

December 11, 2022 Third Sunday of Advent

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MASS SCHEDULE

St. Barbara Chapel

Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday: 8 a.m.

St. Barbara Church

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 6 a.m./9:30 a.m.

Indonesian: 2nd Sunday: 11:30 a.m.

DEVOTIONS

First Saturday Healing Mass St. Barbara Chapel: 8 a.m.

The Rosary

Sunday 5:30 a.m. Before 6 a.m. Mass

St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church

Monday/Wednesday/Friday: 8 a.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m./10:30 a.m.

Cantonese: 1st Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

Mandarin: 2nd Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (TBA)

4th Sunday: 12:30 p.m.

DEVOTIONS

Mondays with Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity:

4-5 p.m. Rosary and 5-6 p.m. Holy Hour

First Friday Holy Hour: 7 p.m.



St. Barbara Worship Site

Saturday, Dec. 10th Vigil | Third Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. Divine Mercy for All by C. Kisielente Family

- + Linda Krasovskis by Carolyn DeSanto Disiglio
- + Tony Demma & John Yoskowski by Family

Sunday, Dec. 11th | Third Sunday of Advent

6:00 a.m. + Loretta Keslinke

+ Guadalupe Pena by Christine Krupa

9:30 a.m. + Mary Diaz De Leon by Family

+ Teresita Holcomb by King Family

+ Joseph Nawracaj by Stan Nawracaj

+ James L. Leliosh by Bette Pienta & Family

+ 50th Anniversary: Peter J. Becatti by Dolores

Tuesday, Dec. 13th | Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 a.m. + Charles Palumbo by wife Rosetta Palumbo

Thursday, Dec. 15th | Advent Weekday

8:00 a.m. Blessings for Parishioners

Saturday, Dec. 17th | Late Advent Weekday

8:00 a.m. All Souls' Remembrance

Saturday, Dec. 17th Vigil | Fourth Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. Divine Mercy for All by C. Kisielente Family

+ Linda Krasovskis by Carolyn DeSanto Disiglio

+ Jean Fornek by Bette Pienta & Family

+ Don McCarthy by Cheryl Merrithey

Sunday, Dec. 18th | Fourth Sunday of Advent

6:00 a.m. + Guadalupe Pena by Christine Krupa

9:30 a.m. + Michelle Pienta by Bette Pienta

pray for peace

We pray for Ukraine and Russia and for all our brothers and sisters living in fear and for all victims of war. Lord, Raise up peacemakers, so that violence and war can end.

Wisdom from Pope Francis:

The secret of Christian living is love. Only love fills the empty spaces caused by evil. Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and forgiven. If our hearts and actions are inspired by charity, by divine love, then our communication will be touched by God's own power.

St. Therese Worship Site

Sunday, Dec. 11th | Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. + Jimmy Annoreno by Family

+ Peter Yuan by Yuan Family

10:30 a.m. + Dai Cheng-Ching 戴正清

+ Armina Wu by Marian Woo Torrez & Family

+ June Moy by Ricky Yong

+ Kin Hong Ye by Marion Woo Torrez& Family

+ Lucy Wong by Laurence & Therese Wong

+ Bhagwani Dialdas Lakhwani by Katharina

+ Bernadette Vivian Tirta Dharsana by Katharina

Monday, Dec. 12th | Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:00 a.m. + Lucy Wong by Rose Lee

Wednesday, Dec. 14th | Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory

Friday, Dec. 16th | Advent Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Vincent Briglio by Wife & Family + Bernadette Zito by Joe & Rena

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

St. Barbara

Saturday, Dec. 17th:

5p.m. Lectors: M. Tse, J. Chau

Eucharistic Minister: C. Sokolowski

Sunday, Dec. 18th: 6a.m. Lectors: J. Bertucci

9:30 a.m. Lectors: B. Pienta, Sr. K. McNulty **Eucharistic Minister**: H. Alonzo

St. Therese

Sunday, Dec. 18th:

8:00a.m. Greeters: N. Lowe, J. Lowe

Lectors: R. Centofanti, N. Gonzalez

St. Michael Ministry: Chris

10:30a.m. Greeters: C. Lee, J. Yee, D. Lowe

Lectors: Family Mass

Eucharistic Ministers: Edy(Altar) John(Choir)

St. Michael Ministry: Cam

Thanks

Thanks to all who helped with the celebration of St. Barbara Feast and the Breakfast with Santa. It was wonderful to see so many parishioners and friends who participated in the festivities.



Thanks to all who helped with this year's Christmas mailing. Our dedicated volunteers and staff once again did an amazing job



Renewing Our Love for the Eucharist

Our Parish Liturgy Committee has decided to offer "Teaching Mass" to our parishioners at all the masses on this weekend at St. Therese Site and next weekend at St. Barbara Site. We hope this offers us an opportunity as a faith community to grow in our understanding of the Mass and therefore be inspired to participate "fully, consciously and actively."

