ST. BARBARA PARISH
2859 South Throop Street
Chicago, Illinois 60608

The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept. 10 2017

In my distress I called upon the LORD and cried out to my God:
From his temple God heard my voice and my cry reached God's ears.
2 Samuel 22:7

Let us pray for and be mindful of all those suffering from the storm and flooding along the Gulf Coast this week

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Celebrating over a Century of Faith and Education

St. Barbara Parish is a Roman Catholic community celebrating a century of faith in the Bridgeport area. Our faith community welcomes all people, helping them grow spiritually through liturgy, prayer, and education, and socially through activities for all ages. Our school takes great pride in fostering these values in our children. We give witness to our faith by sharing with each other our God-given gifts and talents. We nourish and sustain our faith as a family by celebrating the sacraments and the presence of the risen Lord among us in the Eucharist.

Lord of Mercy, Prince of Peace,

This date, 9-11, carries a heavy burden of memory.

This day does not pass in the calendar without our remembering.

We remember images of death and destruction. Images that human eyes were never meant to see. We remember words our ears were never meant to hear, the tender last words of husbands and wives who would never embrace again.

We imagine the feeling of emptiness in the arms of children who at the end of the day could not find mom or dad for their welcome home hug. We remember our own feelings of emptiness as our sense of security, as our own confidence in the predictable order of life and work was radically shaken.

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And it is right that it should not pass from our memory. But today and in this prayer, along with our remembrance of profound loss, it also seems right that we give voice to our deep longing for peace, and with this prayer, commit ourselves to those actions that will draw us closer to our most ancient and most holy desire, peace among all God’s children.

Dona nobis pacem.

Lord, grant us peace. Amen.

Reprinted from Old Saint Patrick’s website.

ST. BARBARA KC’S SPONSOR A COOKOUT TODAY

The new St. Barbara Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a FREE cookout today, Sunday, September 10th, after the 11:30 am Mass. This cookout is to honor all veterans and first responders in commemoration of the 16th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks on the World Trade Center.

Join the Knights for hot dogs, hamburgers, potato salad, soda and beer. Everyone is invited

THE CHICAGO CHOPIN SOCIETY PRESENTS A CONCERT TODAY, SEPTEMBER 10th

Today, the Chicago Chopin Society will present a concert in our church featuring Jaroslaw Golembiowski, pianist, and Krzysztof Zimowski, violinist, at 3:00 pm. The concert will consist of Adorations and Reminiscences for Violin and Piano. It will feature the music of Felix Borowski, Fryderyk Chopin, Jenő Hubay, Pablo de Sarasate and Henryk Wieniawski.

Tickets for St. Barbara parishioners are $15.00 and will be available at the door.

Please consider remembering St. Barbara Parish in your will.

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Dear People of St. Barbara,

Today I would like to focus on two things which Jesus is saying to us. The first is that Jesus says, “where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.” Yes, I am going to talk again about Holy Mass. We often hear priests saying “you have to come to Sunday Mass”, and sometimes we are tired of hearing this. But I am going to say this anyway. Please don’t miss the Sunday Mass.

I read a book by Kathleen Rivas and she said, “there was one day in my life when I realized what horrible things I did throughout all these years. I was saying to my children, ‘you must go to church. This is the rule in the church’ and I didn’t tell them ‘you should go to church with me to meet God, who is love. To meet God who loves you more than any person in this world — who loves you even more than I can love you.’” And this is the reason why I am saying and begging you, come to church at least on Sundays to meet God who loves you.

Sometimes I think about how many people run to meet a famous politician. They bring flags, banners, and they scream; they get very excited. Or people who are coming to the concert of a very famous singer and treat him or her as god. People have respect for people as if they are made from dust and clay, but the King of Kings, Lord of all humanity, is very often sitting and waiting for us.

When we have financial problems, we go to the bank and take a loan. If we have problems with health, we go to the doctor and are searching for medicine which will cure us. If you have problems with children, you are searching for institutions and specialists so they can help solve the problems. But truly, I must say there is no person in the world who is free from spiritual problems. There is no person without weaknesses, without worries. So there is only one place where there is a person who can solve the problems — Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. So, come to church with love for God. You don’t come to church because you like the priest; you don’t come to church because you like the music. You don’t come to church because you are an usher or a lector. These are important things, but you come to church to be heard by God and receive His love.

The second thing I would like to focus on is connected with love of God and our neighbor. In today’s Gospel, Jesus says, “if brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone.” John Vianney wrote this: “Majority of christians like to critique, slander and condemn. This is the most common fault that brings everywhere very painful tearing and confusion.” I know that it is difficult, but I think we have to be very careful what we are saying about other people.

