Sing Praise and Thanks to God!
ST. BARBARA PARISH
2859 South Throop Street
Chicago, Illinois 60608

The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 19, 2017

“Blessed are you who fear the Lord.”
— Psalm 128:1a

Fr. Artur, Fr. Andrzej and the staff of St. Barbara Parish wish everyone a very happy Thanksgiving. It’s a day for celebrating with family and a day for relaxing. Don’t eat too much turkey and pumpkin pie, and don’t watch too much football. However, DO begin your day by thanking God for all your blessings by attending Mass in Church at 9:00 a.m.

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.

DESIGNER PURSE NIGHT BINGO
THIS SATURDAY
Our annual Designer Purse Bingo takes place in the lower hall of the school this 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.

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 will continue until Sunday, November 26, 2017. Bins are 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. A special collection will be taken up on Thanksgiving Day to help fund our food pantry.

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

Have a Blessed Thanksgiving!
FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK:

My Brothers and Sisters,

On this week before Thanksgiving Day, we gather together as a parish and as a nation to thank God for all of the good He has done for us. Most readings from the Gospel speak of gratitude to God. But, in order to be grateful to God, we must first have faith.

God calls us to a life of faith and gratitude. St. Therese of Lisieux commented once in a letter to her sister Celine: “What most draws down graces from our dear Lord is gratitude, for if we thank Him for a gift, He is touched and hurries to give us ten more. And if we thank Him again with the same sincerity, what an incalculable multiplication of graces!”

On this Thanksgiving Day, I would like to invite you, my dear friends, to ask Jesus for the gift of faith and gratitude, so that your lives may be filled with God’s grace, peace, joy, and love.

My brothers and sisters, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving. Both Fr. Andrzej and I reassure you of our prayers. We ask God to bless you and keep you and your families.

Have a wonderful and Blessed Thanksgiving!

Fr. Arthur

Wish List: As Thanksgiving is upon us, most of us take the time to give our homes a major cleaning and decorating for the upcoming Christmas season. So, too, it is with the Church. The church carpet desperately needed to be cleaned, as did the parish office carpeting and the rug in the Parish Center leading to the chapel. This past week, the above mentioned carpeting was cleaned. The total cost for this cleaning was $985.

Also, many of you have noticed that the church was colder than normal the past couple of weeks. After several days of work by our boiler company, it was determined that the flame eye controls needed to be repaired. Because our boilers are no longer new, unfortunately the problems that occur are sometimes cost-prohibitive. However, in order to keep the church and school warm, repairs needed to be done. Cost of repairing this equipment was approximately $5,500.

If anyone is interested in donating toward these two projects, please see Fr. Arthur or Fr. Andrzej. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)

Collection This Weekend

“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

ALL SOULS’ INTENTIONS

Please place All Souls’ Intention envelopes either in this Sunday’s collection or return to the rectory by Tuesday, November 21st. We would like to include the list in next week’s bulletin.
CHOIR 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.

LADIES’ GUILD MEETING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH

The Ladies’ Guild will meet on Monday, November 27th, at 7:00 pm. The main topic of discussion will be the St. Barbara Teacher Appreciation Dinner, which will be held on Friday, December 15th following the Annual Christmas Concert.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY NEWS

The Holy Name Society held their monthly meeting on Friday, November 10th. The “100 Club” Winners were as follows: 1st prize: Ed Glabicki; 2nd prize: Jen Angieks; 3rd prize: A to Z; 4th prize: Cis Krok; 5th prize: Tony S.

Our next monthly meeting will be held on Friday, December 1st, at 7:00 pm. Election of officers will take place at this meeting.

Purse Bingo Is Coming!!!

This Saturday, November 25th
Advance Tickets: $25.00
Tickets at the Door: $30.00

Purse Bingo Is Coming!!!

Kate - $804
Hot Ball and Emerald Club

Peggy
$500 Coverall

ANNUAL TOY DRIVE

Our annual toy drive will take place from Sunday, December 3rd through Sunday, December 10th. Catholic Charities needs help in collecting toys for some needy boys and girls who might not get a present for Christmas.

Some ideas: puzzles, books, dolls, trucks and games. Unwrapped toys can be placed in the bins in the rear of the church.