The Second Vatican Councils clearly reminds us that the Eucharist is "the source and summit of Christian life." In the Eucharist, we partake Christ himself, the Living Bread who continues to nourish us and feed us.

The Vatican II Constitution on Sacred Liturgy also firmly states that Christ is "really, truly and substantially" present in the Eucharist and there are six ways Jesus is really present in the liturgy: "there is a real presence of Christ in the ministry of the word, there is a real presence of Christ in the liturgical assembly, there is a real presence of Christ in the priest in liturgical service, there is a real presence of Christ in the souls of the just, there is a real presence of Christ in the sacraments, and finally, there is a real presence of Christ in the Eucharist."

Pope Francis in his recent letter titled, On the Liturgical Formation of the People of God, invites all the faithful to reflect on the following two questions:

How can we grow in our capacity to live in full the liturgical action?

How do we continue to let ourselves be amazed at what happens in the celebration under our very eyes?

I hope our parish's Teaching Mass can help us individually and collectively to renew our knowledge as well as our appreciation for the Eucharist.

*Peace, Fr. Francis**

LIVING A GODLY LIFE by Fr. John Cuff

Two men, Charlie and Roger, got together and opened a butcher shop. The business did quite well and they prospered. One day a preacher came to town, and Charlie gave also, but to no avail. "But why won't you, Roger?" asked the newly baptized Charlie. "Listen, Charlie," Roger said. "If I get tures some of the writings describe some of the signs that religion too, who's going to take care of the store on Sundays?" To his credit Roger understood that believing in Christ implies a radical change in one's life.

Many people who identify themselves as Christians don't seem to realize this point. According to a 1987 US Gallup poll, there's little difference in moral behavior between people who go to church and people who don't. There's as much pilfering and dishonesty among Christians as among non-Christians. Indeed, some Christians seem to think that tion more directly? Maybe not. Jesus directs them to the we can add Christ to our lives without subtracting sin. Accepting Jesus as one's personal Lord and Savior is seen as simply changing one's belief, and not so much with changing one's behavior. How often have we heard it said, "Only So it is with us. People can tell us the answers but unless we believe, and you will be saved?"

preaching of John the Baptist. His preaching of the good news has two parts: (a) the invitation to live a Godly life, and (b) the invitation to believe in Jesus the Messiah. The invitation to live a Godly life is the first element in his preaching. People who heard John preach asked, "What then should we do?" To the crowds his answer was: "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has will receive. none; and whoever has food must do likewise." To the tax collectors he answered: "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." To the soldiers he answered: "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages." Thus, accepting the Gospel demands a change in one's personal conduct. The Gospel is a leaven that affects every aspect of our personal and social life. To really repent is to turn from evil and do good. One becomes a person who loves to share, rather than only seeking to accumulate the good things of life.

As we prepare to celebrate Christmas, let us admit that the basic problem with Christian faith today is that, while we profess to believe, we often do not match it with practical behavior. This self-contradiction constitutes a stumbling block for would-be believers who are often attracted by the person and teachings of Christ, but are turned away by the conduct of those who claim to be his followers. John prepared his listeners for the coming of Jesus by challenging them to mend their ways and believe His message. The best preparation we can make for the birth of our Savior is to repent and guide our behavior by the selfless teachings of the Gospel, so that we can stand with heads raised high in joy at the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Faith Filled Following of Jesus by Sr. Caritas

Many times, we hear about someone who is a great speaker. We want to go and hear them speak. We are drawn to hear them and speak to others about how good they were. In the Gospel today, we hear about something similar. John, who his life to Christ. He tried to persuade Roger to accept Christ was in prison, sent his disciples to ask Jesus a question. "Are you the one or should we look for another?" In the scripwill be happening when the Messiah comes. The people were looking for the Messiah but were not thinking about the signs that would accompany His coming. The disciples asked Jesus the question. "Are you the one who is to come?" Jesus did not answer their questions directly. He reminded them of what the scripture foretold, what would accompany the coming of the Messiah. They were having trouble recognizing Jesus as the Messiah even though He worked miracles and even brought people back to life after they were dead. Would they have believed if Jesus had answered their quesanswer to their question and lets them find the answer which would require faith. It is faith after all, which helps us recognize and believe in Jesus and follow Him.

search for the answer or recognize the answer, our response will not be clear. It is a faith filled answer and response In today's Gospel we have a unique insight into the which helps us recognize, believe and follow Jesus. It is up to us to respond with a faith filled response. This is what gives us a clear direction to turn directly and completely to Jesus. It is faith that helps us to really listen to the words of Jesus. It gives us the strength to follow him. Have you sought and followed the answer to your question, "Are you the one who is to come?" Does your faith give you the strength and direction to completely follow? Ask and you





December/ Special Events Schedule

***Mondays with the Sisters of the Missionary of Charity: 4pm-5pm Street Rosary and 5pm-6pm Adoration at St. Therese Church. All are welcome.

