

March 3, 2024 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Archdiocesan Center for Chinese Apostolate

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Journey With Me

Lord God. fill my heart with love, so that I can see you in others and recognize them as the temples in which you reside on earth. May your spirit guide my every step. In my struggles, give me strength and courage so that I will be steadfast in faith as I continue my journey. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, March 3, 2024 Renewed Temples

Today's readings: Exodus 20:1–17; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11; God. Do we treat them with the dignity that a child of God 1 Corinthians 1:22-25; John 2:13-25. Lent is a time for interior and exterior cleansing. Jesus was outraged when he saw what was taking place in the temple. The moneychangers failed to show reverence for the house of God when they used it as a marketplace. While some could not understand Jesus' overturning of the moneychangers' tables, the disciples recalled the words of Scripture, "Zeal for your house will consume me." Jesus' reaction to the sales in the temple make it apparent that such zeal was missing from others.

In baptism, we become a temple of the Holy Spirit. Our consideration of Christ's care for the temple in Jerusalem is an opportunity to reflect on how we care for all human beings, who are made in the image and likeness of deserves, remembering each person is sacred?

Just as you show concern for others, you need to care for yourself. How do you care for your interior life? Do you seek reconciliation with God through the sacrament of penance? Do you take to heart that God's mercy is for you as well as for others? In the remaining weeks of Lent, be especially attentive to the words of the penitential act. During this part of the Mass, the faithful may pray the Confiteor, after which the priest calls on God's mercy. The other option is for the faithful to pray the Kyrie, saying, "Lord, have mercy / Christ have mercy" to the priest's invocations. Seeking mercy, our zeal for God is apparent.

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, March 2nd | Vigil | Third Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. God's will be done on earth as it is in Heaven by Kisielente Family Our Lady of Fatima by Dominic Barbaro

Our Lady of Fallina by Dominic Darbard

- + Mitchell Pienta by Dolores Becatti
- + Cita Ordendian by Roberta Cheong
- + In Remembrance of Catherine Spina by Joe & Rena
- +Dewi Chandra by Kusono Family

Sunday, March 3rd | Third Sunday of Lent

6:00 a.m. + Theresa Ryndak by Ted Kochowicz & Family

- + Eugene (Gino) Barajas, Sr.
- + Ronald Kopke, Jr., Bernadette Noonan, "James Boodie" Bertucci, Louis Phillips, Sam Scalise, Deceased Members of the Ropke/ Bertucci, Noonan/Sinople, Bertucci/ Versetto, Phillips/ Pacente, Scalise/ Frierie Families, Frances Sabbia & all Deceased Members of the Sabbia & Tadin Families by Janet Ropke

9:30 a.m. Health Blessing for Wilfredo Cruz by Cruz Family

- + Teresita Holcomb by King Family
- + Dorothy Kawlerski by Family of Dorothy Kawlerski
- + Celeste Pedziwiatr by Celeste Simich

Tuesday, March 5th |Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Jonas Adomaitis by John & Sue Adomaitis

Thursday, March 7th| Saints Perpetua and Felicity

8:00 a.m.+ In Remembrance of Joseph Spina by Joe & Rena

+ Birthday Remembrance of Rosemarie & Howard Thome by Joe & Rena

Saturday, March 9th | Saint Frances of Rome

8:00 a.m. Mother's Day Remembrance

- + Rosemarie & Howard Thome & Jimmy Bertucci by A. Briglio & Family
- + 27th Heavenly Anniversary for Catherine Barbaro by Dominic Barbaro

Saturday, March 9th | Vigil | Fourth Sunday of Lent 5:00 p.m. God's will be done on earth as it is in Heaven by Kisielente Family

Sunday, March 10th | Fourth Sunday of Lent

6:00 a.m.+ Theresa Ryndak by Pulaski Savings Bank

+ Ronald Kopke, Jr., Bernadette Noonan, "James Boodie" Bertucci, Louis Phillips, Sam Scalise, Deceased Members of the Ropke/ Bertucci, Noonan/Sinople, Bertucci/ Versetto, Phillips/ Pacente, Scalise/ Frierie Families, Frances Sabbia & all Deceased Members of the Sabbia & Tadin Families by Janet Ropke