Let me tell you a true story from my first parish. There was one family with three children and the family had a big problem because the father was an alcoholic, but no one knew this. The wife, husband and children dealt with this problem very well. The man had conquered his addiction for many years. One day someone found out about this problem and was telling everyone that this man — well known in the town, very well respected by everyone — had this problem. And what happened? Because of irresponsible rumors, the gentleman had a nervous breakdown, consumed alcohol after many years of fighting his addiction and, when the wife came home with the children from school, they found the father dead. So, be very careful what you are saying about another person. Even if what you say is the truth, it is not always a good thing. If you have something against your brother, Jesus says, “go first and talk with your brother alone”. Jesus didn’t say, “go around and spread gossip”. Amen.

Fr. Andrzej
### Activities This Week

- **Sun., Sept. 10** - St. Barbara KC’s 911 Prayer Service and Cookout; after 11:30 am Mass
  - Altar & Rosary Mtg. following 911 Cookout
  - Chopin Society Concert in Church; 3:00 pm

- **Tues., Sept. 12** - Finance Council Mtg. in Rectory; 6:30 pm
  - Archbishop Quigley KC’s Officers’ Mtg. in Senior Mobile; 7:00 pm
  - St. Barbara KC’s Council Mtg. in Parish Center; 7:00 pm

- **Sat.-Sun., Sept. 16-17** - St. Barbara KC’s Tootsie Roll Drive Collection after all Masses

### ALTAR & ROSARY MEETING

**Sunday, September 10th**

The Altar & Rosary meeting will take place today, Sunday, September 10th. The plan is to say the rosary in Church after the 11:30 am Mass and then attend the Knights of Columbus 911 Prayer Service and BBQ. Following lunch at the BBQ, we can convene in the Senior Mobile and hold our meeting. The meeting will be short, but will probably adjourn before 3:00 pm for those who would like to attend the Chopin Society Concert.

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**TODAY IS GRANDPARENTS DAY!**

We wish all Grandparents a special day today. Children, remember your grandparents with a card, a little gift, or maybe a BIG HUG! They will be very thankful that you thought about them.

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**HURRICANE HARVEY EMERGENCY APPEAL**

On August 26, Hurricane Harvey, a powerful Category 4 storm, made landfall along the Gulf Coast of Texas, causing several deaths and injuries, and bringing catastrophic flooding and property damage to the region. Catholic Charities USA is working to provide emergency relief and support to those affected by the devastation. Please consider donating to support our brothers and sisters in the midst of their suffering. A second collection will take place at parishes across the Archdiocese of Chicago this weekend for those affected by Hurricane Harvey.

Envelopes for Hurricane Harvey can be found on the table in back of church. If you cannot make a contribution today, take an envelope home and consider a donation in the next two weeks.

Cardinal DiNardo, the Archbishop of Galveston-Houston, asks that all parishioners offer the following prayers for the intention of those suffering in the flood-ravaged region.

“May God, the Lord of mercy and compassion, protect all who are still in danger, and bring safety to those who are missing.

May He care in a special way for those who were already homeless, or without support and resources, before the disaster.

We pray in thanksgiving for the first responders who are risking their lives to save others at this very moment.

We include in our intentions the everyday heroes reaching out to help their neighbors in need, those who, like the Good Samaritan, cannot walk by a person in need without offering their hand in aid.

Amen.”
We are very grateful to all who donated to the 2017 St. Barbara School Annual Appeal. We thank all who support our mission by making St. Barbara School a charitable priority in their life. Because of the support of so many, we were able to purchase flat screen monitors for all classrooms, upgrade our laser printers, purchase new laptops for teachers, update textbooks, and purchase new Spanish books for our Kindergarten through Eighth grade students. Your generosity in the form of an Annual Appeal gift remains a vote of confidence in our efforts to provide the very best in Catholic Education for the children of St. Barbara School. Thank you!

Due to an error in the publication of last week’s bulletin, some names were omitted. We have reprinted the entire list. We regret this error.

**2017 DONORS**

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**Parents in need of service hours:** Volunteer kitchen and floor help for Thursday night Bingo is needed. If interested, please contact Jim Bertucci after Sunday 6:00 a.m. Mass, at Bingo on Thursday evenings, or call (312) 835-5411.
**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Saturday, September 9 - Vigil of the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 p.m. + Vernon Sandacz (John & Susan Adomaitis)
+ Daniel Kutansky (Alanna)
+ Stanley Piorecki (Ted Piorecki)
+ Sophie Rzasa (Brother, Stanley Rzasa)
+ Matthew Rekar (Wife)
+ Robert Godinez (Isabelle Godinez)
+ Manuel Garcia (Val Garcia)
+ Dave “Pa” & “Gramma” Geri Kaput (Grandkids)
+ Birth. Rem.: Anita Mikesh (Daughter, Denise and Family)

