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

The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nov. 12 2017

Stay awake,
for you know neither the day nor the hour.

— Matthew 25:13
**School Mission Statement**

*We are* ....a Catholic elementary school, a diverse community of students and staff, rooted in faith and nurtured through prayer, sacrament, and liturgy.

*We believe* ....in the uniqueness of each student, provide quality education and skills necessary to ensure success, encourage individual leadership, and promote a family spirit.

*We prepare* .... our students for the future through global awareness, involvement in the local community, and service to St. Barbara parish.

*We aspire* .... to have our students remain faith-filled followers of Jesus Christ.

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**DESIGNER PURSE NIGHT BINGO**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12th**

Our annual Designer Purse Bingo takes place in the lower hall of the school on Saturday, November 25th. Games begin at 6:30 pm and doors open at 4:00 pm. Bingo winners receive their choice of designer purses on display. Purses are original designer purses purchased from Carson’s. (They are **not** knock-offs.) Advance admittance price is $25; tickets purchased at the door are $30.

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**Activities This Week**

Sun., Nov. 12 - Sports Team Mass (Volleyball/Basketball); 9:30 am
- Heritage Mass followed by hospitality in the gym; 11:30 am

Tues., Nov. 14 - CAPS Mtg. in Lower Hall; 6:30 pm
- St. Barbara KC’s Council Mtg.; 7:30 pm

Wed., Nov. 15 - Men’s Choir Rehearsal; 7:00 pm

Sun., Nov. 19 - Arch. Quigley KC’s Corporate Communion Mass; 9:30 am
- Men’s Choir Sings at Mass; 9:30 am

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**HERITAGE MASS**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12th**

11:30 AM

We will celebrate our fifth annual multi-lingual Heritage Mass at the 11:30 am Mass today. After Mass, we will assemble in the Auditorium for hospitality.

Please join us for this joyous occasion, and bring a friend.

**Hope to see YOU there!**

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**SCHOOL WISH LIST**

St. Barbara School will be purchasing items for our STEM Science Program for grades 5-8. We will be purchasing new lab equipment as well as textbook curriculum resources. If you would like to donate to this program or obtain more information about this program, please contact the school principal, Mrs. Nolazco, at (312) 326-6243 or by email at nnolazco@stbarbarachicago.org

The school would like to thank an anonymous donor for a generous donation of $500 to purchase new Balance Scales for the lab.

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**CAPS MEETING THIS TUESDAY AT 6:30 pm**

Did you know the 9th District has a new Police Commander? The new head of the 9th District is Commander Randall (Randy) Darlin.

Find out about this and other pertinent information regarding our neighborhood by attending the 9th District CAPS meeting, which will take place in our lower hall on Tuesday, November 14th at 6:30 pm. Besides discussing recent crimes in the area, this month’s meeting will focus on **Security Cameras**.

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Man’s way leads to a hopeless end —

God’s way leads to an endless hope.
Dear People of St. Barbara,

In today’s Gospel, I don’t think that the five virgins were wise and the other five were foolish. Simply, five of them had only knowledge and the other ones had knowledge, wisdom and prudence. The five who were considered foolish knew exactly how the lamps worked; the five wise ones were subconsciously feeling that they needed something more. So five of them had knowledge, and the other five had wisdom.

Because we often think that knowledge is everything — that universities and schools are our future. But very often it’s that people gain more knowledge, but less and less wisdom. We are often surprised that our grandmothers, who were almost all uneducated, had a lot of wisdom. But when we think that this generation built churches and our grandmothers spent a lot of time inside the churches praying, we will understand why they have a lot of wisdom in spite of having little knowledge.

St. Charbel, who lived in the 19th century in Lebanon, said, “Base every knowledge on Christ. Everything else will destroy you. Knowledge without the spirit is ignorance. If we will build only based on knowledge, we will collapse, and the collapse will be huge.”

And this is true. When we look at the history of the world, look at the Roman Empire. It was strong; they had everything — the arts, architecture, water systems which still work today, but everything was built only on knowledge and it collapsed. When we look at the Communist Empire, it was strong and it seemed like it was unshakeable; however, one day a cardinal from Poland came and, after a couple of years, the huge Communist system collapsed.