9:30 a.m.+ Teresita Holcomb by King Family

- + Mary Diaz DeLeon by Family
- + Richard Bowen by Rita & Peter Marnell
- 11:30 a.m.+ Frances Sabia & Deceased Members of the Sabia Family by Janet Ropke
 - + Bernadette Noonan by Jim & Christine

St. Therese Worship Site

Sunday, March 3rd | Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. + Mary Kay Ungarelli by Family

+ Farlen Lee by Woodie & Gerri Moy

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

- + Ho Kwan Yuen by the Sin Family
- + Xian Delian by the Sin Family
- + Cita Orendain by Yvette & George Lee
- + Krystyna and Jan Padlo by Marian W. Torrez
- + Dewi Chandra by Lily & Richard May

Monday, March 4th | Saint Casimir

8:00 a.m.+ Bernadette Zito by A. Briglio & Family

- + Cita Orendain by Jing
- + Dewi Chandra by Lily & Richard May

Wednesday, March 6th | Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m.+ Cita Orendain by Jing

+Dewi Chandra by Lily & Richard May

Friday, March 8th | Saint John of God, Religious

8:00 a.m.+ Joseph Spina by A. Briglio & Family

- + Darlene Ray by Dominic Barbaro
- + Birthday Remembrance for Yuk Ling Wong Au by Family
- + In Memory of Darlene Ray by Dominica Barbaro
- + Dewi Chandra by Lily & Richard May

"We do not need guns and bombs to bring peace, we need love and compassion." ~ St. Mother Teresa

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

St. Barbara—Saturday, March 9th

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

Eucharistic Minister: E. Raya

Sunday, March 10th: 6a.m. Lector: J. Bertucci

9:30 a.m. Lectors: SCHOOL FAMILY MASS Eucharistic Minister: J. Lukwinski

St. Therese - Sunday, March 10th:

8:00a.m Greeters: N. Lowe, J. Lowe Lectors: Betty, Jimmy St. Michael Ministry:

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

Lectors: Cam, Samantha

Eucharistic Ministers: Sheila (Altar) John (Choir)

St. Michael Ministry: Pat

THANKS

Thanks to all who helped with undercoating St. Therese Church from Lunar New Year to decorating it for Lent last Sunday. Many of you volunteered many hours to do so. We appreciate your participation and assistance.

Thanks to Jim Distasio and the SMI Club for generously donating a new security camera system and its installation for St. Therese Church and Garden. Your generosity and love for our Church is greatly appreciated.

Parish Mission 2024: Eucharistic Disciples on Mission March 3, 4, & 5 at 6:30 p.m. proceeded by Who is presenting the Parish Mission? Hospitality at 5:45 p.m.

What is a Parish Mission?

Answer #1: A Parish Mission is a parish awaken**ing!** A time for the whole parish to come together to reflect upon God's word, to renew our faith, and to pray with open hearts and hands.

Answer #2: A parish mission is a special pastoral effort that extends over a number of days. It is an opportunity to experience spiritual rituals and sacraments in a heightened and intense way, while focusing on the major themes of the Catholic faith. The parish mission touches the heart and reminds us of God's infinite love.

Answer # 3: A Parish Mission is special time in a parish community when the community gathers together to gain further insight into a faith filled life. It is a time for grace and renewal of the parish through services and talks filled with stories, examples and meaning.

Answer #4: A Parish Mission is an opportunity to celebrate God's abundant love. The Mission is a Catholic revival. It's like an outpatient retreat. Rather than go to a spiritual renewal center or monastery, we stay at home and renew our faith through our parish faith community. The "mission" part of a Mission is that we are called not just to come ourselves, but to bring our friends and acquaintances, especially those who may have drifted from the church. "Go out to the whole world and tell the Good News." Go out to your friends, and neighbors, touch their hearts with your grace and invite them.

Why Participate in a Parish Mission?

The Great Commission of our Lord for each one of us is "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you" (Matthew 28: 19-20).



By spending time in reflection, prayer, ritual and sacrament at the Mission in community with others, we might experience God's call, healing power and love anew and we might be empowered to make disciples and live out our discipleship with passion and joy.

