maria Onuna, Gene Henslee, Rosalin Martinez, Herminia Villalpando, Judy Desolo, Richard Hoover, Juanita Hernandez, Valentine Rodriguez, Cynthia Tan, Paul Hutton, Beryl Weekes, Len Tanguay, Laura & Francisco Dominguez, Rose L, 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, Michael Carrasco, Mary Sabate, Virginia Barch, Joseph Smith, Anna Pineda, Sol Reyes, Lorna E. Declines, Dolores Medina, Mario Visperas, Jesse Damian, Maria & Miguel Mejia, Michelle Angeles, Josh & Pam Batovsky, Robert Carambelas, Madeline Burgess, Deborah Miller, Martin Boyd, Kenneth Cheong; Bill & Gloria O'Connor, Ana Marie Sacro, Lois Lohrke, Sherrie & Heather Wren, Connie Torres, Lauro & Andy Tecson, Augusto David, Gloria Dorsey, Marge Smith, Marcella Tezeno, Gregorio Dones, Romeo Valderrama, John Lucero, Peter Miotto, Byron Brummond, Arturo Garcia, Fr. Sebastian Venni, Fr. George Reynolds, Natividad S. Fernandez, Ramon Rocha, Cesar Cudal, Puertollano Family, Ann Bechen, Marge Williams, Ellen Wong-Gomez

PARISH & MINISTRY NEWS

BOARDING UP THE FRONT MAIN DOORS

For the safety of our Parishioners, Neighbors, Priests and to protect our Church, we had to take precautions by boarding up the main doors of the Church facing Orange Avenue. Thanks for your understanding and patience. Let us pray for the safety of our Priests and the homeless who are mentally ill. **SAFETY COMES FIRST FOR OUR SCHOOL CHILDREN, PARISHIONERS, OUR PARISH PRIESTS, CHURCH AND NEIGHBORHOOD.**

MOTHER MARY GROTTO



My Dear Parishioners,
Blessings to you! You may have noticed that an iron fence has been installed in front of the Marian Grotto between the Church and the Rectory/Parish Office. This was needed due to the recent desecration of the Marian statue and the persistent safety problem we encountered in recent times. While we pray for the well-being of the unfortunate brothers and sisters who cause these problems for us, we needed to secure this sacred place and provide a safe environment for our parishioners, neighbors and countless others who visit our grotto day and night every day. I am so inspired to witness the faith of the people who come here trusting in the powerful intercession of our Blessed Mother. Please continue to visit our grotto and avail the intercession of our Mother Mary for your personal and family spiritual enrichment.

We have placed two wooden boxes. One is for placing flowers, and the other is for placing candles. In case you wanted to offer intentions and donations, please walk up to the Parish Office entrance door and drop it off at the mail slot to the left of the railing. Our Office Staff will take care of your intentions.

With Blessings, — Fr. Antony Gaspar (Pastor)

LEGION OF MARY MASS

LEGION OF MARY ANNUAL REUNION MASS

All are invited to join us for the Legion of Mary's Annual Reunion Mass on:

**Saturday, December 5, 2020 at 10:00am
Outdoor parking lot Mass**

Fr. Bernard Santiago will be presiding over the Mass.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: 12/8/20

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2020 is a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have the following Masses:

- ♦ 7:00am – outdoor parking lot
- ♦ 8:00am – live-streaming (Facebook/Youtube)
- ♦ 6:00pm – outdoor parking lot

Please make an effort to attend or watch online.

ST. BARNABAS SCHOOL

AMAZON SMILE FUNDRAISING

Set up an Amazon Smile account and select St. Barnabas School as the beneficiary to earn fundraising credit for your family or another school family in need. It is quick and easy! Please keep track of your monthly profit donations and send it into the school office for credit. Ask ALL of your friends and family members to choose Amazon Smile (and SBS) when ordering for the holidays! See the link below.

You can make an impact while you shop for Black Friday deals. Simply shop at smile.amazon.com/ch/33-0527343 and AmazonSmile will donate to St. Barnabas School, at no cost to you.

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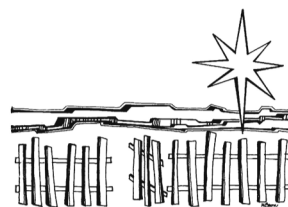
MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to offer a Mass for a loved one, please e-mail the Parish Office, ATTN: MASS INTENTIONS at: church@stbarnabaslb.org, or fill up the **Mass Intention Request Form on our Website**. Pay thru Faith Direct online (\$10/a Mass) or you can mail in or drop-off in our mail slot at the Office. Please request dates at least 2 weeks in advance to be included in the online digital bulletin.