We have to remember that, if we persist in looking down on the earth, on what is only material, sooner or later we become dust. The wise and prudent human being looks to the heavens until he will achieve it.

In the first reading, we heard about wisdom from the Book of Wisdom. Farther on, the Book of Wisdom says, “incorruptibility makes one close to God; thus the desire of Wisdom leads up to the kingdom.” (4:19-20).

Today after the 11:30 am Heritage Mass, we will have hospitality in the school auditorium. Please join us to view some exhibits of the customs, traditions and food of our various ethnic countries. I hope to see you there.

Fr Andrzej

OFFERTORY GIFT BEARERS

If a Mass is being said for a special intention and you would like to take up the gifts at the Offertory, please let the ushers know. They are always looking for volunteers to take up the gifts.

Archdiocese of Chicago
Annual Catholic Appeal

October 19, 2017 Report

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Because payments have exceeded our goal, all additional funds are returned to our parish for our use. Thank you for your support of St. Barbara Parish.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)

“Learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow.” —Isaiah 1:17

CCHD empowers the poor by funding organizations that:
- Equip residents to address violence in their neighborhoods
- Secure protections for vulnerable workers
- Defend the rights of seniors, immigrants, and those with Disabilities

Weekday Masses
Monday through Thursday—CHAPEL
Friday, Saturday and Sunday Masses—CHURCH
**CHOR NEWS**
**SING! SING! SING!**

**ST. BARBARA CHOIR**
**STARTED ITS NEW SEASON REHEARSALS!!!!!!**

WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS.
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO OBSERVE A REHEARSAL FIRST, JUST STOP BY BETWEEN 7 P.M. AND 8:30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY.
ENTER THROUGH THE SIDE DOOR BETWEEN THE CHURCH AND RECTORY
THE CHOIR SINGS AT THE 11:30 A.M. SUNDAY MASSES AND ON ALL HOLY DAYS.

**ST. BARBARA PARISH COUNCIL**
The St. Barbara Parish Council consists of members of St. Barbara who help advise Fr. Arthur and support him in matters regarding the needs and concerns of our parish. If you think you would like to join the Parish Council or you know of someone whom you think would be a great addition, please make Fr. Arthur or Fr. Andrzej aware of your interest.

**HOLY COMMUNION**
If you find it difficult to walk to the front of the Church to receive Holy Communion, please notify one of the ushers before Mass that you would like a priest to bring Communion to you.

**MOTHER TERESA OF CALCUTTA EXHIBIT AT ST. GABRIEL**
St. Gabriel will be presenting an exhibit of over 75 full color panels of the life of Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Come and explore this Saint’s life and ministry, in order to grow in love, experience God’s mercy in your life, and ask her intercession for your prayer intentions.

A first class relic of Mother Teresa will be part of this exhibit. The exhibit will be available to the public on Saturday, November 18th following the 4:30 pm Mass and Sunday, November 19th after the 9:00 and 11:00 am Masses.

The exhibit will be available during the week by appointment only through November 20th. For more information, contact Charlotte Galey at St. Gabriel Parish, 4522 S. Wallace Avenue (773-268-9595).

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE**
We at the St. Vincent de Paul Society cannot perform miracles, but we can help out those less fortunate.

How? With your help, by donating to our food pantry. Here’s a short list of some suggestions:

- Canned goods, soups, fruits, vegetables, fish, meats, etc.
- Dry products: crackers, pastas, rice, beans, potatoes, etc.

These are just a few of the more popular items. Please use your judgment, but nothing that is perishable.

This campaign begins on Saturday, November 18, 2017 until Sunday, November 26, 2017. Bins will be available in the rear of the church for your convenience.

Out of ideas? A monetary gift is always appreciated. Envelopes are located on the table in back of church.

We thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation. God bless you and your family.

Have a Blessed Thanksgiving!

**Are you a registered parishioner?** If not, please consider registering. Please stop by the parish office Monday - Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. or speak with Fr. Arthur or Fr. Andrzej after Mass.
School Happenings  
(School Website: www.stbarbaraschool.org)

The Stock Market Project

As part of our partnership with Big Shoulders, our eighth grade class is participating in the Stock Market Project. Volunteers from Madison Dearborn Partners meet with our eighth grade students monthly to instruct them in financial literacy. At the beginning of the project, the class is given $3,000 and they select stocks to invest their "money" in and then they learn how to manage said monies. The project is also monitored weekly as our school is in competition with other schools throughout the Archdiocese. At the end of the project, any profits that exceed the $3,000 initially invested are divided out equally among the eighth grade students and they receive this as a dividend at their eighth grade awards night ceremony.