The evening includes songs, scripture and talks presented by Fr. Richard Fragomeni who is a wellliked and well- known speaker.

Other Questions/Answers

1. How long will the talks be each night?

Mission presentations only last slightly over an hour. Most people spend more time than that watching TV each night. Make time for this special opportunity. You'll be glad you did.

2. Can I just come to one of the three nights?

YES! Just come to whichever nights you can. You don't HAVE to come to every night, but if you come Sunday, you'll want to.

3. Can I invite my family members who don't usually go to Church?

Of course! Actually, this is just the thing for them. This is a chance to reinvigorate their faith... even if they just walk away with one small nugget of inspiration, their attendance will be worth it.

I strongly encourage all of our parishioners to make time and commit yourself to at least one of the nights. Your participation at our Parish Mission might be the best Lenten gift you can give to yourself, your family and our God. See you Sunday March 3rd at St. Barbara Church.

Peace ~Fr. Francis



"I am the living bread that came down from heaven... for the life of the world" (John 6: 51).

Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7pm

a. March 15 at St. Therese. b. March 8, 22 and 29 at St. Barbara.

CRS Rice Bowl---Distribution on Feb. 17-18 and Returning on March 16-17 and 23-24

OCIA *Scrutiny Rites will be celebrated on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent. 1st Scrutiny Rite will take place at the 9:30am mass on Sunday March 3rd at St. Barbara Church and the 2nd on Sunday March 10 at 10:30am mass and the 3rd on Sunday March 17th at 10:30am mass.

Youth Ministry---6pm following the 5pm mass on March 2nd at St. Barbara

Cantonese Mass & Alpha---10:30am Sunday March 3rd followed by Alpha

Parish Mission---6:30pm---7:45pm on March 3rd, 4th and 5th at St. Barbara

Holy Name Gathering---March 8th at 7pm

Family Mass---9:30am on Sunday March 10th followed by Open Gym and Coffee and Donuts

Religious Education Students' Reconciliation --- 9am on Sunday March 10th

Indonesian Mass---11:30am on Sunday March 10th

Accompanies You in Prayer at SSB---3pm to 4pm Tuesday March 12th.

Mandarin Lenten Retreat---Sat. March 16th from 10am ---5:00pm at St. Therese

English Alpha---Sat. March 16th 6pm after the 5pm mass at St. Barbara

Family Mass---10:30am on Sunday March 17th led by Religious Education Students

St. Barbara Campus Mass and Reconciliation---8am on Tuesday March 19th

St. Therese Campus Mass and Reconciliation—8am on Friday March 22nd

1st Reconciliation --- March 23rd at 10am at St. Therese

Living Well Speaker Series---6pm on Saturday March 23rd at St. Mother Teresa Hall

Mandarin Mass and Faith Sharing----12:30pm on Sunday March 24th

Living Stations of the Cross by St. Therese School Students: TBA

Lenten Regulations (from Feb. 14th, 2024, Ash Wednesday--- the Paschal Triduum)

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. The special Paschal fast, as well as abstinence, are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday.





YOUTH MINISTRY

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." -1 Timothy 4:12

Join us for 5 pm mass followed by discussion, pizza, and open gym.

Why: Come together to build up friendship with one another and with Jesus.

Who: Youth ages 12-18 years old

When: Saturdays after the 5pm Vigil Mass until 7 pm

Saturday, March 2 Saturday, April 6 Saturday, May 4

Where: St. Barbara Worship Site

Contact Mr. Chariker with questions dchariker@sttheresechicago.org



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HOLY NAME NEWS

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta's St. Barbara Holy Name invites all men 18 yrs. of age and older to our next meeting Friday, March 8th at 7 pm in the mobile unit in SBC north

parking lot. We will be finalizing details of our Elvis night barbeque. We will also discuss getting involved in many community activities and issues. Come down and enjoy a delicious meal prepared by our own Chef Jeff and the camaraderie of like-minded men of our community!

100 Club tickets are available at the entrance of St. Barbara worship site and from any Holy Name member. Look for the return of the Split the Pot game in the fall of this year. Our Queen of Hearts prize is up to \$3,975. Cards are \$20 each and available from Roberto at the entrance of St. Barbara's Worship site or call or text him at 773-230-9285.

