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#### Sacraments

**Baptisms:** Parents and Godparents must attend a baptismal preparation session before a baptism will be scheduled.

**Weddings:** Church arrangements must be made at least six months in advance, before booking a reception hall.

**Confessions:** Saturdays, 4:15-4:45 pm at St. Barbara Church or by appointment.

The **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** and **Communion Calls** are available to those who are homebound or hospitalized.

Please contact the church office for additional information.

#### **Ministry Coordinators**

Youth Ministry: Mr.& Mrs. Nick & Ellen Andriacchi Young Adult Ministry: Mr. Joseph Lowe & Ms. Jennifer Sin Religious Education Program: Mrs. Christine Delfin

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Parish Pastoral Council Co-Chairs Mr. George Lee & Mrs. Sharon Wong

## Mass Intentions March 15, 2020 Third Sunday of Lent

10:30 A.M.	<ul> <li>Phyllis Centofanti by Iris, Rhond &amp; Brian Wong</li> <li>Deceased Family Members &amp; Friends pf Therese Spalla &amp; Francis Degnan</li> <li>Lilia Garcia by Nora Gonzalez &amp; Family</li> </ul>
MON. Mar	
	*(Mass at St. Therese Church)
8:00 A.M.	+ Jenping J. Chan, Birthday Remembrance by Darlene
	+ Dorothy Lee by Lucy Moy
TUE. March	
	*(Mass at St. Barbara Chapel)
8:00 A.M.	Special Intention for Joe Howie by Aunt
WED. Marc	the 18th Saint Cyril of Jersalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church *(Mass at St. Thenasa Church)
9.00 A M	*(Mass at St. Therese Church)
8:00 A.M.	<ul> <li>Young Chin by June Moy</li> <li>Vince Briglio by wife &amp; family</li> </ul>
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8:00 A.M.	
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	*(Mass at St. Therese Church)
8:00 A.M.	+ Dorothy Lee by Lucy Moy
SAT. March	21st Lenten Weekday
8:00 A.M.	
5:00 P.M.	*(Mass at St. Barbara Church)
	+ Howard Thome by Joe & Rena Zito



## From the Desk of Fr. Francis

### Greetings of Christ's Peace and Joy! Hope you all had a blessed week.

### **Congratulations and Thanks**

Congratulations to our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders at St. Therese School and in our Parish Religious Education Program. They celebrated their Frist Reconciliation last Saturday. It was a wonderful celebration of God's love and mercy, and our children were so joyful to experience the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Thanks to our dedicated catechists and parents for their guidance and support.

Thanks to Lynn and Joyce for organizing the All Year High School Reunion at St. Barbara last Saturday evening and to members of the Holy Name for their help. Many attended the 5pm Vigil Mass and then joined the party afterwards. It was wonderful for me to meet many of our amazing alumni.

Congratulations to all catechumens and candidates in our RCIA programs. They celebrated the Sending Rite at St. Therese Worship Site and then the Rite of Election at Holy Name last Sunday. I was inspired to witness their joy and to see so many at Holy Name Cathedral who also are looking forward to the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter Vigil. Thanks to their catechists and Godparents and sponsors for teaching and journeying with them.

#### **Scrutiny Rite**

On the third, fourth, and fifth Sunday of Lent, the Church celebrates the Scrutinies for our Catechumens and

Candidates. As they enter into the final period of preparation, this is an intense time of purification and prayers. Catechumens and

Candidates are invited to examine their lives and to practice repentance and to follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit. The whole community is called to journey with them and to pray for them. This is a time for all Catholics to be mindful of our baptismal calls and the need for us to repent and to be ready for Easter.

Paul Turner describes Scrutinies and the role of Catholics in accompanying Catechumens and Candidates as follows:

Scrutinies are rites of self-searching and repentance. When people from another spiritual background seek Baptism in the Catholic Church, they do so by stages. First, we accept them into the Order of Catechumens. Then as they complete their catechetical formation, we enroll them among the "elect," or those chosen for Baptism. This Rite of Election generally coincides with the beginning of Lent. Three times during Lent, the Church prays the scrutinies to encourage a spirit of repentance among those who seek a worthy celebration of Baptism.

