

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)

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY

St. Barbara Parish now offers a Junior High Youth Group. All junior high teens are welcome to attend! Please contact the Youth Minister, Lauren Bergesen, for more information at (805) 682-4151 ext. 104. For Confirmation and High School Youth Ministry, please contact John Vasellina at St. Raphael Parish at (805) 964-3466, ext. 1.

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 (Children's Liturgy of the Word) • 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

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's First Reading and the Gospel, we read about widows who, although terribly poor, share what they have with others. What motivates such generosity? Our readings suggest two answers: In order to live so generously we must first have faith in God's provident care for us. In addition, we must understand our responsibility to care for others.



When Elijah first meets the poor widow, she has given up hope. She thinks that she and her son are facing imminent death: "Just now I was collecting a couple of sticks, to go in and prepare something for myself and my son; when we have eaten it, we shall die." The widow believes she has no resources with which to respond to Elijah's request for food and drink.

Elijah offers the woman hope that God will provide for her and her son: "The jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, until the day when the Lord sends rain upon the earth." The woman believes Elijah's words: "She left and did as Elijah had said."

The widow in the Gospel reading who puts money into the treasury is also poor. Even though she puts in only a few cents, Jesus recognizes that she has put in more than all the others because "she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood."

This poor widow must have taken to heart the message of Psalm 146, which we read today: "The Lord keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry ... The fatherless and the widow he sustains." Deep faith must have freed the widow so that she felt able to care for others.

Jesus points this woman out to his disciples as an example. May we, too, be freed through faith to live so generously.

Dear Parishioners & Visitors,

"For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood."

- Mark

How many times have I reached into my pocket, put a small amount of money into the basket during Sunday Mass and called it good? How many times have I failed to reach a little deeper not just with money but with my time and energy? I would be scared to admit it.

This Gospel speaks about the heartfelt giving of our gifts and resources, all of them, not just financially, but in stewardship and other gifts of time and energy. The Gospel reminds us about giving from a place that could create suffering or pain. It's giving beyond our reserves. The gift of our time may be one of the most precious gifts of all. It may be the gift that is the most difficult to give but may help others get over the mountain of despair and ski down the other side. The gifts we hold closest always seem to be the ones most needed by others.

Stewardship reminds us that we are not the owners of our many gifts but merely the managers of these gifts. We are reminded through the Gospels that it is what we do with our gifts that will help define who we are through the eyes of God. It really doesn't matter how many gifts we are given, what matters is what we do with them.

The woman in the Gospel caught the eye of Jesus Christ not because of the sum of which she was giving but because of the effort she put forth in the process of giving. She gave from beyond her reserve. She gave completely.

Many people in our parish have experienced the wave of satisfaction that must come from giving so completely and with great regularity. For those that already do such wonderful jobs in this area, we all need your help to continue to move our Parish down the faith-based road of giving.

Matt Boeddeker
Pastoral Council Member

Q UESTION OF THE WEEK
How can faith free me to be generous?

PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S LITURGY***Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*****First Reading—Daniel 12:1-3**

Those who lead the many to justice
shall be like the stars forever.

Responsorial Psalm—Psalm 16

You are my inheritance, O Lord!

Second Reading—Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Where there is forgiveness,
there is no longer offering for sin.

Gospel—Mark 13:24-32

Heaven and earth will pass away,
but my words will not pass away.

**REFLECTION on NEXT SUNDAY'S
LITURGY of THE WORD**

As the Church year nears its end, the readings also speak of the end time. These readings were written during times of trial and persecution, and their purpose is to encourage people not to give up. Next Sunday's reading from Daniel comes just one hundred sixty-five years before Jesus. It speaks of great conflict—even the earth will shake and the stars will fall—but for the first time in the Old Testament, there is a very clear belief in the resurrection of the faithful and punishment for evil. God's kingdom will win over every kind of evil. God's faithful who do good and lead others to goodness (justice) will shine with God's own light. The Gospel proclaims that Jesus will come at the end of time to call his people from all over the world to share in his victory. All the physical world—earth, sun, moon, stars—will be under and belong to him.

Life Focus

- In tough times, what keeps you going?
- If the world were ending tomorrow, how would you experience today differently? What would you do differently today?
- In what way do you need to persevere right now?

May we always be generous in
self-giving and kind to those in need.

DID YOU KNOW ...**Dedication of St. John Lateran****Feast Day—November 9**

Most Catholic think of St. Peter's as the pope's main church, but they are wrong. St. John Lateran is the pope's church, the cathedral of the diocese of Rome where the bishop of Rome presides.