2024 St. Therese Offering Boxes are available to be picked up at the Church entrance table for registered parishioners.

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Tax letters can be obtained by contacting our parish offices at 312-842-7979 or 312-842-6777.

CLEANSING OF THE TEMPLE By Fr. John Cuff

A priest returned to his rectory one night, only to be met by a robber with a gun who demanded, "Your money or your life!" As the priest reached into his coat pocket for his wallet, the man saw his Roman collar and said, "You're a priest? Sorry, Father, my bad, you can go." To calm his jittery nerves the priest took out a cigarette, lit it, and offered one to the robber who replied, "No thanks, Father, I gave up smoking for Lent." Yes, the man had given up smoking during Lent while ignoring the commandment, "Thou shalt not steal." This story may help us better understand Jesus' cleansing of the Temple.

Like the desert (Lent week 1) and the mountain (week 2), the Temple was a place of special encounter with God. But today we don't see the transfigured face of Jesus; we see his angry face. He's not happy with what he sees, precisely because the Temple worship no longer reflected God's original idea for his Temple. The Temple authorities took pains to see that worshippers were duly supplied with high quality cattle, sheep, and doves for sacrifice. They even made sure that the "dirty" foreign money people brought with them could be exchanged for "holy" Temple money, at a fee of course. At the same time, however, they were plotting against Jesus. If they took all that trouble to please God in worship, why couldn't they take the trouble to investigate the claims of Jesus rather than condemn him so readily? For them, pleasing God had become something you do in the Temple and not in your relationships with people, which included foreigners. It was this kind of hypocritical religiosity that made Jesus really angry.

Some knowledge of the design of the Temple is needed here. It had five sections or courts: (1) Holy of Holies (2) Court of Priests (3) Court of Israel (4) Court of Women (5) Court of Gentiles. Although these were seen as five concentric circles of sanctity, the design made room for everybody in the house of God. It was a universal house of God "for all the nations," where every man or woman on earth could find a place in which to pray. But the Jewish leaders forgot that and thought that the Temple was meant for them alone. So they decided to turn the Court of the Gentiles into a "holy" market for selling animals needed for sacrifice and for exchanging money. You could bring Roman money as far as the Court of Gentiles but not into the other four courts. So the Court of Gentiles was no longer regarded as part and parcel of the house of God; it had become a market place, pure and simple. Now it was this Court of Gentiles that Jesus cleansed. He was making the point that the Gentile section was just as holy as the Jewish sections. God is God of all and not just God of a select group. But like the Jews of Jesus' time, some Christians even today still think God belongs to us alone and not to others as well. During Lent, perhaps we so-called temples of the Holy Spirit could also use a spiritual cleansing to remind us of the universal love of God and of true worship.

WEEKLY COLLECTION—FEBRUARY 25, 2024

	St. Barbara			St. Therese		
Sunday Envelopes		\$	1,355.00		\$	740.00
Sunday Loose		\$	611.00		\$	403.00
Give Central		\$	399.00	<u> </u>	\$	531.00
Total Collection		\$	2,365.00		\$	1,674.00
		YTD	Weekly		YTD	Weekly
Actual	\$	70,942.00 \$	2,365.00	\$	74,533.00 \$	1,674.00
Goal	\$	94,500.00 \$	2,700.00	\$	94,500.00 \$	2,700.00
% of Goal		75%	88%		78%	62%
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^{***}Please review the above Prayer List to identify if there is a name that should be removed OR inform us if there is someone that needs to be added. Please call the rectory to make changes. Thank YOU!

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Sacramental

Please contact parish office for any of the following:

Baptisms: Parents must be registered practicing parishioner and attend a baptismal preparation session

before a baptism will be scheduled.

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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way, while focusing on the major themes of the Catholic faith. The parish mission touches the heart and reminds us of God's infinite love.

We start with refreshments and fellowship at 5:45pm-6:20pm each night at St. Mother Teresa Hall, 2832 S. Quinn, then the mission starts at 6:30pm at St. Barbara Church. The night includes scripture and talks presented by clergy and laypeople, ending at 7:45pm.