All Souls Day

To commemorate All Souls Day, students made "Día de los Muertos" masks. They also reflected on the importance of remembering and honoring their loved ones who have passed.

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.
Saturday, November 11 - Vigil of the Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 p.m. + Sophie Rzasa (Rzasa Family)
+ Matthew Rekar (Family)
+ Bernie Domagala (Casimir Nowak & Family)
+ Frank and Freida Goetz (Adrian and Karen Goetz & Family)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)

Sunday, November 12 - Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
6:00 a.m. + Donald Rolek (Jane Krzyzanski)
Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)
9:30 a.m. All Parishioners, Living & Deceased Sports Teams’ Family Mass (Volleyball/Basketball)
+ Mary Diaz DeLeon (Family)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)
11:30 a.m. Heritage Mass
+ Bernice Glabicki (Ed & B. Glabicki)
+ Catherine Piorecki (Ted Piorecki)
Health Blessings: Mitchell & Dennis Pienta (Virginia Pienta)

Monday, November 13 - St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
8:30 p.m. + The Mezydlo Family: John, Genevieve, Genevieve(Jean), Aloysius, and Eleanore

Tuesday, November 14 - Weekday
6:00 p.m. Health Blessings: K. Frenzel (Spalla Family)
8:30 a.m. + John Kutyba (Victoria Skala)
Birthday Rem.: John Malone (Family)

Wednesday, November 15 - St. Albert the Great
8:30 a.m. + John Kutyba (Victoria Skala)
+ Birthday Rem.: John Malone (Family)

Thursday, November 16 - St. Margaret of Scotland and St. Gertrude
8:30 a.m. + Adele Terry (Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Nawracaj)

Friday, November 17 - St. Elizabeth of Hungary
8:30 a.m. Health Blessings: Kathy Egle (Spalla Family)

Saturday, November 18 - Weekday
8:30 a.m. All Souls’ Day Remembrance
+ Bernice Nawracaj (Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Nawracaj)

Saturday, November 18 - Vigil of the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 p.m. + Dave & Geri Kaput (Holy Name Society)
+ Dolores Pazdro (Virginia Pienta)
+ Birthday Rem.: Eugene Gembara (Family)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente & Family)

Sunday, November 19 - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
6:00 a.m. + Jozef & Marija Dujak (Therese Ryndak)
+ Don “Speedy” Rolek (Renee Zerda)
+ Rita Suriano (Terri Rolek)

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Weekly Collection - Nov. 4th - 5th

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH
5:00 p.m.
Altar Servers: Q. Do, A. Lemke, M. Lemke, X. Lopez
Eucharistic Ministers: A. Skokal, B. Rekar
Lectors: D. Hailer, C. Hailer

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH
6:00 a.m.
Altar Server: G. Vanderford
Eucharistic Ministers: S. Guest, J. Balasa
Lector: J. Bertucci
9:30 a.m.
Altar Servers: Ellie Cabrera, Emma Cabrera, R. Cabrera, J. Gonzalez
Eucharistic Ministers: F. Cabrera, J. Lukwinski
Lectors: K. Ricci, M. Worth
11:30 a.m.
Altar Servers: L. Kwaitkowski, D. Kwaitkowski, J. Kwaitkowski
Eucharistic Ministers: H. Alonzo, A. Alonzo
Lectors: E. Pollock, H. Alonzo

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Sunday, November 19 - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 a.m. Mary Diaz DeLeon (Family)
+ Nick Paolino (Mary Paolino)
11:30 a.m. All Parishioners, Living & Deceased
+ Joe Kostecka (M. Korso)
+ Ed Helma (Ed & B. Glabicki)
+ Joseph Piorecki (Ted Piorecki)
+ Maria Ciepiela (Maria Sraga, Daughter)
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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Sr. Citizens Center: (312) 225-2108

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 a.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.