

Saint Barbara Parish

Old Mission Santa Barbara

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MISSION STATEMENT

In the Franciscan tradition, we strive to live the gospel life in prayer, evangelization, outreach and stewardship.

WELCOME TO SAINT BARBARA PARISH!

In imitation of Jesus Christ, we welcome all people to worship and celebrate God's all-inclusive love with us. Whoever you are, wherever you are in your life, we thank you for choosing to be here with us today.

PARISH OFFICE

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Hours: Tuesday - Friday • 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM
(Priests are also available by appointment)

SACRAMENT of MARRIAGE

Minimum of six months' preparation time. Call the Parish Office for further information.

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM

Baptisms and baptism preparation classes may be scheduled by contacting the Parish Office. Registered parishioners only.

SACRAMENT of ANOINTING of THE SICK

After the Noon Mass on the last Sunday of the month, or please notify the Parish Office if there is a need for this sacrament.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

Contact the Parish Office as soon as possible to coordinate music, liturgy, reception, and other needs.

REGISTERING AS a PARISHIONER

New to Santa Barbara? Interested in making St. Barbara Parish your faith community? Please complete a parish registration card, available from the ushers or by calling or stopping by the Parish Office, and return it to us in the collection, at the office, or by mail.

HOW DOES ONE BECOME CATHOLIC?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a community-based process for welcoming new members into the Roman Catholic Church. If you are interested, please call the Parish Office.

ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Preparation for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation
Preparation for the Sacrament of First Eucharist
Sunday Religious Education Classes, Grades 1-6 (Oct-May)
Sunday Children's Liturgy of the Word (Oct-May)

YOUTH MINISTRY and CONFIRMATION

St. Barbara Parish junior high and high school youth are welcome to join their peers from St. Raphael Parish. Please contact John Vasellina, Youth Minister at St. Raphael Parish, for more info (805-964-3466 ext. 1).

ROSARY for PEACE

Prayed on Saturday mornings after the 7:30 Mass.

TAIZÉ PRAYER AROUND the CROSS

Contemplative prayer and song seasonally scheduled throughout the year.

SCHEDULE of MASSES

SATURDAY VIGIL

4:00 PM

SUNDAY

7:30 AM • 9:00 AM • 10:30 AM • 12:00 Noon

DAILY MASS in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

7:30 AM (Monday-Thursday, Saturday) • 12:10 PM (Friday)

HOLY DAYS

Please call (805) 682-4151 for schedule

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

This portion of the gospel on the feeding of the multitude is one that is very familiar to us, and it is full of imagery pointing to Jesus being the



Bread of Life. A crowd has followed Jesus because of the miracles they see him work, and it is late in the day. There are thousands to feed, not enough money, and seemingly inadequate provisions. But we know what happens when Jesus offers thanks for the meager

food at hand. There is more than enough for everyone to be filled with some left over, and all are astonished.

However, it would seem that there is more to the story than giving thanks and providing food. As the scene is opening up and the situation becomes clear, Jesus poses the problem to Philip and the disciples: "Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?" Yet the Scripture tells us that Jesus already knew what he was going to do: "He said this to test him, because he himself knew what he was going to do." The story within the story is that Jesus uses this circumstance to bring his disciples deeper into his mission. He is encouraging them to see that his work is also their work. And perhaps even more subtly, Jesus is nurturing those seeds of faith, preparing them to believe things that up to this point were thought unbelievable: his suffering, death, and Resurrection.

The act of satisfying the peoples' physical hunger is not to be ignored. Over and over again Jesus sets the example that it is not enough to teach or preach or work miracles. Taking responsibility for the hungry and those less fortunate is paramount in sharing in the reign of God. When people are free from worry about having enough food and adequate shelter, the message of salvation may be more readily received. Jesus provided bread for their hunger; his life was bread for their lives. We are called to do and be the same.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK
How do I feed the hungers in me? The World? In God?

DEAR PARISHIONERS and VISITORS,

Did you know that the multiplication of the loaves is the only miracle story that is told by all four of the Gospel writers; it even occurs twice in Mark (Chapters Six and Eight) and in Mathew (Chapters Fourteen and Fifteen). And each of the Gospels depicts this extraordinary event in their own way.