Visit this link directly:

<https://stbarnabaslb.org/mass-intentions/>



**First Sunday of Advent
November 29, 2020**

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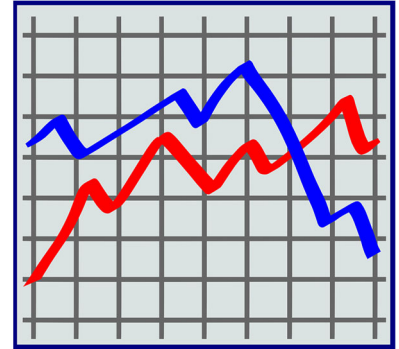
— Mark 13:33

PARISH FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS: JULY 1, 2019—JUNE 30, 2020

My Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Blessings of peace to you! I pray that you are safe and healthy. We are pleased to present to you the financial position of our Parish for the fiscal year 2019-2020 which covered the period from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. This was a challenging year for us as a parish community due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, which has certainly affected all aspects of our lives. We were also hit hard with our parish finances as well. We encountered very unusual and difficult circumstances impacting our Parish operations:

- Full lockdown / closure began March 2020.
- Increased the number of Church Security Cameras due to vandalism.
- Had to livestream Masses via Facebook and YouTube.
- Updated Cameras for Live-streaming of Masses
- Updated Church Sound system
- Revamped Parish website & social media platforms.
- Implemented Parish Health Safety systems
- Prepared the logistics and Reopened for Outdoor Masses in July 2020.
- Rectory office has been closed, forcing us to operate via phone and internet.
- All gatherings of in-person were suspended except for the outdoor Mass.
- Business and ministry meetings are conducted via Zoom, as of April 2020



Because of Covid-19 restrictions and safety protocol, our Mass attendance has dropped off 75 percent which drastically impacted our Parish donations. Our annual collections dropped by \$80,696. Many of you have moved your weekly donations to online giving through Faith Direct and this is very much appreciated. We encourage others to explore this e-giving option.

As shown in the Statement of Activities, we were able to cover all of our expenses and ended up with a Net Income of \$6,634. This net income was due to the fact that we received a stimulus package loan from the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) in the amount of \$59,795 which helped us with two months of payroll and utilities. Without this loan, we would have ended up with a net loss of \$53,161.

The Balance Sheet presents a strong financial position, as it reflects operating cash of \$780,323, and investment funds of \$178,671. The accumulated Archdiocesan Liability was reduced from \$284,751 to \$276,751, as of June 30, 2020. We are expecting an additional increased reduction from the Archdiocese on the liability balance. Being able to pay all our expenses and retain our cash balances was made possible because of YOUR continued support, generous sponsors, and anonymous donors. We appreciated your support very much.

We carefully managed our expenses over the past year. In spite of the drastic decrease in offertory collections totaling \$80,696, we were still able to cover all of the Parish operating expenses. We were also able to pay our Archdiocesan Assessment of \$52,930.

We spent \$46,829 on building maintenance and repairs, including the required maintenance and lighting update of our bell-tower. The decreased revenue restricted us from embarking on capital improvement projects. We still have many church improvement projects to complete and hope to make progress in the future.

The unfunded Accumulated Archdiocesan Assessment which had a previous balance of \$284,751 at June 30, 2019, and has decreased to \$276,751 at June 30, 2020, is reflected in the Balance sheet as a Long-Term Liability and an off-set to equity. If we continue to receive an annual credit from the Archdiocese, we should be able to pay off the Accumulated Assessment within the next three years. The accumulated amount reflects multiple years of payments owed to the Archdiocese to pay for Parish insurance, Parish pensions, and Archdiocesan Assessments, which were previously unpaid until 2014 prior to my appointment as Administrator and Pastor. We will continue to be diligent in our spending and make all efforts to stabilize our finances and paving the way to retire this debt.

Our church "Barnafest" festival was held in October 2019 and continues to be a successful event for our Parish community. This brought together our church and school families as well as the neighborhood friends in a festive setting with a variety of delicious multi-cultural foods, fun games, and entertainment. We also held a Parish 80th Anniversary celebration event with food trucks and music during early March of 2020.

Because of your continued support, generous sponsors and anonymous donors, we will continue on a positive trajectory that will guide our Parish towards a sustainable future, allowing our faith community to grow stronger. We are confident that the future of our parish will be bright. Thank you for your prayers, love, and commitment to our Parish. Kindly pray that we will return to normalcy soon. Please stay safe and healthy, and, keep up your faith. May God Bless you and your families during these very difficult times.

