Not by bread alone does one live, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of the Lord—Deuteronomy 8:3b

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Mar. 18 2018

I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

—Jeremiah 31:33
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.

Today at the 9:30 am 4th Grade Mass, we welcome Fr. Jason Malave, Cardinal Cupich’s delegate for Renew My Church, to St. Barbara. Many of you may recognize Fr. Malave, as he is often the celebrant at the Mass from Mercy Home on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. Fr. Malave is an excellent speaker and homilist. In all likelihood, Fr. Jason will visit the Easter Bunny Breakfast, which follows the Mass. Please be sure to say hello to Fr. Jason.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY NEWS

At our meeting on March 9th, the following “100 Club” winners were announced:
1st prize: George Vanderford; 2nd prize: Tony F.; 3rd prize: George, Jr.; 4th prize: My 3 Angels; 5th prize: Mrs. Arlene Whitehouse.

The Holy Name Spring Dinner Dance will be held on Saturday, April 7th, The doors will open at 6:00 pm and dinner will be served at approximately 6:30 pm. This year, for your dancing enjoyment, we will again present the StingRays. Tickets are on sale in back of church, or from Phil Whitehouse or Tony Skokal.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

 DANIEL PAKULA
Son of parishioner Virginia Pakula. Please keep the Pakula family in your prayers.

Activities This Week

Sun., Mar. 18 - 4th Grade Family Mass w/Fr. Jason Malave
- Easter Bunny Breakfast follows 9:30 am Mass

Tues., Mar. 20 - St. Barbara Seniors Mtg.; 11:30 am - Evening Mass; 6:00 pm - Lent with Soup and Spiritual Book Mtg.; 6:45 pm

Wed., Mar. 21 - Finance Council Mtg.; 6:30 pm - Carnival Mtg.; 7:00 pm

Thurs., Mar. 22 - BSJ Mtg.; 6:30 pm - “Dine-Out” Night @ Connie’s

Fri., Mar. 23 - Lenten Evening Mass followed by Stations of the Cross

Sun., Mar. 25 - Baby Bottle Project Ends

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Due to the Easter holiday, our bulletin needs to be published earlier than normal. Therefore, any articles for the Easter bulletin need to be submitted by March 21st.

Thank you for your cooperation.
FROM THE DESK OF THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR

LAST WORDS FROM THE CROSS

“It is finished”

It is finished...Jesus fulfilled what God announced in the book of Genesis: “I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike at your head while you strike at his heel.”

Jesus conquers all of Satan’s power. Jesus takes into His heart all of Satan’s hatred toward people, all his lies and anger. Satan has lost power over human hearts. He knows that his time is over and people are protected by God’s love and will never become his prey.

It is finished. It means that Jesus experienced all human feelings. He was hungry and cold; He laughed and cried; He loved and experienced what it means to be betrayed. He was acclaimed the king, and was called Beelzebub and a friend of sinners. They wanted to stone Him and begged Him to cure their sick. Jesus experienced every human condition but sin. Jesus has no sin, but He feels all the effects of it...amazing loneliness and moments when He felt that God’s love was taken away. He cried out, “God, my God”, why have you forsaken me?” But now all this is finished and the salvation of the world is a reality.

It is finished means that I am saved. This is a beautiful feeling knowing that my whole life is in God’s hands. Jesus gives His life because of His love for me. Now, nothing can separate me from the love of God. Every sin can be forgiven, every infidelity pardoned.

For me, Jesus became weak and became nothing in the face of the world so that I could be free. In my sin, in my confusion and fear, I can feel that I am not abandoned...that I am loved.

Fr. Andrzej

LENTEN PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

Weekday Morning Mass:
Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday — 8:30 am in the Chapel; Friday and Saturday — 8:30 a.m. in the Church

Weekday Evening Mass:
Tuesday in the Chapel and Friday in Church; both at 6:00 p.m. Please note that there will be both a morning and evening Mass on Fridays in Lent.

Stations of the Cross:
Fridays at 6:30 p.m. in Church
Stations will follow the evening Mass.

Lenten Sharing: Soup and Spiritual Book
Lent is here. We invite you to our Lenten simple supper of soup and bread shared with others interested in deepening their relationship with God through the reading of a spiritual book chosen by Fr. Andrzej. The sessions will be held on Tuesdays after the 6:00 pm Mass.

If you decide to participate in these spiritual book sessions, please sign up on the sheet on the ushers’ table so that we may know how many booklets to prepare and also how big the pot of soup should be.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is said before all 6:00 pm Tuesday evening Masses, after the 6:00 pm First Friday Mass during the Holy Hour and after the 11:30 am Sunday Mass. If you attend the 11:30 am Mass and decide not to stay for the chaplet, please exit church quietly.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

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.