The first basilica on the site was built in the fourth century when Constantine donated land he had received from the wealthy Lateran family. That structure and its successors suffered fire, earthquake and the ravages of war, but the Lateran remained the church where popes were consecrated until Pope Gregory XI returned from Avignon in the fourteenth century to find the church and the adjoining papal palace in ruins.

Pope Innocent X commissioned the present structure in 1646. One of Rome's most imposing churches, the Lateran has a towering façade crowned with fifteen colossal statues of Christ, John the Baptist, John the Evangelist and twelve doctors of the Church. Beneath its high altar rests the remains of the small wooden table on which, according to tradition, Saint Peter celebrated Mass.

COMMENT: Unlike the commemorations of other Roman churches (St. Mary Major, August 5; Sts. Peter and Paul, November 18), this anniversary is a feast. The dedication of a church is a feast for all its parishioners. St. John Lateran is, in a sense, the parish church of all Catholics, for it is the pope's parish, the cathedral church of the bishop of Rome. This church is the spiritual home of the people who are the church.

QUOTE: "What was done here, as these walls were rising, is reproduced when we bring together those who believe in Christ. By believing they are hewn out from mountains and forests, like stones and timber, but by catechizing, baptism and instruction they are shaped, squared and planed by the hands of the workers and artisans. Nevertheless, they do not make a house for the Lord until they are fitted together through love." (*Saint Augustine*)

- from "Saint of The Day"
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LET US PRAY for THE SICK

Sheila Ramus " Bob Carman " Clem Krause
 Charles Ramos " Maria Muñoz
 Catharene Purdy " Roger Heroux
 Dorothy McClellan " Consuelo Alcantara
 Paul Conover " Irma Nagelmann
 Rose Margaret Braiden " Nick Lano " Kevin O'Brien
 Orlando Fedaleo " Barbara Krause
 Felicitas Bonilla " Mary Toth

May they know Christ's healing.

STEWARDSHIP of TREASURE

Sunday, November 1st

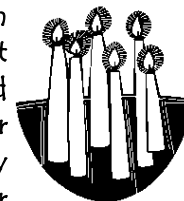
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Thank you for your generosity!

ADVENT by CANDLELIGHT

December 1 "7PM

Advent is a special time of year! When anticipating the coming of Jesus at Christmas, most of us have fond memories to look back on. We remember special food, music, gift-sharing, family and friends. For others, this time of year might bring out feelings of sadness or loneliness. Perhaps the loss of a loved one makes your heart ache, or your energy and zest for life seems to be at its lowest. No matter who we are or how the season makes us feel, the true meaning of Advent has the power to heal. We just have to put down the shopping lists, stop running all those errands and take some time to recognize and appreciate the most wondrous gift life has to offer: the salvation of our souls through the birth of Jesus Christ!



Whether you're a parishioner or not, Catholic or not, Advent By Candlelight will inspire you and connect you with Advent like never before! Please come to hear personal testimony from parishioners of how Jesus has touched their lives and join in with the beautiful music. Refreshments will follow. You're encouraged to attend this hour-long event and especially, to invite anybody you know searching for a way to fill that void in their life, whatever it may be. Inspirational stories, beautiful music, delicious food and new found friends are sure to give Advent a renewed meaning in your life.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

St. Barbara Parish will be offering a VIRTUS training session on Saturday, November 14, from 10AM-1PM, in the Parish Social Room. Protecting God's Children is a beginning awareness training session for adults. It will enable us to provide a safe environment for children, in order to protect them from sexual abuse. It is highly recommended for parents/grandparents and it is required for all those working with children in the LA Archdiocese.

To register, please contact Laura in the Parish Office (682-4151 x102 or stbabs@yahoo.com).

PARISH CALENDAR

November is "All Souls" Month



- Nov 9 Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome (see page 4)
- Nov 11 JPIC Meeting at 7PM
- Nov 12 RCIA, 6:30PM, Cordano Board Room
- Nov 14/15 Fr. Mario DiCicco, Guest Preacher at Masses
- Nov 14 VIRTUS Training, Social Room, 10AM-1PM
- Nov 15 RCIA Meeting, 10:30-Noon, Social Room
- Nov 15 Choral Requiem in the Church at 3PM
- Nov 17 Pastoral Council Meeting at 6:45PM
- Nov 18 Parish Leadership Meeting, 6:30PM, Social Rm.
- Nov 19 Fr. Daniel's Scripture Study at 7PM, Social Rm.
- Nov 20 Fr. Daniel's Scripture Study, 10AM, Social Rm.
- Nov 21-22 Catholic Campaign for Human Development (second collection)
- Nov 22 Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King
- Nov 26 Thanksgiving; Mass at 10AM (no 7:30AM Mass on Thursday)
- Nov 29 First Sunday of Advent
- Dec 1 Advent by Candlelight, 7PM in the Church
- Dec 2 JPIC Meeting at 7PM
- Dec 6 Global Gift Faire

