

Archdiocesan Center for Chinese Apostolate

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# November 19, 2023 THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



#### **Parish Evangelization Updates**

Our parish Evangelization team has been busy doing outreach and sharing the Good News. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of them for all the good works they have been doing. Each of us is called by God for something. If you are wondering what God is calling you for, please pray about it and /or speak with somebody.

Thank you, **Jane Fockler**, for taking the lead for our "Socks, Gloves, and Hygiene Items" Drive to benefit those in need at St. James Food Pantry.

Thanks to **Roberta Cheong** for contacting many companies who have generously donated socks and slippers, which will be used in our Holiday

ministry to the Missionaries of Charities and in our neighborhood.

Thanks to **Mina Tse** for a great job at the Senior Suites Bridgeport Center on Tuesday Nov 14<sup>th</sup> for leading " **St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish Accompanies You in Prayer"**. It was a huge success! They are looking forward to our next visit. We will continue to go out and spread the Good News to SSB center on a monthly basis.

Thank you, **Roberto Garibay**, for doing an amazing job on the English Alpha, and most of all, thank you and your family for being so generous with the English Alpha hospitality.

Thank you, **John Lin** and **Dominic Lai**, for being amazingly corporative and supportive with the Cantonese Alpha since the very beginning. Thank you for welcoming our young brother **Raymond Lee**, from the Maryknoll Missionaries who joined our Cantonese alpha team and now willing to take lead as MC.

Thank you, **Darlene Lowe** and **Marian Woo Torrez**, for taking the lead on parish evangelization hospitality, and for being so creative with providing various multicultural ethnic foods for the Cantonese Alpha and evangelization gatherings.

Thank you, **Shao-Chen Lin** and **Han- Fen Chan**, for collaborating with Mandarin's monthly "Go Deeper" and **Teresa Chan** and **Theresa Kang**, for leading the weekly online rosary. Their leadership ensures the success of these important ministries.

Our parish is blessed to have all of us. May the Lord continue to bless each of the Parish Evangelization Team and all people we encountering.

I believe unity is the key to effectively accomplish our Lord's mission, so together we can do small things with great love as taught by St. Mother Teresa. If you are interested in being part of this ministry, please feel free to contact any of the parish evangelization team members or me. Remember God's mission is our parish evangelization team's entire mission.

For His Glory!

Jing Zhang—Evangelization Lead

#### 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: After the 8 a.m. Mass



#### St. Barbara Worship Site

#### Saturday, Nov. 18th Vigil | 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. + James Fockler & John Fockler by Jane Fockler

- + Bernice Nawracaj by Stan Nawracaj & Family
- + Ted & Jean Forner by Luctger & Forner Family
- + Palma Ursetta by daughter Rita

#### Sunday, Nov. 19th | 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:00 a.m. + Mike Clavio by Jim & Christina Bertucci

+ John Pacella, Sr. by George Tadin

9:30 a.m. + Jang Jia Cai by Izabel Sheh

- + Teresita Holcomb by King Family
- + Cliff & Ima Whitehouse by Cliff & Arlene Whitehouse & Family
- + Jose, Opelia, Ricky, Maria Lara by Marta Herrera

## Tuesday, Nov. 21st | The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. School Mass in Church

Benefactors & Parishioners

Thursday, Nov. 23rd | Saint Clement I, Pope & Martyr; Saint Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest & Martyr; Thanksgiving Day

9:30 a.m. + Anniversary, Albina Adamaitis by John & Susan Adamaitis

## Saturday, Nov. 25th | Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr

8:00 a.m. All Parishioners

### Saturday, Nov. 25th Vigil | Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

- 5:00 p.m. + Boon Man Lee & Victor Lee by Rose Lee & Family
  - + Dorothy Kawalerski by Don Przybylo & Marge Peroa