With gratitude from the Finance and Pastoral Council,

Rev. Dr. Antony Gaspar
Rev. Dr. Antony Gaspar Ed.D.
Pastor

PARISH FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS: JULY 1, 2019—JUNE 30, 2020

ST. BARNABAS PARISH NUMBERS: 07/01/2019 – 06/30/2020

PARISH HIGHLIGHTS: (State Lockdown began March 2020)

REGISTERED FAMILIES IN PARISH DATABASE	1,834
REGISTERED PARISHIONERS IN OUR PARISH	3,986
ACTIVE PARISHIONERS RECEIVING CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES	1,021
ENVELOPES RECEIVED ON A REGULAR BASIS	575
FAITH DIRECT PARTICIPANTS	342
GROUPS WHO USE OUR PARISH FACILITIES	30
CHILDREN IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH MINISTRY (OVERALL)	225
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (RECEIVED SACRAMENTS)	42
CONFIRMATION (RECEIVED SACRAMENTS)	37
R.C.I.A. (RECEIVED SACRAMENTS)	6
BAPTISMS (RECEIVED SACRAMENTS)	23
WEDDINGS	12
QUINCEANERAS	9
FUNERALS	27
FAMILIES AT ST. BARNABAS SCHOOL	203
STUDENTS ENROLLED AT ST. BARNABAS SCHOOL	307
MASS INTENTIONS OFFERED	Over 2,000
MASSES CELEBRATED	Over 600
MEMORIAL PLAQUES ORDERED	28
ALTAR SERVERS (ACTIVE)	38
AVERAGE MASS ATTENDANCE COUNTS ON WEEKENDS:	
SATURDAY: 5:30 PM	370
SUNDAY: 7:30 AM	245
SUNDAY: 9:00 AM	550
SUNDAY: 10:45 AM	500
SUNDAY: 12:30 AM	320
SUNDAY: 5:30 PM	250
AVERAGE MASS ATTENDANCE COUNTS (DURING PANDEMIC):	
MONDAY – SATURDAY: 7:00 AM	60
SUNDAY: 6:00 AM	70
SUNDAY: 7:00 AM	90
SUNDAY: 8:00 AM	110
AVERAGE MASS VIEWERS VIA ONLINE LIVE-STREAM (DURING PANDEMIC):	
MONDAY – SATURDAY: 8:00 AM	75
SUNDAY: 9:00 AM	125

- First Friday Adoration & Mass
- Wednesdays Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena & Mass
- Legion of Mary- ministers to sick & homebound, ACIES Renewal of Consecration to Blessed Virgin Mary
- Project Achieve Ministry- feeds the homeless to approx. 72 nights during the year
- Coffee & Donuts on every Sunday after the morning Masses
- Parish Festival "Barnafest" 2019
- Lenten Fish Fry
- The Way of the Cross-led by our Ministries
- Red Cross Blood Drive
- Knights of Columbus Rummage Sale & Car Wash
- Knights of Columbus Coat Drive
- Children's Christmas Eve Dramatization Play
- Simbang Gabi (Advent Night Masses) Celebration w/visiting Priests
- Girl Scouts Cooke Sales
- Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts Giving Tree Gift Collection for the Marian Center in Long Beach
- Continuation of "Pennies of the Poor" Children's donations during Mass
- Santo Nino 9-Day Novena & Feast Day Mass
- San Pedro Calungsod 9-Day Novena & Feast Day Mass
- Parish 80th Anniversary Celebration Event w/food trucks, music, wine tasting & auction, Mass celebrated by Bishop Marc Trudeau & visiting Priests (past & present)
- Working bell tower & new lighting
- Implemented new Health Care Committee
- Added Church security cameras
- Updated Church sound system
- Upgraded Live-Stream Cameras for Mass
- Re-vamped Parish Website & Social Media platforms
- Full lockdown/closure began March 2020
- COVID Relief Fund
- Re-open for outdoor Masses/Sacraments on July 2020

St. Barnabas Church

Statement of Activities and Financial Position: 07/01/19 - 06/30/20

INCOME:	06/30/2020	06/30/2019
Collections	\$ 601,738	\$ 682,434
Other Collections	126,302	142,012
Restricted Income	188,052	566,668
PPP Income	59,795	0
Total Income	<u>\$ 975,887</u>	<u>\$ 1,391,114</u>
EXPENSES:		
Salaries/Payroll	\$ 411,276	\$ 411,686
Insurance	135,881	83,090
Property Tax	6,869	12,423
Repairs and Maintenance	46,829	23,842
Automobile	4,322	4,188
Equipment	11,061	7,706
Utilities	33,933	32,612
Religious Education and RCIA	33,768	48,005
Archdiocesan Collections-Expenses	49,274	51,497
Church Capital Improvement	-	115,409
Church General Expense	102,476	115,192
Rectory General Expense	72,634	57,942
Loan Repayment	8,000	13,000
Archdiocesan Assessment	52,930	83,748
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 969,253</u>	<u>\$ 1,060,340</u>
NET INCOME	<u>\$ 6,634</u>	<u>\$ 330,774</u>