Thank you for helping a child have a Merry Christmas!
School Happenings
(School Website: www.stbarbaraschool.org)

Veterans’ Day Assembly

On 11/8/17, the school held a Veterans’ Day Assembly to honor all veterans of the armed forces. Keynote speakers included Mr. James Balcer (Marines), Mr. David Czarnecki (Navy), Mr. Luis Jimenez (Marines) and Mr. Robert Harrison (Army). The school was also honored to have the Air Force Academy HS Color Guard and members of the Illinois Patriot Guard in attendance. Thank you to all veterans for your service to our country!

Shadow Days at McAuley!
7th & 8th graders, don't forget to register to shadow at Mother McAuley! The last day to shadow for the fall semester is December 1!

Grammar School Basketball Night
Thursday, November 30, 2017
6:00 p.m.
Mother McAuley Athletic Center
All grammar school girls are invited to watch as the Mighty Macs take on Lincoln-Way Central! Enjoy free admission to the games & join us for pizza with the team after!

"One Last Look" Open House
Thursday, November 30, 2017
6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
Presentation at 6:15 p.m.
Join us for "one last look" at Mother McAuley before the Entrance Exam taking place on December 2, 2017.

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 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)
Health Blessings: Casimira Nowak (Adrian and Karen Goetz & Family)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)

**Sunday, November 19 - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

6:00 a.m. + Jozef & Marija Dyjak (Therese Ryndak)
+ Don “Speedy” Rolek (Renee Zerda)
+ Rita Suriano (Terri Rolek)
+ 100th Birthday Rem.: Joanne Glaser (Bertucci Family)
+ 100th Birthday Rem.: Anna Kardos (Bertucci Family)
Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)
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)
Health Blessings: John Lyons (Ed & B. Glabicki)

**Monday, November 20 - Weekday**

8:30 p.m. + Anne Parulski (Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Nawracaj)

**Tuesday, November 21 - Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

6:00 p.m. + Birthday Rem.: Rose Mary Lodding (Family)

**Wednesday, November 22 - St. Cecilia**

8:30 a.m. + Florence Domagala (Brother, Michael)

**Thursday, November 23 - Thanksgiving Day**

9:00 a.m. + Albina Adomaitis (John & Susan Adomaitis)

**Friday, November 24 - St. Andrew Dung-Lac**

8:30 a.m. + Stanley Slotarski (Family)

**Saturday, November 25 – St. Catherine of Alexandria**

8:30 a.m. Fathers’ Day Remembrance

**Saturday, November 25 - Vigil of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

5:00 p.m. All Parishioners, Living & Deceased
+ Dave & Geri Kaput (Family)
+ Ann.: Aniceta Kangleon Galdo (M. Saludo)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)

**Sunday, November 26 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

6:00 a.m. Health Blessings: Michael Gasior (M. Gasior)
Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)

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**Weekly Collection - Nov. 11th - 12th**

- **Sunday Envelopes (124)**: $2,203.50
- **Sunday Loose**: $604.86
- **Children's Envelopes (16)**: $62.00
- **Utility Bill (65)**: $754.51
- **Total Collection**: $3,624.87

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD**

9:00 A.M.
Lector: B. Pienta

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH**

5:00 p.m.
Altar Servers: G. Godinez, I. Echevarria, A. Torres, A. Gorz
Eucharistic Ministers: A. Skokal, B. Carden
Lectors: L. Saletta, G. Dumelle

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH**

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

9:30 a.m.
Altar Servers: D. Prieto, V. Mack, N. Perez, M. Arteaga
Eucharistic Ministers: F. Cabrera, J. Lukwinski
Lectors: B. Pienta, L. Szczechanski

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**September Give Central**:

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**Votives & Vigil Lights**: $229.50

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**Sunday, November 26 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

9:30 a.m. + Rose Furmanek (Patti and Phil Grzenia)
Health Blessings: Ed Glos (Allen Novak)
11:30 a.m. + Tom Potthoff (Ed & B. Glabicki)
+ 30th Ann.: Martin Becatti (Daughter)
+ Stanley Piorecki (Ted Piorecki)
Health Blessings: Maryeve Lerner (V. 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:
This 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...