### Sunday, Nov. 26th | Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

6:00 a.m. + Wally Biezanski by Christine Bertucci

9:30 a.m. + Lottie J. Trybas by Bette Pienta & Family

- + Teresita Holcomb by King Family
- + Mary Diaz DeLeon by Family

#### **LITURGICAL MINISTERS:**

#### St. Barbara

Thursday, Thanksgivng, Nov. 23rd:

9:30a.m. Lector: B. Hudren, EM: J. Lukwinski

Saturday, Nov. 25th:

**5p.m.** Lectors: W. Podrazik, P. Saletta **Eucharistic Minister:** C. Sokolowski

Sunday, Nov. 26th:

6a.m. Lector: J. Bertucci

**9:30** a.m. Lectors: B. Pienta, L. Szczepanski Eucharistic Minister: A. Alonzo

#### St. Therese Worship Site

#### Sunday, Nov. 19th | 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Health Blessings for Gene Lee by Teresa Lee & Family

- + Chusiu Moy by Teresa Lee & Margaret Moy
- + Mary Kay Úngarelli by Marion Roti
- + Lillian & James Christian by Family
- + Joseph Di Fazio, Sr. by SMI

10:30 a.m. Health Blessings for Jian Guoxin by Jean Wu

- + Marilyn Leung by Linda Myers
- + Henry Lee by Patti Lee
- + John Lin by Izabel Sheh
- + Marie Ann Roti, Birthday Remembrance by Marion Roti
- + Raymond Sonntag by Mae Toy Chan
- + Alice Moy by Darlene

#### Monday, Nov. 20th | Weekday

- 8:00 a.m. + Victor Lee & Boon Man Lee by Rose Lee & Family
  - + Marie DePhillis by A. Briglio
  - + Anne Parulski by Stan Nawracaj & Family

## Wednesday, Nov. 22nd | Saint Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr

8:00 a.m. + Grampa Fred Bertucci by Dominic Barbaro

+ Michael Nawracaj by Stan Nawracaj

## Thursday, Nov. 23rd | Saint Clement I, Pope & Martyr Saint Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest & Martyr; Thanksgiving Day

- 8:00 a.m. + All Deceased Family Members of Sapienza by Family
  - + All Deceased Family Members of Parrilli Family by Family
  - + All Deceased Family Members of Bonomo Family by Family
  - + All Deceased Family Members of Zito & D'Amico Families by Joe & Rena

10:00 a.m. + Jenping J. Chan by Darlene

- + Diane Marie Chan by Darlene
- + All Deceased Members of Marion Roti's Family by Marion
- + Cookie & David Jarzyna by Marion Roti

## Friday, Nov. 24th | Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest & Companions, Martyrs

8:00 a.m. + Mrs. Victoria David by Stan Nawracaj & Family

#### St. Therese

#### Thursday, Thanksgivng, Nov. 23rd:

10:00am Lectors: Samantha, Darlene

EM: John, Sheila

Sunday, Nov. 26th:

8:00a.m Greeters: D. Barshop, W. Barshop

Lectors: B. Fung, J. Fung
St. Michael Ministry: Chris

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

Lectors: R. Lin, C. Pon

Eucharistic Ministers: Jade (Altar) Edy (Choir)

St. Michael Ministry: Peter

#### **THANKS**

Our parish's Liturgical Ministers Gathering on Saturday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> was fruitful and refreshing. It was a great chance for ministers' to pray, reflect, and renew together on the common mission we all share in the celebration of our liturgies. Our focus was on Eucharist and how Eucharist can help each one of us and all of us to "social friendship" with each other and ultimately our intimate friendship with our Lord. Mark did a wonderful job to facilitate our conversations. We are grateful to all of our ministers and thankful to **Judy** for taking care of hospitality for the day.



#### **BE THANKFUL**

"Bless the Lord, my soul;
all my being, bless his holy name!
Bless the Lord, my soul;
do not forget all the gifts of God.
Who pardons all your sins,
heals all your ills.
Delivers your life from the pit,
surrounds you with love and compassion.
Fills your days with good things;
your youth is renewed like the angel's."
(Psalm 103: 104)

Throughout the Scripture, we are taught to live our lives with an attitude of gratitude for we know everything we have in life is a gift from our God. However, we know we can be easily troubled by all that's going on in our World, our Church and our own lives. As we look forward to Thanksgiving and amid all the chaos, war, and conflicts, we are reminded to focus on the essentials and be thankful to God and each other.