Divine Mercy for All (Parishioner)

**Sunday, September 10 - Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

6:00 a.m. All Parishioners, Living & Deceased
+ Norbert Rolek (Rolek Family)
+ 1st Ann.: Loretta Keslinke
+ Donald Rolek (Theresa Oleszkiewicz)
Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)
9:30 a.m. + Mary Diaz DeLeon (Family)
+ Nick Paolino (Wife, Mary)
11:30 a.m. + John Kutyba (Victoria Skala)
+ Wanda Serafini (Son, Gerard)
+ Sherold Mazarka (Virginia Pienta)

**Monday, September 11 - Weekday**

8:30 a.m. + Mary Wacławek (Judy Lukwinski)

**Tuesday, September 12 - Weekday; The Most Holy Name of Mary**

6:00 p.m. + Alfred Helma (Ed & B. Glabicki)
+ In Thanksgiving to Sr. Michaeline (Ed & B. Glabicki)

**Wednesday, September 13 - St. John Chrysostom**

8:30 a.m. + 13th Ann.: Sophie Lukwinski (Family)
+ Ted and Ann Glowacki (Family)

**Thursday, September 14 - The Exaltation of the Cross**

8:30 a.m. + 15th Ann.: Rev. Julius Walz

**Friday, September 15 - Our Lady of Sorrows**

8:30 a.m. Health Bless.: Ed & B. Glabicki (Diana Ramos)

**Saturday, September 16 - Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian**

8:30 a.m. + All Souls’ Day Remembrance

**Saturday, September 16 - Vigil of the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 p.m. + Schipiour Family
+ Joseph Piorecki (Ted Piorecki)
+ Matthew Rekar (Family)
+ John Radivoy (Mary Novak)
+ Geri & David Kaput (Arlene & Cliff Whitehouse)
+ Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)

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**Weekly Collection - September 2 - 3**

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**Votives & Vigil Lights:** $199.51

**July Give Central:**
- 1st: $1,955.00
- 2nd: $365.00

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**Liturgical Ministers**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH**

5:00 p.m.
Altar Servers: L. Kwiatkowski, D. Kwiatkowski, J. Kwiatkowski, J. P. Kwiatkowski
Eucharistic Ministers: A. Skokal, B. Rekar
Lectors: C. Hailer, D. Hailer

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH**

6:00 a.m.
Altar Server: G. Vanderford
Eucharistic Ministers: S. Guest, J. Balasa
Lector: J. Bertucci

9:30 a.m.
Altar Servers: J. Castaneda, E. Castaneda, L. Castaneda, R. Cabrera
Eucharistic Ministers: F. Cabrera, J. Lukwinski
Lectors: Sr. K. McNulty, H. Diaz DeLeon

11:30 a.m.
Altar Servers: E. Raya, A. Calderon, N. Calderon, L. Calderon
Eucharistic Ministers: B. Pienta, D. Ramos
Lectors: B. Pienta, E. Raya, Jr.

**Sunday, September 17 - Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

6:00 a.m. + Joseph & Mary Dyjak (Mr. & Mrs. W. Webb)
+ Barbara Czerniak (Terri Rolek)
+ Birth. Rem.: Valerie Jedresik (Therese Ryndak)
+ Donald Rolek (Tony & Irene Pretnik)
9:30 a.m. All Parishioners, Living and Deceased
+ Ruben Velazquez (Family)
11:30 a.m. + Birth. Rem.: Vernon Sandacz (John & Susan Adomaitis)
+ Joe Kostecka (M. Korso)
+ Frances Mazarka (Virginia Pienta)
Baptisms: Parents must be registered practicing parishioners and attend a baptismal preparation session before a baptism will be scheduled. Call the rectory office for further information.

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.

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. Notify the Parish Office when this service is needed.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a program for anyone inquiring and seeking information about entering the Catholic faith.

Weddings: Weddings need to be scheduled at least six months in advance. Couples are reminded to secure the Church date before the reception hall.

Moving/New Cell #: Please contact the rectory with address change or telephone change.

Please pray for those homebound, hospitalized and in need of continued prayers...


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MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY LITURGIES
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 6:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY LITURGIES
8:30 a.m.: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday; 6:00 p.m.: Tuesday

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION
6:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted

CONFESSION
Saturday 3:45-4:30 p.m.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS
Mass at 8:30 a.m., followed by a short period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Evening Mass at 6:00 p.m., followed by Exposition and Adoration, concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:30 p.m.

THE ROSARY
Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. before the 6:00 p.m. Mass, and on Sunday at 5:30 p.m. before the 6:00 a.m. Sunday Mass.

OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Wednesday, Friday: 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; 1:30-4:00 p.m. The office is closed on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.