Balance Sheet As of 06/30/20

ASSETS	06/30/2020	06/30/2019
Current Assets	\$ 780,323	\$ 788,827
Investment Fund	178,671	172,728
Investment Building Fund	467,567	459,003
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,426,561</u>	<u>\$ 1,420,558</u>
Liabilities and Equity		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities	\$ (632)	\$ 192,253
Long Term Liabilities	276,751	284,751
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 276,119</u>	<u>\$ 477,004</u>
Equity		
Retained Earnings	\$ 1,420,559	\$ 897,531
Net Income	6,634	330,774
Archdiocesan Liability Adjustment	(276,751)	(284,751)
Total Equity	<u>\$ 1,150,442</u>	<u>\$ 943,554</u>
Total Liabilities and Equity	<u>\$ 1,426,561</u>	<u>\$ 1,420,558</u>



KNIGHTS KORNER

FEAST DAY OF LADY OF GUADALUPE

SATURDAY: DECEMBER 12, 2020

Knights of Columbus will co-host a special Mass in honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe on her Feast Day: **December 12th at the 7:00am outdoor parking lot Mass.**

You can participate by bringing your images and statues to be blessed at the Mass.

(This year, there will be no gathering after the Mass)



ARCHDIOCESE NEWS & EVENTS

MOTHER OF HEALING AND HOPE

89th Procession and Mass in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe

SUNDAY: DECEMBER 6, 2020

10:30am: Procession

12:00pm: Mass

Due to the pandemic, all are invited to join **virtually** via the Archdiocese of Los Angeles social channels:

<https://www.facebook.com/lacatholics/>

lacatholics.org/guadalupe/

@LACatholics

Pastor Al®



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"...the family lights them, and their kid makes a wish and blows them out. I suggest better CCD attendance."

FEAST OF FAITH

WHAT IS THE MASS?

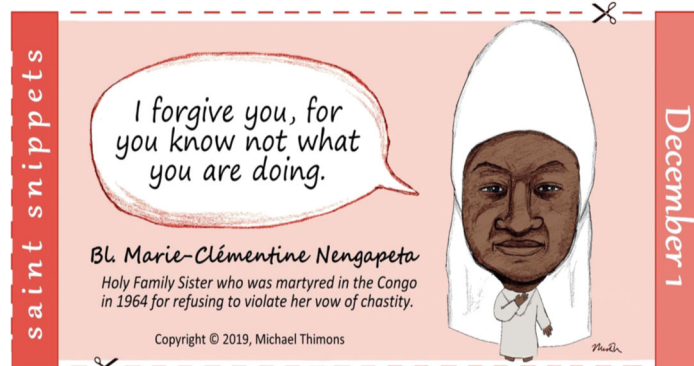
What is the Mass? There is no simple answer to that question. The Church uses many different images and terms to describe our most important prayer. The Mass is the celebration of the Eucharist, a Greek word that means "thanksgiving." It is the Lord's Supper. It is the Breaking of the Bread. It is the memorial of the Lord's passion, death, and resurrection. It is the Holy Sacrifice, in which the sacrifice of Christ on the cross is perpetuated. It is the holy and divine liturgy, the sacred mysteries. It is the source and summit of our Christian lives, the new covenant, the work of the Holy Spirit, the paschal mystery.

The many different words and images that we use when we speak of the Mass are not signs of confusion, but of wonder at what the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (1328) calls the "inexhaustible richness" of the Eucharist. The Mass, our greatest prayer and our deepest mystery, is celebrated every day, many times a day, the world over. The Eucharist is both "bread from heaven" and "daily bread." The Mass is our everyday miracle.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: First Sunday of Advent
Monday: St. Andrew, Apostle
Tuesday: World AIDS Awareness Day
Thursday: St. Francis Xavier
Friday: St. John Damascene
Friday: First Friday
Saturday: First Saturday



CONGRATULATIONS

Wedding Anniversaries for the Month:

Brian & Reina Magpantay 10/29 (4yrs)
 Larry & Jackie Macias 11/6 (14yrs)
 Dennis & Marivic Abrajano 11/12 (23yrs)
 Bill & Gloria Dorsey 11/25 (55yrs)
 Kevin & Janelle Sallo 11/28 (Wedding Day)
 Vasco & Julia Rodrigues 12/30 (31yrs)



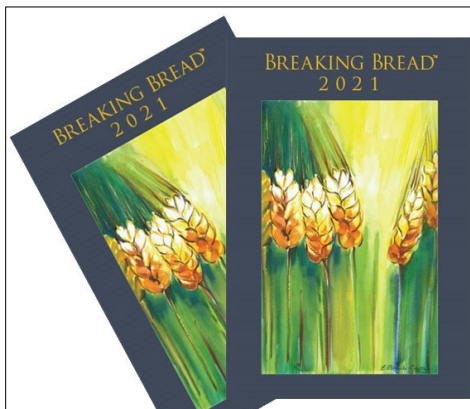
Wedding Banns:

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Dear Padre

November 29, 2020

My husband of fifty years has no medical issues with his hearing, but he still doesn't listen to me in conversation. How can I feel heard?

I humbly suggest that your husband read this edition of "Dear Padre." You might leave this bulletin someplace where he will see it.

"Give every man thine ear, but few thy voice," wrote Shakespeare in *Hamlet*. Likewise, the Bible reads, "Everyone should be quick to hear, slow to speak" (James 1:19).

Good listening skills require effort and discipline. Researchers say that only about 10 percent of us listen effectively. Generally, people hear only a fraction of what someone says. Moreover, during an emotional conflict, we tend to hear even less of what another is saying. Nevertheless, Pope Francis said, "We are called to meet others and listen to their life, their cry for help." He called listening "an act of love!" In other words, being available to listen to someone in need is an expression of charity, and being present to others—a spouse, a friend, the bereaved, for example—may actually speak louder than words.

In conversations, people feel heard when their feelings are validated and restated by the listener. But often the listener finds it easier to give advice, fix the problem, or win an argument, than to actively hear what the speaker is trying to communicate. It's advisable to eliminate distractions when someone wants to engage in an important conversation. People don't feel heard when a listener's short attention span wants to resume watching television. Nor do they feel respected during a serious phone conversation while the click of a computer mouse or yawning is overheard!

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING

November 25, 2020

My Dear Parishioners,

Blessings to you! Thanksgiving celebration is here again. This year, it will certainly be a different one for us due to the social distancing guidelines and the limit to group gatherings during this season. For some of us, it may even be a difficult time as we may mourn the loss of loved ones, or lost our jobs, houses, business, or battling with illness particularly with Covid-19. I myself am in the process of recovery from the Covid-19 as I write this letter. Many of you have offered Masses, prayers, and words of encouragement for my recovery. I am grateful for your love and support. I can understand the emotions you may go through in your own circumstances in life at this time. The emotions of fear, frustration, uncertainty, confusion, and helplessness are all real. In the midst of pandemic and all these challenges, we may ask: To what shall we be thankful for?

I reflect on this question by sharing the age-old story of a professor who placed a half-filled water glass on the table and asked his students what they saw. Some said that they saw half a glass of water; others said that they saw half of an empty glass. Both of these perspectives are justified in their own merit. But our faith in God calls us to count the blessings even in the midst of challenges. This is to say that one is happy to see the water in the glass rather than being discouraged by seeing the empty part of it. I know it is easier to have said than done. But come to think of it: millions of people are hungry, homeless, jobless, without health care ect..., but we have food on our table, roof over our head, have access to health care etc... So, we could certainly be thankful to God for countless things we may overlook/ed in our lives. I invite you to reflect on your lives, count the blessings, and be thankful to God.

I am grateful to God for the gift of my faith, family, my vocation to priesthood, friends, education, and health. I am also thankful for those who challenged me in various ways which let me to become a better person.

I am certainly thankful to God for all of you. You have been very gracious to me and to Fr Bernard with your love, support, and words of encouragement. Thank you for allowing us to minister to you. Every one of you is a blessing to our parish. I encourage you to continue to be fruitful in your spiritual life. May you continue to love God, love your family, and love our parish community. Fr. Bernard and I wish you a Happy Thanksgiving!

Be positive! Be strong! and Trust in God!

With Gratitude and Blessings

Rev. Dr. Antony Gaspar
Pastor



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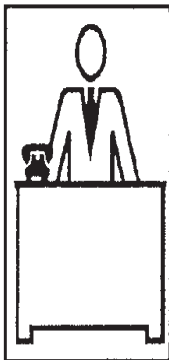


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