The best form of thanksgiving is the celebration of the Eucharist. I invite you and your loved ones to join our Eucharist on Thanksgiving Day. Our masses are 9:30am at St. Barbara Church and 8am and 10am at St. Therese Church. Following the 10am mass, we have a traditional Thanksgiving meal in the Community Room. Come as a family and let's celebrate this wonderful feast with our parish family. All are welcome!

Wish you and your loved ones a peaceful and wonder-filled thanks---giving day!

Peace ~ Fr. Francis





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## November Special 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 ages 3 to 7 years on Sundays at 10:30am at St. Therese.

**Nov. 18---**5pm Mass followed by English Alpha at St. Mother Teresa Hall, 2832 S. Quinn

**Nov. 19---**10:30am Family Mass & Annual 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for Catholic Campaign for Human Development at all Masses

Nov. 20---6:30pm Finance Council Meeting

**Nov. 21---**8am St. Barbara Campus Mass & 6:30pm Liturgy Committee Meeting

Nov. 22---Parish Office Closed

Nov. 23---Thanksgiving Masses are 9:30am at St. Barbara Church and 8am and 10am at St. Therese Church. There will be a traditional Thanksgiving Luncheon after the 10:00am mass.

Nov. 26---12:30pm Mandarin Mass followed by Faith Sharing

Nov. 29---1pm School Mass at St. Therese Church

#### **RESPECT LIFE**

**Quote** – "We can't imagine loving a child whom we conceived more than we love Andrew. It is amazing how he fits our personalities so well... Adopting Andrew has made us more aware of God's power and of his love for us. We realize that he always has a perfect plan for our lives." — USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "An Adoption Love Story" (respectlife.org/adoption-love-story). **Our Prayer** – For married couples considering adoption: May the Holy Spirit guide their discernment, grant them peace, and bring to fruition His holy will; We pray to the Lord:



Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Stephen Kaput, John Joseph Kaput and Robert Rodriguez.** They were buried this past week through St. Barbara Church. May they rest in peace.

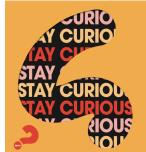


St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish invites you to join our Family Masses each month for a blessing for those celebrating their

Catholic wedding anniversary.

2nd Sundays at St. Barbara 9:30am Mass 3rd Sundays at St. Therese 10:30am Mass

"The hunger for love is much more difficult to remove than the hunger for bread."



#### St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish

invites you to join

#### **ALPHA & GO DEEPER!**

**ALPHA** is a program where people from all walks of life can safely explore the big issues of life and faith and unpack the basics of Christian belief in honest conversa-

tions, addressing questions like "Who is Jesus?", "Why and how do I pray?", "How does God guide us?", and "What is the meaning and purpose of life?" in a judgement -free environment. Alpha helps bring people together while providing the chance to encounter Jesus.

**GO DEEPER** is the next level after Alpha for those who are interested in sharing the Bible more in-depth in a group discussion setting.

All programs are free

#### **English Alpha**

Meets every 3rd Saturday of the month at 6 pm at St. Mother Teresa's Hall at St. Barbara Catholic Church 2832 S Throop Street, Dinner is included.

Please contact Roberto Garibay for more information: betocrew2004@yahoo.com

#### Cantonese Alpha

Meets every 1st Sunday of the month at 12 pm at the Community Room at St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church 218 W Alexander Street, Lunch is included.

Please contact John Lin for more information: homerunrty@yahoo.com

#### **Mandarin Go Deeper**

Meets every 4th Sunday of the month at 2 pm at the Community Room at St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church 218 W Alexander Street, Lunch is included.