But let's look at this scene from today's Gospel according to John. A large group of people followed Jesus and gathered around on a grassy knoll on a pleasant day near Passover. And to feed this huge crowd as they listened to Jesus were only five barley loaves (the food of the poor) and two fishes (tilapia, the very boney kind that I had an opportunity to eat reluctantly while on the pilgrimage to the Holy Land with Fr. Daniel in the Fall of 2007). Here was a group hungry to hear our Lord but physically hungry as well.

There's so much more to this scene than just relaxing on a grassy knoll and breaking bread though. Jesus' gift of bread to this crowd represented the gift of the Holy Eucharist in its most simplistic of forms. That day became a day of life rather than a day of rest for them. It was that day that Jesus taught them that He was the bread of life, the food that will sustain those who believe in Him.

Like the people on the grassy knoll, we too can join in their relationship with Christ. How? It's through sharing of the body and blood of Christ each Sunday, the most satisfying of any banquet we can ever indulge in. It's just between you and Jesus. Just think how many people are missing out on this meal or how many hunger to receive Jesus in Eucharist but are unable to. As Catholics, let us be thankful for this wonderful opportunity!



Bob Chyla
Pastoral Council Member 2008

PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S LITURGY

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading—Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

The people of Israel receive bread from heaven in response to their grumbling.

Responsorial Psalm—Psalm 78

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Second Reading—Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Put on the new self that has been created in God's way.

Gospel—John 6:24-35

I am the bread of life;
whoever comes to me will never hunger.

REFLECTION on NEXT SUNDAY'S LITURGY of THE WORD

Jesus had just fed the Israelites of his day with "bread from heaven," but they saw only the "bread." They followed him back across the lake to Capernaum. They were hoping for more free food. Jesus uses their question to try to teach them the deeper meaning of the bread from heaven. He reproaches them for being so concerned about food. They have missed the meaning of the feeding. They do not see this as a sign pointing to a deeper reality. When they ask what they must do to perform works pleasing to God, Jesus says, in effect, "nothing." They are asked simply to accept him as the one God has sent. This faith is a free gift of God. The mention of faith makes them impatient. They want action. The crowd is operating on the material level. They are hoping for an endless supply of food. Jesus startles them by saying he is bread which gives life. They must believe in him. He will satisfy them forever.

Life Focus

- In a society that offers instant gratification and the pursuit of comfort and convenience, what can you do to keep your focus on Jesus?
- Where have you seen Jesus this past week in your life? What message did he have for you? How did you respond?
- What are some things you take for granted?

DID YOU KNOW ...

Ignatius of Loyola: Feast Day—July 31

The founder of the Jesuits was on his way to military fame and fortune when a cannonball shattered his leg. Because there were no books of romance on hand during his convalescence, he whiled away the time reading a life of Christ and lives of the saints. His conscience was deeply touched, and a long, painful turning to Christ began. Having seen the Mother of God in a vision, he made a pilgrimage to her shrine at Montserrat (near Barcelona). He remained for almost a year at nearby Manresa, sometimes with the Dominicans, sometimes in a pauper's hospice, often in a cave in the hills praying. After a period of great peace of mind, he went through a harrowing trial of scruples. There was no comfort in anything—prayer, fasting, sacraments, penance. At length, his peace of mind returned.

In 1534, at the age of 43, he and six others (one of whom was St. Francis Xavier) vowed to live in poverty and chastity and to go to the Holy Land. If this became impossible, they vowed to offer themselves to the apostolic service of the pope. The latter became the only choice. Four years later Ignatius made the association permanent. The new Society of Jesus was approved by Paul III, and Ignatius was elected to serve as the first general.



When companions were sent on various missions by the pope, Ignatius remained in Rome, consolidating the new venture, but still finding time to found homes for orphans, catechumens and penitents. He founded the Roman College, intended to be the model of all other colleges of the Society.