For those who are already baptized, the scrutinies invite us to embrace the same spirit of self-searching and repentance. At Easter, we renew our

Baptismal promises as we see the catechumens baptized. Therefore, during Lent we renew our repentance as we see the elect scrutinized. The scrutinies remind us of the seriousness of our Christian life and inspire us to turn from evil and pursue good. They enliven our recommitment to Christ at Easter.

The first Scrutiny will be at the 9:30am mass on Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup> at St. Barbara. The next two Scrutinies will be at the 10:30am mass at St. Therese. Please continue to pray for our Catechumens and Candidates.

Peace ~ Fr. Francis



# LEN 2020 Updated

"Prayer in action is love; and love in action is service." --- St. Mother Teresa

#### Outreach:

CRS Rice Bowl - Return on Mar. 28th & 29th and Apr. 4th & 5th.

St. Vincent DePaul Food Drive from Feb. 29th to April 5th

St. James Food Pantry Service on Saturday March 14th

St. Barbara Knights for Mercy Home March 8th at St. Barbara and March 15th at St. Therese

Bethlehem Arts Display and Sale: March 15th at St. Barb. And March 22nd at St. Therese after all the masses

#### Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 6pm at St. Barbara and 7:00pm at St. Therese

Benediction on the First Fridays after the 7pm Stations.

Youth Events--- March 14th and April 4th beginning with the 5pm mass

#### **First Reconciliation**

For School and R. E. students will take place on March 7th at 10:00am at St. Therese.

School Reconciliation---Tuesday March 24th

#### **Parish Lenten Reconciliation**

Monday March 23rd at 7pm at St. Barbara led by Young Adults

#### RCIA--- March 18th

\*Sending Rite for Election on Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am mass at St. Therese \*The Rite of Election at Holy Name Cathedral on Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm \*Scrutiny Rites will be celebrated on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of Lent.

#### March Mandarin Mass

On Saturday March 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm followed by Food and Bible Sharing and on Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12:30pm followed by Lunch and a Talk

#### **Parish Religious Program**

Students will lead the 10:30am mass on Sunday March 29<sup>th</sup>. Reconciliation from 9:15am to 10:15am on Sunday March 29<sup>th</sup>.

Parish English Lenten Retreat---Saturday March 28th from 9:30am to 3:30pm at St. Barbara

Mandarin Lenten Retreat---April 4th at St. Therese

Cantonese Lenten Talk---April 5th after the 10:30am mass

Living Stations of the Cross by St. Therese School Students---Sunday April 5th at 9:15am at St. Therese

#### Lenten Regulations (from Feb. 26th, 2020, Ash Wednesday, to 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.

## News and Events

## ATTENTION: Offering to St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish

As we continue to work on the unification of Parish operations, we now ask you to please **start making your offering checks payable to St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish**. If you are using online giving\_ <u>*Give Central*</u>, you don't need to make any changes.

### Cantonese Lenten Sharing Update:

Cantonese Bible Sharing Group has been postponed. More information will follow.

## **Bethlehem Arts Display and Sale**



Representatives of the Catholic Christian Community from Jerusalem and Bethlehem in the Holy

Land will be displaying beautiful handcrafted olive wood religious figurines and articles on March 15th at St. Barbara, and on March 22nd at St. Therese <u>after all the</u> <u>Masses</u>.

## **Soup Kitchen Service**

On Saturday, April 11th we will serve at the Soup Kitchen of the Missionaries of Charity from 8:45-11:30am. Please sign up at the church entrance table.



## Please Pray for the following Mercy Hospital Patients: Rita, Angelic, Philip,

Carmen, Mavin, Sandy, Mary, Joseph, Bill, Verdrella, Juanita, Angela, Clarence, Prentice, James, Auctavia, Gloria, Antonio, Larry, Sylvia, Valeria

Maggy, Larry, Sylvia, Valeria

**2019 Tax Letter** If you would like to receive a tax letter for 2019, please call or email the parish office.

## MASS SCHEDULE

#### St. Barbara Church:

#### Weekends:

Saturday: Anticipated Mass: 5:00PM Sunday: 6:00AM & 9:30AM

#### <u>Weekdays:</u>

8:00AM Mass: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays

### St. Therese Church:

#### Weekends:

Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:30AM, and Mandarin Mass on 2nd Saturday at 4pm; and 4th Sunday of the month at 12:30PM