Please contact Shao-Chen Lin for more information: schen22@hotmail.com



#### **HOLY NAME NEWS**

A delicious pot roast dinner is what you missed if you were not at the Holy Name meeting but, you can join us December 8<sup>th</sup>.

All men 18 and up welcome.

Holy Name **Split the Pot** winners for November are: 1<sup>st</sup> Hank Janson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Melissa Nelson, 3<sup>rd</sup> Jane Rogocki,

The **100 Club** winners for November are: 1<sup>st</sup> Christine Bertucci, 2<sup>nd</sup> David Pedigo, 3<sup>rd</sup> George L Vanderford, 4<sup>th</sup> Cheryl Sokolowski, 5<sup>th</sup> Mike Gaffney

The **Queen of Hearts** game is over \$3000 now. Tickets for the Queen of Hearts - contact Roberto at 773-230-9285. Split the Pot and 100 Club tickets are available in the back of SB Church or ask a Holy Name member.

#### WEEKLY COLLECTION—NOVEMBER 12, 2023

		St.	Barbara		St	. Therese
Sunday Envelopes		\$	1,075.00		\$	961.00
Sunday Loose		\$	391.00		\$	1,079.00
Give Central		\$	327.00		\$	539.00
<b>Total Collection</b>		\$	1,93.00		\$	2,579.00
	 YTD		Weekly		YTD	Weekly
Actual	\$ 38,119.00	\$	1,793.00	\$	43,270.00 \$	2,579.00
Goal	\$ 54,000.00	\$	2,700.00	\$	54,000.00 \$	2,700.00
% of Goal	 71%		66%		80%	96%
		\$			\$	
St. Rocco		\$	.00		\$	585.00

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#### Sacramental

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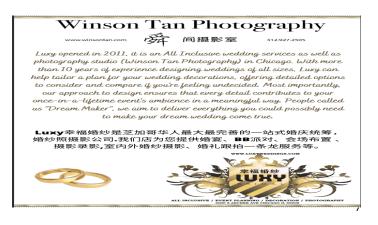
**Communion Calls:** Please contact the Rectory when someone who is homebound or in the hospital wishes a visit to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The Anointing of the Sick is for anyone seriously sick and not only for those near death. **Confessions:** Saturdays, 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.

**Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)** is a program for anyone inquiring and seeking information about entering the Catholic faith.

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At this time of Thanksgiving when we consider all the blessings we have received throughout the year, let us also take time to consider those in need. St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish will be conducting a clothing drive to benefit the St. James Food Pantry for the month of November. BUT surprisingly, they are not in need of food. The people they serve do need our help though. *They need socks, gloves, and personal hygiene items*. We are asking each family to donate these items as they are able. Please see the signs and collection boxes at the entrances of St. Barbara & St. Therese churches for further details. Thanking you in advance for your generosity!

~ Led by Parish Evangelization Team



Saturday, December 16, 2023 3:00 -5:00 P.M.

St. Barbara Catholic Church 2859 S Throop Street Chicago, IL 60608 Free outdoor event

Celebrate the Christmas season with us as we bring the nativity story to life with live barnyard animals, pony rides, music, singing, and multilingual readings. Afterwards, visit the historical St. Barbara Church and join us for the 5 PM Filipino Simbang Gabi Mass and reception.









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# The Triptych of Love:

## Reflections on the Infancy Narratives

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Friar Johnpaul Cafiero, OFM is a Franciscan Priest of the Sacred Heart Province of Chicago/St.Louis. Born and raised in New York, he is the oldest of an Italian/Polish Catholic family. He is a former police officer who has worked as a counselor and chaplain at the Cook County Juvenile Detention Center. His work included counseling with gang members and their families while working closely with the police gang-crimes Unit of the Chicago Police Department. A follower of St. Francis of Assisi, his love of the poor and outcast is only surpassed by his love of Scripture. He now serves as chaplain for the Illinois State Police - District 15, PSU (Protective Service Unit), chaplain for the Parma, Ohio Police Department, and as campus minister at Padua Franciscan High School in Parma, Ohio.

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