Ignatius was a true mystic. He centered his spiritual life on the essential foundations of Christianity—the Trinity, Christ, the Eucharist. His spirituality is expressed in the Jesuit motto, *ad maiorem Dei gloriam*—"for the greater glory of God."

Ignatius recommended this prayer to penitents:

"Receive, Lord, all my liberty, my memory, my understanding and my whole will. You have given me all that I have, all that I am, and I surrender all to your divine will, that you dispose of me. Give me only your love and your grace. With this I am rich enough, and I have no more to ask."

— from "Saint of The Day"
St. Anthony Messenger Press

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH WELCOMES YOU!

Are you thinking about returning to actively practicing your faith? If you are a Catholic who has been away from the Church, know you are in our prayers. We invite you to explore your faith and your future with the Catholic Church. If you are interested in learning more, please contact the Parish Office (805) 682-4151 ext. 201.

STEWARDSHIP of TREASURE

Sunday, July 19

\$10,951.00

National Needs Collection

\$1,734.00



Give of your time, talent and treasure until your heart knows that you have done something for God.



LET US PRAY for THE SICK

Sheila Ramus " Bob Carman " Clem Krause
 Mark Etzel " John Tapia " Charles Ramos
 Maria Muñoz " Catharene Purdy " Roger Heroux
 Dorothy McClellan " Consuelo Alcantara
 Paul Conover " Irma Nagelmann " Sandra Baker
 Charles Kopecky " Rose Margaret Braiden
 Margaret Mary Craig " Nick Lano " Kevin O'Brien

May they know Christ's healing.

SAY "HELLO" to OUR NEW PARISHIONERS!

EILEEN and WARREN BUEHLER
 PABLO, LETICIA and PABLO III SIMENTALES
 LAURA SOLANO, LAURO & JEZEBEL ROBLES
 ROB, JULIE, JOHN and ANDREW TEEL

BAPTIZED into NEW LIFE

Ian Patrick Corsetti
 Son of Richard and Jennifer Corsetti

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Spiritual direction is an opportunity for a person to regularly spend time reflecting and discovering how God is present and working in one's life. The spiritual director is a sacred listener, one who is attentive to how the Holy Spirit may be calling the directee into a deeper relationship with God.

Andrea Duda, the parish coordinator for adult faith formation, is starting her third year of training in a program called the Art of Spiritual Direction. As part of her education she will do an internship by providing individual spiritual direction for two or three people. Spiritual direction sessions usually take place monthly for about an hour.

If you would be interested in discussing the possibility of receiving spiritual direction, give Andrea a call at 682-4151 x201 or email andrea@suscipe.com.

ALWAYS our CHILDREN

The Catholic support group for parents of Gay and Lesbian children from the Santa Barbara and Ventura area meets on the fourth Monday of every other month. They will be meeting on Monday, July 27, at 7:30PM. This is a comfortable environment where you can share your feelings and ask questions. The meetings are informal and confidential. For more information, please call Kathie and Joe Schneider at (805) 687-4338.

HELLO YOUNG ADULTS!

If you are a young adult, married, single, dating between the ages of 18-39, you are invited to the eighth annual summer speaker series, Theology-on-Tap! Come meet other young adults for fun, networking & opportunities to discuss and learn about current issues of faith.

When: Sundays: July 26, August 2, August 9
 Where: Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Hall
 3175 Telegraph Road, Ventura CA 93003
 Time: 5:15PM Young Adult Mass; 6:30PM Doors Open

For more information or if you would like to be part of the Santa Barbara Regional Theology-on-Tap Team, please contact Sherie Holaway at sholaway@aol-vta.org or (805) 642-7966 x128. You can also check out their web site at <http://archdiocese.la/mya>.