***Good Shepherd Catechism for children 3 to 7 years takes place on Sundays at 10:30am at St. Therese.

Dec. 11---9:30am Family Mass; 11:30am Indonesian Mass at St. Barbara; RE students Reconciliation at 9:15am and Teaching Masses at St. Therese

Dec. 12---8am Mass with School Students followed by Reconciliation at St. Therese

Dec. 14---St. Therese School Christmas Concert at 6pm at St. Barbara Church

Dec. 17-18---Teaching Masses at St. Barbara, 12:30pm Mandarin Mass followed by Christmas Carols at St. Therese, and Christmas Decoration of the Churches

Dec. 24-25---Christmas Masses: 5pm Vigil with Christmas Pageant, 8am and 10:30am at St. Therese; Mid-night preceded by Christmas Carols at 11:30pm, 6am and 9:30am at St. Barbara

Dec. 31----Jan. 1, 2023: Masses are 5pm Vigil, 6am and 9:30am at St. Barbara and 5pm Vigil with Benediction (NO hotpot this year), 8am and 10:30 am (Cantonese) at St. Therese

Annual Second Collection for Retirement Fund for Re-

ligious takes place this weekend. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps communities care for their aging members and reflects thanks for their devoted service. Please give to those who have given a lifetime by donating to this weekend's second collection.

Teaching Mass will take place at all the masses on Sunday Dec. 11 at St. Therese Church and on the weekend of Dec. 17th-18th at St. Barbara Church.

ST. BARBARA HVAC PROJECT:

As of December 5th we have received \$54,824.34 toward the Project.

Thank you to all our donors!

Elizabeth Kalmbach **Annie Lowe**



HOLY NAME NEWS Holy Name is holding a Super Split the Pot Raffle Only 100 tickets will be sold at \$10 each. Drawing will be held

Dec. 31st or sooner if all tickets are sold. Tickets available in the back of SB church by while they last. Help the men's club thrive and survive, men ages 18 and up are welcome and need not be parishioners but want to be involved in our community -come join the Holy Name. Our meetings are the 2nd Friday of every month at 7pm.



CHOIR CORNER Choir News!

The combined choir will sing at Midnight Mass at St. Barbara, including an 11:30pm carol service. We are also rehearsing music

for 10:30am Christmas Mass at St.

Therese and 9:30am Christmas Mass at St. Barbara. The same music will be used at both services.

WEEKLY REHEARSALS will take place Tuesday, December 13 and December 20, 7pm at St. Barbara site.

Current, former, and new parish musicians are warmly invited to participate. Contact Sabina at slilly@archchicago.org for more information.

2023 English Calendar is available at the Church entrance tables. Please pick up as many copies as you want and feel free to share it with neighbors and friends.

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One pack/box per family and free -will donations are appreciated. They are available at the St. Barbara Church entrance table. Thanks!



Baby Bottle Project: Our parish will once again participate in the Baby Bottle Project this Advent as one of the Corporate Works of Mercy. Please pick up a Baby Bottle after mass this weekend and fill it with your spare change and return it on the weekend of Dec. 17-18.

Your generosity and participation benefits the ministry of The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland. Thank You!

RESPECT LIFE

Quotes - * "Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society." — USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary."

Our Prayers – * For all the faithful: May the Lord help us build a culture of life in vigilant expectation of His return; We pray to the Lord: * May God help us prepare the way of the Lord by acting with tenderness and compassion, especially toward the most vulnerable among us; We pray to the Lord:

WEEKLY COLLECTION—DECEMBER 4, 2022

	St. Barbara				St. Therese			
Sunday Envelopes			\$ 1,638.00	_		\$	1,086.00	
Sunday Loose			\$ 426.00	_	:	\$	656.00	
Give Central			\$ 407.00	_	4	\$	1,068.00	
Total Collection			\$ 2,471.00			\$	2,810.00	
		YTD	Weekly		YTD		Weekly	
Actual	\$	47,523.00	\$ 2,471.00	\$	55,654.00	\$	2,810.00	
Goal	\$	62,100.00	\$ 2,700.00	\$	62,100.00	\$	2,700.00	
% of Goal		77%	96%	_	90%		104%	
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Confessions: Saturdays, 4:15-4:45 p.m. at St. Barbara Church or by appointment.

Ministry of Care: Eucharistic Ministers are available to visit, pray with, and bring Holy Communion to those who are sick and unable to attend Mass.

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November 28, 2022

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