FAITH and FILM

"The Apostle" (1997)

November 23 " 6:30PM " Bonaventure Room

Eulis "Sonny" Dewey is a preacher from Texas living a happy life with his beautiful wife Jessie. Suddenly his stable world crumbles: Jessie is having an affair with young minister Horace. Sonny gets enraged and hits Horace with a softball bat, putting him into a coma. After that he leaves town, takes a new name, "apostle E.F." and goes to Louisiana. There he starts to work as a mechanic for local radio station owner Elmo, and Elmo lets him preach on the radio. E.F. starts to preach everywhere: on the radio, on the streets, and with his new friend, Reverend Blackwell he starts a campaign to renovate an old church.

SAY "HELLO" to OUR NEW PARISHIONERS!

ANDREA DELAP
MATTHEW and KATIE TRAYLEN

THE CUPBOARDS are BARE!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES PANTRY IS IN DIRE NEED!
PLEASE BRING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS TO
MASS NEXT WEEKEND AND PLACE THEM IN THE
BASKETS AT THE FOOT OF THE MISSION STAIRS.

Food items needed include tuna, peanut butter, beans and rice, cereal, canned vegetables and fruits, pasta and pasta sauce. Monetary donations are welcome also...thank you!

**LITURGICAL GUIDELINES
DURING FLU SEASON**

Although most people born before 1980 have already been exposed to H1N1 virus, it is still important to take note of the following precautions at liturgy during the cold/flu season:

1) The initial stages of a viral illness are the most contagious. If you are beginning to feel ill or have just contracted a cold/flu virus, it is best to care for yourself and the greater body of Christ by remaining home. Parishioners can honor their stewardship commitments by bringing their envelopes from absent Sundays with them the next time they attend Mass. There is no obligation to attend Mass when one is ill.

2) It is best to limit physical contact with others during liturgy, but not in a way that is disrespectful. First of all, it is important to know that holding hands during the Our Father has never been a liturgical norm in the Catholic Church – only a local custom in some parishes. Secondly, the sign of peace can be offered through a nod, a bow or even a smile, with appropriate words such as, "May the peace of Christ be with you always."

3) Wash hands often, especially USHERS and EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS. Soap and water are available in the sacristy and hand sanitizing gel will be available on the Credence Table for the use of Eucharistic Ministers immediately before distributing communion.

4) Refrain from receiving communion on the tongue as a way to prevent Eucharistic Ministers from touching the mouths of others.

Let us be careful, but not afraid of one another. There have been no proven cases of anyone receiving a deathly illness from taking the cup of the Blood of Christ. As Christians, we celebrate a God who indeed is among us, so let us care for one another in light of God's care for us.

**LET'S HELP TRANSITION HOUSE
CELEBRATE THANKSGIVING**

How? Call Linnea Koopmans at 966-9668 or email her at lkoopmans@transitionhouse.com to sign up to deliver at least 10 servings of one of the following foods to Transition House (434 E. Ortega Street) the morning of Thanksgiving or the evening before:

a roasted turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy,
stuffing, green salad and dressing,
green beans or a green bean casserole,
rolls and butter, cranberry sauce, yams,
pie and whipped cream, drinks

Or, if you'd like to help the second- and third-stage families have a Thanksgiving of their own, give them a gift card to a local grocery store or buy them a frozen turkey. Let's thank God that we have been blessed with the resources to help our homeless neighbors enjoy a bountiful Thanksgiving feast.

ALL SOULS of ST. BARBARA PARISH

Below are the names of our parishioners who have died in the past year. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Edward R. Linquist
Richard E. Wickman
Frank Dufek
Robert Arthur Goeller, Jr.
Elizabeth J. Pitman
Katharine Tate
Laszlo Paul Hajdu
Liliane Flaherty Kirby
Overton Harris Gentry III
Joseph Brian McGeever
Katie Lynn MacDonald
Viola Elena Garcia
Marlene G. Bulfone
William A. Devine
Kathryn M. Miratti
Robert John Kuhn
Patricia A. O'Brien

May we continue to grow
in true discipleship.