#### Cantonese Mass 粤 語:

1st Sunday of each month at 10:30am 每月第一主日 上午十時三十分

### Indonesian Mass 印尼 語:

2nd Sunday of each month at St. Barbara Chapel at 11:00am

### Mandarin Mass 國語:

2nd Saturday of each month at 4pm 4th Sunday of each month at 12:30pm 每月第二周六下午四点和第四 主日中午十二 点半

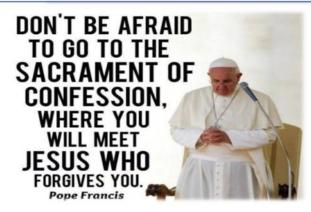
### <u>Weekdays:</u>

8:00AM Mass: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays





## LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE



Carve out some time in your busy schedule this Lent and join us for an evening of **reflection** on God's Word, individual **confession**, and songs of God's **mercy** and **love**!

Monday, March 23 St. Barbara Worship Site 2859 S. Throop St. 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm All ages welcome!

For more information, please contact the Parish at Office@StMotherTeresaParish.org

	teresa of calcutta parish NG ADULT MINISTRY
Fri., March 6 7:30 PM	Taizé Prayer Service Ascension Catholic Church 808 S. East St., Oak Park, IL (carpools available)
Mon., March 23	Lenten Reconciliation Service
7:00 PM	Help us organize parish-wide confessions as we
(St. Barbara)	prepare for Easter!
Sun., April 12	Easter Egg Hunt
Time TBD	Help hide Easter Eggs for our annual hunt for kids

up to age 11! young.adult.ministry@sttheresechinatown.org | facebook.com/groups/SMTCYAM

#### ST. MOTHER TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE St. Vincent de Paul Society



Our generosity will support Benton House our local food pantry to help feed the struggling in our area. Donations will be accepted through the Lenten season March 1st – April 5<sup>th</sup>

Boxes will be at the back of the church for any donations.

<u>Hospitality Schedule for March 22, 2020</u> GREETERS: Regina, Rose RECEPTION: Flo, Gemma, Teresa <u>Today's Liturgy—March 15, 2020</u> Gather 1022 - 3rd Sunday of Lent /A - Family Mass PROCESSIONAL: #487 – Again We Keep This Solemn Fast OFFERTORY: #659 – I Lift My Soul to You COMMUNION: #936 – Gather in Your Name Meditation Song (ST Children's Choir): This Little Light of Mine /Peace is Flowing like a River RECESSIONAL: #644 – There's A Wideness in God's Mercy <u>St. Michael Schedule</u>

March 15th: 10:30am: Cameron, Tony, Tim March 22nd: 10:30am: Earl, Enrique, Robert

Based on the guidelines of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and of the Archdiocese of Chicago, the following preventive actions during our liturgical celebrations are effective until further notice.

Refrain from physical contact during the Sign of Peace (note: the Sign of Peace can be exchanged without physical contact)

We will stop distribute Holy Communion via the chalice this weekend.

Given the frequency of direct contact with saliva in the distribution of Holy Communion on the tongue, you should consider receiving Holy Communion reverently in open hands for the time being.

Refrain from holding hands during the Lord's Prayer.

Holy Water fonts will be emptied of Holy Water for now.

If you are sick or are experiencing symptoms of sickness, you are not obliged to attend Mass, and even that out of charity you ought not to attend.

#### **Weekend Photos**

2nd Graders - First Reconciliation

St. Barbara High School Reunion



	Weekly Of	ffering			
Collection for March 8, 2020					
Sunday Envelopes	\$ 956				
GiveCentral	210	July 1-To-Present (Actual): \$67,440			
Sunday Loose	328	July 1-To -Present (Budget): \$79,200			
Total Collection	\$1,494				
Weekly Budget:	\$2,200	% of Budget Attained: 85%			
		weekly salary as your contribution. Prosity! Thank YOU!			

#### Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, hospitalized, and homebound...