Weekday Masses
Monday through Thursday—CHAPEL
Friday, Saturday and Sunday Masses—CHURCH
CAPS MEETING

The March CAPS meeting was held in our school hall on Tuesday, March 13th. At the meeting, we were informed of the happenings on Throop Street earlier that afternoon.

Also, at that meeting, Kimberly Collins, a U.S. Postal Inspector came to the meeting and spoke about preventing mail fraud. Literature regarding mail fraud was distributed.

The next CAPS meeting will be held at the 9th District Police Station on Tuesday, April 10th, at 6:30 pm.

USHERS NEEDED!

We are in desperate need of ushers. If you are in church and see that there are only one or two ushers, please volunteer to help out.

DINE-OUT NIGHT THIS THURSDAY

This Thursday is Dine-Out Night at Connie’s Pizza. A portion of your purchase goes to help support our school. Be sure to mention St. Barbara when placing your order. This applies to dine-in, carryout or delivery.

Caregiver Needed: Elderly lady who lives in Clarendon Hills is in need of a caregiver able to provide care 24/7. If you know of someone interested in this situation, please call the rectory (312) 842-7979.

Thursday, March 7, 2018
THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Congratulations to our 2nd grade class for receiving their First Reconciliation. The wonderful ceremony was led by Fr. Andrzej and was attended by family and friends. Students acted out the Gospel reading of the Prodigal Son!

"So be gracious to me Lord, and may the light of Your face shine on me once more, in Jesus name I pray."
Electronic giving through GiveCentral.org is the safe and secure way to make your weekly donations to St. Barbara. Donate via credit card or electronic check (ACH). Sign up by visiting St. Barbara’s home WEB page and follow the prompts.

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### Mass Intentions for the Week

#### Saturday, March 17 - Vigil of the Fifth Sunday of Lent
5:00 p.m. + 77th Birthday Rem.: Geri Kaput (Family)
  + Casie Nowak (B. Rekar)
  + Birthday Rem.: Gertrude Mierzwiniski
Health Blessings: Bev Pirelli (St. Barbara Thursday Night Bingo)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)

#### Sunday, March 18 - The Fifth Sunday of Lent
6:00 a.m. + Donald Rolek (Diane Rzasa)
Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)
9:30 a.m. 4th Grade Family Mass
  + Richard Alvarado (Christine Krupa)
11:30 a.m. + Catherine Piorecki (Ted Piorecki)
  + David Maeshiba (Gloria Paradiso)
  + Bruno Synal, Jr. (Rose Stronczek)
  + Mike Perez (St. Barbara Thursday Night Bingo)
Divine Mercy for All (J. Lukwinski)

#### Monday, March 19 - St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30 a.m. + Birthday Rem.: Rose Furmanek (Sonny Furmanek)
In Thanksgiving to St. Joseph (Maria Saludo)

#### Tuesday, March 20 - Lenten Weekday
6:00 p.m. + Bill Bartkowski (Ed & B. Glabicki)

#### Wednesday, March 21 - Lenten Weekday
8:30 a.m. + Edward & Rose Ciz

#### Thursday, March 22 - Lenten Weekday
8:30 a.m. + Stanley Slotarski (Family)

#### Friday, March 23 - Lenten Weekday; St. Turibius
8:30 a.m. + Vetina Lotta (John & Susan Adomaitis)
6:00 p.m. + Sister Michaeline Oleszkiewicz (Family)

#### Saturday, March 24 - Lenten Weekday
8:30 a.m. Fathers’ Day Remembrance

#### Saturday, March 24 - Vigil of Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord
5:00 p.m. + Robert Baker
  + Casie Nowak (Dorothy Jalowiec)
  + Robert Beyer (Ed & B. Glabicki)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)

#### Sunday, March 25 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord
6:00 a.m. + Michael Semmler (Mr. & Mrs. Ken Ricci)
  + Robert Baker
Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)
9:30 a.m. + Mary Diaz DeLeon (Family)
  + Robert Beyer (Ed & B. Glabicki)
11:30 a.m. + Joseph Piorecki (Ted Piorecki)
  + Ted Napierkowski (Family)
  + Jim Spica (Irene Zima)

#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

**SATURDAY, MARCH 24TH**
5:00 p.m.
Altar Servers: L. Kwiatkowski, D. Kwiatkowski, J. Kwiatkowski, J. P. Kwiatkowski
Eucharistic Ministers: J. Lukwinski, R. Carden
Lectors: W. Podrazik, G. Dumelle

**SUNDAY, MARCH 25TH**
6:00 a.m.
Altar Servers: A. Calderon, L. Calderon, N. Calderon, V. Sandoval, A. Torres, P. Young
Eucharistic Ministers: H. Alonzo, A. Alonzo
Lectors: H. Alonzo, P. Saletta
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 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.