PARISH CALENDAR



- Jul 28 Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:45PM
- Jul 29 "Safeguard the Children" Committee Meeting at 6:30PM in the Social Room
- Jul 29 Inquiry Into Catholicism, 6:30PM, Assisi Lounge
- Aug 4 Book Club Meets at 6PM in the Social Room
- Aug 5 Inquiry Into Catholicism, 6:30PM, Assisi Lounge
- Aug 6 Misa del Presidente at 10AM (Fiesta)
- Aug 9 Jr. High Planning Meeting, 11:45AM, Social Room
- Aug 12 Baptism Preparation Class at 6:30PM
- Aug 12 Inquiry Into Catholicism, 6:30PM, Assisi Lounge
- Aug 13 Summer Cinema Series, 6:30PM (see pg 6)
- Aug 16 Baptisms at the 10:30AM Mass
- Aug 18 Leadership Meeting at 6:30PM

DEAR JR. HIGH PARENTS,

A first parent meeting was held on Sunday, July 12, after the 10:30AM Mass. Everyone who attended was excited and full of great ideas. Our goal is to have 12 or more junior high youth/families involved and committed to having a program every 2 weeks. Fr. Daniel would be involved and would speak at one program per month. The others would be run by parents. The gatherings would take place in the evenings either at the Old Mission or in a home. In addition, as a group, we would join the other programs currently running at St. Raphael and San Roque Parishes.

Our second parent meeting will be held on Sunday, August 9, after the 10:30AM Mass in the "rainy day" coffee room. Please email Jocelyne Bublitz at jocelyneb@cox.net if you can/cannot attend. We will need to decide whether to move forward at this time. Thanks for all your support.

May we excel in giving and receiving, thus deepening our bond with each other as Body of Christ.

SUMMER CINEMA SERIES

Mark your calendars for the Summer Cinema Series. Enjoy a movie followed by discussion of issues and themes.

August 13 " August 20
6:30PM " Bonaventure Room

"*A River Runs Through It*"
Craig Sheffer " Brad Pitt " Tom Skerritt

A lyrical and nostalgic film from director Robert Redford, based on the popular autobiographical novel by Norman MacLean, *A River Runs Through It* shows the best that modern filmmaking has to offer. The film chronicles two brothers coming of age in early-20th-century Missoula, Montana, under the stern tutelage of their minister father, played by Tom Skerritt (*Top Gun*). Their father instills in them a love of fly fishing, which for one brother (Brad Pitt) becomes a lifelong passion even as he sets out to become a newspaperman and struggles with his addiction to gambling. The other brother, Norman (Craig Sheffer), dreams of exploring the world outside of Missoula as he falls in love with a local girl (Emily Lloyd) who also dreams of broader horizons. Soon one brother must discover the true meaning of family loyalty when the other finds himself in deeper trouble than ever before. An Oscar winner for Philippe Rousselot's luminescent cinematography, this is a poignant and special film.

-Robert Lane

EXPOSITION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Parish is offering exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday afternoons. We need to know that parishioners will be available to pray after the Friday Noon Mass until 5PM (3PM on July 31) in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Please call Laura in the Parish Office if you are available for a portion of that time.

ANOINTING of the SICK

The parish will administer the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick after the 12Noon Mass this Sunday. This sacrament is administered to bring spiritual and even physical strength during an illness. It is a way for Christians to identify with Christ in his passion and ask for God's healing power. Only baptized Catholics whose health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age are proper subjects for receiving this sacrament.

BEATITUDE HOUSE

Two members of the parish JPIC (Justice, Peace and the Integrity of Creation) Ministry are running a summer school for the children who live, with their parents, at Beatitude House Catholic Worker House in Guadalupe. Currently they need packages of string cheese to put in the children's lunches. The string cheese may be left on the front porch of JPIC member Sharon Brownnett (2110 State Street). God bless you for your generosity.

KEEPING our CHILDREN SAFE**Possible Indicators of Child Abuse and Neglect**

A key to reporting child abuse and neglect is being able to recognize common indicators. In a parent, the following signs may signal the presence of child abuse or neglect: shows little concern for the child; blames the child for the child's problems in school or at home; asks teachers or other caretakers to use harsh physical discipline if the child misbehaves; sees the child as entirely bad, worthless, or burdensome. To learn more about child abuse prevention, visit <http://archdiocese.la/protecting>.

Linda Ruffton is the Chairperson of St. Barbara Parish's Safeguard the Children Committee. She can be reached at 682-4151 x104. For particular help you may call the Archdiocese's Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.