Cita Orendain Lois Payton Shiu Wah Leung Benjamin N. Lucas Amelia Lorraine Schroeder Karl Schroeder Phil Maraldi Nicholas Tobar Sister Noel Devine Barbara McElroy Ramona Zavala Michael Howley Mina Preysler Munoz Richard Tobar MAD & Rose Marie Donato

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Brian Cook Hu Bin Barbara Metzinger Ali Powers Richard Shew Jose Cardenal John Palenik Matthew Mantia Luke Williamson Bai Xue David Leung Luz Whitehead Phyllis Robinson James Longo III Rose Perez

## Living Water by Sister Caritas

Living in the Arizona Sonoran Desert taught me a lot about the precious gift of water. In the desert, nothing quenches your thirst like water. Living things cannot live without this gift. As human beings we can live longer without food than we can live without water. Dying of thirst is surely a torturous way to die.

The Gospel story, as well as the first reading, point us to the importance of water but not just any water. Jesus rests at the well and a Samaritan woman comes to get water at noon. The time she comes says something about her, as most other women would have chosen the cool of early morning. Jesus begins the conversation. This is one of the special passages used in preparing the candidates for Baptism and preparing us for Easter. As the Gospel goes on, we find out that Jesus can give "living water." Seeking "living water", leads the woman to a whole other level. She answers Jesus' question and Jesus shows her who she really is. In this understanding of herself she is more open to the gift Jesus wants to give, "living water." She begins talking of worship and she also seeks to know about the Messiah. When she has reached this deeper level of understanding, Jesus reveals that He is the Messiah. "I am He". She leaves everything including her water jar, and brings the village people to meet Him. She has encountered the "Living Water" who is Jesus and she is impelled to share this with them. Jesus stays for two days with the people of the village. He did not just pass through.

Jesus is the "Living Water." Psalm 63 begins, "God, you are my God whom I seek: for you my flesh pines and my soul thirst, parched, lifeless, and without water." We may come to this point at times in our life. Jesus, the Holy Spirt, The Father, at times, are whom we are seeking and like the Samaritan woman, we may not know it. Scripture is full of stories of people discovering God, this life giving water, this "Living Water." The woman is an example of someone following deeper and deeper into an understanding of Jesus and who He was. These stories shows us the levels, including acknowledging our sinfulness, which open us to God. Lent is about this. Seeking the Living Water that satisfies, discovering that in us which is thirsty for God.









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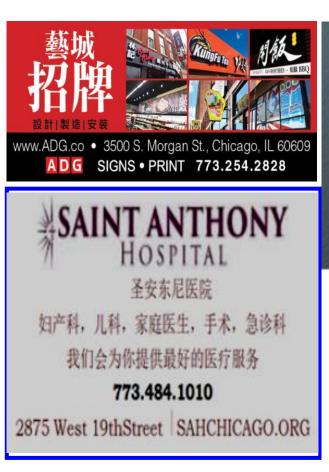
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## From Death to Life: Biblical Reflections on the Lenten Season a retreat with Fr. Donald Senior



Rev. Donald Senior, C.P., is President Emeritus and Chancellor of Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, where he served as president for 23 years and is now a member of the faculty as Professor of New Testament, Fr. Don was ordained a priest in 1967 and received his doctorate in New Testament studies from the University of Louvain in Belgium in 1972, with advanced studies at Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati and Harvard University. He is a frequent lecturer and speaker throughout the United States and abroad, serves on numerous boards and commissions, and is actively involved in the interreligious dialogue, particularly with the Jewish and Muslim communities. Fr. Don has published extensively on biblical topics, and he has received countless awards locally and nationally. In 2001, Pope John Paul II appointed him as a member of the Pontifical Biblical Commission, and he was reappointed in 2006 by Pope Benedict XVI and by Pope Francis in 2013.

The death and resurrection of Jesus stands at the heart of the New Testament and gives meaning to our Lenten observance. This retreat day will reflect on how the movement from death to life is a fundamental pattern of the Scriptures and is the basis for our hope as Christians.

## Saturday, March 28, 2020 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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Register by March 23, 2020 at forms.gle/xo6PEdFDH2rApHT86 or email above

Lunch will be provided

Donation: \$10