Why participate in a parish mission?

By spending time in reflection, prayer, ritual, and sacrament during Lent in community with others, we might encounter Jesus.

Pope Francis: "We are accustomed to a culture of indifference and we must strive and ask for the grace to create a culture of encounter, of a fruitful encounter, of an encounter that restores to each person his or her dignity as a child of God, the dignity of a living person."



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MARCH 3 | SUNDAY

CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT TO DISCIPLESHIP THROUGH BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, AND EUCHARIST

Scripture: Mark 14: 22-26. Testimony by Kim Casey



MARCH 4 | MONDAY

WE ARE NEVER ALONE: THE EUCHARIST AS STRENGTH FOR DISCIPLESHIP.

Scripture:Isaiah 41:10. Testimony by Derrick Chariker



MARCH 5 | TUESDAY

THE GLORY OF GOD: THE EUCHARIST SENDS US FORTH

Scripture: John 15:8-10. Testimony by Roberta Cheong

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THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, March 4 Faith and Humility

When Jesus is asked to perform signs in his hometown as he did in other places, he refuses, saying, "No prophet is accepted in his own native place." Jesus accepted that his former neighbors would not believe and so did not seek to prove himself. Sometimes we face humbling situations; we, too, do not need to prove ourselves. It is necessary only to accept that all we have is by the grace of God. Today's readings: 2 Kings 5:1–15ab; Psalm 42:2–3; 43: 3–4; Luke 4:24–30.

Tuesday, March 5 Love and Kindness

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells Peter that he must forgive another "not seven times but seventy-seven times." From that instruction, we may ascertain that we are to forgive over and over again. Such forgiveness is an act of kindness, one which any of us would hope to receive after our own transgression. When wronged, we have an opportunity to create enmity or to nurture love. Who needs your forgiveness? From whom do you need to request forgiveness? *Today's readings: Daniel 3:25*, 34–43; *Psalm 25:4–5ab*, 6, 7bc, 8–9; *Matthew 18:21–35*.

Wednesday, March 6 Praise the Lord

"Praise the Lord, Jerusalem," we sing today in the refrain for Psalm 147. In recognizing all that God has done, the psalm is a reminder that prayers of praise should be part of our prayer life. During these remaining weeks of Lent, schedule a time at the end of the day to recall the ways that God has blessed you. Compose your own prayer of praise and thanksgiving. You might include today's refrain in your prayer. *Today's readings: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5–9; Psalm 147:12–13, 15–16, 19–20; Matthew 5:17–19.*

Thursday, March 7 Soften Your Hearts

In the reading from Jeremiah, the Lord speaks of how his people have ignored his voice and his commands. The Lord tells the prophets: "But they obeyed not, nor did they pay heed. They walked in the hardness of their hearts." Hardened hearts are still noticed, as people are concerned with many things. Efforts can be made to soften hearts. Today, tell someone that God loves him or her, and that you do too. Do not expect a response. *Today's readings: Jeremiah 7:23–28; Psalm 95:1–2, 6–7, 8–9; Luke 11:14–23.*

Friday, March 8 Listen with Your Heart

Sometimes we ask questions when we already know the answer. Are we hoping for a different answer from what we know is from God? The third week of Lent is winding down. Have you committed to a process of transformation? Have you set aside time for discernment and reflection? As the Lenten season continues, take courage and listen with your heart. *Today's readings: Hosea 14:2–10; Psalm 81:6c–8a, 8bc–9, 10–11ab, 14, 17; Mark 12:28–34.*

Saturday, March 9 Spring Cleaning

The phrase "Practice makes perfect" is kept in mind while seeking to improve performance. In today's readings, we hear that God desires our love and mercy, not our sacrifice. Each season of the liturgical year is a new opportunity to grow in our love for God and others and to learn to be generous with our mercy. Lent's emphasis on penitence and baptism is an invitation to discard what keeps us from God and bring to the fore those practices that conform us to the promises of our baptism. Some might call this an interior spring cleaning. *Today's readings: Hosea 6:1–6; Psalm 51:3–4, 18–19, 20–21ab; Luke 18:9–14.*



